

how would we begin by Alan Haber

agree to begin.

establish an initiating group, self selected volunteers from the task force members, any willing, and all who have attended our meetings...  
as our initiating resolution says volunteers drawn from those who have attended, and seen the process.

people who like the vision and want to help get it done, beyond expectations, and can foresee a year, more or less, of consistent attention

convening committee

call a first assembly of the commons

describe the plan...consistent parts, government liaison.

community partners

advisors and portals to the global knowledge commons

501c3 operating conservancy

interest clusters: those who want to do green, gardens and growing.

to do children and play

to do food and health

to do zero carbon sustainable technologies

to develop a meeting place and eventual civic center building.

and likely others,

First assembly on the parking lot surface, Wednesday April 1, 2020, 3PM---until sundown.

(rain day, Thursday. April 2, 2020, same place) 2nd rain day, Friday,request Library Lobby.)

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F. How to Begin.

the Council acceptance of the recommendation to "Open the commons,"

should invite those members of the Task Force and those who have participated in the Task Force meetings, who wish to undertake responsibility for initiations of the commons, to form a "Commons Convening Committee"

The Commons Convening Committee would meet with the City Administrator, to identify those things the City will do in relation to the Task Force recommendations and other City Council instructions, to establish a working relationship and to establish a "commons fund" for commons initiation.

The commons fund would include unspent funds from the Task Force allocation and City Staff support allocation, and any contribution negotiated with DDA responsive to the City Council resolution identifying surface parking revenues since November 6, 2018, less actual expenses, as properly allocated to commons development.

The Commons Convening Committee would write the public notices, press releases, invitations to the intergovernmental liaison group, community partnership group, advisors group, and convene the first commons assembly.

The Commons Convening Committee would contact potential partner commoning cities worldwide for advice and collaboration.

The Commons Convening Committee would prepare a Commoning “tutorial” and orientation materials.

The Commons Convening Committee would hire 2 full time equivalent staff positions to facilitate programming and have “eyes in the park”

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A good day to begin would be Wednesday April First, 2020.

like an expanded meeting of our task force on the Library Lot, 4-7PM

(with rain day alternatives.)

People invited to hear an opening report, speak ideas and questions, form interest groups on topics about which people attending express special interest, to schedule follow up meetings of interest groups.

At the First Assembly people would be asked to discuss how to form a Council of the Commons, as a governing and oversight responsible group, and who might be interested in being an on-going member.

Attention would be given to organizing a Commons Bank and community value exchange system.

At the First Assembly people would be asked how to celebrate the opening of the commons at the upcoming scheduled activities on the commons, being Earth Day Week April 19-26, and Blooms Day in May.

The Commons Convening Committee would write and circulate a report of the First Assembly, describing a commons communication and deliberation process, working group meeting calendar, and economic arrangements, and the schedule for a second Assembly, by Memorial Day.

A Second Assembly of the commons would consider the structure of the Council of the Commons, with participation of inter-governmental liaison, community partners, working groups, advisors, and the assembly itself.

After the Second Assembly the Commons Initiation Committee would prepare a report to the City Administrator and City Council

describing proposed operations for the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year.