MINUTES – PUBLIC MEETING 21-08
JULY 20, 2021

PRESIDING: Chairman Modia Butler (via teleconference)

PRESENT: Vice Chairman Richard Tolson (via teleconference), Michael Beson (via teleconference), Debra DiLorenzo (via teleconference), Edward Gant (via teleconference), Michael Hanley (via teleconference), Gary Hill (via teleconference), Brett Matik (via teleconference), William Mullen (via teleconference), Kimberly Holmes for Lieutenant Governor and DCA Commissioner (via teleconference), James Plousis (via teleconference), David Reback for Acting State Attorney General Andrew J. Bruck, (via teleconference), Robert Shaughnessy for State Treasurer Elizabeth M. Muoio (via teleconference), Mayor Marty Small, Sr., (via teleconference), William Sproule (via teleconference), Shelley Williams (via teleconference), Karen Worman (via teleconference)

ABSENT: None

STAFF: Matthew Doherty (via teleconference), Rosa Farias (via teleconference), Lisa Britt (via teleconference), Kathy Marshall (via teleconference), Oriana Mondragon (via teleconference), Monica de los Rios (via teleconference), Jane Fontana (via teleconference), Lance Landgraf (via teleconference), Thomas Meenan (via teleconference)

OTHER ATTENDEES: Joy-Michele Johnson, Esq., Governor’s Authorities Unit (via teleconference)

OPENING STATEMENT

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 2:00 pm. 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 MAY 26, 2021 AND JUNE 15, 2021 BOARD MEETINGS

The Chairman requested a motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2021 and June 15, 2021 Board Meetings. Mr. Beson, Ms. Matik and Mr. Sproule abstained from the vote. A motion was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Plousis. Resolution 21-71 was approved by unanimous vote of the eligible members.

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF ROBERT E. MULCAHY, III

The Chair read the resolution. Mr. Butler, Mr. Tolson and Ms. DiLorenzo thanked Mr. Mulcahy for his years of service to the Authority. A motion was made by Ms. DiLorenzo and seconded by Mr. Hill. Resolution 21-72 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.
RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF HOWARD J. KYLE

The Chair read the resolution. Mr. Butler and Mr. Tolson thanked Mr. Kyle for his years of service to the Authority. A motion was made by Ms. DiLorenzo and seconded by Mr. Hill. Resolution 21-73 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF WILLIAM K. CHEATHAM

The Chair read the resolution. Mr. Tolson, Mayor Small, Mr. Hill and CRDA Executive Director Matt Doherty expressed their gratitude to Mr. Cheatham and condolences to his family. A motion was made by Ms. DiLorenzo and seconded by Mr. Hill. Resolution 21-74 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

LAND USE REGULATION & ENFORCEMENT

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY GRANTING AMENDED SITE PLAN APPROVAL WITH VARIANCES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 161-205 NEW YORK AVENUE AND 120-142 ST. JAMES PLACE (BLOCK 52, LOTS 11-18 AND 30-39) IN THE CITY OF ATLANTIC CITY UNDER APPLICATION #2021-04-2981

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Mr. Tolson inquired how the apartments will be rented. CRDA Planning and Development Director Lance Landgraf responded that it will be rented out yearly. 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. Pluous and seconded by Mr. Benson. Resolution 21-75 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

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

Consent Agenda:

The following items were read by title, described by the Chair and after public comment, duly moved by Mr. Tolson seconded by Mr. Shaughnessy, and then voted on by the members as a single action:

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ADOPTING THE ANNUAL NOTICE OF MEETINGS AND ANNUAL NOTICE OF LAND USE HEARINGS

Resolution 21-76 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DESIGNATING CERTAIN NEWSPAPERS TO RECEIVE MEETING AND GENERAL NOTICES,
AND DESIGNATING THE PRESS OF ATLANTIC CITY AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF
THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Resolution 21-77 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
APPOINTING CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS TO THE OFFICES OF SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT
SECRETARY

Resolution 21-78 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
DESIGNATING AN INDIVIDUAL TO SERVE AS THE PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE
OFFICER

Resolution 21-79 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
DESIGNATING INDIVIDUALS TO SERVE AS CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS AND ALTERNATE
CUSTODIAN OF RECORDS

Resolution 21-80 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
DESIGNATING INDIVIDUALS TO SERVE AS THE ETHICS LIAISON OFFICER AND
ALTERNATE ETHICS LIAISON OFFICER

Resolution 21-81 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
DESIGNATING INDIVIDUALS TO SERVE AS CERTIFYING OFFICER AND SUPERVISOR OF
THE CERTIFYING OFFICER FOR MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY
RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Resolution 21-82 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
DESIGNATING INDIVIDUALS AS SIGNATORIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE
TREASURY REQUIREMENTS

Resolution 21-83 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.
RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY DESIGNATING SIGNATORIES TO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH US BANK, AS BOND TRUSTEE TO THE AUTHORITY’S SERIES 2014 LUXURY TAX REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2004 HOTEL ROOM FEE REVENUE BONDS AND SERIES 2005 PARKING FEE REVENUE BONDS

Resolution 21-84 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY PERTAINING TO CHECK SIGNING PRIVILEGES ON AUTHORITY BANK ACCOUNT

Resolution 21-85 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING SPECTRA VENUE MANAGEMENT’S AWARD OF THREE (3) SERVICE AGREEMENTS TO DI GROUP ARCHITECTURE, EWING COLE AND PS&S ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING, PC FOR LICENSED COMMERCIAL ARCHITECTURE SERVICES ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS FOR THE JIM WHELAN BOARDWALK HALL AND ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER (INCLUDING THE AC RAIL TERMINAL) IN AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $500,000 FOR THE TWO-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING JULY 26, 2021 AND ENDING JULY 25, 2023

Resolution 21-86 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING SPECTRA VENUE MANAGEMENT AWARD OF TWO SERVICE AGREEMENTS TO PULLMAN SST INC. AND MASONRY PRESERVATION GROUP, INC. FOR MASONRY SERVICES ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS FOR THE JIM WHELAN BOARDWALK HALL AND ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER (INCLUDING THE AC RAIL TERMINAL) IN AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $100,000 FOR THE TWO-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2021 AND ENDING JULY 31, 2023

Resolution 21-87 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING SPECTRA VENUE MANAGEMENT’S AWARD OF A SERVICE AGREEMENT TO PRO CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR CONCRETE SERVICES ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS AT THE JIM WHELAN BOARDWALK HALL AND ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER (INCLUDING THE AC RAIL TERMINAL) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $100,000 FOR THE ONE-YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2021 AND ENDING JULY 31, 2022

Resolution 21-88 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.
Regular Agenda:

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AWARDING A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT TO THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF ATLANTIC CITY, ESTABLISHING A FUND RESERVATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $2,169,974.47 FROM THE TOURISM DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF ATLANTIC CITY TO FUND A THREE-YEAR INITIATIVE CALLED THE COLLABORATIVE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY MODEL

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Boys and Girls Club CEO Stephanie Koch thanked the Board for their support. Hearing no further public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Ms. DiLorenzo. Resolution 21-89 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A SEVENTH AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ATLANTIC CITY (“CITY”) TO PROVIDE THAT MORTGAGES BE PLACED ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTIES (IN ADDITION TO ALREADY ESTABLISHED LIEN PLACEMENT ON NON-CITY OWNED PROPERTY) THAT ARE SUBJECT TO DEMOLITION, ESTABLISH PROCESSES FOR COMMUNICATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE A LIST OF “ADDED PROPERTIES” SUBJECT TO DEMOLITION

The resolution was read by title. Mayor Small recused himself. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Beson and seconded by Mr. Shaughnessy. Resolution 21-90 was approved by unanimous vote of the eligible members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ESTABLISHING A FUND RESERVATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $551,800.60 FROM THE TOURISM DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 105 S CALIFORNIA AVENUE (AKA BLOCK 34 LOT 8) AND TO PAY EXPENDITURES RELATED TO PRE AND POST ACQUISITION COSTS

