

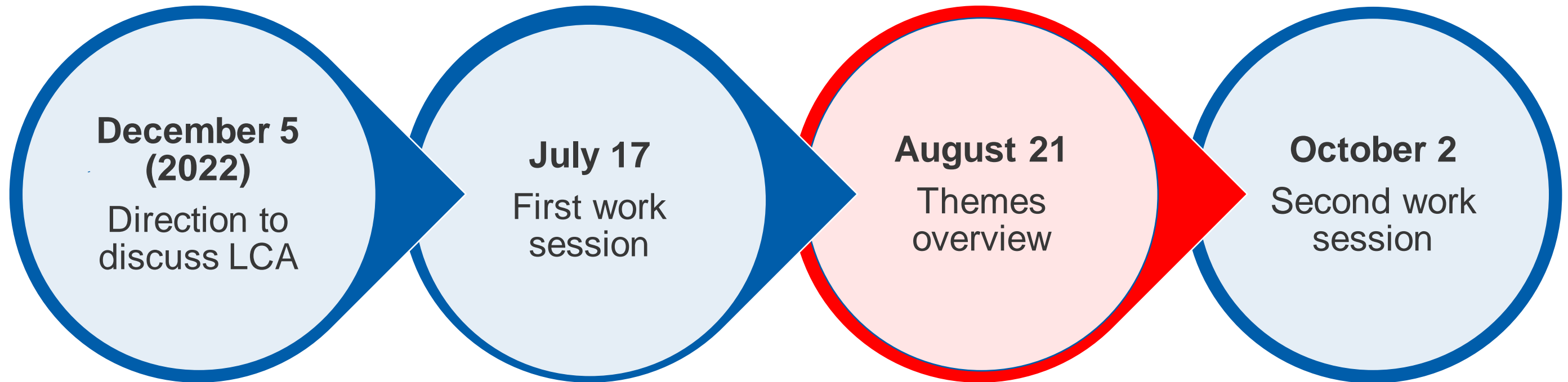


LCA Conversation Themes

Setting Program Direction



Background



Work Session One

Guiding Questions

- What are the biggest needs in the region that LCA can impact?
- What does an equitable LCA program look like to you?

WHAT ARE THE BIGGEST REGIONAL NEEDS LCA CAN IMPACT?

Are we ~~over~~ making decisions that are creating an underclass?
 • more prosperous communities — looks different for different cultures / communities
 • vibrancy & arts — belonging

district divisions so communities feel ownership - region becoming more divided
 not be afraid to make a mistake

community & belonging

aging in place for everyone

religious communities

more access to amenities & services

community & belonging

importance of culture

economic prosperity

importance of choice in housing

OFTEN MORE FOCUS ON FEAR THAN OPPORTUNITY

community & belonging

importance of culture

economic prosperity

importance of choice in housing

more cities participating being aware of funds

Similar across regions

Focus of comm. of color

housing & supportive services

importance of choice in housing

More future-focus of impacts - Scale of perspective / impact

What are the other metrics / goals we can measure + report against? not just housing or jobs requiring a "development" project

Better tie housing in, it's not a standalone - not to de-emphasize housing. Assess more about community components

Increasing Sense of Community + vibrancy as goal

Under Economy is Dynamic + Resident
 - Equity - Distinct vibrancy
 - Ownership
 Takes getting close to Community.

WHAT ARE THE BIGGEST REGIONAL NEEDS LCA CAN IMPACT?

Bringing it to relevancy for more communities / local gov needs - rebalancing priorities

Emphasize public realm across programs, not just TOD

Deeply Affordable housing need & Lack of resources Key to equitable Dev

Public spaces, Community building, gathering sites

What wouldn't happen without LCA?

IE Dakota Co is doing AH but doesn't prioritize 30% b/c of limited transit - But other cities can / has so Dakota can't compete

Better meet suburban opportunity / need - Lakeville emp - Robbinsdale Mainst ownership

Hyper local community - economic development visions & goals for themselves

Overdone ground floor retail / mixed use - now vacant sites

Inclusive development - using it (gov) to achieve other goal & needs

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Job creation + econ dev so residents can afford their communities

Community need for places to meet - outdoor, youth, MontPop / Nibbid Shops

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Diversification of investments, ex: - quality of facility is sidewalk + maintenance

Supporting biz / residents during transit construction & Disruption

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Themes

Social Cohesion

Equitable Process

Intersections

Economic Support

Impact

Themes

Social Cohesion

- Community gathering spaces, especially outdoors
- Increasing community vibrancy
- Foster resilient communities

Equitable Process

- Power sharing in development process
- Understand what communities want to see
- Involve potential applicants in program design
- People-centered programs

