PLACE DESIGN TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 10, 2013 **Time:** 12:00 pm

Location: Jefferson School/City Center

Attendees:

<u>Members</u>		Ex-Officio Members	
AD	Andrea Douglas, Chair	KG	Kathy Galvin
RL	Rachel Lloyd, Vice-Chair	GK	Gennie Keller
CG	Claudette Grant	TM	Tim Mohr
MW	Mark Watson		
		City Staff, Neighborhood Development Services	
		MS	Mary Joy Scala
		AP	Amanda Poncy
		JT	Jim Tolbert

I. Call to Order

II. Community engagement presentation

PDTF decides to postpone the presentation of the community engagement best practices until the next meeting.

III. Belmont bridge/underpass memo review

- MW asks how costs will be factored into city council discussion of the bridge/underpass—is there an apples-to-apples comparison?
- PDTF discusses the access to the restrooms during events at the pavilion and notes it is still unresolved
- KG notes that the design of the Market Street intersection with Avon needs to be coordinated in the overall design
- JT will check on the coordination between the proposed projects along the street
- MW suggests that the memo include the pros and cons of the bridge option
 - Recommends including information about the bridge constraints
- KG suggests the memo include a recommendation to quantify the value of the developable in each scheme
- JT describes the design review/approval process
 - Advisory groups make recommendations
 - City council identifies the preferred scheme
 - BAR votes
- MW suggests the memo include a recommendation for provisions for emergency situations such as flooding
- PDTF agrees that the memo should recommend that the "catwalk" design be resolved
- PDTF also agrees that:
 - The project should include a multimodal traffic analysis of the schemes
 - If city council chooses the bridge scheme, the design should be reviewed by PDTF again

IV. West Main RFP

- GK recommends that we reorganize the objectives by putting more important issues at the top of the list
- TM suggests we include improved lighting on the list of objectives
- PDTF agrees to add to the objectives:
 - Public engagement
 - Evaluation of guidelines and regulations on form and land use
- PDTF also agrees to include as part of the project scope:
 - Review of parking
 - Analysis of N/S pedestrian and bike connections
 - Analysis for adjacent road network vehicular traffic
- PDTF agrees that team qualifications should include experience in:
 - Urban design and planning
 - Public art
 - Community outreach
 - Complete streets
 - Place-making and preservation
 - Green infrastructure
 - Urban forestry
- PDTF agrees on the updates to the following tasks:
 - Task 1-review design guidelines, regulations, and comp plan; public outreach plan
 - Task 2- develop alternatives
- PDTF agrees that it should act as the steering committee for the project

V. Meeting Adjourned