

## ***Jay Economic Development Committee Agenda***

***Date: March 19, 2025***

***Time: 12:00 PM***

***Location: Hybrid – Jay Community Center***

### **1. Welcome and Introduction**

### **2. Business Development & Main Street Revitalization**

- a. Support existing businesses & attract new retail, services, and small-scale manufacturing
- b. Incentivize redevelopment while preserving historic character
- c. Expand arts-based economic development & shared commercial spaces
- d. Address gaps in essential services (restaurants, pharmacy, bakery, coffee shop)
- e. Identify business sector gaps & available economic development resources

### **3. Outdoor Recreation, Agritourism & Community Spaces**

- a. Establish a central farm storefront & strengthen partnerships with local farms
- b. Improve trail access, wayfinding, and recreational infrastructure
- c. Explore cooperative business models for farm-to-table, farmers' markets, and outdoor tourism
- d. Invest in public spaces & mixed-use development opportunities

### **4. Workforce Development & Remote Work Attraction**

- a. Address workforce shortages through training programs, apprenticeships, and partnerships
- b. Support workforce housing development & broadband expansion
- c. Incentivize remote workers & local trade programs

### **5. Infrastructure & Economic Growth**

- a. Expand broadband & cellular service to support businesses and residents
- b. Improve water/sewer capacity & streetscapes for business districts
- c. Enhance public spaces to encourage foot traffic and business activity

### **6. Business Recruitment, Retention and Expansion**

- a. Local Business Support.

## **7. Key Community Priorities & Next Steps**

- a. Community survey findings: need for year-round businesses, workforce housing, and infrastructure improvements
- b. Define priorities, responsibilities & funding opportunities
- c. Set timelines for implementation & follow-up

## **8. Open Discussion**

- a. Opportunity for attendees to voice concerns, share ideas, or provide updates on topics not covered in the agenda

## **9. Closing Remarks & Adjournment**

