



**MINUTES – PUBLIC MEETING 20-01
January 21, 2020**

- PRESIDING:** Chairman Robert E. Mulcahy III
- PRESENT:** Vice Chairman Richard Tolson, Modia Butler, Debra DiLorenzo, Edward Gant, Mark Giannantonio, Michael Hanley, Gary Hill, Howard Kyle, William Mullen, James Plousis, David Rebeck for State Attorney General Gurbir S. Grewal, Robert Shaughnessy for State Treasurer Elizabeth M. Muoio, Robert Long for DCA Commissioner Sheila Y. Oliver, Mayor Marty Small
- ABSENT:**
- STAFF:** Matthew Doherty, Rosa Farias, Lisa Britt, Lance Landgraf, Kathy Marshall, Thomas Meehan, Oriana Mondragon, Donna Pless, Monica de los Rios
- OTHER ATTENDEES:** Edmund Caulfield, Esq., Governor's Authorities Unit

OPENING STATEMENT

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 2:00pm. Ms. Britt read a statement of compliance with the notice requirements of the Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act and called the roll.

RATIFICATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 17, 2019 BOARD MEETING

The Chairman requested a motion to approve the minutes of the December 17, 2019 Members' Meetings. A motion was made by Mr. Plousis and seconded by Mr. Long. Resolution 20-01 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. 2019 MEET AC NUMBERS:

- Room Nights Booked: 394,029
- Economic Impact: More than \$400 million
- This is the fifth year in a row that Meet AC has exceeded its room night booking goals.

B. JIM WHELAN BOARDWALK HALL:

- Boardwalk Hall hosted AC Women's March Saturday, January 18, 2020



- Boardwalk Hall hosted All Stars of Hip Hop with 13,000 attendees on Sunday, January 19, 2020

C. ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER:

- Pool & Spa Show - January 28-30, 2020 with 11,000 anticipated attendees
- Atlantic City Classic Car Show - February 7-9, 2020 with 30,000 anticipated attendees

ITEMS LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND RECOMMENDED BY COMMITTEE FOR BOARD APPROVAL.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AWARDING A CONTRACT TO JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES OF ATLANTIC COUNTY TO PROVIDE RELOCATION ASSISTANCE SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000

The resolution was read by title. The Chair described the proposed action and then requested member discussion. Mayor Small and Mr. Kyle expressed their support for the project. Hearing no further comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Ms. Laura Rodgers, Chief Program & External Relations Officer for Jewish Family Service thanked the board for its support. Hearing no further public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Giannantonio and seconded by Mr. Gant. Resolution 20-02 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING SPECTRA VENUE MANAGEMENT'S AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO B & G RESTORATION, INC. FOR ASBESTOS ABATEMENT SERVICES AT THE JIM WHELAN BOARDWALK HALL

The resolution was read by title. The Chair described the proposed action and then requested member discussion. Mr. Tolson inquired if this contractor is aware of the labor laws that apply to this contract. Mr. Jim McDonald, General Manager of Spectra Venue Management responded in the affirmative. Hearing no further comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Long and seconded by Mr. Kyle. Resolution 20-03 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.



RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING SPECTRA VENUE MANAGEMENT'S AWARD OF AN AS-NEEDED CONTRACT TO PRO CONSTRUCTION AND DESIGN, INC. FOR CONCRETE SERVICES AT THE JIM WHELAN BOARDWALK HALL AND THE ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER FOR A ONE YEAR PERIOD

The resolution was read by title. Mr. Giannantonio and Mr. Tolson recused themselves. The Chair described the proposed action and then requested member discussion. Mr. Long inquired if this is the second time this contract went out to bid. Mr. Thomas Meehan, Director of Project Implementation and Management responded that this is the first time. Hearing no further comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Gant. Resolution 20-04 was approved by unanimous vote of the eligible members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH CORE BTS INC., A CERTIFIED NEW JERSEY CISCO REPRESENTATIVE (NJ STATE CONTRACT #87720), FOR IT INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES AT THE JIM WHELAN BOARDWALK HALL AND THE ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER

The resolution was read by title. The Chair described the proposed action and then requested member discussion. Mayor Small inquired if this work includes a WIFI upgrade. Mr. Meehan responded in the affirmative. Mr. Tolson inquired if the technology at Boardwalk Hall will be linked to CRDA's main office location. Mr. Meehan and Mr. McDonald responded in the affirmative and added that it will be through a shared network. Mr. Tolson inquired how old the current technology is. Mr. McDonald responded ten years old. Mr. Tolson inquired who would be doing the installation. Mr. McDonald responded that work will be completed by the current as-needed contractor. Hearing no further comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Gant and seconded by Mr. Mullen. Resolution 20-05. was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING AN INCREASED FUND RESERVATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1.5 MILLION FROM THE TOURISM DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND AND TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR A THREE YEAR TERM ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2021



The resolution was read by title. The Chair described the proposed action and then requested member discussion. Ms. DiLorenzo inquired if the \$1.5 million in funds will be used to support the cost of three employees at the DCA office. Mr. Long responded that there will be four employees, including the hiring of an additional part-time administrative assistant. Hearing no further comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Butler and seconded by Mr. Giannantonio. Resolution 20-06 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY GRANTING PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF PROJECT ELIGIBILITY OF THE VACANT ROOMING HOUSE CONVERSION PROJECT

The resolution was read by title. The Chair described the proposed action and then requested member discussion. Mayor Small stated that a clean and safe city is one of the goals of his administration. Mr. Gant inquired the cost of this project. Mr. Doherty responded that the project is at the preliminary approval phase and that a fund reservation will be established at the project approval phase. Mr. Gant inquired if the map that was provided lists all of the rooming houses in the city. Mr. Landgraf responded that the map provided lists all rooming houses that the City and CRDA are currently aware of. Mr. Gant inquired if all of the listed rooming houses can be converted. Mr. Mulcahy responded that the condition of each building will need to be examined to determine whether it can be repurposed. Mr. Mulcahy and Mayor Small stated that this project is important to improve the quality of life in the city. Mr. Plousis inquired if Volunteers of America or Jewish Family Services will help relocate tenants. Mr. Doherty responded that this project will target vacant rooming houses. Hearing no further comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Kyle and seconded by Mr. Tolson. Resolution 20-07 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Mike Lopez, an Atlantic City resident, thanked the Board for its support and attention to improvements being done at Boardwalk Hall and the Traveler's Assistance Program.


Mayor Small updated the Board and the public on the possibility of demolishing the former Trump Plaza building.



CERTIFICATION

I, HOWARD KYLE, Secretary of the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Open Session of the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority conducted on:

January 21, 2020

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Howard J. Kyle".

HOWARD J. KYLE, SECRETARY