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NEW JERSEY URBAN ENTERPRISE ZONE AUTHORITY

Board Meeting

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

2:00 P.M.

Microsoft Teams or call in (audio only)

1 (856) 338-7074

Phone Conference ID: 74374993#

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:

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

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.

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

Daryl Godfrey, New Jersey Redevelopment Authority Designee

Tai Cooper, New Jersey Economic Development Authority.

Approval of August 10, 2022, UEZ Authority meeting minutes:

Motions:

Approve: Daryl Godfrey

Second: Ty Cooper

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Acting Executive Director's Report

Acting Executive Director (AED) Simmons thanked the Board and others on the call, providing an update on a number of items pertaining to UEZ. The first item discussed was the technical problem – now resolved – which necessitated an early adjournment of the September 14th Board Meeting. AED also said that UEZ staff is in the process of developing and testing new project review protocols which will continue to improve workflow.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Request to approve Asbury Park's Public Safety Offset - \$131,652

Motions:

Approve: Daryl Godfrey

Second: Tai Cooper

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

2. Request to approve Asbury Park's Dedicated Local Business Community UEZ Director - \$52,661

Motions:

Approve: Tai Cooper

Second: Aaron Binder

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

3. Request to approve Asbury Park's Façade and Walkway Improvement - \$105,321

Motions:

Approve: Julie Diaz

Second: Daryl Godfrey

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Asbury Park's Coordinator Robert Goodman was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board; there were none.

4. Request to approve Bridgeton's UEZ Administration Budget - \$30,081

Motions:

Approve: Daryl Godfrey

Second: Aaron Binder

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Bridgeton Coordinator Roberta Copeland was present during the meeting to address any questions and concerns raised by the Board; there were none.

5. Request to approve Elizabeth's FY2023 UEZ Business Financial Programs - \$1,915,150

Motions:

Approve: Julie Diaz

Second: Tai Cooper

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

6. Request to approve Elizabeth's UEZ Workforce Development CDL Program - \$111,628

Motions:

Approve: Julie Diaz

Second: Tai Cooper

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

7. Request to approve Elizabeth's UEZ Workforce Development Solar Training - \$134,940

Motions:

Approve: Aaron Binder

Second: Daryl Godfrey

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Elizabeth Coordinator Daniel Devanney was present during the meeting to address any questions and concerns raised by the Board. Tai Cooper congratulated Elizabeth for its work with micro and small businesses. There were no other comments.

8. Request to approve Millville's UEZ Admin Budget FY23 - \$200,000

Motions:

Approve: Daryl Godfrey

Second: Julie Diaz

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Millville Coordinator Heather Santoro was present during the meeting to address any questions and concerns raised by the Board; there were none.

9. Request to approve Passaic's Enterprise Zone Dev. Corp. Clean Sweep Program - \$522,500

Motions:

Approve: Tai Cooper

Second: Aaron Binder

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

10. Request to approve Passaic's Enterprise Zone Dev. Corp. Loan Program - \$330,000

Motions:

Approve: Daryl Godfrey

Second: Tai Cooper

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Passaic Coordinator Ricardo Fernandez was present during the meeting to address any questions and concerns raised by the Board; there were none.

11. Request to approve Perth Amboy's Admin Budget - \$16,421

Motions:

Approve: Julie Diaz

Second: Daryl Godfrey

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Perth Amboy Coordinator Noelia Colon was present during the meeting to address any questions and concerns raised by the Board; there were none.

12. Request to approve Pleasantville's Lakes Bay Waterfront Park - \$1,000,000

Motions:

Approve: Tai Cooper

Second: Daryl Godfrey

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Pleasantville's Coordinator, Jacque Amado-Belton was present during the meeting to address any questions and concerns raised by the Board; there were none.

13. Request to approve Vineland's UEZ Admin Budget FY23 - \$318,000

Motions:

Approve: Tai Cooper

Second: Daryl Godfrey

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

14. Request to approve Vineland's Weekly World News Studios – Equity Investment - \$1,000,000

Motion to Table:

Approve: Daryl Godfrey

Second: Julie Diaz

Ayes: 0

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Vineland will make some modifications to the project proposal and will resubmit it for future Board consideration.

15. Request to approve Vineland's Landis Avenue Commercial Corridor Project - \$225,000

Motions:

Approve: Aaron Binder

Second: Daryl Godfrey

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Vineland's Coordinator Sandra Forosisky was present during the meeting to address any questions and concerns raised by the Board; there were none for the two projects that passed.

16. Request to approve West Wildwood's Security Camera System Project - \$31,315

Motions:

Approve: Tai Cooper

Second: Daryl Godfrey

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

West Wildwood's Coordinator Steve Booy was present during the meeting to address any questions and concerns raised by the Board; there were none.

OLD BUSINESS

Other

None

Open to the public

None

Adjournment: 3:10 pm

Motions:

Adjourn: Daryl Godfrey

Second: Tai Cooper

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

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

Christine Ott

I, Christine Ott, have taken minutes at the October 12, 2022

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