
AGENDA REPORTMeeting Date: October 21, 2026Item Number: DS2Prepared By: Jason Greiner**Subject**

Discussion regarding WEDC Board Retreat, Work Session, and Committee Appointments.

Recommendation**Discussion**

Staff will lead the discussion regarding WEDC Board Retreat, Work Session, and Committee Appointments. Committee Appointments will be considered at the November WEDC Board Meeting.

Committees

In accordance with the Bylaws, the President has the authority to appoint various standing committees of the Board. These committees may include:

1. **Budget, Finance and Audit Committee:** This committee is responsible for working with the Director on creating the annual budget. Once approved by the Board, they present it to the City Council as required by our Bylaws. The committee also oversees audits of the Board, whether conducted by the City or external auditors. This Committee is currently active, with Demond Dawkins and Melisa Whitehead serving as members.
2. **Committee for Business Retention and Expansion:** This committee works closely with the Director of Economic Development to keep the Board informed about business retention and expansion activities. This Committee is currently active, with Harold Smith and Melisa Whitehead serving as members.
3. **Committee for New Business Attraction and Recruitment:** This committee collaborates with the Director of Economic Development to provide updates on business attraction and recruitment activities. This Committee is currently active, with Blake Brininstool serving as a member and one seat open.

Special Committees

The President may establish other committees as needed to assist the Board. These committees, subject to Board approval, will have specific tasks. However, they do not have authority in certain critical matters, such as changing Bylaws, appointing or removing Directors or Officers, or making significant decisions about the Corporation's assets.

Active Special Committee:

- Strategic Planning Committee, with Demond Dawkins, Blake Brininstool, and Harold Smith serving as members.
- Staffing and Compensation Committee, with Harold Smith and Melisa Whitehead serving as members.

Committee Member Terms

Each committee member serves until the next Board appointment and until a successor is named. With Board approval, the President may remove a committee member when it benefits the Corporation.

Attachment: WEDC Bylaws, Section 6