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Stamford Government Center-Stamford-Connecticut
Special Meeting- Thursday, March 14, 2019

The Special Meeting of the City of Stamford Economic Development Commission (EDC) Office of Economic Development (OED) was held on Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 4:12pm on the 9th floor in the Urban Redevelopment Commission Conference Room, Stamford Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Winkel called the meeting to order at 4:12pm.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Mark Diamond, Stephen Fischer, James Huerta, and Jonathan Winkel

Staff: Thomas Madden, Director of Economic Development, Dr. Tommie Jackson, Assistant Director and Theresa Bowen, Office Coordinator

3. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes: February 25, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes

Chairman Winkel asked for reading of the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on January 10, 2019. He then asked for a motion to accept these minutes. The motion was moved by Commissioner Huerta and second by Commissioner Diamond. During discussion, Commissioner Fischer asked for the removal of the following statement from 8.a.i., "Commissioner Fischer stated that he will be unable to attend the next meeting." The rationale was that he was not in attendance at the last meeting and could not have stated it. All Commissioners concurred. Motion was passed unanimously.

4. Chairperson Report

Chairman Winkel provided an overview to the Commissioners of the Executive Director's position for Innovation Places and his meeting with the Ethics Board. Commissioner Diamond made a motion for an Executive Session for a Personnel item with second from Commissioner Huerta, Motion was passed unanimously. Chairman Winkel left the room.

The meeting entered executive session at 4:31pm and exited at 4:44pm. No motions were made and no votes were taken. Chairman Winkel returned to the room.

Commissioner Diamond stated although the Ethics Board did not issue a written opinion statement to Chairman Winkel that the Commissioners follow up with a request for a written memo of their understanding. Mr. Madden will draft the memo.

5. Director's Report

Mr. Madden discussed the Budget update, which included the changes with the new website vendor. He updated the Commissioners about Autonomous Vehicle and Gig Wi-Fi projects. He provided details on the Opportunity Zones and upcoming meetings with the DECD Commissioner. He reported on the building and lease updates. Lastly, he reported on the Quarterly Report newsletter that was sent out via Constant Contact.

6. Commission Business

- a. Research-None Pending
- b. Opinions-None Pending
- c. Coordinated Activities-None Pending

7. Unfinished Business

- a. Commissioners Input 2019 Agenda-Board of Rep Report
Mr. Madden asked the Commissioners for any input regarding the draft and will provide an updated draft for the next meeting.

8. New Business

- a. Request for Time Change to 2019 Calendar
A motion was made by Chairman Winkel and second by Commissioner Diamond to change the Regular Meeting time for the remainder of the year to 4pm.
Motion passed unanimously.
- b. Next Meeting
 - i. Discussion-Next Meeting Agenda
 - ii. Confirmation-Next Regular Meeting (Thurs., April 11, 2019)

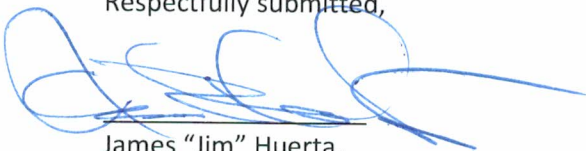
9. Public Comment

None.

10. Adjournment

Chairman Winkel asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:31pm, with motion from Commissioner Huerta and second from Commissioner Fischer. Motion passed unanimously. With no further business to discussed, the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,



James "Jim" Huerta,
Secretary-Economic Development Commission