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REGULAR MEETING

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William V. Musto Center
420 15th Street
Union City, New Jersey

Wednesday, August 2, 2017
Commencing at 7:02 p.m.

M E M B E R S P R E S E N T :

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MARYURY A. MARTINETTI, COMMISSIONER
CELIN J. VALDIVIA, COMMISSIONER
TILO E. RIVAS, COMMISSIONER
BRIAN P. STACK, MAYOR

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1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: This is a Regular
2 Public Meeting of the Union City Board of
3 Commissioners being held on Wednesday, August 2nd,
4 2017, at seven p.m. at the William V. Musto
5 Center, 420 15th Street, Union City, New Jersey.

6 Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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8 (Whereupon the Pledge of Allegiance was
9 said by all.)

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11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: This meeting has been
12 called in accordance with the Open Public
13 Meetings Act.

14 Adequate notice of the meeting has been
15 provided to The Jersey Journal, The Record, The
16 Hudson Reporter, and has been posted on the
17 bulletin board at City Hall and made available to
18 the public in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

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20 **ROLL CALL:**

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22 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Fernandez?

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.

24 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

25 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Here.

1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

2 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Here.

3 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

4 Martinetti?

5 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Here.

6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

7 MAYOR STACK: Yes. Here.

8

9 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
10 action on the following item:

11 **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES FROM JULY 6,**
12 **2017; JULY 11, 2017; AND JULY 18, 2017.)**

13

14 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: The first item is --
15 for approval is the meeting minutes of the Board
16 of Commissioner meetings from July 6th, 2017, July
17 11th, 2017, and July 18th, 2017.

18 May I have a motion to approve?

19 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

20 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

21 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion made by Mayor
22 Stack.

23 Second by Commissioner Martinetti.

24 Commissioner Fernandez?

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

2 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

3 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

4 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

5 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

6 Martinetti?

7 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

8 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

9 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

10

11 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took

12 action on the following items in total:

13 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

14 (1) Resolution Approving the Payment of Claims

15 (2) Resolution Approving the Payment of

16 Concurring Claims

17 (3) Resolution Approving the City Payroll for

18 the Period of July 21, 2017 through August 4,

19 2017

20 (4) Resolution Approving the Library Payroll

21 for the Period of July 21, 2017 through August 4,

22 2017

23 (5) Resolution Authorizing the Placement of a

24 Lien on the Property Known as 733-35 6th Street,

25 Block 20, Lot 9.02, in the City of Union City for

- 1 Tenant Relocation Costs
- 2 (6) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of
- 3 Premium Monies Collected at the Tax Sale
- 4 (7) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of
- 5 Payment for Block 106, Lot 11; also known as 921
- 6 21st Street
- 7 (8) Resolution Cancelling Overbill
- 8 (9) Resolution Authorizing Refund of Redemption
- 9 Monies to Outside Lienholders
- 10 (10) Resolution to Cancel Tax Sale Certificate
- 11 12-320 and 15-526, Block 253, Lot 17 C0p15 4301
- 12 Park Avenue
- 13 (11) Resolution to Adjust Tax Bills after
- 14 Assessment
- 15 (12) Resolution Authorizing a Special Emergency
- 16 for the Cancellation of Grants Receivable and
- 17 Balances
- 18 (13) Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of
- 19 Federal and State Grants Receivable
- 20 (14) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
- 21 the City of Union City Approving the 2017-2018
- 22 Renewal of La Gran Via Restaurant, Inc. (T/A The
- 23 Cousins Restaurant Inc.) Liquor License No.
- 24 0910-33-068-005
- 25 (15) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of

1 the City of Union City Approving the 2017-2018
2 Renewal of JRV Restaurant, Inc. (T/A El
3 Papaturro) Liquor License No. 0910-33-137-005
4 (16) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
5 the City of Union City Approving the 2017-2018
6 Renewal of Association Hijos De Camajuani Inc.
7 (T/A Association Hios (sic) De Camajuani) Liquor
8 License No. 0910-31-223-001
9 (17) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
10 the City of Union City Approving the 2017-2018
11 Renewal of Summit Grocery LLC (T/A Summit
12 Grocery) Liquor License No. 0910-43-002-005
13 (18) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
14 Contract to Stan's Sporting Goods for Football
15 Equipment for 2017
16 (19) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
17 Contract to S. Batata Construction for the 17th
18 Street Improvements (Bergenline Avenue to West
19 Street)
20 (20) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
21 Contract to A&J Construction for the 2017 Road
22 Program.)
23

24 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: We have 20 items on the
25 Consent Agenda this evening.

