

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES APRIL 16, 2025

This meeting was conducted in person at Snoqualmie City Hall and remotely using Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Co-Chair Paula Shively called the meeting to order at 8:01 am.

**Commissioners:** Joelle Gibson (remote), Nichole Pas, Nick Postiglione, Paula Shively, and Adrian Webb (remote) were present.

Commissioners Hudson and Sharma were not present.

Councilmember Wotton was present.

**City Staff:** Mike Chambless, City Administrator; Mona Davis, Interim Community Development Director/Senior Planner; Nicole Wiebe, Community Liaison; Deana Dean, City Clerk; Danna McCall, Communications Coordinator; and Andrew Jongekryg, IT Support.

**PUBLIC COMMENT** — There was no public comment.

**AGENDA APPROVAL** — It was moved by Commissioner Postiglione, seconded by Commissioner Pas to approve the agenda which was unanimously approved.

# **MINUTES**

1. It was moved by Commissioner Pas, seconded by Commissioner Webb to approve the minutes of January 15, 2025, and February 19, 2025, which was unanimously approved.

# **LIAISON REPORTS**

Councilmember Wotton provided updates on SR18, Affordable Workforce Housing RFP, SnoValley Innovation Center, and Mustard Seed senior housing. Additional information on Chamber Job Board provided by Community Liaison Nicole Wiebe.

Community Liaison Wiebe provided updates on this weekend events and the Volunteer Appreciation Event on April 30, 2025.

**OLD BUSINESS** – There was no old business.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

2. 2025-2025 Roundtable Recap. This item was introduced by Community Liaison Wiebe who reviewed the packet materials and noted there were three roundtables in 2024 and early 2025. Discussion followed regarding additional signage along I-90, monument signage, overflow parking at the falls, and summary of items previously brought by the commission.

# **UPCOMING SCHEDULE – OUT OF ORDER**

4. 2025 Proposed Work Plan. Discussion regarding visits and possible questions to pose by the commissioners to local businesses, involvement with the CTE program, career fair, or shadowing through the school district, status and locations of wayfinding signs, explanation of creative district (move to 2026 work plan), status of Main Street, downtown business directory kiosk will include some Ridge information, status of troll, and update on ongoing projects including historic downtown color palette, development standards, and development projects provided by Interim Community Development Director Davis. Community Liaison Wiebe provided an explanation of the 2026 projects. Discussion followed regarding marketing to attendees, lodging, promoting local businesses, and supporting other local events.

# ITEMS OF COMMISSIONER INTEREST

3. Impacts to local businesses with minimum wage increases in unincorporated King County. Discussion led by Interim Community Development Director Davis. Commissioner comments and questions followed. Staff will add Minimum Wage to the 2025 Work Plan with a presentation by a representative from the state at a future meeting.

May meeting agenda items will be presentation/discussion from the school district, and review of business visits and questions.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 am.

Minutes prepared by Deana Dean, City Clerk.

Recorded meeting audio is available on the City website after the meeting.

Minutes approved at the \_\_\_\_\_\_ Economic Development Commission Meeting.