

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (EDC) Meeting Notes of June 8, 2023

Members Present: Chair Shannon Ilas, Vice Chair Shannen Knight, Heather Jones, Josh Cheney and Russel

Williams

Members Absent: Josh Carter

Council Liaison: Councilor Leo (Lou) Groner
Staff Liaison: Lynn Schroder, Planning Assistant

Call Meeting to Order:

Chair Shannon Ilas called meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comment:

Tanner Woody, EDC member, shared positive feedback from business owners that foot traffic was good during the Wednesday Farmers Market in West Linn.

Approve Meeting Notes from May 11, 2023.

Knight moved to approved meeting notes from May 11, 2023. Jones seconded the motion. **Ayes:** Jones, Knight, Ilas, Williams and Woody. **Nays:** None. **Abstentions:** None. This motion passed 5-0-0.

2023 Work Plan | Adoption

llas read 2023 draft EDC work plan to be adopted. Knight moved to approve the <u>2023 EDC Work Plan</u>. Jones seconded the motion. **Ayes:** llas, Knight, Woody, Jones, Williams, Cheney. **Nays:** None. **Abstentions:** None. The motion passed 6-0-0.

2023 Work Plan | Discussion

Continued discussion of goals and priorities and added to the 2023 Work Plan Matrix document, which is a working document created to help implement the work of the 2023 EDC Work Plan.

- Workforce Development: Staff will talk to Chamber about partnership ideas for job board. Woody will do some
 research on apps and other software possibilities. Schroder noted this is a labor intensive project that needs
 funds/staff time.
- Interested in learning more about Mclean House possibilities. Discussion of a task force including West Linn Chamber, Parks Department, EDC and Community Development department collaborative project.
- Creating pop-up shop opportunities/events for home-based businesses for the holidays.

Hwy 43 Business Mixer

Woody will reach out to a few businesses about hosting the mixer. The committee would like to rotate businesses on Hwy 43 to include and support as many businesses as possible.

Items of Interest:

Knight updated the committee on ICON's new project including rooftop bar.

Adjourn Meeting:

Chair Ilas adjourned the meeting at 7:30 pm.