

2008 ORANGEBURG COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUMMIT



GOING GLOBAL · ACTING LOCAL · COMING TO THE TABLE



Steven Eames, VP and Operations Manager for Jafza South Carolina. Standing behind him is former Gov. Jim Hodges.

Orangeburg - The Orangeburg County Development Commission held their **2008 Economic Development Summit** where Jafza International unveiled their "Master Plan" and model for Santee, South Carolina. The Summit created an understanding of the opportunities and the impact Jafza will have on Orangeburg County as well as the entire State of South Carolina.

During the luncheon Congressman James E. Clyburn shared the challenges we are facing as well as the positive effects Jafza will have on the state and region. He stated "We are here today because of the leadership in this community decided not to believe in the conventional wisdom and that we should not buy into statistics."

The community and business leaders, Mayors, elected officials, residents of Santee and Region, Legislators, Educators, Press, and other summit attendees learned of the unprecedented opportunities for the future. We also realized the importance of being at the forefront of the next wave of thinking about the future of Orangeburg County and surrounding areas. Orangeburg County Economic Development Summit's program combined high-level speakers,

panel discussions and interactive sessions to develop strategic insights on challenges, solutions and opportunities.

The plan from Jafza-South Carolina, a subsidiary of Economic Zones World (EZW) anticipates an estimated 3,067 jobs by the year of 2015. Steven Eames, Vice President of Operations for Jafza Americas, Inc, said the development of the industrial and logistics park will take place in several phases.

Phase I: Development of 135 acres as a 'light - manufacturing facility.' The cost of the first-phase investment will be approximately \$140 million and is expected to be completed in 2012.

Phase II: Development of an additional 93 acres, which will include: warehouse and distribution center. Also a 63-acre intermodal facility expected to be completed in the year of 2016. Eames cautioned that much of the timeline planning was dependant on the development of key infrastructure. Steven Eames, added that Jafza was a long term investor and like everyone had to look closely at how the current short term



Attendees viewed Jafza's model for the logistics park in Santee, SC.

economic crisis was effecting our clients and operations. Ground-breaking for Phase I is expected to take place in the 4th quarter of 2009.

The Summit forged new strategies of visionary thinking to help grow Orangeburg County and the 'State of South Carolina.' Attendees left the summit with a *Vision for 2020*, and the understanding there is work ahead to overcome issues related to linkages with the Port of Charleston at the local, regional and state level.

"The summit was very informative and well received by the community. It came at a time when there was a need for something positive. It's a great day in Orangeburg County." said Harry Wimberly, County Council Chairman.

"The economic summit was the beginning of the next period of growth for our county, our region and our state. The responsibility rests with us to determine what we



Jeannine Kees, Chairperson of OCDC welcomes attendees to the summit.



Pictured left to right, Judi Gatson, WIS-TV, summit moderator, Gregg Robinson, Executive Director of OCDC and Gary Foley of OCTech.

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do with the opportunities we have been given. The challenge for our team is to maximize these opportunities and build a quality of life that is beneficial to all of our citizens. We must start with infrastructure, education and workforce initiatives. We need all team members to see the vision and become engaged.” said Jeannine Kees, Chair of Orangeburg County Development Commission.

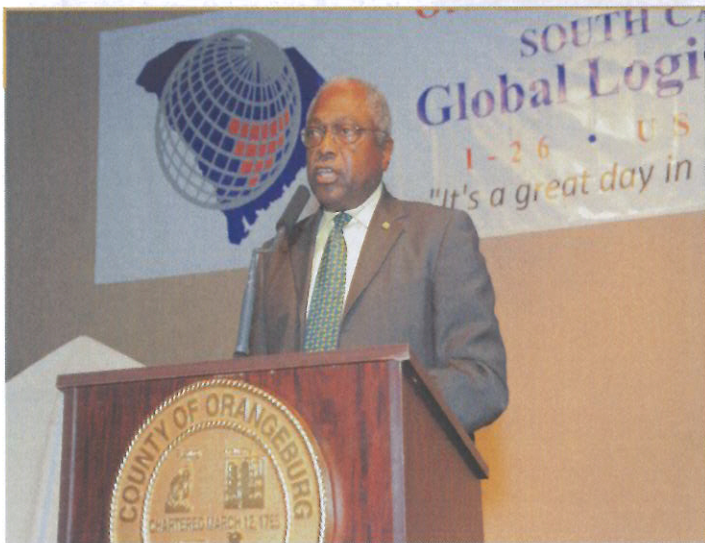
“Jafza has validated the location of the *Global Logistic Triangle* (I-26, US -301 & I-95) with their investment. We accept the chal-

lenge of building a better quality of life for the citizens of Orangeburg and the summit was just the beginning, we are going global... acting local...” said Gregg Robinson, Executive Director, Orangeburg County Development Commission.

