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Wednesday, August 8, 2018
Commencing at 7:03 p.m.

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MARYURY A. MARTINETTI, COMMISSIONER
CELIN J. VALDIVIA, COMMISSIONER
WENDY A. GRULLON, COMMISSIONER
BRIAN P. STACK, MAYOR

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1 CITY CLERK: This is a Regular Public
2 Meeting of the Union City Board of Commissioners
3 being held on Wednesday, August 8th, 2018, at
4 seven p.m., at the Union City High School, 2500
5 John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Union City, New
6 Jersey.

7 Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

8
9 (Whereupon the Pledge of Allegiance was
10 said by all.)
11

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

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

19

20 **ROLL CALL:**

21

22 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Fernandez?

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.

24 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

25 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Here.

1 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

2 Commissioner Valdivia?

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

4 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

5 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Here.

6 CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

7 MAYOR STACK: Here.

8

9 **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

10 **Allegro Music Program**

11

12 CITY CLERK: Mayor, at this time we have a
13 Special Presentation from the Allegro Music
14 Program.

15 Commissioner Fernandez, you want to
16 introduce them?

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yeah, we have
18 visiting us Megan Fernandez, from the Grace
19 Theatre Workshop, and Mr. Edgar Gonzalez, from
20 the Allegro Program.

21 MS. FERNANDEZ: Thank you, Mayor Stack and
22 Commissioners, first of all, for giving us the
23 opportunity and the time tonight to speak.

24 Again, Megan Fernandez.

25 I'm Artistic Director with the Grace

1 Theatre Workshop, 4517 Brown Street in Union
2 City, New Jersey.

3 Basically, on behalf of everybody involved
4 with the Grace Theatre -- our Board of Directors,
5 our entire staff of instructors, the parents,
6 everybody involved with the Allegro Music Program
7 and their staff, we want to thank you, Mayor, and
8 thank you for everything you've done for us, your
9 continued support, everything you do for the kids
10 of the Grace Theatre, for the kids of this whole
11 community.

12 We just want to thank you and -- and we
13 have a small token of appreciation, what we're
14 going to present tonight.

15 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

16 Thank you.

17 MS. FERNANDEZ: We are beyond grateful.

18 And this is just a small token to show our
19 appreciation on behalf of -- of everybody.

20 With me tonight is Mr. Edgar Gonzalez. He
21 is our Program Coordinator for the Allegro Music
22 Program and he's going to say a few words.

23 MR. GONZALEZ: Good evening, all, Honorable
24 Brian Stack and Commissioners.

25 It's a pleasure and honor to address this

1 | august Board. And I've had the -- the honor to
2 | coordinate the Allegro Music Program within the
3 | Union City School District.

4 | So we've had special presentations and
5 | instructional presentations to all of the schools
6 | -- the majority of the schools within the
7 | District with tremendous success.

8 | We did -- we've also organized a special
9 | education music presentations for the children of
10 | Roosevelt School and -- and Washington School.
11 | And without a doubt we've brought musicians from
12 | -- world class musicians to do these
13 | presentations.

14 | And we want to thank you, Mayor, because
15 | you've set a tone that is truly sterling and
16 | worthy of national attention. All of us have
17 | been so impressed with the tone and the
18 | discipline of our children in Union City. As --
19 | as a person who grew up here, grammar school and
20 | high school, I can tell you -- and I travel quite
21 | extensively -- coming back, it's been a
22 | tremendous spiritual experience.

23 | So I think you've set the tone and -- and
24 | this august Board has also set the tone for this
25 | great program.

1 And we want to thank you and we want to
2 show you our -- our appreciation by this -- on
3 naming this plaque in honor of the first year of
4 the -- of the Allegro Music Program, which is, by
5 the way, continuing again in September.

6 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

7 Thank you.

8 MR. GONZALEZ: My pleasure.

9 MAYOR STACK: Thank you, Megan.

10 Thank you.

11 MS. FERNANDEZ: Thank you.

12 (Whereupon, there was a pause in the
13 proceedings while photographs were taken.)

14 MAYOR STACK: I would just like to thank,
15 for the presentation this evening, but also thank
16 the Grace Theatre Workshop for the great job that
17 they do with the children of Union City.

18 It's organizations such as that that really
19 don't get the credit that they deserve. But just
20 to recognize them and thank them for the great
21 work that they do and the influence that they
22 have on -- on the children that come through the
23 program.

24 Thank you, again.

25 Thank you very much.

1
2 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
3 action on the following item:

4 **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES FROM JUNE**
5 **19, 2018; JUNE 29, 2018; JULY 10, 2018 AND**
6 **JULY 20, 2018.)**

7
8 CITY CLERK: The next item on the agenda is
9 the Approval of the Previous Meeting Minutes from
10 meetings of June 19th, June 29th, July 10th and
11 July 20th.

12 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

13 CITY CLERK: May I have a motion?

14 Motion by Mayor Stack.

15 Second?

16 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

17 CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
18 Valdivia.

19 Commissioner Fernandez?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes with the
21 exception of the July 10th meeting; otherwise yes
22 on all of them.

23 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

24 Commissioner Grullon?

25 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

1 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

2 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

3 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

4 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

5 CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

6 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

7 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

8

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

11 **ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:**

12 1. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 244 SECTION
13 5(B)(1) TO REQUIRE THAT FENCING AROUND VACANT
14 LOTS INCLUDE A PRIVACY MECHANISM.)

15

16 CITY CLERK: We have three Ordinances for
17 Introduction.

18 Adoption on first reading will authorize an
19 advertisement for a public hearing and notice of
20 adoption.

21 The Ordinances will be further considered
22 at a meeting on Wednesday, August 22nd, at the
23 Washington School, 3905 New York Avenue, Union
24 City, New Jersey.

25 The first Ordinance is an Ordinance

1 Amending Chapter 244, Section 5(B)(1), to Require
2 that Fencing Around Vacant Lots Include a Privacy
3 Mechanism.

4 May I have a motion to introduce?

5 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

6 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

7 CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

8 Second by Commissioner Martinetti.

9 Commissioner Fernandez?

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

11 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

12 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

13 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

14 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

15 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

16 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

17 CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

18 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

19

20 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took

21 action on the following item:

22 **ORDINANCE(S) FOR INTRODUCTION:**

23 2. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 366 ENTITLED
24 STREETS AND SIDEWALKS (ESCROW).)

