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AGENDA

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, February 19, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

Human Services Building

166 South Broad Street, Pawcatuck, CT

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EDC Goals:
To assist in the establishment of new business in Stonington; finding business locations; State of Connecticut and local assistance and incentives; introductions to area officials and business leaders; and area statistics and information.

- 1) Call to order:
- 2) Approval of prior Minutes: 1/14/20 Special Meeting (Community Conversation); 1/15/20 Regular Meeting; 2/4/20 Special Meeting (PRG).
- 3) **6:15 p.m.**-Mystic Seaport Master Plan Update: Delamar-Mystic – Chad Frost. Consider Letter of Support to PZC – **Vote required.**
- 4) **6:45 p.m.**-Old Business – Status Updates of 2019-20 Projects.
 - a) Project Leader Report-out: Status, Action steps, Decisions, Budget.
 - b) PRG (Project #4): Consider Letter of Recommendation to Ocean Chamber for PRG 501(c)(3) \$5K request for temporary fencing (Rte 1 to Donahue Park) - Chris. **Vote required.**
 - c) Stonington1649 website review (Project #6) (Thomas Mitchell, Erica Lindberg) – Kevin.

	Project / Initiative / Task	2019 -2020 Progress / Description / Scope	Accomplishments	Action Steps for Upcoming Regular Meeting(s)	Lead / Resource
Downtown Pawcatuck	1. Grain building lot – pre-approved site plan	Continue High Priority Project: Conceptual drawings / Community Conversation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawings complete (10/4) Met developers, gained ideas Street View completes Developer input gathered Community Conversation (1/14) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue discussions with prospective developers Develop communications strategy 	Jim / \$6K (EDC)
	2. Pawcatuck Historic Structure designation –	Key element of Pawcatuck revitalization effort	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status of NRHP nomination provided by AHS (1/13) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present Final Report 	Dave
	3. Acquire Circus Lot / Potential Uses	Develop a Plan of Action for options for use and implementation plan; Stage another cleanup day/ acquire or not / land bank / enviro study (budget); options for uses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Held a cleanup event (12/14) Reviewed draft Ph 1 Environmental Assessment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refine CIP proposal Hold a Community Conversation Draft a Recommendation Letter to BoS (incl Ph 1 EA result) 	Bill
	4. Pawcatuck Riverwalk	Bulkhead spec to derive cost per linear foot / Ref POCD 13.2.9 (DPW) for pedestrian bridge component	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Docko survey and permit work awarded CIP funding by BoF (1/8) Revised CIP submitted (1/20) for Phase 1 (Rte 1 to Donahue Park) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekly meetings starting 10/22 Await Docko deliverables 	Chris
	5. Pawcatuck Streetscape	How to spend \$40K approved CIP money	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$20K of CIP allocated to riverwalk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revise CIP 	TBD / \$40K (DoP)
Brand	6. Marketing – branding / placemaking	Branding complete; website development and content ongoing			Kevin
	7. Wayfinding – BETA	allocate EDC budget / seek cost share with beneficiaries		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revise CIP 	Kevin
Housing	8. Housing strategy	Continue High Priority Project; draft Affordable Housing Plan (state requirement) and Housing Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussions with Lisa Tepper-Bates, Melissa Kaplan-Macey, Vice President, State Programs & Connecticut Director Regional Plan Association; Kathy Dorgan, Dorgan Architecture & Planning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Schedule a Housing Special Meeting (DH) 	Dave
	9. Land Bank	Incorporate in Housing Strategy			Dave
	10. Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Districts	Pawcatuck: Walkable downtowns; Consider reduced parking requirement; Research Paper to inform Community Conversation; link to pedestrian bridge effort	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DH met with Lisa Tepper Bates for info gathering 		Pete
	11. Incentivize Workforce Housing	10% affordable included for projects > 10 units, or in lieu of payment			Dave

- 5) **7:30 p.m.**-New Business:
 - a) Consider PV-5 amendment update – Jim.
 - b) Decide March date to co-host a partner event with SECT Cultural Coalition (Wendy Bury), plan event – Dave.
 - c) EDC CIP request – status (BoF CIP review Feb 25) – Dave.
- 6) Adjournment:

Dave Hammond, Chairman
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