

Garfield Redevelopment Agency

January 8, 2018
Minutes of Public Meeting

Chairman Andreano called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Chairman Andreano announced compliance with the Sunshine Law

Notice of the time, date and place of this meeting has been provided at least 48 hours in advance (1) by publication in The Herald News and in The Bergen Record both of which are official newspapers of the City of Garfield; (2) by posting of the Notice of meeting on the Community Bulletin Board at the municipal building and (3) by filing a copy of the Notice with the City Clerk.

The following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Arthur Andreano; Commissioner Ernest Rosolen, Commissioner John Easom, Commissioner Anna Sciacca, Commissioner Raymond Simone.

Commissioner Peter Amadio and Commissioner Joseph Delaney were absent.

The following were also present: Santo T. Alampi, Esq. – attorney to the Agency; Thomas J. Duch – Executive Director; Dennis Harrington – Boswell Engineering; Pat Esposito – Secretary Beth Calderone – Certified Court Reporter and C.F.O. Riggitano.

The first agenda item was the response to RFQ's for Professionals and appointment of Board Professionals for the year 2018.

CFO Riggitano stated that all responses to RFQ's for the various professionals of the Agency had been reviewed for compliance and scored accordingly.

Commissioner Simone made a motion to appoint the Boswell Engineering as the Agency's Engineer, which was seconded by Commissioner Sciacca and voted unanimously.

Commissioner Simone made a motion to appoint Santo T. Alampi as the Agency's Attorney which was seconded by Commissioner Rosolen and voted unanimously.

Commissioner Simone made a motion to appoint DeCoittis, Fitzpatrick, Coleman & Giblin as Special Counsel to the Agency which was seconded by Commissioner Rosolen and voted unanimously.

Commissioner Rosolen made a motion to appoint Burgis Associates as the Agency's Planner which was seconded by Commissioner Sciacca and voted unanimously.

The appointment of the Environmental Engineers was carried to the next meeting.

The next agenda item was the January 2018 Bills presented for payment.

Commissioner Rosolen introduced a motion pay all the January 2018 Bills of the Agency, which was seconded by Commissioner Simone and voted unanimously by those eligible to vote.

The next agenda item was correspondence.

The Agency was advised of all correspondence received.

The next agenda item was public participation.

The meeting was open to the public. There were numerous citizens' remarks and concerns pertaining to redevelopment along Passaic Street. The remarks and concerns focused on where people and businesses will be relocated to after the redevelopment; what will happen with train station and how the transfer station will be utilized. The Agency responded to the various concerns of the public.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm

Respectfully,

Santo T. Alampi