1 The first is a Resolution Approving the
2 Payment of Claims.

3 The second is a Resolution Approving the
4 Payment of Concurring Claims.

5 The third is a Resolution Approving the
6 City Payroll for the Period of July 21st, 2017
7 through August 4th, 2017.

8 The fourth is a Resolution Approving the
9 Library Payroll for the Period of July 21st, 2017
10 through August 4th, 2017.

11 The fifth is a -- fifth is a Resolution
12 Authorizing the Placement of a Lien on the
13 Property Known as 733 35th (sic) Street, Block 20,
14 Lot 9.02, in the City of Union City for Tenant
15 Relocation Costs.

16 The sixth is a Resolution Authorizing the
17 Refund of Premium Monies Collected at Tax Sale.

18 The seventh is a Resolution Authorizing
19 Refund of Payment for Block 106, Lot 11; also
20 known as 921 21st Street.

21 The eighth is a Resolution Cancelling
22 Overbill.

23 The ninth is a Resolution Authorizing
24 Refund of Redemption Monies to Outside
25 Lienholders.

1 The tenth is a Resolution to Cancel Tax
2 Sale Certificate for 12-320 and 15-526, Lots --
3 Block 253, Lot 17 C0p15, also known as 4301 Park
4 Avenue.

5 The eleventh is a Resolution to Adjust Tax
6 Bills after Assessment.

7 The twelfth is a Resolution Authorizing
8 Special Emergency for the Cancellation of Grants'
9 Receivable and Balances.

10 The thirteenth is a Resolution Authorizing
11 the Cancellation of Federal and States Grants
12 Receivable.

13 The fourteenth is a Resolution of the Board
14 of Commissioners of the City of Union City
15 Approving the 2017-2018 Renewal of La Gran Via
16 Restaurant, Incorporated, trading as The Cousins'
17 Restaurant Incorporated, License Number
18 0910-33-068-005.

19 The fifteenth is a Resolution of the Board
20 of Commissioners of the City of Union City
21 Approving the 2017-2018 Renewal of JRV
22 Restaurant, Incorporated, El Papaturro, License
23 Number 0910-33-137-005.

24 The sixteenth is a Resolution of the Board
25 of Commissioners of the City of Union City

1 Approving the 2017-2018 Renewal of the
2 Association Hijos De Camajuani Incorporated,
3 trading as Association Hijos De Camajuani, Liquor
4 License Number 0910-31-223-001.

5 The seventeenth is a Resolution of the
6 Board of Commissioners of the City of Union City
7 Approving the 2017-2018 Renewal of Summit Grocery
8 LLC, trading as Summit Grocery, Liquor License
9 Number 0910-43-002-005.

10 The eighteenth is a Resolution Authorizing
11 the Award of a Contract to Stan's Sporting Goods
12 for Football Equipment for 2017.

13 The nineteenth is a Resolution Awarding the
14 -- a Contract to S. Batata Construction for 17th
15 Street Improvements, Bergenline Avenue to West
16 Street.

17 The twentieth is a Resolution Authorizing
18 the Award of a Contract to A and J Construction
19 for the 2017 Road Program.

20 Mayor, at this time, would you like to take
21 public comment on the Consent Agenda?

22 MAYOR STACK: Sure.

23 Thank you.

24 Anyone wishing to comment at this time,
25 please step forward, state your name and address

1 for the record -- on the Consent Agenda.

2 Just for everyone's knowledge, on number 19
3 and 20, the 17th Street Road Program, we're going
4 to be tying that in with the renovation of the
5 17th Street Park. That park will be totally
6 renovated and will be ready in the spring of next
7 year; spring/early summer.

8 And the 2017 Road Program just ties into
9 what we've been doing in the community with the
10 streetscape and paving the streets. Not only do
11 we pave the street but we also provide sidewalks
12 to the residents just to build up the
13 infrastructure in the community.

14 Having said that, anyone wishing to comment
15 on the Consent Agenda, please step forward, state
16 your name and address for the record.

17 Seeing none.

18 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to
19 close public comment?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Motion.

21 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
22 Fernandez.

23 Second?

24 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

25 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner

1 Valdivia.

2 Commissioner Fernandez?

3 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

5 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

7 Martinetti?

8 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

9 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

10 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

12 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

13 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to

14 approve all items on Consent Agenda?

15 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

16 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner

17 Valdivia.

18 Second?

19 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Second.

20 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner

21 Rivas.

22 Commissioner Fernandez?

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

24 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

25 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

2 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

3 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

4 Martinetti?

5 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: I'm abstaining --

6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: On Adolfo Lopez.

7 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: -- for the

8 payment to Adolfo Lopez.

9 Yes on the rest.

10 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

11 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

12

13 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
14 action on the following item:

15 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

16 1. Resolution Authorizing a Payment of Claim
17 to the Grace Theatre Workshop, Inc.)

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19 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: We have one item on the
20 Regular Agenda this evening.

21 It's a Resolution Authorizing a Payment of
22 Claim to the Grace Theatre Workshop,
23 Incorporated.

24 MAYOR STACK: I'll move.

25 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to

1 approve.

2 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

3 MAYOR STACK: I'll move it.

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by --

5 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: I'll second.

6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: -- Mayor Stack.

7 Second by Commissioner Rivas.

8 Commissioner Fernandez is recusing.

9 Commissioner Rivas?

10 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

12 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

13 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

14 Martinetti?

15 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

16 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

17 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

18 And just to make a comment on the Grace

19 Theatre Workshop. It's a great program and I

20 know that Commissioner Fernandez plays a role in

21 the Grace Theatre Workshop.

22 But really it's something that we never

23 read about but I've seen firsthand the great work

24 that the Grace Theatre Workshop has done with

25 children in our community.

1 And it's one of the things that you never
2 read or hear about but I would just like to point
3 that out. It's a shame that the media doesn't do
4 more coverage of programs such as that.

5 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: And, Mayor Stack, yes?
6 Okay.

7

8 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
9 action on the following item:

10 **ORDINANCES FOR HEARING AND ADOPTION**

11 **CONSIDERATION:**

12 1. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 334, RENT
13 STABILIZATION ORDINANCE.)

14

15 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: The next is an
16 Ordinance for Hearing and Adoption.

17 It's an Ordinance Amending Chapter 334 of
18 the Rent Stabilization Ordinance.

19 Mayor, at this time would you like to take
20 public comment on this Ordinance?

21 MAYOR STACK: Just if you could give just a
22 brief overview, Erin.

23 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Sure.

24 MAYOR STACK: I know what -- but just for
25 the public's knowledge.

1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Of course.

2 This Ordinance pertains to owner/occupied
3 four family buildings. They would be subject --
4 or exempt from Rent -- the Rent Stabilization
5 protections under their ordinance until such time
6 as an owner would vacate the building.

7 They -- with that said, it was following a
8 case that happened in West New York. And the
9 owners would need to provide an affidavit proving
10 residency to the Rent Stabilization office and
11 also may have to appear before the Rent
12 Stabilization Board in accordance with the rules.

13 We would grandfather in five and six unit '
14 buildings at this time.

15 MAYOR STACK: But going forward?

16 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Going forward they
17 would be subject to --

18 MAYOR STACK: To rent control.

19 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: -- to rent control.

20 MAYOR STACK: Just further protection of
21 keeping the residents in Union City obviously
22 here in rent controlled buildings.

23 Many times you'll have a property owner say
24 -- not many times but sometimes there's some
25 small cases where a property owner would say that

1 they live in a six family and they really don't.

2 And we just want to provide further
3 protections to those tenants in the community
4 and, of course, keeping our Rent Control
5 ordinance strong.

6 We take a lot of pride in keeping the
7 ordinance one of the strongest in the State and
8 we just want to make sure we maintain it that
9 way.

10 Having said that, anyone wishing to comment
11 on this Ordinance, please step forward.

12 Mr. Price?

13 MR. PRICE: Yeah. Larry Price, 1006
14 Palisade.

15 I read the blurb or whatever in -- in the
16 ad in the newspaper. I had a question about the
17 six family.

18 I thought the rent control you were only
19 exempt if you were owner/occupied four families
20 or less. But it said some six families were --

21 I didn't understand that.

22 MAYOR STACK: Yeah. There were -- there
23 were some six family -- or that should say six
24 family in the City owner/occupied that were
25 exempt under the old portion of the ordinance.

1 And we're just trying to correct that now going
2 forward.

3 MR. PRICE: So there are still some --

4 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

5 MR. PRICE: But it's a grandfathered thing.

6 MAYOR STACK: Yes, they are.

7 MR. PRICE: So --

8 MAYOR STACK: And as those --

9 MR. PRICE: -- so they're -- but they're --

10 MAYOR STACK: -- buildings are sold they
11 will not be any longer.

12 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Right.

13 MR. PRICE: Okay. But as long as they
14 were, they continue --

15 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

16 MR. PRICE: -- exempt from that --

17 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

18 And as long as they can prove that they are
19 living in the building.

20 Anyone else wishing to comment on this
21 Ordinance at this time, please step forward.

22 Seeing none.

23 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to
24 close public comment?

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Motion.

1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
2 Fernandez.
3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.
4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
5 Valdivia.
6 Commissioner Fernandez?
7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.
8 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?
9 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.
10 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?
11 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.
12 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
13 Martinetti?
14 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.
15 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?
16 MAYOR STACK: Yes.
17 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to
18 adopt the Ordinance?
19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.
20 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
21 Valdivia.
22 Second?
23 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.
24 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
25 Martinetti.

1 Commissioner Fernandez?
2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.
3 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?
4 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.
5 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?
6 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.
7 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
8 Martinetti?
9 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.
10 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?
11 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

12
13 **OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

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15 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor, at this time,
16 would you like to take public comment on any
17 items concerning government in Union City?

18 MAYOR STACK: Sure.

19 Anyone wishing to comment on any matter
20 concerning municipal government, please step
21 forward.

22 I would also like to thank the
23 Commissioners at this time for moving a hundred
24 percent of our meetings amount the community --
25 each of our Commission meetings. And thank the

1 members of the public that are here this evening.

2 At this time does anyone -- would like to
3 make a comment, please step forward, state your
4 name and address for the record.

5 Seeing none.

6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to
7 close public comment?

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Motion.

9 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Motion.

10 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by
11 Commissioner Fernandez.

12 Second by Commissioner Rivas.

13 Commissioner Fernandez?

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

15 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

16 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

17 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

18 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

19 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner
20 Martinetti?

21 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

22 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

23 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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1 LIQUOR LICENSE DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS:

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3 1. Luna, Inc.

4 t/a Estrella de Mexico

5 Location: 2421 West Street

6 License No. 0910-33-164-005

7 2. La Placita Supermarket

8 t/a La Placita Supermarket

9 Location: 148-152 48th Street

10 License No. 0910-43-131-003

11 3. Shrijill, LLC

12 t/a El Esperanza Grocery Store

13 Location: 800 New York Avenue

14 License No. 0910-43-203-005

15 4. Wendy C. Diaz

16 t/a Tropical Bar & Restaurant

17 Location: 4100C Bergenline Avenue

18 License No. 0910-33-060-003

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20 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: At this time, Mayor, we
21 have Liquor License Disciplinary Proceedings.

22 MAYOR STACK: Mr. Farmer?

23 MR. FARMER: Yes.

24 Good evening.

25 You want me over here?

MS. DILLON: Right here, Mr. Farmer.

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1 LUNA, INC.

2 t/a ESTRELLA DE MEXICO

3 Location: 2421 West Street

4 License No. 0910-33-164-005

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6 MR. FARMER: Good evening, Commissioners.

7 With respect to the agenda that you have
8 before you, the first matter is Luna, Inc. And
9 they are represented by counsel and the licensee
10 is here.

11 I've had an opportunity to speak to counsel
12 and we have come to an agreement -- it's a paper
13 violation by the way -- that it would be a three-
14 day suspension; really would be a ten-day
15 suspension but three days, the 29th to the 31st;
16 and seven days held in abeyance on the condition
17 that they don't get an offense within the next
18 six months.

19 Now, since we brought this up, I just would
20 like to address to the Board on one issue. It
21 came up last week or two weeks ago about training
22 for licensees. And Detective Dunlay had
23 indicated that he was going to be able to put
24 together a PowerPoint and all of that stuff.

25 He just returned from vacation but we now

1 preliminary spoken to the Clerk about
2 availability of the spot and we're going to try
3 and do it by the end of August, presumably the
4 last week in August.

5 Because we have found that we're now
6 getting more paper violations than ever before.
7 We don't seem to -- we seem to have gotten the
8 violence and the aggressiveness out of a lot of
9 them. We don't get that as -- that doesn't mean
10 we don't get them.

11 But nevertheless what we want to try to do
12 is have a seminar, specifically directed to two
13 things.

14 One, the paper violations, so we know who's
15 working in the bars and we have identification.

16 And, number two, and this is always a tough
17 issue, is the over-serving. Because every time
18 we go to -- the Police go to an event dealing
19 with a bar somebody's drunk. Okay. And we're
20 going to try and crackdown on that.

21 But nevertheless, counsel and I have worked
22 out the plea. The three day suspension would be
23 from the 29th to the 31st, on the condition that
24 they won't take an appeal and they won't make
25 application to the State to convert it into the

1 fine.

2 Am I correct in that?

3 MR. RENDO: Yes you are.

4 MR. FARMER: You got to put your --

5 MR. RENDO: Yeah, good evening, everyone.

6 Carlos Rendo representing Luna, Inc.

7 And we do agree with the recommendations of
8 counsel.

9 I also think it's a great idea to have
10 education aspect while doing this because my
11 client has indicated to me he doesn't know what
12 he has to do to fill out the papers. So once you
13 have the training he'll be better informed and
14 then they can't say, well I didn't know.

15 So I think it's a fantastic idea and I
16 would recommend the Mayor and council adopt that
17 in training all the -- the residents that own
18 businesses -- liquor licenses in Union City to do
19 that.

20 So I thank Mr. Farmer, I thank the Mayor
21 and council, if it should accept this agreement.

22 MAYOR STACK: Thank you. Thank you, Mr.
23 Rendo.

24 I'll make a motion to take the
25 recommendation and approve.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

2 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

3 Second by Commissioner Fernandez.

4 Commissioner Fernandez?

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

7 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

8 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

9 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

10 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

11 Martinetti?

12 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

13 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

14 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

15 MR. RENDO: Thank you, everyone.

16 It was great seeing everyone.

17 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Thank you.

18 MAYOR STACK: Congratulations again,

19 Carlos.

20 MR. RENDO: Thank you.

21 MAYOR STACK: Good luck.

22 MR. RENDO: Appreciate it.

23 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

24 MR. RENDO: It's always great to be back in

25 Union City.

1 MAYOR STACK: That's right.

2 MR. RENDO: I -- I thought I was coming
3 here to take out a book.

4 MAYOR STACK: Take care.

5 Bye-bye.

6 MR. RENDO: Bye.

7 MAYOR STACK: Take care. Thank you.

8 Nice guy. He's always been a nice guy.

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1 LA PLACITA SUPERMARKET
2 t/a LA PLACITA SUPERMARKET
3 Location: 148-152 48th Street
4 License No. 0910-43-131-003
5

6 MR. FARMER: The next one is La Placita
7 Supermarket.

8 They're represented by Adolfo Lopez and Mr.
9 Diaz, his partner's here this evening.

10 It seems that we have somewhat of a
11 misunderstanding of some kind of conversation I
12 had with Mr. Lopez.

13 So, I talked to Mr. Diaz. He really
14 doesn't have the authority to do anything this
15 evening and suggested that Mr. Lopez and I speak
16 to straighten out our differences. So I'd ask
17 that that be carried to the next date.

18 MR. DIAZ: Luis Diaz on behalf of Mr.
19 Lopez.

20 Yes, we appreciate the -- the opportunity
21 to carry this on so Mr. Lopez can finalize the
22 matter.

23 MAYOR STACK: I'll make a motion.

24 MR. FARMER: Thank you.

25 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

1 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Well, we don't need a
2 motion to table.

3 Right?

4 No, we don't need a motion to table.

5 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: So that's okay.

7 MAYOR STACK: Thank you, Mr. Diaz.

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1 SHRIJILL, LLC
2 t/a EL ESPERANZA GROCERY STORE
3 Location: 800 New York Avenue
4 License No. 0910-43-203-005
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6 MR. FARMER: The next one on your list is
7 El Esperanza Grocery Store.

8 Mr. Diaz represents the licensee. And with
9 respect to that we have a -- an agreement that
10 it's going to be --

11 Let me see --

12 MR. DIAZ: Seven days.

13 MR. FARMER: Seven days. That's right.
14 -- seven days from August 20th to August
15 26.

16 MR. DIAZ: Correct.

17 MR. FARMER: And there will be a condition
18 that within 14 days after we pass the Resolution
19 that the licensee comes to the Union City Police
20 Department --

21 We don't have to go to him.

22 -- incumbent on him to come with all of the
23 books, all of the records, Detective Dunlay to
24 look at and if that's okay then the rest of the
25 charges will be dismissed.

