

Camden City Council Meeting Minutes

1/14/2020

Regular Meeting

Camden City Hall, 2nd Floor Council Chambers

All non-action items on the agenda (Call to Order, Salute of the Flag, Roll Call, Statement of Compliance and Notice of the Meeting) were presented to the public at the time of the meeting in accordance with all applicable laws, procedures and standards. No formal action was required by the City Council on any of the non-action items outlined above. Full copies of council actions (ordinances, resolutions) are available on the DocStar Document Management System and on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office.

A. Approval of Minutes

Council

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

Motion to Table

1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Davis, Sheila

Comment(s)

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

B. Communications

1 Finance

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

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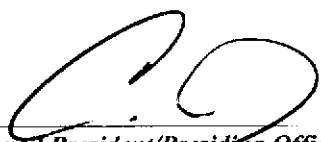
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2nd Davis, Sheila

Comment(s)

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number



Council President/Presiding Officer



Municipal Clerk

2 Finance

Council Vote

Payroll register summary of the City of Camden for the period of December 8th, 2019 and December 22nd, 2019

- Marilyn Torres - Yes
- Shaneka Boucher - Yes
- Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
- Angel Fuentes - Yes
- Sheila Davis - Yes
- Victor Carstarphen - Yes
- Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
 1st Fuentes, Angel
 2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

MC Number

On Consent?

3 Council

Council Vote

Presentations

Vote Outcome

No Action

Motion
 1st
 2nd
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

MC Number

On Consent?

D. Ordinance First Reading

1 Administration

Council Vote

Ordinance amending Ordinance MC-5137 authorizing the transfer of several parcels to the Camden Redevelopment Agency (CRA)

- Marilyn Torres - Abstain
- Shaneka Boucher - Yes
- Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
- Angel Fuentes - Yes
- Sheila Davis - Abstain
- Victor Carstarphen - Yes
- Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

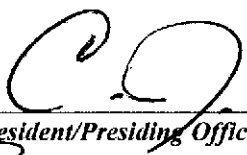
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 1st Fuentes, Angel
 2nd Shaneka Boucher
Comment(s)


Motion to Table

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MC Number

On Consent?



 Council President/Presiding Officer


 Municipal Clerk

2 Administration

Ordinance amending Ordinance MC-5035 authorizing the transfer of 418 Federal Street to the Camden Redevelopment Agency

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Abstain
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Abstain
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

Motion to Table

1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Victor Carstarphen

Comment(s)

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

3 City Attorney

Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of 1249 Carl Miller Boulevard and 927 North 31st Street as a gift

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

Motion to Table

1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Shaneka Boucher

Comment(s)

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

4 City Attorney

Ordinance authorizing the removal of deed restrictions and reversionary language on 556 Ferry Street

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

Motion to Table


1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Davis, Sheila


Comment(s)

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

5 Public Works

An Ordinance authorizing the upgrade to personalized signage of certain location of its handicap parking privileges

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn

Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

6 Public Works

An Ordinance authorizing the approval to move existing signage to a new authorized location

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Davis, Sheila

Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7 Public Works

An Ordinance authorizing the removal of handicap parking privileges in certain locations in the City of Camden

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

1st Shaneka Boucher
2nd Torres, Marilyn


Comment(s)

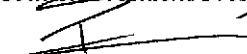
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MC Number



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

8 Public Works

An Ordinance authorizing the removal of handicap parking privileges in certain locations in the City of Camden

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

Motion to Table

1st Torres, Marilyn
2nd Victor Carstarphen

Comment(s)

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

9 Public Works

An Ordinance designating certain areas in the City of Camden As Handicapped Parking Only

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

Motion to Table

1st Torres, Marilyn
2nd Davis, Sheila

Comment(s)

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

10 Public Works

An Ordinance designating certain areas in the City of Camden As Handicapped Parking Only

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

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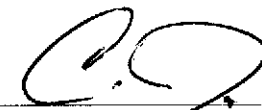
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Comment(s)

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On Consent?

MC Number



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

11 Planning & Development

Ordinance approving an application under the Long Term Tax Exemption Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:20-1 et. Seq.) and authorizing a Financial Agreement with Crestbury Preservation Urban Renewal, LLC Crestbury Apartments located at 2553 S. 8th St.

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

F. Consent Agenda

3 City Attorney

Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a voluntary deed in lieu of foreclosure for 521 and 531 York Street, Camden, NJ

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7291

4 City Attorney

Resolution awarding a contract for professional services to Decottis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin LLP

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)


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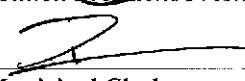
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On Consent?

