

## Meeting Minutes

### Planning Discussion for Future Economic Development Advisory Board (EDAB) Agenda Topics

May 24, 2022 2:30PM

Held remotely via Zoom

*Committee members:* Anne Meyers, Paul Saner, Sandi Silk, and Ken Lewis

*Staff & consultants present:* Meredith Mooney

*Other attendees:* None

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**Discussion objective:** How to 'Connect the dots between EDAB's role and the town's economic growth and subsequent tax growth'

- Can we put Economic Development Benefits into a real context?
- Is there a primer on municipal finance for laypeople?
- How does economic development intersect with other agendas in town?

**Outcome of Discussion:** CREATE AN EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM ABOUT FISCAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR TOWN MEETING MEMBERS AND COMMUNITY RESIDENTS

**Timing:** Fall 2022 - ahead of the Fall Town Meeting

#### **Potential Program Outline:**

- A. BFAC's Role and the current Fiscal Status of the Town of Brookline - (Cliff Brown?)
  - a. 2 Options for Fiscal Growth - New Taxes or Override
  
- B. Review of EDAB's Track record - (Al Raine?)
  - a. Where are we?
  - b. Where have we been?
  - c. What are the opportunities?
  
- C. Planning Context - How does planning interact with economic development?

**Next Steps:** Discussion at next EDAB Meeting to further idea and gather broader EDAB support.