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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 May 11th, 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. Diamond, Mr. Green, Mr. Louizos
 - b. Staff: Ms. Nadres, Ms. Kagan, Mr. Miller
- 3. Minutes
 - a. Chair Feeney asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Louizos moved and Diamond seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.
- 4. Chair Report
 - a. Chair Feeney notes that month meeting with Loren and Leah but will let them handle the reporting.
- 5. Director's Report
 - i. State of the City
 - 1. Director Nadres notes Mayor gave state of the city address, with focus on infrastructure, road and sidewalk paving, and vision zero initiative.

2. States operations department has been working on streamlining permit process and will be testing out walk in permitting center in the coming months for residents and small businesses.

b. Small Business Grant Program

- i. Director Nadres shared an update on the Small Business Grant Program.
 - 1. Notes over 250 businesses applied and Economic Development team was in contact with 200+ small businesses across the city.
- c. New Events
 - i. Global Stamford
 - 1. Director Nadres notes that the administration met will be meeting with the Swiss Consulate General in New York and his deputy in May, and the Consulate General reached out to the city about meeting!
 - ii. Access to Finance Event
 - a. Series of events happening in response to small businesses asking for more resource and access to capital. First event will be in June with the Mayor and DECD.

6. New Business

a. None

7. Public Comment

a. None

8. Adjournment

a. Ms. Feeney asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Louizos made a motion to adjourn, and Mr. Green seconded the motion. The commission was unanimous, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:17 pm.