



**Planning Commission – Comprehensive Plan Update Meeting
City Council Chambers, 2660 Civic Center Drive
Minutes – Wednesday, October 25, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.**

1. Call to Order

Chair Murphy called to order the regular meeting of the Planning Commission meeting at approximately 6:30 p.m. and reviewed the role and purpose of the Planning Commission.

2. Roll Call

At the request of Chair Murphy, City Planner Thomas Paschke called the Roll.

Members Present: Chair Robert Murphy; Vice Chair James Bull; and Commissioners Sharon Brown, James Daire, Chuck Gitzen, Julie Kimble and Peter Sparby

Staff/Consultants Present: Senior Planner Brian Lloyd, Community Development Director Kari Collins, City Planner Thomas Paschke; and, Erin Perdu, WSB Consultant, and Becky Alexander, LHB Architect and Researcher

3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION

Member Bull moved, seconded by Member Sparby to approve the Agenda as presented.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion carried.

4. Review of Minutes

None.

5. Communications and Recognitions:

a. From the Public: *Public comment pertaining to general land use issues not on this agenda*

b. From the Commission or Staff: *Information about assorted business not already on this agenda, including a brief update on the 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update process*

Chair Murphy noted the City Council reviewed and agreed with most of the Planning Commission's recommendations on the 13 parcels they had previously discussed. They were also in agreement on the housing topics recommended by the Planning Commission.

6. Project File 0037: 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update

a. Follow up on Items from Previous Meetings

Senior Planner Lloyd stated the follow up items are included on the agenda and will be discussed later in the meeting.

b. Draft Housing Goals and Tools Matrix: *Review and provide consensus on the housing goals/tools matrix*

Erin Perdu, WSB Consultant, reported the Commission discussed the housing goals at last week's meeting and she gave the same presentation on the housing goals to the City Council on Monday. She received positive feedback and they did not suggest any changes.

Member Kimble commented the matrix and tools are great, but inquired what the capacity of staff is to support them.

Ms. Perdu responded most of the tools presented are tools the City supports making available as development opportunities come up. They can be organized and prioritized them in a way related to how much staff capacity it would require.

Member Bull inquired if there are standards for approving or not approving a certain program and if they are locking themselves in by saying they support these tools.

Community Development Director Collins stated there is a subsidy policy with local funding options relating to TIF and tax abatement.

Ms. Perdu responded most of these tools are specifically focused on affordable housing and tied to the goals, and they do not present any obvious conflicts.

Mr. Lloyd stated the programs available that they can use are elective more than entitled. There is not the same level of obligation to use these tools just because something meets the criteria that might apply to it like there may be with zoning rules.

Member Bull commented he wants to make sure they do not set themselves up for unintended discrimination.

Mr. Paschke explained that most of the tools deal with outside agencies, and do not relate to the City's criteria. These are additional tools available to assist in moving a project forward.

Mr. Lloyd stated the text of the chapter can also make it clear that they want to be equitable in how they are administering the funding options.

Member Bull inquired if the tools that have a financial responsibility to the City would be based upon budgets put towards that type of program.

Mr. Lloyd confirmed this, and stated it will depend on the money that is available.

Ms. Perdu noted this could also be added to the text.

Member Daire inquired if they have the flexibility to apply local funding options and tax abatement if renovations are being done. He also inquired if they have the flexibility to take tax abatement on a case by case basis and go to the County or school board to see if they will participate in the project.

Ms. Perdu commented she is not sure how far tax abatements can be used, but local tax abatement can only be used to abate local taxes. She will provide more clarity on this at a future meeting.

c. Community Workshop 2: *Review materials and plan presented at the meeting for the community engagement events schedule for November 8 and 9*

Ms. Perdu reminded the Commission that Community Workshop 2 will be held on November 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and November 9 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. They plan to have a presentation that will also be available on the City's website. The purpose of the workshops is to have people provide general feedback on the direction of the Comprehensive Plan. There will be stations around the room with information and a map that will address topics of land use, transportation, housing, and resilience.

Member Bull inquired if they could also ask participants if they are willing to pay their share if local funding is required.

Ms. Perdu inquired if the Commission would be interested to know if people are willing to pay at all for a specific program or if they want them to prioritize what they would want if a specific amount of money was available.

Member Bull suggested they ask how much people would be willing to spend toward the programs. They should let people know there is County, State, and Federal funding for some programs, and inquire if they are willing to absorb local costs.

