



Board Meeting

Thursday, December 19, 2024

10:00 a.m.



**AGENDA
REGULAR SESSION**

Two DeKorte Park Plaza, Lyndhurst, NJ
Thursday, December 19, 2024

I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

II. **OPENING STATEMENT**

III. **ROLL CALL**

IV. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Resolution 2024-78 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority to conduct a meeting, to which the general public shall not be admitted for the purposes of discussing:

- Personnel – Appointing of President and Chief Executive Officer

V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS** (Action)

- Approval of Regular Session Meeting Minutes of November 21, 2024.
- Approval and/or Ratification of Cash Disbursements over \$100,000 for the month of November 2024.

VI. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON RESOLUTIONS**

VII. **APPROVALS**

Resolution 2024-70 Consideration of a Resolution Relating to the Meadowlands Pedestrian Bridge North Project and NJ Transit Bus Terminal Project.

Resolution 2024-71 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing Changes to the Official Signatories for NJSEA Accounts.

Resolution 2024-72 Consideration of a Resolution Adopting the 2025 New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority Budget.

VIII. **CONTRACTS/AWARDS**

Resolution 2024-73 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Placement of General Liability, Excess Liability and Umbrella, Property, Auto, Marine Hull, Medical Professionals, Active Assailant, Terrorism, Cyber & Storage Tanks Policies.

Resolution 2024-74 Consideration of a Resolution to Enter into a Contract for the Development of a Hydrodynamic and Sediment Transport Model for the Western Section of the Sawmill Creek Basin.

Resolution 2024-75 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Allocation of Funds to Assist with Securing and Hosting a Large-Scale, Marquee Sporting Event at the Prudential Center in Newark.

Resolution 2024-76 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing Funding Commitment to Assist with Securing and Hosting English Premier League Soccer Matches at Metlife Stadium.

Resolution 2024-77 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Design-Build Contract on an Exigent Basis for the Construction of the Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge Project in Preparation for 2026 FIFA World Cup.

IX. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

X. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Resolution 2024-68 Resolution Honoring Anthony Scardino, Jr.

Resolution 2024-69 Resolution Honoring Paul A. Juliano

XI. **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION 2024-78

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
NEW JERSEY SPORTS AND EXPOSITION AUTHORITY
TO CONDUCT A MEETING TO WHICH
THE GENERAL PUBLIC SHALL NOT BE ADMITTED**

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-12 (b), permits the holding of closed sessions by public bodies in certain circumstances; and

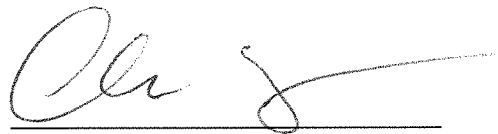
WHEREAS, the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority (NJSEA) is of the opinion that those circumstances presently exist.

BE IT RESOLVED by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition authority ("Authority") that it shall conduct a meeting to which the general public shall not be admitted to discuss:

- Personnel - Appointing of President and Chief Executive Officer

This resolution shall become effective immediately.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at their meeting of December 19, 2024.



Christine Sanz
Secretary

REGULAR
SESSION
MINUTES



**REGULAR SESSION
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: November 21, 2024

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Board Meeting Room, Two DeKorte Park Plaza, Lyndhurst

Members in Attendance:

John Ballantyne, Chairman

Paul Juliano, President and CEO

Joseph Buckelew, Vice Chairman (via phone)

Armando Fontoura, Member

Michael H. Gluck, Esq., Member (via phone)

Gail B. Gordon, Esq., Member

Michael Griffin, NJ State Treasurer's Representative (via phone)

Woody Knopf, Member (via phone)

Tom Mullahey, Member

Eric Pennington, Esq., Member

Steven Plofker, Esq., Member

Anthony Scardino, Member

Louis J. Stellato, Member (via phone)

Absent:

Robert Dowd, Member

Marguerite Schaffer, Esq., Member

Michael Gonnelli, Member

Also Attending:

Christine Sanz, Executive Vice President

Nicholas Mammano, Chief of Staff

Robert Davidow, Senior Vice President of Legal & Regulatory Affairs

John Duffy, Senior Vice President of Sports Complex Operations & Facilities

Adam Levy, Vice President of Legal & Regulatory Affairs

Sara Sundell, Director of Land Use Management and Chief Engineer

Anna Acanfora, Director of Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Jamera Sirmans, Governor's Authorities Unit (via phone)

Colleen Mercado, Executive Administrative Specialist

Chairman Ballantyne called the meeting to order.

- I. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- II. **OPENING STATEMENT** - Chairman Ballantyne read the Notice of Meeting required under the Sunshine Law.
- III. **ROLL CALL**

Before continuing with the agenda, Chairman Ballantyne wished everyone a very happy, healthy and joyous Thanksgiving. He acknowledged and thanked the Board and NJSEA staff.

He stated that the Board's vision and leadership and staff's tireless hard work have embodied the NJSEA as a beacon of good government.

President Juliano echoed the Chairman's comments and thanked the staff for their dedication and hard work. He wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving and said it was an honor and privilege to serve at the Authority for the past year and a half.

IV. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS**

Chairman Ballantyne presented the minutes from the October 24, 2024 Regular Session Board meeting.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Scardino and seconded by Commissioner Fontoura the minutes of the Regular Session Board Meeting held on October 24, 2024 were approved by a vote of 13-0.

Chairman Ballantyne presented the report of cash disbursements over \$100,000 for the month of October 2024.

Upon motion by Commissioner Fontoura and seconded by Commissioner Gordon the cash disbursements over \$100,000 for the month of October 2024 were unanimously approved.

V. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON RESOLUTIONS** - None

VI. **APPROVALS**

Resolution 2024-56

Consideration of a Resolution regarding Tidelands Grant Application for COF/Liberty Property LP/105 Amor Venue - Site Improvement (Variance) File No. 23-465 Block 123, Lot 11 in the Borough of Carlstadt.

