

Arlington Economic Development Commission

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

Business Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 10, 2016

<u>Member Name</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Archie, James		X
Bates (Roche), Kate	X	
Bowen McCauley, Lucy	X	
Bushkoff, Robert	X	
Costa, Anthony	X	
DePalma, Lindsey	X	
Duran, Sally	X	
Familiant, Dori	X	
Foster, Michael	X	
Gillen, Pamela		X
Greenwald, Peter	X	
Kumar, Neal	X	
Lipman, Deborah		X
Monroe, Bryant		X
Norris, Jerry	X	
Pages, Erik R.		X
Patil, Vivek	X	
Poli, Frank		X
Raines, Gregory C.		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 8:07 AM. Arlington Arts Commissioner Jon Hensley was introduced and welcomed.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Commissioner Bushkoff and seconded by Commissioner Norris to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2016 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

3. CHAIR'S REPORT

- Chair Duran reported that newly hired County Auditor, Jessica Tucker, will be holding a focus group on the SPRC process at AED on May 20. EDC members and others will be in attendance.
- Commissioner Duran also reported that Bryant Monroe will serve as the EDC's primary representative on the County's Four Mile Run Planning Process. Neal Kumar will serve as alternate.
- Shannon Flanagan-Watson reported on the successful Small Business Summit held on May 6. More than 300 people attended and more than 135 individuals joined the live web streaming of the presentations

4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- AED Director Hoskins updated the Commission on recent activities of AED including the 1776 Challenge Cup Global to be held in Washington June 7, 2016 where start-ups will compete for \$175,000 in cash grant and up to \$1 million in funding.

5. INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ITEM: Arlington Arts and Culture through an Economic Development Lens.
 - Commissioner Peter Greenwald facilitated a discussion that included a presentation by AED Cultural Affairs Director Michelle Isabelle-Stark on the activities and programs of Arlington Cultural Affairs Division; a presentation by AED Strategic Partnerships and Initiatives Director Karen Vazquez on Arlington's Cultural Economy and plans along Columbia Pike; comments from Arts Commissioner Jon Hensley about the initiatives and priorities of the Arts Commission, and a brief summary by Mr. Greenwald of the non-profit Arlington Foundation for Arts and Innovation (AFAI).
6. WORKING GROUP UPDATES
 - Regional Economic Development: Commissioner Costa reported that the first meeting of the working group was held and the Group is using a proof of concept approach to assess elements of Arlington's regional advantages.
 - Competitiveness 2.0: Commissioner Timme reported that the group held its second meeting and included members of AED's Business Investment Team to hear their ideas and strategies for recruiting and retaining business in Arlington.
 - Skunkworks: Commissioner Patil reported that the group has met twice and is considering its role and opportunities serving as a catalyst for advancing disruptive ideas that will impact conversation in Arlington.
7. NEW BUSINESS
 - Commissioner Costa asked the EDC if they would like to know more about WMATA issues related to safety and funding. There was consensus that a discussion on WMATA should be on the EDC agenda in the near future.
8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 AM.

The next meeting of the Economic Development Commission will be held 7:45 AM, June 14, 2016. A recording of the meeting may be heard by contacting the AED offices.