In The Matter Of: CITY OF CAMDEN PLANNING BOARD

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2	CITY OF CAMDEN
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	Thursday, June 12, 2025
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6	Transcript of proceedings of the City of
7	Camden Planning Board was conducted as a virtual
8	meeting via a remote conferencing platform, TEAMS,
9	commencing at 6:03 p.m.
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11	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT
12	JOSE DEJESUS, CHAIRMAN
13	STEVEN LEE, VICE-CHAIRMAN ERIN CREAN
14	IAN LEONARD OMARI THOMAS
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19	CPZBS; DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT; ZONING OFFICER; HPC SECRETARY
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17	WITH THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN (CONDEMNATION REDEVELOPMENT AREA) AS TO BLOCK 1250, LOT 128	
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CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Welcome everybody to
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    the Camden Planning Board of June 12, 2025. We're in
    this format because of the health Declaration of the
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    COVID-19 virus and City Hall is still open.
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    using the TEAMS format to handle our current meeting
    so, therefore, if anyone has any questions or
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    concerns, please contact the Camden City Clerk.
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                Reading of the opening statement, please.
                MS. MILLER: Good evening. Adequate
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    notice of this meeting has been provided in
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    accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act.
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    Camden City Planning Board adopted a Resolution
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    approving the schedule of regular meetings to be held
    during the year of 2025 by, one, posting a copy
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    thereof on the bulletin boards reserved for such
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    purpose in the Office of City Clerk, City Hall, first
    floor, Camden, New Jersey; two, transmitting a copy
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    thereof to the Courier Post and to the Philadelphia
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    Inquirer. These newspapers have been designated by
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    this Board to receive same, and filing a copy thereof
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    with the City Clerk, City of Camden, New Jersey.
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    subject meeting was publicized on June 9, 2025.
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                CHAIRMAN DeJESUS:
                                   Roll call.
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                MS. MILLER: Jose DeJesus.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Present.
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MS. MILLER: Steven Lee.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE: Here.
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                MS. MILLER: Mayor Carstarphen. Director
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    Keith Walker. Ian Leonard.
                MR. LEONARD: Here.
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                MS. MILLER: Councilwoman Ramos. Erin
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    Crean.
                MS. CREAN: Present.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Thomas.
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                MR. THOMAS: Present.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Humphrey. Ms. Fraction.
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    Motion carried. Thank you.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Approval of Planning
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    Board Public Meeting Hearing from April 10, 2025.
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    Can I have a motion to that, please.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE: So moved.
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                MR. THOMAS: Second.
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                MR. BURNS: We have Mr. Lee moving and
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    Mr. Thomas seconding.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Roll call.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. DeJesus.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Absent.
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                MS. MILLER: Abstain.
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                MR. BURNS: Abstain.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Abstain. I couldn't
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think of the word. I'm sorry.
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                MS. MILLER: No, you're fine. I thought
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    we were going back to roll call.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Lee.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE:
                MS. MILLER: Mr. Leonard.
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                MR. LEONARD: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Ms. Crean.
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                MS. CREAN: Yes.
                MS. MILLER: Mr. Thomas.
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                MR. THOMAS: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Motion carried to approve.
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    Motion carried to approve. Thank you.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
                                    Swearing in of all
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    professionals and Planning Board staff.
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                MR. BURNS: For our planning
    professionals and staff, please raise you right
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    hands.
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                DR. EDWARD C. WILLIAMS, PP, ASIP, CSI,
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    AHP, CZO; DENA MOORE JOHNSON, PE, CME, having first
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    been duly sworn/affirmed, was examined and testified
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    as follows:
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                MR. BURNS: Very good. Thank you.
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CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: All right.
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    Business: Certificate of Appropriateness for William
    Davis, 3151 --
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                DR. WILLIAMS:
                               Mr. Chair and members of
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    the Planning Board, if I may. I wanted to do the
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    Planning Director's Report before that, right?
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                MR. BURNS: It's not on the agenda but
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    you are correct, sir.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: If you have one, do
    it.
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                DR. WILLIAMS: I just wanted to indicate
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    to the Chair, to the members of the Board tha we have
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    several C of A applications on the agenda. And I
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    would recommend to the Chair via counsel, that we
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    approve them in block as I'm the secretary and member
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    of the HPC. And we have another member of the Board,
    Ms. Erin Crean, who can also concur that we did
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    approve those C of A's on the agenda with any
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    necessary conditions thereto.
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                MR. BURNS: We that being said,
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    Mr. Chairman, before we take the motion, you can open
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    it to the public to see if there's any public comment
    on the three Certificates of Appropriateness
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    applications that are on tonight: William Davis;
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    Bridgehouse Solutions, LLC; Siddhartha Katoley.
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if you want to open it up to the public just to
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    address any public comment?
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
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                                          I'll open it up
    to the public to have anyone having any comments to
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    3151 Alabama Road; 2863 Cushing Road; and 416
    Chambers Avenue. Anyone there to have any respond to
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    any of the applications?
                DR. WILLIAMS: Mr. Chair and members of
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    the Board, at this time, I see no hands up raised for
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    the C of A's.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: With that, a motion is
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    now appropriate.
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                MR. BURNS: We need a motion to approve
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    all three.
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                MS. CREAN: So moved.
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                MR. LEONARD:
                               Second.
                MR. BURNS: Erin moved and seconded by
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    Mr. Thomas.
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                MR. LEONARD: I thought it was Ian.
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                MR. BURNS: Was that Ian?
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                MS. MILLER: Yes.
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                MR. LEONARD: Yes, it's Ian.
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                MR. BURNS: I apologize.
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                MS. MILLER: Roll call.
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    Mr. DeJesus.
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                MS. MILLER:
                             Mr. Lee.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE:
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Leonard.
                MR. LEONARD: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Ms. Crean.
                MS. CREAN:
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                            Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Thomas.
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                MR. THOMAS: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Motion carried to approve.
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    Thank you.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Now that we're through
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    the Certificates of Appropriateness, Street Vacation,
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    Camden Lutheran Housing, Inc. is requesting to vacate
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    four city alleys located in the general vicinity of
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    the east side of Ray Street to west side of North
    10th Street between Elm and Pearl Street. Anyone
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    here representing that, Camden Lutheran?
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                MR. AMERIKANER: Yes. Good evening.
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    name is David Amerikaner. I'm an attorney at Dwane
    Morris and I'm here on behalf of Camden Lutheran
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    Housing, Inc. I'd be happy to say a few words to the
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    Board about this application if that's okay with
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    you.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Yes, please do so.
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                MR. AMERIKANER: Thank you very much.
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Good evening to all the members of the
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    Planning Board. It's good to see you all again.
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    Thank you for having us again. We're very pleased to
    be back before you. As I said, my name is David
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    Amerikaner. I'm an attorney at Duane Morris and I'm
    here with Brandee Johnson of Camden Lutheran Housing;
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    Carl Jenne, the project engineer; John Hanlon the
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    project supervisor -- I'm sorry, surveyor; and
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    Michael Milla, the project architect. We were last
    before the Board --
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Do you want them to be
    sworn in before you do that?
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                MR. AMERIKANER: Yes. If you --
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    Mr. Burns, I think you said you were going to swear
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    of all us in?
                MR. BURNS: Yes, why don't we do that.
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    know, Counsel, we had talked about this application.
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    We were going to do the majority of the introduction
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    and provide the Board with some background and
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    history. I see Brandee is here. I see John and
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    Michael. And who is the other witness?
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                MR. AMERIKANER: Carl Jenne and he's here
    as well.
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                MR. BURNS: I see Carl's box there.
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    you all could please raise your right hands.
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1 2 CARL JENNE, P.E.; JOHN HANLON, R.A.; 3 MICHAEL MILLA, SURVEYOR; BRANDEE JOHNSON, having first been duly sworn/affirmed, was examined and 4 testified as follows: 5 6 MR. AMERIKANER: We were last before the 7 Board in December when the Board voted for 8 preliminary and final site plan approval and major 9 subdivision approval as well as several minor bulk 10 11 variances for the Casas del Rio Project which 12 involves the acquisition by Camden Lutheran Housing 13 of about 80 City-owned lots, vacant lots in North Camden and the subdivision of those lots into 26 14 15 parcels where Camden Lutheran will be building 26 new townhouse dwellings as affordable housing. 16 This is a really excellent project that 17 will revitalize and beautify the North Camden 18 neighborhood, specifically the blocks beTween Pearl 19 Street, 9th Street, Elm Street, and 10th Street 20 across the street from Cornealis Martin Park and 21 22 provide modern, affordable housing option for hard working families in Camden. 23 24 Camden Lutheran has made significant 25 progress in the last several months towards closing

its transaction with the City. And we expect to officially acquire the properties in the coming weeks. That will be the next step toward our goal as we look to commence construction as soon as possible.

The parcels that will be acquired from the City by Camden Lutheran include paper alleys that need to be vacated because they are part of the overall development that this Board approved. And that is the subject of the application before you this evening. We are seeking the Planning Board's favorable recommendation to City Council of this alley vacation. That's what we're asking you to vote on this evening.

The alleys don't actually exist on the site. They'd just exist on paper as they have been subsumed into the vacant lots that these parcels have become. The alleys serve no current purpose at the moment. And please note that the site plan that you approved in December, retained Borton Street which runs through and between the first and second phases of the project. So each property will have street frontage on at least two sides.

Please also note that the alley between the properties on Pearl Street which are not vacant and the development site, will remain. So the

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existing property owners on Pearl Street will still
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    have that alley buffer between their properties and
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    the Casas del Rio Development. The project
    professionals that are here and I are happy to answer
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    any questions that the Board may have this evening.
    We thank you for your consideration.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: At this time, I'll
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    give Dena a chance to initiate this discussion. Go
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    ahead, girl.
                MS. MOORE: Good evening, I am presenting
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    the review from Charles Chelotti, the City Engineer
    and it's dated today. I'm not sure. Did you get a
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    copy of the review comments, Carl?
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                MR. JENNE:
                            Uh-uh.
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                MS. MOORE: Okay. I'll make sure that
    you do get a copy of them this afternoon.
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                MR. AMERIKANER:
                                 Thank you, Dena.
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                MS. MOORE: No problem.
                The letter is dated today's date, June
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    12, 2025. The applicant is proposing vacation of the
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    existing alleyways that bisect Blocks 803, 804 and
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    805 as shown on the submitted site plans. The City
    Engineer's office has no objection to the proposed
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    contention upon the following and then there are four
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    comments.
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The applicant should confirm whether any
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    utilities are present in the alleys referenced.
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    present, the applicant should provide letters from
    utility owners acknowledging and concurring with the
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    requested street vacation.
                Number 2: The applicant should be
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    responsible for the proper abandonment of any
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    utility requiring abandonment. Number 3:
    applicant shall file an approved Street Vacation Plan
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    with the County Clerk's office at no cost to the City
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    and electronic copies of the plan shall be provided
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    for review prior to filing with the County.
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                And Number 4: It appears that old sewer
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    laterals or mains may be located in Block 804 and
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    805. The applicant's engineer shall scheduled a
    meeting with the City Engineer's Office and American
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    Water Contract Services prior to submitting the
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    vacation plan to insure any obsolete lines are
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    properly abandoned. And that concludes the review
    from the City Engineer.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Do you have one to do,
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    Dena?
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                MS. MOORE: No, I don't; not for a street
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    vacation. Just the City Engineer's office.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
                                    Okay.
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MS. MOORE: Okay.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Anybody on the Board
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    have any questions? Hearing none, therefore, I open
    up to the public. Anybody in the public have any
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    questions in reference to this issue? Doctor, do you
    have anybody?
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                DR. WILLIAMS: No, sir, I don't see no
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    hands up.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Since we don't have
    any response from the public, I shall close that part
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    of the portion of this meeting and, therefore, bring
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    it back to the Board. And if the Board is not having
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    any questions in reference to this project,
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    therefore, I'm seeking a motion for response to this
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    issue.
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                            It'll be a motion
                MR. BURNS:
    recommending that the City Council adopt the Street
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    Vacation Plan. It's very straightforward.
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    applicant, as Mr. Amerikaner indicated, was before
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    us; received approvals; and this is part and parcel
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    of insuring that this very important project gets
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    developed. They need to vacate certain streets and
    that's why they're here tonight.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: And we also want to
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    make sure that they comply with what the City
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    Engineer which Dena has already, also complies which
    is in reference to the utility lines that may run
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    through those alleyways.
                MR. BURNS: Correct. So any motion to
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    approve would include the condition that the
    applicant comply with the City Engineer's review
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    letter.
                MR. AMERIKANER: And we will comply with
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    all conditions of the City Engineer's review letter.
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                                    Motion is in order,
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
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    please.
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                MS. CREAN: Motion to approve.
                MS. MILLER: Who was the second?
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                MR. BURNS: It was Ian.
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                MS. MILLER: Thank you, Ian.
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                             Roll call. Jose DeJesus.
                MS. MILLER:
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Steven Lee.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE:
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Leonard.
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                MR. LEONARD: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Ms. Crean.
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                MS. CREAN: Yes.
                MS. MILLER: Mr. Thomas.
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                MR. THOMAS: Yes.
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MS. MILLER: Motion carried to approve.
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    Thank you.
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                MR. AMERIKANER:
                                 Thank you all.
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    you to the members of the Board.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Lots of luck with that
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    major project.
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                Item E: Preliminary & Final Site Plan is
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    not going to be heard tonight. It'll be moved on to
    next month's meeting.
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                Now we'll go to Item F: Review and
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    Consideration of a Resolution referring Ordinance
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    Amending Chapter 485 and Chapter 870 to establish
    Chapter 870-38.1, licensing and regulating tobacco
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    stores, Smoke Shops and other retail business
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    establishments involved in the principal sale of
    tobacco products and tobacco principal sale of
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    tobacco, tobacco products and tobacco paraphernalia
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    to the Planning Board.
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                Is anyone here for that?
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                MR. BURNS: Mr. Chairman, before we go to
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    that, on that Allan Mateo, 3631 Westfield Avenue, the
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    Chair is correct. That is being carried. The notice
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    was improper. So I just want to get it on the record
    that the notice was not proper. It did not provide
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    the important information as to how the matter was
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appearing before us by way TEAMS. That will be 1 2 carried to the July 10th meeting subject to the applicant providing acceptable notice for the 3 July 10th hearings. 4 5 So anybody from the public that's here for that, that matter has been carried due to 6 deficient notice. They have to renotice for that 7 8 application for the July 10th hearing. That's all I need to say, Mr. Chairman. 9 MS. MOORE: Mr. Chairman, I just want to say good night too because I'm off now with the 12 applications. 13 CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Doctor, what's up? 14 DR. WILLIAMS: Yes, Mr. Chair and members 15 of the Planning Board. This report will be very 16 brief regarding the Council referral of the Ordinance Chapter 485 regarding the Tobacco Ordinance. 17 for the record, I'm the department head for Planning 18 and Development, as well as the committee member of 19 the Cannabis Review Committee. 20 One of the problems that we saw and both 22 that live in the City or have been to the City, can attest to that we have quite a number of what you 23 24 call Smoke Shops throughout the City. They come in 25 as convenience stores under the guise of Smoke Shop.

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And what we're finding in those cases is that not 1 2 only are there smoke shops but they're selling CBD products as well; trying to get under radar of the 3 Cannabis Ordinance. And the Ordinance proposal that 4 was referred by Council to you, is to put better 5 controls in place to make sure that those 6 establishments that are being formed and set up, are 7 8 applying to all the necessary regulations of the City, health codes, code enforcement as well as 9 zoning. 10 11 A quick example, I'm the zoning officer as well for the City. And we get quite a few zoning 12 permits under the quotation convenience stores. Once 13 14 they open, we discover that their primary business is 15 not convenience store. It's a smoke shop. 16 businesses are allowed to sell tobacco products. That doesn't make it in and of itself a smoke shop. 17 But when they cross that line and they begin to sell 18 other forms of products well beyond tobacco, that is 19 what they call smoke shop. And we're trying to put 20 21 rules and regulations in place to insure that these 22 establishments don't get out of the way. 23 One of the ancillary problems that we're 24 having is, is that we're have a lot of loitering 25 outside these places at all hours of the night. And

we find that these quote unquote smoke shops are in 1 2 some cases becoming drug sets. So we believe that in 3 working with the police department, Department of Code Enforcement, County Department of Health and 4 5 other related agencies, this language is designed to clamp down on these smoke shops and shut them down 6 where needed. 7 8 CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: I only have one 9 question, Doctor. And that comes to the legal requirements from the state. You guys from the City 10 11 should be trying to obtain to guarantee that they 12 have the right to do what they do. 13 DR. WILLIAMS: Yes, there's state laws 14 that provides allowances for the sale of certain 15 products. What we're seeing is -- like for example, 16 you may go to a store and there's laws against selling Loosies, single cigarettes. And we're trying 17 to clamp down in every case that comes up. With the 18 tobacco shops, again, tobacco product is not a 19 That's not the issue for us. It's not the 20 problem. 21 issue for the residents that have been affected by 22 these smoke shops. 23 What's going on, Board members, is that 24 they're going well beyond the guise of smoke shop.

And they're selling paraphernalia and other types of

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products that has nothing to do with the origins of
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    tobacco products. So all we're doing is, we're not
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    trying to place any additional layers on them as much
    as, we want to make sure that we have the authority
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    to insure that they're selling the products that
    they're legally able to sell and nothing else.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Understood. Any
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    questions from the Board? None. All right.
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    from the public who wants to be respond to this?
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                DR. WILLIAMS: Mr. Chair, I'm scanning
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    the list now and I see no hands up at this point.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Closing the public
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    version of this. I then go back to the Board if no
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    one is going to have any response. I need someone to
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    make a motion to recommend or deny, whatever.
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                MR. BURNS: Actually, Mr. Chairman, if I
    could.
            It would a motion to recommend adoption by
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    the City Council, the Ordinance amending Chapter 485
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    and Chapter 870 to establish licensing and regulating
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    tobacco stores, smoke shops and other retail
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21
    businesses involved in the principal sale of tobacco,
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    tobacco products and paraphernalia.
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                MS. CREAN:
                            So moved.
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                MR. LEONARD:
                              Second.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Roll call, Angela.
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MS. MILLER: Jose DeJesus.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Lee.
                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Leonard.
                MR. LEONARD: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Ms. Crean.
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                MS. CREAN: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Thomas.
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                MR. THOMAS: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Motion carried to approve.
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    Thank you.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Thank you. Moving on.
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                We have the Review and consideration of
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    an Amendment Resolution from the City of Council
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    directing the Planning Board to conduct a preliminary
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    investigation to determine whether certain areas and
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    properties identified herein are areas in need of
19
    redevelopment. Doctor? Doctor, are you going to say
    something, Doctor?
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                DR. WILLIAMS:
                               No, sir.
                                          I think
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    Mr. Sheehan is carrying this one for us.
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    Mr. Sheehan, are you on?
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                MR. SHEEHAN:
                              I am.
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                DR. WILLIAMS: Okay. There you go, sir.
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CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Mr. Sheehan, good
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    evening. How are you doing?
                MR. SHEEHAN: Good evening, Mr. Chairman,
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    how are you?
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Blessed thank God.
    Another day. Would you want to elaborate on what 'G'
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    is on the agenda?
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Certainly. For the record,
    my name is Kevin Sheehan. I'm an attorney with
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    Parker McCay. And we're here on behalf of the Camden
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    County Improvement Authority.
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                The Planning Board was directed by
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    Resolution of City Council to undertake an
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    investigation to determine whether properties that
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    I'll identify in a second, meet the criteria for an
    area in need of redevelopment that was directed to
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    the Planning Board. The Camden County Improvement
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    Authority undertook that investigation through
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    Environmental Resolutions, Inc. and Dave Benedetti
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    from ERI is with me tonight.
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                The subject properties are Block 1250,
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    Lot 28 which was referred to you for an area in need
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    of redevelopment with condemnation. And Blocks 1221,
    Lot 3, 12, 12Q, and 17; Block 1238, Lot 3; Block
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    1239, Lot 17; Block 1240, Lot 24; Block 1241, Lot 15;
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Block 1250, Lot 7, 123, 124, and 129; and Blocks
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    1251, Lot 11, all of which were referred to you for
    an investigation without the Power of Condemnation.
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    So with that introduction, I will -- Mr. Burns, can
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    you swear in Mr. Benedetti, please?
                MR. BURNS: Absolutely. Good evening,
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    Dave, how are you?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: Fine, Mr. Burns.
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                MR. BURNS: Good to see you again.
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                DAVID BENEDETTI, PP, AICP, having first
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    been duly sworn/affirmed, was examined and testified
    as follows:
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                MR. BURNS: Thank you, sir.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Before you start,
    Mr. Benedetti --
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Dave, can you give the
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    Board a summary of your profession, your education,
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    and experience in order to qualify you as an expert
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    in professional planning?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: I am a licensed
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    professional planner. I have a Master's Degree in
    urban planning from the University of Akron in Akron,
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    Ohio. I have been a director of planning and
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community development in Cherry Hill, Gloucester
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    Township and in Pemberton Township. I've been in
    practice since 1984. I don't know -- I testified
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    before the Board before in regard to the
    Redevelopment Plan, this particular Redevelopment
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    Plan before.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: And, Dave, you've been --
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    you have prepared Zoning Ordinances and Master Plans
    on behalf of various municipalities?
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                MR. BENEDETTI:
                                 Yes.
                MR. SHEEHAN: And you've prepared
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    Redevelopment Plans on behalf of the municipalities
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    as well?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: Yes.
                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: I would submit
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    Mr. Benedetti as an expert as a professional planner
    Mr. Chair?
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Yes, I already know
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    that because I know him from before.
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                Will 'G' and 'H' which is the same
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    project, can we combine them together? Because it's
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    basically going to be saying the same thing; is that
    correct?
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                                 I think they're --
                MR. BENEDETTI:
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                MR. SHEEHAN:
                               I'm sorry, Mr. Benedetti,
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they are saying the same thing but initially the
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    Board has to find that the properties, an area in
    need of redevelopment. If the Board finds that it is
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    an area in need of redevelopment, then there's a
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    Redevelopment Plan that the Board would consider and
    make a recommendation or not to the governing body.
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    Mr. Benedetti doesn't have to repeat everything he
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    does in 'G,' the area in need but he should summarize
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    the redevelopment separately after you've adopted --
    after you've made that recommendation.
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                So Dave, your firm and you have prepared
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    a -- undertaken an investigation to determine whether
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    the subject properties meet the Area In Need Of
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    Redevelopment Criteria?
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                MR. BENEDETTI:
                                 T did.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: And you prepared the report
    that's been submitted to the Board and on file with
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    the public. Can you summarize that report for the
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    Board, please?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: I guess my question is,
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    do you want me summarize the entire report or just
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    the revision?
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                MR. SHEEHAN: The entire report.
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    sorry, Mr. Chairman.
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                MR. BENEDETTI:
                                   Okay.
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CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Hang on a second, 2 please. Wait. Because we heard this before and what 3 I don't want to do is have him repeat what we've already known this before. What we're trying to do 4 5 is grant you authorization to approve that the area is for redevelopment. This was brought before us 6 before in reference to this subject. And, therefore, 7 8 I don't want continuing repeating ourselves over the same subject. 9 So if we can consolidate these two things and make into one, I would appreciate it tremendously. We know that the area is blighted and 12 13 it needs to be redevelopment because it's the major 14 area which is near the major highway. Therefore, I'd 15 appreciate it, Mr. Sheehan, if he can just summarize 16 so that the Board can move on with making the decision on both subjects. 17 18 MR. BURNS: Mr. Chairman, I think what we can do is, Kevin needs to make a record here because 19 it's, you know, it's a Redevelopment Plan. But I 20 don't disagree that -- I'm sure Mr. Benedetti can 22 streamline his findings to determine the area in need 23 of redevelopment because, in fact, that has already 24 been done. This is an amendment to that, correct, 25 Mr. Sheehan?

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MR. BENEDETTI:
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                                Correct.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: It is except that the
    governing body did not make the declaration after the
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    first time that the Planning Board had done it.
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                MR. BURNS: Oh, they did not?
                MR. SHEEHAN:
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                              No.
                MR. BURNS: So I think Mr. Benedetti --
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                MR. SHEEHAN: I think what we can do, Jim
    is, the significant change from last time is related
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    to the condemnation parcel which is Block 1250, Lot
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          I'd ask Mr. Benedetti to address that
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    128.
    in detail. With regard to the other properties, I
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    would ask that he just highlight them.
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    need to go over the criteria and all the other
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    information that the Board is well aware of and is in
    the law and that you previously summarized for the
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            Regarding this matter and other redevelopment
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    Board.
    matters on Admiral Wilson Boulevard. So there's no
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    need to repeat that. But I would like you to just
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    quickly -- as to the other properties, quickly
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    summarize how they meet the criteria.
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                MR. BURNS: Yes. And I think that's all
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    the Chair was look for, right, Mr. Chairman?
                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Yes, that's correct.
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                MR. BURNS: All right. Thank you.
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Go ahead, Mr. Benedetti.
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                MR. BENEDETTI: There is -- I'll just go
    through Block 1221, Lot 3 which is 1235 Admiral
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    Wilson Boulevard. And just summarizing the property,
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    it was found to be --
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Dave, I apologize. Focus
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    on Block 1250, Lot 128.
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                MR. BENEDETTI:
                                Okay.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: That's the condemnation
    parcel.
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                MR. BENEDETTI: Okay. I thought I had to
    do all of them.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Do that first and then
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    we'll highlight the others.
                MR. BENEDETTI: Okay. Block 128 is 2345
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    Admiral Wilson Blvd. It is a .7 acre parcel of an
    abandoned gas station. And it's 1970's gas station
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    and it had been abandoned for quite a while. It is
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    boarded up. I believe the City boarded it up. And
    it is also subject to dumping. It seems when I've
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    been there, vagrants have been there. In addition, I
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    think it meets Criteria 'A ' which is an unwholesome
    living or working condition.
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                The Statutory Redevelopment Criteria 'A'
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    indicates that a municipality may find the property
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to be in need of redevelopment when the generality of the building is substandard, unsafe, unsanitary, dilapidated or obsolescent or possess any such characteristics or are still lacking in light, air or space to be conducive to an unwholesome living and working condition.

To me this property definitely meets that requirement. There are -- the City has sealed the property. They boarded it up. They barricaded the driveway because there have been vehicles going through there I'm assuming. And there is a fuel pump equipment that has been vandalized and exposed. It's a hazardous condition and it is definitely conducive to unwholesome working conditions for those employees and patrons in adjacent businesses.

The Criterion 'B,' dilapidation, vacancy and faulty condition. Criterion 'B' indicates that the municipality may find the property in need of redevelopment under the discontinuance of use of a property or building previously used for commercial retail shopping malls or plaza, office parks, manufacturing, industrial purposes or commercial establishment for at least two connective years being allowed to fall in a state of disrepair and untenable.

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This property is definitely untenable.
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    It is boarded up and it is not accessible due to the
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    barricades that the City had to put up at the Admiral
    Wilson Blvd. The gas station lot was blighted a
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    number of years ago and it remains subject to
    continued vandalism and attractions to vagrants.
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    Criterion 'B' is -- all I can say is, Criterion 'D,'
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    due to the Supreme Court Decision of Malanga versus
    Township of West Orange, requiring some explicit
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    findings, I did not address that because of other
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    findings that met the criteria for redevelopment.
    Well, that is it.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Hold on, Dave. I think in
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    Criterion 'E' on page 14 of your report --
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                MR. BENEDETTI: I'm sorry.
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                Criterion 'E,' there is no evidence to
    indicate that the property have any NJDEP records
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    indicating the approval or construction permits for
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    the removal of storage -- underground storage tanks
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    or any other self-recorded environmental
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    contamination investigation or remediation of land.
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    Therefore, it is reasonable to conclude that this
    tract is environmentally contaminated and meets
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    Criteria 'E' which is a growing lack of or total lack
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    of property utilization of the area.
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MR. SHEEHAN: And then Criteria 'G' and
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    'H' are Urban Enterprise Zone and Smart Growth.
    this property meet that as well?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: Correct, 'G' and 'H.'
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    'G' is in the Urban -- the property is located in the
    Urban Enterprise Zone. And 'H' is Smart Growth in
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7
    the area -- it's planning area 1 which is a Smart
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    Growth Area.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: So that completes your
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    review with regard to the Block 1250, Lot 28. Can
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    you just highlight the other properties that are from
12
    your report?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: Well, the other
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    properties met, all met 'G' and 'H' for Enterprise
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    Zone and Smart Growth. And two properties -- I'm
16
    sorry -- three properties also met Criteria 'E'
    which --
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Which properties were
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    those?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: I'm trying to get --
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    unfortunately, I didn't do the address here. Block
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    1250, Lot 129; Block 1250, Lot 124; and Block 1250,
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    Lot 7. Those three properties which are -- I will
    get the addresses -- which are 667 Maplewood Street
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    and 2305 to 2311 Admiral Wilson Blvd. And 123 and
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124 is -- I'm sorry -- 124 and 129.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Is that a former gas
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    station?
                MR. BENEDETTI: That is Block 1250, 124
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    is Maplewood Street. And Lot 129 is 2363 Admiral
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    Wilson Blvd. Out Motor Corporation.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: And 128 is -- we talked
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    about -- was in there as well? Sorry. Was that the
    one we talked about?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: That's the one that we're
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11
    just dealing with as far as the abandoned gasoline
    station.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. And those meet the
    Criteria 'E' because of why?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: Well, they met -- they
    all meet Criteria 'G' and 'H' because they're in
16
    the Urban Enterprise Zone. It's the three lots that
17
    meet Criteria 'E' or meet Criteria 'E' because they
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    are former gas stations and they probably are
20
    contaminated. There is no record of the properties
21
    being addressed to remove the oil tanks, the
22
    underground tanks. So that is the --
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Does the Board have any
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    questions of Mr. Benedetti?
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Anyone on the Board
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have any questions of Mr. Benedetti in reference to
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    these properties being mentioned? Mr. Benedetti, I
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    only have one question for you on my part. The gas
    station that is abandoned and has a car wash
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    structure on it, and I believe that is also part of
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    that property; is that correct?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: That is the gas station
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    that we are recommending being eligible for
9
    condemnation.
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                CHAIRMAN HANCE: So we're talking about
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    the same one?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: Yes:
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Since there's no
14
    questions from the Board, then I'll open up to the
15
    public. Doctor, do you have anyone from the public
16
    in reference to this issue?
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                DR. WILLIAMS: I see one, Sara K.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Do you want to put her
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    on?
                DR. WILLIAMS: Sara K, unmute yourself,
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            No, I can't hear you.
    please?
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                MR. BURNS: We need to see Ms. K on video
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    and, of course, be unmuted.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: In the Chat she says, she's
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    trying to log back in. Dr. Williams, is that
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    correct?
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                DR. WILLIAMS: Yes, I see that. We have
3
    another person, Trevor Pohlman. Forgive me if I
    don't pronounce the last name correctly?
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                MR. POHLMAN: Yes, you have that correct.
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    Thank you.
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                MR. BURNS: Trevor, can you please go on
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    camera?
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                MR. POHLMAN: I do not have a camera on
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    this TEAMS. I can switch over to my phone real quick
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    if that's necessary.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: No, that's okay.
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    ahead. What's your question? Before you speak, Jim,
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    would you swear him in, please.
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                MR. BURNS: Yes. Mr. Pohlman, if you
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    could raise your right hand, please.
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                TREVOR POHLMAN, having first been duly
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    sworn/affirmed, was examined and testified as
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    follows:
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                MR. BURNS: I assume your hand was raised
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    since I can't see you on the camera.
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                MR. POHLMAN: It was. My right hand was
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    raised.
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MR. BURNS: Very good. 1 2 MR. POHLMAN: Yes. Regarding the 3 property, the former gas station at Block 1250, Lot 128, I work for the property owner on that 4 5 property. I'm not sure if this is the correct forum but being that it's eligible for condemnation, we're 6 just hoping to get some more information on that 7 8 condemnation process; what's inclusive of it; what the steps are. If this isn't the correct forum, I'm 9 10 happy to set up a call with the correct party 11 offline. 12 MR. BURNS: We as the Planning Board 13 don't control that condemnation process. It's a 14 court process. But I'm sure Mr. Sheehan can provide 15 some guidance or some contact information for you to 16 do that. But it is a formal proceeding or complaint would be filed; monies would be deposited as to what 17 the belief would be as to the fair market value. 18 then if it needs to, it would go to a condemnation 19 20 hearing where people would be appointed to oversee 21 that hearing and ultimately render a decision or 22 recommendations to the court which could then also be 23 appealed. It's a court process. 24 MR. SHEEHAN: Mr. Pohlman, do you have a 25 copy of the -- did the notice of public hearing have

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my contact information?
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                MR. POHLMAN: I have it in my hand right
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    now.
                MR. SHEEHAN: I don't think it did.
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    give --
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                              It has Dr. Williams but I
                MR. POHLMAN:
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    don't see yours here.
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                MR. SHEEHAN:
                              If you have a pen, I'll
9
    give you my phone number.
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                MR. POHLMAN:
                              Sure.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: 609-685-5473.
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                MR. POHLMAN: Okay. Great.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: And if you reach out, I can
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    walk you through the process. At this point, the
15
    governing body hasn't determined whether to use
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    eminent domain. This is just a recommendation.
    the Board is considering is whether or not to
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    recommend that power to the governing body. But
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    there's a lot of steps before that would happen.
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                MR. POHLMAN: Understood. I appreciate
    that additional context.
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                            Thank you, sir.
                MR. BURNS:
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Anything
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    additional?
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                MR. POHLMAN: That's it on my end.
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appreciate it. Thank you.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Thank you.
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                Dr. Williams anybody else?
                DR. WILLIAMS:
                               No. Sara K. did not come
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    back on.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: All right.
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                MR. BURNS: Very good.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: If there's no one
    else, then I'll close it to the public and bring it
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    back to the Board. Anybody on the Board have any
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    response to this proposal? Hearing none, I would
    like to have a motion, please.
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                MR. BURNS: Well, this motion would be,
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    the Board is determining whether or not you believe
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    you can find the area in need of redevelopment with a
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    recommendation of condemnation. So it would be a
    condemnation finding of a condemnation redevelopment
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           So that would be the motion as it relates to
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    this specific property. For the record again,
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    Mr. Sheehan, what's the address of this
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21
    property?
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                MR. SHEEHAN: The condemnation parcel is
    Block 1250, Lot 128 which is 2345 Admiral Wilson
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24
    Blvd.
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                MR. BURNS:
                            Thank you.
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CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Thank you. So we're
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    voting on 'G'. Members if you can then make your
    recommendation, I'd appreciate it. Hello?
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                MR. BURNS: Do we have a motion?
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: That's what I'm
    waiting for.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE: I have a motion.
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    move for condemnation and redevelopment for the area
    of Block 1250, Lot 128.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: And that the other property
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    be declared an area in need of redevelopment?
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE: The other property as
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    well that's on the letter.
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                MR. BURNS: So finding an area in need of
15
    redevelopment for all the properties listed with
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    special finding, redevelopment with condemnation for
    Block 1250, Lot 128, 2345 Admiral Wilson Blvd. would
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    be a condemnation recommendation for redevelopment.
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    The other properties are just recommendation for
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    redevelopment. That would be your motion?
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE:
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                MR. BURNS: I need a second.
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                MS. CREAN:
                            Second.
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                                    Roll call.
                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. DeJesus.
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CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Lee.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE:
                MS. MILLER: Mr. Leonard.
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                MR. LEONARD:
                              Yes.
                MS. MILLER: Ms. Crean.
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                MS. CREAN:
                             Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Thomas.
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                MR. THOMAS:
                             Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Motion carried to approve.
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    Thank you.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Mr. Sheehan, do you
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    want to do the second one?
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Sure.
                                      So this is in
    conjunction with that. Now that you've made the
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    recommendation to declare those properties an area in
17
    need of redevelopment, there is a proposed
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    Redevelopment Plan that's before you that would be
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    the Redevelopment Plan or essentially the zoning for
    those properties. So Mr. Benedetti has already been
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21
    sworn in. David, do you understand you're still
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    sworn?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: Yes.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Did you prepare the draft
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    Redevelopment Plan that the Board is reviewing?
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MR. BENEDETTI: I did. 1 MR. SHEEHAN: Can you just give the 2 3 highlights on the specific uses that are being recommended for the zone? 4 5 MR. BENEDETTI: Well, we're looking at primarily commercial uses; commercial recreation 6 uses, flood plain management facilities, hotel or 7 8 motel extended-stay facilities, light manufacturing assembly and related commercial uses including food 9 processing and outdoor storage. But just fixed uses, 10 11 wholesale trade agents, brokers and warehousing. Motor vehicle service stations with or without 12 13 convenience stores and food market, restaurants 14 including sit-down and carry-out and drive-thru, 15 city, country and state uses and uses and facility, 16 and allowing more than one principal use to each 17 property. Accessory uses are commercial. General 18 19 accessory uses for commercial properties which would be office space for logistics, employee cafeterias, 20 21 fences, walls, HVAC equipment, generators, 22 maintenance and security, storage shed, multi-level parking garages is there is a need for that; 23 24 off-street parking and loading; flood control and 25 stormwater management facilities. Roof-mounted solar

and photovoltaic equipment and signs. 1 2 There are some prohibited principal in accessory uses: Automobile body shops, car washes, 3 major and minor repair shops; new and used sales or 4 leasing establishments. Self-service storage 5 facilities that rent or lease storage space such as 6 rooms, lockers, garages containers, also known as 7 8 storage units for individuals and businesses, and uses prohibited per Section 870-37. 9 There are a couple food permitted 10 11 conditional uses. Public utility facilities per 12 Chapter 870-191 which would be, if my memory serves 13 me correctly, is public utilities of water or sewer, 14 wireless telecommunication facility per Chapter 15 870-210, and Chapter 870-211. Development 16 application requirements would be the standard regular application requirements that the City has, 17 standard checklists, and the application. 18 19 MR. SHEEHAN: Dave, this is the same --20 similar plan or the same plan that you had 21 recommended when the Board reviewed this previously? 22 MR. BENEDETTI: Yes. 23 MR. SHEEHAN: With the exception that, 24 does this plan make a recommendation that Block 1250, 25 Lot 128 be acquired?

