Detroit Food Policy Council Meeting
Tuesday, July 12, 2016
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Grandmont Rosedale Development Corporation
Minutes

1) Welcome and Roll Call
Sandra Turner Handy absent, Mimi Pledl, Eileen Haraminac, Lindsay Pielack, Kathryn Lynch Underwood, Velonda Thompson Anderson, Anika Grose (phone), Suezette Olaker, Zaundra Wimberley, Jerry Ann Hebron, Tepfirah Rushdan, Jelani Barber, Jermond Booze
Staff and Emeritus: DeWayne Wells, Cheryl Kearney-Williams, Winona Bynum, Kibibi Blount-Dorn, Amy Kuras

2) Review and Acceptance of the April and June Meeting Minutes
April 12 Minutes accepted with corrections
June 8 minutes approved with corrections

3) Remarks from the Chair
4) Welcome and Presentation from GRDC
Juan Ferris welcomed us to GRDC. GRDC is an organization that provides upkeep of 5 communities located within a 2.5 mile radius. Purchase sell and renovate properties, work with police, work with business, engage community in neighborhood beautification and events. One of the events is the Northwest Detroit Farmers Market. GRDC was founded 26 years ago.

5) Budget and Financial Report
Budget recently needed to be changed after Winona and DeWayne met with WK Kellogg Foundation. Winona reviewed the finances with the treasurer and we are in good financial shape. We will have a budget prepared by the October meeting for approval.

6) Fiscal Sponsorship Policy
We have been approached by several groups to provide fiscal sponsorship, but we have not had a policy in place to do so. Winona prepared a draft policy that council members will review. One of the things we want to ensure is that any group we sponsor matches our mission and vision. Council members will have 30 days to review and suggest revisions.
   a. Strategic Planning and DFFC Transition
      After looking at everything we talked about at the strategy session with the DFPC and DFFC the staff and consultants developed an organizational framework. The initiatives (DFFC and Livestock Guild) will continue to be governed by the directors, not by the DFPC. The second page shows the work of DFPC. The work of DFPC and the other initiatives that we provide sponsorship for will be able to coordinate our work.
The DFFC has had history of connection with DFPC. DFFC is preparing to transfer from Gleaners as fiscal sponsor. DFFC has three work groups: Healthy Food Access Work Group (will be convened by DFPC), Active Living convened by Greenways Coalition – design and engagement around greenways, complete streets, and Health Care workgroup convened by the Ecology Center. Collecting best practices around good food and good health in Detroit. Supporting the shift from focusing on diseases and treatment to population health focus with emphasis on wellness and preventative measures.

The transition process:
Visioning on June 23 facilitated by consultants
July – Aug: develop framing structure
Aug: share what happened at joint strategy session
Aug. 24 9:30-4:30 second strategic planning session to develop 1 year workplan and incorporate equity into our work plan
October: present finalized structure, workplan, and plan for next strategic plan.
November: Celebration of initiatives (ask council members to send potential conflicts).

7) DEAL report

8) Committee Reports
   a. Fund Development Committee
      The committee will meet Tuesday July 19 at 11am. The committee will develop an event sponsorship policy, and develop a strategy to meet the next portion of our matching grant. The Fund Development committee is not open to the public.

   b. Research and Policy Committee
      i. Food Security Policy Update
         Amy had developed a presentation for the Food Security Policy update. We are asking DFPC members to commit to present the policy to a group within their network. Amy reviewed the final portion of the presentation that had not been completed prior to the summit: Urban Agriculture, Schools and Institutions, and Emergency Response. The last section was the most surprising in terms of lack of awareness and preparedness for emergency response. The slide for Urban Agriculture the wrong information was included and Amy will send the updated presentation to council members.
         There are some points that may still deserve some attention and specification. There needs to be specific information about what types of information development we are concerned about. In the emergency response section we need to incorporate what types of national regulations that impact emergency planning and coordination. Agencies that are authorized to provide emergency response need to provide coordination with the plans we develop for emergency response. Forgotten Harvest and Gleaners have a lot of information that they need to share about this topic, which is what we need to raise awareness about. Amy will connect to Kirk about refining the action plan for the Emergency Response section. Next meeting July 19, 4pm

   c. Youth Program
      Today was the kick off of our youth program. Youth had an introduction to food systems, equity, and we did a planting activity. The youth will meet once a week throughout the summer, and once a month during the school year. They will help to
host the Youth Summit October 21. The youth planning committee will meet August 11, 5:30 pm

d. Education and Engagement Committee
Presentations to groups in your network
Develop volunteer engagement strategy
Council member engagement and collecting bios
Golden Beet Awards – Vote