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Ms. DiLorenzo inquired why the current price exceeds the original price of $349,000 that was listed in 2019. Mr. Landgraf responded that if the rooming houses were purchased on the private market the undesirable use of the buildings would most likely continue. In order for the buildings to be
renovated, the owner would need to comply with FEMA Flood elevations requirements by either lifting the structure or abandoning the ground floor rooms which is not economically feasible. The negative activities associated with the rooming house uses would continue. Mr. Landgraf further stated that while we are paying a premium for the sites, without CRDA’s purchase of the properties, the continued blighted uses and illegal activities would continue. Once CRDA owns and demolishes the structures the rooming house use goes away forever. Abandonment of a non-conforming use results in the end of that use on a site. Taking down the structure permanently removes the undesirable use from the site. Ms. DiLorenzo commented that the demolition fee of $98,000 appeared high and inquired if the demolition work was bid. Mr. Landgraf responded that the fee for demolition includes environmental work to address the asbestos and any possible underground issues. Mr. Gant inquired if these funds are available on an as-needed basis after approval. Mr. Landgraf responded in the affirmative. Ms. DiLorenzo inquired if the $9,000 for asbestos inspection and environmental Phase 1 and 2 is in addition to the $98,000 and if it is expected that the entirety of these funds will be spent. Mr. Landgraf responded that he is not sure if all the funds will be used and that the demolition contract was bid out and it came back in at $98,000. Ms. DiLorenzo inquired if there is a process by which staff would report back to the Board on what was expended. Mr. Doherty responded in the affirmative and asked Mr. Landgraf to brief the Board regarding how funds were spent in the Tennessee Ave project. Mr. Landgraf responded that approximately $50,000 – $60,000 was unspent under the Tennessee Avenue project because no underground issues were found, there was limited asbestos, and it was a clean demolition. Mr. Gant expressed his concerns about the price of the property. Mr. Doherty responded that this property has had 60 calls in a year for police service and has public safety issues. Mr. Doherty further stated that it is difficult to quantify what the value is to clean up the Tourism District and the rooming house issue. Mr. Rebuck clarified that CRDA has performed a due diligence inspection of the property for any known defects of the property and that those findings were contemplated in the total cost. CRDA has not determined any unusual environmental issues with the property. The site preparation fees are higher than normal in anticipation of hidden defects that are unknown to us. Mr. Landgraf concurred with Mr. Rebuck’s statement and stated that there will be a caveat in the agreement with the seller. Mr. Landgraf further stated the he believes the property owner will be responsible if leaking oil tanks are detected. Mr. Rebuck stated that it will be helpful if there is an after-action report to understand the process and any hidden issues that have been identified. Mr. Beson expressed his support for the project. Mr. Tolson inquired about what will happen after all site work is done. Mr. Doherty responded that a request for proposal will be issued for the property. CRDA General Counsel Monica de los Rios clarified that as to Mr. Landgraf’s statement, the resolution permits the Authority to further negotiate the price if remediation is required. 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. Beson and seconded by Mr. Tolson. Resolution 21-91 was approved by unanimous vote of the eligible members. Ms. DiLorenzo abstained from the vote.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
ESTABLISHING A FUND RESERVATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $574,906.24
FROM THE TOURISM DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND, AUTHORIZING
THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1401 MEMORIAL AVENUE (AKA BLOCK 147 LOT 10) AND TO PAY EXPENDITURES RELATED TO PRE AND POST ACQUISITION COSTS

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Plousis and seconded by Mr. Beson. Resolution 21-92 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE INTER-BUDGET LINE ITEM TRANSFER OF 2021 CONVENTION CENTER FACILITY CAPITAL FUNDS FROM THE TRUMP PLAZA CONNECTOR FAÇADE TO THE JWBSH FAÇADE PILOT PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF $26,828.50 TO FUND A CHANGE ORDER FOR LIMESTONE REPAIR

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Rebucket and seconded by Mr. Plousis. Resolution 21-93 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING SPECTRA VENUE MANAGEMENT’S PURCHASE OF A 2021 F-250 REGULAR CAB XL WITH STAKE BODY AND A PLOW AND SPREADER PACKAGE FROM DITSCHMAN/FLEMINGTON FORD LINCOLN MERCURY FOR FACILITIES MAINTENANCE AT THE ATLANTIC CITY CONVENTION CENTER AND JIM WHELAN BOARDWALK HALL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $45,752.00

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Chairman Butler inquired if the vehicle is owned by CRDA. Mr. Doherty responded in the affirmative. Hearing no further public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Benson and seconded by Mr. Plousis. Resolution 21-94 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AWARDING A TOURISM, MARKETING AND SPECIAL EVENT GRANT TO THE SAVE LUCY COMMITTEE, INC., ESTABLISHING A SUPPLEMENTAL FUND RESERVATION FOR A THREE-YEAR (2021-2023) GRANT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $75,000 TO THE SAVE LUCY COMMITTEE, INC. FROM THE TOURISM DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND, AMENDING THE TOURISM MARKET EXPANSION PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE SAVE LUCY COMMITTEE, INC. TO SUPPORT THE PROMOTION AND MARKETING OF THE LUCY THE ELEPHANT ATTRACTION
The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Lucy the Eiephant Executive Director Richard Helfant thanked the Board for their support. Hearing no further public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Plousis. Resolution 21-95 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AWARDDING A TOURISM, MARKETING AND SPECIAL EVENT GRANT TO THE HISPANIC ASSOCIATION OF ATLANTIC COUNTY, ESTABLISHING A SUPPLEMENTAL FUND RESERVATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $62,300 FROM THE TOURISM DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND, AMENDING THE TOURISM MARKET EXPANSION PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE HISPANIC ASSOCIATION OF ATLANTIC COUNTY TO FUND THE ATLANTIC CITY LATINO FESTIVAL 2021

