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HUDSON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING :
: TRANSCRIPT OF RECORDED
: PROCEEDINGS
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Washington School
3905 New York Avenue
Union City, New Jersey

Tuesday, September 21, 2021
Commencing at 7:00 p.m.

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

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WENDY A. GRULLON, COMMISSIONER
MARYURY A. MARTINETTI, COMMISSIONER
CELIN J. VALDIVIA, COMMISSIONER
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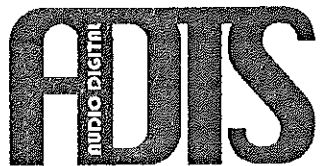
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1 MR. AUTERI: Public Meeting of the Union
2 City Board of Commissioners being held on
3 Tuesday, September 21st, 2021 at seven p.m., at
4 Washington School, 3905 New York Avenue, Union
5 City, New Jersey.

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 MR. AUTERI: This meeting has been called
12 in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

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

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19 **ROLL CALL:**

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21 MR. AUTERI: Roll call.

22 Commissioner Fernandez?

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.

24 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

25 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Here.

1 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

2 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Here.

3 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

4 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Here.

5 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

6 MAYOR STACK: Here.

7

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

10 **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES -**
11 **REGULAR MEETING - SEPTEMBER 7, 2021.)**

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13 MR. AUTERI: The first item on the agenda
14 is approval of Meeting Minutes from the meeting
15 on September 7th, 2021.

16 May I have a motion to approve the Meeting
17 Minutes?

18 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

19 MR. AUTERI: Motion by --

20 MAYOR STACK: Second.

21 MR. AUTERI: -- Commissioner Martinetti.

22 Second by Mayor Stack.

23 Commissioner Fernandez?

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

25 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

1 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

2 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

4 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

5 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

6 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

7 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

8

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

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

12 1. ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF AN
13 EASEMENT TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT
14 OF TRANSPORTATION AFFECTING REAL PROPERTY OWNED
15 BY THE CITY OF UNION CITY AND THE CITY OF JERSEY
16 CITY IN BLOCK 101, LOT 7 NEAR SECAUCUS ROAD IN
17 JERSEY CITY.)

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19 MR. AUTERI: Next item on the agenda are
20 Ordinances for Introduction. There are two
21 Ordinances for Introduction tonight.

22 Adoption on first reading authorizes the
23 Municipal Clerk to advertise the Ordinances with
24 a notice of the introduction, together with a
25 notice of the time and place when the Ordinance

1 will be considered for final passage.

2 The Ordinances will be further considered
3 at a meeting of the Board of Commissioners to be
4 held on Tuesday, October 5th, 2021 at the Early
5 Childhood Center, 2200 Kennedy Boulevard, Union
6 City, New Jersey, at seven p.m.

7 The first Ordinance is an Ordinance
8 Authorizing the Sale of an Easement to the State
9 of New Jersey, Department of Transportation,
10 Affecting Real Property Owned by the City of
11 Union City and the City of Jersey City in Block
12 101, Lot 7 Near Secaucus Road in Jersey City.

13 May I have a motion to introduce?

14 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

15 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Mayor Stack.

16 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

17 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner
18 Martinetti.

19 Commissioner Fernandez?

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

21 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

22 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

23 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

24 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

25 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

1 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

2 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

3 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

4

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

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

8 2. ORDINANCE TO SETTING FORTH MAINTENANCE
9 REQUIREMENTS FOR VACANT AND/OR ABANDONED
10 STRUCTURES.)

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12 MR. AUTERI: The next Ordinance is an
13 Ordinance to Setting Forth Maintenance
14 Requirements for Vacant and/or Abandoned
15 Structures.

16 May I have a motion to introduce?

17 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

18 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Commissioner
19 Valdivia.

20 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Second.

21 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner
22 Grullon.

