

DACC Board Meeting Minutes						
22-Feb-17				7:30 a.m.		DACC Conference Room
Meeting called by	Chairman, Hugh Hollar					
Type of meeting	Board Meeting					
Facilitator	Chairman, Hugh Hollar					
Note taker	Ashley Haines					
Adjourned	8:22 a.m.					
Board Attendance	Mark Wills	Y	Rick Evans	Y	Phil Gaffney	Y
	Hugh Hollar	Y	Jean Garniewicz	Y	Stan Shepherd	Y
	Mike Holliman	Y	Eric McIntyre	N		
Staff/Guests	Robbie Bennett, Ashley Swain, Ashley Haines, Chris Driver, Tom Clark (Alliance for Ft Gordon), Jeff Arlington (The Christman Co.), Hal Beman (The Christman Co.), Tammy Shepherd (Columbia County Chamber), Andrew Strickland (Columbia County)					
Meeting Agenda						
>1 Minute(s)	Chairman, Hugh Hollar					
Discussion	Agenda of February 2017 meeting approved. Motion: Jean Garniewicz, Second: Phil Gaffney. Motion carries unanimously. (7-0)					
Conclusions	None					
Action Items				Person Responsible		Deadline
None				N/A		N/A
Minutes of Previous Meeting						
1 Minute(s)	Chairman, Hugh Hollar					
Discussion	Minutes of January 2017 meeting were approved with no amendments. Motion: Jean Garniewicz, Second: Phil Gaffney. Motion carries unanimously. (7-0)					
Conclusions	None					
Action Items				Person Responsible		Deadline
None				N/A		N/A
DACC Financial Report						
2 Minute(s)	Rick Evans					
Discussion	Rick presented the Financials from December 2016. From Statement of Net Assets – December 31, 2016, Current Assets are \$1,050,043.19, and Total Liabilities of \$1,651.29 for a balance in Total Liabilities & Net Assets of \$1,050,043.19. From Statement of Activities by Class - Six Months Ended December 31, 2016 - Total Change in Net Assets is \$21,215.97. From Budget vs. Actual - December 31, 2016 - Revenue has 40% remaining; Expenses has 59% remaining. Items of note: The strategic plan final payment was made in December 2016. The settlement of Horizon North was also received in December 2016. A motion was made to approve financials as submitted. Motion: Phil Gaffney, Second: Jean Garniewicz. Motion carries unanimously. (7-0)					

Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
Chairman's Report			
1 Minute(s)	Hugh Hollar		
Discussion	Hugh Hollar reported on the actions taken to introduce local legislation allowing Columbia County, City of Harlem and City of Grovetown to establish Tax Allocation Districts under the Redevelopment Powers Act. Robbie Bennett and Stan Shepherd have been meeting with Columbia County and the 2 cities to work on the possibility of introducing legislation during this session. The Columbia County Board of Commissioners voted to unanimously approve introducing local legislation pertaining to Tax Allocation Districts.		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person(s) Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
DACC Committee Reports			
2 minute(s)			
Discussion	Business Recruitment and Incentive Committee - Stan Shepherd reported on the last meeting held February 8, 2017. The committee discussed the strategic plan priorities as directed by the Executive Committee including the tools need to move forward in the Gateway area and various industrial opportunities. The committee also discussed the website proposals and recommends the staff provide the full board with their top selections for a vote. The committee also discussed the guest list for Masters / Red Carpet Showcase.		
Conclusions	None		
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline	
None	N/A	N/A	
Economic Development Update			
15 Minute(s)	Robbie Bennett		
Discussion	Robbie updated the board on the current and upcoming events, projects and announcements. The current items of focus are the Strategic Plan, Master Planning, Website Redevelopment and Masters. Robbie updated the board on the status of the Plaza (no groundbreaking date set) and the efforts of Film Columbia County. Film Columbia County (FCC) will be attending the AFCl Locations show in Burbank CA during Masters Week. FCC is partnering with the Augusta CVB to share booth space at the conference. Robbie made a presentation to the Columbia County BOC regarding Tax Allocation Districts (TAD). The City of Harlem wishes to go through the process at the same time as the County. The end goal is have a referendum on the ballot for May or November 2018. A general public education process will be needed by different groups. Phil Gaffney updated the board on the Existing Industry group that meets at the Augusta Tech campus. The next meeting will be held March 23, 2017.		
Conclusions	None		

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Old Business		
0 Minute(s)	Hugh Hollar	
Discussion	None	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
New Business		
19 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett	
Discussion	Robbie provided an overview of the RFP's received for the website redesign. The top three companies were compared. The board discussed the top three companies. The DACC staff recommended Atlas as the top choice. Motion was made to allow staff to move forward with securing the company of their choice for the purpose of redesigning the website and providing annual support and maintenance. Motion: Stan Shepherd, Second: Jean Garniewicz. Motion carries unanimously. (7-0)	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	Staff	N/A
Calendar of Events		
>1 minute(s)	Robbie Bennett	
Discussion	The March 2017 meeting schedule was provided.	
Conclusions	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Public Comments		
12 Minute(s)		
	Hal Beman and Jeff Arlington with The Christman Company attended the meeting. No public comments were made.	
	Andrew Strickland with Columbia County Planning Department gave the following comments: Four park projects were awarded by the Board of Commissioners at the last meeting. Sign ordinance provisions is still ongoing. The Euchee Creek Greenway website is up and running. Andrew also update the board on several private development projects currently being designed in the area.	

Discussion	<p>Tammy Shepherd with the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce gave the following comments: The adult and youth leadership programs will be accepting applications soon. The Chamber is partnering with EDTS for an Ewaste Day on March 25, 2017. The next Chamber After Hours will be held at Home2Suites. Tammy also updated the board on the Principal for a Day program and the Teachers in Business program.</p>	
	<p>Tom Clark with the Alliance for Fort Gordon gave the following comments: The SRS CRO will be touring Ft Gordon. The Alliance is working on committees to discuss what workforce needs look like. They will be meeting with community partners to discuss.</p>	
Conclusion	None	
Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
None	N/A	N/A
Adjournment	8:22 A.M.	
Next meeting: March 22, 2017	DACC Conference Room	All