



**WASATCH FRONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

**MINUTES  
WASATCH FRONT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

April 27, 2020

<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>WFEDD MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>PRIVATE SECTOR STRATEGY COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES</b>
No	Katie Witt, Member, Kaysville Mayor ( <b>Davis County</b> )	Yes	Brandon Wood, Member, Northwood Group, ( <b>Davis County</b> )
Yes	Bob Stevenson, Alternate, Davis Co Commissioner ( <b>Davis County</b> )	No	Gary Bullock, Alternate, Millrock Development ( <b>Davis County</b> )
No	Taylor Woodbury, Member, Woodbury Corporation ( <b>Davis County</b> )	Yes	Chris Williams, Member, Davis School District ( <b>Davis County</b> )
Yes	Daren Brush, Alternate, Davis Tech College ( <b>Davis County</b> )	No	Linda Kelley, Alternate, Layton Hills Mall ( <b>Davis County</b> )
Yes	Mike Newton, Member, Morgan Co Council, ( <b>Morgan County</b> )	No	Shaun Peterson, Member, Petersen Wealth Services ( <b>Morgan County</b> )
No	Tina Cannon, Alternate, Morgan Co Council, ( <b>Morgan County</b> )	No	Andrew Barfield, Alternate, Snowbasin ( <b>Morgan County</b> )
No	Ty Bailey, Member, Morgan City, ( <b>Morgan County</b> )	No	Gavin McCleary, Member, Farm Bureau Financial ( <b>Morgan County</b> )
No	Ray Little, Alternate, Morgan City Mayor ( <b>Morgan County</b> )	No	Mauricio Melendez, Alternate, Traverse Tours & Travel ( <b>Morgan County</b> )
No	Jenny Wilson, Member, Salt Lake County Mayor ( <b>Salt Lake County</b> )	No	Susie Becker, Member, Zions Public Finance ( <b>Salt Lake County</b> )
No	Karen Lang, Alternate, West Valley City Council ( <b>Salt Lake County</b> )	Yes	Stephanie McCarthy, Alternate, EDA Architects ( <b>Salt Lake County</b> )
Yes	Abby Osborne, Member, Chief of Staff / House of Representatives, ( <b>Salt Lake County</b> )	No	Aabir Malik, Member, Colmena Group ( <b>Salt Lake County</b> )
No	Rob Likes, Alternate, Key Bank ( <b>Salt Lake County</b> )	Yes	Silvia Castro, Alternate, Suazo Center ( <b>Salt Lake County</b> )
Yes	Debbie Winn, Member, Tooele City Mayor ( <b>Tooele County</b> )	No	Anthon Stauffer, Member, Romney Group ( <b>Tooele County</b> )
Yes	Shawn Milne, Alternate, Tooele Co Commissioner ( <b>Tooele County</b> )	No	Mike Deaver, Alternate, State Street Partners ( <b>Tooele County</b> )
Yes	Chris Sloan, Member, Group 1 Real Estate ( <b>Tooele County</b> )	Yes	Muriel Xochimitl, Member, Deseret UAS ( <b>Tooele County</b> )
Yes	Paul Hacking, Alternate, Tooele Tech College, ( <b>Tooele County</b> )	Yes	Samantha Julian, Alternate Rio Tinto, ( <b>Tooele County</b> )
Yes	Gage Froerer, Member, Weber Co Commissioner ( <b>Weber County</b> )	Yes	Julie Fisher, Member, UAMMI ( <b>Weber County</b> )
Yes	Robert Dandoy, Alternate, Roy City Mayor, ( <b>Weber County</b> )	Yes	Guy Letendre, Alternate, Weber State University ( <b>Weber County</b> )
No	Cari Fullerton, Member, Bank of Utah ( <b>Weber County</b> )	No	Chris Roybal, Member, Northern Utah Econ Dev Corp, ( <b>Weber County</b> )
Yes	Rick Fairbanks, Alternate, Ogden Exchange Club ( <b>Weber County</b> )	Yes	Scott Parson, Alternate, Staker Parson Construction, ( <b>Weber County</b> )
<b>STATE, NON-GOVERNMENTAL AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVES</b>			
Yes	Benjamin Hart, Member, Governors Office of Economic Development	No	Rick Boullion, Member, West Point Workforce Training
Yes	Tom Wadsworth, Alternate, Governors Office of Economic Development	Yes	Linda Townes, Alternate, Jordan Valley Water Conservancy Dist.
Yes	Mark Knold, Member, Utah Dept of Workforce Services	No	Theresa Foxley, Member, Economic Development Corporation of Utah
No	Jeremias Solari, Alternate, Utah Dept of Workforce Services	Yes	Alan, Rindlisbacher, Economic Development Corporation of Utah
		No	Joseph Spence, Alternate, I Am A Maker and IconiQ Talks
		No	Russ Booth, Member, Colliers International
		No	Michael Parker, Alternate, Ivory Homes

<b>OTHERS PRESENT:</b>	Holin Wilbanks, Weber County Kent Anderson, Davis County Rachelle Custer, Tooele County Dina Blaes, Salk Lake County Rob Sant, David County	<b>WFRC Staff:</b> Scott Hess Andrew Gruber Katie Gerard Ted Knowlton Ned Hacker Jory Johner Megan Townsend Andrea Pearson Alex Roy Bill Hereth Christy Dalhberg Hugh Van Wagenen Josh Reynolds LaNiece Davenport Lauren Victor
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**1. Roll Call Introduction and Consent Agenda: [00:00:13]**

Abby Osborne, Chair and Chief of Staff with the House of Representatives, called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. Andrea Pearson, WFRC, initiated a roll call.