25

1 CITY CLERK: The next Ordinance is an
2 Ordinance Amending Chapter 366 Entitled Streets
3 and Sidewalks.

4 May I have a motion to introduce?

5 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

6 CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
7 Valdivia.

8 Second?

9 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Second.

10 CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
11 Grullon.

12 Commissioner Fernandez?

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

14 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

15 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

16 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

17 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

18 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

19 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

20 CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

21 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

22

23 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
24 action on the following item:

25 **ORDINANCE (S) FOR INTRODUCTION:**

1 3. ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 427 TO
2 PROHIBIT THE USE OF A THREE-DIMENTIONAL (sic)
3 PRINTER IN ORDER TO MANUFACTURE A FIREARM, UNDER
4 CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS.)

5
6 CITY CLERK: The third Ordinance is an
7 Ordinance Establishing Chapter 427 to Prohibit
8 the Use of Three-Dimensional Printers in Order to
9 Manufacture a Firearm, Under Certain Terms and
10 Conditions.

11 May I have a motion to introduce?

12 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

13 CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
14 Martinetti.

15 Second?

16 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

17 CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
18 Valdivia.

19 Commissioner Fernandez?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: First of all I'd
21 like to commend the Mayor for this great, great
22 Ordinance.

23 Absolutely, yes.

24 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

25 MAYOR STACK: Thank you, Lucio.

1 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

2 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

3 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

4 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

5 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

6 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

7 CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

8 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

9 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

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 Payment of Escrow

18 Refunds

19 (4) Resolution Approving the City Payroll for

20 the Period of July 23, 2018 through August 3,

21 2018

22 (5) Resolution Approving the Library Payroll

23 for the Period of July 23, 2018 through August 3,

24 2018

25 (6) Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to

1 Advertise Bids for Traffic Paint & Supplies
2 (7) Resolution Awarding a Contract to A&J
3 Construction for the Kerrigan Avenue Phase 2 Road
4 Project
5 (8) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
6 the City of Union City, County of Hudson, State
7 of New Jersey Adopting the 'Affirmative Marketing
8 Plan' for the City of Union City
9 (9) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
10 the City of Union City, County of Hudson, State
11 of New Jersey Appointing Erin Knoedler as
12 Municipal Housing Liaison for the City of Union
13 City
14 (10) Resolution Authorizing the Submission of an
15 Application to the New Jersey Department of
16 Transportation's Transportation Alternatives
17 Set-Aside Program
18 (11) Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to
19 Advertise for Bids for Milling and Paving
20 Services on Summit Avenue
21 (12) Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to
22 Advertise for Bids for Structural Painting at
23 Firefighters' Memorial Park
24 (13) Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to
25 Advertise for Bids for the 32nd Street Decorative

1 Fountain Repair

2 (14) Resolution Enabling the City of Union City
3 for the NJ Department of Environmental Protection
4 Green Acres Program for Washington Park
5 Improvements

6 (15) Resolution Approving the Liquor License
7 Renewal for 2018-2019 Renewal of Partners
8 Associates (T/A Los Reyes Bar & Restaurant)
9 Located at 3329 Hudson Avenue, Union City, Liquor
10 License No. 0910-33-011-008

11 (16) Resolution Approving the Liquor License
12 Renewal for 2018-2019 Renewal of Sol Chicken (T/A
13 Sol Chicken Inc.) Located at 2904 Bergenline
14 Avenue, Union City, Liquor License No.
15 0910-33-126-007

16 (17) Resolution Approving the Liquor License
17 Renewal for 2018-2019 Renewal of Posadas Ramon
18 (T/A Las Rosas Restaurant & Café) Located at 3813
19 Bergenline Avenue, Union City, Liquor License No.
20 0910-33-128-004

21 (18) Resolution Approving the Liquor License
22 Renewal for 2018-2019 Renewal of Jay L. Lubetkin
23 for Park Avenue Grill (T/A Chandni & Madhullc)
24 Located at 3813 Bergenline Avenue, Union City,
25 Liquor License No. 0910-33-128-004

- 1 (19) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
2 the City of Union City Approving the 2018-2019
3 Renewal of Downtown Liquor Store, Inc. (T/A
4 Downtown Liquor Store) Located at 401 5th Street,
5 Liquor License No. 0910-44-124-005
- 6 (20) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
7 the City of Union City Approving the Person to
8 Person Transfer of Pikunich Dominick to Topps
9 Tavern (T/A Topps Tavern) Located at 1300 Summit
10 Avenue, Liquor License No. 0910-32-194-004
- 11 (21) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
12 Contract for Counsel for the Rent Stabilization
13 Board to Marotta & Garvey
- 14 (22) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
15 Contract to Maser Consulting, P.A. for
16 Engineering Services
- 17 (23) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
18 Contract for Personnel Consultant with Jason
19 Michael Consultants
- 20 (24) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
21 Contract for Architectural Services for Community
22 Development Agency to RSC Architects, The Musal
23 Group & Clarke Caton Hintz
- 24 (25) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
25 Contract for Corporation Counsel Services to

1 Scarinci Hollenbeck

2 (26) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
3 Contract for Planning Consultant for Affordable
4 Housing Matters to Heyer Gruel & Associates

5 (27) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
6 Contract for State and Federal Grants Consultant
7 to Millennium Strategies LLC

8 (28) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
9 Contract for Transcription Services for Union
10 City Boards to Audio-Digital Transcription
11 Services

12 (29) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
13 Contract for Special Construction Code Litigation
14 Services to Chasen (sic), Lamparello, Mallon and
15 Cappuzzo

16 (30) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
17 Contract for ABC Prosecutor with Gregory Farmer

18 (31) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
19 Contract for Recreation Physical to CarePoint
20 Health Medical Group

21 (32) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
22 Contract for Police Physician to CarePoint Health
23 Medical Group

24 (33) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
25 Contract for Substitute Public Defender to

1 Aristides Hernandez & Yaker Glatt

2 (34) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
3 Contract for Zoning Board of Adjustment Counsel
4 to Tomas R. Paneque

5 (35) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
6 Contract for Auditing and Accounting Services to
7 Donahue (sic), Girona, Doria & Tompkins

8 (36) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
9 Contract for Labor Counsel to O'Toole Fernandez

10 (37) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
11 Contract for Public Defenders to Yaker Glatt and
12 Dario, Albert, Metz & Eyerman

13 (38) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
14 Contract for Special Counsel (all proposals
15 accepted)

