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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, June 18, 2024

8:00 A.M.

The Hotel Bentley ~ Bayou Roberts Room

200 Desoto Street

Alexandria, LA 71301

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REGULAR MEETING

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AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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GAEDA COMMITTEE MEETINGS AGENDA

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(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 April 2024 Draft Financial Statements. **Public Comments**
2. Motion to recommend approving the May 2024 Draft Financial Statements. **Public Comments**
3. 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 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 of the 2024 Future Farmers of America Conference.-**Public Comments**
2. Motion to recommend approving a grant request with Peak Fighting Championship in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for out of area advertisement and

marketing of the PFC 41 event to be held November 16, 2024. **Public Comments**

3. Motion to recommend approving a grant request with the Louisiana Animal Care and Control Association in an amount not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) for out of area advertisement and marketing of the Louisiana Animal Care and Control Association Training to be held July 22-July 26, 2024. **Public Comments.**
4. Motion to recommend approving a grant request with Southwestern Diocese Church of Christ Holliness USA in an amount not to exceed Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000) for meals at the Southwestern Diocese Convention to be held June 26- June 30, 2024. **Public Comments.**
5. Motion to recommend approving a grant request with RRIS Play House in an amount not to exceed Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) for advertisement and out-of-market advertising of the “Soul Purpose” Stage Play to be held October 26, 224 at the Coughlin Saunders Performing Arts Center. – **Public Comments**
6. Motion to recommend approving a grant request with United Educational Missionary Baptist Association, Inc (UEMBA) in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) meals of the Louisiana Home and Foreign Missions Baptist Convention, Inc. (LHFMB) to be held on July 28- August 1, 2024. **Public Comments**
7. Motion to recommend approving a grant request with the Louisiana Association of Chiefs (LACP) of Police in an amount not to exceed Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for meals at the LACP Annual Conference to be held July 15-18, 2024. **Public Comments**
8. 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**
- F. Active Items**

- 1) Motion to approve the June 2024 Consent Agenda:
 - a) Motion to approve the May 21, 2024 Meeting Minutes. - **Public Comments**
 - b) Motion to approve the May Draft 2024 Financial Statements-**Public Comments**
- 2) Motion to approve the May 2024 Board Meeting Minutes-Public Comments
- 3) Motion to approve the May 23, 2024 Special Call Meeting Minutes – Public Comments
- 4) Motion to approve the April 16, 2024 Meeting Minutes. - **Public Comments**
- 5) Motion to approve the April 2024 Draft Financial Statements-**Public Comments**
- 6) Motion to approve the April 16, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes – Public Comments
- 7) Motion to approve the April 30, 2024 Special call Meeting Minutes- Public Comments
- 8) Motion to approve the March 2024 Meeting Minutes- **Public Comments**
- 9) Motion to approve the February 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes-**Public Comments**
- 10) Motion to approve the February 14, 2024 Meeting Minutes – **Public Comments**
- 11) Motion to approve the February 19, 2024 Meeting Minutes-**Public Comments**
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- G. Executive Director Comments**
- H. Commissioner Comments**
- I. Legal Counsel Comments**
- J. Public Comments or Questions**
- K. Adjourn**

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