

Catherine Douras
6/17/15

City of Fort Collins
Women's Commission Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2015
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
215 N. Mason Avenue; Room 1-B
Enter through WEST doors

The City of Fort Collins Women's Commission promotes decisions and actions that address the needs and positively impact women in our community. We do this by listening to the voice of women, advising city council, promoting community events, and educating ourselves and others about safety, health and poverty as they relate to the City of Fort Collins seven Key Strategic Outcomes.

Attendees: Molly Alderton, Liz Donovan, Catherine Douras, Lea Hanson, Huston Morse, Stacia Ryder, Annette Zacharias, Heather Zoccali Ginny Carroll
Staff Liaison: Suzanne Jarboe-Simpson

I. Call to Order Call to Order Chair Ryder called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

II. Approve minutes regular meeting April 15, 2015

Douras moved to approve the April meeting minutes. It was seconded by Hanson. The motion passed with no discussion.

III. Guest – Mark Jackson – Transportation

Transportation in Fort Collins is a unique model, different than other municipalities. Not as much about moving cars, it is about accessibility, connectivity, a system that works for all users.

- MAX huge success and increased ridership on feeder routes
- Over 2 million riders each of the past two years, 3 million projected for this year
- Parking along MAX route can be an issue at some stops
- Colorado State University 58% expanded service this year
- Colorado State University – Around the Horn route on campus
- Possible next big project – West Elizabeth
- Was the transportation dept. at all involved in the Housing Affordability Policy Study?
Yes, but there is room to improve
- Climate Action Plan – City of Fort Collins adopted an aggressive plan
- What is the long-term plan for transportation? Ultimate goal is grid transit service (expensive), three phases 1st phase = MAX and feeders, 2nd phase = keep bolstering that system out, 3rd phase = local service at the grid level

- Funding is the limiting factor, funded through the general fund and federal grants
- Infrastructure is a limit, too
- Are there any assistance programs for lower-income residents who might not be able to afford a bus pass? Fare are really low as it is, but not always low enough for everyone. Few people pay the full fare. There are lots of programs for youth, seniors, city employees. Additionally, passes are given to social service providers.
- Transit planning is where the demand is. Other influences are political, there is a vocal portion of the population in SE. Colorado State Universities expansion may help West
- Sunday service may be next
- Mass transit on Harmony?

IV. New Business

- A. Review of Housing Affordability Consolidation Plan
 - i. Douras attended the Super Meeting on March 9
 - ii. The plan is extensive
 - iii. Need comments by this Friday 5/22/15
 - iv. Please keep us apprised
- B. Invitation to New Council Liaison – Kristin Stephens (June 17 or August 19)
 - i. Ryder sent a welcome email to Stephens
 - ii. Will attend August meeting
- C. Council Review July 14
 - i. Council retreat was this past weekend
 - ii. Haven't seen the questions yet, Chair and Vice chair asked to attend
 - iii. Revisit in June
- D. National Personhood Legislation – Ban on late term abortions (in House)

V. Old Business

- A. Boards and Commissions Breakfast Debrief
 - i. There are many connections between Boards and Commissions
 - ii. Communication template presented again
 - iii. Ryder will send the meeting notes and the template
- B. It's On Us Campaign Update
 - i. Ryder and Hanson attended another meeting 5/19/15
 - ii. SAVA's initial actions plan
 - iii. Women's Commission roles – hosting focus groups and trainings, and communicating with other Boards and Commissions
 - iv. Facebook page is It's On Us – Fort Collins
 - v. Possible guest next month – Ryder will contact

- C. Women’s Foundation Guest – Childcare Report on August 19
- D. Next steps with SANE information – Zoccali is meeting on Thursday with Elyse Diewald and the FCPD Victim’s Advocate, a representative from the Sheriff’s office, and the Boulder SANE program. Zoccali will update the Women’s Commission after the meeting.
- E. Civil Discourse Handouts – Clerk’s office will put them out at City Council meetings
- F. City Council updates – Zacharias attended 5/19/15 and Carroll attended 5/4/15

VI. Upcoming Events

- 1. Mental Health Informational Forum
 - July 14, 2015 Community Input: How to De-Stigmatize Mental Health Issues

VII. Adjourn The meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

Action Items			
Member	Item	Time Sensitive	Ongoing
Stacia	Email Jennifer Jones about visiting June meeting	Now	
Stacia	Send breakfast notes and revised communication template	Now	
Huston	Contact Bev Thurber about childcare panel	Now	
Suzanne	Print Civil Discourse handouts and give them to clerk’s office to put out at meetings		X
Huston	Review community events calendar to inform the WC & add any events that the WC is aware of		X
Stacia	Look through data from 1996 phone survey data and determine next steps		X
Annette	Try to find more recent data from the Women’s Commission and let Stacia know		X
Ginny	Send bullet points to Suzanne for other B&Cs		X
Ginny	Update City Council topics (below) according to six-month planning calendar		X
All	Bring ideas of potential partners for educational programs		X
All	Share community events with WC members		X

City Council Calendar

Date	Member(s)	Topic or Committee
June 2, 2015	Stacia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Health Strategic Plan • Annual Land Use Code Revisions (First Reading-consent) • Lincoln Avenue Street Improvements – Final Funding • Comcast Franchise Renewal • Addition of Permitted Use-Land Use Code Amendment
June 16, 2015		CANCELLED FOR CML ANNUAL CONFERENCE
July 7, 2015	Huston	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Land Use Code Revisions (Second Reading-consent) • HUD Required 5-Year Strategic (Consolidated) Plan 2015- 2019 (consent) • Amending Section 23-130 of City Code relating to the Disposition of Lost, Abandoned or Other Unclaimed Property • Time of Use Electric Rate Study • Comcast Franchise Renewal (Second Reading)
July 21, 2015	Liz	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amending the City's Naming Policy • Proposed pronghorn antelope hunting program at Soapstone Prairie NA (discussion) • Soapstone Prairie Grazing Lease Amendment (consent) • Possible Executive Session
August 4, 2015		CANCELLED FOR NEIGHBORHOOD NIGHT OUT
August 18, 2015		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Affordable Housing Strategic Plan • Natural Areas Potential Transactions • Downtown Development Authority 2010 Bond Interest Adjustment
August 25 Work Session		Homelessness-Action Plan for 2015
September 1, 2015		
September 15, 2015	Ginny	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dust Prevention and Control Code Amendments and Dust Control Manual Adoption
October 6, 2015		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Budget Adjustment Ordinance (consent-First Reading)
October 20, 2015		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2016 Annual Appropriation Ordinance (First Reading) • 2016 DDA Annual Appropriation Ordinance (consent-First Reading) • Airport Annual Appropriation Ordinance (consent-

		First Reading <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Budget Adjustment Ordinance (consent-Second Reading) • Possible Executive Session
November 3, 2015		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2016 Annual Appropriation Ordinance (Second Reading)
November 17, 2015		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
December 1, 2015		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
December 15, 2015		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

Submitted by Ginny Carroll, May 20, 2015