Red Tape Reduction Task Force Meeting
Thursday, March 29th, 2018

Minutes

Attendance: Keith Hamre, Wendy Rannenberg, Nathan Fox, Stan Paczynski, Rob Irving, Noah Hobbs, Tiersa Wodash, Aaron Dkozcy, Phil Jents

Minutes:

• Task force discussed potential suggestions for its formal recommendations
• Discussed how to implement regular/ongoing business “lunch and learns”
  o Who could sponsor
  o Who would be invited
  o Who else could partner
    ▪ Center for Economic Development (UMD)
    ▪ Ecolibrium3
    ▪ Various area colleges
• Discussed the value of a building’s historical data
  o This information can be valuable to know its particular code requirements, code issues, renovation hurdles, changes of use, etc.
  o Make this information more easily available to future developers
  o Previous permits that had been issued
  o Previous use types
• Discussed a building walk-through to identify potential uses, issues, etc.
• Discussed a website component that would make the organization of this information easier to access
• Discussed the benefit of having a “Small Business Navigator” on City staff
• Next meeting: Thursday, April 19th, 2018 – 8am in Conference Room 303