

## Knoxville-Knox County Food Policy Council Meeting Minutes

Date & Location: Wednesday, November 15, 2023; United Way of Greater Knoxville

Type of Meeting: Voting

Recorder: Brett Foster

<p>Attending Appointed (Voting) Members <b>Bolded names in attendance</b></p>	<p><b>Bruce Crabtree</b> <b>Bailey Foster</b> <b>Brett Foster</b> Laura Deubler Ross Jones <b>Sara Keel</b> <b>Marisa Moazen</b> <b>Jen Russomanno</b> <b>Rylan Thompson</b> <b>Lauren Woods</b> Donna Wright</p>
<p>Attending Associated (Non-voting) Members <b>Bolded names in attendance</b></p>	<p><b>Beth Brown</b> <b>Adam Caraco</b> Kara Finger <b>Nicole Gross</b> Lisa Healy Travis Henderson <b>Marissa McKeague</b> Judith Pelot <b>Charlotte Rodina</b> Wade Seifert Marsha Spence <b>Caesar Stair</b> <b>Erin Sweeney</b> Vivian Williams</p>
<p>Other Attendees (all names listed were in attendance)</p>	<p>Jessie Hillman—Knoxville-Knox County Planning Madelyn Howe—Knox County Health Department Fiona McAnally—City of Knoxville Kimberly Pettigrew—United Way Greater Knoxville</p> <p>Umoja Abdul-Ahad—Project 2000, Inc. Jennifer Ayers—United Way, Community Schools Kat Bike—Nourish Knoxville Sarah DeWitt—Knox Botanical Garden Jennifer Durant—FarmCare Femeika Elliott—Rooted East/Alliance Yolanda Grant—United Way Hailey Lewis—UTK Juanita Miller—Wesley House Parker Owens—AmeriCorps</p>

	<p>Lillie Sutton—KCDC AmeriCorps  Sandra Wairmu—United Way  Tiara-Lady Wilson—Community Elder</p>
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1.	<p><b>Welcome and Introductions: Bailey Foster</b></p>
2.	<p><b>Approval of Past Meeting Minutes: Bailey Foster</b>  Motion: Marisa Moazen  Second: Lauren Woods  Motion approved unanimously</p> <p>Question posed about the goal of FPC—Bailey read goals of FPC to group; Fiona explained we are to serve as advisory to city/county government.</p>
3.	<p><b>Bylaws Committee: Rylan Thompson</b>  Major changes need to occur—no clear definition of associated vs appointed members. Executive committee doesn’t stipulate a member must hold office. Recommendation to do overhaul in spring to clarify and reorganize bylaws. Voting members should consist of more representation from the community.</p> <p>Fiona encouraged committee to refer to ordinance before making drastic changes to bylaws.</p>
4.	<p><b>Nominations Committee: Kimberly Pettigrew</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominations Committee Slate Approval  --with email issues, need to postpone approval (only two appointed positions are up for approval)</li> <li>• Executive Committee Approval  Positions to fill: chair, vice-chair, and secretary  Marisa Moazen nominated Bailey Foster (accepted) to continue serving as chair. Marisa Moazen has volunteered to serve as vice-chair. Brett Foster has agreed to continue serving as secretary.</li> </ul> <p>Slate of Executive Committee presented by Bailey Foster  Motion: Lauren Woods  Second: Rylan Thompson  Motion approved unanimously</p>
5.	<p><b>Knoxville-Knox County Planning Presentation—Growth Policy Plan Proposal/Advance Knox: Jessie Hillman</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Growth Policy Plan is required by state law—every city/county government must have a 20-year growth plan</li> </ul>

- Committee is defined by state law and appointments are made by both Mayor Jacobs and Mayor Kincannon
- Goal—establish growth plan that clearly defines urban growth boundaries and identifies planned growth in rural areas
- Consider proposed amendments to the plan to allow growth in areas where infrastructure is already in place
- Urban growth boundary, planned growth boundary, and rural growth boundary are considered and each has specific zoning requirements
- Advance Knox (Advanceknox.org/gpp)
  - Preparation began in late 2021, several rounds of public input
  - Final draft is due to be adopted soon
  - **Blueprint** for county’s future that is laid out in form of goals and action strategies; **compass** to guide direction in local-decision making; **play book** to provide information to secure funding, coordinate future development, and shape policy; **communication** tool to articulate vision and how private sector can support vision
  - Vision—thriving county that honors its natural beauty and cultural heritage, while supporting diverse people and businesses
  - Goals: community character, conservation, infrastructure investment, economic growth, workforce, housing options, transportation, and recreation
  - Who was involved: advisory committee, technical committee, stakeholders, public, subcommittees, county and planning staff, elected officials, and consultants
  - Public Engagement—3 rounds: listening/learning, making choices, and affirming/prioritizing
  - Land Use Recommendations
    - Future Land Use Map—categorized into walkable compact growth, suburban growth, rural areas, and other areas
  - Transportation Recommendations
    - Safety, capacity, modernization, and multi-modal
  - Fiscal impact—status quo would result in a \$1.9 million annual deficit, but with preferred scenario, the result would be a \$4.8 million annual surplus
  - Growth Policy Amendment
    - Rezoning of slopes based on adopted policies of each legislative body.
    - Rezoning in rural areas limited to certain placetypes.
    - Residential development in rural areas are limited to certain conditions.
  - Addition of 17.58 square miles of new Planned Growth expansion, which is an increase of 12.8% from 2000.
  - GPC is required to meet two times.
    - Next meeting is Monday, 11/27/23 at 5:00 PM in Main Assembly Room of the City County Building

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Jessie encouraged those interested to submit comments about the proposed Growth Plan via <a href="http://Advanceknox.org/gpp">Advanceknox.org/gpp</a></li> </ul>
6.	<p><b>Organizational Updates and Announcements: Bailey Foster</b></p> <p><b>CAC:</b> using grant money to order through 2 Chicks and a Farm and Second Harvest</p> <p><b>Grow-Teach Knox:</b> Teach the Teacher Day—20 educators attended—idea generation around outdoor education and food education; looking for those interested in presenting</p> <p><b>Knoxville Botanical Gardens:</b> Grant for STEM education—Shora Foundation—modeling watershed and shoebox greenhouses today; will try to collaborate with Sarah Moore Greene and Vine for educational opportunities</p> <p><b>Project 2000, Inc.:</b> Zero Waste Neighborhoods—8 week workshop for Food is Medicine in Chattanooga—hoping to bring to Knoxville. What is the family plan for an organic lifestyle? Contact information for Umoja Abdul-Ahad: 865-384-8054</p> <p><b>Real Good Kitchen/Foundation:</b> food business class for aspiring entrepreneurs just wrapped up w/22 participants; Incubator Program launching in January for those ready to start a food business—application going out today through <a href="http://RealGoodFoundation.org">RealGoodFoundation.org</a> Dec. 17—community meal with Beardsley (need donations for ingredients and volunteers)</p>
7.	<b>Meeting Adjourned</b>

Upcoming Meetings:

- December 20, 2023—Holiday Party and 2024 Final Planning
- January 17, 2024—First meeting of new year