

Town of Edmonston  
Town Council Work Session Meeting  
Monday December 6, 2021, 7:00 P.M. (Via Zoom Teleconference)

1. Mayor Gant called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and teleconference attendees were Council Members, Hilary Chester, Betsy McCauley, John Johnson and Sarah Turberville, Town Administrator Rod Barnes, Town Clerk Averil Gray, and Police Chief Elliott Gibson Sr.
  
2. A presentation and update were given by Richard Clinch, Director, of the Jacob France Institute, a sponsored research unit of the Merrick School of Business at the University of Baltimore on the Town's Economic Development Strategic Plan in partnership with the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission. Key staff involved in the project included Logan Shertz – Research Associate and Agnes Artemel and Edyth Kelleher consultants from Artemel and Associates specializing in community outreach and planning for the public and private sectors alongside Sam White Project Director and Zack Lukin Deputy project Manager with M-NCCP. Just completed is data analyzing the Town population and household which has had slight decreases. However, the Town is gaining a younger population with a median age of 31.2 and Hispanic residents has increased to 55%. The Town is lagging in job growth but there is a high level of employment per resident within the area of industrial specialization. Housing in Town is older, smaller, and predominantly single family with assessed values ranging from \$200-299,000 but have sales averaging in the mid \$300s. Next steps will include a Community Visioning workshop to create an actionable path that addresses the Towns' needs.
  
3. Mayor Gant adjourned the work session at 8:30 p.m.

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Tracy R. Gant, Mayor

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Averil Gray, Town Clerk