



Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes

Scappoose City Hall, 33568 E Columbia Ave., Scappoose, OR 97056

January 20, 2022 12:00 Noon – 1:30 pm

Attendees: Brian Rosenthal, EDC Member; Len Waggoner, EDC Member; Jeannet Santiago, EDC Vice Chair; Michael Leipzig, EDC Member; George Hafeman, EDC Member; Christine Turner, EDC Chair; Brenda Michael, EDC Member; Casey Garrett, Columbia County Liaison; Jeff Weiss, Library Liaison; Mike Sykes, CRPUD Liaison; Nancy Ward, Port of Columbia County Liaison; Scott Burge, Mayor; Alexandra Rains, City Manager; Laurie Oliver Joseph, City Planner; Isaac Butman, Assistant to the City Manager

Absent: Robby Backus, EDC Member; Tina Amela, EDC Member; Heidi Ralls, CRPUD Liaison; Paul Vogel, CET Liaison; Josh Koch, OMIC R&D Liaison; Amanda Haner, PCC Liaison

Meeting Recording: <https://youtu.be/mOMCFE8HIS8>

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 PM by Chair Christine Turner.

1.1 Meeting Agenda

George made a motion to approve the January 20, 2022 meeting Agenda. The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

1.2 Meeting Minutes

Len made a motion to approve the December 16, 2021 meeting minutes. Brian seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Old Business

2.1 Team Agreement Adoption

The Chair asked if there were any questions about the Team agreement. There were not. The Chair asked if there was a motion to adopt the Team Agreement. Brian made a motion to adopt the 2022-2023 Team Agreement as written, George seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2.2 Goal Setting

The Chair opened a discussion on Goal Setting by reviewing the 8 draft goals the committee came up with at the last meeting.

Brian and Len opened a discussion on Urban Renewal. The commented that they had concerns about ensuring that grant programs don't create dependency. Isaac commented that this discussion was why that draft item was on the list, and that the Committee could draft a goal about wanting to advise Council on Urban Renewal. Isaac reminded the Committee that these recommendations will go to Council for use in their Council Retreat and be used to craft City Goals. Jeannet asked for clarification about the process, to which Isaac stated that the Goal Recommendations will go back out to the City and Committees as guidance for the next fiscal year.



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The Chair stated the goals that she saw as being the most important, and asked others about their thoughts on what goals are the most important to send to Council. A number of members commented that urban renewal is a very important activity for the community, and there was discussion about what important factors could be for urban renewal. The Chair asked what Mike thinks about it. Mike stated that working through the details of urban renewal is a little premature for the current goal discussion. Casey mentioned that there is an Urban Renewal Plan that lays some of this out already, and if the Committee is going to take this up as a goal, they should look to the Plan in their future discussions.

The consensus of the Committee was that urban renewal should be one of the goals that they would like to send to Council. Jeff stated that the Committee needs to have a statement that is a little more robust to send to Council.

Len asked about what sorts of funding is available for the Urban Renewal District. Alex responded that there is around \$90,000 available to the Agency, the plan was to not implement many programs in the first 5 years because of the limited income and stated that the grant program is only \$25,000 each year.

Jeff asked if the Committee could research what other Agencies have done and make recommendations on courses of action. Brenda asked if the goal could be to support the Urban Renewal Agency. Casey suggested a goal of exploring incentive programs and recommend actions that align with the URA urban renewal plan.

Michael motioned. Brian seconded. Unanimous.

3. New Business

3.1 Updates

- 3.1.1** Columbia County: Casey stated that funding has been secured for some of the renovations to the John Gumm building, and a Notice of Intent has been issued for the purchase of Prescott Beach. The County is looking at how to fund improvement to a number of areas including Prescott Beach. The County ARPA projects and a number of studies are ongoing.
- 3.1.2** Port: The Port's industrial lands inventory is moving forward, and they are changing their meeting times to try and improve participation in meetings.
- 3.1.3** Library: The Library is moving along and looking forward to summer movie nights.
- 3.1.4** PCC: Amanda stated that the college is starting to think about Spring Term and how to continue classes through the current COVID situation.
- 3.1.5** City: Laurie stated that the HNA and 50-Year Plan both kicked off, and that the Mayor will be creating the Technical Advisory Committees soon, both of which will kick off in March. The ATM will be the start of the public engagement around these activities. Laurie stated that the 50-Year Plan will take around 3 years to complete.

The City received its 1st food cart pod application, including hookups for carts and a taphouse. The City is hoping to move this to Planning Commission soon. A large update to the Dealers Market is in the works, and the City received a second round of plans. The Kale Street Subdivision got approved by Planning Commission and will



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be moving forward. The first plats of the Airpark subdivision are in the beginnings of being recorded.

4. Announcements and Next Meetings

- February 24, 2022
- March 17, 2022
- April 21, 2022

5. Meeting Adjourned at 1:22 pm.

For questions about these minutes, contact Isaac Butman, 503.543.7184, ibutman@cityofscappoose.org
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