

## OVERVIEW

On February 15, 2017 City of Milwaukie convened a second Town Hall for its *Milwaukie All Aboard Community Vision and Action Plan* process. More than 100 community members participated in this event at the Waldorf School. Building upon the work done at the first Town Hall where a preliminary vision statement and topic area goals were drafted within the “quadruple bottom line” sustainability lens of *People, Place, Planet* and *Prosperity*, community members generated action items for each of the Vision’s 12 Goal Area Statements.

Mayor Mark Gamba opened the event, thanking everyone for coming. He recalled the recent James Rojas *Place It! Workshop* event in January, highlighting how most participants had noted the role of water and play in their place-based recollection of childhood memories. The Mayor reviewed the goal of the meeting as an opportunity to take the vision that’s been refined by the Vision Advisory Committee (VAC) with the community’s input over the last several months and transition into creating action strategies that will begin to move the City towards that vision. The Mayor acknowledged and thanked the VAC members, as well as Council Members, City Staff, other elected officials including Clackamas County Jim Bernard and consultants.

Facilitator Kirstin Greene with project consultants Cogan Owens Greene reviewed the agenda, the reference guide and updated draft vision in participants’ packets. She introduced the evening’s discussion activities, led by volunteer VAC members.

Participants reviewed goal area statements and were invited to sit at the discussion table of their choosing according to their interest. VAC members and Spanish translators then facilitated 13 tables of discussion – three in each of the four quadruple bottom line sustainability lenses, in addition to one Spanish-language group. Each table of participants reviewed a Goal Area Statement and developed and refined a list of action items to implement that statement.

Willamette Falls Community Media streamed the event live online and will make it available for rebroadcast.



## **ACTION ITEMS BY GOAL STATEMENTS: TABLE DISCUSSIONS**

Discussions were robust and collaborative, resulting in dozens of new action items as well as excellent feedback on the preliminary action items that had been developed by the VAC since the November Town Hall. Towards the end of the discussion, participants were asked to identify their highest priority action item from the list developed by their group. Discussion leaders then reported out to the audience the top action item for their goal statement.

## **NEXT STEPS**

At the end of the table discussions and report-out, Mayor Gamba concluded the evening with some final remarks. He reminded participants that the next VAC meeting is on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, where the VAC will begin to take the community's guidance on the Action Plan and work with the City Council and community to identify priorities and partners for implementation. A preliminary review of input received to date will be presented to City Council on March 21<sup>st</sup>. Consultants, staff and Milwaukie High School youth will lead ten Community Conversations in March and April focusing on the draft actions. Finally, an online survey will be



available in May, focusing on priorities for the agreed-upon actions. A final draft of the Community Vision and Action Plan will be ready by June and is expected to be accepted by Council in July. From that point, the City will begin the process of updating the Comprehensive Plan in depth, building upon the vision, goals and action items developed during this project. The Mayor thanked participants and adjourned the meeting.

A full list of the top action items, generated from the Town Hall discussion groups, the online survey, and VAC and City Department deliberations, are included in Appendix A.