- a. ACTION: Approve Minutes [00:02:40]. Chair Osborne entertained a motion to approve minutes of the WFEDD special session meeting held February 27, 2020.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Bob Stevenson and seconded by Commissioner Shawn Milne that the minutes of February 27, 2020, be approved without changes. Motion carried unanimously*

- b. ACTION: Approve Minutes [00:03:40]. Chair Osborne entertained a motion to approve minutes of the WFEDD meeting held January 27, 2020.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Bob Stevenson and seconded by Commissioner Mike Newton that the minutes of January 27, 2020, be approved without changes. Motion carried unanimously*

**2. Chair’s Report [Recording 00:04:10].**

Chair Osborne reported she attended several Special Legislative Sessions over the last few weeks. The first was a virtual session called by the Legislature, concluded with an afternoon session called by Governor Gary Herbert. Chair Osborne reported the COVID-19 response was the main general direction the Legislative Session went into. Additionally, a Special Session was called by Governor Herbert with several topics of discussion, one was concerning COVID-19. Chair Osborne reported the State of Utah is currently in the red phase. Governor Herbert will be making an announcement on how the State will be moving on to the stabilization phase.

**3. Public Comment [Recording 00:11:33].**

Time was opened by Chair Osborne. There were no comments.

**4. COVID-19 Looking Forward to Recovery (Annual Objective #2: Inform state, regional, and local stakeholders about economic development plans and strategies) [Recording 00:11:55].**

- a. **Information: Governor's Office of Economic Development - Ben Hart [00:12:12]**

Ben Hart, Governor’s Office of Economic Development (GOED), along with Tom Wadsworth, informed the group work is being done to safely and respectfully move forward in assisting businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. He reported the Utah Leads Together Small Business Bridge Loan program will be assisting more than one thousand businesses receive assistance. Four thousand businesses will receive rental relief through the Rental Assistance Program.

**b. Information: Economic Development Corporation of Utah - Alan Rindlisbacher [00:24:38]**

Alan Rindlisbacher, Economic Development Corporation of Utah, presented Key Performance Indicators to the group. He reported that all the numbers for this year are indicative that things are moving well, and are comparable to last year. The numbers reported are through the end of March, and there is one more quarter of the year to go. He also reported it is anticipated there will be a change in corporate real estate as more people work from home. He informed the group the Economic Development Corporation of Utah is heavily involved with the Governor's Office, the Governor's Office of Economic Development, and other government entities with regards to issues related to COVID-19.

**c. Information: Department of Workforce Services - Mark Knold [00:35:05]**

Mark Knold, Department of Workforce Services, informed the group of the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on the workforce. The Department of Workforce Services did a press release a couple of week ago for the month of March, composed by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and National Government (BLS). The report, however, only reflected changes in the workforce up until March 12, 2020, largely missing the rapid closure of the economy when the stay-at-home order was implemented. Said changes will be reflected in the next report, which will be released on May 20, 2020. [00:53:05] Mr. Knold reported the sectors with the greatest unemployment claims due to the COVID-19 pandemic are Accommodations and Food Services. He also reported it will take some time to determine how some sectors have been impacted, and how soon they will rebound from the COVID-19 pandemic.

**5. EDA Funding Opportunities – CARES Act and COVID-19 [01:02:00]**

Scott Hess, WFRC, reported that \$1.5 million have been allocated from the Cares Act to the EDA. These funds are going to be primarily deployed as revolving loan funds. He asked members of the EDD to email him with ideas for specific project needs or regional collaborations related to COVID-19 for use of the funds.

**6. Roundtable Discussion [01:03:33]**

[01:03:46] Holin Wilbanks, Weber County, remarked that in collaboration with Davis County, they are seeking solutions on how to avoid a possible economic pandemic as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. [01:05:40] Rob Sant, Davis County, remarked Davis County has been working on a COVID-19 recovery plan aimed towards helping the stabilization of the economy as soon, and as safely, as possible. [01:06:28] Mike Newton, Morgan County, reported there has been a very low number of COVID-19 cases in Morgan County. Economically speaking, he reported there has been significant impact on businesses that are driven by tourism.

**7. Other Business [01:07:55]**

Chair Osborne noted that the next meeting for WFEDD is scheduled for August 3, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

**8. Adjournment [01:08:22]**

ACTION: Chair Osborne entertained a motion to adjourn.

*A motion was made by Commissioner Shawn Milne and seconded by Commissioner Bob Stevenson that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.*