23 Commissioner Fernandez?

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

25 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

1 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

2 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

4 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

5 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

6 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

7 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

8

9 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
10 action on the following items in total:

11 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

12 (1) Resolution Approving the Payment of Claims

13 (2) Resolution Approving the Payment of
14 Concurring Claims

15 (3) Resolution Approving the City Payroll for
16 the period 08/14/2021-08/27/2021

17 (4) Resolution Approving the Library Payroll
18 for the period 08/14/2021-08/27/2021

19 (5) Resolution Approving Escrow Refunds

20 (6) Resolution Acknowledging Emergency

21 Implementation Of Ordinance Amending Chapter 81

22 Code Of The City Of Union City To Promote The

23 Safe Use Of Electric Bicycles And Scooters

24 (7) Resolution Authorizing Agreement With LIUNA
25 for Temporary Direct Hire Skilled Construction

1 Laborers for 2021-2022

2 (8) Resolution Authorizing Extraordinary and
3 Unspecifiable Contract for Recodification
4 Services for 2021-2022

5 (9) Resolution to Approve Contract for
6 Webmaster Services With Alphadog Solutions for
7 2021-2022

8 (10) Resolution Authorizing the Tax Collector to
9 Prepare, Complete and Mail as Soon as Practicable
10 Tax Bills in Accordance With the Procedures Set
11 Forth in N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2.)

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13 MR. AUTERI: Next item is the Consent
14 Agenda. There are ten items on the Consent
15 Agenda.

16 The first is a Resolution Approving the
17 Payment of Claims.

18 The second is a Resolution Approving the
19 Payment of Concurring Claims.

20 The third is a Resolution Approving the
21 City Payroll for the Period August 14th, 2021 to
22 August 27th, 2021.

23 The fourth is a Resolution Approving the
24 Library Payroll for the Period August 14th, 2021
25 through August 27th, 2021.

1 The fifth is a Resolution Approving Escrow
2 Refunds.

3 The sixth is a Resolution Acknowledging
4 Emergency Implementation of Ordinance Amending
5 Chapter 81 Code of the City of Union City to
6 Promote the Safe Use of Electrical Bicycles and
7 Scooters.

8 The seventh is a Resolution Authorizing
9 Agreement with LIUNA, L-I-U-N-A, for Temporary
10 Direct Hire Skilled Construction Laborers for
11 2021 to 2022.

12 The eighth is a Resolution Authorizing
13 Extraordinary and Unspecifi-- Unspecifiable
14 Contract for Recodification Services for
15 2021-2022.

16 The ninth is a Resolution to Approve
17 Contract for Webmaster Services with Alpha--
18 Alphadog Solutions for 2021-2022.

19 The tenth is a Resolution Authorizing the
20 Tax Collector to Prepare, Complete and Mail as
21 Soon as Practicable Tax Bills in Accordance with
22 Procedures Set Forth in N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.2.

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

25 MAYOR STACK: Sure.

1 Just for everyone's knowledge, on the -- on
2 item number 7, on the Temporary Direct Hire
3 Skilled Laborers.

4 This would allow us to hire union workers
5 if we needed to -- let's say we had a curb broken
6 in the City and we needed to repair it, we would
7 be able to hire these union workers to come in
8 and be temporary workers for the City to provide
9 a service in which they're skilled to do.

10 These would be masons. They could be
11 concrete. They could be laborers that would come
12 in. And it would work with a local union and
13 employ local Union City and Hudson County people.

14 On the Recodification.

15 Angelo's been working on that. This would
16 put it in real time. It would actually help us
17 to keep all the ordinances recodified and it
18 would be a much better system than what we have
19 set up right now.

20 Anyone wishing to comment on the Consent
21 Agenda, please step forward, state your name and
22 address for the record, if you'd like to address
23 a matter on the Consent Agenda.

24 Seeing none.

25 MR. AUTERI: May I have a motion to close

1 public comment?

2 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Motion.

3 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Commissioner

4 Grullon.

5 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

6 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner

7 Valdivia.

8 Commissioner Fernandez?

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

10 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

11 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

12 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

13 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

14 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

15 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

16 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

17 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

18 MR. AUTERI: May I have a motion to approve

19 all items on the Consent Agenda?

