

When it comes to the architectural design of a new cultural and tourism center in Onalaska, city leaders were not overly impressed by the two concept drawings presented recently. Members' comments ranged from it's not reflective of Native American culture to I want to be wowed. Mayor Mike Giese says they've always been like that.

The architects brought back revisions to their drawings and the business plan, which were both presented to the Onalaska Common Council for approval at last night's meeting. Giese says construction would start soon with the hopes it is done and the center opened by 2013.