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COMMITTEE FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT MEETING NOTES – January 30, 2024

Members Present: Shannen Knight, Vicki Olson, Tanner Woody, Beau Genot, and

Charley Anderson

<u>City Council Liaison</u>: Mary Baumgardner

Staff Present: Darren Wyss, Planning Manager and Chris Myers, Associate Planner

<u>Consultant:</u> Matt Hastie, MIG Consulting

Staff Liaison: Darren Wyss dwyss@westlinnoregon.gov

1. Call to Order

Vice Chair Knight called the meeting to order and took roll.

2. Welcome New Members

New members Charley Anderson and Beau Genot introduced themselves.

3. Public Comment

None.

4. Approval of Meeting Notes: 11.28.2023

Vice Chair Knight asked for approval of the 11.28.23 meeting notes. Knight noted that there were only three members from the previous meeting in attendance at this meeting. The three members consented to the 11.28.23 meeting notes.

5. Discussion: Vision43 Community Engagement Plan

Associate Planner introduced the Vision43 project. The Highway 43 Land Use and Neighborhood Connectivity Plan will evaluate land uses adjacent to the corridor and recommend zoning changes, amended code language, and potential design standards. The Plan will also include an evaluation of pedestrian and bicycle connections to access the corridor from surrounding neighborhoods safely and recommend prioritized improvements and financing options to adopt into the West Linn Transportation System Plan (TSP). The goal is to create and adopt a plan that provides the opportunity to re-energize the corridor with a mix of housing types, workplaces, shops, and parks for people of all ages, incomes, and abilities.

Myers introduced the Community Engagement Plan (CEP) developed by the VISION43 project consulting firm (MIG) in collaboration with City staff. The purpose of the CEP is to ensure that all community members and critical organizations can provide input during the project. He emphasized the importance of inclusive participation and solicited input from the Committee for Community Involvement. Matt Hastie, MIG Consultant, discussed the details of the Plan. He highlighted key elements and strategies for engaging with

the community. Myers discussed the new community engagement platform that will be debuted for Vision 43.

Committee members engaged in a discussion regarding the proposed CEP. Points of discussion included:

- Clarification on the methods for reaching out to diverse segments of the community.
- Suggestions for leveraging existing community networks and resources.
- Consideration of potential barriers to participation and strategies for overcoming them.
- Identify key stakeholders and organizations that should be involved in the engagement process.

6. Recommendation: Vision43 Working Group Members

When revising the Comprehensive Plan, the CDC requires diverse viewpoints from the community. The CCI's task is to suggest the plan's purpose, goals, and appointees to a working group for City Council approval. To initiate discussions, staff has drafted goals and a purpose statement and compiled a list of potential appointees. Once the CCI makes its recommendation, the City Council will officially appoint the working group, tentatively scheduled for February 12, 2024.

The CCI previously reviewed this structure of the working group at the November 2023 CCI meeting. At that meeting, the CCI recommended adjustments to the structure to add more at large community members and fewer business/property owners. As a result of these changes, this list has expanded to 13 members.

The CCI:

- Reviewed the provided goal and purpose statement for the VISION43 Working Group.
- Considered the suggested list of individuals for membership in the working group.
- Discussed any additional considerations or recommendations regarding the formation of the VISION43 Working Group.

Knight moved to recommend the proposed members to the working group to the Council. Ayes: Knight, Fadenrecht, Olson, Woody, Genot, and Anderson. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. 6-0-0.

7. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Woody nominated Shannen Knight to serve as Chair and Vicki Olson to serve as Vice-Chair. **Ayes: Woody, Olson, Knight, Anderson and Genot. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. 5-0-0.**

8. CCI Announcements

Tanner Woody commented on the City Council communication goals for the CCI as discussed at the 2023 City Council retreat and public meeting law requirements for CCI members to communicate amongst themselves.

Knight wanted the CCI to focus on standard operating procedures and evaluate the engagement plan for the proposed Recreation Center.

9. Staff Announcements

Wyss discussed the upcoming CCI schedule that includes the Housing Production Strategy working group appointments.

10. Adjourn

Knight adjourned the meeting at 7:22 pm.