20 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

21 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Commissioner

22 Valdivia.

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

24 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner

25 Fernandez.

1 Commissioner Fernandez?

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

3 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

4 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

5 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

6 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

7 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

8 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

9 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

10 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

11

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

14 **ORDINANCES FOR HEARING AND ADOPTION**

15 **CONSIDERATION:**

16 1. ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 81 OF THE CODE
17 OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY TO PROMOTE THE SAFE USE
18 OF ELECTRIC BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS.)

19

20 MR. AUTERI: The next item on the agenda
21 are Ordinances for Hearing and Adoption
22 Consideration.

23 We have two Ordinances, which are being
24 heard for adoption tonight.

25 The first is an Ordinance Amending Chapter

1 81 of the Code of the City of Union City to
2 Promote the Safe Use of Electronic -- Electric
3 Bicycles and Scooters.

4 Mayor, at this time would you like to take
5 public comment on this Ordinance?

6 MAYOR STACK: Sure.

7 This would just provide additional safety
8 to our residents when they ride bicycles,
9 electric scooters, to wear a helmet in the
10 municipality. It would keep them safe.

11 We just don't want one of -- one of our
12 residents or somebody passing through the City to
13 be severely injured or killed.

14 There's been news stories throughout
15 New Jersey and throughout the region where I
16 understand a lot of people have purchased these,
17 especially during the pandemic. And with the
18 density in our City, it's great that they're
19 looking to get around but we want to make sure
20 that they're getting around safely.

21 Having said that, anyone wishing to comment
22 on this Ordinance, please step forward, state
23 your name and address for the record.

24 And just one more thing I'd like to
25 mention. It's not that our Police Department

1 wants to go out there and issue summonses. There
2 will be a public education campaign over the next
3 several weeks to a month before we start really
4 enforcing this and issuing summonses.

5 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: They have to wear
6 helmets.

7 Right?

8 MAYOR STACK: Right.

9 MR. AUTERI: Yes.

10 MAYOR STACK: Keep them safe.

11 Seeing none.

12 MR. AUTERI: May I have a motion to close
13 public comment?

14 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

15 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Commissioner
16 Martinetti.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

18 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner
19 Fernandez.

20 Commissioner Fernandez?

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

22 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

23 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

24 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

1 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

2 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

3 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

4 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

5 MR. AUTERI: Mayor, before we take a motion
6 to adopt this Ordinance, I'd like to add that
7 based upon a recommendation from the Chief of
8 Police, under the authority provided by N.J.S.A.
9 40:41A-101, this Ordinance is sought to be
10 implemented immediately upon adoption, as it is a
11 -- it presents an emergent need to our community.

12 MAYOR STACK: Absolutely.

13 MR. AUTERI: All right, may I have a motion
14 to adopt?

15 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

16 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Mayor Stack.

17 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

18 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner
19 Valdivia.

20 Commissioner Fernandez?

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

22 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Gullon?

23 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

24 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

1 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

2 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: I just wanted to
3 add, Mayor, thank you for coming up with this
4 Ordinance.

5 And the different needs that we have in our
6 community, a lot of residents were concerned
7 about this.

8 And thank you again for coming out and
9 doing this so quickly.

10 It is a -- a safety issue for -- for our
11 community and --

12 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

13 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: -- we're seeing
14 more often the -- those motorized bikes going up
15 and down Kennedy or all the streets. And
16 sometimes when you're driving you don't even see
17 them.

18 So, --

19 MAYOR STACK: True.

20 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: -- thank you,
21 Mayor.

22 MAYOR STACK: Thank you, --

23 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Aye.

24 MAYOR STACK: Thank you, Commissioner.

25 MR. AUTERI: And Mayor Stack?

1 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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

5 **ORDINANCES FOR HEARING AND ADOPTION**

6 **CONSIDERATION:**

7 2. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL
8 EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.
9 40A:4-53(b) TO FUND THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
10 EXECUTION OF A PROGRAM OF REVALUATION OF REAL
11 PROPERTY FOR THE CITY OF UNION CITY, COUNTY OF
12 HUDSON, NEW JERSEY.)

