



**City of East Point  
Meeting Summary  
Business and Industrial Development Authority  
Thursday, December 7, 2023  
East Point, GA 30344  
6:30 pm**

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**Type of Meeting:** Monthly meeting

**Meeting Attendees:** BIDA Board Members

**Guest:**

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**I. Call to order**

Chairperson Kristin Jackson Pritz called the December 2023 meeting of the East Point Business and Industrial Development Authority to order at 6:45 pm.

**II. Approval of the agenda**

Mr. Alex Gothard made a motion to approve the current agenda and Ms. Helen Simmons seconded the motion. **The motion was approved unanimously, the motion was carried.**

**III. Approval of the October 5, 2023 Meeting Summary**

Ms. Margaret McClure made a motion to approve the October 5, 2023 Summary and Ms. Kristin Jackson Pritz seconded the motion. **The motion was approved unanimously, the motion was carried.**

**IV. Chairperson Report**

None

**V. Secretary/Treasurer's Report**

Bank Statement -June 2023 and Bank Statement -July 2023 were reviewed by the present board members.

**VI. Legal Report**

None

**VII. Old Business**

Ghost Kitchen Prospect – Mr. Gothard asked about ideas that had been discussed for BIDA projects, There was a discussion regarding purchasing and outfitting a building for the purpose of creating a ghost kitchen for up-and-coming restaurants and this is a “patient investor” strategy.

Ms. McClure stated we are not here for projects such as acquiring property as that is the business of economic development.

## VIII. New Business

Ms. Falatta James asked about new businesses for 2024. Mr. Rogers discussed an inbound call center project off of Camp Creek but it does not need BIDA funding as it has funding from the State of Georgia. He explained that the industrial moratorium (has now expired) and has caused many projects to not fit into BIDA's criteria as they would have been blocked by the previous moratorium.

Ms. James expressed a desire for adaptive reuse of industrial spaces. The Owen-Illinois site was mentioned as a possibility.

Mr. Rogers said he would provide an update list of available buildings and Brownfield sites.

Following, Mr. Gothard asked about using SBA Loans for the project?

Mr. Glaze spoke about using existing buildings and possibly seeking low interest loans with the Department of Community Affairs.

Mr. Dunson mentioned reaching out to the former owner of the Atlanta Restaurant Exchange to further the idea of a ghost kitchen project.

## IV. Adjournment

Mr. Alex Gothard made a motion to adjourn at 7:49 pm. Ms. Falatta James seconded the motion.

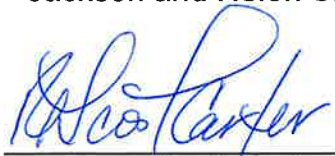
### **Board Members Present on December 7, 2023:**

Stacey Dunson, Alexander Gothard, Falatta James, Kristin Jackson, Gloria Speed, Margaret McClure, Helen Simmons and Stacey Dunson  
Margaret McClure, Kristin Jackson, and Helen Simmons

### **Others Present:**

Kirby Glaze, Maceo Rogers, and Regina Carter

This summary was approved by Board Members In attendance on **January 4, 2024:**  
Stacey Dunson, Alexander Gothard, Falatta James, Margaret McClure, Kristin Jackson and Helen Simmons



Regina T. Scott-Carter  
Secretary/Treasurer  
January 18, 2024