

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA ITEM VIII



Subject: Other Business

- A. Committee Updates**
- B. City Manager's Update**
- C. Late Items**



CITY OF FRANKLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT
City Council Meeting November 2014

Date: October 27, 2014
From: Elizabeth Dragon, City Manager
Subject: **Manager's Update**

Contingency Grant Line Activity: The City received the following in the contingent grant line this month:

\$94.94 Highway Safety Grant for Operation Safe Commute
\$3500.00 3M Foundation for Special Operations Shelter
\$1000 FSB for softball park improvements
\$530 LRGH NAP SACC grant

Boys & Girls Club update: On Oct 21st, 2014, Director Alpers & I participated in the monthly meeting between the school superintendant, the city & the boys & girls club. Chris Emond (represented the Boys & Girls club). The participant numbers in both programs have not changed much from last month's update. In December the superintendant plans to make a recommendation as to whether or not to continue with the program at Paul Smith School. He stated that he will be looking for recommendations from the three of us. At the November meeting we will be discussing a 21st century grant application. Chris Emonds will circulate some ideas of how to coordinate the grant between the recreation program & boys and girls club program. The schools grant writer will also attend the November meeting.

Citizens Institute on Rural Design (CIRD) grant update: The next meeting of the CIRD steering committee will be held on Oct 30th. The steering committee will finalize project goals, discuss format for the spring workshop, and discuss potential speakers and other logistics. Attached is the current draft of the workshop goals.

Franklin Mayor's Drug Task Force- The Task force was invited to participate in a discussion Monday October 27th in Laconia with Governor Hassan & Senator Hosmer regarding substance abuse. The discussion focused around Laconia's efforts to combat to substance abuse. However, as we all know, the issue of substance abuse knows no boundaries and therefore we were happy to share our thoughts as a member of their panel.

This evening I invite all of you to join us at the next Franklin Mayor's Drug Task force meeting **Thursday November 13th** here at city hall (5:30pm-7pm). Flyer attached. This meeting is the first step in a multi-step process to gather the community's thoughts on substance abuse. We will be using data and taking input to: 1) carefully consider which substances are directly impacting our community right now, and 2) what substances we stand the greatest chance of reducing. Please take a look at the data we have collected so far by visiting the task force website at

www.franklinnh.org and click on the Drug Task Force button. On our homepage under the header "Local Data" you will find links to recent local data reports.

To RSVP, Contact:

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Draft Workshop Goals – October 30, 2014

Suggested “framing question:” How do we make Franklin a healthy and vibrant community for all citizens in support of an aging population?”

Short-term (by the end of the workshop)

This project will...

- Engage a cross-section of Franklin community members to develop and set in motion an action plan that reflects what residents want for a multi-generational community in the future, which may include housing, community design, transportation, the arts, businesses, a revitalized downtown, other.
- Engage citizens to sign up and commit to being part of the process of implementing the action plan.
- Determine ways in which the community can improve citizens’ own perceptions of the city and living in Franklin.
- Assess what Franklin looks like now, in terms of demographics, housing, transportation, local economics, businesses, arts, economic development and community resources (much of this information is already be available and needs to be compiled before the site visit).
- Identify why older members of the Franklin community are leaving the city.
- Educate community members and regional/state stakeholders about why aging is an issue we need to discuss and the demographic changes in the state and Franklin.
- Determine community responses to an aging population and aging in place/in community, which may include housing, community design, transportation, the arts, business needs, a revitalized downtown, support services, other.
- Use the arts to connect intergenerational community members.
- Develop resources and a model that can be used in other NH communities to respond to an aging population.

Longer term goals

This project will...

- Create a community environment that encourages older community members to remain in Franklin, keeping them active and encouraging their community contributions. This may include the arts, housing options, transportation, community design, a revitalized downtown, support services, other.
- Create a healthy environment for multigenerational individuals throughout their lifespan that includes the physical, social, natural, and economic environment.
- Develop community responses to aging that will also revitalize and strengthen the local economy and infrastructure of the city.

YOUR VOICE MATTERS.

AND WE'RE READY TO LISTEN.



**JOIN US and eat while we have a conversation al
alcohol and other drug issues in our communi**

WHEN

**Thursday, November 13th
5:30 - 7 p.m.**

WHERE

Franklin City Hall



We will provide food!



ABOUT FRANKLIN MAYOR'S DRUG TASK FORCE

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Vision:

Our vision for Franklin and Hill is a healthy, vibrant and substance-abuse free community that supports the positive development of our youth to become strong.

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