#### HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF PASSAIC BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING September 13, 2017

PLACE: Community Center

14-34 East Monroe

Passaic, New Jersey 07055

#### READING OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT:

As required by NJSA 10:4-6 et seq. known as the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner: On December 28, 2016 notice of this meeting specifying the date, time and location was transmitted to the Herald News and The Record and to the Clerk of the City of Passaic. Notice was also posted at all HACP sites.

#### PRESENT:

Ron Van Rensalier, Chairman Beatrice Johnson, Commissioner Alan Juszcyk, Commissioner Angel LaBoy, Commissioner Delmis G. Fernandez, Commissioner L. Daniel Rodriguez, Commissioner

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Victor Cirilo Vincent Wynter Glenny Candelaria Joanna Lara Joann Arroyo Keyond Gorley Robert Sforza Yetlanezi Martinez

Meeting opened at 6:04 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

On roll call: Commissioner Johnson: Present; Commissioner Juszcyk: Present; Commissioner LaBoy: Present; Commissioner Navarro: Absent; Commissioner Rodriguez: Absent; Commissioner Fernandez: Present; Chairman Van Rensalier: Present.

A presentation was made by NOVOGradac & Company, LLC on the 2016 financial audit.

There were no negative reports given to the Commissioners. NOVOGradac stated that the Passaic Housing Authority is doing better than most Housing Authorities. The financial audit found that the Passaic Housing Authority has great management of liquidity.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

## 1.) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE JULY 19, 2017 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

A motion was made by Commissioner Fernandez and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve the minutes as presented.

On roll call vote: Commissioner Johnson: Aye; Commissioner Juszcyk: Aye; Commissioner LaBoy: Aye; Commissioner Navarro: Absent; Commissioner Rodriguez: Abstain; Commissioner Fernandez: Aye; Commissioner Van Rensalier; Aye.

#### **ACTION: MINUTES FOR JULY 19, 2017 APPROVED**

A change to the agenda was made, business was conducted first.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

CHAIRMAN VAN RENSALIER STATED THAT ANY MEMBER OF THE BOARD MAY REQUEST THAT ANY ITEM BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND BE CONSIDERED SEPERATELY. ALL REMAINING ITEMS WILL BE CONSIDERED TOGETHER.

Commissioner Juszcyk asked that Resolutions 2017-44 and 2017-48 be considered separately...

# 2017-44 RESOLUTION APPROVING ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 19, 2017 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 8, 2017

A motion was made by Commissioner LaBoy and seconded by Commissioner Johnson to approve Resolutions 2017-44.

On roll call vote: Commissioner Johnson: Aye; Commissioner Juszcyk: Abstain; Commissioner LaBoy: Aye; Commissioner Navarro: Absent; Commissioner Rodriguez: Aye; Commissioner Fernandez: Aye; Commissioner Van Rensalier; Aye.

#### **MOTION: RESOLUTION 2017-44 APPROVED**

2017-48 RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL FOR OFFICIAL TRAVEL TO AND FROM ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY BY ONE (1) COMMISSIONERS AND ONE (1) HACP STAFF MEMBERS TO ATTEND THE N.J.A.H.R.A. ANNUAL CONFERENCE/TRADE SHOW ON SEPTEMBER 24-26, 2017

A motion was made by Commissioner Johnson and seconded by Commissioner Fernandez to approve Resolutions 2017-48.

Commissioner Juszcyk asked if the Chairman was also going to be making a presentation at the Conference. The Chairman responded no.

On roll call vote: Commissioner Johnson: Aye; Commissioner Juszcyk: Aye; Commissioner LaBoy: Aye; Commissioner Navarro: Absent; Commissioner Rodriguez: Aye; Commissioner Fernandez: Aye; Commissioner Van Rensalier; Aye.

#### **MOTION: RESOLUTION 2017-48 APPROVED**

- 2017-45 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2018 ANNUAL PHA PLAN
- 2017-46 RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF PASSAIC AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND RECORDING OF A NEW DECLARATION OF TRUST FOR NJ013001, SPEER VILLAGE
- 2017-47 RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THAT PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 40A:5A-17 EACH COMMISSIONER HAD PERSONALLY REVIEWED THE ANNUAL INDEPENDENT FINANCIAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDIT OF AUTHORITY PROGRAMS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Rodriguez and seconded by Commissioner Fernandez to approve Resolutions 2017-45- 2017-47.

