MILFORD INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES OF MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2013 4:00 P.M., Room 14, Milford Town Hall

Members Present: Courtney Derderian, Larry Dunkin (Chair), Bradlee Farrin, Scott Kaplan, Tony Pinto.

Members Absent: Joseph Boczanowski, Barry Feingold, Joseph Soares, Bill Stares.

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 P.M.

<u>Minutes of previous meeting</u>: The Chairman received unanimous consent to accept the minutes of the 10-17-12 IDC meeting as written.

<u>New IDC Meeting Time/Schedule Changes</u>: The Chairman reviewed the newly instituted meeting schedule. The regular meetings will now be held on the third Thursday of the month in an effort to improve attendance. A new schedule was included in the agenda packet.

<u>MAPC / CTPS Traffic Analysis – Rte. 140/So. Main Signals</u>: The Chairman noted the Town's acceptance into this years' Community Transportation Technical Assistance Program of MAPC and the Boston MPO. Technical assistance is provided by a team of Central Transportation Planning Staff (CTPS) transportation engineers and planners. The traffic congestion issue at the Route 140/South Main traffic signal was submitted for inclusion in the program. The signal timing issue came to light in the last two traffic studies completed for the IDC by Doug Prentiss, the Traffic Engineer with FST. CTPS will analyze the intersection and recommend retiming options and/or other solutions. The members will be updated as the study progresses.

<u>Solar Bylaw Zoning Amendment</u>: The Chairman briefly reviewed the zoning bylaw amendment for new solar energy regulations approved by Town Meeting last October and accepted by the Attorney General's Office earlier this year. The provisions provide for large scale solar energy installations in appropriate non-residential zoning districts while protecting residential neighborhoods. Only small scale systems are allowed in residential zones.

<u>Proposed Medical Marijuana Zoning Amendment</u>: The Chairman briefly reviewed the proposed zoning bylaw amendment for medical marijuana treatment centers. Recently passed legislation prompted the Board of Selectmen to propose this zoning amendment. The centers will be regulated by ZBA special permit, sited only in the IB and IC industrial zoning districts, and be required to maintain a 200' separation from sensitive uses such as residences, schools, and places of worship. This proposal will be considered at the 5-20-2013 Annual Town Meeting.

Ipsen/Biomeasure: The members discussed the recent sale of the Ipsen facility on Maple Street.

<u>New Business</u>: The Chairman noted a proposed zoning bylaw amendment submitted by the Gutierrez Company to expand the allowed uses in the BP Business Park zoning district. The proposal allows Life Sciences Research & Development, Scientific Research & Development, and Wholesaling Operations as additional uses within the BP district. The Wholesaling uses would be by Planning Board special permit and limited to 25% of the specific BP zoning district in which located.

Motion by Farrin, Second by Derdarian, to forward a letter to the Planning Board noting the IDCs' support of the proposed amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

The members expressed interest in becoming more involved in various development-related matters. The Chairman noted that although the IDC has no review and/or approval authority, he will investigate ways for possible IDC involvement, which may vary depending on the type of proposal or application.

Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 5:12 P.M. The next meeting will be on 4-18-13.