Town of East Windsor Economic Development Commission

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Regular Meeting Minutes Monday, February 27, 2017

I. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Members Present: Eric Moffett, Bill Kehoe and Gil Hayes.

Also Present: Laurie Whitten, Town Planner

Robert Maynard, First Selectman

Jim Richards, representing the East Windsor

Chamber of Commerce

Chairman Moffett called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. PUBLIC PARTCIPATION:

None.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

No minutes to be approved as previous meeting was only discussion with no quorum.

IV. GENERAL DISCUSSION:

MMCT – Commercial Redreation

Mr. O'Brien said when the possibility of the casino being located in East Windsor first came up we did an analysis of where we should focus our efforts. We started with the outreach at the site and we had development relationships with the people involved. He said everyone played a role. Ms. Whitten said the big question is what the Legislature will do.

Chairman Moffett suggested that we need to put out a press release that has a positive spin. He said now is the time to hire a full-time EDC person. Ms. Whitten noted that we are working together with Windsor Locks. She will be meeting with the person developing the Montgomery building. She also met with the DOT regarding the proposed round-about and convinced them that they need to get East Windsor involved. They will do some studies in Warehouse Point for us. She said CRCOG is doing a traffic impact study.

Mr. O'Brien questioned what the strategy is at the State level. Ms. Whitten said maybe the EDC can meet with MMCT about how we can help to get this through the State.

Mr. Kehoe said at the last meeting it was brought up that the detractor would be the crime. He asked if we have a crime mitigation plan. Ms. Whitten said the Chief of Police has put together a whole package for emergency services and the police.

Mr. Moffett noted that we will be getting 3 million dollars annually and asked who will control the funds. Ms. Whitten said it will probably go into an ordinance and be spent out of the ordinance. Mr. Moffett noted that it has been ear-marked for public safety, education and an EDC person, among other things. She said with the casino and railroad coming in we need to create the zoning regulations that we want, such as a casino overlay zone that spells out certain uses that would be allowed. She said we want a consultant doing a further study in Warehouse Point.

Mr. Moffett said he will put something together for a press release.

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Ms. Whitten said we are working on it. We should see something in the next month.

V. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn. Kehoe / Hayes / Unanimous

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Marlene Bauer, Recording Secretary