

GREATER ALEXANDRIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2026

Present: Mr. Steven McGee; Mr. Ronald Morgan

Absent: Rev. Earl Williams Jr., Chair

The committee meeting of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority's Economic Development Committee was called to order at 8:30 am by Commissioner McGee.

Administrative Assistant Kiana Siders called roll. A quorum was present.

It was moved by Commissioner Morgan and seconded by Commissioner McGee to consider a grant request from the Louisiana Rural Water Association not to exceed Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) for assistance with meals for the Louisiana Rural Water Association Mini-Conference to be held October 19-23, 2026, at the Holiday Inn Downtown, The Hotel Bentley & Randolph Riverfront Center. Discussion was held, motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner McGee made a motion to consider a grant request from the United Most Worshipful King George Grand Lodge Grand Session not to exceed Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) for assistance with meals, advertising, and marketing for the 103rd Masonic Grand Lodge Grand Session to be held October 15-18, 2026, at the Hotel Bentley.

Commissioner Morgan recused from discussion and voting, the motion failed for a lack of a second.

It was moved by Commissioner McGee seconded by Commissioner Morgan to consider a grant request from the Rapides Senior Citizens Center, Inc. and amend the award amount from Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) for assistance with meals, advertising, and marketing for the Red-Carpet Celebration to be held August 21, 2026. Discussion was held, motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner McGee seconded by Commissioner Morgan to consider a grant request from the Genesis of Eve Catholic Ministries and amend the award amount from Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for the assistance with meals, advertising, and marketing for the Genesis of Eve Conference to be held September 17-20, 2026, at the Randolph Riverfront Center. Discussion was held, motion carried unanimously.

The Committee heard comments from Joe Mackay from the Rapides Symphony Orchestra.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 a.m.