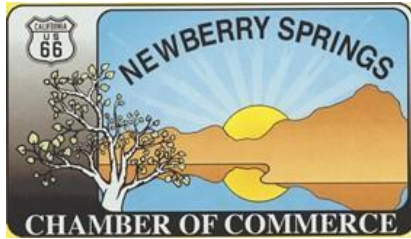


Newberry Springs Chamber of Commerce
TCC Grant Meeting Agenda
May 25, at 6:00 p.m.
Foundations for Future Generations Learning Center

- I. Welcome/Introductions—present were Dalida Lim, Heng Ung, Karen Dodd, Margie Roberts, Zafar Alikhan, Vanessa Alikhan (Zoom), Robert Shaw, Veronica Shaw, Brian Fisher, Karla Claus, Fred Stern, Diane Ferruzzo, Tom Rerruzzo, Ted Stimpfel, Paula Deel, Paul Deel, Jane Brockhurst, Lola Montgomery, Robert Ferrel, Roberta Ferrel, Stephanie Sparks, Elizabeth Hilyard, Lise King, Margaret Graessle, Mark Bradley, Renee Kaminski, Donna Sollar, Rose Beardshear, Ron Beardshear, Gwen Patrick, and Pastor Charles Patrick.
- II. Original Legislation AB 2722 (2016) established Transformative Climate Communities—Rose Beardshear explained that the Transformative Climate Communities funding was established by Assembly Bill 2722 in 2016 to fund neighborhood-level, transformative climate community plans containing Green House Gas reducing projects; providing economic, environmental, and health benefits to the states most disadvantaged communities; and supporting strategies to avoid economic displacement of disadvantaged community residents and businesses. Projects can range from affordable and sustainable housing developments, weatherization & solar projects, water-energy efficiency installations, food waste prevention and rescue, urban greening projects, health and well being projects, transit stations and facilities, electric buses & share programs, electric charging stations, bicycle & pedestrian facilities, brownfields redevelopment, community microgrids, indoor air filtration. A handout was distributed.
- III. SB County Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment—Rose Beardshear explained that the SB County planning department is assisting in our grant application. She is working with Brian Beck. He sent her a Climate Change Vulnerability Assessment produced by SB County in November 2018 that can be found on the county's website for the county wide plan at <https://countywideplan.com/>. The plan details climate related issues and discussion items related to climate change vulnerability in SB County. Rose created a spreadsheet for Brian and is waiting to hear back from him on the current action items in place throughout the county.
- IV. Civic Design Group Presentation by Zafar and Vanessa Alikhan—Rose Beardshear found Civic Design Group in a google search and reached out to solicit their planning expertise for Newberry Springs. They agreed to produce a presentation pro bono for the grant and will discuss their fees (should the community want their assistance on the application) at a future date. Zafar attended the meeting in person and Vanessa attended through Zoom. Since there were some technical difficulties, Vanessa shared the screen while Zafar narrated some of the concepts that could be funded for Newberry Springs through the TCC grant. Concepts included 6 slides. The first slide covered the topic of **Desert Greening & Dust Mitigation Pilot--** Sustainability, Resilience, Education, & Livability. Pictures included projects in Desert Greening & Dust Mitigation, Gravel Dust Mitigation, Hay Dust Mitigation, Desert Greening & Dust Mitigation including a Hugelkultur Berms. The second slide covered the topics of



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- Water Feasibility Study**-- Health, Pollution Control, Equity, Resilience, Reclamation, & Economic Opportunity. Pictures included projects in water testing, wells, lakes and water rights. The third slide covered the topic of a **Water Capture & Reclamation Exhibit**-- Sustainability, Resilience, Education and Local Solutions. Pictures included projects in Capture Tower, Capture Cone, Capture Screen and water reclamation. The fourth slide covered the topic of **Tiny House Eco Hotel**-- Sustainable & Resilient Living, Route 66 Theme, Business Opportunity, Tourism & Jobs, Partner with Tiny House Builders. Pictures included projects of Nostalgic vintage trailers, Sustainable Systems, Hotel Clusters of tiny homes, and Historic Features (Route 66/Bagdad Café themed). The fifth slide covered the topic of **Amphitheater, Marketplace, Emergency Center**-- Community Gathering Spaces, Events, Emergency/Resilience, Sustainable Operations, Solar, Fans & Cool-zones, and Outdoor Instruments. Pictures included projects of festivals, Amphitheatre, Outdoor Piano, Plaza, and Solar Fans. The sixth slide covered the topic of **Cottage Kitchen Incubator**-- Equity, Sustainability, Economic Development, Tourism, and Training. Pictures included a kitchen, food prep, a Farmer's Market and food products. The seventh and final slide covered the topic of **Movie Café & Gift Shop**--Tourism & Jobs and Sustainable Operations. Pictures included a Rehab Structure, Mobile Structure (metal container) for German Coffee, Crepes, Cactus Juice, Esther Williams & Water Park Exhibit, and Movie Exhibit taping into the Bagdad Café notoriety as an overall theme.
- V. Discussion on presentation concepts—Zafar went through each slide and the attending public provided comments. The public will be able to offer their own project ideas at the next meeting and determine if any of these concepts will be considered in the TCC application.
- VI. What's next?—A meeting was schedule on Thursday, June 8 at 6 p.m. at the Newberry CSD building to decide on TCC projects and community vision planning.

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Next meeting 6/8/23 at the CSD building at 6 p.m.