

Meeting Minutes

Bend City Council Stewardship Subcommittee
Tuesday, November 26, 2019, 3:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers, Bend City Hall
710 NW Wall, Bend, Oregon



3:00 p.m. Bend City Council Stewardship Subcommittee Meeting

1. Convene Subcommittee Meeting

Councilors Barb Campbell, Bruce Abernethy, Chris Piper

Also Attended: Eric King, Cassie Lacy, Ben Hemson, Kayla Duddy, Shelly Smith, Ian Leitheiser, Carolyn Eagan

2. Approval of minutes from the September 24, 2019 meeting

Councilor Campbell made a motion to approve the September 24, 2019 meeting minutes. Councilor Abernethy seconded, the motion passed unanimously (3-0).

Eric King, City Manager, gave an overview of the agenda.

3. Community Climate Action Plan Discussion (Cassie Lacy)

Cassie Lacy, Senior Management Analyst, shared background information about the Community Climate Action Plan and the Council discussion that occurred during the work session on November 6, 2019.

Ms. Lacy discussed proposed amendments and changes with the home energy score action in the Community Climate Action Plan and draft resolution language to adopt the Community Climate Action Plan.

Councilor Piper discussed that he would like clarification on why the word “mandatory” is in the Home Energy Score Action language. Ms. Lacy shared that at the last Stewardship Subcommittee meeting, the committee members did not feel like they had received direction from the Council to recommend removing the mandatory program off the Community Climate Action Plan.

Ms. Lacy discussed the possibility of taking some initial stakeholders and larger sector of the community and have them go through the same learning process of Home Energy Score Action program that the Climate Action Steering Committee (CASC) completed.

Councilor Abernethy shared that he likes the Home Energy Score but, within the last six to eight weeks, he feels the program has polarized the community and is unnecessary. He also mentioned that given the bulk of the plan is relying mostly on voluntary effort, the Home Energy Score program has great potential of becoming a successful pilot program.

Lindsey Hardy, co-chair of the CASC, shared input from the committee perspective on the proposed amendments. She also presented the subcommittee with a hand out on the Home Energy Score Program.

Jamie Klopp, Bend Economic Development Advisory Board (BEDAB), mentioned that BEDAB is fully supportive of the CCAP and shared that their final feedback should be ready by the week of December 2, 2019. He also shared input from the CASC perspective on the proposed amendments.

Councilor Abernethy suggested adding the words “with local stakeholders” in the resolution language of the Home Energy Score program to provide clarity.

Councilor Piper shared that he thinks the dividedness came up because of the initial resolution stating that this program is a voluntary climate action plan, then the word “required” was added.

Ms. Hardy reviewed the statements from Resolution 3044 that provided the justification for regulatory strategies with the subcommittee.

Councilor Piper asked Ms. Lacy what the actual cost of the purposed strategies was to the tax payers. Ms. Lacy responded that appendix G includes a funding and financing study that estimated what the cost would be for some of the strategies. She also mentioned that not all strategies would be included in the study because of not being able to come up with a cost estimate until the program was worked through the implementation process.

Ms. Lacy mentioned that the City does not have a budget associated with the CCAP. She mentioned the plan to appoint a new committee early next year to work through the priorities for the next biennium.

4. **Bend 2030 Vision (Jillian Taylor and Laura Fritz)**

Jillian Taylor and Laura Fritz from Bend 2030 provided an overview of their funding proposal to the subcommittee members.

Ms. Taylor shared an update on Bend 2030’s fundraising efforts which included a financial grant of \$20,000 from the Oregon Community Foundation (OCF) for capacity building.

Ms. Taylor presented takeaways from their recent Meyer Memorial Foundation grant as well as information gathered at their October community engagement event.

Councilor Piper asked Ms. Taylor what the \$20,000 is going to be spent on. She shared that the majority of the funds coming from the City would be to hire an Executive Director.

Councilor Abernethy asked Mr. King where the funds would be coming from. Mr. King shared that the City has set aside \$200,000 for partnerships associated with diversity, equity and inclusion.

All subcommittee members agreed to put the topic on the next City Council agenda.

5. Shared Governance (Eric King, Cassie Lacy, Shelly Smith)

Mr. King further discussed the idea of creating a Shared Governance Model with community elected public officials and boards.

Councilor Abernethy asked if the decision maker will be a staff member or an elected official. Mr. King responded with possibly both depending on the issue.

Mr. King asked the subcommittee what types of topics would be right for this structure. Councilor Piper mentioned homelessness and climate action and Councilor Campbell mentioned transportation.

Ms. Lacy provided a handout describing collaborative governance to the subcommittee.

6. Homelessness and Mental Health Partnerships Update (Eric King and Shelly Smith)

Mr. King and Shelly Smith, Senior Management Analyst, provided an update on two of the City Council goals and provided guiding principles for the development of the two projects below:

- Seeking opportunities to connect residents and businesses to resources for mental health issues and homelessness by providing \$450k in funding for staff and community partnership (Public Safety & Health, Strategy 1);
- Embed a commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) within the City of Bend and publish DEI statistics to the public by 6/30/2020 (Effective & Efficient City Operation, Strategy 4).

Councilor Abernethy debriefed on a meeting about tiny home communities that he and Councilor Campbell attended.

Mr. King reviewed possible topics that will be discussed at the next Stewardship Subcommittee Meeting which included the Stabilization Center, DEI, Juniper Ridge and the Climate Action Program.

Adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kayla M. Duddy
Deputy City Recorder