Ms. Perdu commented they have to be careful how the question is asked, but it can be done.

Chair Murphy stated it is hard to specify an amount, but they can ask a person if they are willing to increase their local taxes.

Member Gitzen inquired how they would determine which projects people would want to support over others.

Ms. Perdu expressed concern if someone with a low income who does not have extra money is responding to these questions, and transportation is very important to them, it may become less important to them if they feel they cannot afford an increase in

taxes. They may say they would not be willing to pay more taxes because they feel they cannot.

Member Kimble commented this does make them think harder about the answer.

Mr. Lloyd suggested they give each person green dots that represent money and have them place the dots on projects to prioritize where they would put their money.

Ms. Perdu stated it still does not address where or if they would spend their own money.

Member Kimble commented everybody does want everything, and they should try to see how people prioritize these programs.

Member Daire commented if a person has a fixed amount of income and someone gave them a savings, he is not sure they be willing to spend it in a different area. Tax abatement may not be a solution. If people cannot afford what they are doing now, they may think they would need every penny they could get.

Member Gitzen inquired if this information will be available ahead of time for review.

Mr. Lloyd responded there will be drafts available for review at the November 1 meeting.

Member Bull inquired if people who participated in the surveys will be sent an invite to these Community Workshops.

Mr. Lloyd stated the workshops will be highlighted in an article in the newsletter and it will be pushed out on social media and posted on the website as well. They will send it via email to people who are on the opt-in list and who follow the Planning Commission agendas. He will check to see if email data was offered with the survey.

Ms. Perdu commented they do have emails for everyone who has attended a previous meeting.

Chair Murphy inquired if it would be helpful to send something out via Nextdoor.

Mr. Lloyd responded they will decide with the communications department what type of scheduling is appropriate.

d. Resilience Chapter Outline and Goals

Ms. Perdu reported the resilience and environmental chapters of the Comprehensive Plan have been combined, and the draft is included beginning on page 8 of the meeting packet. She referred to the outline on page 7 of the meeting packet, and stated the Public Works Department is working on Item 6 relating to Environmental

Protection. They are working with LHB on the energy portion of the resilience chapter and how it integrates with the GreenStep Program.

Becky Alexander, Architect and Researcher at LHB, reported the resilience portion of the Comprehensive Plan is optional and there are a lot of things that can go into it. They have been collecting greenhouse gas emissions data for the City. In 2007, the State adopted the Next Generation Energy Act to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 80 percent by 2050, along with a few other goals. They currently are not on track to meet these goals. The Minnesota Climate Change Advisory Board came up with a list of 46 policy actions. If all were implemented, they would be on track to meet the short-term Next Generation Energy Act goals. Currently, there is only one policy that has been implemented. This shows that it is hard to take action at the State level on these policy actions, and cities are starting to pick up where the State has left off.

Ms. Alexander reported Minnesota GreenStep cities were developed to provide best practices for cities to adopt in order to improve their sustainability and overall quality of life. This program has a method of tracking how cities are doing, but does not measure the impacts. The Regional Indicators Initiative was conceived to see if community wide performance metrics could be measured.

Ms. Alexander reported the metrics being tracked are energy, water, vehicle travel, and waste. This information is translated into greenhouse gas emissions and dollars. They also collect population, household and jobs data to try and normalize the information between cities and weather data.

Chair Murphy inquired if the area of Highway 36 between Rice Street and Cleveland Avenue counts as miles traveled in the City.

Ms. Alexander confirmed it does count and they can look at how it compares to cities that do not have arterials running through them.

Member Bull inquired how they handle border streets where one side is in Roseville and the other side is part of another City.

Ms. Alexander responded the two sides of the road are tracked separately.

Member Kimble inquired if Roseville was a participant in the Regional Indicators Initiative.

Ms. Alexander responded Roseville was not an original participant, but data was collected as part of the Comprehensive Plan.

Member Daire inquired what the difference is between tonnes and tons. He suggested the data be reported in pounds.

Ms. Alexander explained they are using tonnes, which is a unit that follows international protocol.

Mr. Lloyd explained a metric ton is 1,000 kilograms, which translates to 2,200 pounds.

She reported on the cities participating in the Regional Indicators Initiative and stated there will be information available for about 100 cities on their website.

Member Daire inquired if Roseville has been officially defined as a GreenStep City.

