

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

REGULAR MEETING

TRANSCRIPT OF
PROCEEDINGS

COLIN POWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
1500 New York Avenue
Union City, New Jersey

Tuesday, December 2, 2025
Commencing at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

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

WENDY A. GRULLON, COMMISSIONER

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

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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 regular public
6 meeting of the Union City Board of Commissioners
7 being held on Tuesday, December 2, 2025, at
8 7:00 p.m., at the Colin Powell Elementary School,
9 1500 New York Avenue in Union City.

10 This meeting has been called in
11 accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.
12 Adequate notice of this meeting was forwarded to
13 The Bergen Record and The Star Ledger, has been
14 posted on the bulletin board in City Hall, and has
15 been made available to the public in the office of
16 the Municipal Clerk.

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18 **ROLL CALL:**

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20 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Fernandez.

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Here.

22 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

23 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Here.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

25 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Here.

1 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

2 MAYOR STACK: Here.

3 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Grullon will
4 not be attending the meeting, due to prior
5 commitments.

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

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

10 **1. REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING**
11 **FUNDS TO PAY AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION;**
12 **AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$4,100,000 OF**
13 **REFUNDING BONDS OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY, COUNTY**
14 **OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY, TO FINANCE THE COSTS**
15 **THEREOF; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND**
16 **COVENANTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND AUTHORIZING**
17 **CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE**
18 **FOREGOING.)**

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20 MS. ROSARIO: First on the agenda, we
21 have three ordinances for introduction. Adoption
22 on first reading authorizes the Municipal Clerk to
23 advertise the ordinance with a notice of the
24 introduction, together with a notice of the time
25 and place when the ordinance will be considered

1 for the final passage. The ordinance will be
2 further considered at a meeting of the Board of
3 Commissioners to be held on Tuesday, December 16,
4 2025, at the Veterans Memorial Elementary School,
5 1401 Central Avenue in Union City at 7:00 p.m.

6 The first ordinance is refunding bond
7 ordinance providing funds to pay an emergency
8 appropriation; authorizing the issuance of up to
9 \$4,100,000 of refunding bonds of the City of Union
10 City, County of Hudson, New Jersey, to finance the
11 costs thereof; making certain determinations and
12 covenants in connection therewith; and authorizing
13 certain related actions in connection with the
14 foregoing.

15 May I have a motion to introduce?

16 MAYOR STACK: Motion to introduce.

17 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
18 Stack.

19 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

20 MS. ROSARIO: Second, Commissioner
21 Fernandez.

22 Commissioner Fernandez.

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: 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 item:

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

9 **2. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF UNION**
10 **CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY,**
11 **GUARANTYING A PORTION OF BONDS AND/OR NOTES OF THE**
12 **HUDSON COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AND**
13 **AUTHORIZING A GUARANTY AGREEMENT IN CONNECTION**
14 **WITH THE FINANCING BY THE AUTHORITY OF COSTS**
15 **RELATING TO CERTAIN FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES**
16 **PROVIDED BY THE NORTH HUDSON REGIONAL FIRE AND**
17 **RESCUE.)**

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19 MS. ROSARIO: Second ordinance is an
20 ordinance of the City of Union City, in the County
21 of Hudson, New Jersey, guarantying a portion of
22 bonds and/or notes of the Hudson County
23 Improvement Authority and authorizing a guaranty
24 agreement in connection with the financing by the
25 Authority of costs relating to certain fire and

1 residue services provided by the North Hudson
2 Regional Fire and Rescue.

3 May I have a motion to introduce?

4 MAYOR STACK: Motion to introduce.

5 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
6 Stack. Second?

7 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

8 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.
9 Commissioner Fernandez.

10 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

11 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

12 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

13 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

14 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

15 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

16 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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18 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took
19 action on the following item:

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

21 **3. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL**
22 **EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.**
23 **40A:4-53(h) TO FUND THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE**
24 **PAYMENT OF CERTAIN CONTRACTUALLY REQUIRED**
25 **SEVERANCE LIABILITIES OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY,**

1 COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY.)

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3 MS. ROSARIO: The third ordinance is an
4 ordinance authorizing special emergency
5 appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(h) to
6 fund the costs associated with the payment to
7 certain contractually required severance
8 liabilities of the City of Union City, County of
9 Hudson, New Jersey.

