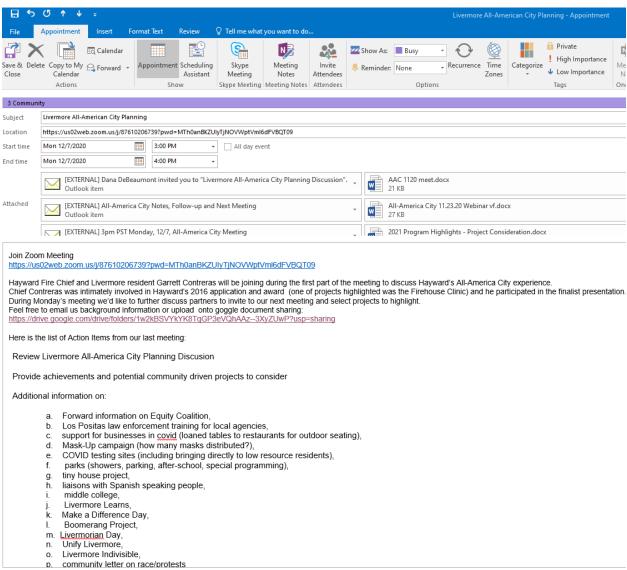
All-America City Planning, January 7, 2021



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All America City Call Notes 12/7/20

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Guest: Hayward Fire Chief Garrett Contreras

Action Items:

- Choose partners to reach out to/highlight work
- Stephanie to reach out to historic preservation commission and historian for additional info on City or do an email introduction to Kristen
- Kristen to update City data in application once five-year data estimates are released
- Decide who are youth that we can engage as leaders in the process?
- Contact artist Trent Thomas
- Choose date for January meeting Target January 7 CAP sending Doodle Poll

Projects to Highlight (with COVID response laced into each):

- 1. Health: Mental health and vaping
- 2. Equity and Social Justice
- 3. Housing Insecurity and Homelessness

Guest Speaker: Hayward Fire Chief Garrett Contreras

- In 2016 Hayward was one of ten cities who received the All-America City Award
- Highlighted three projects in their application:
 - o Firehouse Clinic
 - Youth and Family Services Bureau
 - Healthy Families: Literacy, After-School Support, and Access to Healthy Meals
- Engaged the whole community in equitable solutions
- Chief was skeptical of pursuing award learned the value of it through the process of applying
- Silos were broken down people came together to bring projects together
- People from different entities are still working together
- Was not just creative writing, had to explain what made the community special, how we have done what we have and will continue to do
- How to go about engaging community:
 - o Filling a gap existing with good metrics and data
 - Healthcare desert
 - Need based
 - Equity based
 - Available to all

- Whole community approach is what resonated with panel
- Process and journey has made impact long lasting and it more than an award
- Q: Was there predisposition to diverse cities? Suburbs have same issues but less resources to address
 - A: All types of cities win. Panel is focused on how well your community is working together to solve equitable issues
- Equitable solutions from the community as a whole tap into what your community is doing
- How well community working together to create positive change in an equitable manner for all of community
- Value of exercise, competitive process.
- Encouraged to do self-analysis of barriers and engage all residents, including youth
- A lot of work goes into All-America City application and presentation
- Process is not another award process. You had to sit in front of peers and explain story on why special, what meant to community to come together, and how sustain and maintain in the future. How continue to model behavior of organizational values
- Rich diversity among community represented in presentation
- Skit and presentation were driven by youth
- Youth also chose theme "We are Hayward"
 - The Hayward presentation can be viewed <u>here</u>
- Inclusive, kids drove conversation, fine-tuned by adult staff. Youth served as narrators. Jordan accomplished singer.
- Supported by City and community groups involved
- Organically telling story
- Impact on more successful and integrated programs, identifying redundancy
- Followed in years since

