

West Linn Economic Development Committee

September 8, 2016

Minutes

Present: Troy Wolfe, Gail Holmes, Larry Meese, Kazi Amed, Jennifer Harmon, Eileen Stein (Staff).

Approval of Minutes 8/25/16: tabled for next meeting 9/22/16.

Old Business: Consumer survey was closed 8/31/16, with over 600 surveys received. Jennifer stated the area of interest was Restaurants, Recreation and Entertainment. The complete results will be discussed at 9/22/16 EDC meeting. The Overall economic development strategy topic was tabled for next meeting 9/22/16.

New Business: Future joint meeting with City Council will be 10/10/16 at 5:00pm, Presentation of the findings of the assessment of the Past Arch Bridge Plan draft and setting direction for the future planning process. (Gail Holmes will be out of State). Fiber Task Force Report; they have discussed the possible benefits and costs of the project, they are working on interviewing (3) companies that work with the City to verify the cost and if it would work in our area. The City of Sandy users are paying \$35/month, Business and Citizen have the same rate.

Other items of interest:

- EDC Members:
 - Gail; in the Land Use Process *when does the city apply code violation*, and the building next to city hall has raised the lease rents 25%, they are losing lease renewals.
 - Kazi; concerned with fair land use process, inconsistent and not applied fairly or equally.
 - Larry; the walking trail along I-205 would best serve West Linn south of the Freeway, possibly using the old Mill Trolley Line. Also, the continued traffic and pedestrian conflicts due to the Willamette Church on Salamo Rd.
- Staff liaisons:
 - City Manager Eileen didn't have any updates for EDC, she did discuss City Land Use Process and she is working with the Planning Department to review this process and design an easy training tool for citizens to understand this complex process.
- Public Comments: None.

Next meeting will be September 22, 6:00pm, City Hall.

Adjournment: 7:30pm

Gail Holmes submitted.