Ms. Sundell stated that the NJSEA received a zoning certificate application from Liberty Property LP for site improvements at its property located at 105 Amor Avenue in Carlstadt. She explained that within the District, a riparian permit executed by the NJDEP Bureau of Tidelands Management is required to accompany a zoning certificate application if a portion of a subject project is subject to the State's riparian interest. She noted that the applicant had applied to the Bureau of Tidelands Management for Tidelands Resource Council approval of a riparian sweep grant. She further noted that the NJDEP was required to provide the NJSEA with an opportunity to submit its recommendation regarding applications to the Bureau for tidelands conveyances within the District. She stated that staff reviewed the application submitted by Liberty Property LP to the Bureau of Tidelands Management and recommended that the Board authorize staff to forward a resolution to the Tidelands Bureau in support of the subject tidelands grant application.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-56. Upon motion by Commissioner Plofker and seconded by Commissioner Scardino, Resolution 2024-56 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

Resolution 2024-57

Consideration of a Resolution to Adopt Annual Schedule of Meetings.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-57. Upon motion by President Juliano and seconded by Commissioner Fontoura, Resolution 2024-57 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

Resolution 2024-58

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Allocation of Funds in Support of Events and Attractions at the Sports Complex.

Mr. Levy stated that this Resolution was related to the allocation of State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) in conformance with the requirements of the American Rescue Plan Act (ACR). He noted that the program was administered by the Governor's Office of Disaster Recovery (GDRO) and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA). He explained that subject to further review for compliance by GDRO and DCA, SFRF monies had been allocated to NJSEA for the following programs: \$2 million in support of a project being under taken by the Meadowlands Chamber of Commerce relative to redevelopment of the Arena site for which they were determining economic impact and viability and potential uses. He noted that this was in addition to funds approved by the NJSEA Board earlier this year for the initial phase of the study; \$10 million for the design-build services related to the construction of the second pedestrian bridge over Route 120. He noted that the \$10 million was in addition to funds already committed by the New Jersey Department of Transportation under the Local Transportation Project Fund which the Board had taken action on earlier this year; \$12.5 million for events and attractions at the complex. He noted that part of the \$12.5 million had already been allocated for a marquee event to be held at MetLife next summer with the remaining \$5,375,000 million to be allocated for needs at the complex related to World Cup including purchases of emergency vehicles and equipment necessary to ensure the safety of patrons and attendees at events held at the complex, in particular the World Cup. He concluded by stating that this resolution authorized an MOU with DCA and also authorized disbursement of these funds in accordance with the programs as discussed and in accordance with the requirements of the SFRF program.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-58. Upon motion by Commissioner Plofker and seconded by Commissioner Fontoura Resolution 2024-58 was approved by a vote of 12-0, with Commissioner Scardino recusing.

Resolution 2024-59

Consideration of a Resolution Accepting the 2023 Audit Report.

Ms. Acanfora stated that the Report prepared by Mercadien issued the Authority an unmodified opinion of its financial operations. She noted that consistent with prior years the valuation of the arena and the disclosure related to union sponsored pension plans continued to be a source for a qualified opinion. She noted that there were no findings associated with internal controls over financial reporting and no findings related to non-compliance to laws, regulations, contracts and agreements. She explained that a single audit was also performed for compliance on major federal programs and an unmodified opinion was issued on this audit. She said that an exit-conference was held on November 18, 2024 between Mercadien and the NJSEA Audit Committee.

Chairman Ballantyne stated that the Audit Committee was in concurrence to accept the Audit Report as delivered at its meeting on November 18, 2024 and recommended the Board's acceptance.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-59. Upon motion by Commissioner Fontoura and seconded by Commissioner Scardino, Resolution 2024-59 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

VII. CONTRACTS AND AWARDS

Resolution 2024-60

Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Placement of Public Officials, Crime & Fiduciary, Drone Hull Liability, and Heliport Liability Insurance Policies.

Ms. Acanfora explained that the Authority's Broker, Willis Towers Watson, solicited quotes from multiple insurance carriers. She said that the staff evaluated the quotes and recommended to bind all the policies listed. She stated that the total cost of \$229,740 for these policies reflected a savings of \$21, 205 over the prior year's policies.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-60. Upon motion by Vice Chairman Buckelew and seconded by Commissioner Fontoura, Resolution 2024-60 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

Resolution 2024-61 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Architecture and Engineering Design Consulting Services for the Proposed North Pedestrian Bridge over Route 120 on the Sports Complex in East Rutherford.

Mr. Duffy explained that it had been determined that improvements to the present pedestrian bridge are required to facilitate the operations of the complex especially during events such as the 2026 World Cup. He stated that under RFQ-083 staff determined that the firm of Gannet Fleming was the best suited to provide architectural, structural and engineering design necessary to produce design build plans and specifications associated with the construction of the proposed North Pedestrian Bridge. He said that staff was also requesting to use Gannet Fleming during the construction review phase. He stated that staff recommends entering into a contract with Gannet Fleming for an amount not to exceed \$700,000.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-61. Upon motion by Commissioner Fontoura and seconded by Commissioner Plofker, Resolution 2024-61 was approved by a vote of 12-0, with President Juliano abstaining.

Resolution 2024-62 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for Engineering Services Related to Design and Construction of the Proposed North Pedestrian Bridge over Route 120 on the Sports Complex in East Rutherford.

Mr. Duffy explained that associated with the design of the additional bridge was the site's civil, geotechnical and environmental design facets. He stated that Langan Engineering and Environmental Services, LLC was selected under RFQ-083 since they have extensive geotechnical and environmental experience on the complex. He explained that Langan would be tasked with geotechnical engineering, surveying, environmental engineering and peer review of the inspection of the design team's work. He stated that staff recommended a contract be awarded to Langan Engineering and Environmental Services, LLC at a cost not to exceed \$425,000.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-62. Upon motion by Commissioner Fontoura and seconded by Commissioner Plofker, Resolution 2024-62 was approved by a vote of 12-0, with President Juliano abstaining.

Resolution 2024-63 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract for On-Call Owner's Representative Consulting Services related to Design and Construction of the Proposed North Pedestrian Bridge over Route 120 on the Sports Complex in East Rutherford.

Mr. Duffy explained that under RFQ-PS096 staff determined that Epic Management of Piscataway, New Jersey was the best suited to provide on-call owner's representative consulting services related to the design and construction of the proposed North Pedestrian Bridge due to their

extensive public works experience in New Jersey and experience with critical patron safety and logistic planning on the complex. He stated that staff recommended that Epic Management be awarded a not-to-exceed contract of \$850,000 to provide full-time construction management and owners representative services associated with the construction of the North Pedestrian Bridge.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-63. Upon motion by Commissioner Plofker and seconded by Commissioner Fontoura, Resolution 2024-63 was approved by a vote of 12-0, with President Juliano recusing.

Resolution 2024-64 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the President and CEO to Execute a Change Order under the Contract with CM Towers, Inc. of Cranford, New Jersey for the Arena Cooling Tower Rehabilitation Project.

Mr. Duffy stated that in June 2024 the Authority bid the rebuilding of the cooling tower associated with the Arena and a contract was awarded to CM Towers, Inc. without awarding the add/alternate options to replace all of the existing piping and heat tracing. He explained that as work began it was found that the piping associated with the tower would need to be replaced rather than repaired. He stated that staff was recommending a change order be issued for the additional work at a cost of \$867,917 resulting in a total contract price of \$1,967,307.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-64. Upon motion by Commissioner Scardino and seconded by Commissioner Fontoura, Resolution 2024-64 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

Resolution 2024-65 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing the Award of a Contract with Phase Associates of New Jersey for Industrial Hygiene and Safety Services for the NJSEA Facilities in East Rutherford and Lyndhurst.

Mr. Duffy explained that the Authority received one proposal in response to a request for bids issued in July 2024 for industrial hygiene and safety services. He said that staff reviewed and evaluated the proposal received from Phase Associates of Livingston, New Jersey and recommended they be awarded a 3-year not-to-exceed contract of \$210,000 with two additional one-year options totaling \$140,000 resulting in a total not-to-exceed contract of \$350,000 for a five-year period.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-65. Upon motion by Commissioner Plofker and seconded by Commissioner Scardino, Resolution 2024-65 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

Resolution 2024-66 Consideration of a Resolution Authorizing a Contract for On-Call Transportation Services.

Mr. Levy stated that this resolution was regarding the procurement of professional services related to MASSTR maintenance and other tasks involved in the transportation group. He explained that NJSEA had recently conducted a mini-solicitation of the three firms that were qualified under Resolution 2024-36 for the service category of Transportation Planning and Engineering and the sub-category of ITS Design and Operation. He noted that the firms included HNTB Corporation, Michael Baker and Jacobs Engineering. He said that the proposals submitted reflected the proposed estimated annual pricing was comparable across all three firms. He noted that an in-person interview was held with Michael Baker International to clarify certain elements of the firm's proposal. He stated that following a review of the proposals, NJSEA staff determined that HNTB Corporation was the firm best suited to perform the work required under the mini-solicitation. He said that the staff estimated the cost of the work annually would not exceed

\$260,000 and that this resolution would authorize a one-year contract with two one-year options to extend, at the sole discretion of the NJSEA, at a total cost not to exceed \$780,000.

Chairman Ballantyne presented Resolution 2024-66. Upon motion by Commissioner Fontoura and seconded by Commissioner Scardino, Resolution 2024-66 was approved by a vote of 13-0.

VIII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - None.

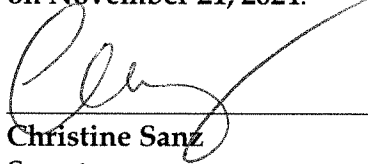
IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Chairman Ballantyne stated that there was no need for an Executive Session.

X. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Fontoura and seconded by Commissioner Mullahey followed by all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

I certify that on information and belief this is a true and accurate transcript of the Minutes of the Regular Session of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority Board Meeting held on November 21, 2024.



Christine Sanz
Secretary

November 21, 2024

Commissioner	Roll Call	2024-56	2024-57	2024-58	2024-59	2024-60	2024-61	2024-62	2024-63	2024-64	2024-65	2024-66
Ballantyne, Chairman	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Buckelew, Vice Chair - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Juliano	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	A	A	R	Y	Y	Y
Dowd	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Fontoura	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Gluck - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Gonnelli	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--				
Gordon	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Knopf - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mullahey	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Pennington	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Plofker-	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Scardino	P	Y	Y	R	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Schaffer	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Stellato - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Treasury Rep Griffin - via phone	P	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

P = Present A = Abstain -- Absent
R = Recuse Y = Affirmative N = Negative

APPROVALS



CASH DISBURSEMENTS
\$100,000 OR MORE
NOVEMBER 2024

EAST RUTHERFORD - SPORTS COMPLEX

	<u>\$ AMOUNT</u>	<u>REFERENCE LETTER</u>	<u>ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</u>
CONSTELLATION NEW ENERGY, INC	556,247.10	J/L	ELECTRICITY CHARGES: OCT 2024
PSE&G CO.	163,223.29	J/L	ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION: OCT 2024
STATE OF NEW JERSEY	110,575.06	A/L	UNCLAIMED ESCROW OPERATIONS FUNDS & 2024 FIRE REGISTRATION FEE
<u>EAST RUTHERFORD - SC TOTAL</u>	<u>830,045.45</u>		

LYNDHURST

<u>PAYEE</u>	<u>\$ AMOUNT</u>	<u>REFERENCE LETTER</u>	<u>ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</u>
JERSEY CITY, CITY OF	414,343.00	I	TAX SHARING: NOV 2024
KEARNY, TOWN OF	2,548,200.00	I	TAX SHARING: NOV 2024
NORTH ARLINGTON, BOROUGH OF	430,258.00	I	TAX SHARING: NOV 2024
RIDGEFIELD, BOROUGH OF	314,833.00	I	TAX SHARING: NOV 2024
<u>LYNDHURST TOTAL</u>	<u>3,707,634.00</u>		



CASH DISBURSEMENTS
\$100,000 OR MORE

<u>REFERENCE LETTER</u>	<u>TYPE</u>
A	CONTRACT ON FILE
B	PURCHASE AWARDS - APPROVED AT MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
C	STATE REQUIREMENT FOR RACING
D	STATE VENDOR
E	SOLE SOURCE*
F	APPOINTED BY RACING COMMISSION
G	ADVERTISED BID
H	PRESIDENT/CEO APPROVAL
I	STATUTORY PAYMENT
J	UTILITIES
K	LOWEST PROPOSAL
L	REIMBURSABLE
M	OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONAL INVOICES APPROVED AT MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
N	PURCHASES ON BASIS OF EXIGENCY
*	PURCHASES DIRECT FROM SOURCE
	EXPENDITURE TO BE CHARGED TO MAINTENANCE RESERVE FUND

