

PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Board of Directors

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Mr. Steven R. McGee

Vice-Chair

Mr. Ronald Morgan

Secretary/Treasurer

Rev. Earl Williams, Jr.

Board Members

Ms. Zendrea Whitehead

Executive Director

Angela Varnado

The public is invited to attend all meetings unless otherwise noted in accordance with the LA Opens Meeting Law pursuant to R.S. 42:11 – R.S. 42:28 *Formerly R.S.42:4.1-42:13.*

Please Be Advised!!!

**The following meeting of the
Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority (GAEDA)
scheduled for:**

**Tuesday, February 17th, 2026, at 8:00 AM
is hereby rescheduled for:**

**Thursday, February 19th, 2026, at 8:00 AM
The Hotel Bentley
Bayou Roberts Room (2nd Floor)
200 Desoto Street ~ Alexandria, LA 71301**



**THE GREATER ALEXANDRIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
(GAEDA)**

Mr. Steven R. McGee, Chair
Mr. Ronald Morgan, Vice-Chair
Rev. Earl Williams, Jr., Secretary/Treasurer
Ms. Zendrea Whitehead, Commissioner

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, February 19, 2026 ~ 8:00 a.m.

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(Please keep comments limited to 3 minutes per person)

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Invocation**
- C. Pledge of Allegiance**
- D. Roll Call**
- E. Active Items**
- 1. Motion to approve February 2026 Consent Agenda:
 - a) Motion to approve the January 2026 Meeting Minutes. **Public Comments**
 - b) Motion to approve the January 2026 Financial Statements. **Public Comments**
- 2. Motion to accept the 2026 Engagement Letters with Oestrieher & Company, CPAs for the annual audit of financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2025.-**Public Comments**
- 3. Motion to approve a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Mission to Marketplace, LLC, for the Heart of Louisiana Concert Series not to exceed Twenty Thousand Six Hundred (\$20,600) for assistance with meals, advertising, and marketing for the Heart of Louisiana Concert Series to be held May 2026 through October 2026. **Public Comments**

Presentation(s)

To hear a presentation from Gerber Porter regarding a proposed economic development project/program.

To hear a presentation from Thaddyeus Dixon (Latter & Blum Central Realty) regarding project sites.

- F. Commissioner Comments**
- G. Executive Director Comments**
- H. Legal Counsel Comments**
- I. Accountant Comments**
- J. Public Comments or Questions**
- K. Adjourn**

GAEDA Committee Meetings and Regular Meetings are broadcast live and may be viewed by the public on our website at www.gaeda.org.