10 May I have a motion to introduce?

11 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

12 MAYOR STACK: Second.

13 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by
14 Commissioner Martinetti, second by Mayor Stack.
15 Commissioner Fernandez.

16 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

17 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

18 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

19 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

20 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

22 MAYOR STACK: Yes. Just before we go
23 further on, on the introduction of ordinances, we
24 needed four votes or three votes?

25 MS. ROSARIO: On which one?

1 MAYOR STACK: On the second, do we need
2 four votes or three, right?

3 MS. ROSARIO: I think three is good. Is
4 someone recusing?

5 MAYOR STACK: Because I think it would
6 be good for Commissioner Martinetti to recuse
7 because Marty sits on the Regional Fire board. I
8 would just like Commissioner Martinetti to recuse,
9 I think it would be in her best interest.

10 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Okay.

11 MAYOR STACK: Just to err on the side of
12 caution, that's all. Are we okay with three
13 votes?

14 MS. ROSARIO: Yes.

15 MAYOR STACK: Okay. We're good,
16 Samantha, with three votes --

17 MS. ROSARIO: Yeah.

18 MAYOR STACK: -- on the bond?

19 MS. BLAKE: Yes.

20 MAYOR STACK: Please let the record
21 reflect that.

22 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: I recuse for
23 number two.

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25 (Whereupon, the Board discussed and took

1 action on the following items in total:

2 **CONSENT AGENDA:**

3 (1) Resolution Approving the Payment of Claims

4 (2) Resolution Approving the Payment of
5 Concurring Claims

6 (3) Resolution Approving the Escrow Refunds

7 (4) Resolution Approving the City Payroll

8 11/08/2025 - 11/21/2025

9 (5) Resolution Approving the Library Payroll

10 11/08/2025 - 11/21/2025

11 (6) Resolution Authorizing Refund of Redemption
12 Monies to Outside Lienholders

13 (7) Resolution Authorizing the Refund of a Tax
14 Appeal Issued By the Hudson County Board of
15 Taxation

16 (8) Resolution Authorizing the Use of
17 Competitive Contracting For Health Insurance
18 Broker Services For 2026

19 (9) Resolution Approving Ch. 159 NJDOT Municipal
20 Aid 23rd and 24th Street

21 (10) Resolution of the City of Union City in the
22 County of Hudson, New Jersey, Authorizing an
23 Emergency Appropriation in Accordance With
24 N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-48

25 (11) Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of

1 the City of Union City, County of Hudson, New
2 Jersey, Authorizing the Submission of an
3 Application to the New Jersey Local Finance Board
4 Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51

5 (12) Resolution Authorizing Payment For Election
6 Trailers and Related Supplies For Election Day in
7 the City of Union City 2025

8 (13) Resolution Authorizing One (1) Year
9 Extension to Contract For Third-Party EMS Billing
10 Services For 2025-2026

11 (14) Resolution Authorizing Contract With PRS
12 Consultants, Inc., For Administrative Services For
13 the 2026 Opioid Remediation Project For the City
14 of Union City

15 (15) Resolution to Reappoint Martin Martinetti As
16 Member of the North Hudson Regional Fire and
17 Rescue Board For 2026

18 (16) Resolution to Reappoint Alejandro Velazquez
19 to Serve As Class II Member of the City of Union
20 City Planning Board For 2026

21 (17) Resolution Reappointing Jorge Aviles, Esq.
22 As Tenant Advocate Attorney For 2026

23 (18) Resolution Reappointing Commissioner Wendy
24 Grullon to the City of Union City Board of School
25 Estimate For 2026

1 (19) Resolution Reappointing Commissioner Celin
2 J. Valdivia to the City of Union City Board of
3 School Estimate For 2026

4 (20) Resolution Honoring the 10th Anniversary of
5 HudPost and Recognizing Its Contributions to the
6 City of Union City.)

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8 MS. ROSARIO: The next items are the
9 consent agenda. We have 20 items on the consent
10 agenda. Can you please take a moment to review
11 all items. If there is an item that needs to be
12 discussed separately, please let me know.

13 MAYOR STACK: Anyone wishing to comment
14 on the consent agenda, please step forward? I'll
15 move the consent agenda.

16 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

17 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack and
18 second by Commissioner Martinetti.

19 Commissioner Fernandez.

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes, recusing
21 on number 18 and number 19. And then Commissioner
22 Valdivia and Commissioner Martinetti will vote
23 with the doctrine of necessity.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Thank you, Commissioner
25 Fernandez. May I have a motion to close public

1 comment?

