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## **CITY OF STAMFORD**

# URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

### Stamford Government Center-Stamford, Connecticut Special Meeting- Wednesday, August 3, 2022

The City of Stamford Urban Redevelopment Commission, Office of Economic Development, held a Special Meeting, on Wednesday, August 3, 2022, commencing at 2:06pm via Zoom Meeting.

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Diamond called the special meeting to order by Zoom at 2:06 P.M.

#### 2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Mark Diamond, Stephen Fischer, and Richard Evanko Commissioners Absent:

Commission Staff: Loren Nadres-Executive Director, Dr. Tommie Jackson-Assistant Director, and Theresa Bowen-Office Manager

#### 3. 0 Park Place aka Park Square West Phase III Contract Consideration\*

Chairman Diamond moved to enter executive session to discuss a pending real estate matter, seconded by Commissioner Fischer. Motion passed unanimously. Attending the meeting were the three commissioners, Loren Nadres, Tommie Jackson, Theresa Bowen, URC attorney Mario Coppola, and City of Stamford attorney Burt Rosenberg. Executive Session began at 2:22 P.M. and ended at 3:05 P.M. Chairman Diamond called the special meeting back to order at 3:11 P.M. and stated that no action was taken during the meeting to discuss a pending real estate matter.

Commissioner Evanko moved to extend the time for closing on 0 Park West Place subject to the terms specified by Mario Coppola and amendments proposed by Commissioner Evanko and Chairman Diamond. The amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Fisher. Chairmen Evanko and Fisher voted yea, Chairman Diamond voted nay. The motion failed, pursuant to URC bylaw Article III, § 5.

#### 4. Stamford Veterans Park Plaza (SVPP) Funding

Commissioner Fischer asked why funding in the amount of \$150,000 has not been sent to the Partnership. Attorney Rosenberg stated that the Partnership has not complied with requirements it must fulfill before funding can be made and that the deadline for the Partnership to comply has expired. Dr. Jackson stated that the process was initiated in April, 2020, and since then we have received from the Partnership several new proposals for

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funding that vary from the one we approved in 2020. Dr. Jackson reported that he has repeatedly sought compliance by the Partnership, including the RFP the Partnership was required to issue specifying the work to be performed and time limits for completion of work; at least three bids from potential contractors; and an insurance policy naming the URC as an insured, as mandated by the City Office of Purchasing, and the Partnership has not complied. No motion was made.

5. Public comment was held, during which representatives of Wellbuilt Company made statements.

#### 6. Adjournment

Chairman Diamond moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Fischer, the motion passed unanimously. The special meeting was adjourned at 3:51 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Evanko

Secretary/Treasurer Urban Redevelopment Commission