

## Theme Team Meeting 2

October 22, 2013, 6:00-7:30 PM

Tualatin Heritage Center



**Topics: Sense of Community; Expanding the Range of “Things to Do”**

### Agenda

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**1. Summary of Changes from Meeting 1**

**2. Strategy-Action Revisions**

- Sense of Community
- Expanding the Range of Things to Do

**3. Next Steps**

- How to Stay Involved

### Notes

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## Preliminary Community Strategy and Action Concepts by Theme

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### Vision Topic: Sense of Community and Connectedness

*In Tualatin, people value opportunities to connect and interact. There is strong support for preserving Tualatin’s “small town” feel even as the city and Metro region grow up around them. In the future, residents look forward to expanded neighborhood gathering spaces, community events and more inclusive engagement of diverse populations.*

#### **Preliminary Strategies and Actions (2 strategies, 10 actions)**

Potential Strategies and Actions	Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (Strategy) Make it easier for people to gather and connect</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Facilitate personal connections for neighborhoods, including apartment residents</li> </ul>	Block party program; Night Out program; proactive outreach to high-density housing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Expand Tualatin’s social media presence and use of mobile technology as it evolves</li> </ul>	Use vehicle people are comfortable with, using at any given point in the future
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Create a community center than can accommodate more than 100 people</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Inventory and promote the availability of community centers and gathering places citywide</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Facilitate through policy, incentive and recruitment, the addition of more “third places” where people can meet outside of home and work</li> </ul>	In pursuit of a “village feel”
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (Strategy) Proactively engage diverse community groups in local events and decision-making and place-making</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Facilitate integration of different cultures and interests in Tualatin schools</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Establish a Task Force to develop a formal, sustained Latino outreach effort or program</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Engage and empower youth to get involved in and shape community decisions</li> </ul>	Track interests through Youth Survey
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Expand and promote volunteer opportunities and encourage participation from nontraditional audiences</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Unite churches, social service organizations, schools and other groups to work on common causes</li> </ul>	Like was done with Food Bank/Rolling Hills Church. Consider transportation support for seniors, youth in need as first initiative.

## Preliminary Community Strategy and Action Concepts by Theme

### Vision Topic: Expanding the Range of “Things to Do” in Tualatin

*People in Tualatin like to have fun, and they prefer to do it close to home. There is strong support for new activities, whether family venues like water parks and performing arts venues, or “after-work” destinations for young adults and people who work in Tualatin.*

#### Preliminary Strategies and Actions (2 strategies, 11 actions)

Potential Strategies and Actions	Notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (Strategy) Develop and promote more activities and activity access for all ages</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Expand the Farmers Market season and offerings as financially feasible</li> </ul>	Look at other Market models for best practice ideas
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Expand sports and recreational venues and activities for youth and adults</li> </ul>	Demand for variety of facilities: baseball fields, PickleBall courts, basketball courts, soccer fields (with artificial turf)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Host sports tournaments as facilities are added</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Create a formal multi-purpose community center</li> </ul>	Also described as a new cultural, arts and events center; interest in multi-generational center
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Expand after school programs and transportation access</li> </ul>	Especially on Fridays and holidays
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Build a water park and/or swimming pool destination</li> </ul>	Is this financially feasible? Who would be partner? Bowling alley also requested
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• (Strategy) Promote the city as a destination for unique activities and expand capacity to serve a growing population</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Expand retail, dining and nightlife places</li> </ul>	Includes recommendation to “re-imagine the vision for The Commons” (parking, access, boutique shops, events)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maintain existing and add new community events to bring people together</li> </ul>	e.g. A “Bite of Tualatin” hosted by City and Chamber
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Facilitate outdoor theatre performances in summer and fall</li> </ul>	Also interest in a formal Performing Arts Center and/or Children’s Museum
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Maximize use and access to river</li> </ul>	Could be part of “Trails Master Plan” (see Look and Feel)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Connect the trail from Brown’s Ferry to Community Park</li> </ul>	