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Pictured from left to right Rev. Harry Nesmith, County Council Chairman Harry Wimberly, Senator John Matthews, Representative Jerry Govan and Inez Tenenbaum.



Congressman James Clyburn gave the keynote address of the summit. He stated Orangeburg County will meet its challenges.



Pictured left to right, Steven Eames, Congressman James Clyburn and Gregg Robinson unveiled the plan for Santee.



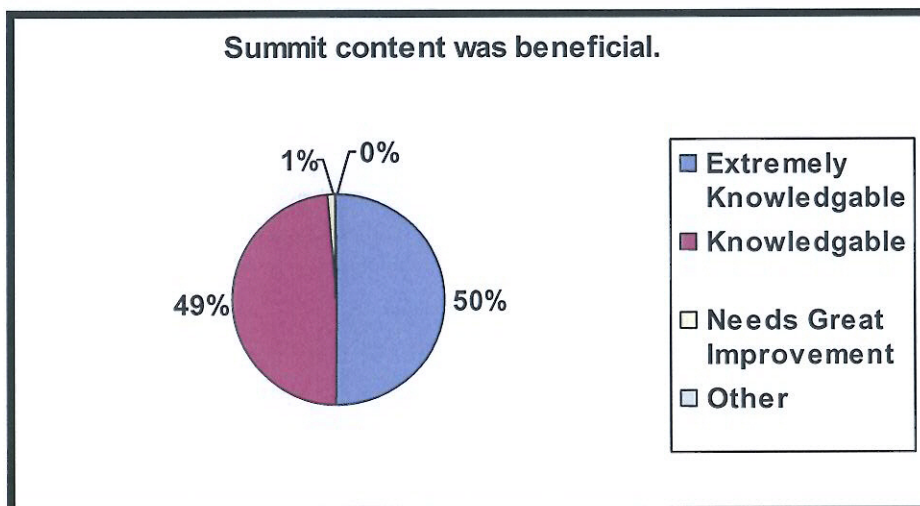
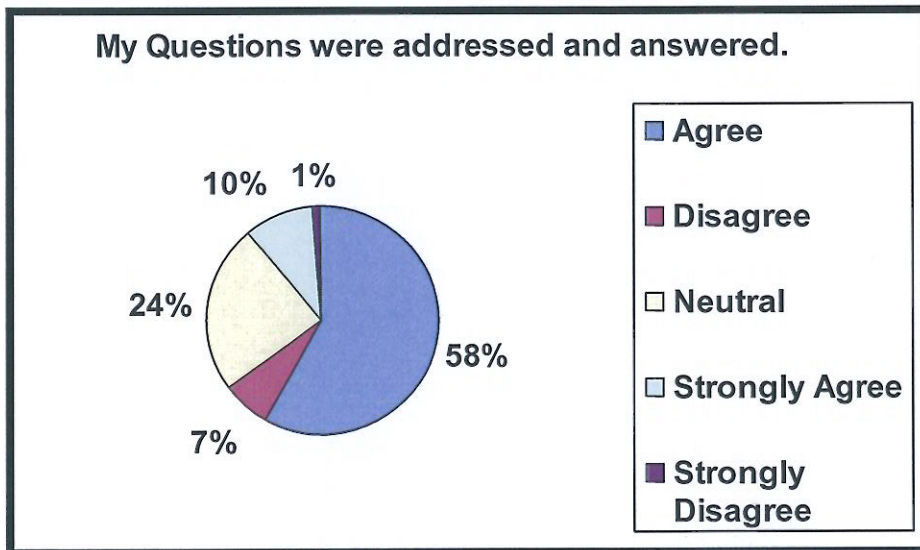
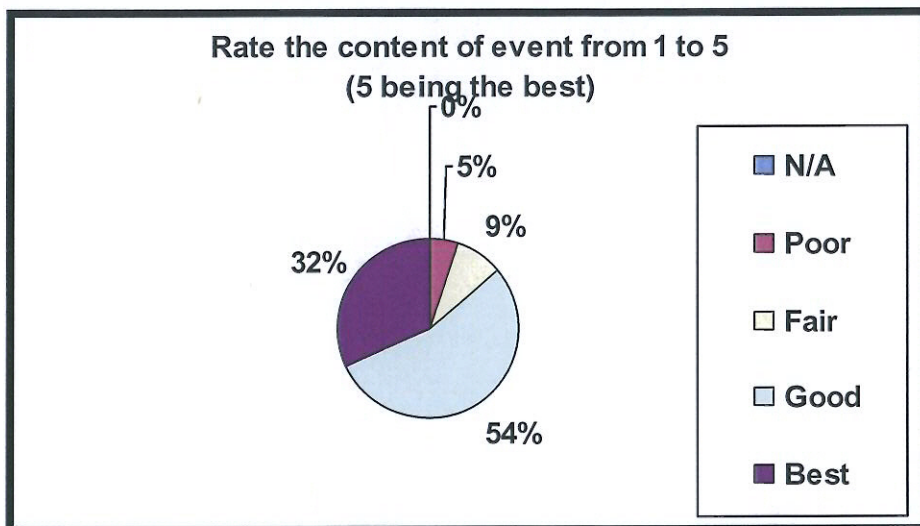
Steven Eames spoke to over 500 attendees at the 2008 Orangeburg County Economic Growth Summit Luncheon.



