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# NEW JERSEY URBAN ENTERPRISE ZONE AUTHORITY MEETING

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 2:00 P.M.

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#### **MINUTES**

Notice of Public Meeting: Read by Chairperson Sean Thompson: In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act, notice of this meeting has been sent to the Bergen Record and the Trenton Times at least 48 hours prior to this meeting and a meeting notice has been posted on the Secretary of State's bulletin board at the Department of State.

The following recusal process will be followed at all UEZ Board meetings:

- 1) To the extent feasible, meeting materials involving a matter from which a Board member must recuse himself or herself will not be distributed to the Board member.
- 2) At the subject Board meeting, the Board member must place his or her recusal and the reason therefore on the record prior to any discussion of the matter and shall not participate in any discussion or comment leading up to the vote nor shall the member participate in the vote. The recusal shall be noted in the minutes of the Board meeting.
- 3) In the event the matter in question shall be discussed at any non-public portion or executory session of the meeting, the Board member shall leave the meeting room and not return until the meeting has returned to public session.

**Roll Call:** Sean Thompson, Department of Community Affairs Chair Designee, Julie Diaz, The Department of Labor & Workforce Development Designee, Aaron Binder, The Department of the Treasury Designee, Darryl Godfrey, New Jersey Redevelopment Authority Designee (NJRA), Tai Cooper, New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) Designee.



### Approval of May 11, 2022, UEZ Authority meeting minutes:

Motions:

Approve: Aaron Binder Second: Julie Diaz

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

### **Acting Executive Director's Report**

Acting Executive Director (ED) Simmons wanted to take this opportunity to thank the board as he will be serving in this current capacity as Acting Executive director. He will be providing information and updates during this time of transition. Also, a special thank you to the DAG's Tamara and Gabriel as well as the governor's authority unit Jamera Sirmans.

Acting ED Simmons mentioned that in the UEZ division is looking to continue to expand operations and funding will be going out to the zones shortly. State Fiscal Manager, Joe Fusco has already sent out letters to the Mayors receiving funding and notifications were given to the Coordinators of their respective zones. The ED stated that we are moving forward and monies will be in the hands of those zones very soon. This concludes the acting Executive Director's report for today.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

I. Request to approve Carteret's UEZ Administrative Budget FY2022 for \$29,887.

Motions:

Approve: Tai Cooper Second: Darryl Godfrey

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

Carteret's Coordinator Bob Makin was present during the meeting to address questions; there were none. Mr. Makin thanked the staff and the UEZA for their support.

# II. Request to approve UEZ Gloucester City's Administrative Budget FY2022 for \$31,100.

Motions:

Approve: Julie Diaz Second: Tai Cooper

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

Gloucester City's Coordinator Lori Ryan was present during the meeting to address questions; there were none. Ms. Ryan thanked the staff and the UEZA for their support.

# III. Request to approve Lakewood's UEZ Business Customer Web Portal - \$30,000.

Motions:

Approve: Darryl Godfrey Second: Aaron Binder

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

## IV. Request to approve Lakewood's Financial Assistance Program (FAP) VIII \$1,620,000.

Motions:

Approve: Darryl Godfrey Second: Aaron Binder

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

Lakewood's Coordinator David Klein was present during the meeting to address questions; there were none. Mr. Klein thanked the staff and the UEZA for their support.

### V. Request to approve Long Branch's UEZ Administration Budget - \$41,937

Motions:

Approve: Tai Cooper Second: Julie Diaz

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

Long Branch's Coordinator Jacob Jones was present during the meeting but was unable to address the board (technical issues); no questions were asked prior to the vote.

# VI. Request to approve Wildwood's UEZ Administration Budget FY2022 - \$72,437

Motions:

Approve: Aaron Binder Second: Darryl Godfrey

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

Wildwood's Coordinator Steve Booy was present during the meeting to address any; there were none. Mr. Booy thanked the staff and the UEZA for their support.

#### Old Business:

#### Other

None

#### Open to the public

None

Adjournment: 2:24 pm

Motions:

Adjourn: Darryl Godfrey Second: Aaron Binder

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Recusals: 0 Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/0).

### Sandra Santiago

I, Sandra Santiago taken at the June 8, 2022 Urban Enterprise Zone Authority Meeting