



**OFFICIAL MINUTES FOR
TUALATIN TOMORROW ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AUGUST 3, 2016
TUALATIN POLICE DEPARTMENT
8650 SW TUALATIN RD.
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Present: Chair Candice Kelly
Councilor Frank Bubenik
Committee Member Ed Casey
Committee Member Larry McClure
Committee Member Linda Moholt
Committee Member Dana Terhune

Absent: Vice-Chair John Bartholomew
Committee Member Diana Emami
Committee Member Bethany Wurtz

Staff Present: Sara Singer, Vision Advisor

Visitors: Mayor Lou Ogden
Pastor Mark Began, Rolling Hills Community Church
Erin Crowley, Rolling Hills Community Church

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kelly called the meeting called to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Chair Kelly said the minutes would need to be tabled until a quorum was present to approve the June 1, 2016 meeting minutes.

3. COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

None.

4. OLD BUSINESS

a. America's Best Communities (ABC) Award Update

Committee Member Moholt shared an update on the makerspace implementation progress. She said the team has purchased the trailer, and they are currently looking at carts to use for the activities and equipment. She said they have a curriculum specialist with the Library assisting with the development of courses and programs. She said the team is on track to have the mobile makerspace ready by the end of October. The initial programming will target grades 2-5. She shared information from an upcoming *Tualatin Life* article prepared by one of the team members.

She reported the team is still seeking financial donations and volunteers to assist with the effort. Chair Kelly asked about the logo contest, and Committee Member Moholt said they have received a few submissions. She said they also have extended the deadline for the submissions.

b. Civic Center/Library Expansion Report and Update

Councilor Bubenik shared an update on the Civic Center/Library Expansion project. He said the Council voted 5-2 against placing this on the ballot in November 2016. He said the support overall for a City Hall is not there to pass a ballot measure.

He explained there is an education issue, and people are unaware of the current situation. He said people were not in favor of paying more in taxes for a city hall. He said there will be several other bond measures coming up on the November ballot including measures from the school district, Metro and others.

He said there was discussion about placing it on the May 2017 ballot; however, he said the voters in a May election are typically more conservative, yet more engaged voters.

In the public involvement report, he said it shows that when people were talked to individually or in small groups, they were more supportive of the project. He said when people were simply surveyed over the phone or online, they did not show the same level of support. He also mentioned there will need to be a group of people willing to help campaign and educate the community.

Chair Kelly asked if purchasing the space on the Commons has been considered. Councilor Bubenik said it has not. He said there are opportunities to raise fees and look at other options to raise and save funds for the project. He said the Council will be revisiting the issue.

c. Faith Community Summit Update

Ms. Singer shared an update on the Faith Community Summit. She shared the responses from the survey and a draft agenda for the Summit. She said it is being marketed at a Faith Community Meetup, and it will be held on Thursday, September 8 at 1 pm. Ms. Singer said the event will kick off with Chair Kelly providing an update

on the Tualatin Tomorrow Community Vision, Mayor Ogden will provide updates from the City, and there will be a facilitated discussion with the church leaders to learn about what they are working on and see if there are areas of alignment where we can partner.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Blue Zones Demonstration City

Mayor Ogden joined the meeting to share information about the Blue Zones Project. He said when community health was measured across the nation, Oregon falls to the bottom of the list. Governor Kitzhaber began the Oregon Healthiest State initiative to improve Oregon's strategies in improving community health. The Oregon Business Council has since taken over the initiative and is managing the process.

He shared that "Blue Zones" were derived from a study sponsored by National Geographic of six places around the world where Dan Buettner studied the behaviors of these communities. They identified nine traits that improved the overall health of these communities. The Blue Zones project now entails working with communities in the U.S. to implement policies and improvements that impact overall health of the people who live there.

Mayor Ogden said Cambia Health has donated money to the Oregon Business Council, and they are dedicating these funds to bringing Blue Zones to the state of Oregon as part of the Oregon Healthiest State initiative. They are funding two demonstration cities in Oregon. One of those is Klamath Falls, and they are looking for another community that will step up and express interest to be the second demonstration community. He said Tualatin is partnering with Tigard to develop an application to be the second demonstration community which will allow for us to have the resources from Cambia (\$1 million a year over 3 years) to become a Blue Zone Community. It requires a local match of \$100,000 to \$200,000 a year, and he has been out fundraising to secure these funds.

Chair Kelly asked what the process was like for Klamath Falls being selected at demonstration community. Mayor Ogden said they had a great need, but they did not have to go through a competitive process. He said they are also looking for a second community in a more urban area.

Committee Member Moholt expressed concerns about community capacity given the work everyone is doing on the ABC initiative. Mayor Ogden explained that he does not see this as a competing initiative, but a change in people's mindsets.

Committee Member McClure asked about Kaiser's involvement, as he heard the Mayor mention Legacy and Providence as being involved earlier. Mayor Ogden says

Kaiser has been involved and helped to fund HEAL (Healthy Eating Active Living) Program. He says Kaiser will support the Blue Zones effort, but may not be able to provide funding due to their financial commitment to the HEAL initiative.

The Committee agreed to endorse the effort, and Chair Kelly will work with Ms. Singer to prepare an endorsement.

b. Fall Partner Meeting

Ms. Singer said it is time to begin planning for the next Partner meeting in October. The group discussed dates and decided on Wednesday, October 19, 2016. Ms. Singer said she would work with City staff to secure a location and send a "Save the date" to all partners.

6. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

Ms. Singer said she has received the lead partner agreement from CenterCal offering to lead Action 5.1 to expand Tualatin's Farmers Market. They were featured in the City's August Newsletter. Ms. Singer said she has invited them to present to the committee and will schedule something with them as their time permits.

Ms. Singer announced the Crawfish Festival is happening this weekend with many activities Friday-Sunday.

She mentioned that she and Chair Kelly met with the new Public Information Officer Stefan Myers at Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue. He will be serving as the new liaison to the Tualatin Tomorrow Vision.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS/TTAC COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Kelly announced that Terry Powell has resigned from TTAC, so there is a vacancy which the City is advertising to fill. If the committee members know anyone who might be interested, they should encourage them to apply.

Committee Member Moholt shared an update on IP28 that would place a new business tax on large corporations. She said this is a hidden 2.5% tax on large corporations that will be passed on to consumers.

Committee Member McClure said the US Postal Service may be closing the Tualatin Post Office in the downtown area and move it to their distribution space in the industrial area on Teton. Committee Member Moholt said they need to receive at least 300 letters to impact change and help to keep the space in downtown open.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.



Sara Singer, Recording Secretary