

The Portsmouth Port and Industrial Commission

**September 21, 2021
EDA “Blueprint” Retreat**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	<u>EDA Board</u>	<u>PPIC Board</u>
	Ray Smith Malcom Mitchell Cathy Drewry Neal Barber Theresa Saunders-Smith Barbara Smith	Angelia Allen Sarah Rogers Garner Arnette McSwain Bracey Parr Amira Bethea Eugene Swinson
ABSENT:	Anthony Brown	Andre Williams
ALSO PRESENT:	Robert Moore – Secretary Brian Donahue – Assistant Director Jeff Miller – Deputy City Attorney Kelsey Swieringa – Assistant City Attorney Flora Berisha – Interim Chief Financial Officer Patti Phillips – Finance Dept. Angel Jones - City Manager Bob Baldwin – Director of Planning Meg Pittenger -Asst. Director of Planning Julie Chop – Principal Planner Alisa Winston-PRHA	
GUEST:	Nichole Campbell - Divaris Realty Geoff Poston-Thalhimer, Cushman Craig Cope- Harvey Lindsay Delceno Miles- The Miles Agency	

Call to Order

Ray Smith for EDA, Angelia Allen for PPIC

Roll Call for EDA

Robert Moore

Roll Call for PPIC

Robert Moore

Welcome

City Manager Angel Jones provided a brief welcome to the Commissioners.

Angel Jones

Introductions/Ground Rules

Ms. Miles, the Mediator, started the Retreat with introductions of staff and guest. She also provided ground rules for the meeting.

Delceno Miles – Mediator

Roles, Responsibilities and Special Powers of EDA

Kelsey Swieringa, Assistant City Attorney, discussed COIA and FOIA issues. Jeff Miller, Deputy City Attorney, gave a brief history of the origin and interrelation of EDA, PPIC, and PRHA.

Planning & Zonings Procedure and Processes

Julie Chop, Principal Planner, provided a presentation on the new Zoning Ordinance.

Guest Speakers

1. Nichole Campbell, Divaris Realty -Office Real Estate - Ms. Campbell presented the overview of the office market.
2. Geoff Poston, Thalhimer, Cushman -Industrial Real Estate – Mr. Poston presented the overview of the industrial market.
3. Craig Cope, Harvey Lindsay -Redevelopment - Mr. Cope discussed development opportunities in Portsmouth and identified crucial areas/properties.

PRIORITIES

Ms. Miles had the board brainstorm about short-term, mid-term and long-term projects and goals.

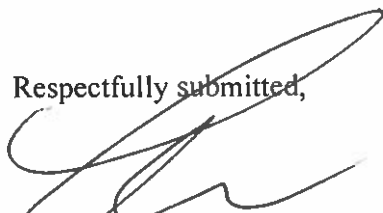
NEXT STEPS

The board discussed how and when these items should be prioritized to move forward.

CLOSING REMARKS

Ray Smith
Angelia Allen

Respectfully submitted,



Robert D. Moore
Secretary