# ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING NOVEMBER 19, 2018

The Economic and Community Development Committee (ECDC) met for its scheduled meeting on November 19, 2018, in the Board Room of the Upper Merion Township Building. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

## **ROLL CALL:**

The following members of the ECDC were present: Jen Lyons, Chairperson; Joe Brophy, Secretary; Tim Dooner; Andrea Esqueda; Frank Buttaro; Kyle Brown, Associate Township Planner; and Tina Garzillo, Board of Supervisors Liaison.

## **MEETING MINUTES:**

A motion was made to approve the minutes from 10/15/2018 by Ms. Lyons. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dooner, and all were in favor.

# **DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE GOALS:**

The members of the ECDC held a discussion regarding identifying the Township's assets and their potential uses. Mr. Brown identified actively used and vacant Township-owned properties, as well as properties that were deeded to the Township. The ECDC members discussed the possibility of a public-private partnership to make use of the Moore – Irwin Property, as well as finding potential uses for the Batista House. They also discussed creating criteria for the purchasing of new parcels based on the Township's need.

Mr. Brown explained the comprehensive plan survey which lists topics such as: residential character, preservation of natural environment, preservation of historic resources, managing growth, and transportation connections. A draft of the plan will be distributed to the citizen boards for public comment.

## **DEVELOPMENT UPDATE:**

Mr. Brown explained the new CHOP expansion including an emergency triage facility as well as a six-story building including senior living, assisted living, and memory care units. He also explained the ongoing station area planning process for the King of Prussia Rail Project.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before this Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Joe Brophy, Secretary

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Minutes Approved:

Minutes Entered