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MR. BENEDETTI: Yes.
                                      That deed would be
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    eligible to being acquired through condemnation, yes.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Is this plan consistent
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    with the City Master Plan?
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                MR. BENEDETTI:
                                Yes.
                MR. SHEEHAN: Does the Board have any
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    questions of Mr. Benedetti?
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Apparently not,
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    Mr. Sheehan. I'll now open it up to the public.
    Anybody in the public, Doctor, has any questions for
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11
    Mr. Benedetti?
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                DR. WILLIAMS: There's one person, Peter.
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                UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Can everybody hear
14
    me?
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
                                   Yes.
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                MR. SHEEHAN: Yes.
                THE BOARD: Yes.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: You'll be sworn in
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19
    before you start.
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                UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'm an attorney.
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                MR. BURNS: If you could, put yourself on
22
    camera so we can see you if you're an attorney?
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                UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Hold on moment.
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    My camera has been acting up. It's a little kooky
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    lately. So just bear with me for a moment. Can
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everybody see me?
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
                                   Yes.
3
                MR. BURNS: We can now, yes.
                UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Great.
4
                                                Good
    afternoon everybody. This is a fairly simple
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    question I think or two questions, I should say.
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7
                My name is Peter Chacanias. I'm from the
8
    office of Hyland, Levin, Shaprio. My office
9
    represents one of the property owners specifically
    for Blocks 1239, Lot 17; 1240, Lot 1; 1250, Lot 124;
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11
    1250, Lot 129 and 1251, Lot 11 all in the
    non-condemnation area.
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                I was also present when you guys went
14
    through this process the first time. I just wanted
15
    to confirm as was the case last time, that the
    existing permitted land uses for each of these
16
    properties are still good. Right? They're still
17
    valid and they remain?
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19
                MR. BENEDETTI: Yes.
                                       They would be
               They remain existing uses, yes.
20
    existing.
21
                MR. CHACANIAS: So all of the existing
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    uses for these properties are still valid once this
23
    Redevelopment Plan is adopted, correct?
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                MR. BENEDETTI: You mean, are they
25
    permitted uses?
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MR. CHACANIAS: Yes. The existing
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    permitted uses as they stand today will remain once
    this plan is adopted, I think.
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                MR. BENEDETTI: Well --
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                MR. SHEEHAN: What the uses currently,
    Peter?
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7
                MR. CHACANIAS: There's -- I mean, he
8
    listed off quite a bit so that's --
9
                MR. SHEEHAN: No, no. What are the uses
10
    that you -- that these properties are because you're
11
    asking whether they are --
12
                MR. CHACANIAS: Light manufacturing.
13
                MR. BENEDETTI: Light manufacturing is
14
    permitted.
15
                MR. BURNS: I don't think there will be a
    change in the zone, Pete. I think it's just -- I
16
    understand your question. You just want to confirm
17
    that the existing uses will remain permitted uses,
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19
    correct?
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                MR. CHACANIAS: Yes.
                MR. BURNS: I believe that's the case.
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22
    I believe that's the case based on what the
    review --
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: So your answer is yes,
25
    Peter?
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MR. CHACANIAS: Okay. Great. Thank you.
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                MR. BURNS: And Pete, if you could, what
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    are the properties, again? Give me the blocks.
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                MR. CHACANIAS: Block 1239, Lot 17; Block
    1240, Lot 1; Block 1250, Lots 124 and 129; and
5
    Block 1251, Lot 11.
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7
                MR. BURNS: Thank you, Peter.
8
                MR. CHACANIAS: And my only other
    question was, I believe some additional permitted
9
    uses are being recommended as well or does that
10
11
    change?
12
                MR. BENEDETTI: No, that is true.
13
                MR. CHACANIAS: And those are I think,
    commercial, recreational, more vehicle service
14
15
    stations and restaurants or am I incorrect about
16
    that?
17
                MR. BENEDETTI: Yes.
18
                MR. CHACANIAS: Those are my questions.
19
                MR. BURNS: Thank you, Peter.
20
                MR. SHEEHAN:
                              Thanks.
21
                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Doctor, anyone else?
22
                DR. WILLIAMS: I'm scanning now and I do
    not see any hands raised, sir.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: I will now close it to
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    the public and move it back to the Board. Is there
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anybody on the Board have any questions to this
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    proposal to grant them to --
                MR. BURNS: It would be a motion --
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4
    Mr. Chairman, I'm sorry. It's a motion to adopt the
5
    Redevelopment Plan for non-condemnation redevelopment
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    area in the condemnation redevelopment area with the
    finding of consistency with the Master Plan.
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    would be the motion.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Thank you. Any motion
    out there, please?
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                MS. CREAN: Motion to adopt.
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                MR. LEONARD:
                               Second.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. DeJesus.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Lee.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE:
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Leonard.
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                MR. LEONARD: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Ms. Crean.
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                MS. CREAN: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Thomas.
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                MR. THOMAS: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Motion carried to approve.
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    Thank you.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
                                    Thank you.
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James, you got the floor for the adoption
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    of the Resolutions.
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                MR. BURNS: We have a number of
    Certificates of Appropriateness just to be approved.
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    We have DNL Property Holdings, LLC, 1372 N.
    Chesapeake Road. George Williams, 1294 S. Merrimac
6
7
           Andrea Lancioni, 1057 S. Merrimac Road.
    Road.
8
    Raffee Kesayna, 1406 S. Collings Road. Joe
    Fernandez, 1346 S. Merrimac Road. And Yordanka
9
    Guilarte, 1019 Ironside Road. And we also have the
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    Cooper Hospital Tower A, Cooper Plaza Resolutions to
12
    adopt.
                And in addition to that we have the
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    Resolutions for the matters that we just addressed
15
    for the condemnation areas for the adoption of the
16
    Redevelopment. Plans for the condemnation,
    non-condemnation area and for the adoption of the
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    need to -- for the need for a condemnation area
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    redevelopment. You heard both of them just minutes
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    ago. So those Resolutions are also on the agenda
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    tonight to be adopted.
22
                MS. CREAN:
                            I move to adopt.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE:
                                    Second.
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                MS. MILLER: Roll call. Jose DeJesus.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS:
                                   Yes.
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MS. MILLER: Mr. Lee.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Leonard.
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                MR. LEONARD: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Ms. Crean.
                MS. CREAN: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Thomas.
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                MR. THOMAS: Yes.
                MS. MILLER: Motion carried to approve.
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10
    Thank you.
11
                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Mr. Sheehan, thank you
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    for your presentation. I appreciate everything. Hope
13
    this will get this thing moving. We need to change
14
    that area very badly. And thank everyone for coming
15
    in. And I guess that's the best way to say it, good
    night everyone. We need a motion to adjourn.
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                MR. LEONARD: So moved.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE: Second.
                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Roll call, Angela, so
19
    we can close up shop.
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21
                MS. MILLER: Mr. DeJesus.
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                CHAIRMAN DEJESUS: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Lee.
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                VICE-CHAIRMAN LEE: Yes.
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                MS. MILLER: Mr. Leonard.
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                 MR. LEONARD: Yes.
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                 MS. MILLER: Ms. Crean.
                 MS. CREAN: Yes.
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                 MS. MILLER: Mr. Thomas.
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                 MR. THOMAS: Yes.
                 MS. MILLER: Motion carried to adjourn.
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    Thank you all and have a good weekend.
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             *(Meeting concluded at 7:03 p.m.)*
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