

COMMUNITY/NEIGHBORHOOD ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

for

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

IN THE EUCLID MUNICIPAL CENER COUNCIL CHAMBER

AGENDA

Continuation of the Conversation Around, “Community, The Structure of Belonging” by Peter Block

We must establish a personal connection with each other. Connection before content.

Without relatedness, no work can occur. Peter Block

1. The Invitation – Name the Possibility:

- a. *Having a meaningful conversation at Ward/Community Meetings.*
- b. *Who should be invited?*
- c. *Specify requirements: Contribute thoughts/ideas around engaging community meetings.*
- d. *Form the invitation.*

2. The Possibility

What would our community meetings look like if instead of problem solving, we talked about the positive possibilities engaged citizens could make.

3. Ownership

Citizens are the city. Elected officials have been chosen by citizens to help create the community they want and are willing to work for.

4. Dissent

It is reasonable to question. If an invitee decides this conversation isn't for them, it is ok to walk away with no hard feelings. Walking away is preferable to coerced participation or lack of true commitment.

5. Commitment

You only need the people that are really committed. They are the ones that are meant to be there.

6. Gifts

Everyone, without exception, has something to offer. It is important to identify and utilize the gifts of everyone that chooses to be involved in the conversation.

7. Modeling a Conversation

How do you change the world? One room at a time. Which room? The one you're in. Peter Block