

Economic Development Committee

2014-2015 Work Plan

Purpose

The purpose of the Wrangell EDC is to act as a sounding board for and make recommendations to the Borough Assembly on development proposals, grant ideas, project proposals and other action items.

Mission

The EDC will work to create a healthy, diversified economy with a stable tax base that supports good streets, public facilities and infrastructure, and will preserve and capitalize on its natural beauty, history and cultural diversity. New industries will be welcomed that create a diverse economic base while existing industries shall be supported to remain strong and viable. We support small businesses development.

Goals

1. **Encourage Business Development in order Diversify the economy** so that Wrangell is not dependent on a single employer or industry
2. Support and promote **infrastructure development** that enables economic growth.
3. Support our **education** system and opportunities.
4. Maintain communication with existing businesses and community.

Areas of Focus for 2014 – 2015

Discuss and promote opportunities for the Institute Property: review development proposals

Promotion of business prospects within Wrangell, including Marine Service Center

Discuss opportunities for the former mill site (with property owner)

Land Entitlement: Select remaining acres and discuss potential opportunities for all land selected

Investigate Solid Waste/ Recycling opportunities

Participate in Wrangell Island Sale and other District issues