

DRAFT MINUTES
TOWN OF SAN ANSELMO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
Town Council Chambers, 525 San Anselmo Avenue, San Anselmo, 94960
May 5, 2015

Committee Members Present: Chair Brian Colbert, Nancy Altman, Magan Arthur, Rich Burns, Marc Hand, Deborah Knuckey, and Kim Stewart.

Committee Members Absent: Dee Dee Iacopi and Connie Rodgers.

Others Present: Vice Mayor Kelly, Town Manager Stutsman, Community Services Director Donery, Planning Director Semonian

Call to Order Chair Colbert called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.

Minutes of April 29, 2015 On motion by Arthur, seconded by Knuckey, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Open Time for Public Expression No one wished to speak during public open time.

Review of April 29th Discussion with Dr. Robert Eyer

The EDC, staff and others present commented on what they took away from Dr. Eyer's presentation. The EDC discussed retaining Dr. Eyer to help with top level planning and strategies. Stutsman indicated the Council may budget for up to \$5,000 to retain Dr. Eyer for additional work.

Old Business:

Discuss development of Economic Development Action Plan

The EDC discussed preparation of the plan and goals. Many noted the need for data to prepare the goals. Staff agreed to distribute the results of two surveys, parking information, and the most recent Housing Element demographic information to the EDC to review prior to the next meeting. EDC members that have information to distribute should send it to staff, who will distribute it.

The EDC agreed to send their top four goals to Donery to discuss at the next meeting.

The EDC should visit websites to review plans for other towns in Marin and other local plans.

What's New in San Anselmo Business

- The restaurant next to the Post Office is still under construction.
- It was noted that there is plastic sheeting around the windows of La Loggia and the owner may want to change the use.
- A high end dress store is going in to the storefront space next to 3 Ring Cycle.
- The owner of True North will be opening a barbecue and take out restaurant (no seating) at the former Bubbas location. He bought leases for the former Cucina and Debbie Does Desserts.
- The beauty bar opened next to the Thai restaurant.
- No one has purchased the Great Acorn site or the adjacent parking lot.
- The Marin Humane Society is having success with their shop front for adoptable animals next to Pet Food Express at the Red Hill Shopping Center.
- The Red Hill Shopping Center Food Truck Tuesdays are going well.
- A new restaurant will be replacing Ross Valley Kitchen.

Adjourn Chair Colbert adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.