

**PERTH AMBOY BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
CITY HALL  
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**PERTH AMBOY BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
PUBLIC MEETING**

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, please note that a regular public meeting has been scheduled for the Perth Amboy Business Improvement District to take place on **Thursday, July 30, 2020 at 4:00 pm** via Zoom Conference Call. Notice of this meeting has been given to the Star Ledger, the Home News Tribune, the Amboy Guardian and provided to the City Clerk's office.

**Join Zoom Meeting**

**Video Conference:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87171069546?pwd=dnJJK0Y5aUhRbkxQMC80VzFRdVdyQT09>

**Dial by your location:** +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)

Meeting ID: 871 7106 9546

Passcode: 943448

**MINUTES**

**I. Salute to the Flag**

**II. Roll Call**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>Excused</b>
<b>Antonio Abreu</b>	<b>x (presiding over meeting)</b>		
<b>Fausto Diaz</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>Iris Diaz</b>			<b>x</b>
<b>Mayor Diaz</b>			<b>x</b>
<b>Sergio Diaz</b>			<b>x</b>
<b>Lisett Lebron</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>Asim Malik</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>Wilma Matey</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>Reyes Ortega</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>Samuel Quezada</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>Jeanette Rios*</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>Barry Rosengarten</b>	<b>x</b>		

<b>Elizabeth Sanchez</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>James Snyder</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>Melvin Rodriguez</b>	<b>x</b>		
<b>Jeff Steuber</b>		<b>x</b>	

**\*Mayor's Designee**

**I. Approval of Minutes**

June 9, 2020

Motion            L. Lebron  
 Second            J. Snyder  
 Abstention:      E. Sanchez

**II. Approval of Bill Lists**

Reyes Ortega, Treasurer

**a. Bill List \$10, 303.51**

Motion            S. Quezada  
 Second            L. Lebron  
 Roll Call

**III. Chairman's Report**

Antonio Abreu, Secretary  
*Reviewed by Barry Rosengarten, Chairman*

**a. Resolutions**

*Motions were passed in our June 9<sup>th</sup> meeting*

**1) Small Business Grant- Resolution 01/07-20**

*Approved the allocation of and payment of \$30,000 to support the City's COVID-19 Small Business Grant. Roll Call for all present members.*

*Motion    E. Sanchez  
 Second    W. Matey  
 Roll Call*

**2) Repurposing Facade Grant funds for Outdoor Dining- Resolution 02/07-20-**

*Approved the repurpose of façade grant funds to support business during COVID-19.*

*Motion    W. Matey  
 Second    L. Lebron  
 Roll Call*

**3) Mural Project- Resolution 03/07-20**

*Approved the allocation of funding in the sum of \$5,000 to support the City of Perth Amboy NPP BID District mural projects.*

*Motion    L. Lebron  
 Second    W. Matey  
 Roll Call*

**b. Approval of Outstanding Façade Grants**

*Antoni0 Abreu: There is a list of Façade Grant submissions that have been recommended for approval by the Façade Committee for board approval. I want to share that this is the entire pool of applications and no one's application is being reject. All applicants have met the qualification and requirements. Every property owner here pays the special assessment and the BID policy and practice has been to consider all grant application of all of the business owners in the district for beautification. We have 3 of them*

1) 2020 Submission: **Ciro's Italian Restaurant**

*Located on 273 High Street. – Submitted in April 2020- They have met all qualifications.*

*Motion*     **L. Lebron**

*Second*    **J. Snyder**

**Roll Call**

2) 2019 Submission: **Andrea's Beauty Salon**

*Located at 304 Elm Street– Submitted July 2019. They have met all qualifications. She is a tenant of Fausto Diaz's property but she is submitting as a business owner.*

*Motion*     **S. Quezada**

*Second*    **W. Matey**

**Roll Call**

3) 2019 Submission: **Jackson Hewitt Tax Services** located at 258 Smith Street – Submitted in September 2019- Note: the recipient of this grant is Board Member, Fausto Diaz, who is a business partner with Sergio Diaz. Fausto is the property owner of 258 Smith Street. "As we always do, this is all at arm's length." F. Diaz went through same qualifications as every other applicant. He has met the qualifications and he will recuse himself from the vote. Neither of the members are members of the Façade Committee and they did not propose any recommendations.

*Motion*     **L. Lebron**

*Second*    **W. Matey**

**Roll Call**

4) 2019 Submission: **YMCA Home Prevention Initiative** –

*Located on 392 Smith Street. Facility is utilized for the Homeless Prevention Initiative. They have met all qualifications.*

*Motion*     **S. Quezada**

*Second*    **E. Sanchez**

**Roll Call**

**c. Approval of Auditing Vendor Services**

*Supplee, Clooney & Company the BID auditor has submitted proposal for Auditing Services his (\$3,900). There is a deadline coming up to submit an audit for 2019 and we looking to renew our contract with SCC for this year.*

**d. Renewal of BID Board Insurance-**

*The BID board insurance was renewed for 2020. Declaration Page- The DNO was renewed and we are waiting a quote for general liability.*

**IV. Manager's Report**

- a. New Grant from NJEDA for Lease Agreements- \$6M in Cares Act Funds –  
Noelia: *Correction the NJRA released this grant for rental assistance for businesses in certain municipalities throughout the State.*
- b. NPP Downtown Mural Project  
Noelia: *Morning Glory artwork has been approved by the Arts Council and is pending Approval of the City Council*
- c. NPP Gum-Buster Program-  
Noelia: *DPW has been working to for the past 3 weeks on the area near the train station. Train Station on the side were Costa's is located and McClennan Street on the same side.*

**V. Closed Session (Personnel Matters)**

- a. **Reso R-04/07-20**

**VI. Motion to open Closed Session:**

Motion        E. Sanchez  
Second        B. Rosengarten  
All in Favor

*Closed Session entered into separate Zoom meeting room for discussion.*

**VII. Old Business:**

None

**VIII. New Business:**

None

**IX. Public Portion:**

**Motion to open the public portion:**

Motion    E. Sanchez  
Second    J. Snyder  
All in Favor

**Motion to close the public portion:**

Motion    E. Sanchez  
Second    J. Snyder  
All in Favor

**X. Adjourn:**

Motion    L. Lebron  
Second    J. Snyder  
All in Favor