

# MINUTES

## Lane Economic Committee

Lane Council of Governments – 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Large Conference Room  
99 E. Broadway, Suite 400 – Eugene

June 16, 2008 – 11:30 A.M.

PRESENT: Rob Scoggin, Chair; John Sullivan, Vice Chair; Pat Albright, Mike Blommé, Mike McKenzie-Bahr, Faye Stewart, John Tamulonis, Ellen Teninty, Warren Weathers *members*; Deb Schmidt *ex officio members*; Lou Christian, Howard Schesser, *alternate members*.

Steve Dignam (LCOG).

ABSENT: Denny Braud, DeAnn Cherbas, Chuck Forster, Mike Galvin, Phillip Hudspeth, Ric Ingham, Lynette Wikstrom, *members*; Jay Bozievich, Kari Westlund, *ex officio members*.

GUESTS: Greg Mott

Vice Chairperson John Sullivan called the meeting of the Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) Lane Economic Committee (LEC) to order at 11:35 a.m. He invited those who were present to introduce themselves.

### 1. PUBLIC COMMENT

**Deborah Frisch** spoke to the issue of the Public Safety Coordinating Council's effectiveness in handling the Lara and Magana cases at the City of Eugene.

### 2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

Vice Chairperson Sullivan stated that Chair Scoggin will arrive late to the meeting and recommended postponing comments until his arrival.

### 3. COMMENTS FROM STAFF

Steve Dignam announced that Dan Lindstrom has resigned from his position as minutes recorder. Mr. Dignam reflected on Mr. Lindstrom's years of service and noted his great sense of humor.

### 4. MINUTES

**Mike Blommé** moved, seconded by **Ellen Teninty**, to accept the minutes of the May 12 meeting. *The motion was adopted unanimously.*

## **5. INTEGRATED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SYSTEM**

Mr. Dignam referred to packet material entitled “Framing an Integrated Economic Development System for Oregon.” He reviewed the proposal’s objective to increase effectiveness and efficiency of economic development efforts in the State of Oregon. He stated that the proposal moves State funding to the local level to ensure that only the highest priorities are pursued; and that effectiveness would be evaluated on outcome metrics.

Mr. Dignam called attention to the section on *Refining Local Service Delivery* for the group to discuss since the State is re-evaluating the role of the Regional Investment Board.

Members discussed the proposal’s framework identifying strengths and weaknesses.

Mr. Dignam noted that the State will be holding several meetings on this proposal and on July 2, 2008, Jack Roberts would be hosting one with State representatives.

## **6. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TOOLBOX**

### **A. Industrial Land Availability (Continued)**

Greg Mott, Planning Director for the City of Springfield, stated that the City’s supply and demand analysis should be completed by the end of this year and that the 20-year UGB residential housing supply is to be done by end of 2009. He stated that the City’s Council wants to broaden its commercial and industrial development and have contracted with ECO Northwest to pursue Goal 9’s economic opportunities analysis.

Mr. Mott spoke of Springfield’s ideal location between Washington and California, employment training opportunities with University of Oregon and LCC, the Glenwood redevelopment project, road projects, and sanitation facility needs.

Mr. Mott answered questions from the members.

### **B. Eugene Land Use Development Code (Continued)**

Mr. Dignam referred to agenda support material regarding the City of Eugene’s proposed ordinance to amend sections of the Eugene Land Use Code. He stated that one of the revisions would facilitate development and redevelopment in the downtown core. Mr. Dignam noted that the changes staff is proposing do not compromise the Code.

Mr. Dignam will request that the record remain open to allow time to solicit feedback and provide testimony from the LCOG Board.

***John Tamulonis moved, seconded by Warren Weathers, that the Lane Economic Committee forward to the LCOG Board a recommendation to support the proposed City of Eugene ordinance to amend sections of the Eugene Land Use Code. The motion was adopted unanimously.***

Chairperson Scoggin announced that the next LEC meeting was scheduled for August 18, 2008, with no meeting in July.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

*(Recorded by Ann Mortenson)*

