

**JOINT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
STEERING COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 6, 2002
8:00 A.M.**

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 8:11 a.m. Present were Chair Wayne Arnold, Jason Curtis, Councilmember Starkey (arrived at 8:15 a.m.), Catherine McKenzie and Lynn Goldman. Also present was Economic Development Manager Margaret Wu. Also present was Committee Secretary Jason Curtis recording the meeting. Councilmember Truex, Casey Lee, Neal Kalis and Vice-Chair Chuck Bonfiglio were absent.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 7, 2002

Ms. McKenzie made a motion, seconded by Ms. Goldman, to approve the minutes of June 7, 2002. In a voice vote, with Ms. Lee, Councilmember Truex, Vice-Chair Bonfiglio and Mr. Kalis being absent, all voted in favor. **(Motion carried 4-0)**

3. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Curtis referred to comments he made at the June 7th meeting regarding Davie Commons and indicated that the comments were personal and not representative of the Agrarian Committee. He distributed a copy of a letter addressed to Development Services Director Mark Kutney regarding the Request for Proposal regarding an impact study which had also been discussed at a previous meeting. In referring to the Request for Proposal, Ms. Wu indicated that the Bid Spec Committee had met with PMG Associates, the firm that ranked number one and was selected to perform the impact study. She added that the company that ranked second, Fishkine and Associates, had indicated that their cost for the study would be \$20,000.

4. NEW BUSINESS

4.1 Agrarian Committee - Jason Curtis

Mr. Curtis reported that the Agrarian Committee did not hold a meeting; however he apprised the Committee of the status of the lawsuit between the Property Appraiser and the Value Adjustment Board. He indicated that there was a similar case in the Appellate Court between the Property Appraiser's Office vs. Pompano Beach and the judge was delaying any decision until a decision was made by the Appellate Court.

4.2 Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) - Neal Kalis

Chair Arnold advised that the CRA was moving forward with some of the Eastside infrastructure discussions and a neighborhood meeting would be held on September 7th at the Eastside Potter Park area. The purpose of the meeting would be to discuss working with the community on several neighborhood revitalization initiatives. He added that letters had been sent to residents informing them of the meeting which would be hosted by the Davie Housing and Community Development Office and the CRA. Chair Arnold indicated that residents would be given the opportunity to provide input on phase one of infrastructure improvements which included sidewalk, street lights, landscaping, entranceways features, and drainage improvements funding.

4.3 Davie/Cooper City Chamber of Commerce - Chuck Bonfiglio

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As there was no representative present, no report was made.

4.4 Davie Economic Development Council (EDC) – Catherine McKenzie

Ms. McKenzie reported that the EDC continue to work on major goals for the year, one of which was to establish a corporate park within the Town, with the hope that a major tax increase for residents could be prevented. She advised about the initiation of an impact study to determine the cost of services and what the tax base would be in the Town. Ms. McKenzie added that the EDC had been working with Town officials to expedite the study, however, it was postponed. She indicated that work with the South Florida Education Center was ongoing to establish research and development opportunities with the Town.

4.5 Davie Merchants and Industrial Association (DMIA) – Wayne Arnold

Chair Arnold advised that Edna Moore had resigned from the Committee and he had been selected by the DMIA Board of Directors to serve on the Committee. He indicated that former Broward Sheriff, Nick Navaro would be the guest speaker at the upcoming DMIA meeting.

Chair Arnold added that Candidate's Night would be held on October 8th at Town Hall with Mayor Venis presiding as moderator.

4.6 Planning and Zoning Board – Casey Lee

As there was no representative present, no report was made.

4.7 South Florida Education Center (SFEC) – Lynn Goldman

Ms. Goldman reported that the SFEC would be the sponsor for the Davie/Cooper City Chamber of Commerce Breakfast which would be held at the Rolling Hills Hotel on September 18th. She advised that the SFEC was in the process of compiling a book which would outline all the services offered by the schools.

4.8 Town Council – Councilmember Starkey and Councilmember Truex

Councilmember Starkey expressed concern about upcoming large joint agency meeting, and inquired if a day had been selected. Ms. Wu indicated that she had been informed by the Town Clerk's Office that Council had agreed on September 23rd. Councilmember Starkey indicated that all the representatives present should inform their organizations of the upcoming meeting.

Councilmember Starkey provided an update on the following items: the relocation of the federal courthouse, a meeting with the Board of Directors of the Broward League of Cities regarding annexation of certain areas, Fire EMS, a referendum on the November ballot to fund a regional communications network system and the expansion of the south runway at the airport.

5. COMMENTS AND/OR SUGGESTION

Chair Arnold asked for a motion, that because of holidays during the months of November and December meetings be cancelled and resume in January 2003.

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Ms. Goldman so moved, seconded by Ms. McKenzie. In a voice vote, with Ms. Lee, Councilmember Truex, Vice-Chair Bonfiglio and Mr. Kalis being absent, all voted in favor. **(Motion carried 4-0)**

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Date Approved

Chair/Committee Member