16 (39) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
17 Contract for Bond Counsel to Parker McKay

18 (40) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
19 Contract for Substitute Municipal Court
20 Prosecutor to Norman Albert, Craig Kojac and
21 Moshood Muftau

22 (41) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
23 Contract to TJ Legg for Chief Municipal Court
24 Prosecutor

25 (42) Resolution Authorizing the Award of

1 Contract for Accounting Services to Business
2 Accounting Services LLC
3 (43) Resolution Authorizing the Award of
4 Contract for Tenants Rights Rent Board Attorney
5 to Dario, Albert, Metz & Eyerman
6 (44) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
7 Contract for Legal Aide (sic) to Dario, Albert,
8 Metz & Eyerman
9 (45) Resolution Authorizing the Award of General
10 Counsel to the Community Development Agency to
11 Scarinci Hollenbeck
12 (46) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
13 Contract for Webmaster to Alpha Dog
14 (47) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
15 Contract for Arborist to Richard Wolowicz
16 (48) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
17 Contract for Engineering Services for the
18 Community Development Agency to Maser Engineering
19 (49) Resolution Authorizing the Award of a
20 Contract for Planning Consultant for Land Use
21 Ordinance to Heyer Gruel & Associates
22 (50) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of a Lien
23 Payment
24 (51) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of
25 Premium Monies Collected at the Tax Sale

1 (52) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of
2 Redemption Monies to Outside Lienholders

3 (53) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of an
4 Overpayment

5 (54) Resolution Re-Naming 45th Street and Hudson
6 Avenue in the City of Union City as "Union Hill
7 Square"

8 (55) Resolution Authorizing the Placement of a
9 Lien on the Property known as 806 13th Street,
10 Block 68, Lot 11, in the City of Union City for
11 Emergency Repair Costs

12 (56) Resolution Authorizing the Placement of a
13 Lien on the Property known as 640 37th Street,
14 Block 260, Lot 11, in the City of Union City for
15 Emergency Repair Costs

16 (57) Resolution Awarding a Contract to Unifirst
17 Corporation for Crossing Guard Uniforms

18 (58) Resolution Awarding a Raffle License to
19 Holy Family Church.)
20

21 CITY CLERK: We have 58 Resolutions on the
22 Consent Agenda.

23 The first is a Resolution Approving the
24 Payment of Claims.

25 The second is a Resolution Approving the

1 Payment of Concurring Claims.

2 The third is a Resolution Approving the
3 Payment of Escrow Refunds.

4 The fourth is a Resolution Approving the
5 City Payroll for the Period of July 23rd, 2018
6 through August 3rd, 2018.

7 The fifth is a -- the fifth is a Resolution
8 Approving the Library Payroll for the Period of
9 July 23rd, 2018 through August 3rd, 2018.

10 The sixth is a Resolution Authorizing the
11 City Clerk to Advertise Bids for Traffic Paint
12 and Supplies.

13 The seventh is a Resolution Awarding the
14 Contract to A and J Construction for Kerrigan
15 Avenue Phase 2 Road Project.

16 The eighth is a Resolution of the Board of
17 Commissioners of the City of Union City, County
18 of Hudson, State of New Jersey, Adopting an
19 Affirmative Marketing Plan for the City of Union
20 City.

21 The ninth is a Resolution of the Board of
22 Commissioners, City of Union City, County of
23 Hudson, State of New Jersey, Appointing Erin
24 Knoedler as a Municipal Housing Liaison for the
25 City of Union City.

1 The tenth is a Resolution Authorizing the
2 Submission of an Application to the New Jersey
3 Department of Transportation's Transportation
4 Alternatives Set-Aside Program.

5 The eleventh is a Resolution Authorizing
6 the City Clerk to Advertise for Bids for Milling
7 and Paving Services on Summit Avenue.

8 The twelfth is a Resolution Authorizing the
9 City Clerk to Advertise for Bids for Structural
10 Painting at Firefighters' Memorial Park.

11 The thirteenth is a Resolution Authorizing
12 the City Clerk to Advertise for Bids on 32nd
13 Street Decorative Fountain Repair.

14 The fourteenth is a Resolution Enabling the
15 City of Union City for the New Jersey Department
16 of Environmental Protection Green Acres Program
17 for Washington Park Improvements.

18 The fifteenth is a Resolution -- Resolution
19 Approving the Liquor License Renewal for 2018-
20 2019 for Partners Associates, trading as Los
21 Reyos Bar and Restaurant, Located at 3329 Hudson
22 Avenue, Union City, Liquor License Number
23 0910-33-011-008.

24 The sixteenth is a Resolution Approving the
25 Liquor License Renewal for 2018-2019 for Sol

1 Chicken, trading as Sol Chicken Incorporated,
2 Located at 2904 Bergenline Avenue, Union City,
3 Liquor License Number 0910-33-126-007.

4 The seventeenth is a Resolution Approving
5 the Liquor License Renewal for 2018-2019 for
6 Posadas Ramon, trading as Las Rosas Restaurant
7 and Café, Located at 3813 Bergenline Avenue,
8 Union City, Liquor License Number
9 0910-33-128-004.

10 MAYOR STACK: Just before we go on, just if
11 we could, Clerk, if -- on number 15, --

12 CITY CLERK: Certainly.

13 MAYOR STACK: -- on the liquor license
14 renewal for Los Reyes Bar and Restaurant, that's
15 been closed for a number of years.

16 Is there anything further on that?

17 CITY CLERK: No. I -- I --

18 SERGEANT OCASIO: They're a pocket license.

19 MAYOR STACK: That's a pocket license.

20 SERGEANT OCASIO: Yes, sir.

21 MAYOR STACK: So it's in pocket status.

22 SERGEANT OCASIO: Pocket status.

23 MAYOR STACK: It's not going to be at that
24 address though?

25 SERGEANT OCASIO: Not at that address at

1 this time.

2 MAYOR STACK: Should we maybe make sure
3 that that's on the record saying that it's a
4 pocket status as a matter of fact?

