

Participatory Budget Committee
August 1, 2022, 5:30pm
Minutes

Committee Attendees: Mary Estelle Ryckman (Chair), Norah Brennan (Vice Chair), Jeff Altamari, Samantha Clemmey, Douglas Gerhardt, Devin Dal Pos, Danielle Lepper, and Tim Holmes

Not attending: Jonathan Jeerapaet

Other Attendees: Anju Owad and two representatives from an independent media outlet

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for the July 18 meeting were approved.

Discussion of proposals 2022-006 through 2022-011 using the proposed metrics

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	<u>Brief name</u>	<u>Comments</u>
6	Sidewalk Geyser Road	Refer to relevant City department
7	Sidewalk West Avenue	Refer to relevant City department
8	Community garden near Farmers Market	Mary Estelle will meet with executive director of Pitney Meadows to get more information on successful community gardens. Possibly consider jointly with similar proposal
9	Wildlife assistance	Advise submitter, Saratoga Springs sponsor needed
10	Urban Forestry project	Committee member will contact submitter
11	Veterans Mem Park playground	Consult with City Rec department

Chair Mary Ryckman distributed a draft Information sheet for use in gathering information from City offices.

Voting process. Norah Brennan proposed a one-week voting process to be held in October 2022. She will be reviewing a Stamford online voting model.

Outreach. Public contact sessions at the public library and other possible locations were discussed.

Timeline of key actions

The draft timeline for the 2022 and 2023 was briefly reviewed. Chair Mary Estelle Ryckman noted that project leads should plan for delivery of finished proposals by **mid-September**.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

Next meeting will be on Monday, August 15, 2022 at 5:30 pm