RESOLUTION 2024-70

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE MEADOWLANDS PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE NORTH PROJECT AND NJ TRANSIT BUS TERMINAL PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of New York and the State of New Jersey chose to participate in the bidding process to host matches for the 2026 FIFA World Cup ("**2026 FIFA World Cup**") through a joint bid, with matches to be played at MetLife Stadium at the MetLife Sports Complex ("**MetLife Stadium**"); and

WHEREAS, New Meadowlands Stadium Company, LLC ("**NMSC**") is the owner and operator of MetLife Stadium, Ameream LLC ("**Ameream**") is the owner and operator of the American Dream entertainment and retail complex ("**American Dream**"), and the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority ("**NJSEA**") is the owner of the land for the entire MetLife Sports Complex in East Rutherford, New Jersey on which MetLife Stadium and American Dream sit; and

WHEREAS, NJSEA and NMSC are parties to that certain Stadium Project Ground Lease and Development Agreement dated December 21, 2006 ("**Stadium Ground Lease Agreement**"), pursuant to which NMSC leases the land on which the Stadium is located; and

WHEREAS, NJSEA and Ameream are parties to that certain ERC Ground Lease dated June 30, 2005 (as amended from time to time, the "**American Dream Lease Agreement**"), pursuant to which Ameream leases the land on which American Dream is located; and

WHEREAS, as part of the joint bidding process, in 2018: (i) The City of New York ("**NYC**") executed that certain Host City Agreement, by and among Federation Internationale de Football Association ("**FIFA**") and United States Soccer Federation, Inc. (the "**Member Association**") (the "**New York Host City Agreement**"), (ii) the NJSEA executed that certain Host City Agreement, by and among FIFA and the Member Association (the "**New Jersey Host City Agreement**"), and (iii) NMSC executed that certain Stadium Agreement by and among FIFA and the Member Association (the "**Stadium Agreement**"); and

WHEREAS, in June 2022, in connection with the final selection of host cities for the 2026 FIFA World Cup, the NJSEA, NYC, and NMSC entered into that certain Addendum to Hosting Agreements FIFA World Cup 2026 (as amended from time to time, the "**Addendum**"), and together with the New York Host City Agreement, the New Jersey Host City Agreement, and the Stadium Agreement, the "**Hosting Agreements**"; and

WHEREAS, FIFA selected New York and New Jersey to serve as a joint Host City for certain matches during the 2026 FIFA World Cup, with eight (8) matches to be held at MetLife Stadium, including the final match on July 19, 2026; and

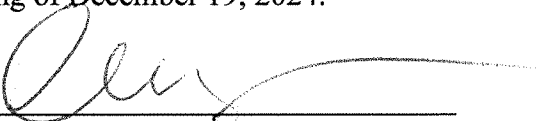
WHEREAS, as a part of the NJSEA's obligations to FIFA relating to the 2026 FIFA World Cup, the NJSEA is required to maintain certain safety and accessibility standards at and around MetLife Stadium; and

WHEREAS, the NJSEA has identified an urgent and critical need to: (i) construct a new, additional pedestrian bridge immediately to the north of the existing pedestrian bridge, between

Meadowlands Parking Lot C and the American Dream Parking Garage A (crossing Route 120) at the MetLife Sports Complex (the “Meadowlands North **Pedestrian Bridge Project**”), and (ii) in conjunction with New Jersey Transit Corporation (“**NJ Transit**”), construct a new bus terminal on the West Side of Route 120 at the MetLife Sports Complex, on an area that is currently used for parking at the MetLife Sports Complex (the “**Bus Terminal Project**”, and collectively with the Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge Project, the “**Projects**”), to, without limitation, improve and increase access to and from MetLife Stadium, and to alleviate concerns that the existing pedestrian bridge and public transportation options do not currently have sufficient capacity to adequately accommodate the unprecedented number of patrons expected to attend the 2026 FIFA World Cup event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and CEO of the NJSEA or any officer authorized by the President and CEO of the NJSEA (each an “**Authorized Authority Official**”), shall be, and are hereby, authorized, instructed and directed to negotiate, prepare, enter into, execute, deliver, amend, modify and finalize any and all documents, instruments, declarations, opinions and certificates (including, without limitation, amendments to the Stadium Lease, the American Dream Lease and any other lease with any tenant of the MetLife Sports Complex, and to authorize and approve subleases and/or master plan modifications related thereto, including any contracts, agreements, leases, or subleases with NJ Transit related to development, construction, or operation of the Bus Terminal Project), and to take all such further actions as are necessary, desirable and/or advisable for the NJSEA to confirm, effectuate, implement, memorialize, consummate and/or perfect the Projects, or as are otherwise deemed necessary, desirable and/or advisable by the President and CEO of the NJSEA or other Authorized Authority Official including without limitation, for the purpose of fulfilling the NJSEA’s general commitments made under the Hosting Agreements and other agreements relating to the 2026 FIFA World Cup, or generally in order to support the hosting of the FIFA World Cup in New York and New Jersey, including the matches at MetLife Stadium, in such form and substance, and with such reasonable or necessary changes thereto, as shall be approved by the President and CEO of the NJSEA or other Authorized Authority Official executing such document, instrument, declaration, opinion or certificate, and containing such information as shall be approved by the President and CEO of the NJSEA or other Authorized Authority Official, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by his or her execution of such document, instrument, declaration, opinion or certificate.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at their meeting of December 19, 2024.



Christine Sanz
Secretary

RESOLUTION 2024-71

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGES TO THE OFFICIAL
SIGNATORIES FOR NJSEA ACCOUNTS**

WHEREAS, signatories for certain bank accounts and other financial documents have been established by resolution adopted in the past for the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority (the "Authority"); and

WHEREAS, due to recent changes of personnel within the Authority, certain signatory changes are necessary, and

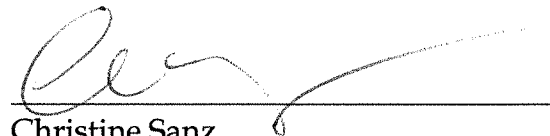
WHEREAS, in accordance with the by-laws of the Authority the following signatories are authorized to be assigned to necessary accounts as directed by and in discretion of the President/CEO, Paul Juliano;

Nicholas Mammano
Christine A. Sanz
Anna Acanfora
Sarina DosSantos

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority hereby authorizes the aforementioned signatories to the necessary accounts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Authority conferred upon the above named signatories shall remain in full force and effect until written notice of revocation.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at their meeting of December 19, 2024.

