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Cyndi Jantomaso, an accredited Master Economic Development Practitioner receiving her certification through AEDL. In addition, holds a State of Florida Realtor license, and a State of Florida Paralegal Certification.

Resident of Winter Haven, Florida since 1980.

President of the Haines City Economic Development Council, Inc and has been with the organization since 2011. The Council is a private, not-for-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida made up primarily of large companies, financial institutions, post-secondary education institutions, county and state representatives, and workforce development boards. The Council is managed by a board of directors made up of public and private sector members. The Council encourages, supports, and promotes economic development and growth opportunities within the city and in the Northeast Polk County building relationships that will create opportunities and jobs for the area. Cyndi's focus is on the recruitment, business retention, and expansion of target industries to Haines City and Northeast Polk. Responsible for the creation, implementation, and continual improvement of the Economic Development Strategic Plan for the Haines City Economic Development Council, Inc. The Economic Development Strategic Plan will, at a minimum, focus on the expansion, recruitment and retention of targeted business and industry, support for existing Haines City businesses, identify and support the workforce needs today and of the future, and develop and implement strategies that lead to effective product development. Possesses a high-level understanding of Polk County and Haines City's economic drivers, its assets and the local stakeholders and partners that are critical to the growth of Northeast Polk's economy.

13 years with the Haines City Economic Development Council, has announce many economic development projects which generated a significant amount of jobs, millions in capital investment of new industrial real estate.

Leader in the community, Alumni of the Haines City Leadership Class II, Alumni of the Orlando Leadership Class 84', and Alumni of the Leadership Polk Class VIII & Chairperson of Leadership Polk Class XIII.

Appointed and served a two-year term in 2016 on the Florida Economic Development Council Board of Directors; in 2017 appointed and served a one-year term as a Board of Director United Way Central Florida; in 2019 appointed and served a two-year term as Board of Trustee for Heart of Florida Regional Medical Center. Appointed by Polk County Board of County Commission to the NE Polk County Roadway Advisory Committee in 2015 to advise the BoCC regarding the identification and prioritization of roadway infrastructure improvements in the unincorporated area of northeast Polk County. Served as the Chair from 2019-2021. Appointed by the Polk County Board of County Commission to serve on the Industrial Development Authority until 2024.

Continuing to serve the community as a Board of Director for CareerSource Polk, Board of Director for Central Florida Health Care, and Board of Director for the Haines City Chamber of Commerce. Serves on the CEDS Advisory Committee, which frames the discussion, develops goals and objectives, and recommends actions to implement the regional strategy, representing the economic interests of the region. Serves on the Advisory Board Member for Citizens Bank, Polk State Corporate College, and the Polk Transportation Planning Organization's (TPO) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC).