

# Agenda

## CMTF Economic Development Subcommittee Meeting

1:30 p.m., Monday, February 12, 2007

I. Introductions

II. Issues/Discussions

- Public/Private Partnerships – How to use military expansion to increase local business opportunities
- Andersen AFB Environmental Assessment– Construction of new shopping center on base (3-page hand-out)
- Special Purpose Entities to be created by the Japanese Government to ascertain opportunities for island residents.
- Status of OEA Grant – RFP-07-002

III. Other Business

IV. Schedule for Next Meeting

V. Adjournment

## CMTF Economic Development Subcommittee

### Summary of Meeting

Thursday, October 26, 2006

Attendees:           Andreas Jordanou – GEDCA Administrator - Subcommittee Co-Chairman  
Mike Benito – Chamber of Commerce - Subcommittee Co-Chairman  
Joseph Diego – Area Director, USDA  
Kenneth Lujan – SBA  
Albert Perez – Analyst, Dept. of Rev & Tax  
Larry Toves – GEDCA Staff

#### Summary of Items Discussed:

- In following with the agenda provided, members present discussed and approved a mission statement for the subcommittee as follows:  
    “To explore and identify the elements that will address Guam’s economic impact and development during the military’s expansion over the next decade and beyond.”
- Members present were briefed on the upcoming visit by representatives from the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) who will be on-island to conduct a review of the Department of Defense’s master planning effort for the military buildup on Guam. The GAO reps will be attending the CMTF meeting scheduled on October 31, 2006 to discuss with CMTF members any concerns or issues regarding the military’s planning effort.
- Members discussed the current membership listing for the Subcommittee and recommended that James Martinez from the Contractor’s Association also be a member of the Economic Development Subcommittee.
- Members discussed in length and prioritized the various resources of federal funding that the government is seeking to obtain in efforts to assist in both the planning and implementation processes. Members also identified and discussed some of the obstacles that are of concern and that need to be address at some point during the planning process. These items discussed are illustrated in the table below.

<u>Resources</u>	<u>Obstacles</u>
Federal Programs/Grant Assistance:	Growth in Population Level: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Currently Guam qualifies for USDA</li></ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. Department of Agriculture</li> <li>• Small Business Administration</li> <li>• General Services Agency (GSA)</li> <li>• U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)</li> <li>• Department of Homeland Security (DHS-TSA)</li> <li>• Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA-DoD)</li> <li>• U.S. Department of Interior (DOI)</li> <li>• Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA)</li> </ul> <p>Local Programs/Assistance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local Financial Lending Institutions</li> <li>• Guam Economic Development &amp; Commerce Authority (GEDCA)</li> <li>• University of Guam – Training Programs</li> <li>• Apprentice Programs (Labor Force)</li> <li>• Local Legislation</li> </ul>	<p>federal assistance in guaranteed loans for up to \$25 million just by meeting the 50,000 population threshold by village. Program could be in jeopardy if for example population in Dededo increases due to relocation of Marines to Guam.</p> <p>Bonding for Federal Contracts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local requirements are too lax</li> </ul> <p>Legislation (Federal and Local)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immigration Control</li> </ul> <p>Tax Requirements for Off-Island Federal Contractors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GRT</li> <li>• Use Tax</li> </ul> <p>Infrastructure Challenges</p>
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- Members that were not present at the previous meeting were provided a copy of the Navy's plan in CD format entitled "Guam Intergraded Military Development Plan" released earlier in July. The subcommittee Chairman again asked that the members review the plan and provide some feedback at the next meeting. The subcommittee will review and then determine how the military's plan interfaces with the "Infrastructure Improvement Forecast" developed by the government of Guam.
- A suggestion was made at the meeting that our Congressional Delegate look into the possibility of having all arbitration hearings on military contracts within the region be held here on Guam instead of Hawaii. In addition, the subcommittee Co-Chair briefed the members on some of the issues discussed with Delegate Bordallo during her recent visit including having closer between GEDCA/GovGuam and the Congresswoman's office regarding the military's buildup plans expected in the next decade.
- Subcommittee members from both SBA and USDA provided some information regarding the federal requirements for military contracts and some of the issues that affect Guam's ability to compete for military construction and services contracts. SBA also provided a copy of the Business.Gov link page and suggested that GEDCA's website also be added.

- In closing, members were informed that they would be notified of the next subcommittee meeting date and that GEDCA staff would provide a summary of the meeting to the group.