CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING March 9, 2023

The meeting of the Camden County Improvement Authority was held on March 9, 2023 by teleconference call at the offices of the Authority, Camden County Courthouse, 520 Market Street, 6th Floor, Camden, New Jersey at 8:00 a.m. Chairman Rohrer presided over the meeting, and Maryanne Manning recorded the minutes thereof:

Chairman Rohrer called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. and began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. Manning called the roll:

Mr. Schooley

Mr. Spearman

Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

PRESENT: Mr. Schooley

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. James Lex, Acting Executive Director

Mr. David Patterson, Solicitor

Ms. Debra DiMattia, Chief Financial Officer

Mr. Harry Collins, Deputy Director of Project Management Ms. Jennifer Bonaccorsi, Asst. Director of Project Management

ABSENT: None

Ms. Nicole Fallon, Office Manager

PUBLIC: Ms. Marge Della Vecchia, Vice President PS&S

Mr. Robert Sobel, RPS Consulting Group Mr. Kyle Rutherford, STV Consulting

Ms. Manning read the Notice in Accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law. NOTICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW. PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE TIME AND DATE FOR THIS MEETING APPEARED IN RESOLUTION #149-22 DATED DECEMBER 7, 2022. THIS NOTICE WAS MAILED TO THE COURIER POST AND THE SOUTH JERSEY TIMES NEWSPAPER AS A LEGAL NOTICE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT. IT IS ALSO POSTED ON THE AUTHORITY BULLETIN BOARD AND FILED WITH THE CAMDEN

COUNTY CLERK. IN LIEU OF IN PERSON ATTENDANCE, THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND AND JOIN THIS MEETING VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS MEETING, AT THE NUMBER(S) LISTED BELOW. IN ADDITION, NOTICE THAT THIS MEETING WAS BEING HELD BY CONFERENCE CALL WAS SENT TO THE COURIER POST AND SOUTH JERSEY TIMES NEWSPAPERS, POSTED ON THE DOOR OF THE IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AND THE IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY WEBPAGE.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, THAT ANYONE FROM THE PUBLIC WISHING TO SPEAK WILL BE PERMITTED DURING THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PORTION OF THE MEETING. THERE WILL BE A CLOSED SESSION.

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Before voting on the February 9, 2023, Mr. Patterson told the Commissioners that the minutes were sent to the County Commissioner Board for review as required by law and no veto of the minutes was received within the 10-day time period. Therefore, the minutes may be approved as submitted.

Motion was made by Mr. Spearman, seconded by Mr. Tait, with four ayes, and one abstention, to approve the minutes from the February 9, 2023 Board Meeting

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

Mr. Stevenson

Motion was made by Mr. Schooley, seconded by Mr. Tait, with four ayes, and one abstention, to approve the closed session minutes from the February 9, 2023 Board Meeting

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman

Mr Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Lex verbally presented the Executive Director's Report to the Commissioners

After review and discussion and upon motion by **Mr. Schooley**, seconded by **Mr. Stevenson**, with **five ayes**, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 44-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APROVING AN ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE ADMIRAL WILSON BOULEVARD PROJECT

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Approving an Engineering Services contract to Remington & Vernick Engineers for the Admiral Wilson Boulevard Project in an amount of \$29,925.00

After review and discussion and upon motion by **Mr. Schooley**, seconded by **Mr. Stevenson** with **five ayes**, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 45-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT CONTRACT FOR FEASIBILITY PROJECTS IN DOWNTOWN CAMDEN

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman

Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Approving a contract with Street Sense as a Real Estate Development Consultant for the feasibility projects in downtown Camden in an amount of \$39,000.00

After review and discussion and upon motion Mr. Spearman, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, with five ayes, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 46-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AMENDING THE CONTRACT WITH EWING COLE FOR ADDITIONAL JOINT BOARD PROJECTS

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Amending the contract with Ewing Cole for additional Joint Board Projects in an amount of \$100,000.00

After review and discussion and upon motion by **Mr. Spearman**, seconded by **Mr. Tait** with **five ayes**, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 47-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING A PILOT AGREEMENT WITH PENNSAUKEN TOWNSHIP FOR THE SKATE ZONE PROJECT