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Chairman Butler inquired if CRDA helps to market these festivals. Mr. Doherty 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 Ms. DiLorenzo and seconded by Mr. Hanley. Resolution 21-96 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AWARDDING A TOURISM, MARKETING AND SPECIAL EVENT GRANT TO THE NATIONAL RYTHYM AND BLUES MUSIC SOCIETY INC., ESTABLISHING A SUPPLEMENTAL FUND RESERVATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $149,980 FROM THE TOURISM DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND, AMENDING THE TOURISM MARKET EXPANSION PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL RYTHYM AND BLUES MUSIC SOCIETY INC. TO SUPPORT THE 2021 FREE SUMMER CONCERTS AT GARDNERS’ BASIN

The resolution was read by title. Mayor Small recused himself. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Mr. Tolson and Mr. Sproule expressed their support for the project. Hearing no further comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Vannessa Jordan-Gaston thanked the Board for their support. Hearing no further public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Tolson and seconded by Ms. DiLorenzo. Resolution 21-97 was approved by unanimous vote of the eligible members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REJECTING ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR WINTER DÉCOR
The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Hanley and seconded by Mr. Shaughnessy. Resolution 21-98 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ACCEPTING THE 2020 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS SUBMITTED BY MERCADIEN P.C. AND AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF THE AUDIT TO THE GOVERNOR, STATE TREASURER AND THE LEGISLATURE

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Mr. Tolson stated that although the board meeting is brief and limited all the information is completely vetted during committee meetings. Chairman Butler thanked the CRDA Chief Financial Officer Kathy Marshall and staff for a clean audit report. 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. Shaughnessy and seconded by Mr. Plousis. Resolution 21-99 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL AND THE EXECUTION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH CONNELL FOLEY, LLP, RIKER DANZIG SCHERER HYLAND AND PERRETTI LLP, MCMANIMON, SCOTLAND & BAUMANN, LLC AND GENOVA BURNS LLC FOR THE ONE YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2021 AND ENDING JULY 31, 2022

The resolution was read by title. Mr. Hanley recused himself. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Shaughnessy and seconded by Mr. Reback. Resolution 21-100 was approved by unanimous vote of the eligible members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF BOND COUNSEL AND THE EXECUTION OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH M. JEREMY OSTOW, ESQ., MCMANIMON, SCOTLAND & BAUMANN, LLC AND WILENTZ GOLDMAN & SPITZER, PA FOR THE TWO (2) YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2021 AND ENDING JULY 31, 2023

The resolution was read by title. Mr. Hanley recused himself. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Hearing no public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Shaughnessy and seconded by Mr. Plousis. Resolution 21-101 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.
RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AMENDING THE TOURISM MARKET EXPANSION PROJECT, ESTABLISHING A SUPPLEMENTAL FUND RESERVATION FROM THE TOURISM DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $64,930, AWARDING A TOURISM, MARKETING AND SPECIAL EVENT GRANT TO THE BANGLADESH ASSOCIATION OF ATLANTIC COUNTY AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE BANGLADESH ASSOCIATION OF ATLANTIC COUNTY FOR THE INDIAN CULTURAL FESTIVAL

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Mayor Small inquired what the total amount is. Mr. Doherty responded $64,930. Mayor Small inquired if this is a 5-day festival. Mr. Doherty responded in the affirmative. Ms. Matik stated she believes all the festivals are important and culturally enriching and inquired how the funding for each event is determined. Mr. Doherty responded that the applicant requests a certain amount and CRDA requests a detailed budget and reviews each request on case-by-case basis. 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. Benson and seconded by Ms. DiLorenzo. Resolution 21-102 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

RESOLUTION OF THE CASINO REINVESTMENT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AMENDING THE TOURISM MARKET EXPANSION PROJECT, ESTABLISHING A SUPPLEMENTAL FUND RESERVATION FROM THE TOURISM DISTRICT AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $18,114, AWARDING A TOURISM, MARKETING AND SPECIAL EVENT GRANT TO THE CHICKEN BONE BEACH HISTORICAL FOUNDATION INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CHICKEN BONE BEACH HISTORICAL FOUNDATION INC. TO SUPPORT TWO CONCERTS AT BROWNS PARK

The resolution was read by title. The Chair requested a description of the proposed action by the Executive Director or designated staff and then requested member discussion. Mayor Small expressed his support for the project. Hearing no comments from the members, the Chair requested public comment. Chicken Bone Beach Historical Foundation Inc. Owner Henrietta Shelton thanked the Board for their support. Hearing no further public comment, the Chair requested a motion. A motion was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Ms. Matik. Resolution 21-103 was approved by unanimous vote of the members.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Former Chairman Robert Mulcahy thanked the Board members and CRDA staff for their support and work at the Authority. Mr. Mulcahy outlined five (5) action items of concern; demolition, grocery store, social needs, community police, MEET AC.
CERTIFICATION

I, GARY HILL, 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:

July 20, 2021

GARY HILL, SECRETARY