

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

Thursday, November 4, 2021, 4 p.m.
Microsoft Teams Teleconference

Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Steve Hallam (Ceres/Seat 2 – Alternate); Harold “Bud” Hill (Hughson/Seat 3); Chris Ricci (Modesto/Seat 4); Marisela Garcia (Riverbank/Seat 6 – Alternate); Amy Bublak (Turlock/Seat 7); Elizabeth Talbott (Waterford/Seat 8); Curtis Haney (Oakdale/Seat 9); Alfred Parham (Patterson/Seat 10); Doris Foster (District 2/Seat 12); Christine Schweininger (District 3/Seat 13); Cecil Russell (District 4/Seat 14); Harpreet Singh (Community/Seat 15); Rosalinda Vierra (Community/Seat 16); Dillon Olvera (Community/Seat 18); Barbara Jensen (Community/Seat 19); Dave White (Community/Seat 21)

Members Absent: Supervisor Channce Condit (District 5/Seat 1); Representatives of Modesto; Ceres; Riverbank; Newman; Katrina Kidd (District 1/Seat 11); Jose Ibarra (Community/Seat 17); Bob Hondeville (Community/Seat 20);

Vacant Seats: None

Others Present: Patricia Lord (Secretary/Chief Executive Office); Tina Rocha (Chief Executive Office); Rachel Wyse (Community Development Director, City of Hughson); April Potter (Opportunity Stanislaus), Karen Warner (Stanislaus 2030); Amanda Hughes (Stanislaus 2030); Pedro Mendez (Modesto Junior College);

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Committee Chair, Harold “Bud” Hill. Members were informed of the meeting protocol for this Teams/teleconference meeting and that the meeting was being recorded.

Public Comment Period – No one from the public had indicated interest in submitting a comment.

I. Roll Call (Verbal)

A quorum of members to conduct business was present on the conference line.

II. Welcome and Introductions

Committee Chair, Bud Hill, welcomed everyone to the meeting and had two new members give a small introduction about themselves. Representatives listed below:

Representative	Seat Represented
Doris Foster	District 2/Seat 12
Barbara Jensen	Community/Seat 19

III. Approval of Minutes of **April 19, 2021**

A quorum of members attending the November meeting was established.

Note: minor changes in attendance list pertaining to seats.

Minutes may be voted on by those Members in attendance at the date of the Meeting (Voting Members Present: Harold “Bud” Hill; Marisela Garcia, Elizabeth Talbott, Christine Schweininger, Cecil Russell, Harpreet Singh, Dillon Olvera, Dave White)

Motion to approve the Minutes of **April 19, 2021**.

Vote tally via Roll call (Verbal)

Motion: Hallam | Second: Bublak | Unanimous (8 | 15) | Abstain: members not in attendance at the 4/19/21 meeting.

IV. Annual Economic Development Administration Regional Update Visit

- Economic Development Administration (EDA) Representative Asia King provided a presentation regarding American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) which included information about new funding “to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus and for necessary expenses for responding to economic injury as a result of coronavirus.”
- Three new reinstated priorities have been added to where federal dollars are to be collected:
 - Equity
 - Technology-Based Economic Development
 - Environmentally-Sustainable DevelopmentEquity and Recovery & Resilience are the primary focus of the ARPA funds. EDA is looking to use these funds to advance equity through projects that directly benefit traditionally underserved populations and communities.
- Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) exists to fund economic development projects that will create new jobs or contribute to a community’s or region’s economic recovery. The EDA is focused on creating or retaining the high-skill, head of household type of job, and can fund non-construction and construction projects that are not already part of another Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).
- EDA must have all funds obligated by the end of the 2022 fiscal year. All grants must be designated and awarded by September 2022. EDA has a five-year funding cycle and all funds must be spent and closed out by the end of fiscal year 2027. EDA is accepting applications beginning now on a rolling basis, and will need to begin closing by March 2022 to work through applications for review.
- EDA Contact information:
 - Asia King
 - Economic Development Representative
 - Central California
 - Aking2@eda.gov
 - 206-267-0991

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V. Stanislaus 2030 Presentation

Deputy Executive Officer, Tina Rocha, introduced Chief Strategy Officer and Research Lead of Stanislaus Community Foundation, Amanda Hughes and Karen Warner to provide a brief presentation of Stanislaus 2030.

- Stanislaus 2030 is a collaboration among business, government, and civic stakeholders to create and deliver a joint strategy and investment plan by summer 2022, for regional economic growth and opportunity in the coming decade. The mission is to create pathways for Stanislaus County residents to achieve economic mobility by building an economy that is diverse, inclusive, connected, vibrant and sustainable.

VI. Secretary Report

A possible Committee member vacancy will be verified before publication.

CEDS document will be discussed at the February 2022 meeting, with work on updates to take place February through April 2022. The goal is to have a draft document ready for committee review at the Spring meeting. The draft CEDS will then be reviewed by EDA for approval, prior to final approval from Board of Supervisors.

VII. Roundtable Discussion – No items to discuss

VIII. Proposed 2022 Meeting Schedule

- a. Thursday February 3, 2022 4 p.m., HR Training Room, Suite 1013 or Microsoft Teams (Fall Meeting with EDA Representative)
- b. Thursday, May 5 – Officer Succession; CEDS Review/Approval
- c. Thursday, November 3 – Fall Meeting with EDA Representative

IX. Adjournment – There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Adriana Harakh, Confidential Assistant
Chief Executive Office