



Agenda

**For the Legal and Regular Meeting
of the Southside Economic Development
District to be held at Powell Recreation
Center**

July 15, 2024

3 p.m.

1. Roll Call:

Mr. Tony Little, Otis Jones, Roosevelt Wright, Jr, Tyrone Goodin, Preston Hopkins, Mrs. Ann Reed, Karl Dhaliwal

2. INVOCATION:

3. REPORT: President Little will report on SEDD's target goals for 2024.

4. ACTION: Approval of the May 20, 2024, minutes that were previously provided to commissioners.

5. ACTION: The board from Vice-President Jones about progress toward completion of the renovation of the Arizona Street Dream Center scheduled for completion by August 30, 2024

6. REPORT: The Treasurer will give a financial update.

7. ACTION: The board, led by the President, requests that the Monroe City Council act on the resolution it approved in its October 11, 2022, meeting requesting the mayor reconsider his decision not to provide a TIF for the SEDD and to approve the council recommended TIF requested by the SEDD for \$1 million annually with the understanding that SEDD has no plans to pursue any new sales taxes with the TIF is in place.

8. ACTION: The board will hear presentations from non-profit organizations related to the mini-grants. After the presentations, the board will make recommendations. Making presentations will be:

a. *FDK Foundation*, Rick Saulsberry: The foundation will engage 100 or more youth in talks and presentations focused on teaching nonviolent conflict resolution and avoiding crime. Sessions will be conducted in

- conjunction with athletic teams and organizations in the Parish and City School Systems.
- b. *Just Run the Play, Inc.*, DeJanerio Davis.: The proposal is to create reels for Facebook, Instagram and, and Tic Toc that discourage violence and criminal activity.
 - c. *St Matthews Church of Christ*, Pearl Wise: To provide a drug recovery program aimed providing support for recovering addicts in the district to reduce recidivism.
 - d. *B.K. Mentoring, Inc.*, Sammy Crawford: To provide personal discipline training for at risk youth through boxing and personal training.
 - e. *City Wide Gardening Initiative, Darian Bell*: To engage youth in the development of a free neighborhood garden to promote neighborhood pride and youth development
 - f. *Ruth's House Resource Center*, Erica Louis: To provide hands on counseling, job placement and support services to those with mental health and non-violent criminal histories.
 - g. *CONA, Inc*, Mondrian Douglas: To promote community safety through working with seniors, families and youth groups to check on the elderly, report crime promote neighborhood safety.
 - h. *Community Clean-Up*, Terrance Carroll: A program to involve youth in neighborhood cleanup campaigns in weekly community clean up sessions in Districts 3,4,5 under the guidance mentors and volunteers.

9. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

10. ADJOURN