U.S. Senator Lindsay Graham promised federal support for infrastructure for the Jafza-South Carolina project. It will transform Orangeburg.

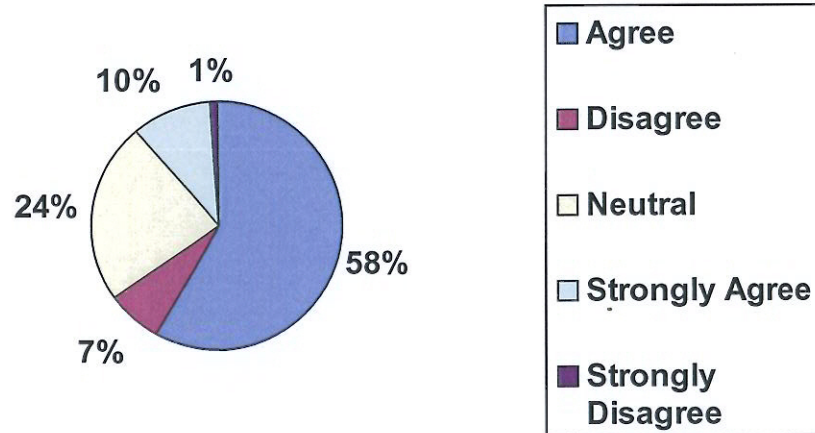
2008 Orangeburg County Growth Summit Evaluation Summary

Over 550 people attended the event. 20% of the attendees responded to this survey.

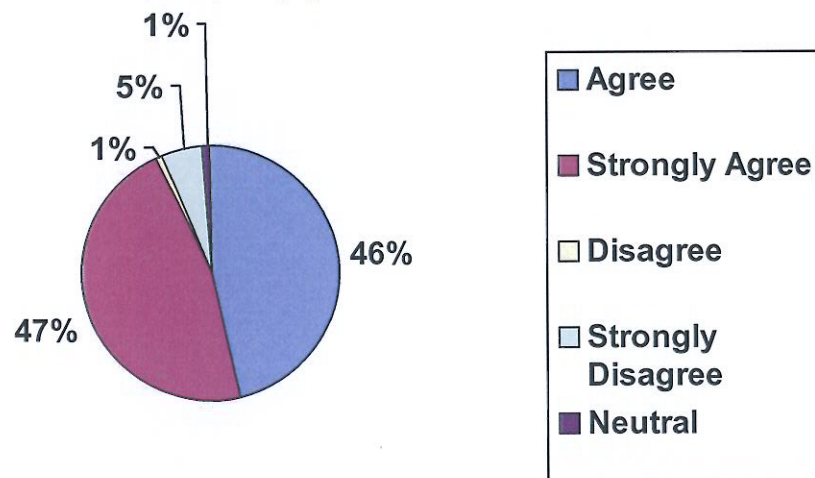


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My Questions were addressed and answered.



Overall, I enjoyed the summit.



The Orangeburg County Development Commission and Orangeburg County would like to thank all of you who took time out of your busy schedules to attend the 2008 Economic Growth Summit. We would also like to thank you for participating in the on line evaluation.