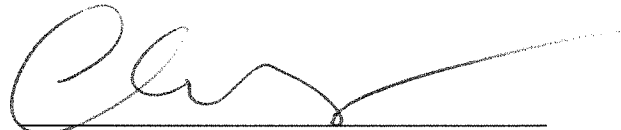

Christine Sanz
Secretary

RESOLUTION 2024-72

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
2025 NEW JERSEY SPORTS AND EXPOSITION AUTHORITY BUDGET**

BE IT RESOLVED by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority that the attached Operations budget is hereby approved and adopted as the 2025 New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority Budget.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at their meeting of December 19, 2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christine Sanz', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

Christine Sanz
Secretary



NEW JERSEY SPORTS & EXPOSITION AUTHORITY

For the Twelve Months Ending

	2024 Final Budget	2025 Proposed Budget	2025 vs. 2024
REVENUES			
Operating Revenue			
NMSCO Ground Lease	\$ 6,300,000	\$ 6,300,000	\$ -
NMR Shared Services/Ground Lease	\$ 8,580,000	\$ 9,000,000	\$ 420,000
MP Shared Services/Interest Income	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 2,278,490	\$ 278,490
Lease Revenue	\$ 2,023,573	\$ 2,039,910	\$ 16,337
Land Use Fee Income	\$ 800,000	\$ 800,000	\$ -
Market Place	\$ 460,000	\$ 460,000	\$ -
Wireless Income	\$ 350,000	\$ 350,000	\$ -
Wildwood Management Fees	\$ 315,000	\$ 315,000	\$ -
Arena Revenue	\$ 2,700,000	\$ 1,200,000	\$ (1,500,000)
AD Shared Services	\$ 1,705,184	\$ 1,705,184	\$ -
AD Ground Lease	\$ 4,743,750	\$ 4,743,750	\$ -
Misc. Other	\$ 966,200	\$ 1,271,200	\$ 305,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$ 30,943,707	\$ 30,463,534	\$ (480,173)
EXPENSES			
Operating Expenses			
Salaries/Fringe-Administrative & Retirees	\$ 15,000,679	\$ 16,428,071	\$ 1,427,392
Salaries/Fringe-Union	\$ 8,126,130	\$ 8,298,590	\$ 172,460
Supplies	\$ 912,300	\$ 975,050	\$ 62,750
Services - Non Discretionary	\$ 14,592,200	\$ 13,739,484	\$ (852,716)
Services - Discretionary	\$ 5,507,209	\$ 6,565,304	\$ 1,058,095
Repairs/Maintenance	\$ 2,042,700	\$ 2,202,730	\$ 160,030
Utilities	\$ 4,229,561	\$ 3,983,650	\$ (245,911)
Other	\$ 18,532,928	\$ 17,320,655	\$ (1,212,273)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 68,943,707	\$ 69,513,534	\$ 569,827
OPERATING GAIN/(LOSS)	\$ (38,000,000)	\$ (39,050,000)	\$ (1,050,000)
NON-OPERATING INCOME/(EXPENSES)			
State Appropriation	\$ 33,000,000	\$ 33,000,000	\$ -
Solid Waste Appropriation	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 5,000,000	\$ -
MRRI Appropriation	\$ -	\$ 50,000	\$ 50,000
MRRI Appropriation Reserve	\$ -	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Environmental Center Reserve	\$ -	\$ 900,000	\$ 900,000
TOTAL NON-OPERATING INCOME/(EXPENSES)	\$ 38,000,000	\$ 39,050,000	\$ 1,050,000
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

AWARDS / CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION 2024-73

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACEMENT OF GENERAL LIABILITY, EXCESS LIABILITY AND UMBRELLA, PROPERTY, AUTO, MARINE HULL, MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS, ACTIVE ASSAILANT, TERRORISM, CYBER & STORAGE TANKS POLICIES

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority (“Authority”) utilized the services of its Insurance Broker, Willis Towers Watson Northeast, Inc. (“Willis”) to obtain insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, Willis solicited quotes from multiple insurers for the above referenced policies, and

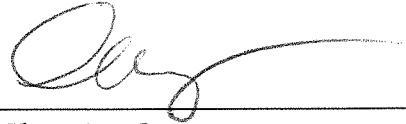
WHEREAS, as a result of its solicitation, Willis is recommending that the Authority bind the following policies.

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Carrier</u>	<u>Quote</u>
Property (Sports)	AIG	\$816,975
Property (Lyndhurst)	Allianz (McKee)	\$41,928
Property Wildwood	AXIS, Starstone, Lexington	
	Markel, Birkshire Hathaway	\$462,292
Property Wildwood Equip.	CAN	\$4,730
Property Terrorism	Liberty Mutual	\$36,000
Marine Boat & Hull	Brookfield Reinsurance	\$35,414
Excess Marine	Argonaut/Markel/Beazley	\$25,725
Boat Trailer	Ohio Casualty	\$2,318
Gen. Liability (Sports & WW)	Philadelphia	\$454,130
Lead Umbrella (Sports)	Philadelphia	\$134,423
Excess Umbrella (Sports)	AIG	\$113,590
Gen. Liability (Commission)	McKee-One Republic	\$141,107
Lead Umbrella (Commission & Auto)	Munich Re	\$432,154
Excess Umbrella (Commission)	Genesis	\$218,500
General & Excess Liability (Landfills)	AmTrust/CRC	\$31,725
Excess Master Umbrella (Sports & Commission)	AWAC	\$355,500
Auto Physical Damage	Markel	\$27,217
Medical Professionals	Admiral	\$45,099
Storage Tank	Chubb	\$11,530
Cyber	AIG	\$30,573
Active Assailant	Hiscox	\$17,750
Total		\$3,438,680

WHEREAS, the Authority staff has evaluated the insurance premium quotation options submitted by Willis and concurs with its recommendation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority hereby authorizes Willis to bind the policies that will be effective January 1, 2025 through January 1, 2026 at a total cost of \$3,438,680.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at their meeting of December 19, 2024.

