

August 16, 2024

EDLA Notes for The Value of Economic Development on 8/20/2024

Intention of the event – ***Develop the big picture towards the future of Fauquier, recognize where setbacks and opportunities are, educate people on the individuals that support the county's growth and development***

Registration:

- Currently we have 80 people

Proposed Agenda:

- Alec is working on this

Panel Questions:

- Topics :
  - o Job Creation
    - Workforce programs at LFCC – Christine
      - Will have data to support this
    - Doug – business retention visits, addressing unemployment rate
  - o Quality of Life
    - Public amenities
    - Food/beverage
    - recreational activities
    - Janelle (?) and Supervisor Carter
  - o Supporting local businesses
    - Doug –
    - Frank – what's happening at a town level
  - o Property value – discussing the change in process to determine property values
    - Eric is doing evaluations in house instead of using a vendor
  - o Improve public services
    - Town manager is going to talk about infrastructure and how those updates will be part of ED
    - Water and sewer infrastructure
      - Restricting green field development
      - There is a project in Opal looking to extend the infrastructure

- *Specific questions are being worked on and will be ready by Friday meeting*

Handouts/ Printouts for attendees:

- Agenda and panelist bios/titles/picture
- county budget and org chart
- Fauquier Health providing handouts
- RSVP for our next event on October 17<sup>th</sup> at Laurel Ridge @ 8:00am – 10:30
- Other?

To-Dos:

- Create a background for the projector of partnering logos
  - o *Should we include the logos of all businesses on the committee? I assume yes.*
- Confirm event logistics by EOD Friday –
  - o Tables
  - o Projector – will we have AV help on site? (*Carlton is checking this*)
  - o Buffet setup
- Draft and printout sheet for people to submit their questions at the end of the event
  - o Be sure to include a *\*reminder\** during the welcoming remarks that people can submit questions at the end of the event.
- Create a QR code for event follow-up survey and the register for October 17<sup>th</sup> event