



Town of Hilton Head Island
Our Plan Inclusive Work Group Meeting

Monday, September 16, 2019 at 4:00 pm

The Living Lab at Town Hall

MEETING NOTES

Work Group:

Fostering and Inclusive Multi-dimensional Community

Present from Work Group: Quincy Campbell, Tayloe Cook, Chris Kerrigan, Meg James, Martin Lesch, Linda Piekut, Todd Theodore, Ahmad Ward, Jennifer Winzeler

Present from Town Council: None

Present from Town Staff: Taylor Ladd, Sheryse DuBose, Jennifer Ray

- The meeting began at 4:05 pm.
- The group worked through the seven goals categories identified in the previous meeting to read as goals geared towards fostering an Inclusive and Multidimensional community to present at the Development Team meeting on October 7th. Jennifer Ray clarified the definition of “goal” that will be utilized by all of the work groups, to mean “an aspiration or a desired outcome.” The group developed the following draft goals to be agreed upon or reworked at the next meeting:
 - Prioritize schools and education so that all children succeed by graduating, and prepared for the next step. Prioritize schools and education to attract young families and businesses to Hilton Head Island (These goals can be separated or combined).
 - Reimagining our venues and historic places so that they are community-minded (programming), inviting, accessible, and utilized by all.
 - Ensuring development on the Island is sustainable, inclusive, equitable, and innovative.
 - Create awareness and respect for our core community and environment, define and structure ecotourism, and pass on our values in order for communicated ideals, infrastructure, associated technology, and community mindfulness is inclusive and equitable for residents and guests.
 - Promote multi-cultural diversity in the Island’s progression.
 - Community should see a defined benefit from cultural tourism (group should decide if this is a goal or a strategy).

- Make sure health and wellness education and care itself is available/accessible, affordable, innovative, and benefits all.
- It was expressed by the group that the Gullah Geechee Report Recommendations should be considered when formulating goals for cultural diversity and developing strategies for this categories.
- The group was reminded of the Town Council meeting the following day where Gullah Geechee Report recommendations would be decided. Sheryse DuBose made the group aware of the Development Team Meeting that will be held on October 7th where staff will present the draft goals and the co-captains available to answer questions. Jennifer Ray encouraged the rest of the work group to attend the meeting as well, adding that all of the work groups will be in attendance to present their draft goals. The work group was presented with a handout from the September issue of *Hilton Head Monthly* that displayed the demographics of Hilton Head Island, Bluffton, Hardeeville, and Beaufort County as a whole, showing that the statistics in the current comprehensive plan are outdated. Owen Ambur made comments concerning necessary online infrastructure that will enable self-inclusion. The group expressed concern that the goals did not address enough the residents of Hilton Head. The group was also reminded of the education panels that will take place during week in Town Council Chambers, including an Arts and Culture panel that will take place on Friday, September 20th, as well as the Our Plan Open House that will take place on Wednesday, September 18th.
- The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 pm.

Submitted by: Sheryse DuBose