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Christine Sanz
Secretary

RESOLUTION 2024-74

RESOLUTION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A HYDRODYNAMIC AND SEDIMENT TRANSPORT MODEL FOR THE WESTERN SECTION OF THE SAWMILL CREEK BASIN

WHEREAS, the 741-acre Sawmill Creek Wildlife Management Area in Lyndhurst and Kearny, NJ lies within the Meadowlands District; and

WHEREAS, the marsh habitat is an important resource to the Meadowlands and surrounding New York/New Jersey Harbor estuary; and

WHEREAS, this portion of the Meadowlands has undergone a great amount of ecological change due to anthropogenic causes and, as a result extensive areas that were formerly vegetated wetlands that sequestered carbon have transitioned to open water and mudflat that now act as carbon source. Wildlife habitats have been lost through erosion, the large open water expanses provide no protection for adjacent infrastructure, and sea level rise and a lack of sediment re-nourishment continue to threaten the remaining areas of vegetated marsh; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that understanding the existing hydrodynamics and sediment transport conditions of the western section of the Sawmill Creek Basin is essential for determining the best approach for restoration; and

WHEREAS, the NJSEA was awarded a grant from USEPA Region 2 that provides funding to complete a 2D hydrodynamic and sediment transport model of the project site, which accurately represents water level, current velocity and wave dynamics at the site; and

WHEREAS, the NJSEA issued a Request for Proposal on November 14, 2024, seeking a vendor to create the development of hydrodynamic and sediment transport model of the western section of the Sawmill Creek Basin; and

WHEREAS, in response to the Request for Proposal, the NJSEA received one proposal; and

WHEREAS, an evaluation committee comprised of NJSEA staff reviewed the proposal and ranked the proposal based on established criteria; and

WHEREAS, after evaluating the submitted proposal, the evaluation committee recommends that the NJSEA award the contract to Biohabitats, Inc., a qualified firm, price and other factors considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President and CEO is authorized to enter into a contract with Biohabitats Inc. for the acquisition of Development of Hydrodynamic and Sediment Transport Model for the western section of the Sawmill Creek Basin using EPA grant funds at a cost not to exceed the submitted bid price of \$191,345.

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RESOLUTION 2024-75

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO ASSIST WITH
SECURING AND HOSTING A LARGE-SCALE, MARQUEE SPORTING EVENT AT
THE PRUDENTIAL CENTER IN NEWARK**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority ("NJSEA") recognizes that drawing large-scale sporting events and competitions to New Jersey venues generates substantial benefits for the tourism, hospitality, and travel industries; and

WHEREAS, the sold-out UFC 302 event, held on June 1, 2024, at the Prudential Center in Newark attracted 17,834 attendees and resulted in substantial positive economic impacts for the city and the surrounding region, including increased economic activity for hotels, restaurants, and local businesses; and

WHEREAS, additionally, the State benefited from significant media exposure as a result of UFC efforts at community engagement, marketing, and event promotion; and

WHEREAS, the NJSEA received a funding appropriation in the FY2025 State Budget for "International Events, Improvements and Attraction;" and

WHEREAS, with the goal of duplicating the significant positive economic impact from hosting previous UFC events in New Jersey, the NJSEA desires to utilize a portion of the appropriated funds to assist Devils Arena Entertainment, LLC, the operator of the Prudential Center, with securing and hosting the upcoming UFC 316 mixed martial arts pay-per-view event, currently scheduled for June 7, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and CEO of the NJSEA is hereby authorized and directed to take all such actions and to execute and deliver all such instruments and documents, as is reasonable or necessary to accomplish the purposes of the foregoing Resolution, and that the Board of Commissioners of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority hereby authorizes the disbursement of funds in the amount of \$5,000,000 to Devils Arena Entertainment, LLC to accomplish the purposes set forth in the foregoing Resolution.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at its meeting of December 19, 2024.



Christine Sanz
Secretary

RESOLUTION 2024-76

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FUNDING COMMITMENT TO ASSIST WITH
SECURING AND HOSTING ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER MATCHES
AT METLIFE STADIUM**

WHEREAS, the NJSEA recognizes that drawing large-scale sporting and entertainment events to New Jersey venues generates substantial benefits for the tourism, hospitality, and travel industries; and

WHEREAS, recent sporting events at MetLife Stadium, including the NHL Stadium series and CONMEBOL Copa América matches were significant drivers of economic activity for the State; and

WHEREAS, the NJSEA received a funding appropriation in the FY2025 State Budget for “International Events, Improvements and Attraction;” and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of 2026 FIFA World Cup, during which eight matches will be held at MetLife Stadium, including the final match on July 19, 2026, and with the goal of duplicating the significant economic benefits from previous events, the NJSEA desires to utilize a portion of the appropriated funds to assist MetLife Stadium with securing and hosting upcoming Premier League Summer Series 2025 matches (the “Premier League Matches”); and

WHEREAS, a previous Premier League Summer Series tournament held in the United States, which included nine matches as part of six matchday events across five East Coast cities, was immensely successful, attracting 265,000 attendees while being broadcast live to 189 countries; and

WHEREAS, the Premier League Matches to be held at MetLife Stadium, which are currently scheduled for July of 2025, will feature two matches, four Premier League clubs, and a range of supporting ancillary events, programs, and activities; and

WHEREAS, the ancillary events and activities will include Premier League Mornings Live, a weekend fan festival designed to bring Premier League fans together in iconic locations, along with multi-day community development programs focusing on youth in underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, the Premier League has further committed to partnering with the State on the marketing and promotion of New Jersey as a leading sports and entertainment destination.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the President and CEO of the NJSEA is hereby authorized and directed to take all such actions and to execute and deliver all such instruments and documents, as is reasonable or necessary to accomplish the purposes of the foregoing Resolution, and that the Board of Commissioners of the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority hereby authorizes the disbursement of funds in the amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000) to MetLife Stadium to accomplish the purposes of the foregoing Resolution.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at its meeting of December 19, 2024.

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Secretary

RESOLUTION 2024-77

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE ON AN EXIGENT BASIS IN PREPARATION FOR FIFA WORLD CUP 2026.

