

Meeting Minutes – Housing Working Group

Date: February 14, 2018 Time: 9 AM – 11:00 AM

Location: Prior Lake City Hall – Parkview Conference

Work Group Members:

Deb Barber	Eric Gentry	Х	Michael Leek	х
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Staff Members:

Danielle Fox		Julie Siegert	
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Guests:

Lori Rathjen	Х	Tom Christie	Х
Lisa Freese	Χ	Bob Crawford	Χ
Kristin Gilbert	Χ		

Agenda Item 1: Introductions

Agenda Item 2: Steering Committee Update

- 1. Updates from the various work groups
- 2. Have conversations about the other organizations already in the community that we should be having to help expand network to include all interested parties in the work of the sub groups

Agenda Item 3: Workplan

- 1. 2018 work plan
 - a. See attached plan
- 2. Below are additions to the work plan and have been added to attached plan

3. Involve Businesses

- a. UPDATE
 - i. Employer Survey has been completed and data is now under review
- 4. Engaging Developers
 - a. UPDATES
 - b. We will push that to October 2018 as that is when developers need to be engaged in order to acquire land and be ready for 2019 Super RFP for Tax Credit housing
 - c. We need to be getter engaged after projects are funded and the projects go in front of committees for build permits
 - d. Weiss, Karl Sanderson (aka CoOp Developments), Beacon, Ron Clark, all mentioned as developers who do this type of work in the metro/state
- 5. Zoning and density
 - a. UPDATES
 - b. The higher the density the more affordable the units making them more attractive for funding
 - c. If Cities allow exceptions to the zoning density for units that are lower than market rate, you can control density but allow projects designed toward affordability to move forward
 - d. An exclusion for sub market rental projects make them more affordable
 - i. A city ordinance that would make an exception to raise the density if the project includes x number or x% affordable units.
 - ii. Attractive to market rate with some below market rate units
 - iii. Also attractive to tax credit properties
 - iv. Would typically need to be passed on the city level
 - e. Commercial zone are easiest to transition to high density as opposed to moving from low density housing to high density housing tends to have more push back
 - i. Example Village commons was zoned retail before moved to high density
- 6. Asset Mapping
 - a. No updates
- 7. Connections
 - Landlord engagement on best practices and design of new buildings with law enforcement and amenities need to be part of gaining local support of those concerned about crime

Agenda Item 4: Community Engagement (IZI)

- 1. Marnita's Table (IZI)
 - a. Mind storm questions (see handout)
 - i. Small Group brain storming
 - ii. What do we want feedback and more information from the participants
 - iii. Keep questions broad
 - iv. Do not hold assumptions within the question
 - b. March 20th 6-9 Shakopee Community Center
 - c. Invitation
 - i. Bottom Page 2
 - ii. For HOME a conversation and safe, stable, and affordable housing for all.
 - d. Key is focus on learning what safety, affordable, etc to the community vs what we think those are
 - e. Who are the invitations going out to and who are getting them out
 - i. Try to invite 1-3 colleagues to event

ii. Reach out by those who have contacts in the larger community

Agenda Item 4: Wrap-up

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Housing Vision Statement

Create housing options that give people in all life stages and of all economic means viable choices for safe, stable and affordable homes.

