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NEW JERSEY URBAN ENTERPRISE ZONE AUTHORITY

Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

2:00 P.M.

Microsoft Teams or call in (audio only)

1 (856) 338-7074

Phone Conference ID: 367 619 062 #

MINUTES

Notice of Public Meeting: Read by Chairwoman Kia King: 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.

The Roll Call was presented by calling out each department. Each representative was requested to identify themselves by announcing their first and last name. Representatives attending announced their presence.

Roll Call

Kia King, Department of Community Affairs Chair Designee

Julie Diaz, The Department of Labor & Workforce Development Designee

Jenell Johnson, New Jersey Economic Development Authority

Darryl Godfrey, New Jersey Redevelopment Authority

Carmen Mendiola, Public-at-Large

William Johnson, Public-at-Large

Douglas Schneider, Public-at-Large

Approval of January 10, 2024, UEZ Authority meeting minutes:

Motions:

Approve: Darryl Godfrey

Second: Carmen Mendiola

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: Kia King

Motion carried with a vote (5/0/0/1)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Executive Director's Report

Executive Director James Slaughter gave his report in reference to UEZA activities for January/February 2024, as follow:

1. UEZA has eliminated its backlog of Project Applications and is now setting a system for the review process for the Five-Year Master Plan priority listing.
2. UEZA working with UEZ communities and coordinators on discussing marketing concepts for attracting new businesses.
3. Passage of the S2459, Clean-up Legislation has been passed and signed by Governor Murphy and we are working with the Treasury to finalize the disbursement mechanism.
4. Upcoming UEZA Coordinators' Training-Session 2, on February 21st, 2024.

2. UEZ Coordinators/Representatives Roll Call

Gloucester City – Lori Ryan

Lakewood - David Klein

Long Branch – Richard Thompson

Millville - Heather Santoro

New Brunswick – Dan Dominguez

Paterson – Tiffany Delaney

Perth Amboy - Noelia Colon

Trenton – Eric Maywar

3. Request to approve Gloucester City UEZ Construct Free Parking Lot in the amount of \$100,000.

Motions:

Approve: Jenell Johnson

Second: Darryl Godfrey

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Gloucester City's UEZ Coordinator, Lori Ryan, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

4. Request to approve Gloucester City UEZ Security Cameras Project in the amount of \$100,000.

Motions:

Approve: Carmen Mendiola

Second: Douglas Schneider

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Gloucester City's UEZ Coordinator, Lori Ryan, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

5. Request to approve Gloucester City UEZ Dedicated Storage Building in the amount of \$50,000.

Motions:

Approve: Jenell Johnson

Second: Darryl Godfrey

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Gloucester City's UEZ Coordinator, Lori Ryan, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

6. Request to approve Lakewood UEZ Police Safety Initiative in the amount of \$170,000.

Motions:

Approve: Carmen Mendiola

Second: Julie Diaz

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Lakewood's UEZ Coordinator, David Klein, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

7. Request to approve Lakewood UEZ Emergency Medical Services in the amount of \$658,300.

Motions:

Approve: Jenell Johnson

Second: Carmen Mendiola

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Lakewood's UEZ Coordinator, David Klein, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

8. Request to approve Lakewood UEZ Office of Emergency Mgmt (OEM) Drones & Trng in the amount of \$65,000.

Motions:

Approve: Darryl Godfrey

Second: Carmen Mendiola

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Lakewood's UEZ Coordinator, David Klein, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

9. Request to approve Long Branch UEZ Security Project in the amount of \$200,000.

Motions:

Approve: Carmen Mendiola

Second: Julie Diaz

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Recusals: William Johnson

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (6/0/1/0).

Long Branch's UEZ Coordinator, Richard A. Thompson, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

10. Request to approve Millville UEZ Special Events Promotion in the amount of \$50,000.

Motions:

Approve: Jenell Johnson

Second: Carmen Mendiola

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (6/0/0/0).

Millville's UEZ Coordinator, Heather Santoro, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

11. Request to approve Paterson UEZ Admin Budget FY24: 7-1-23 to 6-30-24 in the amount of \$251,885.

Motions:

Approve: Jenell Johnson

Second: Darryl Godfrey

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Paterson's UEZ Representative, Tiffany Delaney, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

12. Request to approve Perth Amboy UEZ Student Workforce Training in the amount of \$35,000.

Motions:

Approve: Julie Diaz

Second: Darryl Godfrey

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Perth Amboy's UEZ Coordinator, Noelia Colon, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

13. Request to approve Trenton UEZ Business Plan Competition in the amount of \$20,000.

Motions:

Approve: Jenell Johnson

Second: Douglas Schneider

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Trenton's UEZ Coordinator, Eric Maywar, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

14. Request to approve Trenton UEZ Wayfinding in the amount of \$95,220.

Motions:

Approve: Carmen Mendiola

Second: Jenell Johnson

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Trenton's UEZ Coordinator, Eric Maywar, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

15. Request to approve Trenton UEZ Business Attraction Project in the amount of \$150,000.

Motions:

Approve: Darryl Godfrey

Second: Julie Diaz

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Trenton's UEZ Coordinator, Eric Maywar, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

16. Approval to Authorize New Brunswick UEZ to proceed with the Development of a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a 5-Year Plan.

Motions:

Approve: Carmen Mendiola

Second: Julie Diaz

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Recusals: Douglas Schneider

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (6/0/1/0).

New Brunswick's UEZ Representative, Dan Dominguez, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

17. Approval to Authorize New Brunswick UEZ's Request for Proposal (RFP) for the undertaking of a 5-Year Plan - not to exceed \$120,000.

Motions:

Approve: Daryl Godfrey

Second: Carmen Mendiola

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0

Recusals: Douglas Schneider

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (6/0/1/0).

New Brunswick's UEZ Representative, Dan Dominguez, was present during the meeting to address questions or concerns raised by the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

Other

None

Open to the public

No comments were made by public.

Adjournment: 02:56 p.m.

Motions:

Adjourn: Darryl Godfrey

Second: Carmen Mendiola

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Recusals: 0

Abstentions: 0

Motion carried with a vote (7/0/0/0).

Rasha Hassan

I, Rasha Hassan, have taken minutes at the February 14, 2024
Urban Enterprise Zone Authority Meeting