

City of DeBary
Regular Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting
THURSDAY
JANUARY 16, 2003
8:00 AM

Florence K. Little Town Hall
12 Colomba Road

AGENDA

1. Call to Order - Chair Carol Lawrence

Members Present; Carol Lawrence, Tracy Good, Betty Gigantino, Donald E. Kitner, Dick Tosh, Tom Donohoe, and Jane Wright.

Absent: Don Woodruff

Others Present: Vice Mayor Coleman, City Manager Diamond, and Assistant City Manager Yaskanich.

2. Approval of Minutes:
Minutes: November 14, 2002
November 21, 2002

Minutes were approved as submitted.

3. Set Committee Meeting Calendar: morning vs. evening

There was discussion that Committee terms end as of January 31, 2003 and Chair and Vice-Chair elections would be held in March; that sitting members were re-appointed; that the Committee would select its own alternate from those appointments. There was discussion of meeting time. Chair Lawrence entertained a motion to determine meeting times. Motion was made and seconded to change to evening meetings. The motion carried. It was the consensus that meetings would be held on the third Thursday of each month; that the next meeting would be held on Thursday, February 20, 2003 at 6:00 PM.

4. Discussion: Ordinance No. 13-98 - Creation of Opportunity Fund

There was discussion that a Committee Member would work with City Manager Diamond and prepare a recommendation to the Committee regarding wage limits.

5. Discussion: December 13, 2002 EDAC Business Roundtable

Feedback from the Roundtable was discussed; that more public participation could be encouraged at the EDAC meetings with the change to evening meetings; that communication of upcoming issues was needed; that the Agenda was posted on the Website; that there appeared to

have been sufficient interest to hold yearly Roundtables; that they could be an effective tool for both the EDAC and the City Council; that additional Roundtable meetings could be held as needed for special issues; and that a sign-in list was available.

6. Discussion: Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)

City Manager Diamond reviewed the Annual Goals & Objectives of the City Council which directed that he prepare a proposal for EDAC review by April; that the Florida Redevelopment Association had an Assistance Program offering a team to provide information on CRA development; that an application would be made to have them appear at the next meeting; and that he would communicate with the County for their suggestions. It was suggested that publicity be used to generate interest in the community to attend the meetings.

7. Other Business

Chair Lawrence asked that Members be prepared to present recommendations for prioritization of the Strategic Plan and that items discussed at this meeting be included on the next Agenda.

There was discussion of beautification projects in other areas including Sanford River Walk. Chair Lawrence commented on information received during her attendance at the SJRWMD River Summit pointed to serious impact on this area due to future water concerns.

Sandra Wilson of the DeBary Art League announced the next Celebration of the Arts program at Gemini Springs and that a proposal for an Art Center to be built at Gemini Springs is being discussed.

8. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:00 AM.

**APPROVED March 20, 2003
Economic Development Advisory Committee
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Carol Lawrence, Chair