

MINUTES PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERTH AMBOY SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING JULY 30, 2015 COUNCIL CHAMBERS

NOTICE OF MEETING

Special Public Meeting of the Council of the City of Perth Amboy was held on Thursday, July 30, 2015, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Perth Amboy, New Jersey at 4:30 p.m.

Presiding Officer of the Council, Lisa Nanton, advised the audience that a Special Public Meeting was being held on July 30, 2015 at 4:30 P.M., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Perth Amboy. The notice of this meeting has been filed with the Home News Tribune, The Star Ledger and posted on the bulletin board in the City Clerk's office and on the City's website.

Council President Nanton: At this time, as a courtesy to the Governing Body, I would ask all individuals present, including members of the audience, to please turn off all cell phones, pagers and electronic devices. Should you need to make a telephone call, please go out into the hallway and speak in a low voice so as not to disturb the ongoing meeting.

The sole purpose of this meeting is to consider two resolutions.

Council President Lisa Nanton called the meeting to order with the following Council Members present: Fernando Gonzalez, Fernando Irizarry and Joel Pabon. Absent--Council Member William Petrick (vacation).

Also present at this meeting were: Jillian Barrick, Business Administrator, Mark J. Blunda, Esq., Director of Law and Elaine M. Jasko, City Clerk.

AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT – Citizens may address the Council on any matter on the agenda which does not have its own scheduled public hearing. Citizens shall be permitted to speak once for a maximum of five (5) minutes.

BIDS

Bids were received and opened on July 23, 2015 for the following:

• Replacement of Various 4 inch Water Main Project

1. Reivax Contracting Newark, NJ	\$1,377,697.00 #
2. Black Rock Enterprises LLC Old Bridge, NJ	\$1,437,950.00*
3. Montana Construction Lodi, NJ	\$1,520,775.00
4. T & T Commonwealth Jackson, NJ	\$2,169,890.00

- (*) Recommendation of Award
- (#) Vendor was deemed Unresponsive. (Missing signatures & Corporate Seal) This is considered a fatal flaw.

RESOLUTIONS

R-324-7/15 Awarding contract for replacement of 4 inch diameter water lines with 8 inch diameter water mains to Black Rock Enterprises, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$1,437,950.00.

Motion was made by Council Member Irizarry, seconded by Council Member Pabon to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments.

Council Member Gonzalez: Can we get an explanation about this?

Greg Fehrenbach, Consultant: This is the first leg of the replacement project. This project was held up at DEP. 3 or 4 streets affect school openings. That's the reason for this special meeting. The second lowest bidder is the most responsible bidder.

Council Member Gonzalez: Can the first bidder correct the bid?

Mark Blunda: Both the Purchasing Agent and the Engineer indicated that these are material defects and we would be challenged if we gave it to the lowest bidder.

Council Member Gonzalez: At some point in the future, I would like a report on the sewer separation project.

Greg Fehrenbach: I can supply a report to you.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Pabon, and Nanton. Nay-none. Absent--Council Member Petrick.

Mark Blunda, Esq.: I would like a Closed Session resolution to discuss pending litigation (829 Lounge) before we take any action on R-325-7/15.

R-325-7/15 Accepting the guilty plea of and agreement on license suspension and penalty for charges against Liquor License No. 1216-33-057-008, Aris Lounge, LLC, t/a 829 Lounge located at 462-462B Amboy Ave., provided agreement is reached on suitable dates for the 14 day suspension before August 7, 2015.

Vote on R-325-7/15 was taken after the discussion in Closed Session on the matter.

Motion was made by Council Member Irizarry, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Pabon, and Nanton. Nay-none. Absent--Council Member Petrick.

R-326-7/15 Authorizing a Closed Session to be held at the July 30, 2015 meeting to discuss pending litigation.

Motion was made by Council Member Pabon, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adopt the above Resolution.

Council President asked for comments. There were none.

The above Resolution was adopted and carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Pabon, and Nanton. Nay--none. Absent--Council Member Petrick.

PUBLIC PORTION
(5 MINUTES MAXIMUM PER SPEAKER)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Council Member Pabon, seconded by Council Member Gonzalez to adjourn the meeting at 5:10pm, and was carried by the following vote: Yea--Council Members Gonzalez, Irizarry, Pabon, and Nanton. Nay--None. Absent--Council Member Petrick.

Elaine M. Jasko

City Clerk

Lisa Nanton

Council President