

Minutes of: Food System Council

Date: Sept. 22, 2011 | **Location:** Heritage Farm, 1919 NE 78th St. Vancouver, WA 98660 | **Recorded by:** Elspeth Durek

Time: 4:00-6:00pm | **Mtg. chaired by:** Kristine Perry | **Reviewed by:** Team

Present: Theresa Cross, Elspeth Durek, Erin Harwood, Debe Nagy-Nero, Warren Neth, Kristine Perry, Jennifer Prouse, Tammy Rodriguez, Amanda Schlegel, Barbara Underwood | **Guests:**

Absent: Robert Bacon, Paul Childers, Carolyn Gordon, Jhon Kuppens, Greta Lavadour, Ron McKnight, Cyndie Meyer, Anna Petruolo, Gayle Rothrock, Amy Sidran, Summer Steenbarger, Jill teVelde

Topic	Discussion	Decision	Follow-up
Welcome and Introductions	Kristine called the meeting to order and introductions were made.		
Meeting Minute Approval	August Minutes were approved as written.		
Brief Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Re-Tooling our Code: Theresa stated good feedback was received from former FSC member Bruce Pregel on proposed redevelopment codes related to temporary farm worker housing, farm stands and markets. His comments were passed around. He suggested contacting planners around the state and review language used in their codes. • City Planning Commission letter: FSC members reviewed and approved Theresa’s letter on behalf of the FSC supporting and recommending proposed community development policies (CD) in the City of Vancouver’s Comprehensive Plan. For example, discouraging supermarkets from using non-compete clauses when they relocate, providing incentives for healthy food retail in underserved areas, limiting concentration of convenience and fast food restaurants and support for community gardens. • Free Planning Course Oct 19: There will be a Planning Short Course on October 19th from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Clark County Hearing Room, Vancouver. This 3 hour training session is intended for new planners, planning commissioners and elected officials. It is an excellent opportunity to learn more about growth management and the role of planning commissions, councils. • Health Element - Planning for Healthy Food: Brendon Haggerty and Tricia Mortell in Public Health have been working to incorporate the FSC’s input into the final draft policies and measurement criteria which will be shared with Clark County Community Planning staff in the next few months. The full document will be ready for posting on the website sometime in October. 	<p>FSC to send a letter supporting and making recommendations on the code</p> <p>Kristine signed the letter. Chair and/or co-chair to attend Public Hearing, all invited</p> <p>FSC encouraged to consider attending if interested.</p> <p>FSC’s input was very helpful with prioritization and measurements Provide contact information and website</p>	<p>FSC members encouraged to attend Public Hearings</p> <p>September 27: City of Vancouver Public Hearing</p> <p>Consider attending.</p> <p>Opportunities for public comment</p> <p>Connect Leah and Lynn with Brendon’s work</p>



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	<p>Warren reported that Leah and Lynn from Neighbors Market are interested in looking at Brendon’s work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WSU Chancellor Series: This lunch time series presents timely topics and opportunity for discussion for students, faculty, elected officials and community members. The next topic is “Barriers to raising healthy weight children” on September 30. Register online through the WSU website if interested. • Urban Abundance: Seasonal Feast: Planning is underway for this bi-annual locally sourced 3-course meal to be held at the Mill Creek Pub, Battle Ground. Warren is looking for more sponsors and is working with the Farm Bureau to find local foods. When: October 28th Community Cider Pressing: Press your apples on Saturday, October 1, from 11 am to 4 pm, at the Old Apple Tree Festival, 114 Columbia Way, Vancouver, WA. 	<p>Opportunity to learn more about nutrition misconceptions and environmental barriers parents face. An excellent opportunity to honor Food Day.</p>	<p>Let Warren know if wanting to sponsor or know of someone.</p>
<p>Farm-to-Table trade meeting</p>	<p>The Clark County Food System Council is proud to present a Farm-to-Table Trade Meeting on Tuesday, October 25 at the Water Resources Center in Vancouver. Sarah Wilcox of the Cascade Harvest Coalition has sent out the announcement and flyer for this event that will bring together farmers, distributors, retailers, school staff, cooks, chefs, restaurateurs, and others interested in growing, distributing and buying local foods. Cost is just \$10 and includes a locally sourced and prepared lunch. Register at: http://ww.brownpapertickets.com/event/195914</p>	<p>Recommendation to send out several times, including on social media with a new remark each time</p>	<p>FSC members encouraged to attend October 25.</p>
<p>Food Day Planning</p>	<p>Theresa passed around a Food Day Proclamation she formulated and which will be presented to the commissioners at the BOCC public meeting on October 4th at 7 pm. The Chair &/or Co-Chair to attend and receive the signed proclamation. Other events and activities being planned in honor of Food Day: Justine H.’s 100 mile lunch at Vancouver School of the Arts and Academics, Walmart’s food drive and \$1,000 donation to a non-profit (Dion), Vancouver Farmers Market “Scavenger Hunt” (Tammy), Urban Abundance Seasonal Feast (Warren), apple give-away at Peace Health SW (Jennifer).</p>	<p>Everyone is urged to post their own event or activity they are hosting on the map at http://www.foodday.org/ (Click on Participate and Host an event)</p>	<p>Receive Proclamation at BOCC meeting on Oct 4 - 7 pm at the Public Services Center.</p>
	<p>Next meeting: October 27, 2011 at the Heritage Farm: <u>POTLUCK:</u> BRING SOMETHING TO SHARE IN HONOR OF FOOD DAY</p>		



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