

**BY-LAWS  
OF  
WRANGELL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

**ARTICLE 1**

**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 capitalizes 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.

**ARTICLE 2**

**Committee Composition**

The Economic Development Committee will consist of five members representing diverse interests appointed by the Mayor and the Borough Assembly. The terms for all Board seats are three years, staggered terms. Letters of continued interest to serve may be submitted after fulfilling a term seat and the Assembly may reappoint a member.

**Officers and Duties**

Chair and Vice-Chair will be elected annually at the first meeting after October election. Economic Development Director shall serve as support staff to the EDC.

**Quorum**

In order for business to be transacted and recommendations forwarded, a majority of the number of appointed members must be in attendance. For voting purposes, the vote of the majority of the quorum present shall be sufficient for a subject matter's determination.

**Attendance**

If a Committee member is absent for 50% of four consecutive meetings without a valid excuse submitted prior to the meeting and accepted by the Committee members present, the Committee member will be considered automatically resigned from the appointment and the Borough Clerk will advertise for a new appointment.

### **EDC Meetings**

EDC Committee meetings will be held, at minimum, quarterly. Additional meetings may be scheduled based on need and with proper notification. Any Committee member may request an item be placed on the agenda.

### **SubCommittees**

The EDC may create subcommittees as necessary to meet on their own time without the need of public notification. All work of the subcommittee must come forward to the full EDC for discussion and action.

### **Parliamentary Procedures**

All meetings will be conducted using Roberts Rule of Order.

### **Compensation.**

No member of the Economic Development Committee shall receive any compensation from the EDC or Borough in return for service on the Committee. Travel expenditures (transportation, lodging, per diem and registration fees) will be paid for any approved travel if the Committee recommends and the Borough Assembly authorizes expenditures.

## **ARTICLE 3**

### **By-law Amendments**

These By-laws may be amended or repealed by a simple majority of the members of the EDC Committee. Amendments or revisions must be presented to the EDC in writing at a regularly scheduled EDC meeting. Discussions of the proposed amendment or revision and vote can occur at that meeting. Amendments must be submitted to Borough Assembly for final approval. A copy of the by-laws will be maintained in the Borough Clerk's office for the public's review.

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