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# **CITY OF STAMFORD**

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

### **OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Stamford Government Center-Stamford, Connecticut**  
**Special Meeting- Thursday, October 24, 2019**

The Special Meeting of the City of Stamford Economic Development Commission (EDC) Office of Economic Development (OED) was held on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 4pm 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 4pm.

#### **2. Roll Call**

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

Staff: Thomas Madden Director Economic Development, John Varamo Analyst Economic Development, Theresa Bowen, Office Manager-URC.

#### **3. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes: From Regular Meeting held on September 12, 2019**

Chairman Winkel asked for reading of the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on September 12, 2019. He then asked for a motion to accept these minutes. During review a minor correction was made as to under Adjournment as to remove the word "Vice" when referring to Chairman Winkel. A motion was moved by Commissioner Diamond and second by Chairman Winkel. Motion was passed unanimously.

#### **4. Chairperson Report**

##### **a. Chairman Status**

Chairman Winkel announced that he was offered and accepted the role of Executive Director for the Stamford Partnership. He reviewed for the Commissioners the roles and responsibilities of the Stamford Partnership. Mr. Madden gave insight to some of the projects that the Stamford Partnership has done and is currently working on. He also reviewed the Charter for the Commissioners for any potential conflicts. Chairman Winkel stated that he would submit this development to the Ethics Board for their review for any potential conflicts.

#### **5. Director's Report**

Mr. Madden updated the Commissioners on Cholula Hot Sauce and another Consumer Product Company from the west coast that will be relocating to Stamford. He gave highlights of recent

tours for companies that are looking at Stamford for relocations. He stated that overall the price of single family homes has gone up from last year along with sales.

**6. Commission Business**

- a. Research-University Zone Update-J.Varamo  
Mr. Varamo updated the Commissioners on the draft University Zone plan, provided key highlights and answered their questions.

**7. Unfinished Business**

None.

**8. New Business**

- a. Next Meeting
  - i. Discussion-Next Meeting Agenda
  - ii. Confirmation-Next Regular Meeting (Thurs., November 14, 2019)

**9. Public Comment**

None.

**10. Adjournment**

Chairman Winkel asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:35pm, with motion from Commissioner Diamond and second from Chairman Winkel. Motion passed unanimously. With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,



James "Jim" Huerta,  
Secretary-Economic Development Commission