# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION EAST GRANBY, CONNECTICUT March 28, 2022

#### **Minutes**

A meeting of the East Granby Economic Development Commission was held via Zoom on March 28, 2022. Members present when Chairman Paul Thulen called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. were Paul Oliva, Oliver Davis, Kerry Flarherty, David Iannucci, Tom Lally, and Chick Bistany. Member Todd Zessin and Leslie Marques were absent.

# **MINUTES**

A motion was made by Paul Oliva, seconded by Kerry Flarherty, to approve the minutes of February 28, 2022. Votes in favor were unanimous, motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION WITH PUBLIC AND/OR APPLICANT

Paul Calebaugh addressed commission and asked about the status of Village Center Plan and Affordable Housing Plan.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

- EDC Minutes for January 24, 2022
- EDC Report for March2022

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

Director of Community Development Gary Haynes presented the March EDC Report.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- **A. BDL Update:** Director of Community Development gave commission update on construction activity and route expansion at the airport.
- **B. Chamber Update:** Nothing to Report
- **C. Brokers and Realtors:** Sandra Johnson updated the commission on discussions and communications with commercial brokers.
- **D. Business Visitation and Retention:** Director of Community Development informed commission we will be holding business visitation with Nufern on 4/8/22.
- **E. Marketing Articles:** Reminded commission next LTT deadline is May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Chairman Paul Thulen presented template for Let's Talk Turkey for Community Development Digest made up of 3-4 articles to create a full page. Commission discussed format and potential article ideas. David Iannucci agreed to be coordinator and Paul Oliva agreed to continue to provide small business article for each newsletter.

### F. Incentives and Regulation Changes:

Director of Community Development and Adam Tkaczuk are working on language for a Façade Improvement Program. Director of Community Development informed commission they have meeting scheduled for 3/31/22 with Mike Fish owner of the Center Shops to brainstorm the Façade Improvement Program.

**G. Village Center Plan:** Director of Community Development is working on a draft RFP hire a consultant to do the Village Center Plan. The Board of Selectman has put together an Village Center Ad Hoc Committee to help guide the Village Center Plan.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn was made by Paul Oliva and seconded by Kerry Flarherty at 7:39 PM. Votes in favor were unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Haynes Director of Community Development