

ROCHESTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MINUTES - April 20, 2017
CITY HALL, 31 WAKEFIELD STREET, ROCHESTER, NH

MEMBERS PRESENT -

Susan DeRoy, Chairman
Jonathan Shapleigh, Co-Chairman
Kris Ebbeson
Christine DeAngelis
John Larochelle
Karen Pollard, CEC, EDP
Jennifer Marsh, E.D. Specialist

MEMBERS ABSENT -

Janet Davis, Secretary
Mark Hourihane
Troy Dillow

OTHERS ALSO IN ATTENDANCE - Mayor, Caroline McCarley

- A. CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Susan DeRoy called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.
- B. APPROVAL – February 16, 2017 and March 16, 2017 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES - Motion made by John Larochelle, second by Christine DeAngelis to approve the regular minutes of the February 16, 2017 and March 16, 2017 meetings. Motion carried.
- C. DISCUSSION – ZONING
Karen Pollard presented multiple zoning maps to the committee to review prospective changes in uses in targeted areas identified that would support expansion of industrial/commercial and/or mixed use development. The areas included the following:
1. Route 125 – From Norway Plains Road through Amarosa Drive
 2. From Route 125 down Main Street to the Gonic Mill Site
 3. Route 108 near Granite State Park & Skyhaven Airport

The committee will invite Jim Campbell and Michelle Mears to the next REDC meeting to further discuss the city's current zoning plans.

- D. DISCUSSION – Riverwalk Update
Jenn Marsh presented the following to the group
- A phased approach for the Riverwalk is being considered for presentation to the City Council
 - The Riverwalk Committee is working on holding a Rochester Listens community meeting to discuss phasing and projects with the general public to see what the community would like to see.

Jenn Marsh will bring REDC discussion items back to the committee to help assist with the process.

E. DISCUSSION – Housing Forum

Karen Pollard stated that the City of Rochester is partnering with the Seacoast Workforce Housing Coalition on June 20th to host a forum at the Frisbee Conference Center.

- Karen will be speaking at the forum regarding the impact of housing on local business and the types of housing needs that exist within the community.

F. DISCUSSION – Strategic Plan Updates

The REDC Committee is tasked with reviewing the RKG draft plan and mission statement for the Economic Strategic Plan that is currently underway with RKG for completion in June 2017.

G. NON-PUBLIC – Non-public session was not required

H. Miscellaneous

- Mayor Caroline McCarley mentioned that the exit 10 discussions are being discussed at the State & City levels and the feasibility of the project.
- MAY 2nd Public Hearing at 7pm in the City Chambers to decide on bonding for the Creteau Technology Center renovation.

Adjourn – Motion made by Susan Deroy at 6:00 PM, second by Christine DeAngelis to adjourn. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING May 18, 2017 4:00 PM AT THE CITY HALL