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Economic Development Commission

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*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.*

FINAL MINUTES
Special Virtual Meeting
Monday, July 20, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m.

Roll Call: Attending: Members – Dave Hammond, Kevin Bowdler, Jim Lathrop, Suzanne Lane, Virginia Abernathy, Cullen Hagan; Department of Planning: Susan Cullen; Winn Cos: Adam Stein, Matt Robayna, Tim Mustacato and Bill Sweeney, representing Winn Cos.

The Minutes of the 6/17/20 Special Virtual Meeting were approved. Motion: Kevin; Second: Suzanne; **All in Favor.**

EDC Initiative #1 – Representatives of Winn Cos presented a proposed multi-family apartment building for the vacant Campbell Grain lot. The EDC will be hosting a Community Conversation on July 29. The project represents a \$30M investment in Downtown Pawcatuck, bringing over 100 construction jobs along with over 100 indirect project-related jobs. The over 100 new downtown residents will contribute an ongoing economic multiplier for local businesses. Motion: EDC to provide a Letter of Support for the project – Dave; Second: Kevin. In favor: Dave, Kevin, Suzanne, Virginia, Cullen; Abstain: Jim Lathrop. **Motion passes. Action:** Dave to write draft letter.

EDC Initiative #3 – To support an informed recommendation to the Town for purchasing the Circus Lot (currently owned by Westerly Water but available through a reversion clause if not used for water production, which it isn't and never will be), the EDC discussed engaging an environmental assessment professional to complete two follow-up actions to the completed Phase 1 Study – test ground water via test wells and analyze core soil samples especially in vicinity of pump house (fill). Motion: allocate up to \$3,000 EDC budget for follow-up EA work – Dave; Second: Suzanne. **All in favor. Action:** Jim to contact Kropp.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Hammond, Chairman
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Approved August 19, 2020