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PUBLIC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

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 meetings of the Greater Alexandria Economic Development Authority (GAEDA) are as follows:

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, July 16, 2024

8:00 A.M.

The Hotel Bentley ~ Bayou Roberts Room

200 Desoto Street

Alexandria, LA 71301

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REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, July 16, 2024

8:15 A.M.

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GAEDA COMMITTEE MEETINGS AGENDA

Tuesday, July 16, 2024 ~ 8:00 a.m.

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200 Desoto Street ~ Alexandria, LA 71301

(Public comments can be made prior to any vote)

(Please keep comments limited to 3 minutes per person)

Executive, Administration and Legal Committee

Mr. Greg Upton, Chair; Dr. Curtis Lewis, Vice-Chair; Mrs. Paula Katz, Secretary/Treasurer

1. Motion to recommend approving the June 2024 Financial Statements. **Public Comments**
2. Motion to recommend approving the May 2024 Financial Statements. **Public Comments**
3. Motion to recommend approving the April 2024 Financial Statements. **Public Comments**
4. To hear public comments.

Governmental Relations Committee

Mr. John Carroll, Chair; Mr. Chris Patel; Mr. John Callis

1. To hear public comments.

Capital Projects Committee

Mr. Ronald Morgan, Chair; Chris Patel; Dr. Curtis Lewis

1. To hear public comments.

Economic Development Committee

Dr. Curtis Lewis, Chair; Mr. Chris Patel; Mr. Ronald Morgan; Mr. John Callis

1. Motion to recommend approving a grant request with Peak Fighting Championship in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for advertisement and marketing of the PFC 41 event to be held November 16, 2024. **Public Comments**
2. To hear discussion regarding GAEDAS funding process to include grant request, Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA) and Cooperative Agreements(CEA).

3. To hear public comments

Operations & Human Resource Committee

Mrs. Paula Katz, Chair; Mr. Ronald Morgan, Mr. John Callis

1. To hear public comments



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- A. Call to Order**
- B. Invocation**
- C. Pledge of Allegiance**
- D. Roll Call**
- E. Active Items**
 - 1) Motion to approve the July 2024 Consent Agenda:
 - a) Motion to approve the June 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes. - **Public Comments**
 - b) Motion to approve the June 2024 Financial Statements-**Public Comments**
 - 2) Motion to approve the May 2024 Financial Statements. **Public Comments**
 - 3) Motion to approve the April 2024 Financial Statements. **Public Comments**
 - 4) Motion to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2024 Special Call Meeting Minutes-**Public Comments**
 - 5) Motion to approve a Cooperative Endeavor with the Alexandria and Conventions & Visitors Bureau in an amount not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000) for meals and advertising & Marketing and Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for fireworks at the 2024 Future Farmers of America Conference. -**Public Comments**
 - 6) Motion to approve a grant request with Peak Fighting Championship in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for advertisement and marketing of the PFC 41 event to be held November 16, 2024. **Public Comments**
 - 7) To hear discussion regarding GAEDA's Legislative Authority.
- G. Executive Director Comments**

****Additions to agenda made by unanimous consent only!***

- H. Commissioner Comments**
- I. Legal Counsel Comments**
- J. Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss strategy sessions or negotiations with respect to collective bargaining, prospective litigation after formal written demand, or litigation when an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the legislature, either house thereof, or any committee or subcommittee of either house.**

- K. Public Comments or Questions**
- L. Adjourn**

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