

DRAFT MINUTES
TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
March 3, 2015

Committee Members Present: Altman, Colbert, Hand, Iacoppi, Rodgers

Committee Members Absent: Arthur

Others Present: Mayor Wright, Councilmember Kelly, Community Services Director Donery, Interim Planning Director Henderson, Town Manager Stutsman, residents Richard Burns and Kim Stewart

Call to Order Chair Colbert called the meeting to order at 8:47 a.m.

Minutes of January 6, 2014 On motion by Hand, seconded by Iacoppi, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Open Time for Public Expression Richard Burns, a 43 year San Anselmo resident was introduced. Kim Stewart, a 7 ½ year resident with a background in Business and Development was introduced. Both Burns and Stewart have applied to be on the Economic Development Committee.

Discussion Items

Presentation of Feedback from Commercial Realtors

Donery presented a summary of the results of Committee members contacting local commercial realtors and asking a series of questions related to the current state of the commercial rental market. Donery also distributed a charts which represent the countywide retail and office vacancy rates for the 4th quarter of 2014.

There was discussion involving the former Papa Murphy's site and whether the Town could do anything.

There was discussion regarding ordinances that require a particular type of use in the downtown. Colbert will ask Dr. Eyler to address that when he meets with the Committee.

New Resolution Establishing the Work of the Economic Development Commission

Donery reviewed the changes to the Committee resolution.

Development of Annual Economic Development Action Plan

Colbert will talk to Dr. Eyler about follow-up and presentation at our next meeting.

Parking Recommendations Component: The Committee should come up with an action plan and provide it to stakeholders for review and comment. Donery suggested that it might be appropriate to use a process similar to the one recently used for the Community Facilities Master Plan. Stutsman suggested that the Committee take the lead on this, for example, Committee members could go to the merchants and get them to work with employees to not park downtown. Stutsman also said that she would talk to the Police about tightening up enforcement downtown. There was discussion regarding the current parking permit form and Stutsman and Donery indicated that they will talk to the Police about the form and bring it back at the May meeting.

Second Meeting with Dr. Eyler

Dr. Eyler is available on Wednesday April 8, 2015 for our next meeting.

What's New in San Anselmo Business

A wine store with wine bar is going in at Redhill Shopping Center.

Work is proceeding on the Olive Oil store in the old Shadows location.

Vis a Vis has ADA and sprinkler requirements which they must meet.

Frank & Grossman, Landscape Contractors were recently awarded a State trophy by the California Landscape Contractors Association for their work on Imagination Park.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Diane Henderson