Mr. Lloyd responded Roseville has been making progress in the GreenStep program. They have officially participated in the program, but have not made it up too many steps. The Public Works staff is working on addressing what comes next in the process.

Ms. Perdu commented in 2015, the City Council made the move to become a GreenStep City.

Mr. Lloyd stated there is a group of University of Minnesota students working on a capstone project and some are focused on what the next steps are in the City's GreenStep progression. They are also working on a plan to determine how the City can achieve these steps as part of the updated plan.

Ms. Alexander reported they have gathered one year of energy data for Roseville. The energy use per capita is in line with the Regional Indicators average. Two-thirds of it is for commercial and industrial use and is split evenly between electricity and gas. Residential makes up the remaining one-third with natural gas primarily used to heat homes. She provided a chart that compared other cities to Roseville, and it showed that Roseville is among the lowest users.

Member Bull pointed out that Falcon Heights would not include data for the State Fairgrounds since it is considered a separate municipality.

Ms. Alexander reported water use has been going down in all the Regional Indicators Cities, and has decreased in Roseville over the past 10 years by about 27 percent. However, Roseville uses more water than the Regional Indicators average. They do not have residential specific numbers yet, and inner ring suburbs generally have 60 percent of water use coming from residential and 40 percent coming from commercial. If they same percentage is applied to Roseville, there was an average use of 95 gallons per person per day.

Chair Murphy commented the graph would be more helpful if there was a population figure included with it.

Ms. Alexander agreed that the population of Roseville has increased, but explained the graph shows gallons per person per day.

Member Daire pointed out they have similar numbers with Edina, which is considered a senior executive suburb and Roseville is considered a junior executive suburb.

Chair Murphy inquired if the cities with lower usage of water contain a certain portion of private wells.

Ms. Alexander responded they do not normalize by the number of wells, and it will become increasingly important. However, there are metro cities that are as low as other cities not in the metro area.

Member Daire inquired if they know what effect low volume flush toilets will have on water use.

Ms. Alexander responded they have developed scenario planning tools for energy where they know the difference it makes if energy efficient items are used. This has not yet been developed for water. However, it can be determined building by building and they can see a 30 percent reduction of potable water with the use of low flow shower heads and toilet fixtures. If the 30 percent reduction was applied to Roseville's water usage, they would also need to consider the impacts of irrigation.

Member Daire commented the reporting of the City's success in achieving these goals is going to have to consider what they are doing to reduce the use of energy, water and natural gas. Information on sewage may also have a relationship with water usage.

Ms. Alexander stated they have collected waste water data on a per City basis for the original Regional Indicator Cities, but they do not have that information on Roseville. They have continued to map the connection between what GreenStep actions could be taken that would influence the metrics, but they do not yet have an exact percentage of reduction that could be expected.

Member Daire commented data collection is going to govern their commitment to these goals. They need to understand what the results of the best practices will be in order for City officials to move forward on approving them.

Member Bull agreed and stated they need to identify what the trade-offs are, how they can be managed, and what the cost is of managing them.

Member Daire pointed out trees make a big difference in the absorption and reuse of greenhouse gases. He inquired if planting 6,000 trees would be a step towards manages greenhouse gases.

Member Bull commented if they do not do climate control and the temperature goes up two degrees, they will save on natural gas because they do not need to heat as much.

Chair Murphy inquired what the source of residential water use is for Roseville.

Ms. Alexander responded the overall number is from St. Paul Regional Water Services and she still needs information from Roseville to determine the difference between residential, commercial, and industrial. She confirmed the methodology for residential use would be gallons billed. All the cities are required to report by the DNR on a consistent form, but there is not a methodology that is enforced.

Member Kimble stated the work with the Regional Indicators is creating benchmarks so an effort is being made to make sure they are being compared and tracked the same.

Ms. Alexander stated they also meet with State agencies to talk about how they can continually improve the data sets in the future to make sure it stays consistent over time.

Ms. Alexander reported vehicle travel has not changed much over time. Roseville is higher than the Regional Indicators average, but may be skewed due to the number of people driving through the City. They can look at the percentages on local roads versus arterial roads, and how much it has changed over time. She noted that 70 percent of vehicle travel is taking place on arterial roads and 30 percent is on local roads. However, local roads have not seen a decrease in vehicle travel either.

Member Daire inquired if a mode of travel calculation was available. One of the key strategies in the Transportation Plan is to get more people on public transit. He stated it would be interesting to see how many of the vehicle miles traveled per capita are on public transit versus private vehicles.