2 MAYOR STACK: Is Commissioner Martinetti
3 recusing on number 15?

4 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

5 MS. ROSARIO: Resolution 15.

6 MAYOR STACK: Just to recuse on that
7 one. I'll make a motion to approve.

8 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

9 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
10 Stack, second Commissioner Valdivia. May I have a
11 motion to approve all items?

12 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

13 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

14 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Fernandez.

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: With the prior
16 recusals 18 and 19.

17 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

18 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

19 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

20 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes, except
21 15, 18, and 19.

22 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

23 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack will recuse on
25 payments to Chasan and Lamparello.

1 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

2 MS. ROSARIO: Thank you.

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

6 **REGULAR AGENDA:**

7 1. Resolution approving payment to
8 Union City Day Care program.)

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10 MS. ROSARIO: We have one item on the
11 regular agenda. Resolution approving payment to
12 Union City Day Care program. Mayor Stack recuses
13 on this item. May I have a motion?

14 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Motion.

15 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by
16 Commissioner Valdivia.

17 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Second, Commissioner
19 Martinetti.

20 Commissioner Fernandez.

21 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

22 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

23 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

24 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

25 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

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

4 **ORDINANCE FOR HEARING AND ADOPTION CONSIDERATION:**

5 **1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF**
6 **THE CITY OF UNION CITY TO CREATE THE POSITION OF**
7 **INSPECTOR GENERAL AND REORGANIZE THE LAW**
8 **DEPARTMENT.)**

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10 MS. ROSARIO: There's one item on
11 ordinance for hearing and adoption consideration.
12 An ordinance amending the code of the City of
13 Union City to create the position of inspector
14 general and reorganize the law department.

15 Mayor, at this time, would you like to
16 take public comment on this ordinance?

17 MAYOR STACK: Sure. Anyone wishing to
18 comment on this ordinance at this time, please
19 step forward, state your name and address for the
20 record. I'll move it.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Motion by Mayor Stack.

22 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

23 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
24 Valdivia.

25 Commissioner Fernandez.

1 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

2 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

3 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

4 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

5 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

6 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

7 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

8 MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion to
9 adopt?

10 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

11 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by
12 Commissioner Martinetti.

13 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

14 MS. ROSARIO: Second by Commissioner
15 Fernandez.

16 Commissioner Fernandez.

17 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

19 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

20 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

21 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

22 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

23 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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LIQUOR LICENSE HEARINGS:

1. 2216 Bergenline Avenue LLC
T/a Centro Bar
2216 Bergenline Avenue
0910-33-166-007
2. Jor Per Corp.
T/a Cucalambre
4418 Bergenline Avenue
0910-33-110-010
3. Sapan Spirit LLC
T/a International Liquors
126 43rd Street
0910-44-027-005
4. Ceviche Time, LLC
T/a Ceviche Time by Marcelo
4538 Bergenline Avenue
0910-33-047-005
5. Hamilton Fork & Knife LLC
T/a Arre Sinaloa
4605 Park Avenue
0910-33-176-010

1 1. 2216 Bergenline Avenue LLC
2 T/a Centro Bar
3 2216 Bergenline Avenue
4 0910-33-166-007

5 MS. ROSARIO: We now have the liquor
6 license hearings. Mr. Gonzalez.

7 MAYOR STACK: Mr. Gonzalez.

8 MR. GONZALEZ: Yes, thank you.

9 For the record, Ramon Gonzalez,
10 G-O-N-Z-A-L-E-Z, on behalf of the Union City ABC.
11 I have Lieutenant Zeron here also. We have five
12 matters. The first matter we have is Centro Bar,
13 I'm requesting that be adjourned because they just
14 retained Scott Finken as their attorney. They
15 have pretty serious charges and we plan on having
16 a meeting next week with certain people to see if
17 we can resolve it. So we're requesting that that
18 be adjourned.

19 MAYOR STACK: So why don't we do that
20 one first. I make a motion for adjournment on
21 that.

22 MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion?

23 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

24 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
Stack. Second, Commissioner Martinetti.

1 Commissioner Fernandez.

2 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

3 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

4 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

5 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

6 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

7 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

8 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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1 2. Jor Per Corp.
2 T/a Cucalambe
3 4418 Bergenline Avenue
4 0910-33-110-010

5 MR. GONZALEZ: The next matter is
6 Cucalambe, located at 4418 Bergenline Avenue.
7 They've contacted me, they would like to
8 participate in a potential plea meeting. So we're
9 requesting that that be adjourned also.

