

Economic Development Committee
Borough of Hawthorne, New Jersey
Municipal Building
445 Lafayette Avenue
Hawthorne, New Jersey 07506

Meeting Minutes: May 19, 2010

Attendance:

Carl Schmidt, Chairman	Absent
Frank Coppola	Present
Daniel Dailey	Present
Evangeline Gomez	Present
Anthony Spanedda	Present
Victor Terraglia	Present
Councilman John Lane, Council & Chamber Rep	Present
Mayor Richard Goldberg (optional)	Present

Meeting began with Mayor Goldberg providing the Committee with an update on the Kohl's Department Store project.

Victoria Ezra, of Greco-Sackeim Realty Group, spoke with the Committee about the use of surveys to identify the type of businesses and services residents need and would patron. She also discussed what factors retailers consider when deciding to open or expand their business.

The Committee decided to create a survey to ask residents what type of businesses and services they want to see in Hawthorne. Committee members discussed different types of retailers and services needed in Hawthorne. Councilman Lane agreed to announce the survey at the City Council meetings and publicize it on the local public access channel. Dan Dailey agreed to contact the local newspapers. Evangeline Gomez agreed to devise survey based on ideas and suggestions from meeting.

The Committee decided not to contact any vacant property owners until the surveys are completed and reviewed.

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