

CITY OF ST. CLOUD

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1300 Ninth Street, Building A – 1st Floor,
Growth Management Conference Room
Wednesday, February 16th, 2022 - 5:00 pm

MINUTES

I. OPENING BUSINESS

Chair Richard “Trevor” Estill called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.

a. Pledge of Allegiance

b. Roll Call

<u>Members</u>	<u>Present/Absent</u>
Paula Stark (Seat #1)	Absent
Susan Abshire (Seat #2)	Present
Thomas Lord, Vice Chair (Seat #3)	Present
Karl Theobald (Seat #4)	Present
Daniel Minckler (Seat #5)	Present
Maureen McNamee-Cook (Seat #6)	Absent
Richard “Trevor” Estill, Chair (Seat #7)	Present
Robert Collins (Ex Officio Member)	Present (Virtual)

Staff Present:

Antranette Forbes, Economic Development Manager
Massiel Rivas, Recording Secretary

c. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from January 19th, 2022, by Chair Estill and seconded by Member Lord. All members voted aye; motion passed.

II. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business at this time.

III. New Business

a. Presentation in Recognition of Committee and Board Volunteers

Councilmember Keith Trace presented committee members with gifts and appreciation certificates from City Council and left immediately after.

Member Theobald asked the board committee to send a letter to the city council requesting more zoning for commercial industrial use. Member Theobald made a motion to approve. Member Abshire seconded the motion. All members voting “Aye”.

Member Theobald asked for an update on the turnpike interchange.

b. Greater St. Cloud Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee Report.

Ms. Forbes read a report from Dirk Webb, President of the St. Cloud Chamber, about their economic development committee which read as follows:

The Chamber hosted Lifeboat Project at Kissimmee Bay today, helping to mobilize the area against human trafficking. The event had over 100 in attendance.

April 8th is the Golf Outing at Kissimmee Bay.

The May Quarterly Breakfast will feature Experience Kissimmee (EK) and discuss the amazing uptick in tourism. They will also discuss how businesses can work with EK.

The August Quarterly Breakfast will feature OUC and an update on the Joint Facility held at Cornerstone Family Church.

Restructured Chamber Government Affairs committee will convene next Wednesday. They will be working on Politics in the Barn as well as other items.

c. St. Cloud Main Street Economic Restructuring Committee Report.

Chair Estill mentioned that there was no representative from Main Street.

IV. STAFF REPORT/UPDATE

Member Theobald asked if there was any information or changes that can be provided on the next meeting about Orlando Health’s master plan update.

Ms. Antranette Forbes provided an update/information about the Economic Submit.

Ms. Forbes also mentioned about the upcoming webinar Show Me the Money on 3/9/22 regarding access to capital for startups and existing businesses in partnership with the SBA.

Member Susan Abshire requested to have a representative from the county to discuss the CCC and CCP’s zones.

Ms. Forbes mentioned that EDAC meeting on 3/16/22 will be canceled.

Ms. Forbes announced that the Paint, Plant and Pave CRA Program is now accepting applications.

Ms. Forbes provided an update on all-person virtual meetings. Per city attorney, virtual meetings are not possible as they do not allow for public input; however, certain guests or presenters may attend virtually.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment at this time.

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Richard “Trevor” Estill adjourned the meeting at 5:33 p.m.

Richard “Trevor” Estill, Chair

Date

Massiel Rivas, Recording Secretary

Date