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### CITY OF STAMFORD

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## Stamford Government Center-Stamford-Connecticut Regular Meeting-Thursday, June 13 2019

The Regular Meeting of the City of Stamford Economic Development Commission (EDC) Office of Economic Development (OED) was held on Thursday, June 13, 2019 at 4:05pm on the 9th floor in the Urban Redevelopment Commission Conference Room, Stamford Government Center, 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford, Connecticut.

#### 1. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Fischer called the meeting to order at 4:05pm.

#### 2. Roll Call

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

Staff: John Varamo, Business Analyst, Economic Development, Dr. Tommie Jackson, URC Assistant Director and Theresa Bowen, Office Coordinator

#### 3. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes: From Regular Meeting held on May 9, 2019

Vice Chairman Fischer asked for reading of the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on May 9, 2019. He then asked for a motion to accept these minutes. The motion was moved by Commissioner Huerta and second by Vice Chairman Fischer. Commissioner Diamond requested that in the Chairman's Report the following verbiage, "content of letter was informational only" be removed from the minutes. As modified, Motion was passed unanimously with Commissioners present.

#### 4. Chairperson Report

No report.

#### 5. Director's Report

In the absence of Mr. Madden, Mr. Varamo provided the Commissioners with highlights from the Quarter 1 that was recently published.

#### 6. Commission Business

- a. Research-University Zone Update, John Varamo
   Mr. Varamo updated the Commissioners on the research and his findings from other zones around the country. After he completes his research he'll update the Commissioners on next steps.
- b. Opinions-None pending
- c. Coordinated Activities-None pending

#### 7. Unfinished Business

a. Board of Rep Report-Distribution of Annual Report No update.

#### 8. New Business

- a. Next Meeting
  - i. Discussion-Next Meeting Agenda
  - ii. Confirmation-Next Regular Meeting (Thurs., August 8, 2019)

Commissioner Huerta made a motion and a second from Commissioner Diamond, starting at the next commission meeting that a Finance section be added to the agenda that would include budget reports and spending similar to what's reported at URC meeting. Motion passed with Commissioners present.

#### 9. Public Comment

None.

#### 10. Adjournment

Vice Chairman Winkel asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:42pm, with motion from Commissioner Diamond and second from Commissioner Huerta. Motion passed unanimously. With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,

James "Jim" Huerta,

Secretary-Economic Development Commission