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**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (EDA) MINUTES**

**February 24, 2023**

**8:00 a.m. • Special Meeting**

**Visitor Center, 706 Caroline St., Second Floor**

The Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia met in special session on Friday, February 24, 2023 beginning at 8:00 a.m. at the Visitor Center, 706 Caroline St., Second Floor.

**EDA MEMBERS PRESENT.** Will Mackintosh Chair, presiding. Lee Murray, Suzy Stone (via phone), Mitzi Brown, and Susan Richey.

**ABSENT.** Chris Waller and Beth Black.

**ALSO PRESENT.** EDA Counsel: Jackson Key; Department of Economic Development and Tourism: Bill Freehling, Director; Amy Peregoy, Economic Development Specialist.

**DETERMINATION OF QUORUM.** Susan Richey.

**AGENDA.**

**MOTION by Mitzi Brown, seconded by Susan Richey, the agenda was approved: Ayes (5); Nays (0); Absent from Meeting (2-Waller and Black).**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS.** None.

**CLOSED SESSION.**

Ms. Richey moved for adoption of Resolution 23-04, the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3711(A)(3) for the purpose of discussion and consideration of disposition of publicly held real property, specifically, the Visitor Center and parking lot located at 706 & 700 Caroline Street, and review bids received for its purchase, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia.

**MOTION by Susan Richey, seconded by Mitzi Brown: Ayes (5); Nays (0); Absent from Meeting (2-Waller and Black).**

Where upon the members went into closed session.

Upon coming out of closed session.

**MOTION by Susan Richey, to adopt Resolution 22-05, certifying the proper conduct of the closed session. Seconded by Mitzi Brown: Ayes (5); Nays (0); Absent from Meeting (2-Waller and Black).**

**MOTION** by Lee Murray, seconded by Susan Richey, to empower Suzy Stone to continue to negotiate the deal pursuant to the discussion in closed session: Ayes (4); Nays (0); Abstain (1-Stone); Absent from Meeting (2-Waller and Black).

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the Economic Development Authority at this time, Chair Mackintosh declared the meeting officially adjourned at 8:58 a.m.

  
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Susan Richey, Secretary

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**RESOLUTION 23-04**  
**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
**OF THE CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA MEETING**

Proposed by: Richey

Seconded by: Brown

**RE: RESOLUTION 23-04 FOR THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF FREDERICKSBURG, VIRGINIA TO CONVENE A CLOSED MEETING UNDER THE VIRGINIA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT TO DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DISPOSITION OF THE VISITOR CENTER AND PARKING LOT.**

WHEREAS, the Virginia Freedom of Information Act authorizes public bodies to hold closed meetings for certain limited purposes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia convene a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2-3711(A)(3) for the purpose of discussion and consideration of disposition of publicly held real property, specifically, the Visitor Center and parking lot located at 706 & 700 Caroline Street, and review bids received for its purchase, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia.

**DATE OF ADOPTION: February 24, 2023**

**VOTE: AYES: 5 NAYS: 0**  
**ABSENT FROM MEETING: 2**

**CERTIFICATION:**

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***Secretary's Certificate***

*I, the undersigned, certify that I am the Secretary of the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia, and that the foregoing is a true copy of Resolution 23-04 duly adopted at a meeting of the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia meeting held February 24, 2023, at which a quorum was present and voted.*

Date: 3/13/23

Susan Richey  
Secretary, Economic Development Authority  
of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia

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Proposed by: Richey

Seconded by: Brown

**IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia, as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia has this date convened a closed meeting under Virginia Code 2.2-3711(A)(3), pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote adopting **Resolution 23-04** and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

**WHEREAS**, §2.2-3712.D of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by this Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg that such closed meeting was conducted in conformity with Virginia law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law (Chapter 37 of Title 2.2) were heard, discussed or considered in such closed meeting, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting by the Economic Development Authority of the City of Fredericksburg, Virginia.

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**VOTE: AYES: 5 NAYS: 2**  
**ABSENT FROM MEETING: 2**

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