Joint Meeting of the Board of Supervisors (BOS) and the Economic Development Authority (EDA)

May 11, 2021

BOS Members present:

- Chairman Jeffrey C. McKay, presiding
- Supervisor Walter L. Alcorn, Hunter Mill District
- Supervisor John W. Foust, Dranesville District
- Supervisor Penelope A. Gross, Mason District
- Supervisor Patrick S. Herrity, Springfield District
- Supervisor Rodney L. Lusk, Lee District
- Supervisor Dalia A. Palchik, Providence District
- Supervisor Kathy L. Smith, Sully District
- Supervisor Daniel G. Storck, Mount Vernon District
- Supervisor James R. Walkinshaw, Braddock District

EDA Members present:

- Commissioner Catherine Lange, Chair
- Commissioner Ronald C. Johnson, Secretary
- Commissioner Linnie Haynesworth, At-Large #5 Citizen
- Commissioner Steven Partridge, At-Large #6 Citizen

Others present:

- Bryan J. Hill, County Executive
- Joe Mondoro, Chief Financial Officer
- Elizabeth Teare, County Attorney

- Victor Hoskins, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), EDA
- Alex Iams, Executive Vice President, EDA

The joint meeting was conducted wholly electronically using Fairfax County's videoconferencing system because the COVID-19 pandemic made it unsafe to physically assemble a quorum in one location or to have the public present. The meeting was accessible to the public through live broadcast on Channel 16, live video stream, and live audio. Chairman McKay presided over the meeting at the Government Center.

The meeting was called to order at 11:10 a.m.

Presentation by the EDA

Catherine Lange, Chair, EDA, gave a PowerPoint slide presentation on the following topics:

- Current EDA membership and introductions
- Talent located within the County
- Global economics
- Virtual career fairs

Ronald C. Johnson, Secretary, EDA, gave a PowerPoint slide presentation on the following topics:

- Small business survival
- Helping 15k companies and clients bridge during the pandemic

Alex Iams, Executive Vice President, EDA, gave a PowerPoint slide presentation on the following topics:

- Recovery and reopening
- Positioning for growth
- Need for a resilient foundation
- Current office market and vacancies
- Unemployment rate
- Economic recovery framework

• Implications in Fiscal Year 2022

Victor Hoskins, President and CEO, EDA, gave a PowerPoint slide presentation on the following topics:

- Collaboration creates a winning team
- Northern Virginia Economic Development Alliance (NOVA EDA)
- NOVA EDA collaboration

Discussion ensued, with input from Mr. Hoskins and Ms. Lange regarding the following:

- The availability of mental health counselors for businesses
- Additional ways to bring people to the County
- Receiving feedback regarding why some people choose not to be located within the County
- Shared appreciation for the work and support for the BOS, EDA, and staff
- Invitation for the BOS and staff to attend an upcoming EDA meeting

The meeting adjourned at 12:31 p.m.

Meeting materials:

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