5 Because they've indicated to the City of
6 Union City that it would not be there any longer.

7 CITY CLERK: We can change the Resolution
8 to indicate that it's --

9 MAYOR STACK: Please.

10 CITY CLERK: -- pocket status.

11 MAYOR STACK: If you could?

12 CITY CLERK: Yes.

13 MAYOR STACK: And just -- we got that on
14 the record, right?

15 CITY CLERK: Absolutely.

16 MR. AUTERI: It's on the record now and
17 we'll also --

18 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

19 CITY CLERK: We'll make --

20 MR. AUTERI: -- revise --

21 CITY CLERK: -- sure that the Resolution is
22 revised to --

23 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

24 CITY CLERK: -- indicate such.

25 MAYOR STACK: Very good.

1 Thank you.

2 CITY CLERK: The eighteenth is a Resolution
3 Approving the Liquor License Renewal for 2018-
4 2019 Renewal of Jay L. Lubetkin for Park Avenue
5 Grill, trading as Chandni and Madhullc, Located
6 at 3813 Bergenline Avenue, Union City, Liquor
7 License Number 0910-33-128-004.

8 The nineteenth is a Resolution of the Board
9 of Commissioners of the City of Union City
10 Approving the 2018-2019 Renewal of Downtown
11 Liquor Store, trading as Downtown Liquor Store,
12 Located at 401 5th Street, Liquor License Number
13 0910-44-124-005.

14 The twentieth is a Resolution of the Board
15 of Commissioners of the City of Union City
16 Approving the Person to Person Transfer for
17 Pikunich Dominick to Topps Tavern, trading as
18 Topps Tavern, Located at 1300 Summit Avenue,
19 Liquor License Number 0910-32-194-004.

20 The twenty-first is a Resolution
21 Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Counsel
22 for the Rent Stabilization Board to Marotta and
23 Garvey.

24 The twenty-second is a Resolution
25 Authorizing the Award of Contract to Maser

1 Consulting, P.A. for Engineering Services.

2 The twenty-third is a Resolution
3 Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Personnel
4 Consultant to Jason Michael Consultants.

5 The twenty-fourth is a Resolution
6 Authorizing the Award of Contract for
7 Architectural Services for the Community
8 Development Agency to RSC Architects, Musal
9 Group, Clarke Caton Hintz.

10 The twenty-fifth is a Resolution
11 Authorizing Award of a Contract for Corporation
12 Counsel Services to Scarinci Hollenbeck.

13 The twenty-sixth is a Resolution
14 Authorizing the Award of Contract for Planning
15 Consultant for Affordable Housing Matters to
16 Heyer Gruel and Associates.

17 Twenty-seventh is a Resolution Authorizing
18 the Award of Contract for State and Federal
19 Grants Consultant to Millennium Strategies LLC.

20 Twenty-eighth is a Resolution Authorizing
21 the Award of Contract for Transcription Services
22 for Union City to Audio-Digital Transcription
23 Services.

24 The twenty-ninth is a Resolution
25 Authorizing the Award of Contract for Special

1 Construction Code Litigation Services to Chasan,
2 Lamparello, Mallon and Cappuzzo.

3 The thirtieth is a Resolution Authorizing
4 the Award of Contract for ABC Prosecutor to
5 Gregory Farmer.

6 The thirty-first is a Resolution
7 Authorizing the Award of a Contract for
8 Recreation Physical to CarePoint Health Medical
9 Group.

10 The thirty-second is a Resolution
11 Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Police
12 Physician to CarePoint Health Medical Group.

13 The thirty-third is a Resolution
14 Authorizing the Award of Contract for Substitute
15 Public Defender to Aristides Hernandez and Yaker
16 Glatt.

17 The thirty-fourth is a Resolution
18 Authorizing the Award of Contract for Zoning
19 Board of Adjustment Counsel to Tomas Paneque.

20 The thirty-fifth is a Resolution
21 Authorizing the Award of Contract for Auditing
22 and Accounting Services to Donohue, Girona,
23 Doria and Tompkins.

24 The thirty-sixth is a Resolution
25 Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Labor

1 Counsel to O'Toole Fernandez.

2 The thirty-seventh is a Resolution
3 Authorizing the Award of Public Defenders to
4 Yaker Glatt and Dario, Albert, Metz and Eyerman.

5 The thirty-eighth is a Resolution
6 Authorizing the Award of Contract for Special
7 Counsel to all the proposals that were accepted.

8 Mayor, I can read them into the record if
9 you want?

10 MAYOR STACK: Yeah, I think that would be a
11 good idea.

12 How many were there, Erin, all together?

13 CITY CLERK: There --

14 I'm sorry; it's right here.

15 One, two, three, four, -- there are 11 --

16 MAYOR STACK: Okay. Please.

17 CITY CLERK: -- who sent proposals.

18 And they were:

19 Gregory T. Farmer;

20 Barry Sarkisian;

21 Florio Kenny Raval;

22 Chasan, Lamparello, Mallon and Cappuzzo;

23 Dario, Albert, Metz and Eyerman;

24 O'Toole, Scrivo, Fernandez, Weiner and

25 Van Lieu;

1 Genova Burns;
2 Marotta and Garvey;
3 Lavery, Selvaggi, Abromitis and Cohen;
4 DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick and Cole; and
5 Whipple Azzarello.

6 MAYOR STACK: Great.

7 CITY CLERK: I just lost my place.

8 MAYOR STACK: Thirty-nine.

9 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Thirty-nine.

10 MAYOR STACK: Thirty-nine.

11 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

12 Thirty nine is a Resolution Awarding the --
13 Awarding a Contract for Bond Counsel to Parker
14 McKay.

15 The fortieth is a Resolution Authorizing
16 the Award for Contract for Substitute Municipal
17 Court Prosecutor to Norman Albert, Craig Kojac,
18 and Moshood Muftau.

19 The forty-first is a Resolution Authorizing
20 Award of a Contract to TJ Legg for Chief
21 Municipal Court Prosecutor.

22 The forty-second is a Resolution
23 Authorizing the Award of Contract for Accounting
24 Services to Business Accounting Services LLC.

25 The forty-third is a Resolution Authorizing

1 the Award of Contract for Tenants Rights Board
2 Attorney to Dario, Albert, Metz and Eyerman.

3 The forty-fourth is a Resolution
4 Authorizing the Award of Contract for Legal Aid
5 to Dario, Albert, Metz and Eyerman.

6 The forty-fifth is a Resolution Awarding
7 the contract for General Counsel for CDA --
8 Community Development Agency, to Scarinci
9 Hollenbeck.

10 The forty-sixth is a Resolution Authorizing
11 the Award of a Contract for Webmaster to Alpha
12 Dog.

13 The forty-seventh is a Resolution
14 Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Arborist
15 to Richard Wolowicz.

