

**Telecon Special Public Meeting
of August 20, 2014
Maintenance**

A Telecon Special Public Meeting of the Joint Meeting was held on the above date at the Office of the Executive Director at 9:07 a.m. Chairperson Florio in the Chair.

The Executive Director read the following statement:

In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice was given to the Star Ledger on August 18, 2014 that the Board of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties will hold a Telecon Special Public Meeting on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 at 9:00 A.M.. Anyone who wishes to be part of this conference can meet at the Joint Meeting Facility located at 500 South First Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey 07202.

The purpose of this Special Meeting relates to the Civil Action (Answer, Affirmative Defenses of Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties (Defendant) vs. City of Elizabeth (Plaintiff), Docket No. UNN-L-001469-14.

On roll call the following members were present: Messrs. Hughes, Accardi (Alternate), Levison, McTernan, Florio and Ms. Chaneyfield-Jenkins. Ms. Saxton was connected at 9:15 a.m. Ms. Leventhal and Spango had notified the office that they would be unable to participate in today's meeting.

Also in attendance were Messrs. McGhee, Dowhan and Terrezza of Joint Meeting, J. Noble Esq. of Genova, Burns, Giantomasi and Webster et al; Joint Meeting's Consultants CME Associates (CME) and AVA Consulting LLC (AVA).

It now being 9:15 a.m. Ms. Saxton was connected to the Telecon Meeting.

The Executive Director read the following statement which on motion by Mr. Levison, seconded by Mr. McTernan, was received and ordered printed. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hughes, Accardi, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Ms. Saxton and Chaneyfield-Jenkins; nays, none.

In accordance with Section 7 of the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permitting the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances and as the Joint Meeting is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist as the general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is Contracts/Litigation and it is anticipated at this time that this subject matter will be made public at a later date.

Upon reconvening on motion by Mr. Levison, seconded by Mr. Hughes, Counsel was authorized to file an answer and counterclaim. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hughes, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Ms. Saxton and Chaneyfield-Jenkins; nays, none; abstaining, Mayor Accardi.

There being no further business on motion by Mr. Levison, seconded by Mr. McTernan, the Telecon Special Meeting then adjourned to meet again on Thursday, September 18, 2014, at the Maplewood Municipal Building at 4:00 p.m. unless called earlier by the Chair. On roll call; ayes, Messrs. Hughes, Accardi, Levison, McTernan, Florio, Ms. Saxton and Chaneyfield-Jenkins; nays, none.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard Levison
Secretary