

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency held its Regular Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, November 9, 2016, Camden City Hall, City Council Chamber, Camden, New Jersey.

Chair Marilyn Torres called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 PM. Board Clerk Sulena Robinson-Rivera called roll. Commissioner, Davis, joined the meeting after roll call at 6:04pm.

Present: MT, SD, MS, IL, and JR

Absent: VB

Excused:

Attendees: Sandra Ross Johnson, Mark Asselta, Sulena Robinson-Rivera, Johanna Conyer, James Harveson, and Olivette Simpson CRA; Barbara Kelly, Camden Business & Contractors Association (CBCA); and Kelly Francis of the Camden County NAACP

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 Meetings- October 5 and 12 2016

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

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: Ms. Torres asked all Commissioners if they had an opportunity to review the minutes. All affirmed. There were no further comments or questions.

Executive Director's Report

Date of Meeting- November 9, 2016

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

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: The report stands as submitted at Caucus. There were no questions or comments.

Redevelopment Project Presentation

None.

Resolutions for Review and Action

11-09-16A **Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement with the Salvation Army in Connection with the Procurement of a Solar Renewable Energy Project Located on the Balance of the Harrison Avenue Landfill (Block 809, Lot 7 of the Camden City Tax Map) and Providing Energy to the Kroc Center**

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

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: There were no question or comments.

11-09-16B **Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Woodard & Curran to Provide Licensed Site Remediation Professional Services in Connection with the Former Sears Tire & Battery Site located at 1350 Admiral Wilson Boulevard (Block 1464 Lots 4 & 5 of the Camden City Tax Map) in an Amount not to Exceed \$78,630.00**

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

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

Resolutions for Review and Action (cont'd)

11-09-16C Resolution Authorizing the Application for and Acceptance of a Grant in the Amount of \$1,800,790.13 From the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund for Environmental Remediation of the Proposed North Camden Waterfront Park in the North Camden Brownfield Development Area and Authorizing an Agreement with Cooper's Ferry Partnership For Management of the Remediation Grant

Motion: IL, JR Ayes: MT, SD, MS, IL, and JR

Nays: Abstentions:

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

11-09-16D Resolution Authorizing the Camden Redevelopment Agency to Enter Into a Contract with Rubino & Company, Chartered to Provide Financial Auditing Services for FYE 2016

Motion: Ayes:

Nays: Abstentions:

Comments: This firm has never audited the CRA. There were no comments or questions.

Public Comments

Mr. Kelly Francis inquired about the status of the redevelopment of block 185. Director Johnson advised that the CRA has commenced the relocation process. A RFP for relocation services is being issued. The process is planned to begin this winter. Regarding resolution 11-09-16C he asked whether the \$78,000 includes fees.

Barbara Kelly of Camden Business & Contractors Association (CBCA) inquired about the status of the affirmative action policy she presented to City Council and shared with the CRA. She also shared that the Dr. Williams received a redevelopment plan for review for the Bergen neighborhood. Finally, she informed all that the CBCA will be hosting a holiday party in December, details to follow under separate cover.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Chairperson's Remarks and Observations

None.

Executive Session

Discussions involving contract regarding Developer's Construction work necessitated that the board convene an Executive Session, thus Commissioner Leonard moved and Commissioner Ramos seconded and all present agreed to enter Executive Session, via voice vote at 6:12 pm. Director Johnson asked that Director Simpson stay for the session. Vote taken on action regarding construction work. The session adjourned at 6:55pm on a motion made by Commissioner Leonard and seconded by Commissioner Ramos.

Adjournment

Commissioner Leonard moved and Commissioner Ramos seconded that the business meeting be reopened to the public meeting at 6:56 pm. This meeting adjourned at approximately 6:57 PM on a motion made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Ramos and affirmed via voice vote.