

The City of Elmwood Recovery Committee was appointed by the City Council to coordinate the physical and economic recovery of the downtown area that was impacted by the June 5, 2010 tornado.

As subsequent meetings, discussions and activities occurred, the Recovery Committee became the "unofficial" committee tasked with coordination of long range economic development and recovery efforts. Because the list of ideas and possibilities for economic development could become overwhelming, it became clear that an effective span of control system, consisting of local community organizations would be needed to coordinate everyone's efforts. Duplication of efforts and uncoordinated attempts to explore new economic development opportunities can be counter-productive and can result in frustration and loss of momentum.

Therefore, it is recommended that the Recovery Committee coordinate economic development efforts by establishing the organizational chart depicted above and by creating a communications network to ensure that all economic development opportunities are coordinated, explored and resolved.