

## **Department Report**

MEETING DATE: Month, DD, 202Y

FROM: Gigi Chazu, Director, Economic Development

**SUBJECT:** Monthly Report – Month of September

## BACKGROUND

The following report provides activity within the Department of Economic Development for the reporting period from September 1st through September 30th, 2023.

- Attended the International Economic Development Center Annual Conference
  - Attended 9 sessions focused on workforce development, repurposing, public-private partnerships (P3) and arts and economic development.
  - o Participated on a working tour of a revitalized shopping mall in a blighted area and
  - Attended 2 networking events, connecting to key service providers in the economic development field.
- Attended the Central Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce's Progress Palm Beach ED Summit, learned about workforce needs in the area.
- Submitted the Urban Land Institute Leadership Project application for the identification of downtown district results will be announced in late November.
- Reached out to 3 developer firms for potential public-private partnerships on multi-use development.
- Contacted Greenacres Plaza administrator to introduce the Department and open dialogue.
- Participated in a P3 meeting on a potential facility.
- Sent Letter of Interest to the Small Business Development Center (SBDC) to participate in their APEX Business Accelerator.
- Attended the Legacy Church's 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary celebration.
- Spoke about the Eat Local, Eat Greenacres Initiative on local TV.
- Collaborating in the Dillman Trail Ribbon Cutting event organization.
- Constant collaborating with content for the City's LinkedIn page. Page views increased by 58.2% in the last three months.
- Continued population of new business lists.