On roll call vote: Commissioner Johnson: Aye; Commissioner Juszcyk: Aye; Commissioner LaBoy: Aye; Commissioner Navarro: Absent; Commissioner Rodriguez: Aye; Commissioner Fernandez: Aye; Commissioner Van Rensalier; Aye.

#### MOTION: RESOLUTION 2017-45-2017-47 APPROVED

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Commissioner LaBoy made a motion for the Board of Commissioners to enter into an Executive Session and was seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez.

On roll call vote: Commissioner Johnson: Aye; Commissioner Juszcyk: Aye; Commissioner LaBoy: Aye; Commissioner Navarro: Absent; Commissioner Rodriguez: Aye; Commissioner Fernandez: Aye; Commissioner Van Rensalier; Aye.

Executive Session began at 6:18 p.m. Board of Commissioners came out of Executive Session at 6:40 p.m.

#### **REMARKS BY CITIZENS**

The following was read: In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq.) The Housing Authority of the City of Passaic opens every public meeting for comments of the public. Each person choosing to speak at the meetings will be limited to five minutes, to speak on any subject, on or off the agenda. All speakers must state their name and address for the record.

However, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 "nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit the discretion of a public body to permit, prohibit or regulate the active participation at any meeting ...."

Therefore, please be advised that the Housing Authority of the City of Passaic will not entertain any comments from persons who communicate obscene material, make statements which are considered bias intimidation in which a person intends to intimidate any individual or group because of race, color, religion, gender, handicap, sexual orientation or ethnicity or makes comments intending to harass or speak in any offensive language. The person who makes these statements will relinquish their allotted five minutes for public discussion. Any person who persists in speaking out of turn, or interrupts the peace and order of the meeting will be escorted off the premises.

None.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Submitted.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Reports submitted.

#### **Ann Robinson**

Ms. Robinson explained that there are many spots at Chestnut Gardens that can be made into visitor's parking. Due to the lack of visitors parking, people are receiving tickets.

Ms. Robinson reported that HACP staff are using the Community Room for lunch and are leaving behind garbage and other belongings.

Ms. Robinson stated that the elections are coming up in November and stressed that these items be addressed by then.

The Executive Director reported the changes that are currently going on in the agency. The Director apologized on behalf of the staff for the room being left the way it was.

Commissioner Johnson asked that cars at every site be checked if not be towed if they are not legally parked or are left abandoned.

Mr. Gorley stated that permits on cars are checked and are either being ticketed or towed.

Ms. Pearson added that if a vehicle is parked for more than 48 hours they are towed.

#### **Ruby Straight**

Ms. Straight asked if rent will be increasing or staying the same due to the RAD conversion. Ms. Straight reported that there are leaks in some apartments. Ms. Straight also reported that she is happy that the elevators are working properly.

The Executive Director explained that there are inspections going on and all these items will be checked to confirm that are addressed. The Director stated that the apartments will be inspected once a year and Joanna Lara will be in charge of the operations.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT/ DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REPORT

Submitted.

#### DIRECTOR OF HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM'S REPOT

Submitted.

#### **DIRECTOR OF RESIDENT SERVICE'S REPORT**

Submitted.

#### **SECURITY DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Submitted.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Rodriguez and seconded by Commissioner Fernandez to accept Victor Cirilo's letter of resignation.

On roll call vote: Commissioner Johnson: Aye; Commissioner Juszcyk: Aye; Commissioner LaBoy: Left early; Commissioner Navarro: Absent; Commissioner Rodriguez: Aye; Commissioner Fernandez: Aye; Commissioner Van Rensalier; Aye.

MOTION: APPROVED

The Board of Commissioners thanked Victor Cirilo for all the hard work and dedication and wished him the best of luck in his new endeavors.

### **AJOURNMENT**

7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Mitchell Executive Director/Secretary