ECDC: Economic & Community Development Committee

Tuesday June 2nd, 2020 5:00 PM

<u>Committee Members Present</u>: Chairman Don Griffin, Erin Folk, Phil Lehmann, Tom Mahoney, and Terry Schuster.

Absent: Rebecca Hazzard, Rick McCanse, and John Von Tish.

Also, present: Darin DeHaan, Chris Manheim, Mayor-Ken Williams, Liz Vos, and Cheryl Hilton.

Chairman Don Griffin called the meeting to order.

Minutes: Tom Mahoney moved to approve the May 5th, 2020 minutes, seconded by Terry Schuster.

Motion carried. No Nays.

Public Comment: None.

<u>Budget:</u> Terry Schuster reported on the Economic Development budget. He said that there will be losses compared to last years budget. There will also be a \$2,000 cost for the purchase of supplies to provide the downtown businesses with outdoor seating.

<u>Oregon Enterprise Zone:</u> Mayor Ken Williams said that the City will receive about \$1,400 from the Lee Ogle EZ Advisory Board. These funds will be up to the City to use towards economic development projects.

<u>Economic & SBA Help and Loans:</u> Chris Manheim has been working with Dan Payette and Dan Shaw. Dixon has done a lot of grants as well. They are continuing to work on stabilization grants and marketing strategies for the City. Liz said that Spring Valley Restaurant, Messie's and Breaker's are also applying for the state grants.

<u>River Front:</u> Mayor Ken Williams said that Josh Skinner is looking to bring an English Pub Style Microbrewery into the City. They have already spoken to Kevin Wiegman and Mark Gale about renting the Wiggale Building located at 402 W Washington Street. Mayor Ken Williams said that the agreement has been signed for the walkway and the easement is still being worked on.

<u>TIF Update/Façade Grant:</u> Commissioner Terry Schuster said that the Façade Grant for the Commerce Building was approved at a special City Council meeting.

Discussion to Change Meeting Time & Date: Still going to meet via GoToMeetings until further notice.

<u>Chamber News/Report:</u> Liz Vos reported that she has received an anonymous donation towards the Everyone is Essential campaign bringing the total to about \$6,200. She is meeting with news stations on Friday to talk about the City's reopening plans. She also plans on doing a small marketing campaign for the Phase 4 reopening and a larger campaign in July.

<u>Oregon Together Report/Community Events:</u> Terry said that they have been working on projects for the graduating seniors and the flowers and bicycles for downtown are being completed.

<u>Potential Developer:</u> Mayor Ken Williams said that there is a developer interested in the property located by Carnation Park. The developer is looking to build town homes along the river and will be in town next week to look and discuss the options available.

Meeting adjourned 5:19 PM

Submitted by Deputy Clerk Cheryl Hilton