16 The forty-ninth (sic) is a Resolution
17 Authorizing the Award of a Contract for
18 Engineering Services for the Community
19 Development Agency for -- to Maser Engineering.

20 The forty-ninth is a Resolution Authorizing
21 the Award of a Contract for Planning Consultant
22 for Land Use Ordinance to Heyer Gruel and
23 Associates.

24 The fiftieth is a Resolution Authorizing
25 the Refund of a Lien Payment.

1 The fifty-first is a Resolution Authorizing
2 a Refund of Premium Monies Collected at the Tax
3 Sale.

4 The fifty-second is a Resolution
5 Authorizing the Refund of Redemption Monies to
6 Outside Lienholders.

7 The fifty-third is a Resolution Authorizing
8 the Refund of an Overpayment.

9 The fifty-fourth is a Resolution Renaming
10 45th Street and Hudson Avenue in the City of Union
11 City as Union Hill Square.

12 The fifty-- the fifty-fifth is a Resolution
13 Authorizing the Placement of a Lien on the
14 Property known as 806 13th Street, Block 68, Lot
15 11, in the City of Union City for Emergency
16 Repair Costs.

17 The fifty-sixth is a Resolution Authorizing
18 the Placement of a Lien on the Property known as
19 640 37th Street, Block 206 (sic), --

20 I'm sorry.

21 -- Block 260, Lot 11, in the City of Union
22 City for Emergency Repair Costs.

23 The fifty-seventh is a Resolution Awarding
24 a Contract to Unifirst Corporation for the
25 Crossing Guard Uniforms.

1 And the fifty-eighth is a Resolution
2 Awarding a Raffle License to Holy Family Church.

3 Mayor, at this time would you like to take
4 public comment on the Consent?

5 MAYOR STACK: Sure.

6 Anyone wishing to comment on the Consent
7 Agenda, please step forward. You could stand
8 close to this podium.

9 MR. PRICE: Larry Price, 1006 Palisade.
10 Question?

11 What is number 8 all about? What is the,
12 you know, Affirmative Market Plan?

13 MAYOR STACK: I was just going to have him
14 explain that, Mr. Price. I'm sorry. I was going
15 to have him explain that anyway. I was going to
16 -- in fact, I marked it on my list here.

17 MR. AUTERI: Sure.

18 So, you may recall, Mr. Price, that a few
19 meetings ago the Board of Commissioners adopted
20 COAH. And the -- part of that COAH ordinance,
21 according to the State statute, has different
22 components to it.

23 One of those components is the Affirmative
24 Marketing Plan, which is exactly what it sounds
25 like. It's a plan that the City will administer

1 to market the affordable housing opportunities
2 within the City.

3 Most of the information in the plan that's
4 attached to the Resolution is set forth by State
5 statute.

6 In fact, all the requirements in there are
7 per the State statute. And the Housing liaison,
8 which Miss Knoedler was appointed to tonight --
9 well, will be, will be the personnel that
10 administers the plan.

11 MR. PRICE: Okay.

12 But this plan is directed to whom? To --

13 MR. AUTERI: To the public.

14 MR. PRICE: -- to residents of the City or
15 to --

16 MR. AUTERI: Yes.

17 CITY CLERK: Yes.

18 MR. PRICE: -- everybody or --

19 MR. AUTERI: Of course. Yes.

20 CITY CLERK: To everyone.

21 MR. PRICE: Wait a minute, that's a choice
22 to the residents in the City or to everybody in
23 the world?

24 MR. AUTERI: It's to advertise the
25 opportunities within the City for residents to

1 have affordable housing.

2 MR. PRICE: Okay.

3 Okay.

4 Thank you.

5 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

6 MR. AUTERI: You're welcome.

7 MAYOR STACK: Anyone else wishing to
8 comment on the Consent Agenda, please step
9 forward, state your name and address for the
10 record?

11 Seeing no other.

12 CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to close
13 public comment?

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Motion.

15 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

16 CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
17 Fernandez.

18 Second by Commissioner Valdivia.

19 Commissioner Fernandez?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

21 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

22 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

23 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

24 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

25 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

1 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

2 CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

3 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

4 CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to approve
5 all items on Consent?

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Motion.

7 CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
8 Fernandez.

9 Second?

10 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

11 CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
12 Valdivia.

13 Commissioner Fernandez?

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: I just recalled on
15 number 54 I just want to emphasize that naming
16 Hudson Avenue and 45th Street as Union Hill Square
17 is not based on -- on the high school and now the
18 middle school. It's based on the historical
19 significance that at one point the City was
20 divided in two, West Hoboken and Union or Union
21 Hill.

22 We want to emphasize that rich history that
23 Union City has by naming this plaza so people
24 realize the importance of our City. That is the
25 meaning behind naming that particular area Union

1 City -- Union Hill Square.

2 It's going to be beautiful. It's -- the
3 sidewalk with benches; a monument emphasizing the
4 people that lived here at the time.

5 CITY CLERK: Thank you, --

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

7 CITY CLERK: Thank you, Commissioner.

8 Commissioner Grullon?

9 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

10 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

11 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

12 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

13 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: I'm recusing from
14 item number 1, payments to Adolfo Lopez; and then
15 to Hudson Fire and Regional.

16 Aye on the rest.

17 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

18 Mayor Stack?

19 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

20 And just -- just to explain on number 7,
21 Awarding the Contract to A and J on Kerrigan
22 Avenue, we're just continuing the work that we
23 started on Kerrigan Avenue.

24 With the completion of this work Kerrigan
25 will be totally done from 14 to 24.

1 We're trying to do as many of the main
2 streets as possible. Hopefully over the next
3 year or two we can start work on Palisade Avenue.
4 That's with the new streets and sidewalks, tree
5 planting. This year we should be planting about
6 a thousand new trees in the community also.

7 On number 12, on the Structural Painting at
8 Firefighters' Memorial Park, that's just to
9 preserve the structure. Every so many years to
10 put specialized paint on the bottom of the
11 structure so it maintains the investment that
12 we've made there several years ago at
13 Firefighters' Memorial Park.

14 On Washington Park, additional improvements
15 to Washington Park, application for -- for a
16 grant from Green Acres basically speaks for
17 itself.

18 And that was basically it.

19 We're just trying to continue with many of
20 the improvements that started just to maintain
21 those improvements.

22 Yes.

23 CITY CLERK: Thank you, Mayor.

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1 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
2 action on the following item:

3 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

4 1. Resolution Approving an Appropriation
5 Reserve Transfer.)

