



Track 2: Community Engagement Task Force November 8, 2007 AGENDA

4:00 p.m. - Room 319 City Hall

I. Administrative Items

4:00-4:10pm

- Approval of minutes from [September 12, 2007](#) AND [October 29, 2007](#)

(10 min)

II. Discussion Items & Voting

4:10-5:40pm

(90 min)

1. *Discussion item #2* – The nature of the report is a statement of “what” should be done rather than “how”. The report makes numerous references to “what” should receive resources but does not specify amounts or sources. While the detail would be valuable, **to maintain the scope of the report there will be no modifications that specifically respond to the comments from the community that suggest more detail.**
 - a. E-vote results: Green—7, Yellow—7
 - b. *11/8 vote after discussion* Green or Red
2. Responsibilities for the Community Engagement Commission
 - a. Discuss possible responsibilities for the Community Engagement Commission

Responsibilities of a community engagement commission should include but not be limited to:

 - Actively assisting in short and long-term planning, development and implementation of the City's community engagement system.
 - Working with and advising the City on the development of policies related to community engagement.
 - Advising the Mayor, City Council and City Departments on community issues and needs related to community engagement and the City's community engagement system.
 - Reviewing those organizations seeking official support from the city for the purpose of community engagement
 - The composition should reflect the diverse interests and perspectives of the Minneapolis community. The recruitment process should be designed to ensure diversity of representation and ideas and take into consideration the City's commitment to civil rights, affirmative action and geographic distribution wherever possible.
 - The Commission should be provided the necessary City staff to meet these responsibilities.
 - The Commission should evaluate its work and responsibilities every 3-4 years to evolve with the needs of the City's community engagement system.
 - b. *11/8 vote after discussion* Green or Red
3. Other ideas from the community input that might not have been captured
4. Presenting the report
 - a. Basic assumptions underlying the CETF recommendations 5:40-5:55pm
(15 min)

Draft of possible assumptions to begin the discussion

 1. Build on the community engagement system that is already in place recognizing that improvements do need to be made.
 2. Priority was given to what improvements to make over how to implement them.
 3. Citizen engagement in the process of improving the community engagement process is necessary.
 4. Good community engagement requires money and people resources at all levels.
 5. Political commitment and leadership will be a key component to making improvements to community engagement
 - b. What recommendations would you highlight?

III. Closing

5:55-6:00pm

- Presentation of recommendations to City Council Committee of the Whole
Thursday, November 15, 10am

(5 min)