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**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 7:00 pm**

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**AGENDA**

*Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law and the Governor's November 2, 2020 Order imposing a limitation on the number of people that may gather indoors, **this meeting of the EDC meeting will be conducted via remote participation.** You can join the meeting via Zoom at the following link:*

**<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88217439172?pwd=UTIBODRWQ0xVSzVIV0QrcklFeDBkQT09;>**  
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*The Chair reserves the right to call items on the agenda out of order. The times that are listed for items are approximate times, and items may be reached earlier or later than the posted times. The listing of items is those reasonably anticipated by the Chair which may be discussed at the meeting at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law.*

**TIME**

**SUBJECT**

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| 7:00pm | All Alcohol Package Store Liquor License, Forbes Crossing; Town Meeting legislation request - Frank Spillane  |
| 7:20pm | 12/16/20 meeting minutes  |
| 7:25pm | Sub-Committee Updates/Action Items/Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rail Trail/Pedestrian/Transit</li><li>• Route 1</li><li>• Business Development</li><li>• Website Content</li><li>• Uptown/FCBC</li></ul>  |
| 7:35pm | Economic Development Grant Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Massachusetts Downtown Initiative's Local Rapid Recovery Planning program</u> – Awarded January 30, 2021: On behalf of Governor Charles D. Baker and Lt. Governor Karyn E. Polito, I am pleased to inform you that Foxborough will receive technical assistance from the Massachusetts Downtown Initiative's (MDI) Local Rapid Recovery Planning program. We recognize that the impacts of the COVID-19 health emergency have dramatically affected local businesses. Your efforts to explore</li></ul> |

solutions and projects to help revitalize businesses in your community are an effective way to plan for economic recovery. Congratulations and thank you for this effort.

The timing for the Rapid Recovery planning under the MDI program has shifted to allow the planning to extend beyond June 30, 2021. We expect the process will take place over an approximate 5-month period starting in late February. You will be matched with a consultant or regional planning agency that will facilitate the plan. You may also get one-on-one support from specific subject matter experts depending on the needs of your community. In addition to the one-on-one technical assistance you will receive, there will be a series of webinars to introduce you to the Rapid Recovery Planning process.

- Massachusetts Office of Business Development (“MOBD”) Regional Pilot Project – Filed February 10, 2021: The intent of the project is to conduct a comprehensive, objective and balanced assessment of trends and projections for the viability of a variety of commercial districts in the municipalities of Foxborough, Walpole, Norton, Mansfield and Medfield. This data driven analysis is intended to be utilized by the towns to engage in future planning, land use, marketing and zoning discussions and decisions related to a post-COVID-19 regional economy. End products: Inventory/database, limited marketing materials, recommendations for “pivots” or adaptations based on post COVID market conditions.
- Community Development Block Grant Micro-Enterprise grant – For small businesses with five or fewer employees (including owner). Grant program still accepting applications. Contact Paige Duncan in Planning Department

7:45pm Possible speaker for future EDC meeting?

7:50pm Master Business List – Update on progress

Tentative Future Meeting Dates:

March 17, 2021  
April 21, 2021

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