



## Bridgeport Food Policy Council – July 21, 2021 –Online Zoom Meeting

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*Members in attendance:* Raquel Rivera Pablo (A Pinch of Salt), Nichola Hall (Assistant Director of Food & Nutrition Department, BoE)

*Staff in attendance:* Angelica Ojeda (BFPC Coordinator)

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The meeting began at 6:00 pm. Attendees introduced themselves.

### Meeting Length/Direction

In previous meetings the agenda was seen as a topic guide for the meetings, however there was not a main facilitator ensuring the meeting followed the agenda to eliminate off topic conversations. There should be facilitation where each member is present a questionnaire asking the who what and where of their program so that they can come prepared for the meeting. In addition, the meeting time would interfere with an individual's commute from work. Would be more beneficial to be conducted during business hours preferably early in the morning.

### Food Policy Council Coordinator Position

The new FPC Coordinator, Angelica Ojeda, was introduced.

### Food Policy Council Vacancies

There appears to be an application stand still noticed in the past and this led to discouragement from the applicants. With lack of approval the applicant would be discouraged and discontinue their role in the Food Policy Council.

Without proper approval and induction into the Food Policy Council the members cannot be held accountable.

### Member Attendance

It is imperative that CAO and OPED have representatives attend the meeting so that issues regarding member applications and the effectiveness of the Food Policy Council may be addressed.

### Location of FPC Meetings

The next meeting will be... August 18<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 pm at the Reservoir Community Farm at 1469 Reservoir Ave, Bridgeport, CT 06606

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm