

WESTERN MONMOUTH UTILITIES AUTHORITY
103 PENSION ROAD
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021
Commencing 7:01 p.m.

RE: Public Hearing on 2021/2022 budget;
Resolution 20-143, Adopting 2021/2022 budget,
effective February 1, 2021; Release of
Performance Bond and Reduction of Cash Surety
for American Plaza III, Project #668; Return of
connection fee for Project #727; Awarding
service contracts; and Resolutions 20-144
through 20-157

TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS HELD VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

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1 (Prior to the commencement of the hearing
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3 Park Press was marked as Exhibit A.)

4 (Prior to the commencement of the hearing
5 Notice and Affidavit of Publication in the Home News
6 Tribune was marked as Exhibit B.)

7 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: This is Joe Pernice.
8 I hereby announce that pursuant to the Open Public
9 Meetings Act and N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 that adequate notice
10 of this meeting has been sent to the Asbury Park
11 Press and the Clerks of Manalapan and Marlboro
12 Township and is posted in the lobby of the Western
13 Monmouth Utilities Authority.

14 Before I begin, we are having this
15 meeting via Zoom. I, Joseph Pernice, is currently
16 present at the WMUA facility along with our Executive
17 Director Brian Valentino, and we have Commissioners
18 Jeffrey Rosen, Steve McEnery and Glen Mendez who are
19 on the call, and we are basically in line and
20 compliance with the State of having this particular
21 call via Zoom due to the pandemic. And just for the
22 -- and if Mr. Frank Borin, our legal, can just verify
23 that.

24 MR. BORIN: Yes, Mr. Chairman, that's
25 correct, you're in compliance with the Open Public

1 Meetings Act.

2 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Perfect. At this time
3 I would like for everyone to rise and we can start
4 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

5 (Whereupon the Pledge of Allegiance was
6 recited.)

7 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Thank you. Our first
8 order of business today, we have our public hearing
9 with the 2021/2022 adopted budget Resolution for
10 fiscal year February 1st to January -- February 1,
11 2021 to January 31, 2022.

12 Mr. Borin, is there any preliminary ...

13 MR. BORIN: No, generally this hearing
14 would be handled by the Executive Director and the --
15 Mr. Stankiewicz. So there's nothing really that I
16 need to add to this, what they're going to say.

17 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay. And at this
18 time we -- actually, in discussion, we're going to
19 open it up to the public. If anyone in the public
20 wishes to speak related to the budget, at this time
21 they may. And, Mr. Valentino, anything?

22 MR. VALENTINO: Perhaps in the interest
23 of putting something on the record with some details
24 on it, I would turn it over to Mr. DiBenedetto for a
25 couple of bullet points on the budget and then taking

1 questions from the public at that point would be
2 best.

3 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Mr. DiBenedetto is our
4 Chief Financial Officer.

5 MR. DiBENEDETTO: Yes, so a couple of
6 highlights for our '21/'22 budget. Our biggest item
7 of note is rates are staying the same, no rate
8 increase for the new budget year. We have a one
9 percent decrease in our controllable operating
10 budget, which basically just means non-payroll-
11 related -- and related expenses, so those that we can
12 actually control the spending on.

13 And also, another large item of note is
14 we are not utilizing any fund balance to fund our
15 operating budget. Our operating budget is fully
16 funded by our operating revenues.

17 So I think those are probably the three
18 biggest items to highlight.

19 MR. VALENTINO: Thank you.

20 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Thank you. Any
21 additional discussion from the Commissioners, any
22 comments?

23 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: No.

24 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Anyone in the public?
25 I do not see anyone or hear of anyone in the public,

1 so at this time we'll close the public hearing.

2 If there is no discussion, do I have a
3 motion for Resolution 20-143, adopting the 2021/2022
4 budget effective as of February 1, 2021?

5 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: I make a Motion.

6 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: So moved.

7 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Second.

8 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: I believe that was
9 motion by Commissioner Rosen and second by Steve
10 McEnergy. Okay. No additional discussion?

