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SPECIAL 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 March 9th, at 4:00PM.**

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Minutes

- 1. Call to Order:** Ms. Feeney called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM
- 2. Roll Call:**
 - a. **Commissioners Present:** Ms. Feeney, Mr. Fischer, Mr. Diamond, Mr. Louizos
 - b. **Staff:** Ms. Nadres & Mr. Miller
- 3. Acceptance**
 - a. Mr. Fischer made a motion to accept the minutes from the December and February meetings. Ms. Feeney seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously accepted.
- 4. Chair Report**
 - a. Spoke with Loren about priorities.
 - i. Mayor and Economic Development Office have 3 goals: Innovation, Business Attraction and Retention
 - ii. \$1.5 million American Rescue Plan Small Business Grant
 - iii. Job opening in EDO and some good news on filling that vacancy in the coming weeks.

5. Director's Report

- a. **Ms. Nadres noted that the American Rescue Plan Small Business Grant to** launch in early April, with info sessions and office hours to follow for the public.
- b. The EDO expects to hire for the vacant position by the end of March, adding help to the team.
- c. Ms. Nadres shared some of the highlights from Economic Development's budget presentation presented to joint boards by Bridget Fox
 - i. Including creating a new position for small business support, because the EDO has received a lot of inquiries about that.

6. New Business

- a. Ms. Feeney notes that in the past the commission has done an annual report, and wanted to know has the Commission done that in the past and wanted to get a start before the year got away.

7. Public Comment

- i. None

8. Adjournment

- a. Ms. Feeney asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Diamond made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Fischer seconded the motion. The commission was unanimous, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:22 pm.