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## East Hartford Silver Lane Advisory Committee

### Meeting Summary

Tuesday, May 23, 2017

4:00 pm

Welling Conference Room – 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Town Hall

PRESENT - Frank Collins, Economic Development Commission; Tom York, Goman & York; Robin Pearson, Redevelopment Agency; Todd Andrews, Goodwin College; Craig Stevenson, CTC; Peter Bonzani, Planning and Zoning Commission; Chad Freitas, Resident Representative; Rebecca Augur, Milone & MacBroom, Inc. (MMI); Pat Gallagher, MMI; Tim Bockus, DPW Director; Emily Hultquist, CRCOG; Casey Hardin, Transystems, Paul Mainuli and Nathan Quesnel, Board of Education; Eileen Buckheit, Development Director; Jeff Cormier, Town Planner

VIA PHONE – Dan Matos

ABSENT – Mayor Leclerc, James Matos, MaryEllen Dombrowski

### CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Robin Pearson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Motion by Frank Collins to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2016 meeting, seconded by Todd Andrews. Approved.

### UPDATE

Eileen Buckheit and Paul Mainuli discussed the Working Cities Challenge which is centered around the Silver Lane School neighborhood. The Board of Education and the Town are partnering with community organizations, regional boards and commissions, Goodwin College, CCAT and many others, to define a need in the neighborhood and a “systems change” to address it. East Hartford has been successful in the first round and

awarded \$15,000. The final application is due in October. The land use study and transportation studies will be of great assistance.

### Presentation

Rebecca Augur and Pat Gallagher from MMI reviewed the Market Assessment. This includes the market areas, retail market, housing market, and conclusions.

The presentation continued with a discussion of the wetlands investigation which occurred on the south side of Silver Lane.

Rebecca then moved to a discussion of the maps of outlined vacant and potential development sites.

Members broadly discussed the maps, but stated that they did not have enough time to comment in light of the large amount of information presented.

Emily Hultquist from CRCOG introduced the transportation consultant, Casey Hardin from Transystems. They will be looking at the full array of transportation systems along the corridor, including vehicle, bike, and pedestrian. They will work collaborative with Milone and McBroom and utilize information from the land use study. They will be using the Advisory Committee and will be conducting a series of outreach events to gather feedback.

### Next steps in the process:

- Rebecca would send out questions to the members for consideration at the next meeting in order to frame the discussion.
- Meeting in next 3 or so weeks to continue opportunity area discussion.

### ADJOURNMENT

Meeting concluded 5:30 pm.