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MINUTES CITY OF FORT COLLINS FUTURES COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: July 9, 2018

Location: CIC Room, City Hall, 300 Laporte Ave.

Time: 4:00–6:00pm

Committee Members Present:

Mayor Wade Troxell Kristin Stephens Ray Martinez

City Staff:

Darin Atteberry, City Manager Jeff Mihelich, Deputy City Manager Jackie Kozak-Thiel, (Staff Liaison)

Presenters:

Ryan Mounce, City Planner, City of Fort Collins Cameron Gloss, City Planner, City of Fort Collins Aaron Iverson, City Planner, City of Fort Collins

Additional Staff Present:

Paul Sizemore, FCMoves Amanda Mansfield, FCMoves Katie Ricketts, Finance Sue Beck-Ferkiss, Social Sustainability Meaghan Overton, Planning Timothy Wilder, Transfort, Parking services Teresa Roche, ELT, Human Resources

Community Members:

Dale Adamy, citizen

Meeting called to order at 4:06pm

Approval of Minutes:

Ray moved to approve May minutes. Kristin seconded. Motion passed unanimously. 3-0-0.

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Chairman Comments:

None.

Think-Tank Item 3-2018: Forces and Trends: Shaping the Future of Fort Collins (and scenario planning). Ryan Mounce, Cameron Gloss, Aaron Iverson, City Planners, City of Fort Collins

- Deeper dive into trends and forces around housing and transportation in Fort Collins that impact the City Plan process.
- Recap on first and second phases of City Plan that examined existing conditions, where the community has been and trends that can influence the future
- Livability and affordability are the two community values that are resonating most with community members
 - Also concern about what sustainability in the future looks like including connecting sustainability to the natural environment
- Over the next 20 years housing affordability, attainability and ensuring that transportation is more multi-modal are top priorities
- Trends and forces with growth, demand and regional dynamics that intersect with City Plan
 - o Fort Collins buildout will be approximately 250,000 people over the next 20 years
 - o How does growth in the entire region affect Fort Collins?
 - Historically Fort Collins growth has been 28-35% of regional growth but this will decrease as we reach our Growth Management Area
 - o Growth Management area in Fort Collins means that there are more opportunities for redevelopment and in-fill but that there is less supply for housing
- Changes in demographics and socioeconomic backgrounds are changing preferences in housing types
 - Over 25% of households are living alone
 - o Population is aging quickly and people want to live in their homes longer
 - o 15% of households have children under the age of 18 in the home
- Millennials establishing themselves in the housing market and may want different types of housing
- Examples provided of different housing types and their descriptions
- Barriers to different housing types in the community:
 - Cultural preferences
 - o Financing
 - Opportunity costs for development
- The Take-Away: Land-use decisions will impact future housing development types
 - Looking to creative solutions for development and in-fill as the City reaches capacity for housing
 - o Scenarios will include looking at density of housing and mix of use
 - Looking to other communities that have grappled with affordability and livability to see what we can learn from their experiences to adopt and adapt
- Transportation: Using 2015 data examine how regional travel impacts Fort Collins
 - o 38,000 commuters coming in to Fort Collins
 - o 32,000 commuters leaving Fort Collins



- o 32% of travel are people who live and work in Fort Collins
- 70% of commuters drive alone—how does this impact our infrastructure and Climate Action Goals?
- Question of how to reflect the cost of transportation in housing choices
 - Household cost for transportation can be as high as 25% of household income but as low as 9% depending on multi-modal transportation options and housing development
- For City Plan Scenario Development:
 - o How do we improve housing-jobs-transportation balance?
 - o How to incentivize and increase multi-modal transportation

Comments/Q&A:

- Discussion about how zoning laws prevent or limit types of housing
- Examples provided of different types of housing in Fort Collins
- Clarification around what it means to live and work in Fort Collins
- Discussion of how CSU's parking policies affect transportation choices in the community
 - o More people are beginning to the Max
- How do we attract millennials and generational people if housing stock isn't very diverse? Will they look to other communities?.
 - There are some community members who don't want housing to change but as community grows there is a concern that different generations don't want the same type of lifestyle we have had in the past This goes beyond affordability
- Discussion of recent trip to Amsterdam and their mode-split in transportation
- Interest in thinking about aspirational and achievable goals around biking\
 - o Darin mentions there may be lessons we can learn from Amsterdam
 - o If we are one of the best cities for bicycle mode split what happens if we aspire to 25% mode split? What can we learn from Amsterdam?
 - A lot of it comes down to distance from home to work. Proximity affects mode split.
- Discussion of how cultural, historical, social and land-use decisions affect transportation choices here and elsewhere
- Not all people can afford to live and work in Fort Collins. This is something to consider when looking at the future of transportation and housing
 - o For example, how headway time for bus routes isn't convenient for commuters
- Clarification provided on how growth and regional dynamics affect commuting patterns
- Clarification provided on how demand for housing is outpacing demand
 - o Rent has been historically risen faster than income
 - Trends show that cost of rent has increased while income has stayed relatively the same
- Land-use patterns are important when looking at transportation choices
 - High density choices
 - Already seeing some of this play out when looking at areas such as West Elizabeth



DO: Next Steps

- Scenario Planning
- Back to Council July 24th

Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative

- Mayor Wade Troxell reported
 - o First cohort year of this program wrapping up
 - Sean Carpenter working on Bloomberg Philanthropy piece with energy efficiency in rental property as part of the Bloomberg Mayor's challenge
 - Recipient of the first-round of support for 100,000 which has been rolled into program Sean Carpenter is working on
 - Jackie was a recipient of a scholarship from Bloomberg-Harvard City Leadership Initiative and was a participant during the month of June for the Harvard's City Leaders Program

Additional Discussion:

None.

Meeting adjourned by Wade Troxell at 5:26 pm.