Ms. Alexander responded the Metropolitan Council may track how many people per City are on public transit. As a region, they would hope the overall numbers would be going down over time as a result of travel mode shift and public transit initiatives.

Chair Murphy inquired if there are comparable numbers to other cities that have regional shopping centers, Park and Rides, and other things that may draw people to Roseville.

Ms. Alexander commented it is good to have people coming to Roseville, but they need to find the balance if they are looking to decrease travel on arterial roads or local roads. The data set is broken down into types of streets and may help isolate areas certain projects may impact.

Chair Murphy stated it would be interesting to get a data set for Bloomington to see the areas that above or below the norm and determine if Roseville is affected by similar things.

Ms. Alexander pointed out that Bloomington is at 40 vehicle miles traveled per capita per day and Roseville is at 35. The airport is not included in this number, but people may be traveling to and from it.

Chair Murphy commented a graph a Metro Transit bus miles per capita would be helpful.

Member Daire stated passenger miles would be an interesting normalizing feature because it would show mode split and ride share.

Chair Murphy inquired about the source of data.

Ms. Alexander responded the vehicle miles traveled are collected by Mn/DOT.

Member Kimble inquired if they are using the cell phone data that has been collected from the 94 corridor study.

Ms. Alexander responded she was not aware of that study. She continued her report and stated Roseville has seen a reduction in waste, but in Ramsey County it is starting to go back up. About 50 percent of waste is recycled and of the non-recycled waste, 50 percent is processed and the other 50 percent is landfilled.

Chair Murphy inquired if composting is included in the numbers.

Ms. Alexander responded composting is not included. When the study began, it would not have made a difference, but it is now starting too.

Member Bull inquired if they could see data for per household and per person.

Ms. Alexander responded it could easily be done.

Chair Murphy inquired if these numbers included commercial waste.

Ms. Alexander explained it includes municipal solid waste. It would all be together, but would not include construction or demolition waste. It does not separate out residential or commercial waste.

Member Daire stated normalizing this by population is going to skew the data. He pointed out the landfill proportion of waste is going noticeably down and recycled waste is going up. He inquired why incinerated waste is going up.

Ms. Alexander commented they could separate the data by population plus jobs. She is unsure why incinerated waste went up County wide in 2015 and will wait to see if the numbers for 2016 are back to normal.

Member Bull commented Ramsey and Washington County haulers now have to go down to Newport.

Member Daire inquired if incineration is contributing to energy creation.

Ms. Alexander confirmed this and stated there is incineration at the Hennepin Energy Recovery Center that is direct combustion and others that produce refuse derived fuel that is then burned for electricity.

Member Daire stated incineration is not bad in terms of energy consumption. He inquired if it increases greenhouse gases.

Ms. Alexander responded it would depend on what it is being compared to. It does contribute to greenhouse gases, but may contribute less than if it is sent to a landfill.

Member Bull commented recycling also produces some greenhouse gas.

Ms. Alexander reported greenhouse gas emissions have been decreasing as a whole. Non-travel energy makes up for two-thirds of the greenhouse gas emissions in the region and is the largest contributor. In Roseville it is slightly lower with 60 percent coming from non-travel energy. She did not compare Roseville to other cities because emissions have significantly decreased since 2012 when the data was collected. The main contributor to decreasing gas emissions is Xcel Energy's electricity becoming cleaner.

Member Kimble inquired if St. Paul, who uses District Energy, would rank lower.

Ms. Alexander confirmed they do rank lower.

Chair Murphy inquired how air travel is apportioned out to cities.

Ms. Alexander explained they have estimates from the Metropolitan Council on trips taken from a Metropolitan Council City to the Minneapolis Airport (MSP). They use the ICLEI protocol divide the emissions from MSP to each of the cities. They have apportioned 100 percent of MSP air travel to cities within the Metropolitan Council region. That is obviously untrue and produces too high of a number.

Ms. Alexander reported they are working on a project funded by the Department of Energy called the Minnesota Local Government Project for Energy Planning. They have created tools to help cities with local planning. It includes an energy planning guide and workbook with examples of local government energy goals. Also included is a solar calculator and wedge diagram tool for greenhouse gas reduction planning. She inquired what could be included in a resilience section of a Comprehensive Plan or what could be part of a plan on its own.

Member Kimble inquired what the overlap is with the Minnesota Resiliency Collaborative.

