

September 6, 2017

Ms. Rocca called the Special Joint Meeting of the Union Township Committee and Union Township Planning Board to order at 7:02 p.m.

Members Present: Mr. Stothoff, Mr. Walchuk, Mr. Nace, Mr. Eschbach, Mr. Kastrud, Ms. Rocca

Members Absent: Mr. Mazza, Mr. Ryland, Mr. Ford

Others Present: Atty. J. Peter Jost, Fair Share Affordable Housing Special Counsel Jon Drill, Board Planner Beth McManus, Engineer Robert Clerico, Committee Members Severino, Hirt, Stothoff, Sroka, CFO Grace Brennan and Ella M. Ruta, Municipal Clerk

Open Public Meetings Act Notice: I would like to have placed in the minutes that the Open Public Meeting Requirements of Law have been satisfied by our notices dated August 28, 2017, as published in the Hunterdon County Democrat and August 29, 2017, as published in the Courier News. A copy of the Notice has also been posted on the Township Website, the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building and a copy has been filed with the Municipal Clerk.

Motion to Go Into Executive Session: A motion was made by Mr. Eschbach and seconded by Mr. Walchuk to go into Executive Session to discuss potential Fair Housing Litigation.

Vote: Ayes: Mr. Eschbach, Mr. Walchuk, Mr. Stothoff, Mr. Nace, Mr. Kastrud, Ms. Rocca

A Resolution providing for a meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the revisions of N.J.S.A.10:A-4-12.

Whereas, the Planning Board of the Township of Union is subject to the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10:A-4-6, et.seq., and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A.10-A-4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the Public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Planning Board of the Township of Union, assembled in public session on September 6, 2017, in the Union Township Municipal Building, 140 Perryville Road, Hampton, NJ 08827, for the discussion of matters relating to the specific item stated above.

It is anticipated the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public when determined by the Planning Board that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

Motion to Leave Executive Session: A motion to leave Executive Session was made by Mr. Walchuk and seconded by Mr. Eschbach. (8:03 p.m.)

Vote: Ayes: Mr. Walchuk, Mr. Eschbach, Mr. Stothoff, Mr. Nace, Mr. Kastrud, Ms. Rocca

Motion: Atty. Jost asked for a motion to authorize Special Counsel Jon Drill and Board Planner Beth McManus to negotiate with Fair Share Representatives a settlement of potential litigation and; secondly, to appoint a Site Selection Sub-Committee (Messrs. Stothoff, Sroka, Kastrud and Ford) in connection with any potential settlement.

Mr. Eschbach made the motion. It was seconded by Mr. Walchuk.

Vote: Ayes: Mr. Eschbach, Mr. Walchuk, Mr. Stothoff, Mr. Nace, Mr. Kastrud, Ms. Rocca

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Stothoff made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Nace seconded the motion. (8:09 p.m.)

Vote: All Ayes, No Nays, Motion Carried

Grace A. Kocher, Secretary