



**Charlottesville Economic Development Authority (CEDA)
Meeting Minutes – October 8, 2024**

Members Present

Denise Herndon
Jonathan Chasen
Jay O'Donnell
Addison Barnhardt
Steven Johnson

Staff Present

Chris Engel
Matt Johnson
Keith Groomes
Jenny Biche
Trish Carpenter

Not Present

Quinton Harrell
James Cauthen

A meeting of the Charlottesville Economic Development Authority occurred on Tuesday, October 8th, 2024, at CitySpace. The Chair, Mr. Barnhardt, called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM.

Mr. Barnhardt asked if there was any public comment; no public comments noted, he proceeded to the next agenda item.

Mr. Barnhardt asked the board if there were any comments or questions regarding the August 8, 2024, meeting minutes and the Treasurer reports for June, July and August 2024. No questions or comments noted, Mr. Barnhardt asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, motion moved by Mr. Chasen, second by Ms. Herndon, all present in favor. Motion passed.

First order of business, a Resolution for the Lease Approval for 1520 E. High St., The Rivanna River Company. Mr. Engel provided some background on the property which the City purchased last year. It was operating under the existing lease and operates similar to a ground lease. Property is maintained by the business and the business pays the rent and utilities. After all questions from the Board were answered, the Chair asked for a motion to approve the Resolution for the Lease for 1520 E. High St., The Rivanna River Company. So moved by Mr. Chasen, second by Mr. Johnson, all present in favor. Motion passed.

There was a presentation to the Board from Keith Groomes, Entrepreneurship Program Specialist, on the relaunch of the GO Start-Up program. Stats about the class were presented to the Board along with a narrative on the participants in the class and the different speakers and topics covered. Mr. Chasen suggested to have a small reunion in the future with the students.

Mr. Engel informed the Board that the FY2024 audit will commence soon. The audit results are usually presented at the December Board meeting.

Mr. Johnson mentioned the pedestrian/vehicle accident close to UVA hospital and that overall as a community we should strive to make our City safe for all modes of transportation.

There being no further business, Mr. Barnhardt asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, so moved by Mr. O'Donnell, second by Mr. Johnson, all present in favor. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:40 PM.



Chris Engel, Secretary

Date Approved by CEDA