Ms. Alexander responded they have people that are working toward resilience on different scales. It could include the Department of Health that may be looking for what we are at risk for as the climate changes and designers that are looking to use future climate data.

Member Kimble inquired if the information in the meeting packet from Alliance for Sustainability are suggested templates that are being circulated for consideration. She also inquired what the impact would be on developments and redevelopments if they included resiliency goals in the Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Alexander confirmed the information in the meeting packet were suggested templates.

Ms. Collins responded once the Comprehensive Plan is passed, they will look at the zoning code to determine how to put it to work. The City of Maplewood is a Level 5 GreenStep City and anytime there is a certain level of subsidy, it generates a heightened level of design standards.

Member Kimble commented these are all good goals, but she cautioned she recently completed a lead silver project that did not meet the SB2030 goals. The goals can add cost or not allow for economic development to occur, and they need to find a balance.

Member Daire inquired if this will have a direct impact on affordable housing. Building codes require an increased amount of insulation and certain surface treatments for energy reduction, and the electrical code requires more expensive circuit breakers. These costs may drive more people into affordable housing because they cannot afford appropriate housing at 30 percent. Environmental goals will increase the cost and it will need to be made up somewhere.

Ms. Alexander responded someone will also end up saving from it during the building operations. They can set up the agreement that either the builder or the tenants benefit from the savings. If the tenants benefit from the savings, there can be a great reduction of burden. LHB has a group that does affordable housing throughout the State, and they seem to be finding ways within the funding sources to meet the energy code.

Ms. Perdu encouraged the Commission to think about what the overall priorities are for what they would like to include in the Resiliency chapter. It does not have Metropolitan Council requirements tied to it. They can include as much or as little detail as they like. She cautioned them against including specific work plan tasks because amending the Comprehensive Plan is a significant work task. She encouraged them to think generally about goals and policies to include in the chapter, and implementation on high priorities could be included in a separate document.

Member Kimble inquired if the template included in the meeting packet would be too detailed.

Ms. Perdu agreed some of them would be too detailed, but it does include good ideas for measurables.

Ms. Alexander commented it is important that the City commits to a greenhouse gas emission reduction goal and to conducting an energy or climate action plan.

Member Gitzen commented he would like to know the history of what has been done and where the City thinks this can go. They should also consider looking into partnerships with Xcel Energy because they are a leader in the region. Additionally, they could commit to some educational components where they could provide citizens with workshops and other resources.

Ms. Perdu stated the Environmental Protection portion of the chapter is being written by the Public Works department and will be presented to the Planning Commission at a later date. The Planning Commission needs to narrow down priorities relating to resilience.

Chair Murphy inquired if they should attend the presentation on November 9 before they identify the City's priorities.

Ms. Alexander stated they have been talking about mitigation and how to reduce the City's contribution to climate change, but resilience is also about adapting to the slow term change that is coming. This slow term change may include an increase in temperatures or precipitation and how it impacts the infrastructure and people within the City. It may also include short-term shocks or long-term stressors.

Member Kimble commented the high senior population in the City can be a factor as well.

Ms. Collins stated she and Mr. Paschke recently met with a representative from Pale Blue Dot and the City's Environmental Specialist Coordinator, who recently received a grant to conduct a population vulnerability assessment for Roseville. They are hopeful the timing will work out to have this completed as the resiliency chapter is finalized.

Chair Murphy inquired if the results of the assessment could be used to come up with goals for this chapter.

Ms. Collins suggested they also include some of the data from the assessment to support the goals and objectives. There will be a variety of recommendations from the assessment they may want to include in the Comprehensive Plans.

Member Kimble stated it does not feel comfortable including specific percentages of reduction goals since she does not have enough of a technical background in this area.

Ms. Perdu suggested they keep it general and indicate that Roseville will set a greenhouse gas emission goal in conjunction with the Environmental Commission.

Member Sparby stated he is skeptical to tie Planning Commission to something they do not have full control over and create a blanket statement dictating what the City will do when they are so contingent on what Xcel does. It is hard to set a random goal without further engagement with the community.

Mr. Lloyd commented this meeting is a time to say they want to use the Comprehensive Plan to say they will work on it and that it is important to the City.

Member Kimble inquired if there were questions included in the survey around these topics.

Ms. Perdu commented there were not specific questions included. They plan to have materials on this topic at the next set of open houses to get more feedback from the community.

