TOWN OF FARMINGTON, CT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION Minutes October 12, 2022 5:30 P.M. Town Council Chambers

Rose Ponte

<u>Present</u> <u>Staff</u>

Bill Wadsworth
Bob Reeve
Phil Chabot
Pete Ramchandani
Dan Kleinman
Warren Hua
Tommy Hyde

A. Call to Order

At 5:30 pm, the meeting was called to order by Rose Ponte, Economic Development Director. After the election of officers, Commissioner Wadsworth chaired the meeting.

B. Public Comment- No Comment

C. Welcome New Commissioner Tommy Hyde- Commissioner Hyde introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his background.

D. To Elect a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

- a. A motion was made by (Chabot/ Reeve) to elect Bill Wadsworth to serve as Chairperson through September 30, 2022. **Motion carried**
- b. A motion was made by (Reeve/ Chabot) to elect Dan Kleinman to serve as Vice Chairperson through September 30,2022. **Motion carried**

E. Reading of the minutes

a. A motion was made and seconded by (Reeve/ Chabot) to accept the September 14, 2022 minutes. Commissioner Hyde abstained. **Motion carried**.

F. Economic Developer's Report and Current Economic Development Indicators

Rose reviewed details for the October 13, 2022 Economic Development Breakfast. Liz Shapiro will speak about the economic impact of the creative economy. Andre Keitt, the program consultant for the Farmington Historical Society, will discuss the new Freedom Trail Tour and two members from his team will perform a snippet of the tour. There are 140 attendees registered for the breakfast

G. Town Council Liaison Report

Councilman Giannaros gave an highlights of the last Town Council meeting.

- The Council approved to recommend the purchase of 1535 and 1541 Farmington Avenue to TPZ
- Town was awarded a \$500,000 STEAP grant
- The 1928 building committee will focus only on the 1928 building.
- Three town wide newsletters will be mailed October, January, and March

H. New Business - None noted.

I. Adjournment

a. A motion was made and seconded (Chabot / Kleinman) to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 PM. **Motion Carried.**

Respectfully Submitted, Rose Ponte Economic Development Director CC: Economic Development Commissioners