

Path Planning Minutes April 18, 2021 Noon to 2 PM

Members in Attendance Dean, Colleen, Paxton, Sue, Jon, Tom C., Dennis, Otis, Spirit, Sylvia, Amy
Guests in attendance Mark, Mouse Man, Steve, Tom Gannon, David Hoffman
Staff: Shane
Secretary: Jennifer

Announcements Paxton: Board working assembly is scheduled to discuss the winery property, 4pm online. Fair is having work party signups for geranium cleaning. Sat/Sun.
Colleen- Search for New Executive Director is ongoing, please share the job posting.

Minutes, March 14, 2021 - sylvia motioned and Tom seconded to accept the minutes as prepared -two abstain. Minutes approved.

Public Comments- none

Agenda review, amend, approve – amended to add work parties and meeting specifics- all approved.

Diversity Teaching Moment: Tom Churchill - Meaning of the word '*diversity*'- Noun: condition of having or being composed of different elements or qualities. Includes different races and cultures in an organization. Derived from Latin/French. Racial diversity is only one dimension; others listed. A look at how this word is used. Recites NYT headlines associated with racial issues and quotes Rev. Kelly Brown Douglas and Frank Zappa
Volunteer for Next month: Paxton
This is an open ended ongoing monthly topic.

Reports:

Staff- Shane reports the weather has been unusually hot and dry. An arborist was down from PDX and several trees were inspected. A Fir engraver (pest) was identified, and some tree removal will occur to prevent spread. Another beetle attacking Doug Fir was identified and pheromones have been employed for control. Flowers are in bloom, and weekends have been busy. The .net site has weekend work parties for sign up. There will be a call out to people from various crews such as hand cleaning and water to work on sanitation efforts as well in a combined effort.
Dean asked about meeting on site in May – Shane said Alice's is already booked. Will do Zoom for May.

Board Liaisons - Paxton states the BoD started search for New ED- .org site has this info.
Working assembly. Virtual Fair needs project managers- application on both sites. Senate bill 405 NCU extensions. Hearing on 22.

Committee Liaisons:

Mapping- Rosana email update. Mapping has created a grid system that covers the entire property- each zone has several pages, instructions on how to use the map is in the google file. Not yet posted.

LUMP-grey water funding options- looking at grants- carbon sequestration – education and nearing end of a 13 year marathon for green zone protocols. Looking at ways to increase knowledge on indigenous land practices.

Carbon Neutral -

Peach Power-

Archeology- Tom says mapping will be very helpful. A small group of folks had a work party at the vineyard. Ann says that mapping provides ability to increase grids should more property be added.

VOCF- Dean will be working with Diversity committee to provide training.

Subcommittees

Handwashing – report emailed by Dan. Tom reported review of the upper eight was completed during a recent a walkthrough and Dan has created an organized data collection system.

Sanitation- approach is to delegate handwashing folks and combine efforts.

Cultural Resources – planning tour – email Jon your availability.

Work Plan Review

There was a roundtable discussion on taking June and July off. Paxton motioned, Tom seconded to change work plan and take June / July off – resuming August 15th. Motion passed unanimously. Changing the meeting time from three hours to two hours (ending at 2pm) was discussed and the sentiment was to leave it 'as is', but to break early when possible.

Old Business:

Long Term Planning, <http://ocfpathplanning.org/studies/LongRange/>

Dennis went over the long-range planning website, and growth calculations based on population growth factors. Demonstrating moderate to low growth rate in the public but showing a tripling of internal growth rate at the lowest growth rate. Equating 44K attendees in 20 years. Upper river loop is about 8% of public area being lost which further impacts crowding.

Paxton argues this is the reason why a large new area is needed every 10-15 years. Mouseman points out that automobiles are consuming much space.

Grumpy goes over parking family vs public: Miss Piggy is public, Trotters is public- both full. Dead lot is overflow for public. S Miss Piggy, out of site, winery and all other areas is family parking. Some space for expansion.

Jon states the expansion of new areas always end up with large increases of internal family and feels this is the major cause of internal population growth. He feels predetermination of how to handle developmental aspirations is key.

Dennis points out step 7 in the plan covers this effort, but it can stunt progress if tackled too early on in the process. Also, the growth rates are projections.

Dean mentions in terms of getting more camping for staff – a few acres across from Chela Mela had been mentioned. Camping area needs are in step 5.

Ann recognizes the population growth is only a piece of this since there are many variables that affect carrying capacity. Urges the committee to keep moving forward.

Grumpy says that cars are very engrained in the culture of fair goers. A discussion on transportation and bus service followed.

Shane states the LDT cannot provide any further busses at this time- they have maxed them out at the Fair. Our road infrastructures would need expansion if we had more vehicles.

Paxton says we need to be creative in how we get people to the Fair- it's a very difficult situation.

Amy- In looking at internal population, her crew stopped giving parking passes to all crew members and started giving them selectively. Crews camping should leave their cars in town. Passes go out only to out-of-towners and those with small children. Feels other crews should take similar measures.

Jon feels there will be advances in transportation in general with the onset of eco cars and will see more of that on site.

New Business:

Work Party potentially on a Friday to pull geranium; the plant has taken over and is very easy to pull out – this is highly encouraged.

May- -Alice's is booked. Will send Zoom link with agenda.

Homework Review:

Paxton: diversity talk for May.

Dennis: Add maps to Path planning website.

Meeting Eval and last round

Next meeting: May 16, 2021