

Arlington Economic Development Commission

1100 N Glebe Rd, #1500,
Arlington, VA 22201

Business Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, February 21, 2017

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Archie, James	X	
Bates (Roche), Kate	X	
Bowen McCauley, Lucy	X	
Bushkoff, Robert	X	
Caiazzo, Jill		X
Costa, Anthony		X
DePalma, Lindsey	X	
Duran, Sally	X	
Familiant, Dori	X	
Foster, Michael	X	
Gillen, Pamela		X
Greenwald, Peter	X (phone)	
Kumar, Neal	X	
Lipman, Deborah		X
Monroe, Bryant	X	
Norris, Jerry		X
Pages, Erik R.	X	
Patil, Vivek	X	
Poli, Frank	X	
Stone, Nicholas	X	
Tempio, Deborah	X	
Timme, Suzette J.	X	
Mike Weiss	X	
Yeatts, Todd	X	

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Arlington Economic Development Commission was called to order by Chair Duran at 8:10 AM.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner Poli and seconded by Commissioner Kumar to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2017 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

- Chair Duran reported that Commissioner Stone will service as Vice Chair of the EDC.
- She also reported that a major element of the EDC's workplan this year is the update of the EDC's Economic Development Strategy "Framework for Prosperity". A working group to lead that effort has been appointed and includes Commissioner DePalma (Chair), Commissioner Bushkoff, Commissioner Weiss, and Commissioner Caiazzo. The goal is to have the updated strategy approved by the County Board in 2017. The updated strategy will incorporate the work of last year's Competitiveness 2.0 and Regional Economic Development Strategy Working Groups, in addition to other efforts such as the Business Brain Trust, the business survey and Small Business Summit.
- Ms. Duran plans on attending the March 2 and March 9 budget Worksessions with the County Board.

4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- AED Assistant Director Alexander Iams provided information to the Commission about recent recruitments including Grant Thornton. He also reported on the FY 2018 County Budget process.
- AED Business Investment Director, Christina Winn, provided an overview of the efforts to successfully recruit Nestlé to Arlington (see Attachment 1)

5. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEM:

- Commissioner DePalma led the Commission in a discussion of key elements and thoughts that should be considered in the update of the economic development strategy.
5. EDC WORKING GROUP UPDATES:
- Economic Development Strategy Update – Commissioner DePalma informed the group that the Working Group will be meeting five times before returning to the Commission with A draft document for their review. In addition, there will be additional opportunities for Commission involvement.
 - Skunkworks Working Group – Commissioner Patil reported that the Skunkworks Working Group will continue to advance a pilot effort to address an experiential learning continuum in Arlington.
6. COUNTY PROJECT UPDATES:
- Four Mile Run Valley (4MRV) – Commissioner Monroe updated the Commission on the project and recommended that business interests should be encouraged to speak during public comment at the working group meetings.
 - Lee Highway Alliance – Chair Duran reported that they have their bylaws and will be scheduling a meeting soon.
 - Multi-Family Residential Parking Group – Commissioner Kumar reported that the group is working on policy guidance.
7. OLD BUSINESS
- Commissioner Bates reported that the State intervened on the towing issue and now a second signature will not be required.
8. NEW BUSINESS
- Consideration the draft Policy Governing Electronic Participation in Meetings for Arlington County Advisory Groups (see Attachment 2).

Motion Made by Commissioner Poli and seconded by Commissioner Tempio to not approve the Draft Policy Governing Electronic Participation in Meetings for Arlington County Advisory Groups. Motion carried unanimously.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 AM.

The next meeting of the Economic Development Commission will be held 7:45 AM, March 14, 2017. A recording of the meeting may be heard by contacting the AED offices.