

Members Present: Leonard L. Hamlin, Michael Spotts, Robert Bushkoff, Linda Kelleher, Dave Leibson, Kathryn Scruggs, Candice Rose, Steve Sockwell, Richard Donohoe, Dave Peterson, Shelynda Brown, Ori Weisz

Staff Present: David Cristeal, Russell Danao-Schroeder, Joel Franklin, Rolda Nedd.

1. Welcome and introductions

Dr. Hamlin called the meeting to order at 6:40pm and greeted everyone.

2. Approval of April 24th meeting notes

Dr. Hamlin asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. The minutes were accepted by acclamation.

3. Consultant update

- Dr. Lisa Sturtevant indicated that they were 90-95% complete in assessing county programs and that this inventory should be available at the next Working Group meeting. This includes looking at County policies, human services programs, AHC's homeownership program. This complete assessment along with the data already presented should allow the group to think through needs and priorities, see where resources are being invested, all of which will be discussed at the community meeting in the Fall.
- Survey update – 1450 surveys completed to date. There is some difficulty being able to locate and fill quota of Asian households and sufficient number of low income seniors.
- Focus groups - Keith of Frederick Polls is working with staff to identify and recruit individuals for focus groups to supplement the data already collected. Consultants will have data to share with needs analysis group soon.
- Communication- Agnes Artemel indicated that a conference call with the Civic Engagement sub-committee took place and included a discussion about the community forum in the Fall and how to solicit participation.

4. From principles to goals to objectives (small group discussions)

Russell Danao-Schroeder explained the purpose of the discussion on goals and principles. The discussion should also include policy questions that may arise and also identify anything that may be missing from the goals, that should be included.

Dave Leibson asked how do we factor in issues and problems in the discussion and how to include them? Russell D-Schroeder responded that by identifying issues this may influence an objective so that identifying them now would be useful. Kathryn Scruggs questioned whether a part of the exercise could involve changes, rearranging the principle and goals? Russell D-Schroeder suggested that the focus of the discussion should be on the goals and principles as they are currently. Each group of 6-8 persons had two principles which they discussed for 45 min.

Report Out

ACCESS

<p>ADA definition for persons with disabilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local requirements • How to access units • Role of transit <p>Single Family zoned areas to include Accessory dwelling units; prevent teardowns</p> <p>Public Land</p> <p>Number of units vs. gross Floor Area</p> <p>Access for HH with incomes 80-120% AMI</p>	<p>Information on availability of units</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rent and Vacancy survey <p>Policy - What is the County's responsibility</p> <p>Have accessible housing throughout the County</p> <p>Single Residence Occupancies (SROs')</p> <p>Shared housing model</p>
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Supply

<p>At what income?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60-80% AMI • Workforce housing for those 80-120% AMI, residents and county employees <p>Land Use Policies that affect density</p> <p>Policy – How much of the region's needs can Arlington fulfill?</p> <p>What are housing barriers</p> <p>Policy – Public Land for Public Good</p> <p>Need more units overall</p> <p>Sector plans</p> <p>Overall Economic development</p> <p>State and local level advocacy/regional housing</p>	<p>Family size units</p> <p>Employee retention</p> <p>Housing for all life stages</p> <p>Housing for young people</p> <p>Rental and Homeownership</p> <p>ADU unit option for over-housed</p> <p>Transportation cost</p>
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Safe and Decent Housing

<p>Code and home inspections</p> <p>Property maintenance</p> <p>Role of Tenant/landlord Commission</p> <p>Housing supplied through private market, ensure adequate approvals</p>	<p>Safe neighborhoods – policing, lighting,</p> <p>Education – tenants on leases and responsibilities</p>
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Homelessness

<p>Chronic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support services• Permanent supportive Housing• High-risk persons <p>Prevention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Communication• Coordination• School-aged children	<p>Transitional</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Access to resources• Barriers to housing
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Suggestions from the group discussion around any areas omitted from the goals:

- Context for housing such as sustainability,
- The role of transit
- Supportive services
- Energy efficiency

Staff indicated that the discussion will continue around specific topics to be identified that will be an extension of this conversation

6. Task Force reports

- a. Homeownership – Richard Donohoe indicated that since the last meeting and the group’s presentation there were no comments from the wider group.
- b. Geographic distribution – staff is organizing goals and objectives and will provide a revised structure and plans to receive comments via email
- c. Financing Strategies- Russell D-Schroeder summarized the last meeting of the group which involved discussion of TIF, bonds and other financing mechanisms

7. Subcommittee reports

- a. Needs analysis- anticipates a meeting in the near future once the Consultant’s findings are available .
- b. Civic Engagement – The committee had a telephone conference and discussed branding, a series of fact sheets to be produced on select topics and how best to disseminate the information, throughout the summer. Many events, such as Columbia Pike Blues, the County Fair, Clarendon day etc. Linda Kelleher suggested that these events could be venues to have conversations about the study. Civic federation, civic associations and commission meetings are other venues at which presentations can be done. The next meeting is June 19.

Portia Clark, a community member asked whether there is any consideration to analysis the data on a smaller level such as neighborhood level, particularly for areas where plans maybe outdated as this will get people’s attention. Dr. Lisa Sturtevant commended the suggestion but indicated that data at that

level will be hard, but there may be some measures for which local level data could be looked at. There was some discussion about ways to inform residents, such as website – ‘Nextdoor”, a type of list serve that connects neighborhoods. How do we reach Condo Associations, should be invited to a meeting. Also the Chamber of Commerce.

8. Wrap-up, take away

- Linda Kelleher commented on the interactive nature of the meeting and having the consultants involved in the discussion; also having community members attend and participate was commendable
- Getting the community involved will be very important and would require larger meeting spaces
- Dr. Hamlin referred to summer months and the calendar that staff maintained last year; he asked that members inform Russell of their absence ahead

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm