

Belmont Economic Development Advisory Committee

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Town Hall, Conf Rm 1

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Meeting called by: Tomi Olson, Chair

Type of meeting: Town Committee Meeting

Facilitator:

Note taker: Erin Lubien

Attendees: Tomi Olson, Brian Burke, Silvia Cruz, Erin Lubien

Please read:

Please bring:

Minutes

Agenda item: Review Minutes

Presenter: All

Discussion:

Minor edits requested; minutes approved.

Agenda item: Belmont Center Update on Recommendations

Presenter: Tomi & Brian

Discussion:

- Reply from Community Development Office to January and October 2015 emails discussed. Our recommendations were not accepted by Office of Community Development. We will write letter to Board of Selectmen (BOS).
- Meeting scheduled to discuss possible design element with Japan consulate (via princess from BHS)

Conclusions:

Significant and practical suggestions made to Community Development Office not incorporated into approved plan for redesign. We will reconnect on this letter with specific recommendations.

Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

- ✓ New letter to BOS; new letter with request for recommendations to be reviewed, as well as TAC appointments finalized. Tomi (draft by Erin)
- ✓ Meeting with Japanese Consulate for financial support of design element Tomi
- ✓ Request for liaison from BCBA Erin

Agenda Item: Assessor's Information Update **Presenter:** Tomi

Discussion:

Role of Assessor and "What's behind the curtain?" presentation delivered to committee for review.

Conclusions:

Requesting update from Assessor at next meeting (date below).

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Invite Assessor to next meeting (date below)	Tomi	
✓ Committee to prepare questions for assessor	All	

Agenda item: Other Topics to Explore **Presenter:**

Discussion:

MBTA presentation from 9.28.15; impact of renovating or closing 2 Belmont commuter rail stations; exploration of options; review of rough draft of presentation 2 concerned citizens putting together exploring all options; new ideas generated and to incorporate.

Conclusions:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓		

Agenda Item: Set Calendar **Presenter:**

Conclusions:

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
✓ Set next agenda and schedule with Town Clerk	Tomi	
✓ Review and approve minutes at next meeting	All	
✓ Approved minutes to Town Clerk	Erin	

Other Information

Observers:

none

Next Meeting(s):

November 10, 2015 at 5:30 pm

December 10, 2015 at 5:30 pm

Special notes:

To discuss:

1. Confirm members listed at <http://www.belmont-ma.gov/economic-development-advisory-committee>
2. Review http://www.belmont-ma.gov/sites/belmontma/files/file/file/economic_development_advisory_committee_charge.pdf to finalize EDAC charge
3. Other topics to explore beyond MBTA stations