

Borough of Palmyra
Virtual Special Council Meeting Minutes
Monday April 26th, 2021

The Special Council Meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Palmyra was called to order by Mayor Tait at 6:32 PM

At the call of the roll:

PRESENT: Brandon Allmond, Farrah Jenkins, Michelle McCann, Bernadette Russell, President Timothy Howard, Mayor Gina Ragomo Tait

ABSENT: Laura Cloud

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS STATEMENT

Mayor Tait read the following into the record:

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., and in consideration of Executive Order No. 103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a State of Emergency and a Public Health Emergency in the State of New Jersey and in response to Executive Order No 196 issued by Governor Murphy on November 16, 2020. Please be advised the Borough of Palmyra does hereby notify the public that to protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens while ensuring the continued functioning of government, the meeting of the Mayor and Council will be a Virtual Council Meeting. Members of the public are invited to “attend” the Virtual Council Meeting but all members of the public participating in the meeting may be muted and their video image disabled. Notice of this meeting was published in the Burlington County Times on April ,2021. Notice was posted on the Municipal Door, Official Bulletin Board and electronic signs on April 20th,2021. Notice was also posted on the Borough of Palmyra Website on April 23rd, 2021 and notice was given to all Council Members.

REDEVELOPMENT

Mr. Gural stated the reasons for holding the special council meeting noting the resolutions and ordinance on the agenda for approval. Mr. Gural and Mr. Brewer explained the ordinance and resolutions for approval. Mr. Rosenberg noted the ordinance for approval is to change a deed restriction on the National Amusements property previously placed when the Borough owned the property in 1952. Mr. Rosenberg thanked Mr. Stock and his team for their dedication to keeping the

project moving forward and thanked Mr. Gural, Mr. Brewer, and the Borough's team for doing the same.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Tait stated we request those participants wishing to have or make a Public comment, email their questions or comments in advance to Municipal Clerk Rita Jackson at djackson@boroughofpalmyra.com. The opportunity to submit comments prior to meeting expired at 12:00 PM on Monday April 26th, 2021. She noted all comments would become part of the record and included with the Meeting Minutes. Mayor Tait stated she would open the meeting up to those "attending" the Virtual Meeting, wishing to make a comment. Mayor Tait noted comments should be limited to no more than (2) two minutes and all comments would become part of the record and included with the Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Tait asked for a motion to open the Public Portion. Mrs. Russell made a motion to open the public portion for comments. President Howard second the motion.

All members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion Carried

Mayor Tait asked if any comments were received before the meeting. Municipal Clerk, Ms. Jackson indicated no comments were received.

No one from the public wishing to be heard, Mayor Tait asked for a motion to close the Public Portion. Mrs. Russell made a motion to close the public portion, President Howard second the motion.

All members present voted in favor of the motion. Motion Carried

ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING public hearing to be held May 17th, 2021

Ordinance 2021-07. An Ordinance of the Borough of Palmyra County of Burlington, Vacating and releasing any and all restrictive covenants contained within the Deed dated December 12, 1952 between the Borough of Palmyra as grantor and Miriam Isdaner, et als as grantee; said Deed having been recorded in the office of the Clerk of Burlington County on December 22nd, 1952 in Book 1140 at page 189

Mayor Tait requested of motion to approve Ordinance 2021-07. Mrs. Russell made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-07. President Howard seconded the motion.

At the call of the roll, the vote was:

INFAVOR: Mr. Allmond, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. McCann, Mrs. Russell, President Howard

AGAINST: None

Motion carried. Ordinance 2021-07 was approved

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution **2021-120** and Resolution **2021-121** will be enacted as a single motion, if either resolution needs additional discussion, it will be removed from the consent agenda and voted on separately. Mayor Tait asked if either resolution needed to be removed. Council indicated no. Mayor Tait read the following resolutions into the record:

Resolution 2021-120, Resolution to Authorize the Execution of an Amended Redevelopment Agreement Between the Borough of Palmyra and the Palmyra Urban Renewal Entity, LLC Pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et. seq.

Resolution 2021-121, Resolution to Authorize the Execution of a Bifurcated Redevelopment Agreement Between the Borough of Palmyra and Palmyra Urban Renewal Entity, LLC Pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et. seq.

Mayor Tait requested a motion to approve Resolution 2021-120 and Resolution 2021-121.

Mrs. Russell made a motion to approve Resolutions 2021-120 and Resolution 2021-121. President Howard seconded the motion.

At the call of the roll, the vote was:

INFAVOR: Mr. Allmond, Mrs. Jenkins, Mrs. McCann, Mrs. Russell, President Howard

AGAINST: None

Motion Carried, Resolution 2021-120 and Resolution 2021-121 were approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no items for discussion

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mrs. McCann – No Comment

Mrs. Russell – No Comment

Mrs. Jenkins – No comment

Mr. Allmond – No comment

President Howard thanked everyone for their diligent work on the project.

Mayor Tait thanked everyone for the amazing job done thru far, noting the Borough will benefit greatly from this project.

Mayor Tait asked for a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Russell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. President Howard second the motion.

All voted in favor of the motion. Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 PM

Doretha R Jackson, RMC

Municipal Clerk

Approved: May 3rd, 2021