13

14 MR. AUTERI: Okay.

15 The next item on the agenda is an Ordinance
16 Authorizing a Special Emergency Appropriation
17 Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(b) to Fund the
18 Costs Associated with the Execution of a Program
19 of Revaluation of Real Property for the City of
20 Union City, County of Hudson, New Jersey.

21 May I have a motion --

22 Excuse me.

23 Mayor, at this time would you like to take
24 public comment on this Ordinance?

25 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

1 Anyone wishing to comment on this Ordinance
2 at this time, please step forward, state your
3 name and address for the record.

4 Seeing none.

5 MR. AUTERI: May I have a motion to close
6 public comment?

7 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Motion.

8 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Commissioner
9 Fernandez.

10 Second by Commissioner Martinetti.

11 Commissioner Fernandez?

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

13 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

14 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

15 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

16 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

17 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

18 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

19 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

20 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

21 MR. AUTERI: May I have a motion to adopt
22 the Ordinance?

23 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

24 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Commissioner
25 Martinetti.

1 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Second.

2 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner
3 Grullon.

4 Commissioner Fernandez?

5 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

6 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

7 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

8 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

9 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

10 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

11 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

12 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

13 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

14

15 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
16 action on the following item:

17 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

18 1. Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
19 the City of Union City, in the County of Hudson,
20 New Jersey Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of
21 Special Emergency Notes of the City of Union City
22 in the Principal Amount of up to \$1,000,000;
23 Making Certain Covenants to Effect and Maintain
24 the Exemption of the Interest on Said Notes From
25 Federal Income Taxation; and Authorizing Such

1 Further Actions and Making Such Determinations as
2 May be Necessary or Appropriate to Effectuate the
3 Issuance and Sale of the Notes.)

4

5 MR. AUTERI: Next item on the agenda is
6 the Regular Agenda.

7 We have three items on the Regular Agenda
8 tonight.

9 The first is a Resolution of the Board of
10 Commissioners of the City of Union City, in the
11 County of Hudson, New Jersey -- Hudson, New
12 Jersey Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of
13 Special Emergency Notes of the City of Union City
14 in the Principal Amount of Up to \$1,000,000.00;
15 Making Certain Covenants to Effect and Maintain
16 the Exemption of the Interest on Said Notes from
17 Federal Income Taxation; and Authorizing Such
18 Further Actions and Making Such Determinations as
19 May be Necessary or Appropriate to Effectuate the
20 Issuance and Sale of the Notes.

21 Mayor, may I have a motion to approve item
22 1 on the Regular Agenda?

23 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

24 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Mayor Stack.

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

1 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner
2 Valdivia.

3 Commissioner Fernandez?

4 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

5 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

6 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

7 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

8 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

9 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

10 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

11 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

12 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

13

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

16 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

17 2. Resolution Ratifying And Approving The
18 Extension Of A Shared Services Agreement With The
19 Union City Board Of Education For Solid Waste
20 Collection Services Through October 1, 2021.)

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22 MR. AUTERI: Second item on the Regular
23 Agenda is a Resolution Ratifying and Approving
24 the Extension of a Shared Service Agreement with
25 the Union City Board of Education for Solid Waste

1 Collection Services through October 1st, 2021.

2 Ordinarily, Commissioner Valdivia and
3 Grullon would not vote on Board of Ed matters.

4 However, tonight the Board is invoking the
5 doctrine of necessity.

6 May I have a motion to approve item 2 on
7 the agenda?

8 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

9 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Mayor Stack.

10 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

11 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner
12 Valdivia.

13 Commissioner Fernandez is recusing.

14 Commissioner Grullon?

15 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

16 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

17 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

18 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti is
19 recusing.

20 Mayor Stack?

21 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

22

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

25 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

1 3. Resolution Regarding Appropriation Reserve
2 Transfer.)

