

AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: August 19, 2026

Item Number: DS2

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Subject

Discussion and updates from WEDC Committees.

Recommendation

No action is requested by staff on this item.

Discussion

Committee members and staff will hold a discussion and provide updates from WEDC Committees.

Current Active Standing Committees of the WEDC:

- Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee (Melisa Whitehead, Demond Dawkins)
 - The Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee met on 1-30-26, 04-30-26, and 06-12-26 to review the current FY budget and provide input for the FY26-27 budget.
- Business Retention and Expansion Committee (Harold Smith, Melisa Whitehead)
 - The Business Retention and Expansion Committee met on 04-30-26 and 08-14-26 to provide input on activities and involvement within the BRE program.
- Committee for New Business Attraction and Recruitment (Blake Brininstool, Alan Dayton)
 - The Committee for New Business Attraction and Recruitment last met on 04-29-26 to discuss current and future networking, business attraction, and recruitment efforts.

Current Special Committees of the WEDC:

- Strategic Planning Committee (Blake Brininstool, Harold Smith, Demond Dawkins)
 - Members of the Strategic Planning Committee met on 1-14-26, 2-20-26, and 06-10-26 to review/discuss the organization's Goals and Objectives and provide input on upcoming projects and initiatives.
- Staffing and Compensation Committee (Harold Smith, Melisa Whitehead)

Staff does not anticipate the need for an additional Budget, Finance, and Audit Committee Meeting until this fall.

Note: There is currently an open seat on the Committee for New Business Attraction and Recruitment. Committee Appointments for the next year will be considered at the October 2026 annual meeting.