

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency held its Regular Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, September 14, 2016, at 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, Sheila Davis, joined the meeting after roll call at 6:04pm.

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

Absent: VB

Excused:

Attendees: Saundra 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, 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- August 10, 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- September 7, 2016

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

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: In addition to the report provided during the caucus meeting, Ms. Johnson introduced two resolutions, discussed in Executive Session during the caucus meeting. She also shared information on the Subaru Hope Happens Here also known as Subaru University program, the documents will be emailed to all. There were no additional questions or comments.

Redevelopment Project Presentation

There were no project presentations.

Resolutions for Review and Action

09-14-16A **Resolution Amending Resolution 11-13-13D and Authorizing Lots to be Subject to an Access and Construction Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Regarding Certain Portions of Harrison Ave Landfill Utilizing Funds Provided by DEP**

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

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

09-14-16B **Resolution Authorizing the Camden Redevelopment Agency to Enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Langan Engineering & Environmental Services to Provide Licensed Site Remediation Professional Services in Connection with the Former Sears Tire & Battery Site**

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

Nays: **Abstentions:**

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

09-14-16C Resolution Amending Resolution 07-13-16F to Increase the Loan Amount on the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency Loan from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund from \$681,463.00 to \$790,603.00 for the Environmental Cleanup of the ABC Barrel Site.

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

Nays: Abstentions:

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

09-14-16D Resolution Rescinding Resolution 07-13-16G and Authorizing a Contract between the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency and The Ambient Group, LLC for the ABC Barrel Site Environmental Remediation & Harrison Avenue Landfill Interim Closure for an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,384,570.00

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

Nays: Abstentions:

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

Public Comments

Kelly Francis of the Camden County NAACP asked a question related to resolution 09-14-16B, specifically if the site is owned by Campbell Soup. Director of Economic Development, James Harveson confirmed the site is owned by Campbell Soup and CRA has an obligation to effectuate the remediation. Mr. Francis asked why Campbell's isn't responsible for the remediation. Board Counsel, Mark Asselta, acknowledged that Campbell Soup is providing the predominant amount of the funding for the site remediation. Mr. Francis asked whether the site is a Super Fund site. Mr. Harveson advised the site is considered a Brownfield and not a Super Fund site. Mr. Asselta added the work is nearly complete and CRA has a minimal amount of remediation to undertake. Barbara Kelly of Camden Business & Contractors Association (CBCA) advised that the membership list is complete and includes a list of contractors city wide and businesses. She noted she emailed the list to the CRA and will also provide a hard copy. The next CBCA networking session is scheduled for September 21, 2016 and will take place at Vittarelli's across from the Camden Children's Garden. Ms. Johnson requested a digital version of the membership list.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Chairperson's Remarks and Observations

None.

Executive Session

None.

Adjournment

This meeting adjourned at approximately 6:11 PM on a motion made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Sharma and affirmed via voice vote.