Open Government Working Group
Update to the Community Technology & Telecommunications Commission
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Chip Rosenthal, Chair

Staff presented a first draft of an Open Government Directive. The draft used the "Open Government Initiative" (http://opengovernmentinitiative.org/) as a starting base. One major change is the addition of "Accesible and Emerging Technologies and Tools" section.

The WG members will review the draft and provide feedback on: general direction, metrics for progress and participation, and policy issues. Once WG and management feedback are incorporated, we'd like to arrange a presentation to the Commission. Tentative target is August.

Staff presented a draft outline of an Open Government Handbook, and requested WG support to help develop the content. We envision this to be a living document, housed on the city website. We'd like to use a development platform that facilitates migration to the final publish platform, which may be something such as the Drupal "book" module. Staff will propose a development platform, and then we will move forward.

We discussed hosting a "user forum" to bring open government and open data enthusiasts together, in a face-to-face meeting, to exchange information and provide feedback. We will try to assess interest, to identify how such an event could be structured for best success.

The working group will meet next in July.