CORTANA CORRIDOR
Economic Development District

Cortana Corridor Economic Development District ("District") Board of Directors ("Board)"
Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, June 19, 2025
Place: Fishman Haygood, 100 North Street, Ste. 800, Baton Rouge, La 70802
Time: Immediately following 9:00 a.m. Build Baton Rouge Board Meeting

Attending Board Members: Rodney Braxton, Chair; Jay Colar, Vice Chair; Suzanne Turner; Bradley Brown

Excused Board Members: Will Campbell, Secretary/Treasurer

Also attending: Deidre Robert, President and CEO; Marlee Pittman Miller, Executive Vice President; Kendra Hendricks, Senior Planning and Development Coordinator; Tricia Prewitt, Administrative Officer; Kelly Hudson, VGraham; Vanessa Graham, VGraham; Matthew Zylicz

Meeting Called by: Rodney Braxton
Type of Meeting: Regular Meeting
Note Taker: Tricia Prewitt

- **Action Item**
  a. Mr. Braxton called the meeting to order at 9:46 a.m.
  b. Mr. Braxton confirmed receipt of proof of notice of meeting and the posting of public notice.
  c. Mr. Braxton confirmed the number of Board Commissioners present and the constitution of a majority.
  d. The Board reviewed the minutes from the meeting of the CCEDD board on April 3, 2025. Mr. Braxton made a motion to approve the minutes, and Ms. Turner seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

- **Discussion Item: Financial Reports**
  a. Ms. Hudson presented the financial report for the year to date. Ms. Hudson reported that revenue and expenditure are in line with expectations, nothing out of the ordinary. There were no objections.

- **Discussion Item: Administrative Update**
  a. Ms. Hendricks provided the Board with an update on funding received for the CCEDD. Through Act 776, the State appropriated $250,000 to support the District 6 Community Center. To access these funds, a resolution must be adopted to finalize the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) with the State

Treasury. Upon approval of all required documents, the appropriation will be disbursed to CCEDD in three phases: an initial payment of $125,000 (50%), followed by two subsequent disbursements of $62,500 (25% each) once the preceding allocation has been fully expended.

❖ **Action Item: Resolution to enter CEA with State Treasury**

a. Mr. Braxton and Ms. Robert introduced the subject for discussion. Ms. Hendricks explained that this was basically the same resolution as the one from last year, that each time an appropriation is received, it requires another resolution. Mr. Braxton entertained a motion to approve the resolution to enter the CEA with the State Treasury. Mr. Colar made a motion to approve; Mr. Brown and Ms. Turner both seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

❖ **New Business**

a. There were no new business items

❖ **Discussion Item: Public Comment**

a. Matt Zylic, a member of the public, introduced himself.

❖ **Action Item: Adjourn to Executive Session**

a. The board did not adjourn to the Executive Session.

❖ **Action Item: Adjournment**

a. Mr. Braxton entertained a motion to adjourn. Ms. Turner made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Brown and Mr. Colar seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 10:02 a.m.