



The April 13 2026, FCEDA Commission meeting was held in person on the 8th Floor, 8270 Greensboro Drive, Tysons, VA 22102

COMMISSIONERS:

James Quigley, Chair	Rick Wagner, Vice Chair
Ronald C. Johnson, Secretary	Pallabi Saboo, Assistant Secretary
Jermaine Johnson, Treasurer	Cathy Lange, Governance Committee Chair
El Gardner, Commissioner	

STAFF:

Victor Hoskins, President and CEO	Sandra White, Director, Operations and Human Resources
Alex Iams, Executive Vice President	Andrew Taherzadeh, Director, Marketing and Communications
Anna Nissinen, Senior Vice President	Naziza Ahmed, Business Research Analyst
Donna Hurwitt, Vice President, Operations	Sharon Reed, National Business Investment Manager
David Kelley, Senior Strategist, Foreign Direct Investment	Alex Thalacker, Assistant Director National Business Investment
Stephen Tarditi, Director, Market Intelligence	Tiguidanke Bangoura, Executive Assistant
Kelly Robucci, Director, Talent	

LEGAL COUNSEL:

Michael Graff, Esq., McGuireWoods and Anne Curtis Saunders, Esq., McGuireWoods

GUESTS:

Eta Nahapetian, Fairfax County Department of Economic Initiatives

I. Call to Order

Chair Quigley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Counsel Saunders called the roll. Commissioners present were Vice Chair Rick Wagner, Treasurer Jermaine Johnson Secretary Ronald Johnson, Assistant Secretary Pallabi Saboo, Governance Chair Cathy Lange, Commissioner El Gardner. Commissioner Loren Rufino and Commissioner Steve



Partridge were not in attendance.

II. Approval of Minutes

Chair Quigley called for a motion to approve the minutes of February 13, 2026, Commission meeting. Counsel Anne Curtis Saunders called the roll. The motion passed unanimously

III. Expenditures Report

Treasurer Jermaine Johnson reported the March financial update, Eight months of the fiscal year 2026 have elapsed and represent 75% of the fiscal year; 65% of the budget has been expended.

IV. Chairman's Report

Chair Quigley and Commissioner Saboo are set to provide testimony at the Fairfax County budget public hearings, to be held at the Fairfax County Government Center on April 14.

The President and CEO position was advertised at the beginning of March, and the application period closed on March 31.

Victor Hoskins was recognized with two awards. He was honored by the National Children's Museum, following a nomination by Treasurer Johnson. He also will receive the Catherine Hanley Public Service Award at the Leadership Fairfax Board of Supervisors Breakfast, "Fairfax County's Got Talent." The award recognizes a leader whose impact helped shape the economic future of Fairfax County and beyond.

Chair Quigley also highlighted several recent investment announcements, including Blue Sky Innovators' \$7 million Reston expansion, Gravity's \$8 million headquarters investment in Tysons Corner, Umbra's \$6.75 million Reston expansion, and Hawkeye 360's planned IPO. These announcements reflected continued momentum in innovation, dual-use, space, and defense sectors.

The next commission meeting was scheduled for Monday, June 8.



V. President's Report

Business Research Analyst Naziza Ahmed provided an update on Fairfax County Pulse, the county's economic indicators dashboard.

Fairfax County's labor force remained strong, with a low unemployment rate of 3.3%, compared to the national rate of 4.3%. Active job postings in Fairfax County totaled just over 39,000, with demand concentrated in high-tech fields such as software development, information systems, and network infrastructure.

Stephen Tarditi, Director, Market Intelligence shared the office market showed improvement over the past year, with the vacancy rate declining from 18.1% to approximately 17.4%. Contributing factors included the demolition or adaptive reuse of obsolete office inventory, limited speculative office construction, and increased leasing activity, particularly among new-to-market companies and existing businesses that expanded their footprints.

Kelly Robucci, Director, Talent provided an update on FCEDA's talent and workforce initiatives, highlighting a tech hiring event held at Capital One Hall on January 22. The event drew nearly 900 attendees, 1,900 registrants, and 40 Fairfax County companies. Staff noted strong feedback from participating companies and interest in future events.

Kelly also highlighted the continued growth of the Think Big for Kids program, which supported career exploration for middle and high school students. The program expanded to 11 schools, impacted approximately 2,000 students, and was expected to complete 100 middle school showcases by the end of the school year. FCEDA's chapter was recognized nationally as the fastest-growing.

Andrew Taherzadeh, Director our Marketing and Communications, reviewed recent media wins, including coverage of company announcements, the regional space economy, and international engagement from the Korean Pavilion at CES. The Korean outreach generated significant media coverage across digital, broadcast, and print.

VI. Closed Session

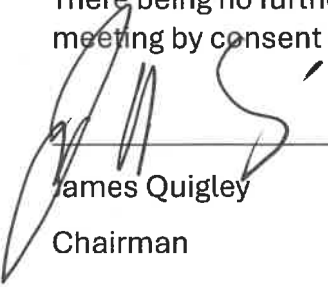
Chairman Quigley requested that the Commission go into closed session. Counsel Mike Graff, Esquire requested a motion to convene in closed session pursuant to Va. Code Section 2.2-3711(A)(39) for the discussion or consideration of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 3 of Va. Code Section 2.2-3705.6 related to economic development. The motion passed unanimously. Closed session started at 6:52 pm

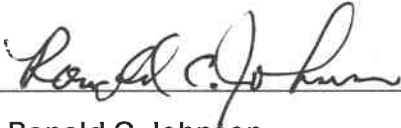


Chairman Quigley reconvened the Commission meeting at 8:44 pm. Counsel Mike Graff, Esquire, called the roll for the record for the certification of the Commissioners that only public business matters exempt from open meeting requirements identified in the motion by which the EDA entered into closed session were discussed. This roll call passed unanimously.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business and no objections, Chairman Quigley adjourned the meeting by consent at 8:44 pm



James Quigley
Chairman

Ronald C. Johnson
Secretary