# MINUTES CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

6:00 PM

Tuesday, January 20, 2015 Room 635, 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland OR 97214

Present: Teresa Walton, Judy Hadley, Ben Brady, Brian Harvey, Jean Trygstad, Ruby

Ramirez

Excused: Shabab Ahmed Mirza, Cain Bloomer, Sue O'Halloran, Glen Tyrrell

OCI: Kathleen Todd, Gary Marschke, Robb Wolfson

Guest: Abbey Stamp, Director of Local Public Safety Coordinating Council (LPSCC)

#### **Administrative:**

a. Call to Order at 6:05 pm. Walton, Vice-Chair

- b. Approval of Agenda as Presented M/S: Harvey/Trygstad -unanimous
- c. Approval of Minutes of 11/18/14 M/S: Trygstad/Harvey -unanimous

# •EXCO Report Out: (Walton)

o **Transition:** Gary Marschke was welcomed on board as the new Office of Citizen Involvement Director.

## **Department Review of LPSCC (Stamp)**

LPSCC was mandated by state statute 1145 that passed in 1995. LPSSC is a public safety policy-shaping council comprised of elected officials, other law enforcement officials, department heads, various Multnomah County area leaders and citizen representatives. Its mission is to create a partnership of governments and community groups to reduce crime, improve public safety, and promote effective justice. It's composed of law enforcement officials from jurisdictions throughout the county that meet regularly. A lot of the work LPSCC does comes from its 12 subcommittees. Six focus on general justice issues and six focus on specific topics. Recent hot topics have included: a) Justice Reinvestment law-state gave money to try and stop growth in prison population. In Multnomah County the approach has been to focus on treatment approaches; b) mental health has been a huge focus with regard to options beyond institutional ones; c) youth and gang violence. They rely on evidence based practices and up-to-date crime statistics.

Abbey Stamp began talking about public input issues (Judy Hadley added remarks too). LPSCC inherently works by soliciting input from its professional members given that it's a coordinating council rather than a representative body. But they are interested in increasing public participation. It's difficult to make bureaucrats receptive to this though, and would require a culture shift. Currently, the meetings are open, advertised, and minutes are taken. Along with Judy Hadley, who is the public LPSCC member, there are people from the business community. An example of where public input had an impact had to do with the public saying LPSCC had to slow down when studying an issue in order to consider it in greater depth. There is a sense more diverse players should be around the table with regard to specific issues but it's difficult to get them there for reasons including the early morning LPSCC meeting times. However, there could be more openings for more public input through the subcommittees.

#### Potential CIC recommendations:

- ° Increase public notification about the subcommittee meetings. It sounds like the meetings are announced on the LPSCC website but it wasn't clear where. Consider increasing general public publicity around subcommittees where public participation is a good fit. Another question that needs to be asked is from what perspective would input be most useful: a) average members of the public or b) service consumers. It's also important to consider incentivizing the public to come as much as possible.
- ° Consider running a pilot project with one of the subcommittees where public input could prove particularly useful.

## **Informational Updates:**

- **CBACs** (Todd/Marschke)—good CBAC orientation with about 60 people in attendance. Overall the budget forecast appeared really positive for at least two years. Robb Wolfson will request the Powerpoint that was presented by the Budget Office to post on the OCI website.
- ° What Are Old People Good For campaign transition & update (Marschke)—intention is for the CIC to be involved in putting on forums with regard to the Age-Friendly Initiative. A short-term task force is needed to work along with the budget office to plan them. Judy Hadley, Jean Trygstad and Ben Brady volunteered.
- <sup>o</sup> **January 29**<sup>th</sup> **event** (Marschke)—the Board will approve a Kathleen Todd Proclamation Day and there will be a reception afterwards. Members are encouraged to attend.

#### Calendar:

- January 29<sup>th</sup> proclamation and reception
- ∘ CIC EXCO February 4 at 6 pm
- ∘ CIC Meeting February 17 at 6 pm

7:00 pm Adjourn

7:00pm—Director Hand-off Social (Walton/Todd)