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Columbia Economic Development Corporation

## **COLUMBIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

Please take notice that there will be a regular meeting of the Columbia Economic Development Corporation's Executive Committee to be held in person on December 7, 2022 at 8:30am, at One Hudson City Centre, Suite 301, Hudson, NY 12534 in accordance with Public Officers Law Section 103-a. This meeting is open to the public, who will have the opportunity to attend the meeting in person at the One Hudson City Centre address or via Zoom and provide live comments. Comments can also be provided via email before and during the meeting to [mtucker@columbiaedc.com](mailto:mtucker@columbiaedc.com). Meeting packets are posted and available on CEDC's website: <https://columbiaedc.com>. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81258874308?pwd=TGkyRmtWZDk2d2lEMlRXRzllckpxdz09>  
Meeting ID: 812 5887 4308, Passcode: 519783, Dial by your location: 1 646 558 8656  
Find your local number: <https://us06web.zoom.us/u/kbTqU6Hh26>

The public will have an opportunity to hear the meeting live and provide comments via Zoom or in person. Please check the website on [www.columbiaedc.com](http://www.columbiaedc.com) for updated information.

Dated: November 30, 2022

Sarah Sterling

Secretary Columbia Economic Development Corporation

### **CEDC Executive Committee Agenda**

**Chairman:** David Fingar

James Calvin

Sarah Sterling

Tarah Gay

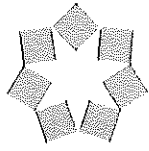
Richard Cummings

1. Minutes, June 14, 2022 \*
2. 2023 CEDC Agenda
3. Public Comment

#### **Attachments:**

Minutes: June, 14, 2022

\* Action Required



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**MINUTES**  
**COLUMBIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**Executive Committee**  
**Tuesday, June 14, 2022**  
**One Hudson City Centre, Suite 301**  
**Hudson, NY 12534**

A regular meeting of the Columbia Economic Development Corporation (CEDC) Executive Committee held in person and accessible to the public via Zoom on June 14, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 8:30am by David Fingar, Chair.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived/ Departed
David Fingar	Chair	Present in person	
James Calvin	Vice-Chair	Present in person	
Tarah Gay	Treasurer	Present in person	
Sarah Sterling	Secretary	Present in person	
Richard Cummings	Committee Member	Present in person	
Andrew Howard, Esq	CEDC Counsel	Present in person	
F. Michael Tucker	President/CEO	Present in person	
Lauren Cranna	Business Development Partner	Excused	
Lisa Drahushuk	Administrative Supervisor	Present in person	
Jessica Gabriel	Senior Economic Developer	Present in person	
Martha Lane	Business Development Director	Excused	
Cat Lyden	Assistant Administrative and Bookkeeper	Present in person	

Mr. Tucker introduced Jessica Gabriel, CEDC’s Senior Economic Developer. Mr. Tucker outlined her duties for the Committee, which included the development and implementation of the Columbia Forward program. He stated she would also work with Mary Ellen O’Loughlin and coordinated the Strategic Planning process with the Board, with a September 30<sup>th</sup> deadline. He stated she would also work toward taking responsibility for the City and County IDA’s as well as the Community Development Block Grant program.

Mr. Tucker gave updates on the City IDA, and the County IDA projects and informed the Board the closing of Lot 8 had taken place. He stated Empire State Development had visited the area last week for a tour. Mr. Fingar asked the status of the parcel the County had asked CEDC to purchase. Mr. Tucker stated the environmental assessment and appraisal had been completed. The title report was done and sent to the sellers. He stated the closing would be scheduled after the review by the seller’s attorney.

**Minutes, January 11, 2021:**

*Mr. Calvin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cummings to approve the minutes from December 1, 2021. Carried.*

**Strategic Planning Update:**

Mr. Tucker stated he had begun reviewing the project with Mrs. Gabriel. He noted he felt it needed to be more metrics driven.

**Inactive Board Members:**

Mr. Fingar stated he wanted to update the committee. He noted there were a couple of inactive Board members, who had been contacted and Ms. Sterling would be following up with them.

**MC Fiber Services Contract:**

Mr. Tucker gave a background of the past two contracts. He noted there was currently \$5,000 remaining on the last contract. He recommended that the company be placed on a 6 month retainer for \$1,000 per month. The Committee suggested 3 months at \$1,000/month as a retainer due to the fact no scope of work could be defined at the present time. *Mr. Cummings made a motion, seconded by Mr. Calvin to begin the process to extend the contact upon approval at a rate of \$1,000 per month for 3 months, with the remaining balance used for a scope of work to be defined. Carried.*

**Public Comment:**

*With no further business and no public comment the meeting was adjourned at 9:05am upon a motion by Ms. Sterling and seconded by Ms. Gay.*

*Respectfully submitted by Lisa Drahusluk,*