

City of Jacksonville, Florida

Donna Deegan, Mayor

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JSEB Monitoring Committee Meeting May 7, 2024 Ed Ball Building, Room 851 Minutes

<u>Present</u>: Kimano Edwards, Leslie Campbell, Monique Thompson <u>Absent</u>: Antoinette Meskel, Mike Zaffaroni, Sheliah Brown <u>Staff</u>: Gregory Grant, Sandy Simpson, Krystal Sterling, LaRoy Covington, Shavonda Jackson

Public comments:

- 1. TR Richardson –Inquired about the JSEB percentages on Encouragement, Participation, Set-Asides, and the status of the grants for non-JSEB's.
- 2. Julius Richardson Provided insight on how he is encouraged of the efforts with the rebuilding of the JSEB Program.

Meeting called to order at 3:00pm by Leslie Campbell, Chair.

Committee discussed the agenda items:

Leslie Campbell welcomed everyone to the meeting. Everyone in attendance introduced themselves to the Group.

The agenda consisted of the following discussion points:

- Committee Member Introductions
- Public Comments
- JSEB Special Committee Updates
- JSEB Legislative Updates
- JSEB Transformative Focus Discussion, Reviews, Q&A
- JSEB Upcoming Events
- JSEB Significance Reporting

JSEB Community Engagement (Sec. 126.610)

- Discussed Equal Business Opportunity Forum being led by City Councilmembers to bring awareness to each District about JSEB.
- Discussed launching a JSEB Marketplace on June 6, 2024.

JSEB Access to Capital Program (Sec. 126.609)

- Discussed the available funds of \$850,000 remaining for current JSEB inside of the current Access-to-Capital program managed by Beaver Street Enterprise.
- Provided a brief comment about the mayor's taskforce pilot program tentatively to begin in June for micro-grant and low-interest loan program. Gregory Grant provided the updates.

JSEB Contracting Initiatives (Sec. 126.619)

• Gregory Grant provided details on how contract award dollars are tracked and quantified for reporting purposes. As of May, only 7% of the required 20% has been utilized. (Sec. 126.619)

JSEB General Topics

- **1.** Discussed The Special Committee updates on adding new staff members and completing the Re-Org with OED.
- 2. Upcoming EBO events JSEB Marketplace and EBO/JSEB Forums held monthly.
- 3. Reviewed the Ambassador Program for JSEB Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3.
- 4. Discussed how over the last year 20 new programs were created that benefit the JSBE program.
- Next JSEB Monitoring Committee meeting will be held August 6, 2024, at 3pm.
- The agenda will be emailed to the committee members prior to the next meeting.