

City of Maple Ridge
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Economic Development Committee, held in the Bridges Boardroom, Maple Ridge City Hall, on Thursday, September 5, 2019, at 5:00 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Camilla Brown	Community at Large
Dominick Kotarski	Community at Large
Tom Meier	Community at Large
James Zelinski	Community at Large
Councillor Yousef	City of Maple Ridge

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Darrell Denton	Staff Liaison / Acting Director, Economic Development & Civic Properties
Bruce Livingstone	Business Retention and Expansion Officer, Economic Development & Civic Properties
Karen Hansen	Administrative Assistant, Economic Development & Civic Properties

REGRETS

Josef Lara	Community at Large
Christlana Gregory	Community at Large
Al Hogarth	Community at Large
Oliver Perez	Community at Large

Meeting called to order at 5:21 pm.

1. AGENDA ADOPTION

R19-12

It was moved and seconded

That the Agenda of September 5, be amended to state: Review/Approve Minutes of June 11 on agenda item 2.

CARRIED

R19-13

It was moved and seconded

That the Agenda of September 5, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

2. MINUTE ADOPTION

R19-14

It was moved and seconded

That the Minutes of June 11, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

3. Task Force Update:

3.1 Growth - Justice Institute tour

- a) Justice Institute Tour

R19-15

It was moved and seconded

That someone from the EDC Committee will follow-up with the Justice Institute in 60 days.

CARRIED

R19-16

It was moved and seconded

That Staff look into the Canadian regulations for setting up a specialized technical school for topics such as synthetic biology.

CARRIED

- b) Next steps (Darrell/Bruce)

3.2 Bylaws and how they affect business

- a) Locations/zoning

R19-17

It was moved and seconded

That the EDC explore the possibilities of taking portions of the OCP to find areas in the City where certain identifiable businesses can operate and offer those businesses the opportunity to come and pitch their business to the City, in return for fast tracking their applications through City Hall.

CARRIED

- b) Types of Business

- c) Supports for Business

3.3 Technology Review

4. Advisory Committees

- 4.1 Report back from Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting in June (James)

- 4.2 Review of Council Report: Advisory Committee Review Recommendations

5. Adjournment at 7:05 pm - Next Meeting - November 7, 2019

Chair, Dominic Kotarski

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