CSC Task Force Meeting Notes for December 15, 2021 - 6:00 ET Meeting

1. The Taskforce approved the meeting minutes from the November meeting.

2. Transportation SubCommittee update - The lead for this subcommittee provided an update regarding data collection and sorting strategies: The subgroup worked on priority setting for impact to focus on. The Taskforce reviewed the worksheet and reviewed the high priority/high impact list. The team has created a new web page for guidance on electric car purchases. The group will consider education in the community and new development at the Graham School. The subgroup now has a resource for a bike share program. The Taskforce discussed use and encouragement of electric bikes.

3. Adaptation SubCommittee update - The lead for this subcommittee provided an update on the group’s ideation for efforts including preparation and analysis for severe storm and village-wide flood assessment. This team is studying infrastructure and stormwater management including policies for current state and future proposals such as rain barrel giveaways. The subgroup also considered education and appointment of a stormwater officer and a rain garden at one of the schools. The subgroup will also consider floodplains, erosion and drainage as a river town with increasingly severe storms. The subgroup also discussed water overflow within the town. The subgroup also covered its focus on public health issues for response to extreme weather events.

4. Buildings SubCommittee update - The lead for this subcommittee provided an update on the strategy to encourage electric heating and cooling systems in buildings within the village. The team is focused on whether it is a viable goal for residents to commit to running on electricity in order to decarbonize more buildings in the village. The Task Force discussed the subgroup’s idea to use heat pump initiatives to encourage modernizing heating and air conditioning systems, improving insulation, and installing renewable energy. The subgroup met with BlocPower, a Brooklyn-based company that has retrofitted more than 1,000 apartments in the last two years. It will meet with similar groups if this idea is viable for moving forward. The team is coordinating with the village before continuing the efforts.

5. The meeting was adjourned