AT A MEETING OF THE TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL HELD IN AND FOR GADSDEN COUNTY, FLORIDA ON FEBRUARY 24, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M., THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDING WAS HAD IN PERSON AND VIA ZOOM , VIZ:

Present: Carolyn Ford- Chair Brenda Holt Jeff Dubree Keith Dowdell Peter Patel Linda Dixon Decorkus Allen

Staff Present: Clayton Knowles, County Attorney Leslie D. Steele, Tourist Development Director Sara Green, Deputy Clerk

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1. Call to Order

Chair Ford called the meeting to order at 5:59pm.

2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

Members introduced themselves. The members present are as follows:

Carolyn Ford- Chair	here
Brenda Holt	here
Keith Dowdell	here
Linda Dixon	here
Decorkus Allen	here

3. Presentations

4. Citizens Requesting to be Heard

Ms. Steele said there are no citizens requesting to be heard.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

Gadsden County Black History Month Celebration- (Georgette Daniels, Gadsden County Assistant Administrator, and Leslie D. Steele, Tourist Development Director)

Ms. Steele introduced the item. The Black History Month Celebration would highlight three honorees. The budget director is requesting permission from the Board to spend up to \$25,000 for the Celebration.

COMMISSIONER ALLEN MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST WITH COMMISSIONER HOLT SECONDING THE MOTION. THE MOTION PASSED 5-0 VIA VOICE VOTE.

6. NEXT MEETING- March 21, 2022

7. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

Chair Ford adjourned the meeting at 6:01pm.

GADSDEN COUNTY, FL

CAROLYN FORD, Chair Tourist Development Council

ATTEST:

NICHOLAS THOMAS, Clerk