

Walter Larkins, Chair  
Jessica Schumer, Vice Chair  
Becky Blair, Commissioner  
Blair Cohn, Commissioner  
Milton Duena, Commissioner



Leah Gould-Haws, Commissioner  
Austin Metoyer, Commissioner  
John Shen, Commissioner  
John Thomas, Commissioner  
Brenda Wunsch, Commissioner

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**SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING VIA TELECONFERENCE PURSUANT TO  
EXECUTIVE ORDER N-25-20 ISSUED BY GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM**

**REGULAR MEETING - 4:00 P.M.**

**ROLL CALL**

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke

**REGULAR AGENDA**

1. [20-068ED](#) Recommendation to approve the minutes for the meeting held October 12, 2020.

**Attachments:** [MeetingMinutes12 Oct EDC.pdf](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Schumer, seconded by  
Commissioner Blair, to approve recommendation. The  
motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Leah Goold-Haws, Blair Cohn, Austin Metoyer, Brenda Wunsch, Jessica Schumer and Walter Larkins

**Absent:** 1 - John Thomas

2. [20-069ED](#)

Recommendation to receive and file a presentation/discussion by two under-represented developers: Daryl Carter, President of Avanath Communities and Katheryn Perez, Associate Principle of ARUP; in addition, conduct a study session regarding the challenges, opportunities, and strategies to promote more equitable real estate development opportunities for women and people of color including capital access, opportunity zones, strategies for local government regulation, and key performance indicators to measure success.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Economic Development Deputy Director, Sergio Ramirez spoke  
Katheryn Perez, Associate Principle of ARUP  
Daryl Carter, President of Avanath, spoke  
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Economic Development Deputy Director, Sergio Ramirez spoke

**A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Vice Chair Schumer, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 9 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Leah Goold-Haws, Blair Cohn, Austin Metoyer, Brenda Wunsch, Jessica Schumer and Walter Larkins

**Absent:** 1 - John Thomas

3. [20-070ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file a presentation about the Economic Development Commission members including background, bio, and volunteer experience.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke  
Commissioner Wunsch spoke  
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Commission Chair Larkins spoke

**A motion was made by Vice Chair Schumer, seconded by Commissioner Wunsch, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 8 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Leah Goold-Haws, Blair Cohn, Brenda Wunsch, Jessica Schumer and Walter Larkins

**Absent:** 2 - Austin Metoyer and John Thomas

4. [20-071ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file a report from the Business Development Officer Seyed Jalali regarding the status of small business support programs including loans, grants, and the equitable distribution plan for the City revolving loan fund; and, CARES Act Grant program status.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
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Dave Shukla, LB Alliance clean Energy spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke

**A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Vice Chair Schumer, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 8 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Leah Goold-Haws, Blair Cohn, Brenda Wunsch, Jessica Schumer and Walter Larkins

**Absent:** 2 - Austin Metoyer and John Thomas

5. [20-072ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file an update regarding Economic Development Department communications and outreach regarding economic support programs for the month of October 2020 and a report on the upcoming Quarterly Regional Economic Forum on November 19th.

**Attachments:** [20201109 EDC Monthly Communications Recap Memo.](#)

Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Economic Development Director, John Keisler, spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke

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**Yes:** 8 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Leah Goold-Haws, Blair Cohn, Brenda Wunsch, Jessica Schumer and Walter Larkins

**Absent:** 2 - Austin Metoyer and John Thomas

6. [20-073ED](#) Recommendation to receive and file Commissioner recommendations for future agenda items.

Commission Chair Larkins spoke  
Commissioner Cohn spoke  
Commission Chair Larkins spoke

**A motion was made by Commissioner Blair, seconded by Commissioner Wunsch, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 8 - Becky Blair, Blair Cohn, Milton Duena, Leah Goold-Haws, Blair Cohn, Brenda Wunsch, Jessica Schumer and Walter Larkins

**Absent:** 2 - Austin Metoyer and John Thomas

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** Members of the public are invited to address the Board on items of interest to the public within the Agency Board jurisdiction. Each speaker will be limited to two minutes unless that time is extended by the Chair.

## COMMENTS

## ADJOURNMENT

I, Bob Mossler, Project Analyst, Economic Development Department certify that the agenda was posted not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ADJOURNMENT

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