

CITY OF MISSION, KANSAS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2017

6:30 p.m.

Mission City Hall

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ONLY

ACTION ITEMS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Communities for All Ages Award Application - Emily Randel ([page 2](#))

The City is participating in the *Communities for All Ages* work led by the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC), KC Communities for All Ages, and the First Suburbs Coalition. The work aims to evaluate and improve how well City services are poised to meet the needs of all Mission residents over the next 20 years as demographic trends change. Staff will provide an update on Mission's participation in the program as the City applies for Gold recognition through the program after achieving Bronze in 2015, and Silver in 2016.

OTHER

2. Department Updates - Laura Smith

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City of Mission	Item Number:	1.
DISCUSSION ITEM SUMMARY	Date:	9/28/2017
Administration Department	From:	Emily Randel

Discussion items allow the committee the opportunity to freely discuss the issue at hand.

RE: Communities for All Ages Recognition Program

DETAILS: The City of Mission is participating in the *Communities for All Ages* work led by the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC), KC Communities for All Ages, and the First Suburbs Coalition. The work aims to evaluate and improve how well City services are poised to meet the needs of all Mission residents over the next 20 years as demographic trends change.

The First Suburbs Coalition and the KC Communities for All Ages initiative has developed a recognition program to support the work. Mission achieved the Bronze level recognition in 2015 for activities that raised awareness about changing demographics and how city services can respond to those changes. Mission achieved the Silver level recognition in 2016 for staff and the Sustainability Commission assessing Mission’s achievement of the items in the Communities for All Ages Checklist, a tool used to evaluate Mission’s service delivery in six areas of focus.

Mission will apply for Gold level recognition in November, 2017. This level requires the City to include Communities for All Ages into a major local plan. The concepts of inclusion and accessibility incorporated in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan in 2016 meets this criteria.

The City will also re-engage with the criteria included in the Silver and Bronze levels as maintenance of previous accomplishments. The Sustainability Commission is re-evaluating the Checklist in advance of the application as part of that work. The application for Gold recognition will also include highlights of the work completed since achieving the Silver recognition, including adding youth positions to the Park, Recreation, and Tree Commission and the Sustainability Commission, various infrastructure improvements, and continued partnerships with diverse groups within the community.

More resources about the regional effort including the Communities for All Ages Checklist and Toolkit are available at the MARC website:
www.marc.org/Community/KC-Communities-for-All-Ages

CFAA CONSIDERATIONS/IMPACTS: The recognition program allows for more community awareness surrounding the issue of improving services to all Mission’s residents and visitors, regardless of age or ability. Achieving subsequent recognition levels demonstrates a continued commitment to the work and ongoing improvements in service delivery.

Related Statute/City Ordinance:	Resolution 930
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