

Bar Harbor Council Chambers Oct 16 2017

Present: Deb Page, Natalie Springuel, Joe Minutolo, Dennis Bracale, Autumn Soares, Anna Durand, Jan Hanscom, Pancho Cole, Val Peacock, Cornell Knight, Elizabeth Swain

Absent (excused) Pat Samuel

Discussion between Elizabeth and Anna that some categories need to be clarified

Bracale wanted to bring up ?? (missed this)

Anna brought it back to the matrix

Elizabeth said we could try the ratings of the descriptions, last week we did the weightings

Anna said we had to hear from the Tendering committee and Elizabeth said the Tendering committee wanted to hear two visions, one with and one without tendering.

Discussion on how to combine the output of two committees

Elizabeth suggested we work on the economics of what we propose i.e. economic justifications , Anna asked if we would work on the matrix/ratings and discuss our todo list

Dennis brought up we have preliminary numbers and some of us esp Joe M have been talking to lots of people.

First issue: category changes, Dennis suggested keeping track of changes. That way we can keep track of changes and why they were made. Elizabeth will keep track of changes over time.

Dennis said the sub category "Local Economy" > "Availability of Parking in Town and Pier" should be expanded into Transportation category

Deb asked who the Mike is that made the matrix we're working with and Dennis said that Mike worked with matrices before and volunteered and the lead committee revised our work, Dessa said that our matrix was combined with the Other Usage committee.

Suggestion that Mike's changes go through the leads before they are discussed

Anna proposed and we agreed that Transportation should be it's own category and brought up the five subcategories, only got to listing these two:

Bus transport

Relief of downtown congestion and

Elizabeth said we should add language to clarify how and why Transportation was important as the lead committee eliminated , so we should take Transportation into account with each category.

Dennis said we should redefine this and take transportation into account

Anna withdrew her suggestion about another Transportation category

Discussion on how to further define the categories

Break out Benefits/Harm to downtown merchants and services, needs to be three categories, split out into benefits restaurants, lodging and gift shops.

Discussion on "Visibility impacts./improvements to local neighboring properties", try to come up with neutral language, it says both good and bad in the same line, should it be changed to "improvements"?

Change to add (benefits 5 risks 1) – add this to other categories as well

Also add Acadia National Park, Frenchman's Bay, All American Highway to the visual impact.

New discussion

Natalie brought up local economy impact vis a vis local guides and the possibility of new businesses coming in, Anna said it was removed by leads

Anna discussed distinguishing between local ferries and international ferry

Natalie said we need to discuss the possibility of existing and new businesses coming in, Cornell and Anna mentioned Mr Paigels may want to run an international ferry

Change subcategory of commercially owned boat operators to include international ferries

Dennis wants to change "Availability of parking in town and at pier" to Transportation, and all agreed need to clarify which pier is specified. Change pier to Ferry Terminal

Where and how should we add Transportation? And how to define it? Should this go under Community and Cultural where Relief of downtown congestion etc. Add qualifier to this line to read: Improvement of public safety and traffic flow

Pancho wanted sea level change to be considered in Financial and Environmental

Discussion o Experience for Land Based Tourists

Transportation gets changed to Increased availability of Transportation Options

Ability to enjoy property and Frenchman Bay && Ability to enjoy town/park

Outstanding Issues according to Anna

Waiting to hear back from Prock Marine

2 to 3 million to build a marina or 10-12 million – can we get more specific numbers?

Go through our spreadsheet and pull out projects – Joe will try to contact Mount Desert – Mr

Durlin(g)? and try to get some numbers.

Revenue stream will depend on the quality of the moorings and and dockage

Discussion on how to get more information and we use Northeast Harbor for income, costs, building

Discussion on when to meet again before public meeting.

Try to get all the information pulled together by the 23<sup>rd</sup>, meet on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> at 1300

Put narrative on town website