11 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: None. Hey, Glen,
12 you got to be faster than me, Glen. You got to try
13 to move faster.

14 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yeah, I'm getting a
15 little delay here I'm noticing.

16 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Is Kathy available for
17 roll call, please?

18 MS. LEATHERMAN: Yes. Yes. Mr. McEnergy?

19 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Yes.

20 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Mendez?

21 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yes.

22 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Rosen?

23 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yes.

24 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Pernice?

25 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Yes. That will now

1 close our public hearing related to our budget.

2 So moving along now to our public meeting
3 continuing, at this time I want to open it up to the
4 public. Anyone who's on this call wish to speak or
5 anyone within the WMUA, the doors are open. I do not
6 see anyone here in the public. Anyone on the call?

7 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: No.

8 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay, having not seen
9 or heard, I'll close the public. We will now move to
10 the Chief Executive Officer's report. Brian?

11 MR. VALENTINO: We have a large agenda
12 tonight, so I'll just say that there is -- any issues
13 that really needed to come before the board we've
14 been referring to the members and the committees that
15 would need to deal with it. In fact, we had a
16 meeting tonight on some infrastructure issues.

17 So nothing really from my report, unless
18 any of the section chiefs have something urgent they
19 want to talk about, which I don't believe is the
20 case. Thank you.

21 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay. Let's move
22 along to discussion. We got release of a Performance
23 Bond and reduction in cash for American Plaza III,
24 Project 668.

25 MR. CARR: Yes, I'll take that one. This

1 is the new Chick-fil-A and Aldi that's on Route 9.

2 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: At the Costco plaza
3 there?

4 MR. CARR: Oh, my God. My kids eat there
5 every day, every day. Anyway, sorry.

6 MR. CARR: So this is just a standard
7 bond release. The job's done, no outstanding issues.

8 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay. All right. And
9 we also have return of connection fee for Project
10 727.

11 MR. CARR: Yes. This is one of the
12 businesses on Route 79 submitted an application to
13 connect to the new sewer that we put in under our big
14 Route 79 (technical glitch - inaudible). And they
15 had trouble finding a contractor for a decent
16 affordable price. So they decided to withdraw their
17 application and they don't want to move forward with
18 the connection. And the business that occupies this
19 development -- or this building is Visci and
20 Associates.

21 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay. All right,
22 awarding service contracts.

23 MR. VALENTINO: Kathy, you want to take
24 that?

25 MR. LEATHERMAN: Sure. These are the six

1 contracts that we've put to bid. We do all of our
2 contracts every other year. All the bid tally sheets
3 are there and the prior year's information was given
4 to you. These are just schedules and emergency
5 service contracts.

6 MR. VALENTINO: Mr. Pernice, after you
7 get a motion and a second, I just want to talk about
8 that for a second.

9 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: You want to talk about
10 the service --

11 MR. VALENTINO: Well, I guess we're not
12 in the motions yet, so let me just do this real
13 quick. As you know, we do half of the service
14 contracts one year; we do the other half the next
15 year. There's always a float.

16 I got the question earlier tonight. You
17 all authorized us to go out to bid on our
18 professional services contracts, which you'll act on
19 at the reorganization meeting next month. They are
20 in and tabulated and you'll just get that per our
21 regular course. Sorry to interrupt.

22 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay, fine. No, no,
23 thank you, Brian.

24 All right, let's move to Resolutions. We
25 have Resolution 20-144, which is the budget transfers

1 year ending January 31, 2021. As part of the normal,
2 you know, normal process, normal budget and so forth,
3 we are -- we do move funds particularly from line
4 expenses to line expenses and it's all within the
5 operating budget within the township. I'm sorry,
6 within the WMUA. Do I have a motion for 20-144,
7 budget transfer?

8 COMMISSIONER McENERY: So moved.

9 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Second.

10 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Discussion. I mean,
11 Scott, any discussion or anything you want to
12 mention?

13 MR. DiBENEDETTO: I guess I would just
14 say the thing that pops out is that I think on about
15 five of these line items on here, so, you know, about
16 a third of these, were really just affected by
17 unforeseen expenses popping up from COVID-related
18 expenses. You know, lines like office expense we had
19 to pump some extra money into because of COVID-
20 related expenses, things like that. And I think that
21 definitely played a role in having to move some of
22 these funds around.

23 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Scott, can we go
24 after CARES money for those expenses?

25 MR. DiBENEDETTO: So we're looking into

1 that right now. I was talking with Gerry and Brian
2 about it earlier today actually. So we're looking
3 into that to see if it's -- you know, what avenues we
4 can take and if it's feasible and if it can even be
5 achieved. So we're looking into it.

6 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Okay.

7 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: (Inaudible) 1,743,100.
8 Any additional discussion? Okay, hearing none,
9 Kathy, roll call, please?

10 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. McEnergy?

11 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: McEnergy?

12 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Yes. You're
13 cracking up.

14 MR. VALENTINO: I heard him say yes.

15 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: I heard him say yes,
16 Kathy.

17 MS. LEATHERMAN: Okay. Mr. Rosen?

18 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yes.

19 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Mendez?

20 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yes.

21 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Pernice?

22 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Yes. Okay.

23 Resolution 20-145, reauthorizing a public hearing to
24 set the new connection fee. We are having a public
25 hearing set for February 23, 2021 at seven o'clock at

1 the WMUA, as we do every year, related to our
2 connection fee. Do I have a motion?

3 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Make a motion.

4 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Do I have a second?

5 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Second.

6 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Second, Glen Mendez.

7 Any additional discussion? Okay, hearing none,
8 Kathy, roll call, please?

9 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. McEnergy?

10 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Yes.

11 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Mendez?

12 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yes, ma'am.

13 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Rosen?

14 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yeah.

15 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Pernice?

16 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Yes. Okay, we have
17 Resolution 20-147, which is authorizing the refund of
18 the connection fee to Visci and Associates. I am
19 going to recuse myself from this because I know Mr.
20 Visci; he's my attorney and accountant, so if I could
21 turn that over maybe to Mr. Rosen for Resolution
22 20-147?

23 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Sure.

24 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Or Brian.

25 MR. VALENTINO: You want a motion and a

1 second, Jeff.

2 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: I was going to say
3 does anyone have a motion for 20 dash, what is it,
4 147?

5 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Moved.

6 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Do I have a second?

7 MR. VALENTINO: You could do it, Jeff.

8 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: I could do it? Me,
9 yes.

10 MR. VALENTINO: Then ask for any
11 discussion.

12 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Anyone have any
13 discussion or anything to discuss on this? Okay,
14 seeing none. Kathy?

15 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. McEnergy?

16 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Yes.

17 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Mendez? Mr. Mendez?

18 MR. VALENTINO: He's muted. There he
19 goes.

20 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Sorry. Sorry. I
21 hit the mute button. Yes.

22 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Rosen?

23 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yes.

24 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Pernice?

25 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Abstain.

1 MS. LEATHERMAN: I think we skipped 146.

2 MR. VALENTINO: Yeah. I think we did; I
3 think we skipped Resolution 20-146.

4 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Okay.

5 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay, I'll pull that
6 back. Okay, I'll go from that. 20-146, authorizing
7 the reduction of Performance Bond and cash guarantee
8 for American Plaza III, Project 668. Do I have a
9 motion?

10 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: So moved.

11 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Second.

12 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay. Any additional
13 discussion on that from previous? Now, Kathy, roll
14 call, please?

15 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. McEnergy?

16 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Yes.

17 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Mendez?

18 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yes.

19 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Rosen?

20 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yes.

21 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Pernice?

22 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Yes. Okay, Resolution
23 20-148, awarding contract for emergency vacuum tanker
24 service to Freehold Cartage. And this is for a
25 period of two years.

1 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Mr. Chairman, could
2 you combine any of these? Would it be out of
3 character to combine some of them? What's the
4 difference?

5 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Well, I'll go to
6 awarding contracts separately; that's not part of the
7 consent agenda. But I'll move quickly with that.
8 Does any -- do I have a motion?

