

**STANISLAUS COUNTY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTION COMMITTEE (EDAC)**

Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 4 p.m.
Tenth Street Place
1010 10th Street, Basement Training Room (B300)
Modesto, CA 95354

Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Doug Ridenour (Modesto); Cherilyn Bairos (Oakdale); Maryn Pitt (Turlock); Jeff Rowe (District 2); Cecil Russell (District 4); Supervisor Jim DeMartini (District 5); Harpreet Singh (Community); David White (Community)

Members Absent: Representatives of Hughson, Newman, Patterson, Riverbank, and Waterford; Katrina Kidd (District 1); Lance Boullion (Community); Jennifer Carter (Community); Bob Hondeville (Community); Ron Jackson (Community); Rosalinda Vierra (Community)

Others Present: Keith Boggs (Chief Executive Office); Tera Chumley (Secretary/Chief Executive Office); Toby Wells (Ceres City Manager); Laurie Smith (City of Modesto)

Call to Order

Chair, Ron Jackson, submitted his resignation prior to the meeting. Committee Vice-Chair, Jeff Rowe, assumed the responsibilities of the Chair and conducted the business of the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. by Committee Vice-Chair, Jeff Rowe.

A quorum of members was not present and the meeting continued as informational.

Public Comment Period – No one from the public was in attendance.

I. Welcome and Introductions

- a. Committee Vice-Chair, Jeff Rowe, welcomed everyone to the meeting; those in attendance introduced themselves.

II. Approval of Minutes of **March 27, 2017** Meeting

There was not a quorum of members present who attended the March meeting; the committee took no action.

III. Officer Succession – Discussion and Motion on Selection of Chair and Vice Chair

There was not a quorum of members present at this meeting; the committee took no action.

IV. Secretary Report:

- a. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Update – Review

Secretary Chumley discussed the updated CEDS document that had been approved at the last meeting on March 27, 2017. The document must be updated and approved

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annually; the current document is good through June 30, 2018. The document is typically e-mailed and/or is available online on the County Economic Development web page: <http://www.stancounty.com/ceo/econ-dev/pdf/ceds.pdf>

Tera asked if the Committee would like to do a thorough update or just a data update; she is working with Opportunity Stanislaus to update the data portion (employers, etc.). If any of the cities would like to include any project updates, please provide that info to Tera for inclusion in the updated document. Tera will send the draft document to committee members to provide their update by a specific deadline. Her goal is to submit to the Board of Supervisors in early June. This Committee will need to review and approve the document before going to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

V. Form 700 – 2017/2018 Statement of Economic Interests

- a. Leaving Office/Assuming Office
- b. Annual

Secretary Chumley announced the online filing system is now available. She reminded members their Form 700 is due by Monday, April 2; the system will continue to send reminders until the form has been filed. The Clerk of the Board will also accept an original/wet signature hard copy to upload into the e-file system. Ms. Chumley reminded members if they resign, a leaving office form is still required.

VI. Roundtable Discussion – Update on Economic Development Administration (EDA) Projects

- a. City of Modesto/Laurie Smith – EDA project, Link Modesto. This project was led by John Dickey, former CIO and technology consultant, who was working with Wil Marshall for funding. The program has stalled due to some transitions in staffing. New CIO is Charlie Haase; staff are working to move the project forward.
- b. Opportunity Stanislaus – VOLT Institute Training Center/David White – Opportunity Stanislaus (OS) paid for first program (Maintenance Mechanic) with private investor dollars to get training center off the ground. Opportunity Stanislaus, in partnership with Modesto Junior College (MJC), has submitted a \$300,000 grant request to Strong Workforce. OS was unable to apply for EDA funding until they have the local match (43%). With EDA funding, Opportunity Stanislaus will have the ability to provide full training for up to 250 students per year. They have also formed a partnership with the Manufacturing Skills Standards Council (MSSC) to provide Certified Production Technician (CPT) certification to qualify for mechatronics.
- c. City of Turlock/Maryn Pitt – Turlock is working on a water/sewer infrastructure project for a 2,600-acre industrial area.

VII. Other Information

- a. Upcoming Meetings:
 - TBD – next meeting in late April/early May.

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- b. Current Vacancies – District 3 (Jon Rodriguez representing Minority Group) and Community (Ron Jackson representing Private Sector Executive) both resigned. If members know of potential candidates, please direct them to Tera. Member criteria is listed on the EDAC Fact Sheet and the application, both are available online. Tera broke down the membership requirements and will include the info in her e-mail:

The committee must:

- Represent the main economic interests of the region
- Include private sector representatives as a majority of its membership

51% of the committee should represent:

- Private sector executives/key decision-makers
 - Executive Director of Chamber of Commerce
 - Representative of post-secondary education
 - Workforce development
 - Utilities representative
 - Developers (missing)
- c. Next visit from EDA Representative, Wil Marshall – Wil usually visits in the fall to align with Federal Fiscal Year (October-September). Our CEDS aligns with the County fiscal year (June-July). Secretary Chumley asked what information would be most beneficial to members.
- d. Oakdale Representative, Cheryl Bairos, conveyed a message from City Manager, Bryan Whitemyer, expressing his appreciation for all the County does to support the City, and asked what Oakdale could do to support the committee.

VIII. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheryl Swartz, Confidential Assistant
Chief Executive Office