



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Virtual Meeting

Albany, CA 94706

Thursday, January 6, 2022

AGENDA

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022, 5:00 PM

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1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

The following Land Acknowledgement Statement shall be read at the beginning of each City Council meeting and Advisory Body meeting per Albany City Council Minute Action, November 15, 2021.

“The City of Albany recognizes that we occupy the land originally protected by the Confederated Villages of Lisjan. We acknowledge the genocide that took place on these lands and must make strides to repay the moral debt that is owed to this indigenous people, specifically the Ohlone Tribe. We thank them for their contributions which have transformed our community, and will continue to bring forth growth and unity. The City of Albany commits to sustaining ongoing relationships with the Tribe and together build a better future for all that now make this their home.”

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: December 2, 2021

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

For persons desiring to address the Commission/Committee/Board on an item that is not on the agenda please note that each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. The Brown Act limits the Committee’s ability to take and/or discuss items that are not on the agenda; therefore, such items are normally referred to staff for comment or to a future agenda.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff and Committee member announcements, reports and updates of status of previous agenda items.

5. PRESENTATIONS

6. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS RELATED TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

6-1. Review of grant program for small businesses negatively impacted by COVID-19 pandemic

6-2. Review of subcommittees to establish meeting times

Subcommittee to conduct research and consult with other Cities and organizations about strategies for economic development: Jennifer Hansen-Romero / Tod Abbott

Subcommittee to facilitate and provide input on potential business uses for vacant properties and new developments, as well as provide input on a business recruitment and retention plan with a particular focus on women,



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BIPOC, and LGBTQA+ owned businesses when it comes to the Committee:
Jennifer Hansen-Romero / Michael Petrilli

Subcommittee to look for ways to collaborate with other City committees
and local organizations: Robert Cheasty

Subcommittee to support businesses by providing best practices for
recruiting and hiring, as well as help increase employment in the City with
a job fair and a web portal for businesses to post job ads and receive
employee resumes: Linda Carlton / Michael Petrilli / Tod Abbott

Subcommittee to encourage art in commercial areas: Deirdre Greene /
Jennifer Hansen-Romero

6-3. Election of Officers – Committee will nominate and elect Chair and Vice
Chair

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Committee members announce requests for future agenda items.

8. NEXT MEETING: Thursday, Feb 3, 2022, 5:00 pm

9. ADJOURNMENT



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