

City of Boulder
Public Participation Working Group

Monday, April 10, 2017

4:00 pm – 7: 00 pm

Municipal Service Center, 5050 East Pearl St., MSC Large Conference Room

Agenda

Meeting Purpose: To finalize the proposed Framework for Recommendations. To discuss the integration of additional recommendations and items that have come up in previous PPWG discussions. To establish future meeting milestones and a timeline for Recommendation drafting.

Time	Agenda Topic
4:00 pm – 4:10 pm	Welcome and Agenda Review
4:10 pm – 4:20 pm	Public Comment
4:20 pm – 5:30 pm	<p>Presentation and Approval: Presentation of the “Levels, Steps, Principles and Structures Framework for Recommendations.”</p> <p>Desired Outcome: PPWG reviews and approves the “Levels, Steps, Principles and Structures Framework for Recommendations.” PPWG provides feedback and determines next steps.</p>
5:30 pm – 6:15 pm	<p>Review and Discussion: Review and discuss draft Report Outline and recommendations/ themes to incorporate into the Final Report.</p> <p>Desired Outcome: PPWG discusses and identifies additional recommendations and items to address in the Final Report.</p>
6:15 pm – 6:25	Break
6:25 pm – 6:35pm	<p>Review and Discussion: Review questions from City Council and ensure that they are adequately addressed.</p> <p>Desired Outcome: PPWG understands and determines a way to incorporate questions from City Council into the Final Report Recommendations.</p>
6:35 pm – 6:50 pm	<p>Review and Discussion: Draft Recommendations and Timeline</p> <p>Desired Outcome: PPWG agrees on schedule for April, May and June meetings for Recommendation Drafting</p>
6:50 pm – 7:00 pm	Public Comment

PPWG Members, Staff and Council Attendees:

Lisa Morzel, Lisa Harris, DeAnne Butterfield, Marjorie Lerner, Sean Collins, Carol Cogswell, Michael Caplan, Claire Riley, Bill Shrum, Jean Gatzka, Brady Robinson

Facilitators:

Jonathan Bartsch, Taber Ward

Members of the Public:

Lydia Reinig

Agenda Review

- Need more time on the Agenda to Review City Council questions
- This meeting wasn't noticed in the paper, maybe why no one is here
- Include City Council socialization with Recommendations

Report Framework and Graphic

- The PPWG worked through the Report Graphic with the intent of getting agreement on the entire graphic as a framework to integrate different research products and recommendations.
- The framework graphic evolved out of systems and cultures subcommittee.
- There were general conversations around how specific or general the PPWG should be in addressing these principles and outlining a rationale of the principles.
- There was also general discussion around who is the audience of the document
- Need a definition section to define some of these concepts

Core Principles

- **#3 – all voices are included. The group agreed that this statement was too broad and should be changed to one of the following:**
 - “All interested, impacted stakeholders”
 - “All impacted stakeholders” are included in the process and given opportunity to be included in the process”?
 - Diverse voices – add “perspectives”
 - Is the word stakeholders too exclusive?

More work to be done to refine this Core Principles

- **#2 – as early as possible.**
 - Concern about generalities of terms used.
- **Supporting Structures (add formats, venues)**
 - Need to define what this means.
 - Concerns with Supporting Structures – haven't spent a lot of time on “supporting structures”
 - This could be a powerful section if we could show how the Steps support the Principles and Values
 - These Steps are in support of the Principles
 - Principles support the Recommendations
 - This section needs to be aligned with steps
 - Put forth 3-4 specific examples of how a project might be laid out or implemented on an example project
 - I.e. Timeline to show an example of a process
 - These are either issues that should be responded to or they are included in recommendations”?
 - Are these “Precursors for success”
 - Are these part of recommendations?

Steps

- Changes
- **Define the issue** – this is the issue within a larger context – change to “define the work” or add “issues”
- **#4** – change issue to issues
- **Define data and information needs and “frame the problem statement”**– data may not be relevant to the issue that has been outlined.
- **Gather ideas from diverse sources, move from #5 to #1**
- The steps will be circular and redundant. Note that this is not linear and it's an iterative process -- make sure all of these steps are included at some point
- **Break these into Three Phases of STEPS**
 - Steps 1-4 (seems like this is all about defining the work, Definition)

- 5-7 – (Problem Solving)
 - 8 and 9 – Implementation, Solution and Responsiveness to Failure
- **Why is “levels of engagement” separate from “defining the work?”**
 - Fold levels of engagement be folded into “scope, scale and complexity”
 - It’s not a “one-size-fits all” problem
 - Step #3 recognizes the level of engagement in the public involvement plan.
 - Put in parenthesis (inform, consult, involve, collaborate) or in the appendix
 - **Need to make sure “levels of engagement” does not show hierarchy – it’s just # of people involved.**
 - **Again, need definition section**
 - **Action: Fold Levels of Public Engagement into Step 3 and then call this out later in detail re: what this means**
- **Framework correction and questions to be answered:**
 - Carol’s framework weaves throughout all of the issues, it is not only about the website
 - **Action:** Work on the issues section to integrate issue and timelines.
 - Should the group identify specific projects to demonstrate an issue and identify the problems?
 - How specific do we want to be?
 - Define the issues and specific examples
 - The final report needs to make a bold, definitive statement of the overall problem. Make the case for change – everyone is the audience.
 - Case studies as appendices or within the issue statement?
 - Introduction should include the diversity of perspectives and how the conversation has evolved.
 - Put city Council questions up front to “make the case;” blueprint and pop-up bullets
 - Incorporate into the steps – goals and vision

Marjorie’s Recommendations - could be organized via the steps

- Guidelines and codes of conduct – designed to committee and the public looks at this and a code of conduct/Recommendation is – have a set of guidelines that are jointly developed // committee to develop these
 - “Rules of Decorum” posting on Atrium door when you walk in. Lisa sent to Taber and Taber sent to PPWG
- Commissions, Work Groups – is this beyond the scope of our group? This is a political process?
 - Mix of experts, advocates and regular citizens
- Innovation – at the front end to take risks or at the back end to assess and evaluate
- Roles and responsibilities - Office of Public engagement – setting forth what we would like an office or something to do and the function of the office.
 - Functionality and desired outcome. #3 on yellow page
- Uniformity of materials– Consistency with flexibility, every project that get puts up on the website has some uniformity
 - Standardized with flexibility – predictability and comprehensibility by the public, ie Chautauqua plan
 - Solutions Blueprint
- Summarize what has come from public input – this is important and should be elaborated on
- Summarize public meetings – Inside Boulder (weekly news show and this will say things that happened in the City) this is located on the City Council website

Next Steps

- **CDR to revise Outline**
- **Phase 1:**
 - Align Recommendations and Steps – make 1 list of recommendations by 4/19 – Marjorie and DeAnne
 - Issues/Define the Problem and City Council Questions – Lisa, Claire, Carol
- **Phase 2:**
 - Work on **Goals, Vision, Outcomes**
 - Create specific examples
- **Phase 3**
 - Develop a plan for public input to socialize work product with the public post-City Council Presentation
- **Phase 4**
 - Write and Edit the Report

Next Meeting Dates – all at 5050 Pearl Street

April 19
May 8
May 22