

CITY OF UNION CITY
HUDSON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SPECIAL MEETING :
: TRANSCRIPT OF
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ROBERT WATERS SCHOOL
1800 Summit Avenue
Union City, New Jersey

Tuesday, August 3, 2022
Commencing at 7:00 p.m.

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

WENDY A. GRULLON, COMMISSIONER (VIA ZOOM)
MARYURY A. MARTINETTI, COMMISSIONER
CELIN J. VALDIVIA, COMMISSIONER
BRIAN P. STACK, MAYOR

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

LUCIO P. FERNANDEZ, COMMISSIONER

A L S O P R E S E N T:

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BY: ANGELO AUTERI, ESQ.
Corporation Counsel

RAY GONZALEZ, ESQ.
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Alcohol Beverage Control Commission

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1 MS. ROSARIO: Please stand for the
2 Pledge of Allegiance.

3 (Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was
4 recited.)

5 MS. ROSARIO: This is a special public
6 meeting of the Union City Board of Commissioners
7 being held on Wednesday, August 3, 2022, at 7 p.m.
8 at the Robert Waters School, 1800 Summit Avenue,
9 Union City. This meeting has been called in
10 accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.
11 Adequate notice was forwarded to The Jersey
12 Journal, The Record, and The Hudson Reporter, has
13 been posted on the bulletin board in City Hall,
14 made available to the public in the office of the
15 Municipal Clerk.

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17 **ROLL CALL:**

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19 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon.

20 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Here.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

22 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Here.

23 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

24 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Here.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

1 MAYOR STACK: Here. Let the record
2 reflect that Commissioner Grullon is on Zoom
3 because she had an emergency. Thank you very
4 much, Commissioner, for being at the meeting.

5 MS. ROSARIO: And Commissioner Fernandez
6 will not be here today.

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

10 **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING -**
11 **JULY 19, 2022.)**

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13 MS. ROSARIO: The first item is the
14 approval of the previous minutes. Motion to
15 approve the minutes from July 19, 2022, Board of
16 Commissioners. May I have a motion to approve?

17 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Commissioner
19 Martinetti.

20 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
22 Valdivia. Commissioner Grullon.

23 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

25 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

1 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

2 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

3 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

4 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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6 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
7 action on the following items in total:

8 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

9 (1) Resolution Approving the Payment of Claims.

10 (2) Resolution Approving the Payment of
11 Concurring Claims.

12 (3) Resolution Approving the Escrow Funds.

13 (4) Resolution Approving the City Payroll
14 07/02/2022 - 07/15/2022.

15 (5) Resolution Approving the Library Payroll
16 07/02/2022 - 07/15/2022.

17 (6) Resolution Authorizing Refund of Redemption
18 Monies to Outside Lienholders.

19 (7) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of Premium
20 Monies Collected At the Tax Sale

21 (8) Resolution Amending R#07/19-12 to Authorize
22 the Award of a Contract For Accounting Services
23 For 2022-2023.

24 (9) Resolution Amending the 2022-2023 Schedule
25 of the Board of Commissioners.

1 (10) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
2 the City of Union City, County of Hudson, New
3 Jersey, Cancelling \$444,000 of a Funded
4 Appropriation Balance Heretofore Provided For
5 Funding of Various Capital Improvements in and For
6 the City of Union City.

7 (11) Resolution Awarding Contract For Library
8 Board Counsel to the City of Union City For
9 2022-2023.

10 (12) Resolution Authorizing an Increase to the
11 Contract With Gregory T. Farmer, Esq., For
12 Alcoholic Beverage Control Prosecutor Services For
13 2021-2022.

14 (13) Resolution Amending R#07/19-26 For the Award
15 of Contracts For Substitute Public Defender
16 Services For 2022-2023.

17 (14) Resolution Authorizing Auction of Certain
18 Unclaimed Tangible Personal Property - William
19 Scotsman Mobile Office Trailer.

20 (15) Resolution Approving the FY 2022 Budget For
21 the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
22 Program.)

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24 MS. ROSARIO: There are 16 items on the
25 consent agenda.

1 One, Resolution Approving the Payment of
2 Claims.

3 Two, Resolution Approving the Payment of
4 Concurring Claims.

5 Three, Resolution Approving the Escrow
6 Funds.

7 Four, Resolution Approving the City
8 Payroll 07/02/2022 - 07/15/2022.

9 Five, Resolution Approving the Library
10 Payroll 07/02/2022 - 07/15/2022.

11 Six, Resolution Authorizing Refund of
12 Redemption Monies to Outside Lienholders.

13 Seven, Resolution Authorizing the Refund
14 of Premium Monies Collected At the Tax Sale.

15 Eight, Resolution Amending R#07/19-12 to
16 Authorize the Award of a Contract For Accounting
17 Services For 2022-2023.

