## MINUTES OF THE 521st ANNUAL TELECONFERENCE BOARD MEETING OF THE

#### NEW JERSEY HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE AGENCY

#### **January 9, 2025**

#### **MEMBERS:**

- \* Janel Winters, Assistant Commissioner, DCA (representing Jacquelyn Suarez, Commissioner, DCA)
- \*\* Aimee Manocchio Nason, Deputy Attorney General, Division of Law, (representing Matthew J. Platkin, Attorney General)
- \*\*\* Paulette Sibblies-Flagg, Administrator of Accreditation, Department of Banking and Insurance (representing Commissioner Justin Zimmerman, Department of Banking and Insurance
- \*\*\*\* Robert Tighue, Assistant Deputy Director, Department of Treasury (representing Elizabeth Maher Muoio, State Treasurer)
- \*\*\*\*\* Eric Kaufman, Director of Special Projects, Department of Human Services (representing Sarah Adelman Commissioner, Department of Human Services) Dorothy Blakeslee Diane Johnson

### HMFA STAFF PRESENT:

Melanie Walter, Executive Director

Laura Shea, Chief of Legal and Regulatory Affairs

John Murray, Chief Financial Officer

Deb Urban, Chief of Multifamily Programs

Jeanette Nieves, Executive Board Secretary

Tanya Hudson-Murray- Managing Director of Multifamily Programs

Rosy Dafonseca - Assistant Director of Multifamily/Supported

Housing and Lending

Donna Spencer - Director of Multifamily Programs

Jonathan Sternesky, Manager of Policy and Legislative Affairs

Matthew Gelman General Services Assistant II

Pam DeLosSantos, Director of Technical Services

Mary Miller, Director of Operations

Catherine Bernard, Assistant Director of MF Program Funding

Rebecca Errickson, Junior Executive Assistant

Darryl Applegate, Director of Regulatory Affairs

Julianne Reese, Assistant Director of Finance

Susan Tonry, Bond Analyst II

Radica Ghooray, Director of Information Technology

Chai Respes, Director of Human Resources

Edward Chersevani, Administrator of Accounting

Robert Strycharski, Assistant Director of SF Program Funding Gloria

Mehnert, Senior Paralegal

Jesse Crawford, Manager of Marketing and Communications

Parth Patel, Credit Officer I

Kathleen Annarelli, Policy Research Coordinator

Jamie Ding, Policy and Programs Analyst II

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Jean – Claude Michel, Graphic Design Coordinator
Jordan Moskowitz, Managing Director of Single- Family Programs
Peter Yasenchak, Legal Research Analyst/OPRA Custodian II
Kyle G. Cruz, Technical Data Analyst
Kimberly McMillan, Assistant Director of Finance
Ahsan Zia, MITAS Project Manager
Jennifer Riley, Multifamily Loan Processor
Karen Becker, Administrative Assistant IV
Teresa White, Assistant Director of Risk Management & Special Program
Jeskomar Velarde Gargot - Honors Fellow

OTHERS PRESENT:

Vladimir Palma, Deputy Attorney General, Attorney General's Office

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

- \* Letter of December 9, 2024 designating Janel Winters to represent Jacquelyn Suarez, Commissioner, DCA
- \*\* Letter of January 27, 2023 designating Aimee Manocchio Nason to represent Matthew J. Platkin, Attorney General
- \*\*\* Letter of January 17, 2020 designating Paulette Sibblies Flagg to represent Justin Zimmerman, Acting Commissioner, Department of Banking and Insurance
- \*\*\*\* Letter of November 29, 2022 designating Robert Tighue to represent the State Treasurer, Elizabeth Maher Muoio
- \*\*\*\*\* Letter of November 2, 2018 designating Eric Kaufman to represent Sarah Adelman, Commissioner, Department of Human Services

Janel Winters, Assistant Commissioner, Department of Community Affairs read the following into the minutes:

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency gave notice of the time, place and date of this meeting by electronic mail, regular mail and hand delivery on January 2, 2025 to the Secretary of State of New Jersey, The Star Ledger, The Times, and the Courier Post, and by posting the notice at the office of the Agency in Trenton, New Jersey. Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, a resolution must be passed by the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency in order to hold a session from which the public is excluded.

I will remind our Board members and any members of the public that may have joined the meeting to please keep your line on mute to eliminate unnecessary background noise. I will ask the Board members to identify themselves before they speak so that the minutes accurately reflect who is speaking.