9 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Motion.

10 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Do I have a second?

11 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Second.

12 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Kathy?

13 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. McEnergy?

14 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Yes.

15 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Mr. Mendez?

16 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yes, ma'am.

17 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Rosen?

18 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yes.

19 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Pernice?

20 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Yes. Resolution
21 20-149, awarding contract for grit and screenings
22 disposal service to Freehold Cartage.

23 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: So moved.

24 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: This is for a period
25 of two years as well. Do I have a -- Mr. Mendez made

1 a motion. Do we have a second?

2 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Second.

3 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Kathy?

4 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. McEnergy?

5 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Yes.

6 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Mendez?

7 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yes.

8 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Rosen?

9 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yes.

10 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Pernice?

11 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Yes.

12 Frank, I now -- I see what Mr. Mendez was
13 saying. Can we consolidate -- can we move 20-150 to
14 154 to consent agenda?

15 MR. BORIN: Sure. If that's the wish of
16 the Commissioners, absolutely.

17 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay. Thank you,
18 Glen.

19 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: No problem.

20 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: All right, related --
21 we're going to move 20-150 to 154 to the consent
22 agenda. Does anybody have any question related to
23 the consent agenda that they wish to pull up any of
24 these?

25 COMMISSIONER McENERY: No.

1 MR. BORIN: So it's Resolution 20-150 all
2 the way through Resolution 20-157, correct?

3 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Correct.

4 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Correct, yes. So
5 Resolution 20-150 all the way to 20-157. Do I have a
6 motion for the consent agenda for these Resolutions?

7 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Make a motion.

8 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Do I have a second?

9 COMMISSIONER McENERY: I'll second that.

10 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: All right, Kathy?

11 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. McEnergy?

12 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Mr. McEnergy?

13 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Yes.

14 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Rosen?

15 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yes.

16 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Mendez?

17 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yes.

18 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Pernice?

19 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Yes.

20 Okay. Other Authority business. Anyone
21 on the call?

22 MR. VALENTINO: Mr. Pernice, I'd just
23 like to take the opportunity -- this is Mr. McEnergy's
24 last meeting as a Commissioner, and I don't know if
25 we'll have an opportunity to record on the record the

1 thanks and appreciation of the staff, and I'm sure I
2 speak for the Board of Commissioners.

3 Steve, you've been, first of all, an
4 outstanding employer and a good friend and colleague
5 and a trusted compatriot as we've worked through a
6 lot of projects.

7 Steve's background in labor and finance
8 has been invaluable to us, (technical glitch -
9 inaudible) contracts, as we've gone through some
10 changes with the employee manual, and in times of
11 great uncertainty in terms of COVID or changes in
12 manpower or as we've gone through our restructuring,
13 Steve's been a quiet but very informed and steady
14 hand that I could rely on to double check things.
15 And as Steve has cleaned out his house, he's found a
16 safe home on my library for all of his management
17 books over the years. So they're getting another
18 life on my shelf.

19 And so, Steve, we wish you continued
20 improved health and a happy retirement. As you are
21 still our closest Commissioner around the corner,
22 you're always welcome to stop by and say hi; you'll
23 always have a home here, and thank you very much.

24 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Okay. Thank you.
25 It's been great knowing all of you, great working

1 with you all.

2 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Mr. Rosen?

3 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yeah, Joe, I'd like
4 to add something. So, Steve, we've been working
5 together for a long time, and we certainly have had
6 our battles, but, you know, I think we've always
7 walked away with a good relationship and, you know, I
8 love busting your chops and, you know, and you bust
9 mine and I have the utmost respect for --

10 COMMISSIONER McENERY: You little shit.

11 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: There you go. And
12 listen, the average age -- the good news is the
13 average age of everybody in our place has just
14 lowered, so that's kind of good.

15 No, but in all seriousness, Steve, you've
16 been -- honestly, man, I'll miss you here and
17 actually, I just texted you; I'll give you a call
18 later in the week and we'll chat. But it's been
19 great working with you and I'll definitely miss you.

