

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-18

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF STANWOOD,
WASHINGTON, RECONVENING THE ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT BOARD**

WHEREAS, The Economic Development Element of the Comprehensive Plan Goal EDG-1 states: *EDG-1 Promote economic vitality defined as a lively growth oriented business climate that supports a wide range of private and public investment resulting in development and business activity that diversifies the City's tax base and provides both employment and consumer shopping opportunities for city and unincorporated area residents*; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Element is implemented in part through the Economic Development Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted an Economic Development Action Plan in July 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Action Plan calls for cultivating a culture supportive of economic development; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Action Plan calls for engaging with key community partners; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Action Plan includes a wide range of suggestions from programs and initiatives to improve the economic viability of the Stanwood community; and

WHEREAS, these programs and initiatives require additional prioritization and review for efficient implementation; and

WHEREAS, the City administration convened an Economic Development Working Group as an ad hoc study group with representatives from the business community and local service organizations in 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Working Group met periodically during 2013 and 2014 and provided prioritization and input on issues and programs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Resolution 2014-04 on March 27, 2014 establishing an Economic Development Board to engage a citizen committee on a more permanent basis to provide a voice on issues such as economic development incentives, tourism, special events and support for local business; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2014-04 established the Economic Development Board for a period of four years; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the Committee's organization and effectiveness and desires to reconvene the Committee for an additional four year term;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STANWOOD, WASHINGTON HEREBY RECONVENES THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD WITH THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATION, ROLES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

1. Term

The Economic Development Board shall be reconvened for a period of four years. At the end of the four year period the organization and effectiveness of the Committee shall be evaluated and the Committee may be reconvened for a longer term as determined by the City Council

2. Membership

- a. 7 voting members, representing a cross section of the business community, appointed by the Mayor with City Council ratification.
- b. Initial terms shall be staggered so that the entire committee does not change at the same time in the future.
 - i. 4 two year terms
 - ii. 3 one year terms
 - iii. All terms become 2 year after the initial terms expire

3. Composition of the Board

- c. Stanwood business community with 7 at large members located within the boundaries of the Stanwood Camano School District
- d. The City Administrator and Mayor as non-voting members

4. Staffing

- a. Staffing: As determined by the Mayor and/or City Administrator

5. Meeting

- a. Monthly at a time established by the Board

6. Responsibilities

- a. Provide a communication link between the city and the business community.

- b. Advise the City on implementation of the Economic Development Work Program.
- c. Advise the City on the business perspective on a range of policy issues such as capital planning, zoning amendments and land use policy plans.
- d. Advise the city on grant applications for 1) special events grants that benefit Stanwood and 2) small capital projects grants benefiting Stanwood Downtown.

7. Authority

- a. The Board shall be an advisory body to the Stanwood Mayor and City Council.
 - i. Special Events and small capital grants recommendations within specific line item budgeted programs shall be made to the Mayor.
 - ii. All other recommendations addressing work program, policy issues and economic development related budgets issues shall be made to the City Council.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Stanwood this 17th day of July, 2018.

CITY OF STANWOOD



Leonard Kelley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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David A. Hammond, City Clerk