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## **CITY OF STAMFORD**

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

## Stamford Government Center-Stamford-Connecticut Regular Meeting- Thursday, October 11, 2018

The Regular Meeting of the City of Stamford Economic Development Commission (EDC) Office of Economic Development (OED) was held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 5:43pm on the 9<sup>th</sup> 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 5:43pm.

#### 2. Roll Call

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

Staff: Thomas Madden, Director of Economic Development, Dr. Tommie Jackson, Assistant

Director and Theresa Bowen, Office Coordinator

Guest(s): Bob Lion, Board of Representative-District 19

Absent: Commissioner Stephen Fischer.

## 3. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes: September 27, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes

Chairman Winkel asked for reading of the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on June 14, 2018. He then asked for a motion to accept these minutes. The motion was moved by Commissioner Diamond and seconded by Chairman Huerta. Motion was passed unanimously with Commissioners present.

Chairman Winkel requested that Bob Lion's TV Presentation under New Business be presented out of order. Commissioner Diamond moved with second from Commissioner Huerta. Motion was passed.

Bob Lion presented the commissioners with information as a way to reach out to residents through the Stamford TV station, channel 79.

#### 4. Chairperson Report

Chairman Winkel had no items to report.

#### 5. Director's Report

Mr. Madden provided update to the commissioners about the Q2 report that is now posted online. He reviewed the sales, leases, occupancy rates, and construction around the city.

He gave details about an upcoming meeting on Oct 24 with ConDot in regards to the Atlantic Street Underpass bridge construction and detours. Lastly he provided updates on Innovation District, Fairfield Five tours, Wayfinding, Gig Wi-Fi, and Enterprise Zone Applications.

#### 6. Commission Business

- a. Research-None Pending
- b. Opinions-None Pending
- c. Coordinated Activities
  - Economic Development Plan
     Mr. Madden provided the commissioners with the details for submission for capital budget for next Fiscal Year 2019-2020.
  - ii. October (Year End) Commission Report Mr. Madden provided this earlier under Director's Report. However a Year End Report is needed in January for the Board of Reps and the Commissioners will set the Table of Contents at next month's meeting.
  - iii. Recognitions(s)-None

#### 7. Unfinished Business

None.

#### 8. New Business

- a. Small Business Loan Program
   Mr. Madden discussed a potential program with the URC and a match with the city.
- b. Next Meeting
  - Discussion-Next Meeting Agenda No agenda items discussed.
  - ii. Confirmation-Next Regular Meeting (Thurs., Nov. 8, 2018-5:30pm)

#### 9. Public Comment

None.

### 10. Adjournment

Chairman Winkel asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:31pm, with motion from Commissioner Huerta and second from Chairperson Diamond. Motion passed unanimously with Commissioners present. With no further business to discussed, the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,

James "Jim" Huerta,

Secretary-Economic Development Commission