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## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION & TIF ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**  
**JUNE 5, 2019**  
5:30PM - 7:00PM

The EDC meeting held June 5, 2019 began with Joint Working Session with Ninigret Partners & the City's Planning and Zoning Commission. During this meeting, both commissions reviewed redevelopment recommendations and public feedback from the May 9<sup>th</sup> *Building Connections: Thames Street Promenade*. Following the Joint Working Session the EDC held its regular meeting.

### **Agenda:**

- I. Call to Order**
  - a. Meeting called to order at 6:45
  - b. Attendance
    - i. Commissioners: Cheryl Auerbach (Chairman), Annemarie Seifert, & Miles Dull
    - ii. Staff: Cierra Patrick
- II. Introduction**
- III. Minutes Approval**
  - a. None
- IV. New Business**
  - a. Joint Working Session Follow Up
- V. Old Business**
  - a. Welcome to the City:

- i. Cierra provided the EDC with a draft proposal and status update of the Welcome to the City initiative. The City's Planning and Economic Development Staff will contact the City's on-call architect and engineering firm to develop a scope of work, concept plans, and budget for professional services to move the initiative forward and coordinate with other City projects related to transportation or Infrastructure improvements.
- b. Planter Program:
  - i. At the EDC's May 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, commission members participated in a City Tour where they identified planter locations. Twelve locations were chosen, six of which will require two planters, resulting in 18 planters needed. The City currently has 13; Cierra will order an additional five self-watering planters (From Earth Planter) to meet the need. In regards to the plant selections, Cierra worked with Holdridge Home & Garden and identified that Canna Lilies, Geraniums, & Vinca Vine will work best in the identified locations and will be available. With the assistance of the City Public Works Office, the Planters will be out mid-June.
  - ii. Motion to move forward with the plans for the planter program including the purchase of five additional planters and plant recommendations from Holdridge.
    1. Motion: Miles Dull
    2. Second: Cheryl Auerbach
    3. Decision: 3-0-0

**VI. Public Comments**

**VII. Adjournment**

- a. Annemarie Seifert moved to adjourn
- b. Miles Dull Seconded the motion
- c. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

Submitted by Cierra Patrick