

City of Lowell
Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 1, 2017
Lowell City Hall

Call to Order: 1:00 P.M. by Committee Chair Bjornstad

Committee Members Present: Michael Galvin, Robert Burr, Jonny Watson, Jerry Bjornstad, Bill George

Approval of Agenda – Jonny Watson move to approve agenda, second by Michael Galvin. PASS 5:0

Approval of Minutes – Robert Burr move to approve minutes from February 1, 2017, second by Michael Galvin. PASS 5:0

New Business:

- **Presentation on the Lane County Rural Prosperity Initiative** – Kim Thompson with the Lane County Economic Development Department presented the Rural Prosperity Initiative and introduced Ward Wimbush, Director of Greater Eugene, Inc.
- **Discussion and Consideration of the 2017 Tourism Budget** – CA introduced item and provided a Staff Report that provides additional information and a recommendation for the disbursement of these funds. **Bill George move to approve the funding recommendation to the City Council for the Fiscal Year 2017-18, second Robert Burr. PASS 5:0**
- **Review and Discussion of the Economic Development Strategic Plan** - CA outlines a process for implementing and updating the strategic plan. **Michael Galvin move to approve working on the Concepts of the Strategic Plan, second by Jerry Bjornstad. PASS 5:0**
- **Review and Discussion of the Economic Development Director Position Description** – CA introduced item. Discussion followed.
- **Discussion of Business and Development Tours** – CA introduced item, working on gathering a list of local businesses and developers in the community.
- **Other Business:** None

Adjourn: 3:53 P.M.