

**MERAMEC REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY
ADVISORY COMMITTEE/DEVELOPER'S LUNCHEON**

Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2014

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS MEETING WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR OCT. 28.
12:00 noon**

The meeting will be held at the Meramec Regional Planning Commission
large conference room (East side) , #4 Industrial Drive, St. James.
A light lunch will be served.

MEETING AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions: John Petersen, chairman

Approval of July 29, 2014 Minutes: John Petersen, chairman

Review of New Meeting Format: Staff will review the purpose and new format of the CEDS Advisory Committee/Developer's Luncheon.

Economic Development Activities Across the Region: Participants will be asked to answer the following questions for their local jurisdictions/organizations:

How does your jurisdiction/organization set its priorities for economic development?

As an economic development organization, what kinds of support do you need from MRPC? From others?

Do you feel you have a good handle on the financial resources that are available at local/state/federal level for business and industry? If not, what would help you the most? What types of local financing does your jurisdiction offer?

What problems do you encounter when working to promote new and assist existing business/industry in your area? Share some creative ways you promote new and assist existing business/industry.

How is economic development financed in your jurisdiction?

In what ways does your jurisdiction/organization promote entrepreneurship?

In what ways does your jurisdiction/organization promote available economic opportunities for young people in order to retain their talents within the region and encourage young people to return talents to the region?

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2015 at 12:00 noon.

Adjournment