

# **TOURISM PROMOTION COMMITTEE MINUTES**

September 13, 2024 at 1:00 PM

# Wilsonville City Hall & Zoom: https://zoom.us/webinar/81618970997

# CALL TO ORDER - Meeting was called to order 2:01 pm

#### PRESENT

Chair Brandon Roben Vice-Chair Rohit Sharma Councilor Caroline Berry Elaine Owen Sungmin Park Ex Officio, Brian Stevenson

## ABSENT

Jennifer Gage

#### STAFF

Mark Ottenad Zoe Mombert

## GUEST

Matthew Landkamer, Whereabout Greg Netzer, Whereabout Bridget Baeth, JayRay Jen Willey, JayRay

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

2. Tourism Committee Minutes – <u>Vice-Chair Rohit Sharma made a motion to approve the May 1,</u> 2024 Minutes. Sungmin Park seconded the motion. Motion passed.

## **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

**3.** Select a Chair and Vice-Chair – <u>Elaine Owen made a motion to reelect Brandon Roben as Chair</u> <u>and Rohit Sharma as Vice-Chair. Sungmin Park seconded the motion. Motion passed.</u>

## **MARKETING UPDATES**

**4.** Bridget Baeth and Jen Willey provided an update of the Dashboard for FY23-24 compared to FY 22-23.

- Have met most goals
- New website views were highlighted
- Social media overview
- Food always performs well
- Return on advertise spending over \$800 for \$1
- Opportunity markets: Medford, Klamath Falls, Sacramento, Bend. People that stayed in hotels, also stayed in these markets from the campaign
- In general, people staying longer but less trips: Eugene, Portland, Seattle still major markets for visitors

#### TOURISM PROMOTION PROGRAM

- 5. Update on project:
  - High level of 11 draft key strategic objectives
  - Considerations and update on the planning team meeting
  - Who came from a market assessment, resources from the city, industry themes and shareholder interviews
  - Visioning and position statement will be developed for the next phase of planning
  - Three more planning sessions scheduled
  - Did not receive enough feedback. Lack of engagement from the community.

#### 6. COMMITTEE QUESTIONS

- Committee questioned how we can improve/push things forward. What is needed?
- Recommend some sort of staff support primary function. One small part of the job and marketing not on the ground.

#### CITY UPDATES

- Will meet October 11 at 2:00 pm. Also set a meeting time for November 4 to recommend TDS to City Council
- New Boones Ferry accomplishments coming soon
- River access feasibility study about to begin
- Question about I5 north-bound metering on weekends
- Oaks Park Oktoberfest September 20-22
- Mt. Angel Oktoberfest September 12-15
- Haunted mazes in October
- Working on winter light event

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 3:22 pm

**NEXT MEETING** – October 11, 2024 @ 2:00 pm