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4 MR. AUTERI: The third item on the Regular
5 Agenda is a Resolution Regarding Appropriation
6 Reserve Transfer.

7 This is a budget item.

8 May I have a motion to approve item 3 on
9 the --

10 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

11 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Mayor Stack.

12 Second by Commissioner Martinetti.

13 Commissioner Fernandez?

14 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

15 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

16 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

17 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

18 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

19 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

20 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

21 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

22 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

23

24 OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

25

1 MR. AUTERI: Mayor, at this time would you
2 like to take public comment on --

3 MAYOR STACK: Anyone wishing to comment on
4 any matter concerning municipal government in the
5 City of Union City, please step forward, state
6 your name and address for the record.

7 Seeing none.

8 MR. AUTERI: May I have a motion to close
9 the public comment portion?

10 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

11 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Commissioner
12 Martinetti.

13 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

14 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner
15 Valdivia.

16 Commissioner Fernandez?

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

18 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

19 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

20 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

21 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

22 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

23 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

24 MR. AUTERI: Mayor Stack?

25 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

1 LIQUOR LICENSE HEARINGS:

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3 1. RG Enterprise Entertainment, Inc.

4 t/a Therapy Lounge

5 2803 Bergenline Avenue

6 0910-33-134-006

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8 2. Bambinas Bar & Restaurant, Inc.

9 t/a Milagros Bar & Restaurant

10 2906 Bergenline Avenue

11 0910-33-040-039

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13 3. La Parrilla Bar & Grill, LLC

14 t/a Maria Mentiras Bar & Grill

15 328 32nd Street

16 0910-33-030-015

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18 MR. AUTERI: At this time we Liquor License
19 Hearings.

20 MAYOR STACK: Mr. Farmer, whenever you're
21 ready.

22 MR. FARMER: Right here?

23 Good evening, Mr. Mayor and the Board.

24 The first thing I'd like to do is apologize
25 to the Board for my attire. I walked out of my

1 office, totally forgot that I left my suit jacket
2 in the office. And by the time I got here, to go
3 back would have been not a wise decision.

4 So, I apologize for that.

5 We have three cases on your calendar. It
6 appears nobody showed up, except the police
7 officer.

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1 LIQUOR LICENSE HEARINGS:

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3 RG Enterprise Entertainment, Inc.

4 t/a Therapy Lounge

5 2803 Bergenline Avenue

6 0910-33-134-006

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8 MR. FARMER: If you look at the calendar
9 you'll the first one is Therapy Lounge.

10 We have told him to be here. He didn't
11 show at the plea meeting. I'm always
12 reluctant --

13 Because I have the police officer here.

14 I think we're all reluctant to ever do
15 anything legally when the other person's not
16 here.

17 So what I'd like is to have that adjourned
18 and I'll have the Police Department serve him
19 personally and we'll proceed the next time.

20 MAYOR STACK: But, Greg, let -- let's serve
21 them --

22 So we don't have this problem where you're
23 paying police officers overtime or whatever it
24 may be, let's serve from now on in person and by
25 certified mail on every single time.

1 MR. FARMER: Okay.

2 MAYOR STACK: From now on, Lieutenant
3 Dunlay, every case is to be served in person and
4 by certified mail, without exception.

5 LIEUTENANT DUNLAY: You got it, sir.

6 MR. FARMER: Okay.

7 So I would ask that that be carried to the
8 next meeting.

9 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

10 MR. AUTERI: A motion isn't necessary to
11 carry the item.

12 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

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1 LIQUOR LICENSE HEARINGS:

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3 Bambinas Bar & Restaurant, Inc.

4 t/a Milagros Bar & Restaurant

5 2906 Bergenline Avenue

6 0910-33-040-039

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8 MR. FARMER: The -- the next one is
9 Bambinas Bar and Restaurant.

10 MR. DILLON: You need a motion?

11 MR. AUTERI: No.

12 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: No. He said that we
13 don't need.

14 MR. DILLON: Oh.

15 MR. FARMER: This bar, you may recall, is
16 represented by Nino Falcone, former judge of
17 North Bergen Municipal Court.

