

Virginia Beach Military Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting
25 January 2021
1500

Members Present Virtually/Call in

CAPT Stephen Brennan, RADM Kevin Cook, RADM Richard Dunleavy, CAPT Robert Herbert, RADM Gregory Nosal, RADM Phillip Olson, CDR Kathleen Owens, RADM Fenton Priest, RADM Craig Quigley, CAPT Robert Rieve, CAPT Louis Schager, Joseph Strange, CAPT Charles Stuppard, CAPT Richard Trowbridge, Lt General Frances Wilson,

Vice Mayor Jim Wood, Charles Bauman, ED Staff Liaison, Ray White, ED Staff liaison, Vicki Kelley, ED Staff Liaison

Others Present

Ernest McDonald, Ron Peterman, Rick Dwyer, Charlotte Hurd, John Uhrin, Janet Lomax, Steve Cook, Earnest MacDonald, Irv Lindley

I. Welcome and introductions

II. Approval of notes for 07 December 2020

III. City Update – Vice Mayor Jim Wood

- Covid vaccinations are now open to phase 1b at the Convention Center
 - Sponsored by the City of Virginia Beach and Virginia Health Department

IV. HRMFFA Update – RDML Quigley

- Lloyd Austin confirmed as SECDEF
- Open questions
 - 500 Navy ships manned and unmanned
- Moon Mission
 - NASA Langley
 - No Administrator yet
 - No Budget in February, could be March
- Letter of Support for Bills by midweek
 - Partial tax relief for Vets
 - Infrastructure that offers enhancement
- Ships are moving to/from Mayport and Hampton Roads over the next couple of years

V. Economic Development updates – Ray White

- COVID
 - Companies and Colleges are still struggling
- ElevateU Platform

- This Platform will have jobs listed
- Job Seekers can register and upload their resume
- Reaching out to other Universities and colleges
- The website for the platform
 - <https://elevateu.work/vb>
- BIO Health Services is almost a reality
 - Will open in February on Bendix Road
- Staff are still working on COVID Grants
- Wind Project is delayed due to COVID
- Atlantic Avenue is tracking forward
 - Dominion Power substation will be relocating due to a request by the City

VI. Command Visit Program – CAPT Stuppard/RADM Nosal

- Greg is a new Grandfather
- Zoom calls are a good platform to use for Military Virtual Meetings
- Future Base Design
 - SIA is slow moving, but moving forward
 - Seeking Approval from the US Government

VII. MEDAC and Committee Membership – RADM Priest

- Annual Review reporting to City Council
 - Will be preparing a presentation to share with our mission for the current year
 - Important for Council to know what MEDAC is doing
- Conflict of Interest Forms are due by February 1st
- Navy Community College
 - Kicked off with pilot program
 - 600 students
 - Several Universities
 - Charlotte Hurd mentioned that Hampton Roads was not included
 - Chair Priest agreed to check on possibly participating in Phase II
- Membership
 - Let Chair and Vice-Chair know of any ideas for new members
- 2021 Meeting list needs to be sent to all members

Adjournment at 1609

Next Virginia Beach MEDAC: 22MAR2021

Next joint MEDAC: 22FEB2021