10 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

11 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

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

14 Commissioner Fernandez.

15 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

16 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

17 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

19 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

20 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

21 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

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1 **3. Sapan Spirit LLC**
2 **T/a International Liquors**
3 **126 43rd Street**
4 **0910-44-027-005**

5 MR. GONZALEZ: The third matter is
6 International Liquors, they're here today. They
7 provided me certain information, but I need to
8 confirm it with the hard copies that we have in
9 our record room at the police record room. So I'm
10 requesting that that be adjourned. They're here,
11 they would like to participate in the meeting that
12 we're going to have next week. So that should be
13 adjourned also.

14 MAYOR STACK: Okay.

15 MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion to
16 adjourn?

17 MAYOR STACK: Motion to adjourn.

18 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
19 Stack.

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Second.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Second, Commissioner
22 Fernandez.

23 Commissioner Fernandez.

24 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

 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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1 **4. Ceviche Time, LLC**
2 **T/a Ceviche Time by Marcelo**
3 **4538 Bergenline Avenue**
4 **0910-33-047-005**

5 MR. GONZALEZ: The fourth matter is
6 Ceviche Time, located at 4538 Bergenline Avenue.
7 They've asked for copies of the videos that we
8 have for the incident. I told them I would ask
9 for this to be adjourned. I'll provide them the
10 video, so they can actually see what the charges
11 are. This one should be adjourned also.

12 MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion to
13 adjourn.

14 MAYOR STACK: Motion.

15 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor Stack.

16 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

17 MS. ROSARIO: Second, Commissioner
18 Valdivia.

19 Commissioner Fernandez.

20 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

21 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

22 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

23 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

24 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

25 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

1 **5. Hamilton Fork & Knife LLC.**
2 **T/a Arre Sinaloa**
3 **4605 Park Avenue**
4 **0910-33-176-010**

5 MR. GONZALEZ: The last matter we have
6 is Hamilton Fork and Knife, the owner is here.
7 Would you please state your name?

8 MS. FELIX: Hi, my name is Johanna
9 Felix, owner of Hamilton Fork and Knife.

10 MR. GONZALEZ: Just so the board
11 understands what we have on this, they were short
12 several days with their video cameras, we did a
13 reinspection on it. They actually are in full
14 compliance. They have one additional charge that
15 has to do with not wearing bar cards. She's
16 explained to me that the individuals that did not
17 wear the bar cards don't handle alcohol. She'd
18 like to meet with us in person at the record room,
19 so I could just go through and see if we can reach
20 a resolution without having to close them. Since
21 I know it's holiday time. And I think the
22 individuals that weren't wearing -- it can be
23 resolved. If they could do that, it probably
24 would be resolved at the next meeting, if we can
25 adjourn this.

 MAYOR STACK: Absolutely. So you can

1 work that out, I'll make a motion to adjourn upon
2 Mr. Gonzalez's recommendation.

3 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
4 Stack.

5 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

6 MS. ROSARIO: Second, Commissioner
7 Valdivia.

8 Commissioner Fernandez.

9 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: Yes.

10 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Valdivia.

11 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Yes.

12 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Martinetti.

13 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Yes.

14 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor Stack.

15 MAYOR STACK: Yes.

16 MR. GONZALEZ: That concludes all the
17 ABC matters.

18 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much.

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

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3 MS. ROSARIO: Mayor, at this time, would
4 you like to take public comment?

5 MAYOR STACK: Sure. Anyone wishing to
6 comment at this time, please step forward state
7 your name and address for the record.

8 MS. KOVITZ: Hi, my name is Arielle
9 Kovitz, I live in Jersey City. I'm a policy
10 specialist for the Humane World For Animals. I
11 was coming here to thank you once again, Mayor
12 Stack, for the ordinance a couple months ago. And
13 I know that S-2501 is a priority for you and I was
14 just hoping to have a conversation with somebody
15 after the meeting, if that's possible.

16 MAYOR STACK: Sure. In reference to the
17 ordinance?

18 MS. KOVITZ: In reference to the state
19 one.

20 MAYOR STACK: Samantha, could you do
21 that for me? If there's anything further, just
22 maybe get a phone number and send it to me on a
23 text. You have my cell phone number also,
24 correct?