18 I sent Mr. --

19 He was here last time. We sat with
20 Lieutenant Dunlay. We said it was going to be
21 here at this time. And I've even sent him a
22 letter and I called him.

23 And the second time I called him, he called
24 me back to tell me he didn't get any of this. He
25 was totally unaware. Doesn't know exactly if he

1 | could get his client and on and on and on.

2 | Look, Nino Falcone is a pretty nice guy.

3 | And he's been a good judge in North Bergen for a
4 | long time. I think he suffers from real serious
5 | physical -- I mean he's tremendously overweight
6 | and maybe some psychological problems.

7 | So I'd ask that that be carried.

8 | MAYOR STACK: Same thing. Greg, just on
9 | every one of these cases, serve them from now on.
10 | This way no one's got an excuse.

11 | And, if not, I'm going to hear the case
12 | without them. We're going to come down with a
13 | penalty the same night and that's the end of it.

14 | MR. FARMER: Okay.

15 | MAYOR STACK: We're not going to carry
16 | these anymore.

17 | MR. FARMER: All right. Fine. I'll do
18 | that.

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1 LIQUOR LICENSE HEARINGS:

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3 LA PARILLA BAR & GRILL, LLC

4 t/a Maria Mentiras Bar & Grill

5 328 32nd Street

6 0910-33-030-015

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8 MR. FARMER: Now the last one is Maria
9 Mentiras.

10 I expected them to be here. We had a
11 conference with the licensee, along with
12 Lieutenant Dunlay, and we worked out a plea
13 arrangement. But I don't see them here.

14 And, quite frankly, to tell you the truth,
15 why have you people sit around.

16 It's a case that we've worked out; we'll
17 put it on for next time; we'll put it through.

18 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

19 MR. FARMER: Okay?

20 MAYOR STACK: You got it.

21 MR. FARMER: Thank you.

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1 ADJOURNMENT:

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3 MR. AUTERI: There are no further items on
4 the agenda.

5 May I have a motion to adjourn?

6 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

7 MR. AUTERI: Motion by Mayor Stack.

8 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

9 MR. AUTERI: Second by Commissioner
10 Fernandez.

11 Commissioner Fernandez?

12 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

13 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Grullon?

14 Commissioner Grullon?

15 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

16 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Valdivia?

17 Commissioner Valdivia, we're do -- we have
18 a motion to adjourn the meeting.

19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

20 MR. AUTERI: Okay.

21 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

22 MR. AUTERI: Yes.

23 MR. AUTERI: Commissioner Martinetti?

24 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

25 MR. AUTERI: And Mayor Stack?

1 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

2 MR. AUTERI: Thank you.

3 The time is now 7:15.

4 Thank you.

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6 (Whereupon, the proceedings were concluded

7 at 7:15 p.m.)

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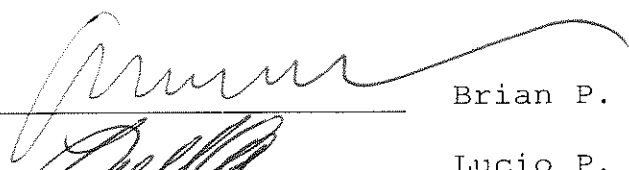
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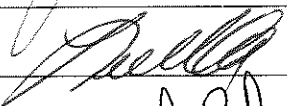
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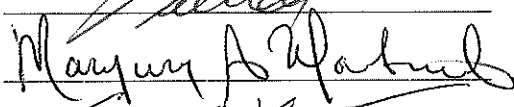
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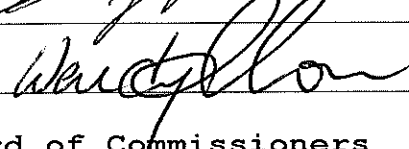
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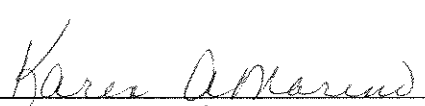
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