Intersections

- Systems thinking approach
- Understand how needs impact one another
- Consider what makes a safe community

Themes

Economic Development

- Support for local, small businesses
- Inclusion in economic system
- Address wealth disparities and economic resilience

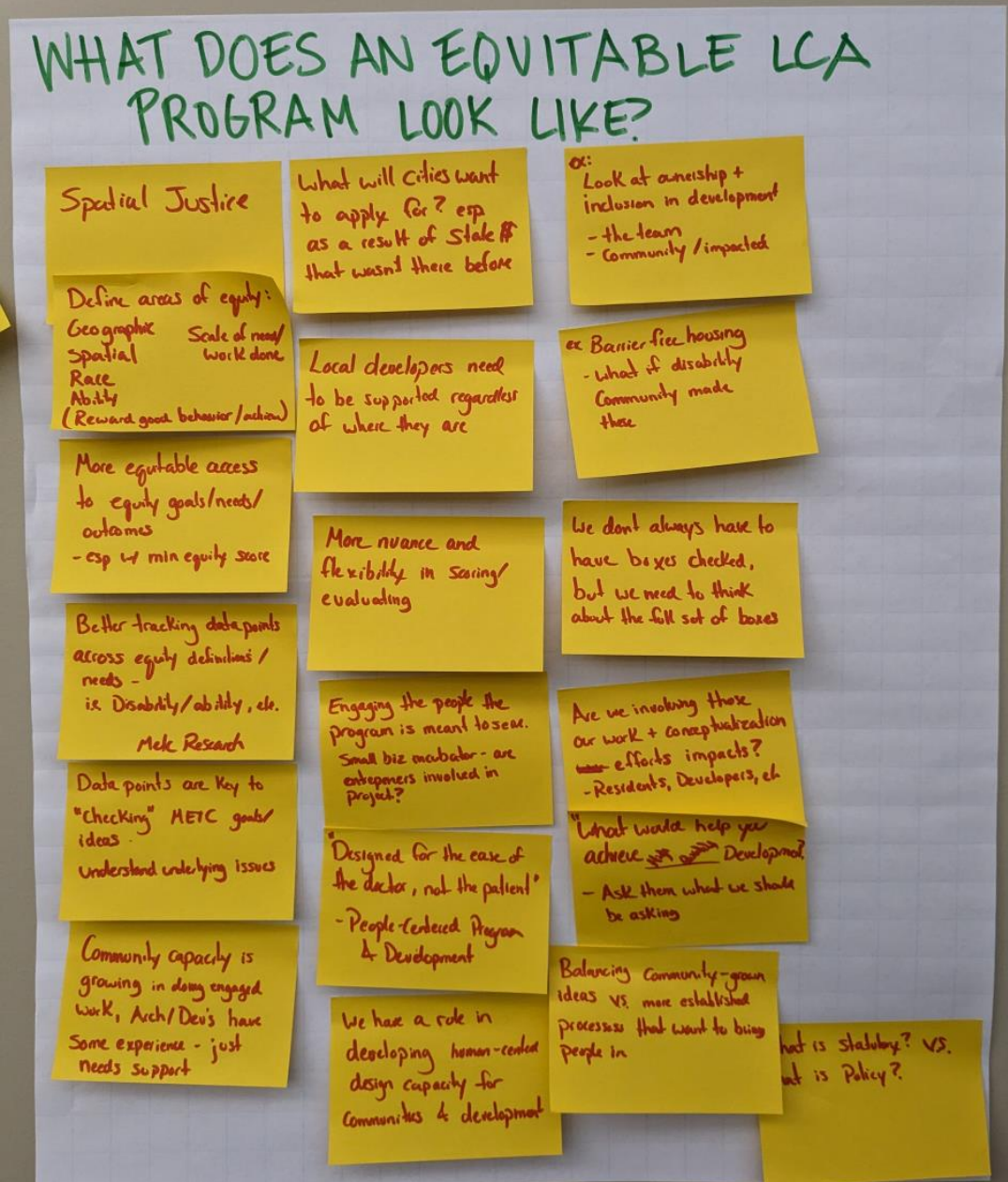
Impact

- More data on people with disabilities to understand disparities
- Understand how our decisions are impacting community
- More evaluation and measurement internally

Next Steps

October 2: Work Session #2

- Discuss how themes map to other Council priorities
- Review data on LCA programs
- Discuss priorities
- Identify any adjustments for 2024
- Overview of program change process for 2025 & beyond



Questions

Did we capture the most important themes from July 17?

Are there any themes from the July 17 conversation that are not represented here?

What do you need to know, related to these themes, to inform future discussion?



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