



Meeting Minutes

Community & Economic Revitalization Committee (CERC)

City Hall
601 4th Avenue E
Olympia, WA 98501
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Monday, March 21, 2016

5:30 PM

Room 112

1. ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - Chair Nathaniel Jones, Committee member Jim Cooper and Committee member Julie Hankins

OTHERS PRESENT

Community Planning and Development Director Keith Stahley
Economic Development Director Renée Sunde
Thurston County Economic Development Council (EDC) Director Michael Cade

2. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.A** [16-0413](#) Approval of February 29, 2016 Community & Economic Revitalization Committee Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

4. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- 4.A** [16-0406](#) Status Report on the Water Street Redevelopment Area (WSRA)

Ms. Sunde stated the proposed development agreement and scope of work for the Water Street redevelopment area will be presented to the Council on March 22, 2016. She is hopeful for an adoption to move forward. Mayor Pro Tem Jones requested a walk-through of this presentation. Ms. Sunde presented the key points for her presentation to the Council:

- Start with the background of WSRA
- Cover the 'why are we doing this' information
- Stay focused on the fact that this property has many key areas surrounding it
- Overview of scope of work
- Talk about the participation with the Downtown Strategy in this process
- City review
- Public participation
- Three community outreach events will be planned
- Final presentation to the Council of where the plan sits at that point

- Brief overview of financial obligations
- End with timeline

The discussion was completed.

4.B [16-0374](#) Status Report on Opportunity Areas

Mr. Stahley gave a status report on the six opportunity areas identified by the conjunction of ECONorthwest's 2013 Investment Strategy Report and the City's Community Renewal Area efforts. Each site has been labeled by phase: Nurture Phase, Catalyze Phase and Support Phase.

These six areas are:

- Headwaters: moved up in the Nurture phase since 2013
- Olympia Landfill: moved from the Nurture to Catalyze Phase since 2013
- Division/Harrison: moved up in the Catalyze Phase since 2013
- Kaiser/Harrison: moved up in the Catalyze Phase since 2013
- Kmart Site: moved from Catalyze Phase to Support Phase since 2013
- Downtown: moved from Catalyze Phase to Support Phase since 2013

The report was received.

4.C [16-0405](#) Review of Regional Economic Indicators

Mr. Cade presented material reviewing the economic landscape, trends and economic indicators in Olympia.

The discussion was completed.

4.D [16-0328](#) Status Reports and Updates

Ms. Sunde reported Walker Development was presented the Livable Communities Award from Future Wise for excellence in creative livable communities for smart growth and transportation.

The report was received.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.