

Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council Minutes

Regular Meeting

October 12, 2022 - 05:30 PM

Longfellow Recreation Center, Multipurpose Room, 3435 36th Ave. S

Members Present: Jenny Breen (Co-Chair), Kevalin Aulandez, Jason Brisson, Keely Cervantes, Matt Croaston, Jhaelynn Elam, Kevin Ellis, Rebecca Gross, Kim Havey, Andrea Inouye, Danielle Isaacson, Kevin Keoprasedh, Kristen Klingler, Will Lucker, James Miller, Tricia Nelson, Devon Nolen, Kirsten Weigle, and Julie Wong (Quorum - 13)

Members Absent: Brandon Griffin, Leslie Modrack, Elizabeth Mullen, Helen Schnoes, Marcus Kar (Co-Chair)

Staff: Alison Babb, Patty Bowler, Grace Rude, Tong Thao, Brenna Ruegg

Call To Order

1. Roll Call.

Council member, community members, and staff introduced themselves, shared their preferred pronouns, and the most interesting or delicious food that they ate in the past month.

Quorum Present

2. Adoption of the agenda.

Motioned by Will Lucker and seconded by Kevin Ellis.

Action Taken: Adopted

3. Acceptance of minutes

Motioned by Kevin Ellis and seconded by Kevalin Aulandez.

Action Taken: Accepted

[Sep 14, 2022 Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council](#)

Discussion

4. 2023 Food Council Meeting Calendar

[2023 Food Council Meeting Dates](#)

Action Taken: Approved

5. Developing our Minneapolis Food Action Plan: Full Draft Review
 - a. Progress Report, Work Ahead, Tonight's Focus

Alison Babb gave a brief introduction and review of the Minneapolis Food Action Plan (MFAP). Council members and guests were asked to review the MFAP draft and make recommendations about potential improvements that can be made to the MFAP draft. Council members and guest were divided into 6 groups of 3 - 4 members to complete this task.

- b. Draft review in small groups for the entire Minneapolis Food Action Plan draft, except metrics
 - c. Getting clear on terminology – Menti polls

After reviewing the draft MFAP, Food Council members and guests were asked to answer three questions via Menti poll about terminology.

1. How do we want to describe food that aligns with peoples' cultural preferences?
 - a. "Culturally relevant foods" received the most votes
 2. What term in the MFAP do we want to use in the MFAP to describe the 6 pathways?
 - a. Some terms that were suggested: "pillars", "priorities", "topics", "frameworks". "Pillars" received the most votes.
 3. Do we call this document a "Minneapolis Food Vision" or proceed with "Minneapolis Food Action Plan"?
 - a. "Vision" was approved, assuming that the implementation plan will be called an "Action Plan".

Action Taken: Received and Filed

6. Motion: "Extend timeline by two months to develop and include winnable goals as examples of policies that could be implemented"

There was a motion to extend the timeline for finalizing the MFAP by two months. During the two additional months, the Food Council hopes to identify actionable and achievable goals (e.g., policy targets) to include in the plan. There was discussion around the implications and possible approaches.

Motioned by Kim Havey and Seconded by Will Lucker

10 Council members voted in favor of the motion and 6 Council members opposed the motion.

Action Taken: Approved

Announcements

7. Food Council member and community member announcements if time permits

Action Taken: No action taken

Adjournment

Next Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council meeting: Nov 9, 2022, starting at 5:30 PM at the Northeast Recreation Center, Multipurpose Room, 1530 Johnson St. NE Minneapolis, MN 55413