Grant Planning

- The goal is to show how we brought something positive in a challenging year
- Peer Health Educators are a strong group that could contribute; present, videos
- City has a youth commission as well
- Supt. Bowers National Superintendent Forum presentation on Social Emotional Learning – keeping our community safe from the inside out
- Don't feel safe because of the stigma of mental health, threat to physical health, color of their skin, etc.
- City statistics highest rating safety
- New projects can work as long as can explain our measure of success and future plans
- Could format past, present, future we are constantly coming together to address issues
- The community knows they have an ear that listens and responds
- Present who Livermore is as a community

- Show what our city stands for
- Historic preservation 2017 selling confederate flags, had issue with farmers market tried to handout pride flags, person who ran market tried to stop it Severed ties with management not what city stands for
- Actively dismantling things not just accepting
 - o Bank less Eurocentric as Livermore diversified and changed
 - o Events: Holocaust Survivors, Bollywood, Hindu temple...diverse elements
- Disparate and different socioeconomic and political views
- We aren't there yet but we are working on it actively tackled x,y,z issues
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Project Selection Idea: Equity and Coalition Work

- Equity and coalition work begun from needs expressed on the ground
- Young alumni 70-80 hours created documentary and action steps Reflective of what going on in schools
- Coalition started because of response internally
- Work began before George Floyd; started with ensuring DACA students and migrant workers felt safe
- Migrant and immigrant cities, police chief to forums.
- Mayor met with everyone and told them they would be welcome
- Unity Day
- Mayor downtown: make a difference day. All faith groups in, all denominations.
- We are laying the groundwork
- Webpage city council resolutions, links to resolutions, meeting notes: what projects each group is working on. Status for what are.
- Youth are joining opened to youth and also have a working group to engage with you
- Las Positas College Monthly series on race and equity, shared google drive file, draft our call to action at college
- George Floyd incident and Livermore Indivisible, unified Livermore, backlash, students came to superintendent, young alumni, listing to stories, experiences.
- Migrant and immigrant cities, police chief to forums.
- Underserved and terrified, thought ICE would be there. Fragile community, very vulnerable. Student leader's town hall, came out of conversations, lets convene how do we need to respond.
- Police are part of solution, not problem.
- Individual projects happening next year, June, in talks with Hayward, nonprofit continuing work in city
- Need to show how measuring success

Project Selection Idea: Addressing Homelessness/Housing Insecurity

- Youth artist Trent Thomas portraits for people, beautiful renditions of homeless people part of city. Not feeling special, war veterans, young mom single parent, unsheltered. Took rotary, downtown, shed light people who are in fragile circumstances
- Homeless don't have a stable, secure, continuous place to lay head in night.
 Inconsistent life
- Submerged in suburbs.
- City offered place to park, shower, protection
- There is a point person at college to make referral for housing insecurity a resource guide online to direct students to community resources
- Interfaith interconnect, city services, city council meetings individuals come forward.
- Partners for Change skills to advance life don't just bandage.
- Open Heart Kitchen: haves and have nots more apparent.
- Couldn't compensate anymore
- Chestnut Grove homeless

COVID-19 Response (laced into other projects highlighted)

- Joined forces with technology partners for COVID response
- Focused on meeting basic needs food
- Possibly tie into Homeless response COVID-19 made more evident the have and have nots
- See homelessness response in different way
- College response based on student surveys: meeting basic needs, food distributed, student surveys, assessed needs, getting tech, hotspots
- College monthly free food distribution, the market, Alameda County food bank, daily market, come by anytime.
- District also offered food
- Meeting the needs of the community
- Student groups at college student leadership showing up at meeting to express the needs of the community
- Action plan created as a response includes input from local leaders and local student governments

Partner Ideas

- La Familia
- Pedrozzi Foundation
- Mental Health Advisory Committee
- Interfaith Housing Livermore homelessness
- City Serve of the Tri-Valley homelessness
- Partners for Change gives tools to address root of homelessness

- Open Heart Kitchen
- Unify Livermore group of advocates but did begin politically motivated
- Livermore Indivisible political; social change; census outreach to hard to count areas; good information to share