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7 CITY CLERK: We have two items on the
8 Regular Agenda.

9 The first is a Resolution Approving an
10 Appropriation Reserve Transfer.

11 May I have a motion?

12 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

13 CITY CLERK: Motion by --

14 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

15 CITY CLERK: -- Mayor Stack.

16 Second by Commissioner Martinetti.

17 Commissioner Fernandez?

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

19 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

20 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

21 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

22 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

23 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

24 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

25 CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

1 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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4 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
5 action on the following item:

6 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

7 2. Resolution Approving a Payment of Claim to
8 the Hudson County Improvement Authority.)

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10 CITY CLERK: The second is a Resolution
11 Approving the Payment of Claim to Hudson County
12 Improvement Authority.

13 May I have a motion?

14 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

15 CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
16 Valdivia.

17 Second?

18 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

19 CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
20 Fernandez.

21 Commissioner Fernandez?

22 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

23 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

24 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

25 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

1 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

2 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti
3 recuses.

4 Mayor Stack?

5 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

6 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

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8 **OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:**

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10 CITY CLERK: Mayor, at this time would you
11 like to take public comment on any item
12 concerning government in the City of Union City?

13 MAYOR STACK: Sure.

14 Just before we do, I'd like to thank those
15 residents that are at the meeting tonight.

16 This meeting was also, in addition to being
17 advertised, it was mailed to all the residents
18 basically from 21st Street to 30th Street, from
19 Palisade Avenue over to Kennedy Boulevard.

20 We move a hundred percent of our meetings
21 around the community. They're always in the
22 evening hours. And all the Commissioner meetings
23 are on the road.

24 I'd just like to thank the Commissioners
25 also for supporting this measure to keep the

1 | municipal government as accessible and
2 | transparent as possible to the residents of Union
3 | City.

4 | Any member of the public who would like to
5 | comment at this time on any matter concerning
6 | municipal government in the City of Union City,
7 | please step forward, state your name and address
8 | for the record.

9 | Seeing none.

10 | CITY CLERK: May I have a motion to close
11 | Public Comment?

12 | COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

13 | COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Motion.

14 | CITY CLERK: Motion by Commissioner
15 | Valdivia.

16 | Second by Commissioner Fernandez.

17 | Commissioner Fernandez?

18 | COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

19 | CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

20 | COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

21 | CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

22 | COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

23 | CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

24 | COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

25 | CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

1 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

2 CITY CLERK: Thank you, Mayor.

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1 LIQUOR LICENSE DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS:

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3 1. Manhattan Bar & Grill Restaurant, Inc.

4 t/a Manhattan Bar & Grill

5 Location: 1711 Manhattan Avenue

6 License No. 0910-33-188-004

7 2. Sai Prasad, Inc.

8 t/a Bergenline Liquors

9 Location: 3819 Bergenline Avenue

10 License No. 0910-32-066-004

11 3. Variedad Latina, Inc.

12 t/a Variedad Latina

13 Location: 4417 Bergenline Avenue

14 License No. 0910-33-031-012

15 4. Juanitas II LLC

16 t/a Jaunita's Restaurant II

17 Location: 2904 Bergenline Avenue

18 License No. 0910-33-144-010

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20 CITY CLERK: At this time we have Liquor

21 License Disciplinary Hearings.

22 MR. DILLON: Just watch your step, Mr. --

23 watch your step.

24 MR. FARMER: Let me maybe move this around

25 a little bit so that I'm not talking behind your

1 back so-to-speak.

2 MR. DILLON: It's okay.

3 MAYOR STACK: Want to -- want to move it
4 over a little more this way, Greg?

5 (Whereupon, there was a pause in the
6 proceedings.)

7 MR. DILLON: You're good.

8 MR. FARMER: All right, having moved the
9 furniture so-to-speak, on your agenda are four
10 cases and we'll go through them.

11 But I'd like to say at the outset that all
12 the recommendations that I make concerning these
13 cases I have made in collaboration and
14 conjunction with Lieutenant Loaces who
15 unfortunately had to leave earlier this -- this
16 evening.

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1 | MANHATTAN BAR & GRILL RESTAURANT, INC.

2 | t/a MANHATTAN BAR & GRILL

3 | Location: 1711 Manhattan Avenue

4 | License No. 0910-33-188-004

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6 | MR. FARMER: The first one on your agenda
7 | is Manhattan Bar and Grill.

8 | This is -- and they are represented by
9 | Adolfo Lopez. And --

10 | Why don't you put your --

11 | MR. LOPEZ: Yes, good evening, Mr. Mayor,
12 | Commissioners.

13 | Adolfo Lopez appearing on behalf of the
14 | license holder for Manhattan Bar and Grill.

15 | MR. FARMER: Mr. Lopez, Lieutenant Loaces,
16 | and myself spoke about this.

17 | What this case is about is -- is that the
18 | Police who are here, during a random -- a random
19 | audit of the paperwork of Manhattan Bar went in
20 | there late, two o'clock, 1:30, something like
21 | that.

22 | And as they were getting the paperwork they
23 | noticed a beer bottle on a table and with a
24 | couple of people sitting nearby with it half full
25 | and being a violation of the Ordinance that we

1 passed last month or so dealing with the
2 limitation of serving liquor -- beer bottles
3 after a certain hour and removing all beer
4 bottles from tables and the bar at a certain
5 hour. This was long past the hour.

6 So, what we have done is this. We would
7 recommend to the Board, a -- and recommended to
8 Mr. Lopez, a 15 day suspension. Parenthetically
9 the paperwork was made current the next day and
10 may very well have been at the establishment.

11 But 15 days; five -- five days suspended on
12 the condition of no additional violation during
13 the licensing period -- this licensing period,
14 which will be June -- up to June of '19. And a
15 ten day suspension that will be between the days
16 of --

17 MR. LOPEZ: August --

18 MR. FARMER: August -- I keep going --
19 yeah, August 13th to the 22nd, opening up on the
20 23rd.

21 Can I have it? I'm sorry.

22 And this is the first -- by the way, this
23 is the first prosecution, for lack of a better
24 phrase, under the new Ordinance.

25 MAYOR STACK: So it would be a ten day

1 suspension?

