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**Note: minutes Previously submitted January 26, 2009**  
**Correction has been made to paragraph 7**

MINUTES  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
MEETING OF Tuesday, January 20, 2009

PLACE: Mayor's Conference room  
Government Center  
888 Washington Blvd., Stamford, CT

ATTENDEES:

Economic Development Commission

Joel Selden, Chairman  
Mike Pansini, Vice Chairman  
Fran Pastore,  
Barry Haines

Economic Development Staff

Mike Freimuth  
Lenora Cavaliero

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Chairman Joel Selden called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m.

Minutes:

The Board approved the minutes of October 21, 2008.

Economic Development Annual Report 2008

After reviewing the Annual Report the Commission recommended a few minor changes and voted unanimously to adopt report. It will be posted on the Economic Development website and forwarded to the Board of Representatives and the Board of Finance.

General Discussion:

Chairman Selden recommended having the names of the Commissioners linked with the Meetings and Agendas on the website.

**NOTE: Minutes of January 20, 2009 with correction per request on February 17, 2009**

Mike Freimuth discussed the prior EDC meeting of October 21, 2008 that centered on URC Executive Director Kip Bergstrom's presentation titled "Reinventing Stamford".

Bergstrom has been marketing this concept thru seminars and lectures in an effort to link organizations, business people and outsiders to rethink where the city is going at this point in time and get Stamford ahead of the curve. The initiative is co-sponsored by four entities:

The Stamford Partnership,  
Urban Redevelopment Commission  
Economic Development Commission  
Planning Board

Since Commissioner Denis Paterson is active with the West Side NRZ, it was thought that an invite to them to a meeting with this board for February would be beneficial. A spokesperson representing the Stamford Hospital, the Housing Authority and the West Side along with representatives from NRZ will be invited to discuss the long and short term issues they are facing with the expansion of the hospital and the housing authority.

For the EDC March meeting, an invitation to the Culture and Tourism representatives would allow them the opportunity that they requested to meet to build relationships within the city.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

Next meeting to be held on February 17, 2009 at 8:30 am in the Mayor's Conference room.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Economic Development Office  
Staff

***This is a Draft copy submitted to Town Clerk's office will be approved next meeting of 2-17-09***