25 MS. KOVITZ: I'm not sure.

1 MAYOR STACK: Andres will give it to
2 you.

3 MS. KOVITZ: Thank you.

4 MAYOR STACK: Absolutely. Anything
5 further, call me on my cell. And also Samantha
6 will meet with you after the meeting. Thank you
7 so much.

8 MS. KOVITZ: Thank you.

9 MAYOR STACK: Anyone further wishing to
10 comment at this time, please step forward, state
11 your name and address for the record.

12 MR. PRATT: Hi.

13 MAYOR STACK: You may proceed.

14 MR. PRATT: Hi, how you all doing today?
15 For the record, my name is Charles Pratt. I'd
16 just like to ask Mr. Brian Stack a couple
17 questions. Mr. Brian Stack, do you recall all the
18 years I've been living here, as a former resident
19 of City of Union City? Do you recall how --

20 MAYOR STACK: Mr. Pratt, you can make
21 your statement.

22 MR. PRATT: Huh?

23 MAYOR STACK: You can make your
24 statement.

25 MR. PRATT: Do you recall -- I'll wait.

1 Do you recall when you told me that you were going
2 to get rid of -- that you was in charge of public
3 safety, that you were going to get rid of the
4 paperwork that they signed in my name and said --
5 do you recall they said we have first hand that
6 Mr. Charles Pratt have a mental disability. And
7 I'm still trying to ask myself the same question.
8 If I have a -- this police department here have
9 firsthand that I have a mental disability, why I
10 don't even know nothing about this disability or
11 documentation on me to take any kind of medicine.
12 I got no knowledge of this.

13 Would you say as a public safety, if
14 somebody has disability, don't you think they're
15 supposed to take medication or be on medication to
16 get better, right? That's all I say. Somebody
17 have a mental problem, they're supposed to take
18 medicine to get better, right or wrong?

19 MS. BLAKE: The Board will not be
20 answering any questions.

21 MR. PRATT: You can't answer me?

22 MS. BLAKE: None of the board members
23 have to answer.

24 MR. PRATT: I'm asking you, can you
25 write me a letter, whether you want to answer the

1 question or not, can you write me a letter and
2 verify, coming from a mayor, I really would
3 appreciate it, being that slander letter came from
4 the police department. Could you as a mayor write
5 me a letter and confirm different, I know Mr.
6 Charles Pratt for a certain amount of years,
7 almost 25 years. And from my knowledge, you know,
8 I haven't had a mental disability, you could have
9 had me put in the hospital, you as a mayor, right?
10 Right or wrong? Huh? Right or wrong? Okay. You
11 ain't got to answer. I'm not forcing to you
12 answer.

13 Can you do me that? Can you write me a
14 certified letter document with the date, where you
15 can say -- verify, let's call it verification of
16 my background of who you know me as? Because they
17 said the police department have firsthand. So if
18 the police department have firsthand, I'd like to
19 see the first -- the left or the right, which hand
20 you all talking about firsthand you got? Because
21 I can't continue going different states, out of
22 the state up here, and my name still gets
23 slandered on paper. I can't tolerate that.

24 So I need you, as you're the mayor, I
25 respect you as the mayor, I never came at you, I

1 just know, can you please -- I don't -- offer
2 me -- would help me, all that and I appreciate
3 that.

4 But what I really need most from you
5 right now, if you could write me a certified
6 letter and let me know when I can come to the
7 police department and pick it up. I ain't asking
8 for nothing no more. Because what I'm going to do
9 with that letter, I'm going to share the love.
10 I'm going around all the people that slander my
11 name and let them know if they don't stop, I would
12 have them in federal court. Okay. Can you do me
13 that?

14 MAYOR STACK: Thank you, Mr. Pratt.

15 MR. PRATT: That's all you got to say,
16 you can't do me that?

17 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

18 MR. PRATT: Huh?

19 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

20 MR. PRATT: Thank you. Wow.

21 MAYOR STACK: Anyone else wishing to
22 comment at this time, please step forward, state
23 your name and address for the record.

24 MR. MITCHELL: Brian Stack, you gave me
25 two letters to my house stating that you were

1 going to investigate and help me with the health
2 department and human services about my father's
3 mystery death coming out North Bergen Harborage,
4 owned by Hackensack Meridien. You never put these
5 letters in for some reason to January 17, 2025,
6 can you tell me the reason why? Can you tell me
7 the reason why did you wait so long? How long do
8 you know my father for, Mr. Brian Stack? How many
9 years?