2 MR. FARMER: Ten day violation --

3 MAYOR STACK: And will be served from
4 August 13th to --

5 MR. FARMER: To --

6 MAYOR STACK: -- August 23rd?

7 MR. FARMER: -- August 22nd; opening up on
8 the 23rd.

9 MAYOR STACK: Opening up on the 23rd.

10 Okay.

11 Mr. Lopez, do you -- you want to --

12 MR. LOPEZ: That's correct, Mr. Mayor.

13 In fact, both Detective Loaces and Mr.
14 Farmer were cognizant, given the reports on the
15 paper violation that, in fact, it was corrected.
16 The officers indicated in a subsequent report
17 that the case was closed in that regard.

18 They were onsite. Given the late hour,
19 they don't want to keep checkbooks; they were
20 locked in an office. And my client had left.
21 And that sort of explains the reasoning for the
22 other problem.

23 As -- as the Commissioners are aware, it's
24 a recently adopted Ordinance. They had trained
25 the individuals. Obviously, it takes employees a

1 | little bit of time to -- to get with the program
2 | on -- on these new matters.

3 | They have taken measures to make sure that
4 | all employees are properly trained and they
5 | follow this to a T.

6 | She indicated -- the owner or the principal
7 | indicated to me that she had a policy, actually
8 | they start half an hour before, picking up
9 | everything. This was an oversight on their part
10 | and there's no excuse.

11 | MAYOR STACK: Okay.

12 | Okay, I'll make a motion to approve.

13 | CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

14 | Second?

15 | COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

16 | CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
17 | Fernandez.

18 | Commissioner Fernandez?

19 | COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

20 | CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

21 | COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

22 | CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

23 | COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

24 | CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

25 | COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Abstain.

1 CITY CLERK: And Mayor Stack?

2 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

3 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

4 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

5 MR. LOPEZ: Thank you, Commissioners.

6 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

7 MR. FARMER: Take care.

8 MR. LOPEZ: That's it?

9 MR. FARMER: Yup.

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1 SAI PRASAD, INC.
2 t/a BERGENLINE LIQUORS
3 Location: 3819 Bergenline Avenue
4 License No. 0910-32-066-004
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6 MR. FARMER: Number 2 is Bergenline Liquor.

7 There -- there's no representative of
8 Bergenline Liquor here, which is somewhat
9 surprising because we have somewhat of a history
10 with them.

11 I would ask that that just be carried to
12 the next meeting. I'll have the Police
13 personally serve Bergenline Liquor so that
14 there's no confusion.

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1 VARIEDAD LATINA, INC.

2 t/a VARIEDAD LATINA

3 Location: 4417 Bergenline Avenue

4 License No. 0910-33-031-012

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6 MR. FARMER: The next one is Variedad
7 Latina.

8 I just got a letter from John Lynch saying
9 he was representing them.

10 This is the first time it's on. So, again,
11 I'd like this one to be carried to the next
12 meeting as well.

13 Okay?

14 All right.

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1 JUANITAS II LLC

2 t/a JUANITA'S RESTAURANT II

3 Location: 2904 Bergenline Avenue

4 License No. 0910-33-144-010

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6 MR. FARMER: The last one is Juanita's
7 Restaurant.

8 MR. CLAROS: Good evening.

9 MR. FARMER: Why don't you come right
10 around --

11 MR. DILLON: Can you state your name for
12 the record?

13 MR. CLAROS: Oh, yes. Juan Claros. J-U-A-
14 N, C-L-A-R-O-S.

15 MR. DILLON: Thank you.

16 MR. FARMER: For the record, Mr. Claros is
17 the son of the licensee who's here standing next
18 to him.

19 This is a situation where there was a
20 disturbance at the bar. I've -- Lieutenant
21 Loaces and myself and Mr. Claros had a
22 conversation last Thursday.

23 We've agreed to recommend a five day
24 suspension and the five days being August 27th to
25 August -- August 31st.

1 And I would recommend that.

2 Mr. Claros, did I --

3 Why don't you --

4 Listen to my questions.

5 Did I -- what I said, was that accurate and
6 correct?

7 MR. CLAROS: Yes.

8 MR. FARMER: Okay.

9 MR. CLAROS: We already agree and spoke
10 before; last Wednesday I think it was, that we
11 met on. You ask us for the -- for the video and
12 you saw with Detective Loaces, I think.

13 MR. FARMER: Yes.

14 And do you wish to have an attorney?

15 MR. CLAROS: No.

16 MR. FARMER: Okay.

17 MR. CLAROS: No.

18 MR. FARMER: You're okay with the days?

19 MR. CLAROS: Yes.

20 MR. FARMER: All right.

21 Okay.

22 MAYOR STACK: How many days suspension was
23 that, --

24 MR. FARMER: Five.

25 MAYOR STACK: Five day suspension.

1 And do you wish to have an attorney, Mr.
2 Claros, present today?

3 MR. CLAROS: No. No, no.

4 MAYOR STACK: And you understand it would
5 be a five day suspension, you would not be able
6 to serve liquor?

7 MR. CLAROS: Yes, I do know that.

8 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

9 All right.

10 I'll make a motion to approve the
11 recommendation.

12 CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.
13 Second?

14 MR. FARMER: Take care.

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

16 MR. CLAROS: All right.

17 Thank you.

18 CITY CLERK: Second by Commissioner
19 Fernandez.

20 Commissioner Fernandez?

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

22 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

23 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

24 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

1 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?
2 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.
3 CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?
4 MAYOR STACK: Yes.
5 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

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1 (Whereupon, the Board discussed the
2 following item:

3 **CONSENT AGENDA**

4 (17) Resolution Approving the Liquor License
5 Renewal for 2018-2019 Renewal of Posadas Ramon
6 (T/A Las Rosas Restaurant & Café) Located at 3813
7 Bergenline avenue, Union City, Liquor License No.
8 0910-33-128-004.)
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10 CITY CLERK: There are no other items on
11 the agenda.

12 MAYOR STACK: I just have -- I just have
13 a --

14 CITY CLERK: Of course.

15 MAYOR STACK: -- quick question.

16 CITY CLERK: Sure.

17 MAYOR STACK: On number 17, -- and I mean I
18 could be wrong on this, but Approving Liquor
19 License Renewal for Posadas Ramon, Las Rosas
20 Restaurant and Café, Located at 3813 Bergenline
21 Avenue, --

22 CITY CLERK: Yes.

23 MAYOR STACK: -- to the best of my
24 recollection, -- I could be wrong --

25 SERGEANT OCASIO: That's a pocket license,

1 sir.

