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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, January 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

VIA ZOOM VIRTUAL CONFERENCE – WEBINAR I.D. # 936 2622 5715

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<https://southkingstownri.zoom.us/j/93626225715>

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AGENDA ITEMS:

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: [Draft Minutes for December 3, 2020](#)
4. CORRESPONDENCE AND PUBLIC COMMENTS:
5. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. **URI Saugatucket Design Project** – General discussion of the URI design project to identify requirements to implement the project. Includes:
 - Discussion and possible vote on forming a sub-committee to investigate project-related issues (e.g. design, engineering, permitting, financing ... etc.) for discussion and decision-making by the committee.
 - Discussion and possible vote on a draft letter to the Town Council requesting a joint meeting to discuss the Saugatucket Design Project in conjunction with preparations for a 300th anniversary celebration in 2023.
[Draft Letter to TC re Saugatucket Project](#)
 - b. **West Kingston Schneider Electric Facility** – Discussion of potential uses for and strategies for attracting interest in the empty Schneider Electric industrial property on Fairgrounds Road.
6. RECURRING DISCUSSIONS:
 - a. **COVID-19 Related Business Issues** – Open discussion regarding pandemic-related business issues.
 - b. **Monthly Update on Local Business Developments** – Open discussion pertaining to new developments in the S.K. business community; e.g. new commercial projects, new businesses, changes in ownership, business closures/relocations, properties available for commercial development ... etc.
 - c. **Funding Opportunities** – Open discussion about funding opportunities for EDC projects and/or local businesses
7. UPDATE FROM STAFF ON PLANNING DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES:
8. NEXT MEETING DATE & AGENDA ITEMS: Thursday, February 4, 2021
9. ADJOURNMENT:

TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES

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Posted: December 30, 2020

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- You will be able to view site plans, see members, and listen to discussion in the Zoom meeting
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- If prompted to enter a Webinar ID, use your phone to dial the following ID: **936 2622 5715**
- When you join the meeting, your phone will be muted.
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