

Economic Development Commission Item

October 14, 2025



Subject	Charlie Hansen - Local Entrepreneur & Owner - Dandy Lion Coffee	
Section	<u>VISITOR PRESENTATIONS</u>	Item No: D.1
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SUMMARY

The EDC will be meeting Charlie Hansen at Dandy Lion Coffee Warehouse, 7924 Kerber Blvd, Chanhassen, MN 55317. Mr. Hansen will give a presentation on his small business and what it's like being a local entrepreneur in Chanhassen.

BACKGROUND

Charlie Hansen - Local Entrepreneur & Owner - Dandy Lion Coffee

Charlie Hansen blends design, storytelling, and grit in Minnesota's vibrant scene. A Minnetonka High alum, he studied architecture at NDSU before mastering film production and media marketing at MCAD.

He ran his own video company for 12 years, then pivoted in 2020 to found Dandy Lion Coffee, roasting fresh and making real community connections. By day, he also hustles in sales and ops at family-owned Hansen Hometech, building lasting homes alongside his dad, Gary Hansen.

A devoted husband and proud father to two girls and a boy, Charlie's now in Watertown but keeps strong ties to Chanhassen, rooted deep in family, faith, and the work that makes a lasting impact.

DISCUSSION

RECOMMENDATION

As this is a visitor presentation, no formal action is required.

ATTACHMENTS