



Highland District Council
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Community Engagement Committee
November 27, 2018 6:45pm
Highland Park Community Center

Roll Call:

- **Committee Members Present:** Sally Bauer, Kristina Mattson, Nate Hurse , Amanda Willis
- **Committee Members Absent:** Catie Gardner, Tyler Teggatz, Bob Whitehead, Jolene Sterner (alternate), Brandon Long, Tim Morehead
- **Others Present:** Patty Partridge, Kathy Carruth , Kevin Galatin

Approval of prior meeting minutes: Quorum not met to approve prior meeting minutes

Recorder: Kristina Mattson, HDC Grid 4 Rep., CEC Board Member

St. Kate's Biology Club – Pollinator Lawn:

- Discussion centered on creating a pesticide/ chemical free community garden to support sustainability, pollinators, and community education/ outreach.
- Garden would be located near berm near the edge of the parking lot, near the pond.
- In the Spring, they plan to create a path with different plants with educational labels about them to help educate visitors on their role with local pollinators.
- Path will be created sustainably with reclaimed bricks and mulch.
- Their ask: suggestions regarding outreach and engagement for the greater community to educate community about pollinator friendly plants and gardens.
- CEC Input and suggestions made: connect with Horace Man Elementary School. Will provide connection to HGRO. Look into Allina Neighborhood Health Connection Grant.

Review/Update of CEC Workplan

- General discussion regarding the goals and future utility of the work plan.
- Discussed staff vs. committee responsibilities
- CEC members went through work plan to determine which items were appropriate for delegation to CEC vs Staff and were also realistic for CEC/ staff to accomplish in context of timeline and workload.
- Workplan timeline reviewed and updated.
- CEC discussed prioritizing, concentrating on communication taskforce to increase outreach for HDC events and meetings.

The Highland District Council's mission is to foster opportunities for the people that live, learn, work, and play in Highland Park to engage and connect with neighbors, businesses and local government and to help build a more vibrant, welcoming, and safe neighborhood.

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- HDC Basic Lit (i.e. trifold or one-pagers) for outreach. Translations needed. Do we need a marketing intern/ graphic artist to do this?
- Kristine Grill from Communications task force to help revamp website and data.
- Renter outreach – are they getting the mailed newsletter? Suggested current connections with larger building managers - building managers encouraged to contact board or staff to contact building managers with new tenants 3X a year to do focused outreach. Connect with building managers re: Nat'l night out.
- CEC Briefly discussed Equity Task force
 - To promote better inclusion.
 - Example provided was, missing out on Ethiopian New Year. Ensuring a more inclusive lens for all engagement opportunities.
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Capital Watershed Meeting – Sub-watershed analysis of Highland Area

- Kathy requesting rep. from CEC to attend if able.
- Friday, December 14th 10:00 am at Cap Region – Kathy will attend

New/ Old Business

- Sustainable to-go ordinance amendment:
 - City Council vote 2/20/19
 - CEC to invite experts/local advocates who are working on this to present to CEC Jan meeting, possibly pass forward a resolution to the HDC board for approval during Feb meeting.
 - Kristina to f/u with Zero Waste Saint Paul and Eureka Recycling re: presenting to both CEC (Jan) and HDC (Feb) r/t Sus-to-go.

Next CEC Meeting

- CEC / and Staff will continue working on workplan to add new items.
 - Next CEC meeting is Jan 22nd @ 6:45

Meeting Adjourned at 8:10 (recorder left early)