

Town of Westerly

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING

Making Westerly a Great Place to Live, to Work, to Grow, and to Play!



Tuesday, February 10, 2026 – 4:00 P.M.

Westerly Town Hall | District Courtroom
45 Broad Street, Westerly, RI 02891

Please be advised this meeting will be held in-person.

All board members and applicants must be physically present.

Zoom information can be provided upon request to listen remotely without participating.
Please contact Aidan Adams, Principal Planner, at 401-348-2550 or aadams@westerlyri.gov.
Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing-impaired must call (401) 348-2505 in advance of the meeting date.



A. CALL TO ORDER

B. ROLL CALL AND ATTENDANCE

Chairman: Douglas Brockway, **Vice Chairman:** Ken Julian **Secretary:** Rhys Johnstone

Members: Ralph M. Abruzzese, Michael Doherty, Chris Wight, empty seat **Alternate Member:** empty seat

Town Council Liaisons: Michael Niemeyer, Rose Van Dover

Town Staff: Principal Planner Aidan Adams

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Review/approval of [January 6, 2026 minutes](#)

D. BUSINESS – The EDC will review, discuss, and may act on and/or continue discussion of the following matters.

1. Possible town council request re: former water slide
2. In the press (follow the links):
 - a. [RI AI Task Force report](#)
 - b. [HealthCare Industry in RI "No Simple Answers"](#)
 - c. [Ocean Technology is Paving R.I.'s path to success](#)
3. Marketing Plan for Westerly – Year-Round Economy
 - a. Discussion of Draft
 - b. Local Insight Discussion Series
 - c. Next steps
4. Public Comment

E. UPCOMING EVENTS

1. WBLQ Topics – first Monday every month @ 9am
2. Business Support Activities (OCCC - [Business After Hours](#))

F. OPEN DISCUSSION - The EDC may review and discuss unnoticed items, including public comment, under open discussion; may refer these matters to the Planning Office or to the next agenda; may not take official action on these items.

G. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM FOR NEXT MEETINGS

March 3, 2026

H. ADJOURNMENT