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Economic Development Planning Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 5/5/2023

Time: 2:30 PM

Location: State House, Room 428
24 Beacon Street, Boston, MA

Attendees

- Frank Callahan
- Julie Chen
- JD Chesloff
- Steven Ellis
- Gina Fiandaca
- Barry Finegold
- Ruthanne Fuller
- Matthew Gorzkowicz
- Yvonne Hao, Chair
- Sarah Hodges
- Melissa Hoffer
- Julie Kim
- Paul Niedzwiecki
- Andrew Rebello
- Elisabeth Reynolds
- Antonio Rodriguez
- Tamara Small
- Kevin Tabb
- Rebecca Tepper
- Brooke Thomson
- Son Vo
- The following council members were represented by staff designees:
 - Roger Crandall
 - Laura Hooks
 - Lauren Jones
 - Glynn Lloyd
 - Kate Walsh

Meeting Minutes

- Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development (EOHED) Secretary Yvonne Hao commenced meeting at 2:30 pm by welcoming attendees, delivering opening remarks, and conducting a roll call.
- Lieutenant Governor Driscoll arrives and delivers welcoming remarks.
- Governor Healey arrives and delivers welcoming remarks relative to the objectives of the council.
- Secretary Hao delivers PowerPoint presentation “2023 Economic Development Planning Council (EDPC) Kickoff” describing legal authority, purpose, goals and schedule for Economic Development Planning Council (EDPC).
- EOHED General Counsel, Jonathan Cosco, describes application of open meeting law, public records law and conflict of interest laws to EDPC members.
- Mark Melnick of UMass Donahue Institute delivers PowerPoint presentation entitled “Massachusetts Economic Growth and Challenges in the Age of COVID-19” and conducts a question-and-answer session.
- EDPC members conduct brainstorming sessions on economic development success and guiding principles to develop the economic development plan.
- Secretary Hao resumes PowerPoint presentation on EDPC business, distributes “Sector Working Groups” list for council members to conduct independent brainstorming for key sectors and describes upcoming schedule for EDPC regional listening session meetings around the State.
- Secretary Hao adjourns meeting at 4:05 pm.