

Economic Development Reform Panel
April 9, 2021 1-2:30 p.m.

- I. Call to Order: Chair Ann Marie Tracey
Panelist in attendance: Tim Burke, Bobbi Dillon, Guy Guckenberger, Alicia Bond-Lewis, Dan Schimberg, KZ Smith, Bernadette Watson, and Verna Williams
- II. Public Comment: Then panel heard from 5 speakers who logged in to speak.
- III. Outside Counsel: The City Solicitor's office is retaining outside counsel to assist in reviewing recommendations and providing input on any legal issues that could arise from the recommendations.
- IV. Existing Laws and Regulations on Campaign Finance, Financial Disclosures, and Lobbying: Law is working on putting together a chart of the existing laws and regulations in these areas to provide a comprehensive view of what currently exists for the panel to be able to identify any gaps.
- V. Training for Elected Officials and Staff: One of the questions raised during public comment was the need for training of elected officials and staff. The City does currently provide an orientation for new Councilmembers and their staff as well as ethics and other training. The panel asked for information on what the training covers and accessibility of that information after the training. Ann and Kelly will gather and provide that information.
- VI. Charter Amendments on the May ballot: Tim Burke mentioned that there are two proposed charter amendments that the group should be watching. Ann will circulate them to the group.
- VII. EDRP Library: The group would like the library to be on the EDRP webpage, with the documents available to the public. Ann will work with the City Solicitor regarding any copyright issues with putting third party content on the City's website. Kelly will work with the City's web editor to get the City documents on the website. Guy Guckenberger has agreed to start collecting best practices and organizing them by topics.
- VIII. Planning and Other Business
 - Upcoming meetings:
 - i. 4/23: Professor Chris Bryant from the University of Cincinnati along with UC Law student Evan Goldenblatt. They will be speaking on constitutional law issues and the ability to restrict contributions to developers.
 - ii. 5/7: City Manager will be speaking on the roles of the Administration and Council in Economic Development, along with a speaker from Open Data and Performance Analytics regarding the ability to create a platform to share data from disclosures and reporting requirements.
 - iii. 5/21: Zoning and Land Use speakers
- IX. Meeting Adjourned at 2:24pm

Minutes approved 4.23.21

The Next Meeting is April 23, 2021 at 1pm EST.