

SOUTH AMBOY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 1, 2011 MEETING

Public Session

Chairman Kevin Meszaros called the meeting to order and led the Agency Commissioners, Professionals and attending public in the Salute to the Flag and a prayer. Chairperson Meszaros certified that this meeting had been advertised as prescribed by law.

ROLL CALL: Benjamin Block, Zusette Dato, Kevin Meszaros,
Councilman William Schwarick, Camille Tooker

Also in attendance: Eric Chubenko, Executive Director
Craig J. Coughlin, Esq., General Counsel
Mayor Fred Henry

A Motion to approve the Consent Agenda for this meeting was made by Camille Tooker. *(Please refer to copy of September 1, 2011 Meeting Agenda annexed hereto – item nos. 7.B.1. and 2.)*

Councilman Schwarick seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: Block – yes; Dato – yes; Meszaros – yes; Schwarick – yes; Tooker – yes

Chairman Meszaros read the Executive [closed] Session Resolution aloud and advised that the Agency would remain in Executive [closed] Session for approximately fifteen (15) minutes for the purpose of discussing contract negotiation matters.

A Motion to enter into Executive [closed] Session was made by Councilman Schwarick. Zusette Dato seconded the Motion.

Voice Vote taken: all in favor

Executive [closed] Session

Councilman Schwarick made a Motion to amend the Resolution awarding a professional services contract to McManimon & Scotland, LLC (i.e., special counsel for the Agency in an amount not-to-exceed \$40,000.00) pursuant to a fair and open process (*Agenda Item No. 12.A.*). *Please note that due to discussion that took place during Executive [closed] Session, the Resolution was amended to include specific language concerning the strict enforcement of the not-to-exceed amount set forth in the contract, as well as preventing the Agency and/or the City from incurring liability for service costs in excess of the not-to-exceed amount unless specifically authorized in advance by the Agency.*

Benjamin Block seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: Block – yes; Dato – yes; Meszaros – yes; Schwarick – yes; Tooker – yes

A Motion to adopt the aforementioned Resolution awarding a professional services contract to McManimon & Scotland, LLC, as amended, was made by Councilman Schwarick.

The Motion was seconded by Camille Tooker.

ROLL CALL: Block – yes; Dato – yes; Meszaros – yes; Schwarick – yes; Tooker – yes

A Motion to approve the August 4, 2011 Agency Meeting Minutes (*Agenda Item No. 12.B.*) was made by Zusette Dato.

Councilman Schwarick seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: Block – yes; Dato – yes; Meszaros – abstain; Schwarick – yes;
Tooker – abstain

Chairman Meszaros requested comments/question from the Commissioners and Camille Tooker took the opportunity to thank the Agency Commissioners and professionals in attendance for their patience is discussing the aforementioned McManimon & Scotland contract at length and further stated that she [Tooker] has very strong feelings concerning professional appointments.

With no public in attendance, Chairman Meszaros closed the public portion of the meeting.

Camille Tooker made a Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Councilman Schwarick seconded the Motion.

Voice Vote taken: all in favor

Meeting adjourned

Submitted by:

MADELINE B. PIRRO
Agency Secretary