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DONALDSONVILLE COUNCIL AGENDA TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2023 | 3:00 P.M.

SPECIAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

The Donaldsonville Council of the City of Donaldsonville will hold a Special City Council meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. to be held in Council Chambers, 609 Railroad Avenue, Donaldsonville, Louisiana to discuss the following:

- 1. INVOCATION
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ROLL CALL
- 4. RESOLLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2023-22

A RESOLUTION APPROVING SHK CONSULTING AND R3 ARE HEREBY REQUESTING PERMISSION FROM THE COUNCIL TO PROCEED WITH THE WRITING AND SUBMITTING OF AN APPLICATION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY TARGETING A FUNDING OPPORTUNITY THROUGH THE US DEPARTMENT OF AGRIGULTURE. THE FUNDING OPPORTUNITY, THE RURAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT GRANT (RDBG), IS MEANT TO BE UTILIZED BY RURAL COMMUNITIES TO DRIVE INNOVATION IN SMALL BUSINESS AND PROVIDE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENTREPRENEURS. OUR APPLICATION WILL REQUEST \$171,455 TO RENOVATE THE KITCHEN AND NEIGHBORING CLASSROOM IN THE LEMANN CENTER.

THE DONALDSONVILLE FIRST CULINARRY LABATORY WILL BE A SHARED COMMERCIAL KITCHEN FACILITY AND CLASSROOM THAT WILL PROVIDE RESOURCES AND SERVICES TO FOOD ENTREPRENEURSM START-UP FOOD BUSINESSES, AND INDIVIDUALS LOOKING TO LEARN NEW SKILLS RELEVANT TO THE CULINARY INDUSTRY. THE CULINARY LABORATORY WILL HELP THESE ENTREPRENEURS LAUNCH AND GROW THEIR BUSINESSES BY PROVIDING ACCESS TO COMMERCIAL-GRADE KITCHEN EQUIPMENT, MENTORSIP AND TRAINING. IT WILL ALSON PROVIDE WELL TRAINED STAFF TO EXISTING RESTAURANTS IN DONALDSONVILLE.

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THE CULINARY LABORATORY WILL BE PARTICULARLY BENEFICIAL FOR FOOD ENTREPRENEURS WHO MAN NOT HAVE THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO INVEST IN THEIR OWN COMMERCIAL KITCHEN SPACE OR EQUIPMENT.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmen Charles R. Brown, Sr.

s/City Councilman Chairperson or Vice Chairperson

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