

Lucinda Sydow- Absent	SEAC Chair, James Povijua- Present	Amber Rodriguez- Absent
Steven Moise- Excused	Thom Cole- Absent	Deputy Secretary, Patricia Trujillo- Present
Elaine Perea- Present	Charles Wollmann- Present	Johanna Nelson- Present
Leo Delgado- Absent	Anna Linden Weller- Excused	Dana Bahar- Present
Steve Vierck- Present	Alyssa Latuchie- Absent	Cabinet Secretary, Stephanie Clark- Absent
Cabinet Secretary, Lynn Trujillo- Present	Deputy Secretary, Yolanda Cordova- Present	

### **Sustainable Economy Task Force Meeting Minutes**

**Hosted Via Microsoft TEAMS**

**August 17, 2022**

1. Welcome
2. Introduction
3. Vote to Approve: Minutes from previous meeting
  - a. Motion to approve: James
  - b. Second- Yolanda
  - c. Motion passed
4. EDD Updates and Discussion:
  - a. State Small Business Credit Initiative
    - Johanna has provided previous updates, program from US Treasury allocating \$70 million to support credit enhancement
    - Received word that we will get the first tranche which is around \$20 million for the next 3 years
    - Majority of funds will be put into venture capital and equity funds with a focus on supporting social and economically disadvantaged business owners, signing a contract with Avivar
    - Finalized investment committee
    - Will be hiring a staff person to focus on managing CAP (collateral assistance program)
    - TA (Technical Assistance) Proposal due in October 2022
  - b. Healthy Food Finance Initiative
    - Coming through Governor's Office, cross agency collaboration
    - EDD is creating a healthy food finance fund
      - RFP (Request for Proposals) will be out in a week
      - Looking for CDFI (Community Development Finance Institution) to house money we receive that will create a grant program to support these types of projects
      - Staff member has been hired that will be housed at EDD, Will start August 22

c. EDD Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Staff

- JEDI Office, received Legislative funding to hire a staff person who will serve as a support staff
- Working closely with SEAC (Sustainable Economy Advisory Council) to address equity principles

5. Discussion: Hatch Form Strategic Plan Implementation, Protocols & Operations

a. FY23 Timeline

- Hatch Form's report was sent out in PDF, if you did not receive this, we can resend it
- Feedback can be provided after the meeting
- Review of Strategic Plan (Johanna and Sean O'Shea)
  - 3 buckets:
    - Initial Assessment (July-Sept 22),
    - Collect Input/Engagement (Sept 22- Jan 23)
    - Update Plan/Data (Sept 22-June 23)
    - Alignment/Implementation (March-Aug 23)
- Questions/ Feedback
  - Steven- A lot of good work and progress has been made. It will be easier to have the frameworks in place
  - Steven- How Long is Hatch Form engaged for?
    - Johanna- Contract ended June 30, 2022. This brings on the conversation of where and when do we want to bring on other contractors?
    - Steven- I would be supportive of bringing on another contractor because of our schedules, this would be important to our success. Prioritize the priorities will be a need
  - Elaine- Impressed with the volume of work that has been completed
  - Elaine- How can we prioritize our stakeholders? There will always be someone who says you didn't include me. We may need to prioritize stakeholders. That's a sensitive issue as we are thinking through diversifying the economy. It's worth some strategizing into the stakeholder engagement phase.
    - Johanna- This got brought up in discussions with CCP (Center for Civic Policy) that developed the Community Engagement Strategy, and it was acknowledged that the second phase of work is who do we need to hear from
    - James- We are thinking through how to do community engagement in a way that is casting a broad net, it is wonderful to note that there are 8 tribal appointees so tribal engagement is robust. There are a lot of constituents in NM beyond our tribal community
    - Johanna- Can create a channel through TEAMS to create a working folder so that everyone can have access to this information and if you have comments, you can provide them in this folder
  - Yolanda- Community Engagement site, will be ready to engage again in a State Plan and we should see if there is a way to pull synergy on that, specifically on the equity side of that. Just curious how we can do things collectively.

- Johanna- We can kill two birds with one stone, the contractor that gave us the strategy recommendations is working on a scope and we can ensure to share that with you to get feedback (CCP)
- James- We really welcome working with you, CCP is the reason why this task force exists in addition to our champions, so it is exciting to see them thinking through a Comm. Engagement plan

6. Discussion: Empower and Collaborate: New Mexico's Economic Path Forward Action Plan Assessment

- a. Felicia DePaula, NM EDD
- b. Discussed progress made on Follow-up plan
- c. Coordinated with NM EDD staff to get information on recommendation progress
- d. Will be reaching out to all agencies listed in the follow-up plan to coordinate a time to identify potential progress made

7. Discussion: Sustainable Economy Advisory Committee Update

- a. James
  - Reviewing Hatch Form and CCP Recommendations
  - Committee members will be submitting comments in the next couple weeks
    - Capacity levels of the volunteer committee
    - SEAC will need support in form of Contractors
    - Working to establish equity principles to provide as recommendations to the SETF
    - Next SEAC meeting is August 23, 2022

8. Discussion: Task Force Member Updates

- a. Wildfire Business Assistance Grant, link was provided in the chat
  - c. Small Grants Patricia Trujillo- Watershed has a lot of access to grant, but having trouble connecting to resources
  - Felicia will send out an email with all the Wildfire Grant information
  - Can call NM EDD main line and we connect them with our Regional Reps
  
- b. DWS (Department of Workforce Solutions) is working with small municipalities to identify cadets, there is a fund set aside, if there are smaller communities reaching out, please email Yolanda Cordova directly; this is to assist with sustaining Law Officials; will be meeting with Municipal League soon, currently enough funds for 80 cadets and really targeting smaller, rural communities

9. Public Comments

- a. None

10. Vote to Adjourn

- a. Motion to Adjourn- Steven
- b. Second- James
- c. Motion Passed