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COMMITTEE FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT SPECIAL MEETING NOTES – September 15, 2025, 6 PM – 7:00 PM, Bolton Room/Webex

Members Present: Shannen Knight, Beau Genot, Holley DeShaw, and Vicki Olson

Members Absent: Charley Anderson, Kent Wyatt Council Liaison: Mary Baumgarner, Absent

Planning Commission

Liaison: Vice Chair Gary Walvatne, Absent

Staff Present: Danielle Choi, Community Relations Coordinator

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1. Call to Order

Chair Genot called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and roll was taken. Committee members Beau Genot, Shannen Knight, Holley DeShaw, Vicki Olson and staff liaison Ms. Choi were in attendance. Ms. Anderson, Mr. Wyatt, Planning Commission Liaison Gary Walvatne, and Council Liaison Mary Baumgarner were absent.

It was noted that the committee is short one member.

2. Approval of Agenda

Ms. Knight moved to approve the agenda and Ms. Olson seconded. The agenda was unanimously approved.

3. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

4. NAP Outreach Collaboration Discussion

Mr. Genot gave an overview of the July 24, 2025 NAP meeting which he attended. It was reported that the reception was a bit hostile. Mr. Genot made a request, as directed by council, that a joint meeting between the CCI and the NAP be scheduled. There were a few NAs that were interested. However, it was made clear by the person who was presiding over the meeting that they were not

interested in our assistance, the NAs were doing just fine and no more NAP meeting time would be spent discussing the matter.

An additional, unofficial meeting was held Sept. 12, 2025. Mr. Genot was invited to this meeting but at the last minute heard it had been cancelled, so he was not in attendance. He was informed after that meeting that it would be a good idea for the CCI to pivot from focusing on the NA issues and recruitment to focusing on emergency preparedness.

The members in attendance took issue with this request for several reasons including this is not what council instructed us to focus on. It was agreed that without direct instructions from council to re-focus, we would continue the mission given to us by council.

With this understanding, it was agreed that we would proceed with the NAs that want to work with us. This will in no way change our marketing and promotional engagement.

Focus items for future meetings include:

- Open Discussions with NAs that want to participate.
- Develop a marketing campaign to raise awareness of NAs
- Create better and more effective ways to communicate
- Outline how to engage with individual NAs given limited assistance from NAP
- Create4 a questionnaire for NAs to use to gather feedback from members regarding their thoughts on participation and involvement.

5. Adjournment

Chair Genot adjourned the meeting at 6:36pm