

APPROVED
Mt. Lebanon Economic Development Council
MINUTES

May 24, 2012

Mt. Lebanon Municipal Building – Conference Room C
710 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15228
7:30 a.m.

In attendance:

Blaine Lucas, Cheri Acrey, Bob Hagerty, Ray Giarrusso, Jane Delano, Alex Parrish, Dale Cowher, Commissioner Fraasch, Commissioner Kluck, Bill Pope, Bill Lewis

Absent: Bill Callahan, Joe Ravita, Dan Remely, Jim DiGregory, Alex Parrish, Dale Cowher and Jim Bentz

Commission Liaison: Fraasch

Guest Speaker: None

Staff: Eric Milliron

- I. **Call to Order:** Blaine Lucas called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m.
- II. **Citizen Comments:** No citizen comments were presented.
- III. **Approval of the Minutes:** April Minutes were reviewed. Cheri Acrey made a motion to approve. Seconded by Ray Giarrusso. Passed Unanimously.
- IV. **Comprehensive Plan Update:** Keith McGill updated the EDC on the hiring of Environmental Planning + Design (EPD) to conduct Mt. Lebanon's Comprehensive Plan. Mr. McGill discussed the need for the EDC to select three (3) of eight (8) development sites (presented in handout) for greater review during planning process. It was made clear that all eight sites shall receive some attention; however, the three vetted and selected by various Municipal Boards would receive greater analysis. The sites are:
 - a. LRT Air Rights
 - b. Zamagias Property
 - c. 788/794 Washington Road (former PA parcels)
 - d. South Garage
 - e. Castle Shannon Bognar Properties
 - f. Castle Shannon Kossman Site
 - g. McNeilly Park
 - h. Bradley Center

The EDC shall discuss these sites at the June meeting and will select the three sites for the Commission's consideration.

V. Pillar Updates –

a. Impact Development

1. TRID – Study to be completed by end of June. Staff shall present the report to Commission on July 10;
2. Economic Development Tools – Committee will develop matrix of financing tool and develop pro forma scenarios for presentation to Commission no later than October.

b. Business Attraction + Retention

1. Staff discussed tenant interest in Mt. Lebanon;
2. Staff discussed success of tech workshop held for Mt. Lebanon businesses.

c. Public Realm

1. Façade Grants – Staff updated EDC on progress of grants;

d. Placemaking

1. Denis Theater received a \$175k CITF grant and is preparing for a June 20th gala for Carolyn Byham;
2. Events – Staff updated EDC on various events.

e. Parking

1. Introduced Bill Lewis as Chair of Parking Facilities Committee. This is a short term Committee that is evaluating all aspects of parking in the Municipality with an emphasis on structural needs/deficiencies.

VI. Other Business – None

VII. Adjourn – The EDC adjourned at 9a