MC Number

7292



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

5 City Attorney

Resolution authorizing amendment #3 to contract #10-18-154 with Brown & Connery, LLP for general legal services

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7293

6 City Attorney

Resolution authorizing the settlement of litigation

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7294

7 Administration

Resolution authorizing the rejection of RFP #19-33 authorizing a special counsel for counsel to City Council

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)


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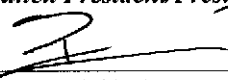
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MC Number

7295



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

8 Administration

Resolution authorizing acceptance of a donation from NFI Industries for monetary contribution and entering into related memorandum of understanding for said donation

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7296

9 Planning & Development

Resolution approving the release of performance guaranty in the amount of \$5,908,981.20 for Subaru of American, Inc., Subaru National Training Center, Subaru-Decorative Fencing, Subaru pedestrian bridge

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7297

10 Planning & Development

Resolution authorizing an application to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Brownfields cleanup grant for 1625 Federal Street in the amount of \$200,000.00

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)


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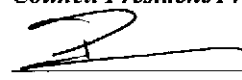
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On Consent?

MC Number

7298



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

11 Planning & Development

Resolution in support for preferred preliminary alternative for the County of Camden to receive a local aid infrastructure funded (LAIF) grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT)

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7299

12 Planning & Development

Resolution authorizing a license agreement with Martha C. Bonilla De Sanchez

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7300

14 Finance

Resolution authorizing the cancellation of TSC #19-02071 and the attachment of charges to TSC #37203

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

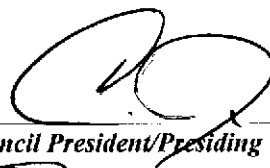
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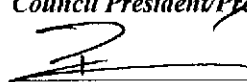
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On Consent?

MC Number

7301



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

15 Finance

Resolution authorizing the cancellation of tax sale certificate #18-00341

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

MC Number

7302

On Consent?

Comment(s)

16 Finance

Resolution requesting authorization to cancel the anticipated revenue balances

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

MC Number

7303

On Consent?

Comment(s)

17 Finance

Resolution requesting authorization to cancel the spending reserves and receivables for the 2015 resurfacing of various streets project

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn

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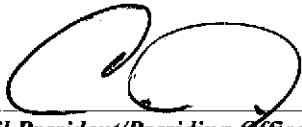
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7304

On Consent?

Comment(s)



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

18 Council

Resolution appointing Troy Still to serve as commissioner to the Parking Authority of the City of Camden completing the unexpired term of Shaneka M. Boucher, which expires May 5, 2020

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Davis, Sheila
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7305

19 Council

Resolution appointing Gilbert Harden, Sr. to serve as commissioner of the Camden Redevelopment Agency for a 5 year term, expiring January 13, 2025

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7306

20 Administration

Resolution authorizing the re-appointment of a commissioner and alternate commissioner to the Camden County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

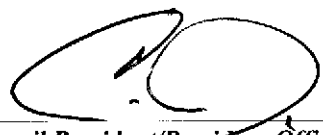
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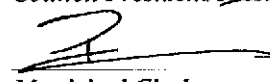
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On Consent?

MC Number

7307



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

21 Administration

Resolution authorizing short-term funding from the City of Camden for operating expenses from the City of Camden for operating expenses of the Camden Redevelopment Agency and agreement for same

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7308

22 Finance

Resolution authorizing the cancellation of CCMUA portion of tax sale certificate #19-00337

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7309

23 Finance

Resolution authorizing the issuance of duplicate tax sale certificate #17-00612

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

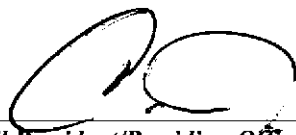
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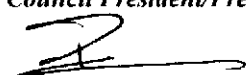
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On Consent?

MC Number

7310



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

24 Planning & Development

Resolution authorizing an amendment #2 to contract #11-18-186 with Buchart Horn, Inc. for general engineering services for the City of Camden's water and sewer system

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7311

G. Resolution

1 Municipal Clerk

Resolution inserting \$1,000.00 as an emergency appropriation from the Camden County Cultural and Heritage Commissions Partnership regrant program

Council Vote

Vote Outcome

No Action

Motion
1st
2nd
Comment(s)

Motion to Table

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

13 Finance

Resolution authorizing temporary emergency budget appropriations for the fiscal year 2020

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion
1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn
Comment(s)


Motion to Table


Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7312



Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk

25 Planning & Development

Resolution authorizing an emergency temporary appropriation in the amount of \$10,000.00 to the FY2019 Temporary budget for the emergency assistance (2019 EEMA) from the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

Motion to Table

1st Fuentes, Angel
2nd Torres, Marilyn

Comment(s)

Walk-On?

On Consent?

MC Number

7313

H. Adjournment of Meeting

Council

Council Vote

Marilyn Torres - Yes
Shaneka Boucher - Yes
Felisha Reyes-Morton - Yes
Angel Fuentes - Yes
Sheila Davis - Yes
Victor Carstarphen - Yes
Curtis Jenkins - Yes

Vote Outcome

Approved

Motion

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1st Davis, Sheila
2nd Torres, Marilyn

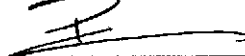
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Council President/Presiding Officer


Municipal Clerk