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Economic Development Commission MEETING
June 9, 2022
McMenamin's Grand Lodge
Alice Inkley Room

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Brad Bafaro	**Juanita Lint**
Tom Raabe	**Jim Langstraat**
Jill Craig	**Guy Storms**
Mara Rico	**Timothy Rippe, Council Liaison**
Rick Lafave	**Brenna Fulks, Staff Liaison**
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AGENDA

12:05 1. **CALL TO ORDER:**
   a. Guest introductions

2. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS**: Anyone wishing to speak on an item not on the agenda or on the agenda may be heard at this time. In the interest of time, please limit comments to two minutes.

12:10 3. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
   a) Approve Meeting Minutes of May 9, 2022

4. **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:**

12:15 5. **DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS:**
   a) Columbia-Pacific Economic Development (Presentation)
   b) Future Planning: Subcommittees

1:15 6. **B/C COMMUNICATIONS:**
   a) Chamber of Commerce

1:20 7. **STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:**

1:25 8. **COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:**
   a) Council Liaison – Councilor Rippe

1:35 9. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:**
   a) July 14, 2022

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Thursday May 12, 2022
CITY OF FOREST GROVE – IN PERSON

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 12:12pm by EDC Vice-Chairman Steve Krautscheid.

ROLL CALL: EDC MEMBERS PRESENT: Brad Bafaro; Jill Craig; Kevin Emerick; Steve Krautscheid; Jim Langstraat; Juanita Lint; Mark Nakajima; Tom Raabe; Mara Rico; Guy Storms; Mathea Zietz

EDC MEMBERS ABSENT: Tim Budelman; Rick Lafave; Jim Langstraat; Tom Raabe; Jonathan Yawson; Mathea Zietz

OTHERS PRESENT: Mimi Doukas, Alex Dupey, Nathaniel Brown, David Shifflet

COUNCIL LIAISON: None

STAFF PRESENT: Michelle Davis, Administrative Assistant; Brenna Fulk, Economic Development Manager; Dan Riordan, Senior Planner

a) Guest introductions

2. CITIZEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

a) A quorum was met. Steve Krautscheid chaired the meeting. Jill Craig moved a motion to approve the EDC Minutes for April 14, 2022. Brad Bafaro seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

4. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

None

5. DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS:

a) Introduction to Festival Street – Alex Dupey

Festival streets are designed to offer residents and visitors transformational and flexible spaces that serve as a destination point. The approach starts with encouraging traffic safety through design elements that also offer flexible approaches to open and closing off streets to adapt to community needs. This project looks at converting 21st Avenue, from College Way to A Street, with a one-way and two-way option. The parking is the biggest challenge. The focus is on the 2-way option because it has the least impact, easier to close and effects only 4 parking spots. Whereas, the 1-way option is more involved, more expensive and impacts 8 parking spaces. This project will be completed in two phases. Phase I, College Way – Main (approximately 1.7 million dollars) and Phase II, comes with more contingencies (approximately 2.3 million dollars). We are still waiting on the results of the parking study and the feedback from the public survey.

b) Introduction to Project Meriwether – David Shifflet and Nathaniel Brown

The Meriwether project is a proposed sustainable data center to be located in the Oak Street area, bound by highway 47 to the north and bisected by Oak Street east and west. The developer is committed to a net-zero carbon footprint for this project. When operational, data centers are not heavy contributors to pollution. Environmental, wildlife and cultural studies will be completed prior to construction. This project could create 7,700 jobs directly and indirectly during construction. The operations phase is expected to support 105 permanent positions, at wages well above the Forest Grove average. Over a 20-year window the center will bring $158 million in property tax revenue, $5 million annually to the Forest Grove school District and $4 million annually to the City of Forest Grove. They project construction to begin in 2023 and be ready to open early 2024.

6. B/C COMMUNICATIONS:

a) Mara Rico – Wednesday market started last Wednesday, and will continue through the fall.

7. STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

a) Proposed Meeting Topics – Brenna Fulks
The next meeting, we will plan to focus on discussing Sub-Committees and the Board will be presented with the Economic Development Budget.

b) Site B – Dan Riordan, Senior Planner
Dan provided an update on Site B; the gravel parking lot by the Jesse Quinn Apartments. This site is the prospect of a downtown grocery store. Design drawings will be submitted to the Urban Renewal Advisory Committee.

8. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT:

a) None

9. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING:

a) Vice-Chairman Steve Krautscheid announced the next in-person meeting on June 9, 2022 from noon-1:30pm at Mcmenamin's Grand Lodge.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Vice Chairman Steve Krautscheid adjourned the meeting at 1:25pm by consensus.

Respectfully submitted by:
Michelle Davis
Administrative Specialist
City of Forest Grove

Approved by the Forest Grove EDC:

Date: _____