



DACC Executive Committee		
August 21, 2024	7:30 AM	DACC Conference Room
Meeting called by	Chairman, Rick Evans called the meeting to order @ 7:30 AM.	
Type of meeting	Executive Committee Meeting	
Facilitator	Chairman, Rick Evans	
Note taker	Linda Peplau	
Adjourned	8:43 AM	
Attendees	Rick Evans, Stan Shepherd, Mark Wills & Jean Garniewicz	
Staff/Guests	Cheney Eldridge, Anita Patel, Stuart Hilsman & Linda Peplau	
Meeting Agenda		
2 minutes	Chairman, Rick Evans	
Discussion	Chairman Rick Evans calls for a motion to jointly approve the Agenda for the August 21, 2024, Executive Committee Meeting & the minutes for the July 17, 2024 Executive Committee meeting.	
Conclusions	Motion: Mark Wills 2nd: Jean Garniewicz Motion carries unanimously (4-0)	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Minutes of Previous Meeting		
0 minute	Chairman, Rick Evans	
Discussion	See above.	
Conclusions	Motion: Mark Wills 2nd: Jean Garniewicz Motion carries unanimously (4-0)	
DACC Financial Report		
17 minutes	Treasurer, Mark Wills	
Discussion	<p>Treasurer, Mark Wills shares the following in the financial report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update timeline, for county taking over of DACC's monthly financial reports. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ County Finance has moved the start date back a few months. ○ SME, will continue to produce the monthly financial reports until the county is ready to take the task over. • Budget report & discussion- comparison of last year vs this year, categories and rounded figures. • Reports on the excess funds due to staff vacancies and ideas for it's future use, i.e inteventives. • Discussion on bank account parameters and movement for best interest earnings. • Reports on the status of DACC's county appropriations and shares that Rick Evans has a meeting set with Leanne Reece to finalize the appropriations settlement. • Reports on White Oak's current debt/fixed assets. • Rick Evans contributes a bond payment update, shares that the county will be taking over the action of making the bond payments going forward. 	
Conclusions	It was unanimously agreed upon to present the draft to the board at the next board meeting for information only.	
Chairman's Report		
8 minutes	Chairman, Rick Evans	
Discussion	<p>Chairman, Rick Evans shares the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports on the success of the Savannah Port Authority, board day trip (08.20.2024). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Savannah Port, hosts 14 thousand trucks a day. ○ Explains how the port plans to raise the bridge in the near future. 	



Economic Development Updates	
41 minutes	Executive Director, Cheney Eldridge
Discussion	<p>Executive Director, Cheney Eldridge shared the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shares a RFI report = ranked top 4 attractive sites in GA. • Reports on her recent economic presentation. • Shares that Evans was ranked #2, best place to live in Georgia by USA Today. • White oak updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Starts discussion on the transportation hub at White Oak. ○ Shared details on Amazon's truck timings, capacity, construction & production. ○ Shares timeline on proposed projects @ WOAK. ○ Rock blasting updates. ○ Shares that she will meet with Robbie Bennett & Will Eubank at White Oak for a construction recap (current & historical construction). • Landscape updates. • Board Retreat updates (September 26 & 27): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GA Power -Georgia Experience Center in ATL, GA. & board strategies. ○ Town of Trilith/Trilith Studios in Fayetteville, GA. ○ Chairman, Rick Evans, suggests scrubbing agenda topics beforehand to allow some foresight of the topics for better engagement. • Reports on a Planning and Zoning meeting that she recently attended. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Process & strategies to help facilitate new projects (businesses & industries). ○ Learning how to best help navigate the permitting process for new business. ○ Create a checklist for guidance/information. • Vice Chairman, Stan Shepherd, starts the discussion on the Horizon South sign removal and offers, wayfinding signage as an alternative. A deeper dive into the Horizon South Tenant Agreement and a county inquiry will help answer who is financially obligated to remove and replace the signage along with a timeline of completion.
Calendar of Events	
5 minutes	Rick Evans
Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August 28, 2024 Board Meeting • September 12, 2024 State of the Community • September 13, 2024 Property Dev. Committee @ 7:30 • September 13, 2024 Executive Committee @ 8:30 • September 13, 2024 Existing Business Dev. & Workforce Dev. Committee @ 9:30 • September 15-18, 2024 IEDC- Annual Conference • September 18-20, 2024 GEDA- Annual Conference • September 25, 2024 Board Meeting (CANCELED) • September 26-27, 2024 Board Retreat
Conclusions	Chairman, Rick Evans, announces that the September 25, 2024 board meeting has been formally canceled.
Adjournment	
	8:43 AM
Conclusions	Chairman Rick Evans calls for a Motion to adjourn: Motion: Jean Garniewicz 2nd: Mark Wills Motion carries unanimously (4-0)
Next meeting: September 13, 2024 @ 8:30	Development Authority Conference Room