

**CONTRA COSTA COUNTY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE– Meeting Record**

February 2, 2026 11:00 A.M. In Person/Via Zoom

Supervisor Candace Andersen, District II

Supervisor Diane Burgis, District III

1. Welcome and Introductions

Supervisor Andersen called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM. Supervisors Andersen and Burgis introduced themselves.

2. Public comment on any item not listed on this agenda.

No public comments.

3. REVIEW and APPROVE meeting record of December 1, 2025 Contra Costa County Economic Development Committee

Sup. Andersen approved of the meeting minutes, as did Sup. Burgis. Will pass on to the BOS.

4. RECEIVE the Contra Costa Employment Trends Report for Q42025

- On December 1, 2025, Beacon Economics released their latest quarterly trends report for Contra Costa County. The report stated that the county is following the slow job growth statewide very closely
- The committee did not have any questions regarding the report and will wait for Beacon Economics' presentation at a future Board of Supervisors meeting
- Economic Development Manager, Ricardo Noguera commented on the topic. He stated that it would be beneficial for a retail and restaurant analysis to be done for the Brentwood Boulevard Corridor to build upon the new County building development occurring

5. RECEIVE Report From and/or Provide Direction to Staff Regarding County Economic Development Work Program

- The County utilizing the BluDot service sent out email notifications to the unincorporated business community regarding the East Bay EDA Manufacturing Roundtable and the AMEX Small Business Grants Program
- The County released the RFQ for the EPA Brownfields Coalition grant in January
- Economic Development Staff have assisted over 25 businesses since December. The assistance provided focused on Assistance with access to grant funding for the development of a grocery store (assist job training/placement programs and small business/microenterprise technical assistance programs), access to grant funding for community investment funds (Bay Area Air District Local Community Benefits funding), access to grant funding for the development of affordable housing, access to grant funding for brownfields development, access to potential new markets for networking (access to Diablo Valley Tech Initiative), access to code enforcement complaints (Department of Conservation & Development code enforcement complaint form), invitations to the Manufacturers
- MTC-ABAG Northern Waterfront Priority Production Areas (PPA) Project: Economic development staff from the County convened a meeting with the PPA jurisdictions on January 13, 2026, to review Memos provided by Placeworks
- Economic development staff from the County have met and supported over 10 businesses with: Assistance with permitting timelines (meetings with Application Permit Center planning staff), assistance with site / zoning enquiries, assistance with incentives (referrals to State of California Employment Training Panel (ETP) funding, State of California GO-Biz incentives, Workforce Development Board of Contra Costa County (WDBCCC) incentives), access to site location assistance.
- Staff continue to meet monthly with the Diablo Valley Tech Initiative and participated in their Funders and Founders event
- Staff continue to work with the Crockett Chamber of Commerce
- Public Comment: Darrell Foote invited the committee to the upcoming DVTI conference on March 13th at Diablo Valley College

6. Adjourn to the next meeting (April 6, 2026)

Sup. Andersen adjourned the meeting.

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