Mr. Lloyd inquired if they want to use the Comprehensive Plan to gain some ground on environmental justice. They want to make sure the housing policy is equitable and this chapter could be used to make sure the City is equitable on environmental justice.

Member Daire inquired what environmental justice means.

Ms. Alexander responded the definition provided comes from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and pointed it out on the back of the memo that was provided to the Commissioners.

Member Gitzen commented he would be more comfortable with general goals than setting specific goals, but they should commit to doing something about it. However, areas like “identify long-term stressors” would require more long-term study.

Member Bull agreed they need to keep it general and the City Council can set the goals and plans going forward.

Chair Murphy inquired why Roseville was not part of the original GreenStep Cities and if they were asked to participate.

Member Kimble stated they had to pay a certain amount to be included in Regional Indicators.

Ms. Alexander stated she believes they did ask Roseville at some point to be included as a GreenStep City.

Member Sparby stated if they are committing to goals, they have to know what they are.

Member Bull explained they are committing to have the Council set goals.

Member Gitzen stated they are also recommending areas where they should be set.

Mr. Lloyd stated it would be appropriate to specify whether they do or do not want to work on reducing greenhouse house emissions.

Member Sparby commented reducing greenhouse gas emissions is largely out of their hands. It would be hard to support this when they do not know what they are actually accomplishing in this goal. He could support renewable energy.

Member Bull stated the City could leverage different programs with renewable energy and divert electrical generation from utilities to solar projects. This would also reduce greenhouse gas emissions as well.

Member Kimble stated she needs to understand what is in their control, how it relates to the goal, and how they encourage the community of Roseville to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Chair Murphy commented they could leave with the City what is under its control, provide education for others to meet the goals, and partner with private organizations.

Ms. Alexander explained there could be a local government operations goal entirely under the City's control and a goal supporting the community to meet the Statewide Next Generation Energy Act goals of an 80 percent reduction by 2050. They can also include education and incentives for residents. She referred to the environmental protection section included in the previous Comprehensive Plan and pointed out the commitment and actions included in it.

Member Kimble inquired what the City did to support those actions.

Mr. Lloyd commented they could invite Ryan Johnson from the Public Works to come to a future meeting to talk about what the City is currently doing and capable of doing in the future to address this topic.

Member Kimble agreed it would be helpful to hear from Mr. Johnson. She stated the Comprehensive Plan extends for 10 years and it was interesting to hear the goals in the previous plan. It would also be helpful to hear how what other communities have done.

Ms. Alexander stated they are now typically seeing long-term goals with short-term checkpoints. She encouraged Commissioners to attend the "Planning for Resilient Cities" workshop on November 9 at 6:00 p.m. to hear updates from other cities on their resilience chapters.

Member Kimble commented it is important to establish these type of goals, but they are unsure where to go with it.

Member Bull stated they also need to know how to measure things at the right levels. It would be interesting to hear what other municipalities are doing and see what their plan is to carry it out.

Member Sparby stated they need to find things to measure at a municipal level, set goals and try to achieve them. They should not just have goals that are tied to what Xcel Energy does.

Ms. Alexander commented the wedge diagram tool is intended to help a City understand if a certain goal is possible.

The Commission agreed to further address this at the next Comprehensive Plan Update meeting on November 29.

Ms. Perdu suggested she and Ms. Alexander generate draft goals for the Commission to discuss at the next meeting. They will also provide examples of what other cities are doing.

Member Bull stated everything has a cost to it and they need to determine where the cost will come from.

Member Kimble pointed out there is also a cost to the environment if they do not do anything.

Member Bull inquired if they are suggesting GPS identification of people with disabilities and health issues.

Ms. Alexander stated she did not read about that anywhere.

Mr. Lloyd stated there is a policing app that was recently released that people with disabilities and health issues can opt into to alert emergency workers.

Chair Murphy stated they keep a list of people in his apartment building that would not be able to get out on their own in the event of an emergency.

Chair Murphy inquired what an appropriate level of involvement would be at the Community Workshop on November 8 and 9.

Mr. Lloyd responded it would be helpful to have some of them present at both workshops to answer questions.

Member Bull inquired how they will ensure diversity in participation at the Community Workshop. He suggested they reach out to these populations and find vehicles for communication.

7. Adjourn

MOTION

Member Bull moved, seconded by Member Kimble adjournment of the meeting at approximately 8:35 p.m.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Motion carried.