Minutes

White Bear Lake Comprehensive Plan Work Group



Meeting Date: January 17, 2024

Time: 1:00 PM

Location: White Bear Lake Boatworks Commons

Members Present:

- ✓ Bryan Bear
- Pat Christopherson
- ✓ Morgan Dawley
- Erik Smith (for David Duffey)
- ✓ Bob Goebel
- ✓ Michael Grochala
- ✓ Jim Hauth
- Paul Kauppi

- ✓ Phil Klein
- ✓ Kevin Kress
- ✓ Jason Moeckel
- ✓ Shawn Sanders
- ✓ Craig Schlichting
- ✓ Clark Schroeder
- Chris Volkers
- ✓ Mary Van Milligen

- Rich Hibbard (for Racquel Vaske)
- ✓ David Weum
 Tom Wesolowski
 - present

Call to Order

Sam Paske called the meeting of the White Bear Lake Comprehensive Plan Work Group to order at 1:03 p.m.

Agenda Approved

Work Group members did not have any comments or changes to the agenda.

Information Items and Committee Work

1. Welcome and introductions

Sam Paske welcomed the group and Judy Sventek introduced staff and noted that Zan Associates would be assisting with communications and meeting facilitation in the future and introduced Ashley Thompson who was present as an observer at the meeting. Work group members introduced themselves, the organization they represent, and shared what they hope to achieve through the work group.

2. Meeting logistics – rules and roles

Jen Kostrzewski introduced some of the ground rules for work group meetings and asked for any additions or changes. None were offered. She noted that work group meetings are open to the public as observers but that active discussion and decision-making would be limited to work group members.

3. Project overview

Judy Sventek provided an overview of the legislation which created the work group including work group members, funding, timeline, goals, and deliverables and answered questions.

4. One-on-one conversations

Judy Sventek highlighted some of the main points that were heard during the one-on-one meetings Met Council had with each work group representative prior to the kick-off meeting.

5. Roundtable discussions

The work group engaged in a roundtable discussion of the presented points and shared additional feedback.

Preliminary milestones and schedule for the project were reviewed. Representative Peter Fischer introduced himself and noted the intent of the legislation.

The work group engaged in a roundtable discussion of what needs to be known to be able to explore the full set of ideas and shared feedback.

6. Previous studies

Greg Johnson summarized the previous regional water supply studies/tools that had been developed and asked for input regarding any additional studies that should be added to the list.

7. Roundtable discussion

The work group engaged in a roundtable discussion to identify gaps/deficiencies in previous studies and list other information necessary to further the discussions.

Next Steps

- Share meeting logistics and decision-making process for future meetings
- Identify communication preferences
- Brainstorm potential solutions
- Continue discussion on details for any future studies
- · Recruit subteam to assist in RFP evaluation

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

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