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Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes

Nicole Carter, Committee Chairperson

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

The Economic Development Committee met on October 9, 2024 via Zoom Audio and Video Conference and in-person at the district office. The following board members were present: Laura James (Virtual), Carol Robinson (Virtual), Nicole Carter (Virtual), Reggie Powell (Virtual), Margarita Espinosa, Angelina Zervos, Gladys Sotomayor, Magdamary Marciano, Renee Reed and Julissa Lora.

The Economic Development Committee discussed the following:

- **Review of District Needs Statement**

The Economic Development Committee discussed the Preliminary Community District Needs and Community Board Budget Requests for Fiscal Year 2026. The committee discussed requesting funding for sidewalk, street lighting, and storefront improvements along Tremont Avenue from the Department of Transportation instead of Small Business Services. The Economic Development Committee will continue requests for vocational programs and expanded programs for young adults 18-24 years old in the district. The District Manager informed the committee that the request for funding for merchant organizing on East Tremont Avenue, which was part of last year's district needs statement, was awarded. The Board's office was successful in finding a nonprofit, NIDC, to apply for SBS funds to do merchant organizing. The committee will continue to request an advisory board for Workforce1 sites and add a request for a vocational training center in the district.