Minutes of September 13, 2023 Regular Monthly Meeting

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Camden Redevelopment Agency held the Regular Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 via tele-/videoconference.

Chairperson Ian Leonard called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. Board Clerk Donna Arthur-Pettigrew called roll.

Present: Ian Leonard, Maria Sharma, Derek Davis, Christopher Collins, Gilbert Harden Sr.,

Tasha Gainey-Humphrey, Jose Javier Ramos

Absent:

Attendees: Olivette Simpson, Mark Asselta, Glynn Jones, Donna Arthur-Pettigrew, Sulena

Robinson-Rivera, CRA, Jack Layne, DCA,

Ms. Donna Arthur-Pettigrew advised the Board that, pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, notice(s) had been posted in the Courier-Post, the Philadelphia Inquirer, and the Office of the City Clerk.

Review of Minutes

Date of Meeting: August 2 and 9, 2023

Motion: MS, TGH Ayes: IL, MS, DD, CC, TGH, JR

Nays: Abstentions:

Comments: Mr. Leonard verified that everyone had a chance to review the Minutes and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Interim Executive Director's Report

Date of Meeting: September 6 and 13, 2023

Motion: MS, GH Ayes: IL, MS, DD, CC, GH, TGH, JR

Nays: Abstentions:

Comments: Ms. Simpson, in referring to Resolution No.: 09-13-23D, stated that she was pleased with the City's milestone Settlement after five years of litigation. For the CRA, the Settlement concludes the dispute with Dranoff Properties, Inc. for redevelopment rights to the Radio Lofts Building that is owned by the CRA. Ms. Simpson stated with the Settlement Agreement, plans now can be moved forward for the redevelopment of the Site.

Redevelopment Project Presentations

None.

Resolutions for Review and Action

The resolutions below were presented for consideration.

09-13-23A Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Montrose

Environmental to Provide Environmental and Licensed Site Remediation Professional Services for Certain Property in Block 331 of the City of Camden Tax

Map for an Amount Not to Exceed \$ 28,099.50

Motion: MS, GH Ayes: IL, MS, DD, CC, GH, TGH, JR

Nays: Abstentions:

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

Resolutions for Review and Action cont'd

09-13-23B Resolution Amending Resolution 05-10-23F that Authorized a Professional Services

Agreement with Brownfield Redevelopment Solutions, Inc. to Provide Additional Environmental Management Services for an Amount Not to Exceed \$50,000.00 and

Include Additional Grant Terms

Motion: MS, GH Ayes: IL, MS, DD, CC, GH, TGH, JR

Nays: Abstentions:

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

09-13-23C Resolution Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the City of Camden for

the Management of a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Cleanup Grant for the Borden Chemical Site located at 1625 Federal Street and Designated as

Block 1184, Lot 5 on the City of Camden Tax Map

Motion: GH, JR Ayes: IL, DD, GH, TGH, JR

Nays: Abstentions: MS

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

Note: Commissioner Collins due to technical difficulties was disconnected at the time this

Resolution was heard and did not re-join the Meeting.

09-13-23D Resolution Authorizing Settlement of Litigation

Motion: MS, JR Ayes: IL, MS, DD, GH, TGH, JR

Nays: Abstentions:

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

09-13-23E Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with BL Companies, Inc.

to Conduct a ASTM Phase I Site Assessment for Property Designated as Block 72,

Lot 9 of the City of Camden Tax Map for an Amount Not to Exceed \$1,900.00

Motion: MS, GH Ayes: IL, MS, DD, GH, TGH, JR

Navs: Abstentions:

Comments: There were no comments or questions.

Executive Session

None.

Public Comments

None.

Old Business

Action has not been taken regarding Resolutions 03-09-22 E & F.

New Business

None.

Chairperson's Remarks and Observations

None.

Adjournment
Commissioner Sharma made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Commissioner Harden and affirmed with a Roll Call vote by all Commissioners. This meeting ended at approximately 6:12 PM.