

Town of Westminster

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Minutes from the meeting of the Westminster Economic Development Committee, held on: December 5, 2012, 7:00 PM in Room 112 at Town Hall.

Present: Joseph Serio, Jeff Crowley, Joe Flanagan, Richelle Brown, Bud Taylor, Norma Hale and Town Planner Stephen Wallace.

Guests in attendance: the Master Plan Committee.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM.

The Committee approved the minutes from its October meeting and its contribution to the Town's Annual Report.

The first order of business was a joint Committee discussion on the data & analysis portion of the Master Plan's Economic Development chapter. There was a robust discussion on the data presented, where it came from and what it means. The consensus was that the chapter needs to do a better job of presenting Westminster's numbers in a regional context.

The next matter at hand was rescheduling the Economic Summit that was originally scheduled for November 7th but was cancelled to due inclement weather. It was agreed that the new Summit date would be Wednesday January 23, 2013 at the Elementary School cafeteria, with a snow date of Wednesday January 30th. The Summit would start at 7:00 PM. There was much discussion about who to invite, how best to reach out to local business owners and what we hoped to achieve at the Summit.

The EC will meet again next on Wednesday January 16, 2013 to discuss the last minute logistics for the Economic Summit. The EDC will meet again with the Master Plan Committee on February 13, 2013 to review the results of the Summit and review the second draft of the data & analysis portion of the Master Plan's Economic Development chapter.

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 PM.