FAMILY ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

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1. Public Comment.

2. Liaison Report. Trustee Younglund


4. Welcome New Member.

5. Chair Report. Chair Brown
   a. “Cups of Conversation” – opportunities to meet with FAB members
   b. Visit Estes Park Lodging Tax Task Force Follow Up and Next Steps
   c. The ARC of Larimer County Contact

6. Report on Police Department Response to Families in Matters of Violent Crisis. Interim Captain Life

7. Community Resource Guide. Board Discussion

8. Subcommittee Assignments. Board Discussion

Adjourn.
Minutes of a meeting of the FAMILY ADVISORY BOARD of the Town of Estes Park, Larimer County, Colorado. Meeting held in Rooms 202/203 of the Estes Park Town Hall in said Town of Estes Park on the 2nd day of June, 2022.

Committee: Chair Patti Brown, Vice Chair Nancy Almond, Members Debra Avezzano, John Bryant, Deanna Ferrell, Laurie Dale Marshall, Rut Miller, Jessica Moffett, Nicole White, and Sue Yowell

Also Attending: Town Board Liaison Younglund, Deputy Town Clerk Beers and Visit Estes Park Lodging Task Force Project Manager Bill Brown

Absent: Member’s Bryant and Avezzano, and Assistant Town Administrator Damweber

Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT.
Vice Chair Almond requested discussion related to recent gun violence in the country and opportunities to protect the community and show support for the Estes Park School District. FAB was in favor of requesting Interim Captain Life lead a discussion on safety protocol and procedures for July 7, 2022 meeting.

FAB members stated interest in gathering information related to displaced families due to the closing of the Islander Apartments.

LIAISON REPORT.
None.

MEETING MINUTES DATED DECEMBER 2, 2021 AND MAY 5, 2022.
It was moved and seconded (White/Moffett) to approve the meeting minutes dated December 2, 2021 and May 5, 2022 with a correction to the May 5, 2022 minutes reflecting Vice Chair Almond as absent due to attendance by phone, and it passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF NEW VICE CHAIR.
It was moved and seconded (Yowell/Dale Marshall) to appoint Nancy Almond as Vice Chair, and it passed unanimously.

CHAIR REPORT.
  a. Attendance: Chair Brown stated the importance of attendance as outlined in the bylaws. She requested input on the date and times of the FAB meetings. It was determined the FAB meetings would continue to be held the first Thursday of the month at 3:30 p.m.
  b. FAB Team Building Gathering: FAB members were invited to a team building exercise following the July 7, 2022 meeting at Creativity Cabin.
  c. Background Reports on Housing & Childcare: In advance of the meeting Chair Brown provided a memo by email comprised of the history and role of FAB. Supplemental to the memo were reports related to childcare and housing issues affecting the community including assessments, recommendations, task force reports and presentations to the Town Board. The Chair requested FAB members review these documents in advance of the July meeting to discuss opportunities to advise the Town Board.
  d. Readings on Families: The FAB would review opportunities to provide resources to the community. Concerns were heard regarding substance abuse, mental health and other issues impacting the community.
COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE.
After its formation, the FAB created the Community Resource Guide in coordination with the Estes Park NonProfit Resource Center available to the public on the Town website. Discussion ensued and has been summarized: Identifying and reviewing guides which have been developed by various community organizations; the importance of guides containing relevant information and consistency in updating content; and requesting staff identify how often the public visits the Community Resource page of the Town’s website. It was determined the FAB would review the guide and identify opportunities for improvement. Any recommendations for changes to the FAB Community Resource website page would be submitted to Chair Brown and relayed to staff.

HB22-1117 OVERVIEW.
Visit Estes Park (VEP) Lodging Task Force Project Manager Bill Brown reviewed efforts and the timeline for the proposed increase in lodging tax to fund workforce housing and childcare initiatives. There are 16 members serving the Lodging Task Force representing various elements of the community including lodging owners. No percentage increase has been determined. Manager Brown stated a 1% tax increase would yield approximately $1.5 million in revenue each year. The Colorado Tourism Board hired a contractor to conduct research related to lodging taxes and short-term rental fee changes over the last few years for municipalities throughout Colorado. He provided information on other communities which have increased lodging taxes or imposed fees on short-term rentals. Task Force recommendations would be presented to the Town Board of Trustees, the Larimer County Commissioners and the Visit Estes Park Board. FAB comments have been summarized: Determining clear ballot language to avoid confusion; identifying funding opportunities in advance; State limitations on childcare facilities limiting opportunities; and concern was heard related to low wages for childcare providers and the general workforce.

There being no further business Chair Brown adjourned the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

Bunny Victoria Beers, Deputy Town Clerk