

Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority Regular Meeting

Minutes: Meeting of Tuesday, April 15, 2025

Present: Dr. Curtis Lewis, Chair
Mr. Steven R. McGee, Vice Chair;
Rev. Earl Williams Jr., Secretary/Treasurer
Mr. Ronald Morgan

Absent: Mr. John Carroll,
Mr. Chris Patel
Mr. John Callis

The monthly regular meeting of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority (GAEDA) was called to order by Chair Dr. Lewis at 8:16 a.m. Administrative Assistant, Kiana Siders called the roll and a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner McGee, seconded by Commissioner Morgan to approve the April 2025 Consent Agenda. A discussion was held, and a roll call vote was as follows:

- Commissioner Lewis: Yes
- Commissioner McGee: Yes
- Commissioner Williams: Yes
- Commissioner Carroll: Absent
- Commissioner Patel: Absent
- Commissioner Morgan: Yes
- Commissioner Callis: Absent

With no further discussion or comments, the motion passed with 4 votes in favor.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 24, 2025 SPECIAL CALL MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Commissioner McGee, seconded by Commissioner Morgan to approve the minutes of the March 24th, 2025 Special Call meeting minutes. With no further discussion or comments, the motion was approved.

GRANT REQUEST-PEABODY ALUMNI ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION

A motion was made by Commissioner McGee, seconded by Commissioner Williams, to approve a grant request from the Peabody Alumni Endowment Foundation in the amount to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for their event to be held August 20-23, 2025. A presentation was given by Vice President, Roxan Barnes and Director of Community Outreach/Special Events, Cathy Brown. A discussion was held. A roll call vote was as follows:

- Commissioner Lewis: Yes
- Commissioner McGee: Yes
- Commissioner Williams: Yes
- Commissioner Carroll: Absent
- Commissioner Patel: Absent
- Commissioner Morgan: Yes
- Commissioner Callis: Absent

With no further comments, the motion passed with 4 votes in favor.

PRESENTATION- CITY OF ALEXANDRIA

The board heard a presentation from Mayor Jacques Roy and Rick Ranson, regarding the Intergovernmental Agreement and related Addenda between the City of Alexandria and GAEDA.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner McGee, seconded Commissioner Lewis, to enter Executive Session pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17 (A)(2), for discussion of strategy and potential litigation.

ADJORNMENT

There being no business to come before the board, meeting was adjourned by 9:44 a.m.