WHEREAS, the City of New York and the State of New Jersey chose to participate in the bidding process to host matches for the 2026 FIFA World Cup ("2026 FIFA World Cup") through a joint bid, with matches to be played at MetLife Stadium at the MetLife Sports Complex ("MetLife Stadium"); and

WHEREAS, New Meadowlands Stadium Company, LLC is the owner and operator of MetLife Stadium, and the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority ("NJSEA") is the owner of the land for the entire MetLife Sports Complex in East Rutherford, New Jersey on which MetLife Stadium sits; and

WHEREAS, as part of the joint bidding process, in 2018, the NJSEA executed that certain Host City Agreement, by and among FIFA and the Member Association (the "New Jersey Host City Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, FIFA selected New York and New Jersey to serve as a joint Host City for certain matches during the 2026 FIFA World Cup, with eight matches to be held at MetLife Stadium, including the final match on July 19, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Sports Complex currently features a pedestrian bridge crossing New Jersey Route 120, constructed in 1999 (the "Existing Pedestrian Bridge"); and

WHEREAS, as a part of the NJSEA's obligations to FIFA relating to the World Cup under the New Jersey Host City Agreement, the NJSEA is required to maintain certain safety and accessibility standards at and around MetLife Stadium; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the capacity of the Existing Pedestrian Bridge is insufficient for the anticipated increase in pedestrian traffic during large scale events like 2026 FIFA World Cup, and that there is an urgent and critical need to construct a second pedestrian bridge to alleviate pedestrian traffic congestion and provide more favorable pedestrian flow on the Sports Complex site in advance of 2026 FIFA World Cup; and

WHEREAS, for the foregoing reasons, the NJSEA has determined to construct this second pedestrian bridge immediately to the north of the existing pedestrian bridge, between Meadowlands Parking Lot C and the American Dream Parking Garage A (crossing Route 120) at the MetLife Sports Complex (the "Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge" or "Project"), to improve and increase access to and from MetLife Stadium, and to alleviate concerns regarding capacity to accommodate the unprecedented number of patrons expected to attend the 2026 FIFA World Cup event; and

WHEREAS, the NJSEA desires to award a design-build contract for construction of Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge project that will potentially include, without limitation, driven piles, structural steel, site utilities, electric lighting and signage, site work, and architectural features, with all work to be planned, coordinated and performed at the active MetLife Sports Complex site on a compressed timeline; and

WHEREAS, the design and construction of the Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge project requires the NJSEA to retain a qualified design-build firm with demonstrated experience with similar design-build projects involving the construction of vehicular and/or pedestrian bridges spanning active highways, waterways, or other transportation infrastructures; and

WHEREAS, in support of the Project, and as previously authorized by this Board, the NJSEA engaged Epic Management (“Epic”) to provide owner representative and construction management services, along with other engineering firms to develop design bridging documents, provide pre-design services, and otherwise support the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-10(b), N.J.S.A. 5:10-21.2, and N.J.S.A. 5:10-21.4(d), the NJSEA is authorized to make, negotiate, or award contracts without public advertisement when public exigency requires immediate performance of services or when the nature of the agreement does not permit the delay associated with public bidding; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order 37 (Corzine), the public advertisement and competitive bidding processes set forth in the Executive Order shall not apply where State or federal statutory law requires a different process than that set forth in the Executive Order (Section 16(f)) or where the public exigency requires that services or products be purchased immediately (Section 16(b)); and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of the upcoming FIFA World Cup 2026, with the first matches to be played at MetLife Stadium in June of 2026, and considering the significant time that will be required for the design, construction, and completion of the Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge, an urgent need and public exigency exists, rendering public advertisement of the Project impractical and necessitating the expedited selection and engagement of a design-build firm to construct the Project; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 5:10-21.5, the NJSEA may negotiate or award agreements in any manner deemed necessary to advance its unique interests and purposes while promoting, when practicable, full and fair competition through the acceptance of proposals, quotations, or other suitable methods; and

WHEREAS, in the present case, and for the foregoing reasons, the NJSEA desires to authorize and use an exception to publicly advertised bidding and seek solicitations from a set of qualified and experienced design-build firms and award a contract based on pre-determined criteria; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, the NJSEA issued a Request for Expression of Interest to

a set of qualified firms, which was followed by the issuance of a Request for Proposal for NJSEA Project No. PS/CN 295 "Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge Design-Build Contract," with a December 6, 2024 proposal deadline ("RFP"); and

WHEREAS, in response to the RFP, the NJSEA received submissions from Railroad Construction Company Inc. ("RCC") and Creamer-Sanzari, A Joint Venture ("CSJV"), with both firms having previously demonstrated the requisite qualifications and experience; and

WHEREAS, the submitted proposals were reviewed by an Evaluation Committee, which, scored each of the proposals based on the following criteria: 1) Qualifications, Experience and Capabilities, 2) Project Approach, Methodology and Understanding, and 3) Design-Build Project Schedule, with price proposals from each firm reviewed and scored independently; and

WHEREAS, a "Best and Final Offer" price proposals was requested from both firms, with RCC submitting a lump sum bid amount of \$36,071,000.00 and CSJV submitting a lump sum bid amount of \$33,507,000.00; and

WHEREAS, following review and final scoring of the submitted proposals, including the Best and Final Offer price proposals, the Evaluation Committee recommends that the design-build services contract for the Project be awarded to Creamer-Sanzari, A Joint Venture.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NJSEA has determined that the urgent and critical need for the Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge project, in preparation for the 2026 FIFA World Cup, constitutes a public exigency justifying the immediate award, execution, and performance of a design-build contract with a qualified firm for construction of the Project without public advertisement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NJSEA has satisfied the requirements of N.J.S.A. 5:10-21.4(d) and N.J.S.A. 5:10-21.5, along with all other applicable statutes, regulations, and executive orders, and that this project may be awarded without public advertisement due to the urgent nature of the Project, which requires immediate action to ensure its timely completion, while still promoting full and fair competition, to the extent practicable, through the acceptance of proposals, quotations, or other appropriate methods.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NJSEA Evaluation Committee has thoroughly reviewed and evaluated the proposals received in response to the RFP and that the NJSEA Board of Commissioners has accepted the Evaluation Committee's recommendation that the design-build contract be awarded to Creamer-Sanzari, A Joint Venture as the qualified proposer that demonstrated the necessary expertise, experience, and capabilities to successfully complete the Project within the required timeframe and to the satisfaction of the NJSEA.


