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**Economic Development Committee Meeting
Thursday February 22, 2018
6:00 p.m. – 6:50 p.m.
South Conference Room**

<u>Council Members</u>	<u>City Staff</u>
Chair Jeremy Nutting	Michael Matthias – City Manager (CM)
Co-Chair Vic Pennington (abs)	Dan Brewer – Chief Operations Officer (COO)
Matt Pina	Susan Cezar – Community Development Director
	Denise Lathrop – Planning and Development Services Manager
	Tim George – City Attorney
	Matthew Hutchins – Asst City Attorney
	Jason Woycke – Land Use Planner II
	Holly Keeton – Land Use Planner I

Guests:

John Scully

1. Call to Order

Chair Jeremy Nutting called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Selection of Chair and Co-Chair

Mayor Pina nominated current Chair Jeremy Nutting to remain as Chair of the Economic Development Committee with Vic Pennington to remain as Co-Chair. The nominations stand pending Council Member Pennington's acceptance.

3. Approval of the December 14th, 2017 meeting minutes

Minutes approved as submitted.

4. 2018 Work Plan

City Manager (CM) Michael Matthias recognized the significant contributions of the Economic Development Committee Members (EDC) and their focus on balancing the City's need for sustainable growth, quality of life for citizens and the revenue to accomplish City goals. This committee has been instrumental in seeking interconnectedness between the Des Moines Creek Business Park and the Downtown-Commercial Zone. Community Development Director Susan Cezar presented a power point along with the hand-out "*Economic Development Committee Work Program Items for 2018-2019*". The Committee reviewed the list and offered suggestions and opinions regarding the various items. Several questions were posed.

Tier 1 Discussion included:

- The Shoreline Master Program is due in June of 2019. It would behoove the City to complete our update in a timely manner due to staff availability at the Department of Ecology, and grant money becoming available to municipalities.

- Attorney Tim George is waiting for new state requirements regarding the Wireless Small Cell Ordinance.
- Des Moines Municipal Code changes will be necessary for potential projects such as the Landmark and the Marina redevelopment.

Tier 2 Discussion included:

- Tier 2 items could be inserted into the EDC agenda as time allows.
- A presentation to full council describing potential projects under the Urban Agriculture topic (Farm to Table & Highline College) was suggested.
- CPTED (Crime Prevention through Environmental Design) is of common interest to citizens, police, the community development department, city administration and developers.

Additional direction/questions:

- Could the topic “*Keeping of animals, including bees*” be assigned to a different committee? City Attorney will talk with the chair of the environment committee.
- How do potential zoning code changes impact residential density goals?
- The mixed use requirement in the Woodmont Commercial (W-C) zoning designation has been discussed previously, and it was not felt to be in the best interest of the City.
- Development incentives for tree retention may follow the Urban Forestry Plan.
- Parking code changes may result from the Marina redevelopment work currently in progress.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 22, 6:00-6:50 pm in the South Conference room.

Adjourned at 6:55 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by,
Jodi Grager, CPT