#### ROLL CALL

Are there any members of the public that wish to address the Board?

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

## <u>APPROVAL OF THE PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 12, 2024</u> TELECONFERENCE MEETING OF THE HMFA BOARD – ITEM 1A.

Dorothy Blakeslee moved and Robert Tighue seconded. 1. Approval of the Public Session Minutes of the December 12, 2024 Meeting of the HMFA Board

Aye – Janel Winter, Diane Johnson, Dorothy Blakeslee, Aimee Manocchio-Nason, Eric Kaufman, Paulette Sibblies Flagg, Robert Tighue
Nay – None
Abstained- None

#### **ANNUAL MEETING**

#### APPROVAL OF THE SCHEDULE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS FOR 2025 AND DESIGNATION OF THE AGENCY'S OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS – ITEM 2A

*Robert Tighue moved and Diane Johnson seconded.* 1. Approval of the schedule of regular Agency Board meetings for the calendar year 2025. 2. Approval to designate The Star Ledger, The Courier Post, and The Times as the Agency's official newspapers.

Aye – Janel Winter, Diane Johnson, Dorothy Blakeslee, Aimee Manocchio-Nason, Eric Kaufman, Paulette Sibblies Flagg, Robert Tighue
Nay – None
Abstained-None

#### APPROVAL OF THE ELECTION OF THE VICE- CHAIRMAN – ITEM 2B

Robert Tighue nominated Diane Johnson second nomination

Aimee Manocchio Nason moved and Dorothy Blakeslee seconded. 1. Election of the Vice-Chairman for the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency.

Aye – Janel Winter, Diane Johnson, Dorothy Blakeslee, Aimee Manocchio-Nason, Eric Kaufman, Paulette Sibblies Flagg, Robert Tighue
Nay – None
Abstained- None

#### MULTIFAMILY FOUR PERCENT TAX CREDIT

#### <u>HMFA #07916– BAYFRONT PROMENADE PHASE I – APPROVAL OF A</u> <u>MORTGAGE FINANCING COMMITMENT- ITEM 3A</u>

Paulette Sibblies Flagg moved and Diane Johnson seconded. 1. Approval of a mortgage loan commitment for an estimated \$30,029,000 in construction and permanent financing from the Agency Revenue Bond Financing Program for a project known as Bayfront Promenade Phase I, HMFA #7916 (the "Project"), upon the terms and conditions set forth in the RFA. 2. Approval of a subsidy mortgage loan commitment for an estimated \$7,350,000 in construction and permanent financing from the Workforce Housing Program ("WHP") Guidelines for the Project, pursuant to the WHP Program Guidelines.

Aye – Janel Winter, Diane Johnson, Dorothy Blakeslee, Aimee Manocchio-Nason, Eric Kaufman, Paulette Sibblies Flagg, Robert Tighue
Nay – None
Abstained-None

## HMFA #07963- BAYFRONT PROMENADE PHASE II - APPROVAL OF A MORTGAGE FINANCING COMMITMENT- ITEM 3B

Robert Tighue moved and Diane Johnson seconded. 1. Approval of a mortgage loan commitment for an estimated \$30,658,000 in construction and permanent financing from the Agency Revenue Bond Financing Program for a project known as Bayfront Promenade Phase I, HMFA #7916 (the "Project"), upon the terms and conditions set forth in the RFA. 2. Approval of a subsidy mortgage loan commitment for an estimated \$6,600,000 in construction and permanent financing from the Workforce Housing Program ("WHP") Guidelines for the Project, pursuant to the WHP Program Guidelines.

Aye – Janel Winter, Diane Johnson, Dorothy Blakeslee, Aimee Manocchio-Nason, Eric Kaufman, Paulette Sibblies Flagg, Robert Tighue
Nay – None
Abstained- None

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Is there any other business, which the Board would like to discuss at this time?

