



PBIA Advisory Board

Briefing on Regional Business Support Services

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Title

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Report

Issue:

Overview of business support services available in Thurston County

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Background and Analysis:

One of the PBIA's work plan items for 2018 is to inform downtown businesses about the myriad resources available to enhance, support and grow their business. This effort is an important part of the City's Downtown Retail Strategy and its focus on connecting downtown businesses to the tools and trainings that can help these businesses be successful so they can stay and thrive in downtown as the local economy grows.

The Thurston Economic Development Council (EDC) houses a Business & Innovation Center (CB&I), which exists to support business with services and resources to achieve success. Mr. Cade will provide an overview of the programs and services available through the Center. A link to the website is **attached**.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

N/A

Options:

Briefing with Q&A only

Financial Impact:

N/A

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Attachments:

Link to CB&I website