



# Town of Stonington Economic Development Commission

152 Elm Street  
Stonington, Connecticut 06378

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Alternate

**EDC Mission:**  
*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.*

## AGENDA

### Regular Meeting

Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 6:00 pm

SPS District Office Board Room, 40 Field St, Pawcatuck, CT

Hybrid Meeting – Webex Info below

- 1) 6:00 pm – Call to order.
- 2) 6:05 pm – Approve Minutes of Jan 11, 2022 Regular Meeting. **Vote required.**
- 3) 6:10 pm – Introduction of New Members – we will welcome Don Fiore and Derek Johnson to the team.
- 4) 6:20 pm – New Business:
  - a) Review of EDC initiative prioritization exercise from January meeting. Discussion of timelines and next steps. EDC members think about which effort you would like to dedicate your time and talents to.
  - b) Stonington marketing video (ref: EDC Initiative #5 – see table) – brief intro to Town-sponsored effort in collaboration with the EDC. Request for EDC budget contribution of \$1,500 towards total cost. **Vote required.**
- 5) 7:00 pm – Department of Planning Report – Susan will provide an update of DoP projects and activities – Susan.
- 6) 7:15 pm – Public Comment.
- 7) 7:30 pm – Adjournment.

Dave Hammond, Chairman  
Economic Development Commission

### JOIN WEBEX MEETING

<https://townofstonington.webex.com/townofstonington/j.php?MTID=mba4352024531c784d4dbf6c3ebb9219a>

Meeting number (access code): 2342 572 5030 Meeting password: MQRmZQu7P23

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2022 EDC Goals and Objectives - Prioritization Exercise (color key at bottom)				2/2/2022
N <sub>o</sub>	Potential Initiatives	2022 Key Objectives	Incumbent Lead	Score
1	Comprehensive Zoning Update	support consultant: provide Economic Development-specific recommendations (incl: contemporized Zoning District Regs, parking, signage, etc); partner with DoP to assist with Community Conversations	DoP / Dave	3.7
2	Exit 90	Develop strategic plan to account for increasing visitor numbers; continue to promote Vision; continue to engage public; use effort as catalyst for pedestrian / bike greenway effort	Kevin	4.2
3	Circus Lot / Dahl Oil Lot	topo survey; decide EA; purchase Circus lot, illustrative renderings / landscape architect designs; Community Conversations for use	Jim	4.2
4	Donahue Park Ext	complete survey and permitting; conceptual design; quotes for engineering / construction; explore financing alternatives	John	4.9
5	Marketing / Branding / Placemaking	continue to leverage 1649 website; explore public engagement platform; submit quarterly Stonington Magazine articles; continue incremental approach to placemaking through branding and wayfinding efforts	Kevin	5.2
6	Affordable Housing Plan	Follow-through until adopted by PZC (addendum to POCD); advocate for incorporating recommendations into Comprehensive Zoning Regulation update	DoP / Dave	6.4
7	Cultural District	Work closely with SECT Cultural Coalition to realize establishment of Cultural District(s)	Elsie	6.8
8	Stuck Property Analysis	Focus on Mechanic Street Mills - establish connections with owners to plan, save buildings / realize value; identify other specific properties to target such as Breslin; what is stuck due to zoning regs, such as CS-5?	Cullen	7.0
9	Business Outreach	Continue: collaborate with seCTer; support new and existing business; monitor cannabis post approval at referendum (late 2022)	Suzanne	9.1
10	Mechanic Street "Gateway"	consider streetscape improvements to establish neighborhood identity and placemaking, connecting to the important Mechanic St Mill assets	Jim	9.4
11	Maritime / Marinas	Re-engage with Marinas, inspired by surge in boating interest	Dan	12.8
12	Campbell Grain lot	Monitor and continue to pursue options for highest and best use infill development as a key part of Downtown Pawcatuck revitalization effort	Dave	25.0
13	Coggswell Pedestrian Bridge	contingent upon development of Campbell Grain lot	Jim	90.0
14	POCD	2023 or later	DoP / Elsie	100.0
15	Agriculture / Aquaculture	Monitor	Dave	100.0
16	Stillman Mill EA	grant awarded, monitor progress	Dave	
17	Stillman Mill Remediation	2023 or later: Once EA complete, seek remediation path; continue to partner with Eastern CT Landbank	Dave	
	<b>Key</b>			
	In-progress, 2021 activity			
	Parking Lot: awaiting action by others			
	Hold and monitor			