Charlotte Business INClusion Advisory Committee
Wednesday, March 13, 2024
10:00–11:30 a.m.
Meeting Summary and Action Items

I. **Attendance:** Pacino Mancillas, Carolina Shoffner, Jason Deans, Gary Beal, Ciara Lilly, Kymberlyn (Kym) Gardner, Rochelle Stewart  Absent: Rebecca LaClaire, Joaquin Soria, Jerome Marez  Staff: NaTasha Smith, Sonia Bows, Kimberly Tibbs, Thomas Powers, Nyema Mathis, Steven Coker, Julius Edwards, Venesia Draughn and Reenie Askew

II. **Welcome:** Chairman Ciara Lilly welcomed everyone and called for a motion to approve the February 14, 2024 meeting minutes. Kym Gardner made the motion and Pacino Mancillas seconded it; thereafter, Chairman Lilly collected each committee member's vote to accept the meeting minutes.

III. **CBI Staff Update:** Steven Coker indicated that he is waiting on Ron Thompson and Associates to give him the Economic Impact Study report. The findings of the study will provide the direct and indirect impact of CBI. Nyema gave a quick overview of the upcoming April 11, 2024 Industry Day Event. Thomas Powers spoke briefly about his new promotion and informed the committee that he will no longer be the legal counsel for CBI or CBIAC.

IV. **New Business:** Chairman Lilly and the committee discussed the subcommittee member selection. Chairman Lilly asked the members if they would like to remain with their current subcommittee or be reassigned; no changes occurred. The subcommittees selected to continue meeting with the current date and time for 2024.

V. **Open Discussion:** Chairman Lilly, the committee and CBI Staff discussed the CBIAC open seat process and outreach efforts to fill the CBIAC vacancies. Chairman Lilly entreated the committee to recommend or speak to their contacts about joining CBIAC.

VI. **Plans for Next Meeting:** April 10, 2024

VII. **Adjournment:** There being no additional business, Chairman Lilly called for a motion to adjourn. Carolina Shoffner made the motion, and Pacino Mancillas seconded it.

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

March 13, 2024, CBIAC Meeting Summary and Action Items submitted by:

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