



# Land Use & Economic Development Committee

Wednesday, February 2, 2022  
5:30pm

(MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM)

## Meeting Notes

### Land Use & Economic Development Committee Attendees

Present: Councilmember Emery  
Councilmember Harris

### Other Attendees

Mukilteo Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Kandace Barnes  
City Administrator Powers  
Community Development Director Osaki

### CALL TO ORDER - 5:30 PM

#### **1. Economic Recovery**

Mukilteo Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Kandace Barnes was in attendance and mentioned that the labor shortage and ability to find workers continues to impact the business community, including businesses in Mukilteo. Businesses cannot find people to interview or are finding that employees get hired and then quit soon afterwards. One challenge for Mukilteo is that transportation accessibility choices (e.g. public transit) is not as convenient for workers as other locations like Lynnwood and Everett.

Chamber President and CEO Kandace Barnes stated that the Chamber is organizing a business forum for businesses to discuss and share, by industry, the biggest impacts of COVID and what have been best practices during the pandemic. She also mentioned that the new Chamber of Commerce Board met last month and economic development and recovery is a high priority amongst all Board members

Councilmember Harris stated that maybe there can be ways to incentivize attendance at this and other events to bring as many people to the table as possible.

The LU&ED Committee had a question about business licenses data, in part as follow up to an inquiry about business data at a recent City Council meeting. City Administrator Powers indicated that staff has been following up on that Council discussion and information is being researched. The LU&ED Committee had a general discussion about how business license information might be used.

Councilmember Harris mentioned that he had received information about a Snohomish County Tourism Partner Roundtable in March 2022. The County will be asking for ideas

from local jurisdictions. Councilmember Harris shared information he had about the upcoming County roundtable meeting.

Councilmember Harris also mentioned that he had heard about certain businesses locating at Paine Field and wondered how the City's local economy might capitalize on these and other businesses locating in the area. The LU&ED Committee discussed business attraction as part of this issue.

## **2. LU&ED 2021 Committee Discussions - Summary**

Community Development Director Osaki recapped topics covered by the 2021 LU&ED Committee during the past year. The purpose was to see if there was anything that the LU&ED Committee wanted to follow up on. The summary information would also be passed on to the 2022 LU&ED Committee so that it (2022 LU&ED Committee membership) was aware of items discussed in 2021.

Among the 2021 LU&ED Committee topics included, but were not limited to:

- Economic Recovery (a standing monthly agenda item)
- Presentation by Economic Alliance Snohomish County (EASC) CEO Garry Clark
- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding
- 2021 Comprehensive Plan Amendment/Code Amendment Docket
- Development Activity Update (two times)
- Sector 3 Development Agreement (i.e. Harbour Pointe Townhomes)
- Public Noticing
- Comprehensive Plan Capital Facilities Element Amendments, including the Six-Year 2022-2027 Capital Improvement Program (CIP)
- Mukilteo Boys and Girls Club Public Use Agreement
- A draft of a Public Parking Resolution Amendment
- Datafy

### **Next LU&ED Committee Meeting Date**

To be determined pending 2022 Council Committee assignments.

**ADJOURNMENT: 7:00PM**