## CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING August 10, 2023

The meeting of the Camden County Improvement Authority was held on August 10, 2023, by teleconference call at the offices of the Authority, Camden County Courthouse, 520 Market Street, 6<sup>th</sup> 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, Executive Director

Ms. Debra DiMattia, Chief Financial Officer Mr. Anthony Bianco, Chief Operating Officer

Ms. Nicole Fallon, Office Manager Mr. David Patterson, Solicitor

Ms. Holly Cass, County Deputy Administrator Ms. Lisa Anthony, Aide to Commissioner Cappelli

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

Mr. Marshall Spevak, Board of Trustees Battleship New Jersey

ABSENT: None

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 8, 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 June 8, 2023 minutes, 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. Stevenson with five ayes, to approve the minutes from the July 13, 2023 Board Meeting

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYS:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

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

#### **RESOLUTION 104-23**

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING THE LIST OF VARIOUS LAW FIRMS FOR THE PROVISION OF SPECIAL, CONFLICTS AND LABOR COUNSEL SERVICES

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman

Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Approving the list of various Attorneys/law Firms to provide Special, Conflicts and Labor Counsel Services to the Improvement Authority on an as needed basis.

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

#### **RESOLUTION 105-23**

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AMENDING THE CONTRACT WITH PENNONI FOR PROVIDING REDEVELOPMENT PLANNING SERVICES FOR GLOUCESTER CITY PURSUANT TO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AND GLOUCESTER CITY

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

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Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

Mr. Spearman

Authorizing an amendment to the Pennoni Contract for an additional \$24,057.25 payment and further authorizes execution of any documents for same.

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

### **RESOLUTION 106-23**

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:

None

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

#### WALK ON RESOLUTION(S)

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

#### **RESOLUTION 107-23**

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY LOCAL FINANCE BOARD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:37A-54(I) AND N.J.S.A. 40:37A-80

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Authorizing the issuance by the Authority of up to \$3,2500,000 of its tax-exempt qualified 501c(3) County Guaranteed Revenue Bonds or other obligations (Home Port Alliance Project) in one or more series (Series 2023 Bonds).

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

#### **RESOLUTION 108-23**

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY MAKING FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS WITH RESPECT TO AN APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY HOME PORT ALLIANCE FOR THE USS NEW JERSEY, INC., A NEW JERSEY NONPROFIT CORPORATION, FOR A TAX-EXEMPT QUALIFIED 501(C)(3) BOND FINANCING IN CONNECTION WITH THE COMPLETON OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND RENOVATIONS TO THE BATTLESHIP NEW JERSEY; PRELIMINARILY AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF THE AUTHORITY'S SPECIAL, LIMITED OBLIGATION COUNTY GUARANTEED REVENUE BONDS (HOME PORT ALLIANCE PROJECT), SERIES 2023 TO FINANCE THE COSTS OF SAID PROJECT; DECLARING ITS OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES FOR PROJECT COSTS FROM PROCEEDS OF DEBT OBLIGATIONS; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND APPROVALS WITH RESPECT TO SAID PROJECT FINANCING AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN: None

#### Chairman Rohrer opened the floor to the public at 8:24 a.m.

Ms. Marge Della Vecchia wanted to congratulate and wish much success to Anthony Bianco on his position as Chief Operating Officer and stated that he will be an asset to the Authority.

Mr. Marshall Spevak also wanted to congratulate Mr. Bianco on his new position as Chief Operating Officer and to thank the CCIA and Mr. Jeff Winitsky (Bond Counsel) for their support on the Battleship New Jersey project. Mr. Spevak also stated that the dry docking of the USS Battleship New Jersey should take effect in approximately 60-100 days.

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

#### **RESOLUTION 109-23**

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 8:26 a.m. to discuss personnel matters.

A motion was made by Mr. Stevenson, seconded by Mr. Tait, with five ayes to return to Open Session at 8:30 a.m.

# WALK ON RESOLUTION RESOLUTION 110-23

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

RESOLUTION OF THE CAMDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY APPOINTING ANTHONY O'TOOLE AND VIBHOTI BHIMANI AS ASSISTANT COUNTY ENGINEERS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 4, 2023

AYES:

Mr. Schooley

ABSENT:

None

Mr. Spearman Mr. Stevenson

Mr. Tait

Chairman Rohrer

NAYES:

None

ABSTAIN:

None

Appointing Anthony O'Toole and Vibhoti Bhimani as Assistant County Engineers for the Authority pursuant to the Shared Services Agreement with the County effective September 4, 2023 and at a salary of \$130,000.00 for each Assistant County Engineer

Since there were no other questions, a motion was made by Mr. Tait, seconded by Mr. Stevenson, with five ayes to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Maryanne Manning Board Secretary