20 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Well, thank you.
21 It's been good working with you, too.

22 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: And, Steve, I just
23 want to reiterate it's been a pleasure serving with
24 you as both your Vice Chairman and you being a Chair;
25 you brought a lot of value to the WMUA. Time goes

1 fast, but you know what, I thank you, as everyone
2 else in Manalapan and Marlboro, for representing us
3 in the WMUA. I'm going to miss you and hope to see
4 you even more now, maybe in public.

5 COMMISSIONER McENERY: I can see you
6 laughing.

7 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Yes. I'm laughing and
8 smiling because, you know, it's a joy to have worked
9 with you.

10 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Okay, thank you,
11 Joe.

12 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Mr. Valentino, you
13 know, we have to do something for Mr. McEnergy. He's
14 been around a long time. Can we offer him --

15 COMMISSIONER McENERY: And hope to be
16 around a little longer.

17 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: What we'll do, and,
18 Glen, you'll maybe coordinate it at our next meeting
19 reorg, you'll work with potentially maybe Steve. I
20 don't know how we'll do it, but maybe we'll probably
21 do it by Zoom. We'll ask you to attend as well.

22 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: But I'd also like
23 to have him at the employee appreciation luncheon in
24 December to come, and hopefully we'll all be
25 vaccinated by then, give a plaque and a real thank

1 you from the team.

2 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: I'm looking to have
3 the annual barbecue/picnic in the summer first.

4 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yeah, could we have
5 it by the Marlboro municipal pool right over there?
6 That would be nice.

7 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: We're going to throw
8 McEnery a bachelor party and let him go out in style.

9 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: There you go. That
10 evil laugh, that evil laugh.

11 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: You're going to go
12 out in style, Steve.

13 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: All right, let's just
14 -- before we go back to Steve, bill list. Any
15 questions on the bill list?

16 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: No.

17 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay. Anyone, motion
18 to move the bill list?

19 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: So moved.

20 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Let McEnery do it.

21 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yeah, let Steve.

22 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Motion to move the
23 bill list?

24 COMMISSIONER McENERY: So moved.

25 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Do I have a second?

1 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Second. I got it
2 before you this time.

3 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Kathy, roll call,
4 please?

5 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. McEnergy?

6 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Yes.

7 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Mendez?

8 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: Yes.

9 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Rosen?

10 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Yes.

11 MS. LEATHERMAN: Mr. Pernice?

12 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Yes.

13 Hey, Frank, do we have anything to go
14 into closed tonight.

15 MR. BORIN: I don't have anything this
16 evening, Mr. Chairman. I don't know if Brian has
17 anything.

18 MR. VALENTINO: I don't have anything
19 else.

20 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay, before we close,
21 I'm going to turn it over to Mr. McEnergy. Anything
22 you need, you have the next couple of minutes before
23 we adjourn. Anything you want to say or talk about.
24 It's all yours, my friend, the floor.

25 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Like I say, it's

1 been a pleasure working with you, getting to know you
2 guys, getting to know how the operation works. You
3 run an interesting piece of our infrastructure, and
4 it hums. Thanks for everyone's good work. I thank
5 you.

6 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Thank you as well.
7 Our next meeting -- is this correct? What's our next
8 meeting, Kathy, February?

9 MS. LEATHERMAN: February -- let me look
10 at the meeting schedule.

11 COMMISSIONER MENDEZ: February 9th.

12 MS. LEATHERMAN: February 9th.

13 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: February 9th, okay.

14 MS. LEATHERMAN: The 9th and the 23rd.

15 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Wait, I'm not
16 available on the 9th.

17 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Okay, I want to thank
18 everybody. So do I have a motion to adjourn?

19 COMMISSIONER ROSEN: Motion to adjourn.

20 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Do I have a second?

21 COMMISSIONER McENERY: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN PERNICE: Thank you, everybody.
23 Have a good night.

24 (Whereupon the proceedings were concluded
25 at 7:25 p.m.)

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