

WATERFORD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

**December 9, 2021
Louise Appleby Room
5:00 PM**

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David L. Lopez
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MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman -Dan Radin, Eric Palmer, Jill Szymanski
MEMBERS ABSENT: Edward Lusher
ALTERNATES PRESENT: Gregg Attanasio
STAFF PRESENT: Abby Piersall, AICP, Director of Planning, Mark Wujtewicz, Planner

1. CALL TO ORDER/APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATES

A quorum was established. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM.
Gregg Attanasio seated for Edward Lusher

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - November 18, 2021 Meeting

MOTION: Motion made by J. Szymanski, seconded by E. Palmer, to approve the minutes of the November 21, 2021 meeting.

VOTE: 4-0

3. CORRESPONDENCE

None

4. COMMISSION PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES:

- Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

A Piersall reviewed the proposed budget with the Commission. Members of the Commission suggested increasing the Advertising Line to \$1200 to include advertising expenses for the Waterford Microgrant and Small Business Programs. G. Attanasio suggested an increase to the Professional Fees Line of \$16,000 be proposed in order to pay for consulting services to draft an Economic Development Strategy. This increase would be based on approximately 80 hours of work for an average rate consultant fee of \$80/hr. The Commission agreed with the change. The Commission proposed adding \$1500 to the Dues, Conference and Education Line to include the cost of attending the ICSC (Innovating Commerce Serving Communities) Conference.

MOTION: Motion made by G Attanasio, seconded by J. Szymanski to approve the proposed EDC Budget with the amendments as discussed.

VOTE: 4-0

- Startup Microgrant Program

E. Lusher who was tasked with this project was not present. Nothing new to report.

- Small Business Grant Program

E. Lusher who was tasked with this project was not present.
Nothing new to report

- Crystal Mall

A. Piersall updated the Commission with the status of the Crystal Mall. She stated that there is the potential for the Planning and Zoning Commission to sponsor a Zone District Amendment for the

Crystal Mall property sometime next year. She stated that there still has been no communication from the various interests involved with the Mall.

- Update of Planning and Zoning Commission Projects

A Piersall updated the Commission on the status of pending projects

4. TOWN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND PERMITTING STATUS

Described in the previous agenda item

5. PAYMENT OF BILLS

None

7. OTHER BUSINESS

None

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion by D. Radin, seconded by J. Szymanski to adjourn at 6:00 PM.

VOTE: 4-0

Respectfully Submitted,



Mark Wujtewicz
Planner