GREATER EGYPT REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
July 21, 2026

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Jeff Robinson, Chair, presided and called the meeting to order at 12:06pm. A roll call was taken, and it was noted that there is a quorum present.

Officers Present:

Name	Position, Represents
Jeffery Robinson	Chair, Williamson County
Julie Peterson	3rd Vice-Chair, Jackson County
Robert Spencer	4th Vice-Chair, Pinckneyville
Steve Damron	Secretary, Jefferson County
Kathy Lively	1st Vice-Chair, Herrin

Officers Absent:

Cindy Humm	Treasurer, Franklin County
Kevin Weston	2nd Vice-Chair, Franklin County

Staff Present - Cary Minnis (Executive Director), Sarah O’Dell (Administrator)

2. Consent Agenda

a) Minutes of May 12, 2026 Executive Committee Meeting
b) June 2026 Staff Report
c) List of Bills
d) Grants/Contracts Executed by the Executive Committee Director

A motion was made by Steve Damron and seconded by Robert Spencer to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

3. New Business

a) FY27 Budget Adjustments

- The Committee reviewed proposed adjustments to the FY2027 budget resulting from the addition of the REDCO Professional Services contract and the Jackson County ADA Transition Plan. Staff explained that the new contracts allowed for strategic reallocations of staff time across grant programs, improving the overall budget without changing staffing levels. The adjustments brought the program budget from an estimated $1,100 deficit to a balanced budget, increased available carryover in the EDA and IDOT grants, and reduced the projected Enterprise Zone administration revenue to better reflect anticipated income. The Committee noted that these changes primarily involved reallocating staff charges and incorporating the two new grants. A motion was made by Kathy Lively, seconded by Steve Damron, and unanimously approved to accept the FY2027 budget adjustments.

b) Annual Awards

- The Committee discussed planning for the 2026 Annual Awards and Annual Dinner. Staff encouraged members to begin thinking about award nominations early so recipients can be selected by October and invited well in advance of the December 1 annual meeting. The Annual Dinner is tentatively planned for the Tedrick Welcome Center at SIU, with staff continuing to work through catering and bar service logistics due to venue requirements. Members also discussed recognizing the service of recently deceased board members and contributors with a commemorative tribute during the annual meeting. Staff hopes to begin the nomination process in

August, review submissions in September, and present award recommendations for approval in October.

c) Miscellaneous
   - The Committee received an update on building maintenance, including ongoing efforts to address the settling and cracking of the front entrance concrete pad. Staff reviewed a proposal from Helitech for a foundation pier system as a more cost-effective alternative to replacing the entire concrete pad but noted additional work would be required to temporarily support the roof and remove the support post. Members discussed the available repair options and agreed that staff should proceed with the most appropriate solution. A motion was made by Julie Peterson, seconded by Robert Spencer, and unanimously approved authorizing the Executive Director to proceed with the entrance repair in an amount not to exceed the $15,000 budgeted.
   - The Committee also received an update on the building's central HVAC unit, noting that while the underlying issue has not been fully identified, modifications have improved performance and staff will continue to monitor the system.

4. <u>Next Meetings:</u>

Full Board Commission Meeting: August 11, 2026, 6:00 p.m.
Executive Committee Meeting: September 8, 2026, 12:00 noon

6. <u>Adjourn</u>

A motion was made by Kathy Lively and seconded by Steve Damron to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 12:36 pm.