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, Economic Development Office, Maple Ridge on Wednesday, June 27, 2018, at 5:00 pm.

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Josef Lara, Chair	Community at Large
Tom Meier	Community at Large
Chrislana Gregory	Community at Large
Councillor Robson	City of Maple Ridge

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Lino Siracusa	Staff Liaison / Director, Economic Development and Civic Properties
Karen Hansen	Administrative Assistant, Economic Development

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Civic Properties

REGRETS

Oliver Perez	Community at Large
Alex Wells	Community at Large
Bruce Livingstone	Business Retention and Expansion Officer

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Meeting called to order at 5:30 pm once quorum was achieved.

1. AGENDA ADOPTION

R18-007
It was moved and seconded
That the Agenda of June 27, 2018 be adopted.

CARRIED

2. MINUTE ADOPTION

R18-008
It was moved and seconded
That the Minutes of May 2, 2018 be adopted.

CARRIED

3. Update on unfinished business

The Tech Task Force is attempting to set up a new branch which will center on Innovation. They are also working on some ideas with regard to creating a Tech Hub in the downtown core. The idea is to have a physical space with a kiosk or container which will showcase different types of products, businesses, or topics which are Technology related. This idea is in the very preliminary stages and it was suggested that, once the ideas is more conceptualized, it be brought to the EDC.

R18-009
It was moved and seconded
   That the concept of the new Tech Hub be brought to the EDC.

CARRIED

4. **Terratap Proposal**

   Terratap Technologies is interested in having Maple Ridge, along with 5 or 6 other municipalities, become involved with a new technology which will standardize a platform that can be used for App Development. Having this platform will allow for the development of Apps that can be used to service several different communities on the same subject, for example, trails. People could look up trails in several different communities using the same App. The EDC members suggested that the Tech Task Force would be the best group to assess this as their knowledge would be more appropriate.

R18-010
It was moved and seconded
    That the proposal from Terratap Technologies be taken to the Tech Task Force for consideration .

CARRIED

5. **Setting direction for EDC**

   An environmental scan was started to assess the factors that may affect the City over the next few years. A list of possible actions was begun and will be completed at the next meeting in order to provide a clear focus on future goals.

6. **Adjournment - Next Meeting, Wednesday, September 5 , 2018**

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Chair, Josef Lara

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