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Approving a Pilot Agreement with Pennsauken Township for the Skate Zone Project

After review and discussion and upon motion by **Mr. Schooley**, seconded by **Mr. Spearman**, with **five ayes**, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 48-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING A SURVEYING AND ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR THE SALE OF OHIO AVENUE

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman

Mr. Stevenson Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Approving a contract with Bach Associates in an amount of \$4,600.00 for Surveying and Engineering Services for the Sale of Ohio Avenue

After review and discussion and upon motion by Mr. Spearman, seconded by Mr. Tait with five ayes, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION49-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING LANDSCAPING SERVICES FOR THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY PARKING CENTERS

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Approving Elite Landscaping to provide landscaping services at the CCIA Parking Center in an amount of \$7,986.00 and the Health Sciences Garage for \$3,775.00

After review and discussion and upon motion by Mr. Spearman, seconded by Mr. Tait, with five ayes, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 50-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE PHASE 3 DEMOLITION PROJECT

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Approving a Construction Contract to Newport Construction Management Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$756,500.00 with the Phase 3 Demolition Project

After review and discussion and upon motion by Mr. Spearman, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, with five ayes, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 51-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY ACCEPTING THE 2021 ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT AND THAT EACH AUTHORITY MEMBER HAS PERSONALLY REVIEWED THE AUDIT AND THE SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman

Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Accepting the 2021 Annual Audit report

After review and discussion and upon motion by Mr. Schooley, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, with four ayes and one abstention, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 52-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPOINTING AN AUDITOR FOR THE AUTHORITY

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Stevenson

Chairman Rohrer

Mr. Spearman

NAYES:

None

Mr. Tait

ABSTAIN:

Appointing Brent W. Lee & Co., LLC to serve as Auditor for the Authority in an amount not to exceed \$52,500 for year 2023

After review and discussion and upon motion by **Mr. Schooley**, seconded by **Mr. Spearman**, with **five ayes**, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 53-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING OR RATIFYING THE AUTHORITY OPERATING AND PROJECT EXPENDITURES

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman * Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

Mr. Spearman to

Abstain on Line Item #16 Brent W.

Lee Co., LLC

After review of the Operating and Project expenditures, Mr. Schooley asked if all expenses were in budget to which Ms. DiMattia confirmed

Chairman Rohrer opened the floor to the public at 8:31a.m. Ms. Della Vecchia had a question regarding the Admiral Wilson Boulevard Project and how going forward would the Engineering Services be presented. Mr. Lex responded the next phase will envision this area to become a retail corridor and there would be no street improvements except for the possibility of working with DOT on the acceleration and deceleration lanes. Ms. Della Vecchia then asked the name of the real estate firm that was awarded the consultant contract for the feasibility projects in downtown Camden. Mr. Lex replied the consultant is Street Sense.

There were no other questions or comments from the public.

After review and discussion and upon motion Mr. Spearman, seconded by Mr. **Schooley**, with **five ayes**, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 54-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman

Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

The Commissioners went into Closed Session at 8:35 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter and a contractual matter

A motion was made by Mr. Spearman, seconded by Mr. Tait, with five ayes to return to Open Session at 9:10 a.m.

Walk on Resolutions

After review and discussion and upon motion by Mr. Schooley, seconded by Mr. Spearman, with five ayes, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 55-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR MELISSA SNYPE

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Effective immediately, approving a salary adjustment for Melissa Snype in an amount of \$7,500

After review and discussion in closed session on the reason for this change order and upon motion of **Mr. Schooley**, seconded by **Mr. Tait** with **four ayes** and one **nay**, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION 56-23

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE PHASE 3 DEMOLITION PROJECT

AYES:

Mr. Spearman

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSTAIN:

None

Approving Change Order #1 for the Phase 3 Demolition Project of the Camden County Administration/Board of Social Services Building and Site Improvements

A motion was made by Mr. Schooley, seconded by Mr. Spearman, with five ayes to adjourn the meeting at 9:12 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryanne Manning Board Secretary