



**Action Summary - Tentative
Community Affairs, Housing, Health
and Education Committee**

*Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2)
Vice Chair Kevin Triplett (D-15)
Committee Member Jessica Green (D-1)
Committee Member Donna Purvis (D-5)
Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)
Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)
Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)*

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

1:30 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

Call to Order

Chair Shanklin called the meeting to order at 1:31p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Shanklin introduced the committee members present. A quorum was established.

***NOTE: All committee members attended the meeting virtually.**

Present: 7 - Committee Member Jessica Green (D-1), Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Committee Member Donna L. Purvis (D-5), Vice Chair Kevin Triplett (D-15), Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20), and Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Support Staff

Natalie Woods, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Mary Whitlock, Assistant Clerk
Lisa Franklin Gray, Assistant Clerk

Special Discussion

1. [ID 21-0579](#)

GE Appliances Update - Julie Wood, Allison Martin and Katina Whitlock

Attachments: [5.12.21 GE Presentation - The GEA Way.pdf](#)

The following spoke to the item:

- Julie Wood, GE Appliance Park, gave a presentation
- Allison Martin, GE Appliance Park, gave a presentation
- Katrina Whitlock, GE Appliance Park, gave a presentation
- Committee Member Purvis
- Vice Chair Triplett
- Chair Shanklin
- Committee Member Benson

The following was discussed:

- 2016 GE Appliances purchased by a Haier Company
- Have 14,000 employees across the globe
- \$32 Billion in revenue
- Contributing to local economies in 46 states
- GE Appliances Headquarters in the Louisville newburg community have 7,500 people
- Appliances are in half of all United States homes
- Appliance Park is a city within a city and has its own zip code
- \$1 Billion in investments since 2016
- 2,000 plus new jobs
- Entrepreneurial Focus
- 5 Corporate Citizenship Pillars: Community Engagement, Inclusion & Diversity, Operations Sustainability, Product Sustainability and Compliance & Ethics
- Discussion regarding Corporate Citizenship Goals
- \$2 Million in grants and product donations to more than 100 non-profits
- Supported schools and community organizations
- Approximately \$1 million worth of appliances donated for COVID-19 response
- Approximately 250,000 masks and 125,000 gloves donated to health care facilities
- 500 intubation shields designed, produced and donated
- Nearly 10,000 face shields made for health care workers and first responders
- GE Appliances health care team administered COVID-19 vaccines to more than 1,000 employees
- GE Appliances Apprentice Program
- Discussion regarding GEA2DAY - Work 2 days for Tuition + Pay
- Donate \$100,000 to funding Community Foundations
- Stellar Awards Program
- Discussion regarding their Academy Program
- Donated thousand of washers and dryers to the school for students to use to stay clean
- GE Appliances built a Laboratory at Doss High School which is a National Model
- Workforce Development Program
- Friendship Program - Training Maintenance Apprentice Program

- GE Appliances employ own service technicians
- Discussion regarding appliances donated to Southern High School
- Website: www.geappliances.com

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Shanklin adjourned the meeting at 2:34 p.m.