

Center of the City Taskforce Meeting

11/25/19

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Public Comment

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Notes

[will provide written comments from last mtg]

Review Ground Rules and Purpose

Special Presentations

Doug Kelbaugh:

Laws of urban scaling:

Environmental paradox of cities

Urban Heat Island effect: nothing to do with Climate change

Albedo: lighter more reflective surfaces

Less waste heat: tailpipe emissions, air conditioning

Trees: city canopy goals

Dense walkable housing

Police Department:

Officer Jeff Roirk:

Community policing

Crime prevention through environmental design

Natural surveillance: eyes

Access control: landscaping, sidewalks

Activity support: playscape, legitimate users

Maintenance:

Territoriality: pride in ownership

Perception of an area vs realism

Broken windows theory: neglected areas invite crime

Liberty plaza: targeting behavior not people

Design elements: opening up sight lines, pea stones,

Liberty Plaza: raise up areas, remove concrete structures, programming

Information Sharing

Small working groups

Ann: Neighbor subgroup,

Other

What might final report look like

Alan: School of social work, how cultural conflicts in community could be healed in this space. Intergroup relations, clinical psychology. Subgroup formation.

Spent some time in Paris and Unesco site. How multiple cultures perceive each other.

Council Resolution

Moving forward on December 2 meeting. Revised version. If you have more feedback send it full council.

Carolyn: doesn't necessarily oppose any measures proposed but feels that it's getting ahead of the progress of this taskforce

Jeff: supports revenue from library lane, 2nd resolved clause. 4th resolved clause.

Norm: motion to recommend to council to postpone resolution until the taskforce has a chance to discuss it.

Alan: there's no reason for us to oppose any of the measures, they all relate to activity promoting

Feedback Strategy

Meghan: we need a separate meeting for feedback strategy

Carolyn: what is our analyzing strategy. Any kind of deep analysis is going to take time.

Norm: recommends that we all take a look at the data and each form an impression.

Carolyn: suggests that we all look at least the same section of the data

Meeting Schedule

Meghan: Next open house, January 15 6-8

Heather: three locations: city hall lobby, SPARK

Dean: should we allow for a public comment or town hall format?

Alan: was looking forward to town hall format and unearthing unheard voices. Minority voices, from NAACP, Asian student association, Native American associations

Carolyn: thought we were going to have some draft recommendations for people to react to

Meghan: we are coming to a point where we need to start drafting recommendations

Heather: community engagement toolkit that

Targeted Mailings:

Meghan: thank you John, Alan, Miles for putting this together

John: 6 panel: goals are to educate, invite, and inform

Alan: alterations made to 12 panel: at least 7 areas that we haven't addressed: gardens, children, technology...etc. We should invite people with common interests and facilitate working groups.

John: three strategies: 3% random of all wards, 5% random of all wards and neighbors, all homes

Hannah: surveys have addressed the 7 issue areas that haven't been directly addressed. Out of towners have participated.

Carolyn: concerned with our capacity to receive more input from more working groups

Ann: doesn't think mailer is going to compel people to participate in subgroups. Should spend money instead in putting an ad in the Observer, etc.

Norm: thinks people are more likely to read a 6 panel. Thinks its ready to go ASAP. We should be distributing it around town and doing targeted mailing (i.e. African American students, homeless community)

John: makes a motion to utilize 6 panel mailer, print 7500, mailout would be 6500 to targeted underrepresented stakeholders.

Public Comment:

Will Hathaway: intent of resolution is to give is a space to land. Nothing will happen until the new fiscal year, July 1. Some of the more specific items were drawn from a memo from city administrator to serve interim uses. WiFi is a form of activity supporting. Meant to start conversations with people who have to be involved regardless of your recommendations.

Doug Kelbaugh: Library Lane, it is possible to start a pedestrian way that connects from nickles arcade to train tracks. Exclusively pedestrian, and pretty straight.