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**City of Maple Ridge
Economic Development Committee
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Economic Development Committee (EDC)
held via Zoom teleconference on July 22, 2021 at 4:00 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

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| Councillor Ahmed Yousef, Chair | Council Liaison |
| Mehdi Vezvaei, Vice Chair | Member at Large |
| Al Hogarth | Chamber of Commerce Representative |
| Chrislana Gregory | Member at Large |
| Dominic Kotarski | Member at Large |
| Donna Telep | Business Improvement Association Representative |

STAFF PRESENT

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| Wendy Dupley | Director of Economic Development |
| Bruce Livingstone | Business Retention and Expansion Officer |
| Mark Halpin | Manager of Transportation |
| Sabina Chand | Committee Clerk, Legal and Legislative Services |

GUEST

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| Chris Fields | Consultant, Principal, Rynic |
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ABSENT

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| Camilla Brown | Member at Large |
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1. CALL TO ORDER

At this time, the Chair welcomed the new Business Improvement Association representative for 2021, Donna Telep.

2. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2.1 Economic Development Strategy – Chris Fields, Principal, Rynic

At the June 3, 2021 regular EDC meeting, the Committee passed a resolution to hold a special meeting to debrief on the progress of the Economic Development Strategy Plan.

Chris Fields recapped the Economic Development Discovery Workshop that occurred on July 19, 2021 and provided an opportunity for members to share their feedback and ask further questions. The Committee asked C. Fields to share the presentation slides of the Plan overview via email.

Note: C. Fields left at 4:30 pm

2.2 Strategic Transportation Plan Project Update, Mark Halpin, Engineering, City of Maple Ridge

Mark Halpin provided a detailed overview of the Strategic Transportation Plan (STP) project and highlighted the following: STP was last updated in 2014, currently in phase 2 which includes the review of existing conditions (community profile and travel patterns), interim report will be submitted to Council this fall and Plan will be implemented spring 2022. Discussion followed on the STP community survey sample size and challenges in obtaining input from large numbers.

3. QUESTION PERIOD - NIL

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Economic Development Committee will be held on Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 4:00 pm.



Coucillor A. Yousef, Chair

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