10 Last time I went to court with you,
11 right, when you put your hands on my neck and what
12 happened? My father's house was raided the next
13 month. And then we went to court back and forth,
14 change of venues and everything, ended up in
15 Bergen County. And then I dropped the charges,
16 right? We shook hands like men and now my dad is
17 strangled in a nursing home. What happened to the
18 standard of care in the North Bergen Harborage
19 Nursing Home?

20 Where were you on March 30th of 2020
21 between the hours of 1 a.m. and 4 a.m., Brian
22 Stack? Who do we blame for the strangle of my
23 father? Hackensack Meridien? The owners of North
24 Bergen Harborage that sold it in 2022? How about
25 this emergency drill that came out of

1 September 19, 2019? Emergency drill for a
2 bioweapon, Hackensack Meridien and North Bergen
3 Harborage, was this the plot? Was this the
4 conspiracy to murder my father in that nursing
5 home?

6 How dare you. How dare you. I got to
7 go around five years of this disgrace, and the
8 pandemic being set up. You think that's fair?
9 Waking up in a shitty pandemic that was fabricated
10 on lies -- I don't know who these top officials
11 bullshit. And then waking up to my dad strangled
12 and going for five years and being abused. And my
13 family and my brother's children and everything
14 else in Bergen County with judges and prosecutors
15 not doing their job?

16 What happened, Mr. Brian Stack? I know
17 you know something because all the senators run
18 from me when I was in Trenton yesterday and I
19 spoke in that meeting. Scuteri, leaves. Paul
20 Sarlo, leaves. All these people and in Hudson --
21 and Bergen County, I have a lot of problems. I
22 don't know anybody in Bergen County and I'm being
23 retaliated. And you're the only one that could do
24 all this. You're in three branches of government.

25 You think I want to be here and put

1 these signs up? Do you really think that? I
2 never knew this would be like this, Mr. Brian
3 Stack. Before Charles, here, what happened with
4 Charles? I told him to go to that meeting because
5 I didn't know if that was true, that really
6 happened to him. Now I could see it's true, with
7 the officer. And you didn't do your part as a
8 leader. Should be ashamed of yourself. You
9 didn't do your part. And all do you is want to
10 force people to do other things that are not
11 appropriate to other people. Yeah, shake your
12 head, shake your head, no problem. You can't say
13 no. Shake your head because you know you're
14 guilty, right? Is that what it is? Who was in
15 that room? Was it you, Brian Stack, or did you
16 send somebody to that nursing home?

17 This is the behavior a judiciary
18 chairman does, looks at paper, disrespecting
19 people. He's the mayor, the senator, big shot,
20 the voter -- the king of voting. How much fraud
21 is out there? What happened with Michael --
22 what's his name? Michael Young? What happened
23 with him? I'm talking about Michael Harper.

24 MR. PRATT: I went him and told him --

25 MR. MITCHELL: What happened to Michael

1 Harper and voting and all that stuff? He doesn't
2 call back. Mr. Maldonado. I challenged all your
3 votes in your district, Mr. Brian Stack. I even
4 told Teddy Sheray, yeah, keep shaking your head,
5 no problem.

6 So who's going to go to prison for this?
7 The strangle? The owners of Hackensack Meridian
8 and North Bergen Harborage? Matthew Platkin and
9 Governor Murphy for covering up and --

10 MAYOR STACK: Thank you very much for
11 your comments.

12 MR. MITCHELL: Thank you very much.

13 MAYOR STACK: Thank you.

14 MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion to
15 close?

16 MAYOR STACK: Anyone else wishing to
17 comment at this time? Seeing no other, thank you
18 very much.

19 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by Mayor
20 Stack.

21 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Second.

22 MS. ROSARIO: Commissioner Fernandez.

23 COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ: 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 **ADJOURNMENT:**

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8 MS. ROSARIO: May I have a motion to
9 adjourn?

10 COMMISSIONER MARTINETTI: Motion.

11 COMMISSIONER VALDIVIA: Second.

12 MS. ROSARIO: Motion made by
13 Commissioner Martinetti. Second, Commissioner
14 Valdivia. All in favor?

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16 (All Commissioners indicate in the
17 affirmative.)

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19 (Whereupon the meeting was adjourned at
20 7:22 p.m.)

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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.

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