

**MILITARY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**25 OCTOBER 2010 ✧ 1500-1630**  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE ROOM**

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**Present:** RADM Jack Dantone, LCDR Adalberto M. Diaz, VADM Joseph S. Donnell, RADM Dick Dunleavy, Don Jellig, RADM Bud Jewitt, RADM Phillip R. Olson, MCPO Paul Pierce, RADM Fred Ruehe, Councilman John Uhrin, Dr. Roger Whiteway Ph.D

**Staff:** Ron Berkibile, Michelle Chapleau, Barry Frankenfield, Scott Hall, Warren Harris, Steve Herbert, Rob Hudome, Robert Matthias, Tammy Owens, Jerry Stewart

**Guests:** Andrew Finn, (PriceWaterhouseCoopers), Bob Golden (GBS Engineering Consultant), Lang Nguyen (GBS), John Panneton (Congressman Nye's Office), David Pryor, RADM Craig Quigley (HRMFFA), CAPT Frank Roberts (HRMFFA), Ken Scandleson (Volunteer), CAPT Skip Zobel (Senator Warner's Office)

**Absent:** Councilwoman Rita Sweet Bellitto, VADM Ed Clextan, RADM William J. Ecker, RADM Mark Gemmill, Joseph Gianascoli; Vice-Mayor Louis Jones, Jerry Miller, RADM Fenton Priest, CAPT Robert Rieve, Mayor William D. Sessoms, Jr., CAPT Daniel R. Walters,

**APPROVAL OF 27 SEPTEMBER NOTES**

Notes approved as written.

**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

RADM Dunleavy recognized all visitors.

**HRMFFA UPDATE – Craig Quigley**

**JFCOM** There is a visit 28 October with professional staff members of the House and Senate Armed Services Committee to receive a complete brief of what the command does. They will return to Washington and brief the members House and Senate Armed Services Committee of what they learned.

Beginning 20 October General Ray Odierno takes command at JFCOM at very low key ceremony on the Suffolk campus.

There were a total of five courses of action that were briefed to Secretary Gates a couple of weeks ago. Ranging from leave everything as it is currently to completely eliminating all of JFCOM. Those two extremes were thrown away and the three courses of action were retained. Guidance was given to the folks conducting the analysis on the three courses of action that remained. They are to come back to Secretary Gates by 5 November. He will then make a decision after this second briefing either to do further analysis or make a final

decision. There could possibly be a decision by January 2011. There is still the promise to meet with Governor McDonald and the entire Virginia Political delegation, currently no date has been set.

**Franklin Municipal Airport** – 28 October is a big day for Franklin and the Navy as what will hopefully with be a path to relieve some pressure on Fentress and Oceana using the Franklin Municipal Airport as the bounce site for the E-2s and C-2s at Chambers field. There will be a demonstration, followed by town hall meeting at a local skating rink for public input. All parties are optimistic that the negotiation between the Navy and the City of Suffolk will be successful.

#### **CITY UPDATE –**

Company profile – Jerry introduced Bob Golden, Chief Executive Officer and Lang Nguyen Vice President of Business Development - GBS Group (engineering and technical services).

They are a local Virginia Beach company established in 2006 and have grown to 150 employees. They also have several other locations:

- Philadelphia/NJ offices (NAVSSSES, NAVSEA, FMS, Army engineering support),
  - Washington DC (Amtrak, MARC, NJT, rail programs)
  - Huntsville/Dallas (Offshore drill rig engineering
  - Singapore (GBS Singapore Pte., construction/oversight/Supship-like work for ultradeepwater drill rigs)
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- Sales growth about 100% per year since inception, 65% in 2010. Over \$16M

They provide, manage and have had experience with:

- Transportation and Sales Support
- Energy and Construction Management
- Defense Services (Custom software, Engineering, Alteration design, etc)
- SeaPort-e Prime Contracts

For more information see the attached PowerPoint.

#### **OCEANA LAND USE CONFORMITY COMMITTEE (OLUCC) – Report (*Warren Harris*)**

Warren provided the third progress report of the OLUCC. This is the Committee the City formed in response to the BRAC order to review the rollback of encroachments on and around Oceana. We have had a lot of success and are seeing a positive return on the investment from both the state and community. Association of Defense Communities (ADC) recognized our program as the program of the year. ADM Dunleavy congratulated Economic Development for the award. Warren also mentioned the International Economic Development Council recognized our Economic Development Department's marketing program as the best in this type of marketing.

**UPDATE BURTON STATION MARKETING STRATEGY/INFRASTRUCTURE** (Barry Frankenfield/Rob Hudome)

Steve introduced Barry to the group.

**Burton Station SGA**

We have developed a detailed comprehensive plan of proposed development that will:

- Extending or relocating the existing golf course
- Commercial Development Zones on both Virginia Beach and Norfolk property
- Preservation of a Burton Station Village residential area as well as a lot of other commercial development in key areas (Northampton Boulevard, Airport, and I-64)
- Project includes:
  - 8M sf of commercial office space
  - .5M office in the Norfolk
  - Approximately 60,000 sf of retail and residential.
- The first phase is the Burton Station Village. (60% infrastructure design plan complete)

For more information, please see the attached PowerPoint presentation or contact Barry at 385-2901.

**OTHER REPORTS**

- Navy Aviation's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Plans – *RADM Gemmill*  
See hand out for details. ADM Gemmill will report out at the November meeting
- FAA Update  
City and Congressional (by phone) staffs met with David Belote 15 October regarding the FAA radar issue. He is the third point of contact for the City. Mr. Belote is a retired USAF Colonel now serving in a SES position with the OSD.

Mr. Belote reported that the Air Force is evaluating the FAA height determination for the hotel site.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION**

Scott attended the ULI Trans-Oriented Opportunity Fall Conference. Hampton Roads is a secondary market. We still have opportunities as long as projects are linked to transforming development, have sustainability components built in, and have some type of connection to government related activities.

LifeNet Health will close on a property and be expanding. Their Web site visits are up. Al will coordinate another trip.

Roger Whiteway offered to ask ADM Clark to attend a future MEDAC meeting to talk about LCS.

**Next Meeting:** 22 November 2010

