Webinar 3 - Technology & Innovation: Community Building
FAQ

1. **Do you use data gathered from the conversations from the Telosa community on Mighty Networks to make some plans and decisions?**

   We review all of the feedback and input on the community network. The input is useful. We have been organizing the material and are working now on how to best incorporate it into our planning process. Having more two-way exchanges with the community is an important focus for 2023. Thanks to everyone who has shared ideas and feedback.

2. **Where may we find the POLCO surveys for Telosa and their results?**

   The website www.cityoftelosa.com has a section "We Hear You" that includes results from our recent Heart and Soul survey and the Innovation and Tech: Building Community survey.

3. **How does POLCO ensure they are getting the diverse responses they want?**

   In the National Community Survey - Polco uses multi-contact, multimode methodology, oversample residents from less likely to respond, statistically weight survey responses to reflect the demographics of the city and present cross tabulations to compare responses by various demographics and identities.

4. **How do you ensure equitable access to the technology you are using?**

   The Telosa community is fostered in a number of ways both in person and virtually. We want to meet people where they are today to make it easy and transparent for everyone to get involved. We plan to have more in person townhalls, meet-ups in different cities, as well as grow the virtual network on social media and the Telosa Mighty Networks app (which is free to use). Inclusion and equality are the main goals we are striving for when creating Telosa.

5. **Where is the balance between participatory governance and protecting rights the majority may be averse to?**

   The purpose of participatory governance is to give everyone a stake in the decision making of Telosa. Just as we are giving everyone a stake in the economic progress through Land Value Return, we are also giving everyone a direct stake in how the city is governed. This will empower both the leadership and the citizens to be full partners in the economic and political development of the city. The leaders will be able to make better decisions in line with the needs of the citizens and the community will be inspired to not only be fully engaged, but to actively participate in the co-creation of Telosa.

   We want to have diverse representation on all levels so that future decisions regarding Telosa will always lead with our core values toward creating a safe, equitable, inclusive city that allows all to successfully thrive.

6. **What does the future of public safety look like in Telosa?**

In every community, public safety is one of the most important keys to fostering a welcoming and an inclusive environment that protects people. In Telosa, it is important for us to have clear community values and a real commitment by law enforcement to fostering public accountability and transparency. Telosa will incorporate measures that are working in our cities today and also consider new ideas and innovative approaches.

The Community of Scottsdale shared one practical step to seek independent accreditation for the police department, which is internationally accredited by CALEA, voluntarily seeking out an independent review of policies, procedures and standards. Another practical step is open data – commit to sharing data about law enforcement activity in the community.

Many communities have had success bringing local leaders, police and residents together to develop shared priorities and build trust.

Also, communities are finding ways to have more support for the mental health and wellness of their citizens, provide investment in training and people skills, and supporting law enforcement professionals which further creates structures to have an equitable and strong system and public safety.

Overall, Telosa will take a community-based approach and will utilize technology and innovation where it serves the public interest.

7. **Has it already been determined that Web3 & blockchain will be integrated within Telosa? What if community members disagree?**

We're still working on what exactly Web3 will look like to support the community and the physical city of Telosa. Any projects and initiatives that we start up will be shared through Telosa communications. In the future, we plan to engage our community members to see what they are looking for and see where we can use Web3 to utilize decentralized systems and processes to foster a more inclusive community.

8. **The webinar discussed a lot of great ideas. What are you most excited about over the next 5 years?**

We are excited about creating a new city from scratch, including fostering a new community and determining what it will look like based on participatory engagement. This is a unique opportunity - once in a lifetime to have a city built with input from the people, benefiting the entire community.