

## **Visioning & Community Relations Meeting Minutes**

Friday, October 7th @ 9:00 AM

Chair: Lynne Yackzan Co-Chair: Shelli Ramos

**Location: Join via Zoom Meeting** 

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84768971037

- 1. Attendance
  - A. Board: Lynne Yackzan, Sumei Yee
  - B. Staff: Brett Maresca, Kendall Doten
- 2. Review/Approval
  - A. September Minutes
  - B. October Agenda
- 3. Public Comment
  - A. None
- 4. Beautification Subcommittee Report
  - A. 2022/23 10K City of Davis Grant (bike sculpture)
    - Bike sculpture is spiky and has many sharp points without barricades, it could be too dangerous to have downtown. It is also too large to fit in the E Street Plaza.
    - Sumei suggested having the sculpture in a different location, up against a wall, to avoid accidents. Sumei to reach out to the Pence Gallery to see if they would like to have the sculpture on their property
    - Shelli and Lynne to visit the sculpture again together next week
  - B. ARP Funding Downtown Maintenance & Cleanup Update
    - Planters in E Street Plaza Lynne and Shelli have discussed the removal of the current planters because they are cracked and damaged. We can replace the planters with new ones from a city planning site. The cost of these planters is currently unknown. Lynne and Shelli feel that having no planters is better than the damaged ones we have now.
  - C. G Street Closure / Programming / TUP Design Guidelines

- Brett spoke with Sherri Metzger about the timing of these changes downtown. She said that this issue will not be on the calendar until next year (2023), due to the upcoming election and other pressing city events.
  Brett will keep following up with this.
- The city is still experiencing staffing issues, with a lot of retirements occurring at once. Brett reported that there is no clear plan from the city moving forward, and work is being piled up.
- 5. Downtown Trees Maintenance & Planning
  - A. (Skipped)
- 6. Safer Davis 2022: CPTED Grants Program
  - A. Notice of Application completion was sent out to 45 businesses that had an assessment done by Davis PD; we have received 8 completed application forms so far. With the extended deadline, we expect people are still collecting quotes and will submit their application in the upcoming weeks.
- 7. Downtown Core Specific Plan (EIR)
  - A. A final draft of the EIR will be sent to city council for approval after community members submit comments Hopefully this process will move forward without further delay within the city offices
  - B. The new plan has created buzz among developers who are becoming interested in Davis
- 8. New Business
  - A. None
- 9. Old Business
  - A. Downtown Map Kiosks
    - Shelli asked if all of the kiosks have working lights Lynne said she could check each one to see if they all work.
    - Map content: digital updates could take a long time to complete; Brett suggested proposing the use of ARP funds for digital map kiosks to the city. There is a limited amount of time for the City of Davis to use the ARP funding in its entirety
  - B. Downtown Clean Up
    - Shelli suggested using city funding to contract service providers to provide clean up and maintenance in downtown. Shelli prefers to use ARP funding for downtown cleanup before we update the kiosks to digital.

- Brett to email Kelly Stachowicz and CC the V&CR committee to keep everyone updated on the process
- Lynne reported that street cleaning happens every Friday morning, but it doesn't always get done thoroughly because cars are parked on the street that are in the way. Shelli recommended asking the city if we can start ticketing people that are parked downtown on cleaning days to deter parking in those spots and improve the quality of cleaning.

## 10. Adjournment

- A. Meeting adjourned at 10:10AM
- B. Next meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, November 2nd at 1:00PM** in person (location TBD)