

September 9, 2012

Economic Development Task Force -- Update

Task Force membership:

Sen. Stuart Reid, Chair
Rep. Brad R. Wilson, Chair
Sen. Patricia W. Jones
Sen. Ralph Okerlund
Rep. Brad L. Dee
Rep. Brad G. Last
Rep. Jim Bird
Rep. Patrice Arent
Rep. Rebecca Chavez-Houck
Spencer Eccles, Governor's Office of Economic Development
Todd Bingham, Utah Manufacturers Association
Wesley Smith, Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce
Mayor Tom Dolan, Utah League of Cities and Towns
Rob Despain, Business Community
Steve Price, Business Community
Scott Hirschi, Utah Association of Counties

Staff:

Robert H. Rees, Associate General Counsel
Nathan W. Brady, Policy Analyst
Benjamin N. Christensen, Policy Analyst
Jennifer K. Christopherson, Legislative Secretary

Meetings:

June -- Dr. Scott Schaefer -- University of Utah

July - Tourism as a Component of Economic Development

- David Williams, Deputy Director, Governors Office of Economic Development, Office of Tourism
- Nan Anderson, Executive Director, Utah Tourism Coalition
- Nathan Rafferty, President and CEO, Ski Utah
- Brian Merrill, CEO, Western Rivers Expeditions and Moab Adventures

August - Keys to Utah Economic Development Utah

Natalie Gochnour, Executive Vice President and Chief Economist, Salt Lake Chamber
Darin Mellott, Senior Research Analyst, CBRE, Global Research and Consulting
Alan Westenskow, Vice President, Zions Bank Public Finance
Suzie Becker, Vice President, Zions Bank Public Finance Municipal Consulting Group
Pamela S Perlich, PhD Senior Research Economist, Bureau of Economic and Business Research,
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September -- Air Quality

October -- Air Quality & Creating Prosperity