



CITY OF VENETA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MEMBERS:

HERB VLOEDMAN (CHAIR)
LEN GOODWIN (VICE-CHAIR)
DALEN CORBETT
MARK DAVIS
GINA HALEY-MORRELL

BRITANY LEHMAN
JOHN STEPHENS
JOHN TRIBOLET
MAUREEN WRIGHT

MINUTES

Economic Development Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 11, 2023 2:00 PM
Veneta City Hall – J.W. “Bill” Smigley Room
88184 8TH Street, Veneta, Oregon

Present: Chair Herb Vloedman, Vice-Chair Len Goodwin, Member Brittany Lehman (appointed as Vice-Chair mid-way through the meeting), Member Gina Haley-Morrell, Member John Tribolet, and Member Maureen Wright
Absent: Member Dalen Corbett, Member Mark Davis, and Member John Stephens
Staff: City Administrator (CA) Matt Michel, Management Analyst (MA) Cole Haselip, and City Recorder (CR) Grace Jelks.

1. REVIEW AGENDA

Chair Vloedman called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. and reviewed the agenda.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE

- a. Approval of the December 14, 2022 Minutes

MOTION: Vice-Chair Goodwin made a **motion to approve the minutes as amended**. Member Haley-Morrell seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

4. EDC UPDATES

- a. Vice-Chair Goodwin discussed the Iron Clad site plan review approved at last night's Planning Commission meeting. Discussion ensued.

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- b. Chair Vloedman discussed the annual update on building, planning, and code enforcement presented by Community Development Director Laird at last night's Planning Commission meeting. Discussion ensued.
- c. Chair Vloedman discussed the intersection at Jeans Rd. and Hwy 126, which is deemed failing. Discussion ensued.

5. ELECTION

- a. The EDC nominated Member Herb Vloedman as Chair and Member Brittany Lehman as Vice-Chair for the 2023 Economic Development Committee term.

MOTION: Vice-Chair Goodwin **moved to approve Member Herb Vloedman as Chair of the 2023 Economic Development Committee.** Member Haley-Morrell seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

MOTION: Vice-Chair Goodwin **moved to approve Member Brittany Lehman as Vice-Chair of the 2023 Economic Development Committee.** Member Haley-Morrell seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

6. DISCUSSION

- a. MA Haselip presented the Business Assistance Committee Liaison Recommendations. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: Vice-Chair Goodwin made a **motion to recommend to the City Council that Brittany Lehman be appointed to the Business Assistance Committee.** Member Haley-Morrell seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

- b. MA Haselip presented the Shopfernridge.com agenda item. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: Member Haley-Morrell made a **motion to direct staff to allow the Shopfernridge.com contract with The Foundry Collective to terminate in March 2023.** Vice-Chair Goodwin seconded the motion. **The motion passed unanimously (6-0).**

- c. MA Haselip presented the Business Retention and Expansion agenda item. Discussion ensued.

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- d. MA Haselip presented their staff report regarding a Joint Meeting with the City Council Business Assistance Committee. Discussion ensued.

There was a **consensus to meet on February 27, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.**

- e. MA Haselip presented their staff report regarding The Attic negotiations. Discussion ensued.

7. OTHER

- a. CA Michel discussed negotiations with the Oregon Department of Forestry for the acquisition of property near the Bolton Hill Sports complex, necessary for emergency vehicles to access the site.
- b. Chair Vloedman asked CA Michel to give an update on broadband access at the next meeting.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on February 8, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

9. ADJOURN

Chair Vloedman adjourned the meeting of the Veneta Economic Development Committee at 3:24 p.m.

ATTEST:



Herb Vloedman, Chair



Grace Jelks, City Recorder