9) Director’s Report
Olivia started an online fundraising campaign to support the youth program. We decided to select one additional youth participant than we originally planned to accept and are raising funds to support the additional youth.
Staff met with the Kellogg Foundation. They will increase their support for next year as we sponsor the DFFC, and this raises the amount we are challenged to raise to meet the match requirement.
Healthy Kids Healthy Michigan Healthy Policy action team
Fresh Prescription, Participated in Authority Health, Environmental Agenda steering committee
CURES steering committee, USDA urban ag study advisory board
Attended Mayors summit on Health Equity, DFFC convening in Iowa, attended Today’s Dietician conference, started the Great Lakes Leadership Academy
DFPC was represented at the Macinack Policy Summit
DeWayne and Winona will participate in the Mayor’s food cluster economic development strategy steering committee.
Developing fiscal sponsorship guidelines, and working on action items of food system assessment.
Welcome our summer intern, Domonique Boykin, a grad student at Syracuse University.
The next strategy session is August 24, 9:30-4:30

10) Reports from Governmental Representatives
a. Health Department – Velonda Thompson Anderson
   Cedrick Marks, food safety program manager, has retired. A replacement has not been named, but we will try to get the new person active in the DFPC. Dr. Abdul will participate in DBCFSN Harvest Festival and is interested in ways to get more engaged. Dr. Abdul has been meeting with a lot of groups and organization. There is some reorganization going on at health Department and there will be additional directors in specific areas.

b. Legislative Branch Report – Kathryn Underwood
   There will be a CPC public hearing July 21 for the urban livestock ordinance. It will not be all that everyone originally hoped for in terms of number of animals that will be allowed. Kathryn encourages people to come to the hearing to express their own opinions. Chapter 6 of city code which has to do with animal control will not be discussed at the hearing (how they will be kept, enforcement, abandonment and neglect). The CPC will not deal with this section. They will deal only with the zoning included in Chapter 61. Following this public hearing there will be a City Council hearing. There will also be some fixes with the urban agriculture ordinance: indoor growing systems will be one category (instead of aquaponics, aquaculture and hydroponics), and
new category will be insects (mini livestock). The last part of the ordinance will involve and increased demand for halal meat where people what to be able to pick their animals live and have them slaughtered on site. This is not appropriate on a commercial site so trying to figure out a way to allow for these uses in a way that is appropriate. Right now it is only allowed in B6 which is basically Eastern Market, and the ordinance will be expanding this use to industrial zones only. There will be ongoing outreach to the community that is looking for halal meat to come to understanding about meeting the needs and providing for public health.

c. Executive Branch Report – Garry Bullock - not present
11) Next Meeting – October 11, 2016, DFPC Office

12) Public Comments
Will copies of the policy and presentation be available soon? Yes, we will be incorporating feedback, and distributing the policy and presentation
Gary from London, ONT is developing a food policy council. They are meeting tomorrow to develop types of members they will have. In Canada there are some different political concerns. Gary would like to stay connected with DFPC as they develop their council. They did a community food assessment in the last year.
Tanya Williams saw a flier at the Redford Branch Library. Has an associate’s degree in nutrition and worked for WIC. Would like to volunteer with DFPC.

13) Announcements
August 19-21 Food Plus Detroit will have an exhibit at the African World Festival, and invites ideas about what to do in the space this year
CHIRP partners have developed programs and workshops around food programs and are looking for some organizations to test some of the materials they have put together, and CHIRP will fund and support the test.
Keep Growing Detroit: August 3 annual garden tour with reception and good food bazaar. Fall crop distribution July 21 and 23.
Fair Food Network runs Double Up Food Bucks program. Most community markets accept DUFB starting June 1, several grocery stores will also start accepting DUFB later in the season.

14) Adjournment