

## Citizens Economic Development Commission (EDC) Subcommittee Update

**Purpose:** To summarize activities and focus of EDC subcommittees occurring between monthly EDC meetings. The intent is to facilitate communication of on-going progress of the several sub-committees in a format that can be shared with EDC Commissioners, City Council, Planning Board, Staff, etc., as appropriate. The updates will supplement EDC monthly meeting minutes that provide greater detail of ensuing discussions.

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**Subcommittee Name:** Land Use and Business Incentives

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**Date Range:** 03/21/2013 – 04/15/2013

**Summary:**

The Land Use and Business Incentives subcommittee met on 4/1/2013; attended by Doug Purcell, John Rubenkonig, Rich Senderoff, and Bruce Witenberg. Stephen Clifton and Rob Chave also attended. The discussion was focused on the status of the Business Incentive proposals that were presented at the previous EDC meeting. In particular, there was interest in understanding permitting and system development fee structure/process better; and whether there might be opportunities for incentives based on deferrals, reductions, or waivers.

**Next Steps / Action Items**

- Stephen Clifton was going to contact the City of Snohomish regarding the Hotel/Motel Incentive
- Rich was to add artisan/craftsman businesses to (and broaden/generalize) the Qualified Small Issue Bond Sponsorship (QSIBS) incentive (without a micro brewery, craft distillery, winery operation focus); and whether artisans and craftsman fall into QSIBS is TBD.
- Query whether we can offer some sort of rebate to owner of substantially remodeled or newly constructed hotel/motel;
- We discussed putting together a document which outlined “incentives” already in place
- We needed to reconvene to further discuss impact fees being collected before permits are issues; whether application fees cover cost of permit reviews; possible priority for green development; and if development is consistent with subarea plans should they be incentivized?