2 MAYOR STACK: I'm sorry?

3 SERGEANT OCASIO: That's a pocket license.

4 MAYOR STACK: That's a pocket license.

5 I just get nervous though, when we list
6 these addresses and it doesn't say pocket, --

7 SERGEANT OCASIO: It's a pocket license.

8 MAYOR STACK: Yeah.

9 SERGEANT OCASIO: I -- I --

10 MAYOR STACK: Because I just don't want
11 something to pop open there and I'm --

12 SERGEANT OCASIO: No, --

13 MAYOR STACK: You know how do we explain to
14 the people in the area they're supposed to have a
15 hearing?

16 SERGEANT OCASIO: It's a different -- well,
17 it's an -- it's a different address that he can
18 address to his home for his -- you know, filing
19 --

20 MAYOR STACK: Okay but --

21 SERGEANT OCASIO: -- (indiscernible).

22 MAYOR STACK: -- but when was this café
23 ever at 3813?

24 MR. DILLON: Can you come forward?

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: It was never there.

1 MAYOR STACK: Not in my --

2 I'm going to tell you something, not in all
3 the years I remember.

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: No. Never.

5 MAYOR STACK: There was a guy named Posadas
6 there; he operated a clothing store.

7 SERGEANT OCASIO: I don't remember, sir.

8 MR. DILLON: Can you just tell me your
9 name?

10 SERGEANT OCASIO: Sergeant Ocasio.

11 MR. DILLON: Sergeant what?

12 SERGEANT OCASIO: Ocasio, O-C-A-S-I-O.

13 MAYOR STACK: If -- if you could stand
14 close, Rick, over here.

15 I -- I just go through all the addresses as
16 we're going down -- and I did it last night, too.
17 And I missed it last night. But when I look you
18 got --

19 Because Terry's is there and then the
20 liquor store is at 3819.

21 Right?

22 SERGEANT OCASIO: They should be on -- on
23 the other list when I previously had it. And I
24 -- there's a list that's mailed out to him. That
25 was the original license where he was at but I

1 don't remember. But it should be listed as the
2 address -- his home address if it's the pocket
3 status.

4 MAYOR STACK: You know why? Because I just
5 get concerned because there's openings -- there's
6 a couple stores there that are vacant.

7 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: You got the --

8 MAYOR STACK: Just the --

9 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: -- Bottom of the
10 Barrel --

11 CITY CLERK: We can change -- we can make
12 sure --

13 MAYOR STACK: Please.

14 CITY CLERK: -- that it's on the record --

15 MAYOR STACK: Please.

16 CITY CLERK: -- that that's a pocket
17 license.

18 MAYOR STACK: Please.

19 CITY CLERK: So the record will reflect
20 that.

21 And also --

22 MAYOR STACK: Just from now on, on anything
23 that comes over on these, make sure it's
24 indicated pocket license --

25 SERGEANT OCASIO: Okay.

1 MAYOR STACK: -- for us.

2 All right?

3 SERGEANT OCASIO: I'm going to have access
4 to that downstairs.

5 What I'm going to do is I'm going to go
6 through the licenses --

7 MAYOR STACK: Please.

8 SERGEANT OCASIO: -- myself because --

9 MAYOR STACK: Please. If you can.

10 And send me up a list that all --

11 SERGEANT OCASIO: Yeah.

12 MAYOR STACK: -- as of -- as of the date
13 that you sent it, Rick, that -- what's in pocket
14 to Erin, myself, and to Angelo.

15 SERGEANT OCASIO: Okay.

16 MAYOR STACK: Also -- and to Greg Farmer.
17 I think that would be a good thing.

18 SERGEANT OCASIO: I'll take care of it.
19 I'm going to get access to it again --

20 MAYOR STACK: Yeah.

21 SERGEANT OCASIO: -- and I'll take care of
22 it.

23 MAYOR STACK: I just envisioned driving
24 down Bergenline and seeing a new place open
25 there.

1 SERGEANT OCASIO: No, I --

2 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: You don't want the
3 Bottom of the Barrel --

4 CITY CLERK: Mayor, --

5 MAYOR STACK: Then I got to go to court to
6 close it and --

7 CITY CLERK: Mayor, we'll also --

8 MAYOR STACK: -- Greg's -- Greg's having a
9 canary on me.

10 CITY CLERK: We'll also have the Resolution
11 reflect that it's a pocket license.

12 And Sergeant Ocasio, Lieutenant Loaces and
13 I had spoke about the Records Room and changing
14 the -- the way we're --

15 MAYOR STACK: Please.

16 CITY CLERK: -- communicating --

17 MAYOR STACK: Please.

18 CITY CLERK: -- going forward.

19 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

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21 **ADJOURNMENT:**

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23 CITY CLERK: Okay.

24 So at this time there are no other items on
25 the agenda.

1 May I have a motion to adjourn?

2 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

3 CITY CLERK: Motion by Mayor Stack.

4 Second by Commissioner Fernandez.

5 Commissioner Fernandez?

6 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

7 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Grullon?

8 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

9 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Valdivia?

10 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

11 CITY CLERK: Commissioner Martinetti?

12 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

13 CITY CLERK: Mayor Stack?

14 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

15 Thank you very much, everyone, --

16 CITY CLERK: Thank you.

17 MAYOR STACK: -- for attending the meeting.

18 Have a wonderful evening.

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20 (Whereupon, the proceedings were concluded

21 at 7:35 p.m.)

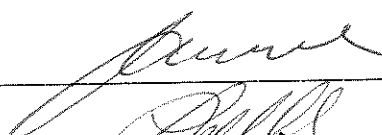
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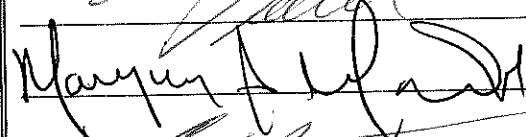
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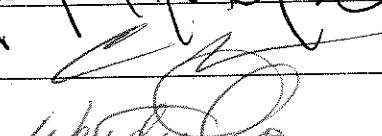
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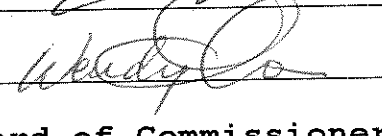
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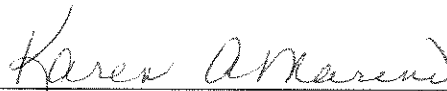
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