

Minutes
Mayor's Initiative for Healthy and Sustainable Food Systems
July 12, 2013
10:00 – 11:30, City Hall, Room 209

1. Welcome Introductions of meeting attendees

The Mayor welcomed the meeting attendees. In attendance was Ted Kelleher, Craig Lapine, Michael Brennan, Johnes Phansid, Jim Hanna, Caitlin Cameron, Ashley Storrow, Stephanie Pooler, Tim Fuller, Jackie Potter, Megan Bedford, Troy Moon, Ian Houseal, John Naylor, Jonah Fertig, Jeremy Bloom, and Ralph Carmona.

2. Continued Discussion of Industries and Enterprises Subcommittee Recommendations

The group discussed the advocate position recommended by the subcommittee. The group suggested the Mayor's Office. The subcommittee will discuss the recommendation further. There was discussion about the need for livable wages and economic development support in food industries. There was discussion about the need to talk about non-traditional ways to improve livability for workers. The Mayor suggested business visitations a way to do something right now. The Mayor suggested providing suggestions to him of who to meet with. The group continued to discuss inviting the Economic Developer to meet with the group to discuss the subcommittee's second recommendation.

3. Increasing Local Food in Schools Recommendation

This item was not discussed at the meeting.

4. Community Gardening Policy

Moon presented the draft policy to the group. The group asked questions. The group asked if the pricing was appropriate. The group suggested considering a sliding scale based on income. The group asked about the availability of space and guidelines that are used to determine eligibility and use of the space.

5. Power Vending Policy Detail

The group endorsed the power vending policy and recommended that the Mayor forward the policy on to the City Manager for consideration.

6. Public Outreach and Public Forum

The group that was to discuss the public forum had not convened their meeting. Bloom, Carmona, Hanna, and Potter will meet and coordinate that meeting. The group discussed the possibility of a workshop, presentations, and the possibility of a forum series. The group discussed the need to consider the demographics of the audience with regard to times, venue, and format for which the forum was scheduled.

7. New business

Fertig announced the Real Food Challenge event; a national training scheduled for Sunday July 21 and social event with the participants scheduled at Local Spouts Cooperative on Sunday July 21 from 6-8 pm.

8. Confirm date for next meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for August 9, 2013 at 10:00 AM.

9. Adjourn.