



City of Maple Ridge  
Economic Development Advisory Committee  
**AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING**  
Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 4:00 pm  
Held via Zoom teleconference

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**Meeting Access Information**

All participants including members of the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDC) and the public are asked to join the meeting using the following access information:

Join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone

<https://mapleridge-ca.zoom.us/j/88655871918?pwd=UIRVNWkwZitleHYzTDIQWGHuODVMQT09>

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
3. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES** – February 10, 2022
4. **DELEGATIONS** – NIL
5. **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
  - 5.1 Innovation Challenge Update
  - 5.2 KPU World Café Update
  - 5.3 Tourism Strategy Update
  - 5.4 256 Street/Thornhill Industrial Area Reports
  - 5.5 Manufacturing Council
6. **LIAISON UPDATES**
  - 6.1 Staff Liaison
  - 6.2 Council Liaison
7. **TASK FORCE UPDATES**
8. **QUESTION PERIOD**
9. **ROUNDTABLE**
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Next Regular Meeting:** September 15, 2022

**Agenda Items Submission Deadline:** September 1, 2022

**QUESTION PERIOD**

Question Period provides the public with the opportunity to ask questions or make comments on subjects that are of concern to them. Each person will be given 2 minutes to speak. Up to ten minutes in total is allotted for Question Period.



City of Maple Ridge  
Economic Development Advisory Committee  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
February 10, 2022 Regular Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Economic Development Advisory Committee (EDC)  
held via Zoom teleconference on Thursday, February 10, 2022 at 4:00 pm.

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillor Ahmed Yousef	Council Liaison
Mehdi Vezvaei, Chair	Member at Large
Craig Fewer	Member at Large
Lilian Kan	Member at Large
Elliot Markillie, Vice Chair	Member at Large
Donna Telep	Business Improvement Association Representative
Al Hogarth	Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Chamber of Commerce Board

**STAFF PRESENT**

Bruce Livingstone	Staff Liaison, Business Retention and Expansion Officer
Wendy Dupley	Director of Economic Development
Amelia Bowden	Planner 2
Mike McLean	Committee Clerk

**ABSENT**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER – 4:04 pm**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

R/2022-001

It was moved and seconded

**That the February 10, 2022 Economic Development Advisory Committee Regular Meeting agenda be approved as circulated.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

R/2022-002

It was moved and seconded

**That the minutes of the Economic Development Advisory Committee Regular Meeting dated October 28, 2021 be adopted.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**4. DELEGATIONS**

**4.1 Lougheed Transit Corridor Area Plan**

Amelia Bowden, Planner 2, presented an overview of the Lougheed Transit Corridor Area Plan and ongoing engagement efforts.

Note: A. Bowden left the meeting at 4:37 pm.

#### **4.2 Tourism Strategy**

The Director of Economic Development provided an update of the Tourism Strategy, including major stakeholder events and the Tourism Strategy Working Group meetings.

### **5. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **5.1 Welcome/Member Introduction**

The Committee welcomed new and returning members.

#### **5.2 Committee Orientation**

The Staff Liaison provided a background of the Economic Development Advisory Committee and the Committee Clerk presented an overview of Committee proceedings.

#### **5.3 2022 Meeting Schedule**

The Committee approved the 2022 meeting schedule as presented.

R/2022-003

It was moved and seconded

**That the Committee approve the 2022 meeting schedule as circulated.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### **5.4 Chair and Vice Chair Selection**

The Committee selected Mehdi Vezvaei as Chair and Elliot Markillie as Vice Chair for 2022.

R/2022-004

It was moved and seconded

**That Mehdi Vezvaei be appointed as Chair of the Economic Development Advisory Committee for 2022.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R/2022-005

It was moved and seconded

**That Elliot Markillie be appointed as Vice Chair of the Economic Development Advisory Committee for 2022.**

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### **5.5 2022 Work Plan**

The Committee reviewed the 2022 Work Plan.

### **6. LIAISON UPDATES**

#### **6.1 Staff Liaison**

The Staff Liaison provided an update on the following:

- Educational opportunities

- Results of new Census data
- Home show event

**6.2 Council Liaison**

The Council Liaison provided an update on the following:

- Port Haney Area Plan

**7. QUESTION PERIOD FOR THE PUBLIC – NIL**

**8. ROUNDTABLE**

Committee members shared relevant information about activities and events related to economic development.

Note: Lilian Kan left the meeting at 5:31 pm.

**9. ADJOURNMENT -5:38 pm**

The next regular meeting of the Economic Development Advisory Committee will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

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Mehdi Vezvaei, Chair

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