

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I support the proposed amendment creating a standalone Economic Development Department and consolidating youth, senior, and workforce programs into one coordinated Community Investment Department. This approach provides the right balance:

- A focused Economic Development Department to drive business growth and economic mobility.
- A more unified service delivery system for youth, older adults, and workforce programs.

The original consolidation proposal raised serious concerns about the loss of critical expertise and diminished services. This amendment moves the City in a much more thoughtful direction by strengthening economic development while improving alignment in community services. I encourage the Council to approve this amendment.