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COMMITTEE FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT
MEETING NOTES – February 27, 2024

Members Present: Shannen Knight, Vicki Olson, Beau Genot, Christina Fadenrecht,
Tanner Woody, Holly DeShaw, and Charley Anderson
City Council Liaison: Mary Baumgardner
Public Present: Gary Walvatne
Staff Present: Darren Wyss, Planning Manager

Staff Liaison: Darren Wyss dwyss@westlinnoregon.gov

- 1. Call to Order**
Chair Knight called the meeting to order and took roll.
- 2. Welcome New Members**
Holly DeShaw introduced herself.
- 3. Public Comment**
Gary Walvatne commented on his role as the Planning Commission representative to the CCI.
- 3. Approval of Meeting Notes: 01.30.2024**
Tanner Woody moved to approve the minutes with a correction. Vicki Olson seconded. **Ayes: Fadenrecht, Olson, Genot, DeShaw, Anderson, Woody, and Knight. Nays: None. Abstentions: None. 7-0-0.**
- 4. Discussion: Housing Production Strategy Project Working Group**
Planning Manager Darren Wyss discussed the formation of a Housing Production Strategy Working Group, which will work closely with the Planning Commission and City Council to develop effective policies and strategies to address housing needs in the City of West Linn. Consideration of the Working Group and Goals focused on representation from various organizations involved in housing or financing housing, considerations for equity, preservation, and conservation, concerns about restrictions on certain types of housing and their impact on neighborhoods, and limited resources for community engagement. The proposed membership includes affordable housing providers and potential community members. The project does not require code changes but is being brought to the Council for more input.

The Project Working Group will review materials and make recommendations to City staff and the project consultant team before the final draft of the Housing Production Strategy is taken to the City Council for adoption. The CCI's role in the process is to propose a purpose, set goals, and present a list of appointees to the City Council for approval.

CCI members supported the draft purpose statement for the Working Group.

The CCI recommended the following goals for the HPS Working Group:

1. Review draft documents and make recommendations
2. Facilitate meetings to be efficient and effective
3. Consider equity, preservation, and conservation in housing strategies (added by the CCI)
4. Review final draft Housing Production Strategy document
5. Make recommendation to City Council on final Housing Production Strategy

The CCI recommended the following membership to the HPS Project Working Group:

1. City Councilor
2. Planning Commissioner
3. Neighborhood Association Presidents Group
4. Clackamas County Health, Housing, and Human Services
5. Fair Housing Council of Oregon
6. Habitat for Humanity
7. Affordable Housing Provider
8. Local Development Representative (recommended to be a West Linn Community member)
9. Home Builders Association of Metro Portland
10. 2 Community-at-large members (added by the CCI)

Fadenrecht recommended that Proud Ground be considered for membership in the Working Group. She recommended that the affordable housing provider be focused on the types of housing that is needed in West Linn.

Members suggested seeking Community-at-large members through Facebook. Members recommended a teacher or younger person for the slots.

Community engagement was discussed although limited resources and time are available.

5. CCI Announcements

Woody asked about the outreach for the open position on the City Council.

6. Staff Announcements

Wyss discussed the upcoming CCI schedule. He noted that the Waterfront Planning Project Open House on March 9th at the library community room. The draft vision plan for the waterfront project is now available for comments on the city's website.

7. Adjourn

Knight adjourned the meeting at 7:05pm.