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SUBJECT: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE DISCUSSION

At their February 11, 2014 regular meeting, the Economic Development Advisory Commission considered the memorandum from City Clerk Johnson regarding advisory bodies amending their meeting schedules.

The Commission discussed the memo and acknowledged the Council's goal of making the best use of staff's time and reducing costs. They disagreed with the statement of the EDC not having specific tasks, because they are currently working on things that were given to them by Council.

They feel that continuing to meet monthly is beneficial and as a group they need to stay focused on tasks in a systematic way and make recommendations to Council.

They have completed the Market to Internet Based Entrepreneurs survey and it is ready to move forward now. They also believe that other things will be coming forward, including the recreation movement.

The Commission does not recommend scheduling fewer meetings. They recognized they need to communicate better with the Council regarding their work in an effort to keep them better informed. The Commissioners also recognized they could take more of an active role in working among themselves to help alleviate some of the work that Community and Economic Development Coordinator Koester does.

They are also interested in opportunities for worksessions so they come together to discuss things happening in the community or address what they are hearing from other user groups prior to their regular meeting.

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