

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency **held a Regular Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, December 9, 2020** via teleconference.

Chairperson, Marilyn Torres called the meeting to order at approximately 6:02 PM. Board Clerk Sulena Robinson-Rivera called roll. Commissioner Ramos joined the meeting, after roll call, at 6:03 pm.

Present: Derek Davis, Gilbert Harden Sr., Ian K. Leonard, Jose Javier Ramos, Maria Sharma, and Marilyn Torres

Absent:

Attendees: Olivette Simpson, Mark Asselta, Sulena Robinson-Rivera, CRA; Victor Figueroa, HACC; Nicolas Cangelossi, Michael's Development Company

Mrs. Robinson-Rivera advised the Board that pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice(s) had been posted in the Courier-Post, the Philadelphia Inquirer, and the Office of the City Clerk.

Review of Minutes

Dates of Meeting: November 18, 2020

Motion: IL, GH **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, MS, and MT

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: Commissioner Ramos was not present for this vote. There were no comments or questions.

Interim Executive Director's Report

Date of Meeting: December 9, 2020

Motion: JR, GH **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, JR, MS, and MT

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: The Interim Executive Director, Olivette Simpson, spoke to how extraordinary year that 2020 was and the energy around CRA and its work. Also of note, two articles, one regarding the completion of the hotel on the Camden Waterfront and Admiral Wilson Redevelopment Area site being redeveloped, plan to go before the Planning Board in December 2020. They will present to the CRA board in January 2021. A public hearing was held on December 2, 2020 to discuss the 2021 budget. She also wished everyone a New Year.

Redevelopment Project Presentations

A project update was provided by HACC and Michael's Development Company related to resolution 12-09-20C.

Resolutions for Review and Action

12-09-20A Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Brownfields Redevelopment Solutions Inc to Provide Environmental Management Services on an Hourly Rate Basis for a Total Amount Not to Exceed \$150,000.00

Motion: GH, IL **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, JR, MS, and MT

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

12-09-20B Resolution Authorizing the Amendment of Various Remediation, Planning, and Acquisition Grants from the Camden Economic Recovery Board to Extend the Term of Such Grants

Motion: IL, MS **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, JR, MS, and MT
Nays: **Abstentions:**

12-09-20C Resolution Amending Resolution 10-09-19F Which Designated Michaels Development Company as Redeveloper of Block 814, Lot 2 of the City of Camden Tax Map and Authorized a Cost Agreement and Redevelopment with the Redeveloper for a Multi-Family Residential Development in Cramer Hill by Extending the Expiration Date of the Redevelopment Designation

Motion: IL, MS **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, JR, MS, and MT
Nays: **Abstentions:**
Comments: There were no comments or questions.

12-09-20D Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Mercadien, P.C to Provide Financial Auditing Services for FYE 2020 for an Amount Not to Exceed \$31,792.00

Motion: MS, JR **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, JR, MS, and MT
Nays: **Abstentions:**
Comments: There were no comments or questions.

12-09-20E Resolution Authorizing the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency to Adopt the Camden Redevelopment Agency's Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending 2021

Motion: MS, IL **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, JR, MS, and MT
Nays: **Abstentions:**
Comments: Ms. Simpson noted the budget was submitted in October and approved without change and credited Nural William for role in the process. There were no comments or questions.

12-09-20F Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with BL Companies Architects/ Engineers New Jersey, Inc. to Provide Environmental Services in Connection with the Cramer Hill Waterfront Park Designated as Block 809, Lots 7 and 13 on the City of Camden Tax Map for an Amount Not to Exceed \$137,416.40

Motion: JR, IL **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, JR, MS, and MT
Nays: **Abstentions:**
Comments: There were no comments or questions.

12-09-20G Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with the firm of Accu Staffing Services for the Provision of Temporary Administrative Employment Services

Motion: MS, GH **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, JR, MS, and MT
Nays: **Abstentions:**
Comments: There were no comments or questions.

12-09-20H Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with the firm of Your Temporary Part-Time Comptroller for the Provision of Temporary Financial Services

Motion: MS, GH **Ayes:** DD, GH, IL, JR, MS, and MT
Nays: **Abstentions:**
Comments: There were no comments or questions.

Public Comments

None.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Executive Session

Board Counsel advised of the need to enter Executive Session regarding contract negotiations for temporary positions. Commissioner Ramos moved to enter Executive Session, his motion was seconded by Commissioner Sharma and all Commissioners were in favor. The Executive Session began at 6:27pm and ended at 6:33pm.

Chairperson's Remarks and Observations

None.

Adjournment

Commissioner Harden made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Sharma, and affirmed via voice vote by all commissioners. The meeting ended at approximately 6:40 PM