BIDA MEETING FEBRUARY 1, 2024

Meeting called to order at 7:05 by the Chair.

- Minutes were reviewed and motion to approve by Falatta James and seconded by Gloria Speed.
- The agenda was reviewed, and motion made to approve by Falatta James and seconded by Gloria Speed.

The Chair welcomed the newest member Rory Moon who was appointed by Carrie Zeigler,

The Chairman's Report:

- Ghost Kitchen project moving forward. Stacy has looked at several sites, wants other members to also look at some of the sites.
- Need to discuss how many vendors and make sure there are options for healthy food providers.
- The ghost kitchens can serve 2 purposes the catering community and serve as a commercial kitchen for other restaurants.
- BIDA needs to identify potential locations and develop a business plan.

Action Items:

- By the next meeting, Kirby and Maceo should produce a map of places to consider.
- A question was raised about outstanding bond status and Kirby will share the bond report sent to DCA on the status of bonds.

Persons indicating interest in SMDO 2024 are:

- Gloria
- Helen
- Rory
- Falatta
- Stacy
- Beth

A question was raised as to whether the retreat sessions that began in 2023. Maceo indicated that retreat planning could resume in March.

Legal Report

No report

Mandatory training for BIDA members is a requirement.

Action Item

• Kirby will send virtual training information and Regina can provide information on all available training.

Old Business

 A question was raised as to whether all seats on BIDA were currently filled. Maceo will check with Regina and report back to BIDA

New Business

 Question raised as to if East Point needs a space for large gatherings. Other cities have these opportunity spaces.

Economic Development Report

 A solicitation is out to assist the department in the development of the next Economic Development Strategy Plan. It was asked if we, BIDA could see the solicitation and the current plan. Maceo indicated that he would make those items available.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Falatta and seconded by Helen. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05.

Board Members Present on February 1, 2024 and they approved the *January 4, 2024 summary:*

Stacy Dunson, Alexander Gothard, Beth McMillan, Helen Simmons, and Gloria Speed

Others Present:

Kirby Glaze and Maceo Rogers

The February 1, 2024 summary was APPROVED ON: Board Members Present on March 7, 2024:

Stacy Dunson, Falatta James, Beth McMillan, Rory Moon, Helen Simmons, and Gloria Speed

Others Present:

Kirby Glaze and Maceo Rogers

Regina T. Scott-Carter Secretary/Treasurer

February 2, 2024