

**Minutes of December 11, 2013
Regular Monthly Meeting**

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency met on Wednesday, December 11, 2013, at Camden City Hall, Suite 1300, 520 Market Street, Camden, New Jersey.

Chair Gloria Pena called the meeting to order at approximately 6:10 PM. Board Clerk Carla Rhodes called roll.

Present: GP, KH (by phone), BM, LQ, and MS (by phone)

Absent: VB

Attendees: Saundra Ross Johnson, Mark Asselta, Carla Rhodes, Johanna Conyer, James Harveson, Olivette Simpson, CRA

Public: Colandus "Kelly" Francis, NAACP; Sulena Robinson-Rivera of Woodbine Avenue and Ronicia Solla of Meadowbrook Circle

Ms. Rhodes advised the Board that, pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice(s) had been posted in the Courier Post and the Philadelphia Inquirer as well as in the Office of the City Clerk.

Review of Minutes

Meeting Date	M	A	N	AB	Comments
November 7, 2013 November 13, 2013	LQ BM	GP BM LQ MS		KH	There were no comments or questions. On a Motion made by Commissioner Louis Quinones, seconded by Commissioner Bryan Morton, and affirmed in a Voice Vote by all, the Minutes were accepted as presented.

Executive Director's Report

Meeting Date	M	A	N	AB	Comments
December 11, 2013	LQ BM	GP BM LQ MS		KH	In addition to the written report previously been supplied, Executive Director Saundra Ross Johnson thanked the Board of Commissioners for celebrating the 10-year service anniversary of Housing Director Olivette Simmons Simpson with a special Resolution and that the 10 year anniversary of Sulena Robinson-Rivera will be recognized in January. She also informed the Commissioners that the Labor Contracts had been fully executed and thanked commissioners/staff for support during 2013. Wishes for a happy holiday season were extended to all. On a Motion made by Commissioner Louis Quinones, seconded by Commissioner Bryan Morton, and affirmed in a Voice Vote by all, the Executive Director's Report was accepted as presented.

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Resolutions for Review and Action

		M	A	N	AB	Comments
12-11-13A	Resolution Authorizing the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency to Accept the Board of Commissioners' Meeting Schedule for 2014	BM LQ	GP BM LQ MS		KH	There were no comments or questions. On a Motion made by Mr. Morton and seconded by Mr. Quinones, this Resolution was approved. In a Roll Call Vote, adoption was affirmed by all but Commissioner Kenwood Hagamin.
12-11-13B	Resolution Authorizing the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency to Adopt the Camden Redevelopment Agency's Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending 2014	BM LQ	GP BM LQ MS		KH	There were no comments or questions. On a Motion made by Mr. Morton and seconded by Mr. Quinones, this Resolution was approved. In a Roll Call Vote, adoption was affirmed by all but Mr. Hagamin.
12-11-13C	Resolution Adopting Revised Bylaws for the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency (TABLED)					
12-11-13D	Resolution Adopting a Revised Grievance Procedure to be Included as Revised Section XXI of the Administrative Policies and Procedures of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency	LQ BM	GP BM LQ MS		KH	There were no comments or questions. On a Motion made by Mr. Quinones and seconded by Mr. Morton, this Resolution was approved. In a Roll Call Vote, adoption was affirmed by all but Mr. Hagamin.

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12-11-13E	Resolution Authorizing the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency to Enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Brownfield Redevelopment Solutions, Inc. for the Provision of Environmental Management Services on an Hourly Rate Basis	LQ BM	GP BM LQ MS		KH	There were no comments or questions. On a Motion made by Mr. Quinones and seconded by Mr. Morton, this Resolution was approved. In a Roll Call Vote, adoption was affirmed by all but Mr. Hagamin.
12-11-13F	Resolution Recognizing the 10-Year Service Anniversary of Olivette Simmons Simpson with the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency <i>WALK-ON</i>	LQ BM	GP BM LQ MS		KH	<p>There were no comments or questions. On a Motion made by Mr. Quinones and seconded by Mr. Morton, this Resolution was approved. In a Roll Call Vote, adoption was affirmed by all but Mr. Hagamin.</p> <p>Chair Gloria Pena thanked Ms. Simpson for her service and invited her to comment.</p> <p>Ms. Simpson thanked the Commissioners and Ms. Johnson for the acknowledgement of her service and noted that it is more than one person (the entire staff as well as former agency executives/mentors) behind the work.</p>

Public Comments

Kelly "Colandus" Francis of the NAACP extended holiday wishes to all and congratulated Ms. Simpson on her anniversary as well as in carrying out tasks with excellence.

Regarding Resolution 12-11-13E, he inquired about whether the contractor was new or incumbent.

Economic Development Director James Harveson affirmed the selected environmental vendor currently is under contract and has been exceptional in services provided.

Sulena Robinson-Rivera of Woodbine Avenue (and a CRA employee) acknowledged Ms. Simpson's dedication to CRA through long hours, purposeful mentoring and numerous milestones that have been met under her direction.

There were no further comments or questions.

Chairperson's Remarks

Ms. Pena wished all a happy and safe Christmas and New Year. She also thanked staff and members of the public for their ongoing support.

All were invited to join in singing "Happy Birthday" to Mr. Quinones.

New Business

None.

Executive Session

None.

Old Business

None.

Adjournment

On a Motion made by Mr. Morton, seconded by Mr. Quinones and affirmed in a Voice Vote by all but Mr. Hagamin, this meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 PM.

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