

PLANNING BOARD, CITY OF GARFIELD
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
Conducted on November 30, 2023

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Chairwoman Visotcky at 7:03 p.m. who thereupon read the statement required by the Open Public Meeting Act. Secretary called the roll.

ROLL CALL:

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso
Chairwoman, Lou Ann Visotcky
James Clark
Costantino Conte
Caty Polanco
James Kovacs
Antonino Randazzo

Absent:

Councilman, Romi Herrera
Michael Garcia

Others present were:

Alyssa Cimino, Esq., Attorney/Secretary of the Planning Board
Eileen Boland, Planning Board Engineer
Lyndsay Knight, Planning Board Planner
Sue Bischoff, Certified Court Reporter

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SUNSHINE LAW: Read by Chairwoman Lou Ann Visotcky
PUBLIC LAW 1975 CHAPTER 231 "OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT" PUBLIC
HEARING: December 22, 2022 Council Chambers, City Hall Commencing at 7:00 p.m.

Resolutions

- a. Resolution memorializing approval of application for Preliminary & Final Site Plan Approval with relief for deviations regarding Block 24.01, Lots 5.01, 8 & 10, commonly known as 67, 69, 73 & 77 Passaic Street, Garfield.

Motion to memorialize Resolution PB-11-2023 for Preliminary & Final Site Plan Approval (67, 69, 73 & 77 Passaic St.).

Moved: Mayor Richard Rigoglioso
Second: Caty Polanco

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso – Aye
Chairwoman Lou Ann Visotcky - Aye
James Clark - Aye
Costantino Conte – Aye
Caty Polanco - Aye
James Kovacs, Jr. – Aye
Antonino Randazzo - Abstain
Motion Approved.

- b. Resolution authorizing the Board Secretary to publish the Requests For Qualifications for the Board Professionals for the year 2024.

Motion to approve Resolution PB-12-2023 Authorizing Board Secretary to Publish RFQs for 2024.

Moved: James Kovacs
Second: Costantino Conte

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso – Aye
Chairwoman Lou Ann Visotcky - Aye
James Clark - Aye
Costantino Conte – Aye
Caty Polanco - Aye
James Kovacs, Jr. – Aye
Antonino Randazzo - Aye
Motion Approved.

- c. Resolution establishing and authorizing the meeting dates for the calendar year 2024.

Motion to approve Resolution PB-13-2023 Authorizing Meeting Dates for 2024.

Moved: Mayor Richard Rigoglioso
Second: Antonino Randazzo

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso – Aye
Chairwoman Lou Ann Visotcky - Aye
James Clark - Aye
Costantino Conte – Aye
Caty Polanco - Aye
James Kovacs, Jr. – Aye
Antonino Randazzo - Aye
Motion Approved.

The Chairwoman asked for a motion to approve the Regular meeting minutes from the meeting held on September 28, 2023.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on September 28, 2023.

Moved: Mayor Richard Rigoglioso
Second: James Clark

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso – Aye
Chairwoman, Lou Ann Visotcky - Aye
James Clark – Aye
Costantino Conte – Aye
Caty Polanco - Aye
James Kovacs – Aye
Antonino Randazzo - Abstain
Motion Approved.

The Chairwoman asked if there were any bills or correspondence.

Ms. Cimino stated that there were no bills or correspondence.

New Business

1. Hearing on whether to adopt the Study conducted by DMR Architects examining whether the property known as Block 31.02, Lots 35 & 37, as shown on the Official Tax Map of the City of Garfield, more commonly known as 89 & 97 Midland Avenue should be determined to be an area in need of redevelopment, specifically a Non-Condensation Redevelopment area pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et seq.

The Chairwoman stated that this matter will be heard at the December meeting.

Motion to open the meeting to the public.

Moved: James Clark
Second: Costantino Conte

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso - Aye
Chairwoman Lou Ann Visotcky - Aye
James Clark - Aye
Costantino Conte – Aye
Caty Polanco - Aye
James Kovacs – Aye
Antonino Randazzo - Aye
Motion Approved.

The Chairwoman asked if anyone from the public wanted to come forward.

The Chairwoman stated that no one from the public came forward.

Motion to close the public session.

Moved: Antonino Randazzo
Second: Mayor Richard Rigoglioso

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso - Aye
Chairwoman Lou Ann Visotcky - Aye
James Clark – Aye
Costantino Conte – Aye
Caty Polanco - Aye
James Kovacs – Aye
Antonino Randazzo - Aye
Motion Approved.

The Chairwoman asked for a motion to appoint the vacant Vice Chairperson position.

Motion to appoint Antonino Randazzo as Vice Chairman.

Moved: Mayor Richard Rigoglioso
Second: Caty Polanco

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso - Aye
Chairwoman Lou Ann Visotcky - Aye
James Clark – Aye
Costantino Conte – Aye
Caty Polanco - Aye
James Kovacs – Aye
Antonino Randazzo - Abstain
Motion Approved.

The Chairwoman asked for a motion to close the meeting.

Motion to close meeting.

Moved: Mayor Richard Rigoglioso
Second: Caty Polanco

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso - Aye
Chairwoman, Lou Ann Visotcky - Aye
James Clark - Aye
Costantino Conte – Aye
Caty Polanco - Aye
James Kovacs – Aye
Antonino Randazzo - Aye
Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Cimino
Planning Board Secretary

Approved at the meeting on December 28, 2023.

ALYSSA CIMINO
Planning Board Secretary