

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
CITY OF GERMANTOWN
7/16/2026
MEETING MINUTES**

Members Present: Heidi Grant, Tom Winning, Mike Kuhn, Mark Heistand, Ken Tudor

Staff Present: Judy Gilleland, City Manager; Dave Eshbaugh, Project Manager; Mike Lucking, Economic Development Consultant; Sheree Henson, Downtown Event Coordinator; Mike Roseberry, Property Maintenance; Will Parsons, Community Relations Manager

Meeting was called to order at 9:03 am

Approval of minutes

The June 2026 EDC meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Business

The group went through the remaining initiatives, as outlined in the Downtown Redevelopment Plan, which were not covered in the June meeting.

18. Establish CIC or Create Building Improvement Pre-Development Fund - Mike L fielded questions from the board regarding the capabilities and practical operations of a CIC (Community Improvement Corporation). Mike L will follow up on some of the questions and will provide answers for the August meeting.

11. Coordinate with MetroParks - The board circled back to this initiative for further discussion.

6. Recruit Business - The board also circled back to this initiative and discussed some ideal business types for Germantown.

19. Outsides First – The CIC would open opportunities to assist here.

20. Code Enforcement/Vacant Building Maintenance License – The board discussed some properties in the community with ongoing issues.

21. Encourage Renovation of Upper Floor Residential – Discussed some spots in town where work is being done.

22. Promote Short term residential for tourism – This was discussed in conjunction with point 21 as those spots were opportunities for short-term rentals.

Other Business – Judy shared about a new business interested in joining the downtown. Not concrete yet. She also mentioned another property issue as well as potential residential development.

Meeting adjourned at 10:47 am