

## **REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 2017 APR 18 PM 1: 43

Thursday, January 19, 2017

EDC Vice Chairman David Ferreira called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm in LEXX room 14 at the Town Hall in the presence of:

**Voting Members:** William Bellavance, Sean Delaney, David Ferreira, Peter Beal, Richard Wallner, and Michael Prisco,

Missing: Joseph Lauria

Associate Members: Chris Hayden, Jeff Yull

Non-Members: Michael Gilberto - Town Planner and Francis DeCoste - TRA

## Vice Chairman David Ferreira opened the meeting at 6:04 pm.

- 1.) Mr. Ferreira open the meeting starting with continuing our discussions on the 102 Lowell Road RFP.
  - a. Mr. Delaney asked for a brief overview on what the request that was made by the Board of Selectmen.
    - i. Mr. Prisco explained that the majority of the BOS was not in favor of the recommendation to
  - b. Mr. Bellavance stated that this board should stay in our
  - c. Mr. Bellavance suggested that we change the wording in the summary paragraph from allowing for a "mix of uses" to "mixed use". Mr. Beal was in agreement
  - d. Mr. DeCoste explained that using the language of "preference for commercial uses" gives him the ability to emphasize that the Town wants a commercial option to consider. It will also give him the ability to keep them committed to making an offer about the market appraisal.
- Mr. Delaney motioned to reject the language in the draft for Lot 102 Lowell Road; motioned seconded by Mr. Bellavance
  - a. Mr. Gilberto suggested that we could consider sending out a Request for Information (RFI). Mr. DeCoste replied that he didn't think this process will bring what we are looking for.

Voted by:

Mr. Ferriera AYE
Mr. Prisco AYE
Mr. Bellavance AYE
Mr. Beal AYE
Mr. Wallner NO
Mr. Delaney AYE

Mr. Lauria absent

MOTION CARRIED (5-1-0)

3.) Mr. Bellavance motioned that the EDC place a restriction in the RFP for allowed uses/special permit within the Industrial Office zone and add a table of "Allowed Uses". Seconded by: Mr. Delaney

Voted by:

Mr. Ferriera AYE
Mr. Prisco AYE
Mr. Bellavance AYE
Mr. Beal AYE
Mr. Wallner NO
Mr. Delaney AYE

Mr. Lauria absent

MOTION CARRIED (5-1-0)

4.) Mr. Delaney motioned to request Code Enforcement Officer to determine if he would allow retail space under 50,000sqft. If not, grant permission for ZBA to grant a variance. If either approach works then we must go to June Town Meeting to get zoning changed.

Voted by:

Mr. Ferriera AYE
Mr. Prisco AYE
Mr. Bellavance AYE
Mr. Beal AYE
Mr. Wallner AYE
Mr. Delaney AYE

Mr. Lauria absent

UNANIMOUS (6-0-0)

- 5.) Mr. DeCoste took the action to incorporate the language voted by the majority of the EDC into the final draft of the RFP for BOS and CPC review.
- 6.) Mr. Prisco discussed upcoming dates for the EDC:
  - a. Next EDC meeting January 30, 2017 at 6:00pm which will be a joint meeting with the BOS and CPC.
- 7.) ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Wallner motioned to adjourn the meeting

Seconded by: Mr. Beal

Voted by:

Mr. Ferriera

AYE

Mr. Prisco

AYE

Mr. Bellavance

**AYE** 

Mr. Beal Mr. Wallner Mr. Lauria AYE AYE AYE

UNANIMOUS (6-0-0) ADJOURN, 7:40 pm

DATE

MICHAEL PRISCO, CLERK