

City of Tacoma Economic Development Committee Minutes

747 Market Street Tacoma, WA 98402 Conference Room 248 March 22, 2016 10:00 AM

Chair Marty Campbell, Ryan Mello, Marilyn Strickland, Robert Thoms, Conor McCarthy (alternate)

Call To Order

Chair Campbell called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Council Member McCarthy, alternate, arrived at 10:13 a.m.

Present: 3 - Campbell, Mello and Thoms
Absent: 2 - Strickland and McCarthy

Approval of Minutes

1. <u>16-0234</u> Approval of the minutes of March 08, 2016

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2016 meeting.

SECONDED BY: Council Member Thoms.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 3 - Campbell, Mello and Thoms
Absent: 2 - Strickland and McCarthy

Briefing Items

2. <u>16-0235</u> Industr

Industrial Sector Presentation [Elly Walkowiak, Business Development Manager, Community and Economic Development; Pat Beard, Project Manager, Community and Economic Development]

At approximately 10:06 a.m., Pat Beard, Community and Economic Development, provided an overview of the Industrial Sector and Tacoma's

diverse economy, including industrial operations, policy, and manufacturing. Stephen Gear, Bradken, reviewed Bradken's global footprint, Tacoma foundry, site history, and provided an overview of the company. Hartwell Champagne, SAFE Boats International, reviewed SAFE Boats headquarters and manufacturing facility, hiring, staffing, economic impacts for 2015, Navy products and customer support.

Council Member McCarthy arrived here at 10:13 a.m.

Eric Hahn, General Plastics, reviewed General Plastic's market and industry, including signs, displays, medical, marine, aerospace, solar, production services, and testing. Discussion ensued regarding future manufacturing impacts, competitive industries in Pierce County, transportation systems, permits, and education.

 16-0236 Local Revitalization Fund [Elly Walkowiak, Business Development Manager, Community and Economic Development]

At approximately 10:49 a.m., Elly Walkowiak, Community and Economic Development, provided an overview of the Local Revitalization Financing program. She discussed background information, issues, alternatives and fiscal impact. She concluded by requesting a recommendation to move to the full City Council for consideration. Discussion ensued throughout regarding the revitalization project, financing, and locations.

MOTION: Deputy Mayor Mello moved to recommend the Local Revitalization Financing program for consideration to the full City Council.

SECONDED BY: Council Member McCarthy.

ACTION: Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was declared adopted.

Ayes: 4 - Campbell, Mello, Thoms and McCarthy

Absent: 1 - Strickland

Topics for Upcoming Meetings

4. <u>16-0237</u> March 29, 2016 - CERC Interviews; New Sister City Presentation

Brad Forbes, Committee Liaison, stated the next meeting will be on March 29, 2016, and topics will include interviews for the City Events and Recognitions Committee and a presentation on a new Sister City.

Other Items of Interest

There were no other items of interest.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:58 a.m.

Marty Campbell, Chair

Jennifer Beauchamp, City Clerk's Office