TOWN OF WAYLAND - TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF TOWN BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS

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NAME OF BOARD/COMM: Wayland Economic Development Committee

FILED BY: <u>Sarkis Sarkisian, Town Planner</u>

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, November 4, 2016

TIME OF MEETING: 8:00 a.m.

PLACE OF MEETING: Wayland Town Building

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AGENDA

Note: Items may not be discussed in the order listed or at the specific time estimated.

- 1) Public Comment
- 2) Approve Meeting Minutes: Sept 22nd
- 3) Business Community Issues
 - a) Wayland Business Association (Seth)
 - b) Town Center / Hardware store & other storefronts (Jean)
 - c) Route 20 Wastewater (all)
 - d) Town Branding (Sarkis)
 - e) Bike Path update (Sarkis)
 - f) Finnerty's status update (Jim)
 - g) Wayland Automotive (John)
 - h) Whole Foods Plaza / Fresh Market? (Jean/group)
- 4) River's Edge Wayland (Becky)
 - a) River's Edge Advisory Committee Award status
- 5) Town Center Municipal Pad
 - a) Senior/Community Center update (Jean)
- 6) Adjourn

Minutes

Economic Development Committee Town of Wayland MA Office

November 4, 2016

Present: Becky Stanizzi, Seth Roman, Jim Grumbach, Frank Panaccio

Guests: Sarkis Sarkisian, Town Planner

Becky Stanizzi called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m. in the Planning Office of the Town Building.

River's Edge

- A recommendation was provided by the River's Edge Advisory Committee to the Board of Selectmen to proceed with the Wood Partners proposal
- Some of the factors include: Wood Partners projected a higher amount of spending on project costs which could imply a higher level of quality, an estimated \$3M budgeted for soil remediation, and more underground parking which would imply a premium for the property
- While Baystone's proposal implies a higher price for the land, REAC believes that Wood Partners' proposal would be better for the town by providing better rents in the long term and more tax revenue for the town. In addition, they provided a more attractive design for the site.
- Project should be awarded in December, followed by 30 days for the land disposition agreement
- Expect to break ground in January 2018 and open in the summer of 2019
- The project is expected to generate \$500,000 to \$700,000 per year in net taxes vs an original estimate of \$300,000

Town Center

- David Costello from National Development stated that they are close to signing a deal with a provider of shared office space which will occupy one of the empty spaces
- There is currently \$5,000 available for Town Center branding and there is an initiative to raise additional funds for branding

Rail Trail / Bike Path

- There will be a ground breaking on November 15th at 9am
- MBTA and DCR will be in attendance
- This is to be a part of the Mass Central Rail Trail which spans for 104 miles

Whole Foods

- Whole Foods is expected to leave the current location in March 2017 and Fresh Market will move in
- Fresh Market intends to renovate the current plaza and expects to open in late fall 2017

Finnerty's

- New appeals were filed and developers are trying to move ahead as quickly as possible

Next meeting: Friday, December 9th at 8am

Meeting adjourned at 9:15am, 4-0 vote

Respectfully submitted, Frank Panaccio