

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE JERSEY CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY HELD ON THE 21st DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2021



The Board of Commissioners of the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency conducted today's meeting as a virtual audio conference on the Zoom platform on Tuesday, September 21ST, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. General Counsel Credidio called the Meeting to order at 6:15 p.m., and upon roll call the following answered **present**: **Donald Brown, Douglas Carlucci, Victor Negron and Darwin Ona.**

And the following were **absent:** Erma Greene, Denise Ridley and Daniel Rivera. Robert Napiorski, Acting Secretary for the Meeting, thereupon declared a quorum present. Also present at the Meeting were Diana H. Jeffrey, Esq., Executive Director; Hjordys Espinal, Acting Secretary to the Board; Robert Napiorski, Acting Secretary for the Meeting; Jennifer Credidio, General Counsel; Agency's staff; and Members of the public.

Immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance, The Executive Director announced that, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act and Guidance for Remote Public Meetings issued on March 23, 2020 by the Department of Consumer Affairs, public notice of today's meeting was posted on the Agency's website and was sent to the City Clerk for the public's review.

General Counsel Credidio then proceeded to introduce and swear-in the new Commissioner, Victor Negron, Jr.

Immediately after Commissioner Negron being sworn-in, and in the absence of Chairman Rivera, General Counsel Credidio proceeded request the election of a Chairman Pro Temp for the remainder of the evening session and thus inquired about any nomination. Commissioner

Ona nominated Commissioner Brown, and this motion was seconded by Commissioner Carlucci. Mr. Napiorski then proceeded to call the roll.

Accordingly, the following voted "AYE": Chairman Pro Temp Brown, Commissioner Carlucci, Commissioner Negron and Commissioner Ona. Mr. Napiorski thereupon declared a quorum present.

In accordance with tonight's agenda, General Counsel Credidio stated there was a presentation scheduled, however, that presentation had been deferred to a future meeting.

General Counsel Credidio noted there were no other presentations and asked if the Board would move on with the next business to go into Executive Session, to which Chairman Pro Tem Brown responded in the positive. Accordingly, the Board went into closed session at 6:22 pm. The following Resolution was introduced and duly seconded: the following voted "AYE": Commissioners Brown, Carlucci, Negron and Ona and the following voted "NAY": None.

Emerging from Executive Session at 6:51 pm, General Counsel Credidio made it known that discussions involving litigation, contract negotiations and personnel took place; no formal action was taken.

Deputy Director Chris Fiore inquired if Commissioner Greene had been able to join the Executive Session. General Counsel Credidio responded "not to her knowledge".

General Counsel Credidio then requested Chairman Pro Temp Brown's permission to begin the public portion of the meeting. Chairman Brown consented and a motion to open the meeting to the public was voted on.

General Counsel Credidio advised that members of the public who wished to speak during today's meeting were encouraged to pre-register with the Agency's administrator or to submit comments by email in advance.

General Counsel Credidio asked Mr. Napiorski if they had received any pre-registrations from any members of the public, to which Mr. Napiorski replied in the negative.

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General Counsel Credidio noted that if they did not pre-register, they would still be permitted to speak and may indicate their wish to speak now by utilizing the "raise your hand" icon to indicate their desire to speak. If they were participating in today's meeting through a web browser, they could raise their hands by opening the chat feature in the Zoom conference window by first selecting the "raise my hand" icon, and then commenting in the chat box with a typewritten message that includes their last name and home address. Speakers who were participating by telephone and would like to speak during public comment could "raise your hand" by pressing *9.

There being no Public Speakers, the public speaking portion of the meeting adjourned at 6:54 pm.

General Counsel Credidio asked if there were any questions from any members of the Board regarding Items #1 through #21, except for Items #11, #19 and #20, which were pulled. There being no questions, General Counsel Credidio asked if the Board members wanted to move to establish a Consent Agenda.

There being no further requests, comments, and/or questions, Chairman Pro Temp Brown called for a Consent Agenda for Items #1 through #21, with the exception to pull Items #11, #19 and #20, which were moved, seconded and voted unanimously. Accordingly, the following Resolutions were introduced and duly seconded: (attached)

Accordingly, the following voted "AYE": Commissioners Brown, Carlucci, Green, Jones and Rivera; and the following voted "NAY": None. Chairman Rivera thereupon declared the Motion carried and the Resolutions adopted as introduced.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

	Secretary