

Essex Economic Development Commission (EDC)

[8:00 AM Thursday, April 1, 2021](#)

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- Join via Microsoft Teams: <https://www.essexvt.org/887/5673/Join-Teams-Meeting-Essex-EDC>. Depending on your browser, you may need to call in for audio (below).
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AGENDA

Commission Members: Annie Cooper, Chair; Brian Shelden, Vice Chair; Botur Kosimi, Clerk; Jeff Benjamin; Ta-Tanisha Redditta; Greg Morgan (On Leave)

Staff & Partners: Evan Teich / Greg Duggan; Owiso Makuku; Darren Schibler; Robin Pierce; Sam Anderson, GBIC

1. Call to Order
2. Changes to Agenda
3. Public to be Heard
4. Review/Approval of Minutes
5. Updates from Partners and Staff
6. 2021 Work Plan: Update: to include:
 - a. discussion of forward motion to get Business Contact List into the hands of staff to continue work, more effectively, efficiently and thoroughly, in partnership between EDC members and staff
 - b. to continue to continuously and consistently invite Essex residents, Essex businesses, Essex town/village staff, Essex boards to our meetings to share their thoughts for our note-taking, for dreams/visions of local option tax, as we prepare to get surveys out to residents, businesses, staff and boards.
 - c. some thoughts re: Cannabis discussion, including nominating EDC member to serve on research committee
 - d. big picture interwoven Essex committees/commissions coming together
7. Next EDC Meeting: **Thursday, April 15th, 2021, 8am**
8. Meeting Adjournment: (9:00 AM)