

# **Community Sustainability Committee**

**Date: March 4, 2015**

**Time: 5:30 p.m.**

**Location: SABC Boardroom, 29 Sir Winston Churchill Ave**

Minutes of a Meeting of the Community Sustainability Committee in the SABC Boardroom on the above date at 5:30 p.m. in accordance with the provisions of Sections 19, 23, 24 and 29 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, R.S.A. 2000. c.F-25, as amended.

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## **Present**

- *Dave Bell*
- *Councillor Wes Brodhead*
- *Cam Munro*
- *Mayor Nolan Crouse*
- *Katie Kohlenberg*
- *Douwe Vanderwel*
- *Cassandra (Intelligent Futures)*
- *Rachel (Intelligent Futures)*

## **Absent**

- *Chris Barr*
- *Kaitlyn Fenton (Public Engagement Summer Student)*

## **Writer**

- *Kalen Pilkington*

## **Staff**

- *Leah Kongsrude (Strategic Services Director)*
- *Kalen Pilkington (Community Sustainability Coordinator)*

## **INTRODUCTIONS**

- *Co-chair Cam Munro called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.*

## **REVIEW MEETING NOTES**

- *Add that the committee added a 5<sup>th</sup> pillar*
- *Meeting Minutes Approved*
- *Moved by Douwe Vanderwel, Seconded by Dave Bell*

## **AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Welcome and Dinner
2. Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes (February 4<sup>th</sup>)
3. Business from Previous Meeting
4. Review of Project Schedule/Budget

## 5. Public Engagement/Celebration Update

### 6. Draft Vision and Pillars Discussion

- a. What do you like? What don't you like? Is there anything missing?
- b. Is it concise and inspiring?

#### Vision Discussion

- First Statement
  - “St. Albert is a...”
  - Inclusion of “Northern,” ‘a thriving Northern city’ (good descriptors, but not 100% that it is St. Albert) – Don’t think we will go with Northern after discussion
  - Chris: Embraces instead of cherish, Wes likes cherish
- Second Statement
  - All good
- Third Statement (culture)
  - Change history to heritage (possibility)
  - Could be deep rooted history (or deep and extraordinary history)
- Fourth Statement
  - Not edgy enough – needs to be stronger
  - We are leaders in the natural environment
  - Include another adjective (possibly champion)
  - Chris: Not sold on interwoven (connections)
  - “...and be active leaders in protection (or conservation).” (could be instead of interwoven throughout our community)
  - Fort Saskatchewan “deeply rooted”
  - Environment in St. Albert brainstorm – birds, Sturgeon River, water, trees, park, green space, connections, access to, discovered, delighted, wooded areas, surrounded by nature, permeates (look up different words for permeates), central to life, essence
- Fifth Statement
  - Innovation said twice (should there be another word?)
  - Innovative commerce instead of innovation (or innovative industries)
  - We thrive (prosper) through a strong and diverse local economy that is supported by innovative commerce, outstanding local businesses, and a dynamic downtown core
- Sixth Statement
  - History – is there a descriptor there (French catholic, metis, cultural) history
  - Make more St. Albert
  - Eclectic
  - Don’t know if we can be specific without leaving other things out
  - Our distinct history, Long or deep history
  - Honour our unique ‘settlement’ history (the committee likes settlement history)
  - The way it was built and established – don’t need to use the word history
  - Distinct identity keep

- Last statement – different tense – Is this ok? – The last statement is timeless in Whistler
  - We remain committed
  - Monitoring?
  - Monitor and report progress... something like that?? (maybe not)
  - Don't necessarily need to say for the future
  - As we continue to write (the next chapters) more chapters
  - Like next chapter

## PUT TITLES ON THE TOP OF PILLARS

### Pillar Discussion

#### Social

- Switch the first two bullet points (friendly and friendly)
- Range of affordable housing options – wider diversity of housing options – could take out 'for all'. (agreed) (housing choices)
- Add 'Local' government – engaging with government (take out nurture and supporting) – put engaging with
- Last point – we are missing the how (how do we celebrate lifelong learning) – we celebrate the wellbeing of or community of our community thgouth lifelong learning and \_\_\_\_\_

#### Culture

- 'Now and into the future' – take that out - may not make sense because this is 2065; possibly another word for striving
- Second point – put a period after together
- Third point – change architecture with public art possibly (,public art and architecture) (is there another word for architecture?) art rather than public art
- Amenities instead of facilities

### 7. Recommendation to Council

a. Council Policy - new or add to existing policy?

b. Adding to existing plans and how to report on progress?

c. Advisory Committee(s)?

Recommendation to Council to immediately amend the MDP to incorporate it.

- Should have a stand along community vision as well (MDP is most important)
- Discussion to continue next meeting

8. Next Steps - March 18th /April 1st/May 6th

9. Committee Round Table

10. Adjournment

### **NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS**

The next meeting will be March 18, 2015 and 5:30 p.m at Fire Hall 3.

Action: Prepare a draft for Council during Cam's next presentation (April 7<sup>th</sup>)

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

*Motion: Wes Brodhead, Seconded Dave Bell*

### **ADJOURNMENT**