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NJSEA hereby awards the design-build contract for the Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge project to Creamer-Sanzari, A Joint Venture and authorizes the President and any authorized NJSEA official to negotiate and execute the contract and take all necessary actions to implement the Project in accordance with the terms set forth therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NJSEA is hereby authorized, instructed, and directed to finalize and enter into all documents, instruments, declarations, opinions and certificates contemplated as necessary, desirable or advisable in order to confirm, effectuate, implement, memorialize, consummate and/or perfect the proposed construction of the Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President and any authorized NJSEA official be, and hereby are, authorized and directed to take all such further actions and to execute and deliver all such further instruments and documents as the President or such authorized NJSEA official shall determine to be necessary, desirable or advisable to fully carry out the intent and to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution, including the negotiation and execution of contracts and construction agreements with the relevant parties, including Sports Complex tenants, with such necessary, desirable or advisable changes thereto as the President and such authorized NJSEA official shall approve in their sole discretion, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any and all actions heretofore taken by the President or any authorized NJSEA officials in connection with the construction of the Meadowlands North Pedestrian Bridge project are hereby confirmed and ratified.

I hereby certify that the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at their meeting of December 19, 2024.



Christine Sanz
Secretary

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

RESOLUTION 2024-67

RESOLUTION COMMENDING ANTHONY SCARDINO JR. FOR MORE THAN 60 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE MEADOWLANDS AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, Anthony Scardino Jr. has been an ideal public servant for more than 60 admirable and venerated years as a New Jersey State Senator, Executive Director of the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission (now the NJSEA), the Mayor of Lyndhurst, a trustee on the Lyndhurst Board of Education, and as a New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority Commissioner, and having served his country honorably in the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Scardino Jr. is a Lyndhurst native who saw the Meadowlands first-hand growing up and, upon moving to his hometown as an adult, began framing a vision to transform the Meadowlands District into a thriving, environmental success story worthy of praise and public enjoyment, and serving as a valuable learning opportunity for young people throughout New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, during his 18-year tenure as Executive Director of the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission from 1980-1998, Anthony Scardino Jr. oversaw the construction and opening of the Meadowlands Environment Center and administrative building, and fostered a remarkable environmental and economic transformation; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Scardino Jr. has been a steadfast, formidable and vocal advocate for improving the health of the Meadowlands District and promoting the District as a unique environmental haven with many opportunities for passive and active recreation, and environmental education programs for schoolchildren, and

WHEREAS, Anthony Scardino Jr. formed the NJSEA Science and Environment Committee to closely work with Authority staff, encourage and promote all facets of the NJSEA's scientific and environmental endeavors, and foster a robust exchange of ideas; and

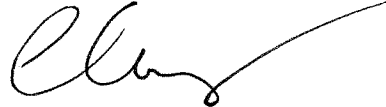
WHEREAS, Anthony Scardino Jr. is highly regarded by his peers, fellow Board Members, NJSEA staff, dear friends and all who have come to know him as a first-class, deeply committed, and highly principled person, both as a public official and in all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Scardino Jr., through his remarkable leadership talent, tireless hard work and immense passion for the Meadowlands has brought to reality his initial vision of a Meadowlands District whose parks, programs and natural resources bring a sense of pride and awe to tens of thousands of yearly visitors, including a multitude of students who participate in environmental and scientific school programs; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority Board of Commissioners deems it to be well-deserved and appropriate to honor Anthony Scardino Jr.'s accomplishments and the special place that DeKorte Park holds in his heart.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners hereby renames the DeKorte Park Kingsland Overlook as the Anthony Scardino Jr. Kingsland Overlook.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at their meeting of December 19, 2024.

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Christine Sanz
Secretary

RESOLUTION 2024-68

**RESOLUTION HONORING PAUL A. JULIANO
FOR 30 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE MEADOWLANDS AND
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, President and Chief Executive Officer Paul A. Juliano is retiring from the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority on December 31, 2024; completing a 30-year career of exceptional public service to the Meadowlands, the County of Bergen, the Borough of Fairview, and the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure at the NJSEA, Paul A. Juliano has shown remarkable leadership under which the Authority has generated a tremendous, positive economic impact on the Meadowlands and the State of New Jersey, and positioned the State to attract several matches of the FIFA World Cup 2026, the greatest sporting event in world history, including the championship match, to the MetLife Sports Complex, and;

WHEREAS, the FIFA World Cup 2026 is projected to generate unmatched economic growth, including more than \$2 billion in economic impact, attracting more than 1 million visitors, and supporting 14,000 jobs; and

WHEREAS, through Paul A. Juliano's guidance, the NJSEA expanded its support of prestigious sporting events both by league and geography, by assisting in bringing UFC 360 and WWE Hell in the Cell to the Prudential Center in Newark, Premiere League soccer matches to Red Bull Arena in Harrison, and the two-day NHL Stadium Series and COPA America soccer tournament to the MetLife Sports Complex, which substantially increased visitors and spending to the Meadowlands, cities in the surrounding region, and the State; and

WHEREAS, Paul A. Juliano's trademark management tenet of conveying to staff his enthusiastic positivity and motivating encouragement, has promoted a positive environment at the NJSEA and in all of his roles in public service, cultivating remarkable staff accomplishments and increasing constructive interactions with the public and stakeholders; and

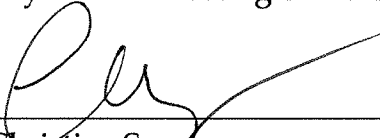
WHEREAS, Paul A. Juliano's noteworthy career has included roles as the NJSEA President and CEO, and Executive Vice President, and Director of Public Works at the County of Bergen; and

WHEREAS, Paul A. Juliano proudly served the Borough of Fairview, his hometown, as Superintendent of Public Works for more than 20 years, while at times also serving in the role of Assistant to Administrator/Personnel, and Clean Communities Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, Paul A. Juliano has excelled in all aspects of his dignified career, leaving an indelible mark of success through positive leadership that inspires staff to work to their full potential.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners hereby honors Paul A. Juliano for 30 years of public service to the Meadowlands and the State of New Jersey.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority at their meeting of December 19, 2024.



Christine Sanz
Secretary