

# Garfield Redevelopment Agency

## January 4, 2021 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. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic the meeting was held telephonically with the appropriate notice being provided in accordance with Governor of New Jersey's Executive Orders 102 and 104 regarding COVID 19 Emergency Actions.

The following Commissioners were present: Chairman Arthur Andreano, Vice Chairman Peter Amadio, Commissioner John Easom and Commissioner Susan Scudillo.

The following Commissioners were absent: Commissioner Joseph Delaney, Commissioner Raymond Simone, Commissioner Daniel Rigoglioso

The following individuals were also present: Thomas Duch, Esq., Executive Director of the Agency, Patricia Esposito, Secretary to the Agency; Santo T. Alampi, Esq. – Attorney to the Agency and Beth Calderone – Certified Court Reporter.

### **The First Agenda Item was Old Business.**

Mr. Duch advised the Board that in light of the newly elected Council Members, he wanted the opportunity to meet and review the various Redevelopment Agreements that have been being negotiated with them and that he hoped to present the Kalama Site Agreement at the February meeting.

### **The Next Agenda Item was the adoption of the December 14, 2020 Meeting Minutes.**

The minutes of the December 14, 2020 meeting were presented to the Board. Vice-Chairman Amadio introduced a motion to adopt the December 14, 2020 Minutes as presented, which was seconded by Commissioner Scudillo and voted unanimously by those eligible to vote.

### **The Next Agenda Item was the Adoption of the 2021 Budget.**

Mr. Duch confirmed that the request was to adopt the Budget that had been introduced for the Calendar Year 2021. Commissioner Easom introduced a motion to adopt the 2021 Budget as

introduced, which motion was seconded by Commissioner Scudillo and voted unanimously by those eligible to vote.

Mr. Duch thereafter informed the Board that the bills would be presented for payment at the next meeting of the Agency.

**The Next Agenda item was Public Participation.**

Vice-Chairman Amadio introduced a motion to open to public, which was seconded by Commissioner Eason. No members of the public appeared. Chairman Andreano introduced a motion to close the public portion, which was seconded by Commissioner Scudillo and voted unanimously by those eligible to vote.

No other business was presented to the Agency.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:20 p.m.

Next Agency meeting is February 1, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,

Santo T. Alampi