

Date: August 22, 2024  
Time: 2:30 pm  
Location: County Administration Building - County Manager's Training Room  
12 SE 1 Street, 2nd Floor, Gainesville, FL 32601

Members Present Tracey Todd, Jeffrey Arnold, Michael Carnevale, Elliott Welker, David Wisener, Linda James, Ying Xu, Romona Jackson

Members Absent Grace Glennon, Patricia Lee

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 PM.

**2. Introduction to New Members**

The committee welcomed new member Ying Xu and CareerSource North Central Florida representative Christina Brown.

**3. Review of Agenda**

Jefferey Arnold made a motion to approve the agenda. Romona Jackson seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

**4. Approval of Minutes**

- June 20, 2024, Subcommittee Minutes (High Springs); Jefferey Arnold made a motion to approve the minutes removing the repeated phrase “proximity to world-class town charm,”. Michael Carnevale seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.
- June 27, 2024, EDAC Meeting Minutes; Jefferey Arnold made a motion to approve the minutes that was seconded by Elliot Welker. It was approved unanimously.

**5. Presentation: City of Alachua**

David Wisener presented background on the history of City of Alachua (Newnansville) and how it shaped the economic priorities of present-day Alachua.

**Summary of David Wisener's Presentation**

**David Wisener's presentation to the Alachua County Economic Development Committee** focused on the historical context and current economic development priorities of the City of Alachua.

**6. Update on EcoLoop Negotiations**

Sean McLendon updated the committee on negotiations with Sunshine State. Staff is awaiting feedback from them on the County's offer of terms for the lease rate and their management practices adjacent to the airport. The County is open to being flexible in scaling the acreage of the lease and the financial terms so long as the County's cost to maintain the property is covered by the lease payment. The County is pursuing other industrial users at the site and has reserved approximately five acres of the EcoLoop for Solid Waste and Resource Recovery building needs.

**7. Member Comments**

No member comments.

**8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35PM.