

**CITY OF WASHINGTON  
COURT HOUSE  
Economic Strategies and Cooperation Meeting  
May 20, 2019**

The Economic, Strategies and Cooperation Committee met in the Lower Level Conference Room of 105 North Main Street on Monday, May 20, 2019 at 4:00 pm. Ms. Kendra Hernandez presided, and those in attendance were; Mr. Steve Shiltz, Council Member, Mr. Jim Chrisman, Council Chairperson, Mr. Dale Lynch, Council Member, Mr. Caleb Johnson, Council Member, Mrs. Chelsie Baker, Economic Development Director, Mr. Joseph Denen, City Manager and Mr. Mark Pitstick.

1. The Committee reviewed progress with Industrial Development. The Committee noted that a BR&E meeting was held with WCR and all was of positive note.
2. The Committee reviewed progress with downtown buildings and businesses. The Committee noted the increased interest for building and business purchases in the downtown area.
3. The Committee noted the Mother's Day Shop Hop was held on May 10<sup>th</sup> and that an Ice Cream Social Shop Hop would be held June 12<sup>th</sup>.
4. The Committee noted that two new Food Truck Businesses that would be joining our community at downtown events and servicing different areas of the community.
5. The Committee benefited from a review of sound system details for the downtown area.
6. The Committee reviewed progress with commercial development. The Committee noted the positive response with Buxton's guidance regarding replacements for multiple commercial areas.
7. The Administration advised the Committee that Kelley Ford and Chelsie Baker had attended a Career Fair for both High School Juniors and Seniors. Information regarding city positions, benefits and opportunities had been provided.
8. The Committee noted the Administration had completed their first segment posted to the Economic Development website and social media outlets regarding local businesses called "Did you Know?"

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ms. Kendra Hernandez, Chairperson, Economic Strategies and Cooperation Committee  
Mrs. Kelley Ford, Recording Secretary