18 Nine, Resolution Amending the 2022-2023
19 Schedule of the Board of Commissioners.

20 Ten, Resolution of the Board of
21 Commissioners of the City of Union City, County of
22 Hudson, New Jersey, Cancelling \$444,000 of a
23 Funded Appropriation Balance Heretofore Provided
24 For Funding of Various Capital Improvements in and
25 For the City of Union City.

1 Eleven, Resolution Awarding Contract For
2 Library Board Counsel to the City of Union City
3 For 2022-2023.

4 Twelve, Resolution Authorizing an
5 Increase to the Contract With Gregory T. Farmer,
6 Esq., For Alcoholic Beverage Control Prosecutor
7 Services For 2021-2022.

8 Thirteen, Resolution Amending R#07/19-26
9 For the Award of Contracts For Substitute Public
10 Defender Services For 2022-2023.

11 Fourteen, Resolution Authorizing Auction
12 of Certain Unclaimed Tangible Personal Property -
13 William Scotsman Mobile Office Trailer.

14 Fifteen, Resolution Approving the FY
15 2022 Budget For the Community Development Block
16 Grant (CDBG) Program.

17 Mayor will recuse from payments Chasan,
18 Lamparello, Mallon.

19 Mayor, would you like to take public
20 comment on the consent agenda?

21 MAYOR STACK: Anyone wishing to comment
22 on any matter on the consent agenda, please step
23 forward, state your name and address for the
24 record. Make a motion to close, seeing none.

25 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

1 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack.

2 Second by Commissioner Martinetti.

3 Commissioner Grullon.

4 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

5 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

6 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

7 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

8 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

9 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

10 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

11 MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion to
12 approve all items on the consent agenda?

13 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

14 MAYOR STACK: Second.

15 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Commissioner
16 Valdivia, second by Mayor Stack. Commissioner
17 Grullon.

18 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

19 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

20 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

22 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

23 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

24 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:

MS. ROSARIO: Mayor, at this time, would you like to take public comment on any of the concerns of the municipal government in Union City?

MAYOR STACK: Sure. Anyone wishing to comment on any matter concerning municipal government in the City of Union City, please step forward, state your name and address for the record. Seeing none, I'll make the motion to close public comment.

COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack, second by Commissioner Martinetti.

Commissioner Grullon.

COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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LIQUOR LICENSE PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Chrisam Corporation

0910-33-007-011

(Anthony J. Bianciella, Esq.)

MS. ROSARIO: Now, we have liquor license hearing.

MR. GONZALEZ: Good evening, Commissioners. For the record my name is Raymond Gonzalez, G-O-N-Z-A-L-E-Z, acting ABC attorney for the City of Union City.

Today, there's only one application and that's a renewal of Chrisam Corporation, it is a matter that went before the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Division of Alcoholic Beverage. There was a hearing that was had, the Commissioner -- the director actually approved the allowing the renewal of the license from 2017 to 2018, 2018 to '19, 19-20, 20-21, 21-22, and '22 to '23, of which was done. We have confirmation that it was all complete.

The reason this took so long was that the petitioner, the license holder, which is a pocket license, it's not an active bar, made his application to the City. For some reason, the

1 money got lost, they couldn't do it, then they
2 implemented the new registration, which was
3 online, and they couldn't do it because they
4 didn't have it from the old one. It took a very
5 long time. There was an actual denial, there was
6 a reconsideration. That reconsideration was
7 supported with all the documents. The director
8 said that it should be allowed and that's what we
9 have here today.

10 It was subject to the filing of
11 2022-2023, which I have confirmation from our
12 sergeant who's in charge of the record room that,
13 in fact, it was done; is that correct?

14 SERGEANT ZERON: Yes.

15 MR. GONZALEZ: I did prepare a
16 resolution with a little more detail setting forth
17 the reason why it's taking so long and exactly
18 what's being done.

19 MAYOR STACK: Is there anyone here to
20 comment on this application?

21 MS. ROSARIO: Can I have a motion to
22 approve, Mayor?

23 MAYOR STACK: I'm going to put up the
24 motion now.

25 First of all, congratulations on your

1 first meeting, Ray, I'm glad you're here.

2 I'll make the motion to approve.

3 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack.

4 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

5 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner

6 Valdivia. Commissioner Grullon.

7 COMMISSIONER GRULLON: Yes.

8 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

9 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

10 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

11 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

12 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

13 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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ADJOURNMENT :

MS. ROSARIO: There are no other items,
may I have a motion to adjourn?

MAYOR STACK: Motion.

MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack.

COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
Martinetti. All in favor?

(Whereupon, all Commissioners indicated
in the affirmative.)

(Whereupon the meeting was adjourned at
7:08 p.m.)

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Brian P. Stack

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Wendy A. Grullon

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Board of Commissioners

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Attest:

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Angelo Auteri, Esq.,

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Corporation Counsel

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and accurate transcript of the testimony and proceedings as taken stenographically by me at the time, place, and on the date hereinbefore set forth.

SUSAN BISCHOFF, CCR, RPR
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