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Economic Development Planning Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 7/12/23
Time: 10:00 AM
Location: The University of Massachusetts Club
One Beacon Street, 32nd floor, Boston, MA

Attendees

- Frank Callahan
- Julie Chen
- JD Chesloff
- Dominick Ianno, on behalf of Roger Crandall
- Steven Ellis
- Kris Carter, on behalf of Gina Fiandaca
- Barry Finegold
- Ruthanne Fuller
- Matthew Gorzkowicz
- Nikko Mendoza, on behalf of Ed Augustus
- Yvonne Hao
- Sarah Hodges
- Melissa Hoffer
- Laura Hooks
- Lauren Jones
- Michelle Consalvo, on behalf of Julie Kim
- Glynn Llyod
- Paul Niedzwiecki
- Jason Park
- Andrew Rebello
- Elisabeth Reynolds
- Antonio Rodriguez
- Tamara Small
- Kevin Tabb

- Rebecca Tepper
- Brooke Thomson
- Son Vo
- Kate Walsh

Meeting Minutes

- Executive Office of Economic Development (EOED) Secretary Yvonne Hao commenced the meeting at 10:05am by welcoming attendees and delivering opening remarks.
- Economic Development Planning Council (EDPC) members are introduced.
- Secretary Hao delivers PowerPoint presentation entitled “2023 Economic Development Planning Council (EDPC) July Meeting” updating the actions and accomplishments of the EDPC to date, including conducting eight of nine scheduled regional sessions, completion of sector specific meetings, and timing for economic development plan.
- Secretary Hao initiates open discussion on the highest priority ideas that cut across regions and sectors. EDPC members detail issues that include workforce development, quality of life (e.g. housing, childcare, etc.), marketing Massachusetts, start-up ecosystem, climate, equity, further existing strengths in key sectors, education coordination, and government improvements.
- EDPC Subsector Captains deliver “lightening round” two-minute reports about sector specific priorities resulting from sector specific meetings. Sector reports include healthcare/hospitals, life sciences, tourism, advanced manufacturing, small business, climate, financial/intellection capital, rural, education, real estate and development, and tech/venture.
- Secretary Hao opens the floor for general question and answer session among EDPC members.
- EDPC members conduct prioritization exercise for council members to identify and vote on priorities from subsector group recommendations. The voting exercise is anonymous and non-binding.
- Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:45am