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**CITY OF STAMFORD**  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**  
**OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**COMMISSION**  
**James Huerta**  
Chairman

**Stephen Fischer**  
Vice Chairman

**Mark Diamond ESQ.**  
Secretary

**Margaret Feeney**  
Member

**John Louizos**  
Member

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**REGULAR MEETING NOTICE**

The Regular Meeting of the City of Stamford, Economic Development Commission, will be held via zoom/conference call. **The meeting will take place on the October 13, at 4:00PM.**

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**AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order: At 4:01 pm Chair Huerta called the meeting to order**
- 2. Roll Call:**
  - a. **Commissioners Present:** Jim Huerta, Mark Diamond, John Louizos, Margaret Feeney, Stephen Fischer
  - b. **Commissioners Absent:**
  - c. **Staff:** Aaron Miller, Loren Nadres, Leah Kagan
  - d. **Guest:** Jeff Benson
- 3. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes**
  - a. Approval of minutes from the Regular Meeting held on October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022
  - b. Chair Huerta asks for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Diamond moves to approve the minutes and Mr. Louizos seconds the motion. The minutes are unanimously approved.
- 4. Chairperson's Report**
  - a. Chair Huerta notes that the Board of Representatives didn't approve the affordable housing proposal at their last meeting, and that the results weren't the ones that had been hoped for.

- b. Chair Huerta notes his term is up, and that the administration will be nominating Kenny Green to replace him. Chair Huerta states that he will stay on until Mr. Green is approved.

## 5. Director's Report

- a. Global Stamford
  - i. Director Nadres notes that the administration launched Global Stamford in September at the Irish Consulate in NYC
    - 1. Launch was well attended, and the Economic Development Office will keep the Commission updated on the progress of Global Stamford

## 6. Old Business

- a. Chair Huerta notes that Stamford has the chance to be the Brooklyn of Connecticut.
  - i. He adds that it is important that everyone on the commission and in the administration use their influence and network to make Stamford successful. It can't just be a one person show.
  - ii. Chair Huerta notes that he hopes the commission plays a active role, and continues to assist the Mayor's Office and Economic Development Office in making Stamford a great city. Asks that the Economic Development Office keeps the Commission in the loop.
- b. Mr. Louizos mentions that communication is important, and that the commission should be tapping into specialties and strength of each commissioner.
  - i. Notes there are a-lot of opportunities including on Global Stamford and the Innovation Corridor Grant
- c. Ms. Feeney notes that goal of the Commission should be; how can the commission help the Mayor and Economic Development Office achieve the administration's goals. The Commission should have the same goal(s) as Mayor and Economic Development Director

## 7. New Business

- a. Next Meeting
  - i. Next meeting scheduled for November 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm
    - 1. Mr. Louizos mentions he might be out of town, just to make sure the commission has quorum to meet
- b. Confirmation – Next Regular Meeting (***Thurs., November 10, 2022, at 4pm***)

## 8. Public Comment

- a. Jeff Benson asks when the Commission will return to in person meetings
  - i. Mr. Huerta mentions it is something the Commission is working on, but that there is no set date.

- 9. **Adjournment:** Chair Huerta asks for motion to adjourn at 4:26, Mr. Fischer makes a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Feeney approves. The vote is unanimous, and the meeting is adjourned.