1 But nevertheless he's going to be closed
2 for seven days, August 20th to the 26th.

3 MR. DIAZ: That's correct. I discussed the
4 -- the plea with my client and he agrees.

5 Just to express, this is a clean license.
6 This is the first violation that they have had.
7 And mainly it's lack of knowledge.

8 I understand that Detective Dunlay is going
9 to have a course that's going to be starting
10 sometime in the middle of August. My client will
11 go to that course. He's very excited about it
12 because not knowing what he's supposed to do kind
13 of makes him a little bit nervous.

14 And I introduced him to Detective Dunlay
15 and he's willing to cooperate and will be
16 speaking with him in order to bring everything up
17 to par as it's supposed to be. Within the 30
18 days, obviously.

19 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

20 I'll make a motion to approve.

21 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

23 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
24 Fernandez.

25 Commissioner Fernandez?

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

2 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

3 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

5 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti
7 is recusing.

8 Mayor Stack?

9 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

10 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Thank you.

11 MR. DIAZ: Thank you very much. Good
12 night.

13 MAYOR STACK: Thank you, Mr. Diaz.

14 Thank you.

15 Dave, you're definitely going to do that by
16 the end of the month.

17 Right?

18 SERGEANT DUNLAY: The 22nd, I believe, was
19 the date --

20 MAYOR STACK: All right. Good.

21 SERGEANT DUNLAY: -- we were discussing.

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1 WENDY C. DIAZ

2 t/a TROPICAL BAR & RESTAURANT

3 Location: 4100C Bergenline Avenue

4 License No. 0910-33-060-003

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6 MR. FARMER: If please the Board, the next
7 one is Tropical Bar and Restaurant.

8 The licensee is here this evening and she
9 has had an opportunity to speak to Detective
10 Dunlay. For some reason or another this is the
11 first time we've gotten together and talked.

12 So what I'd like to do -- and they think
13 they're making some progress with respect to it,
14 I'd like to carry it to the next -- give them an
15 opportunity for them to talk about a potential
16 plea.

17 MAYOR STACK: Sure. To the next -- next
18 meeting?

19 MR. FARMER: Yes.

20 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

21 MR. FARMER: Please put your name on the
22 record.

23 SERGEANT DUNLAY: Just state your name for
24 the record.

25 MS. DIAZ: Okay. This is for Tropical

1 Restaurant and the licensing name under Wendy
2 Diaz.

3 MR. FARMER: And you are?

4 MS. DILLON: Are you Wendy Diaz?

5 MS. DIAZ: Yes.

6 MS. DILLON: Okay.

7 MR. FARMER: Okay.

8 Thank you, Miss Diaz.

9 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

10 Thank you.

11 MR. FARMER: And that's it.

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1 **MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

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3 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Okay.

4 Mayor, at this time, would you like to take
5 a moment of silence for Police Officer John Kamel
6 who passed away last week?

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8 (Whereupon, there was a moment of silence,
9 in memory of Police Officer John Kamel.)

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11 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

12 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Thank you.

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14 **ADJOURNMENT:**

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16 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor, there are no
17 other items on the agenda at this time.

18 May I have a motion to adjourn?

19 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

20 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

21 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

22 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Second.

23 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
24 Martinetti.

25 Commissioner Fernandez?

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

2 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Rivas?

3 COMMISSIONER RIVAS: Yes.

4 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

5 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

6 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Commissioner

7 Martinetti?

8 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

9 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

10 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

11 DEPUTY CITY CLERK: Okay.

12 Thank you very much.

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14 (Whereupon, the proceedings were concluded
15 at 7:21 p.m.)

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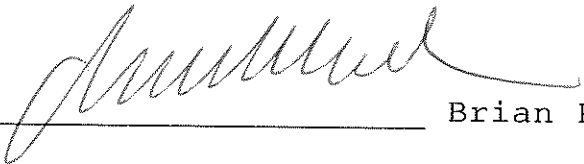
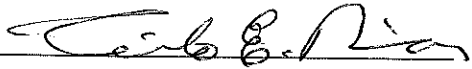
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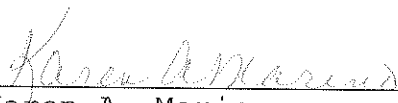
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