#### **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Dorothy Blakeslee moved and Aimee Manocchio Nason seconded a motion to adjourn at 10:13 am

Aye – Janel Winter, Diane Johnson, Dorothy Blakeslee, Aimee Manocchio-Nason, Eric Kaufman, Paulette Sibblies Flagg, Robert Tighue
Nay – None

Abstained- None



PHILIP D. MURPHY
Governor

TAHESHA L. WAY Lieutenant Governor DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
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JACQUELYN A. SUÁREZ
Commissioner

December 9, 2024

Melanie R. Walter Executive Director New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency 637 S. Clinton Avenue Trenton, New Jersey 08611

Dear Executive Director Walter:

Please accept this letter as formal notification that Department of Community Affairs Assistant Commissioner Janel Winter will serve as my designee, and Chief of Staff Kia A. King will serve as my alternate designee on the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency Board. They are authorized to represent me in my absence and will have voting rights on behalf of myself and the Department of Community Affairs.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call my office at 609-913-4800.

Sincerely,

Jacquelyn A. Suárez

Commissioner





## State of New Jersey OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY PO BOX 080 TRENTON, NJ 08625-0080

MATTHEW J. PLATKIN Attorney General

SHEILA Y. OLIVER *Lt. Governor* 

PHILIP D. MURPHY

Governor

January 27, 2023

Lt. Governor Sheila Y. Oliver, Chair New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency P.O. Box 18550 Trenton, NJ 08625

Dear Lieutenant Governor Oliver:

I am writing to appoint my designee to serve on the board of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (the "Agency").

I hereby appoint Aimee Manocchio Nason, Deputy Attorney General as my designee to serve on the board of the Agency. DAG Manocchio Nason is authorized to represent me in my absence at the meetings of the Agency, to vote in my stead, and to otherwise act on my behalf. In the event of DAG Manocchio Nason's absence, Philip Espinosa, Deputy Attorney General is authorized to represent me in my absence at the meetings of the Agency, to vote in my stead, and to otherwise act on my behalf. In the event of the absence of both DAG Manocchio Nason and DAG Espinosa, Jonathan Peitz, Deputy Attorney General is authorized to represent me in my absence at the meetings of the Agency, to vote in my stead, and to otherwise act on my behalf.

Sincerely,

Matthew J. Platkin Attorney General

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c: Michael T.G. Long, Director, Division of Law Sudha Raja, Deputy Chief of Staff, Division of Law Aimee Manocchio Nason, Deputy Attorney General Philip Espinosa, Assistant Attorney General Jonathan Peitz, Deputy Attorney General Jonathan Garelick, Chief of Staff Melanie R. Walter, Executive Director, NJHMFA





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Acting Director of Banking

January17, 2020

Charles A. Richman, Executive Director New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency 637 South Clinton Avenue PO Box 18550 Trenton, NJ 08650

Re: NJ HMFA Board Meeting Designee

Dear Mr. Richman:

My designee for the New Jersey Housing Mortgage and Finance Agency Board meetings is Paulette Sibblies-Flagg of the Division of Banking.

Ms. Sibblies-Flagg can be reached at <u>paulette.sibblies-flagg@dobi.ni.gov</u>, telephone (609) 940-7347.

Very truly yours,

Marlene Caride Commissioner

cc: Richard Mumford, Acting Director of Banking Paulette Sibbles-Flagg, Division of Banking



# State of New Jersey Office of the State Treasurer PO Box 002 TRENTON NJ 08625-0002

PHILIP D. MURPHY
Governor
Sheila Y. Oliver
Lt. Governor

Elizabeth Maher Muoio State Treasurer

November 29, 2022

Melanie Walter, Executive Director NJ Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency 637 South Clinton Avenue PO Box 18550 Trenton, NJ 08650

Dear Executive Director Walter:

I hereby designate Robert Tighue, Department of Treasury to act as my permanent designee at all the meetings of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency. Anthony Longo, Department of Treasury will be my back-up should Robert not be available to attend.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Maher Muoio State Treasurer



PHILIP D. MURPHY Governor

## State of New Jersey Department of Human Services

SARAH ADELMAN Acting Commissioner

SHEILA Y. OLIVER Lt. Governor P.O. BOX 700 TRENTON, NJ 08625-0700

April 9, 2021

Melanie R. Walter
Executive Director
New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency
637 South Clinton Avenue
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Dear Ms. Walter,

I am writing to update the Department of Human Services' backup staff for the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency Board. As Acting Commissioner, I will continue to represent the Department at these meetings. The Department's first and second backups are:

#### Elisa Neira

Deputy Commissioner Elisa.Neira@dhs.nj.gov 609-984-5550

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Please let me know if you have any questions or need further information. Thank you.

Sincerely,

**Acting Commissioner**