

**SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
DECEMBER 21, 2022**

This Board of Commissioners Monthly Meeting of the South Jersey Transportation Authority was held on December 21, 2022, at the South Jersey Transportation Authority Administration Building, Farley Service Plaza, Atlantic City Expressway, Milepost 21.3 in Elwood, New Jersey 08217 and via teleconference commencing at 9:01 a.m.

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti stated due to her chairing the meeting by teleconference, Vice Chairman Milam will sign the resolutions on her behalf.

**Present**

Chair Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti (teleconference)  
 Vice Chairman Christopher M. Milam (in person)  
 Commissioner Bryan J. Bush (teleconference)  
 Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD (in person)  
 Deputy Commissioner Joseph Bertoni (teleconference)  
 Commissioner James J. McCullough (teleconference)  
 Commissioner Joseph Ripa (teleconference)  
 Stephen F. Dougherty, Executive Director (in person)  
 Karen Davis, Treasure (in person)  
 David Zappariello, Chief of Staff (in person)  
 Cynthia Blasberg, Board Secretary (in person)  
 Nicholas Sullivan, Esq., General Counsel (in person)  
 Michael Watson, Esq., Special Counsel (via teleconference)

**Absent**

Commissioner Jeffery A. April, Esq.  
 Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt  
 Commissioner Christina Fuentes, EDA

**Statement of Public Notice**

The meeting of the Board of Commissioners was opened advising the Commissioners and public that notice of the meeting was duly advertised in the Press of Atlantic City, the Camden Courier Post, and with the Secretary of the State of New Jersey as to the time and date of convening. Notice has also been posted at the Farley Service Plaza, the Atlantic City International Airport, the Atlantic City and Blackwood Offices as prescribed by law.

**Roll Call**

<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Chair Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti	X	
Commissioner Jeffery A. April, Esq.		X
Commissioner Bryan J. Bush	X	
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD	X	
Commissioner James J. McCullough	X	
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt		X
Vice Chairman Christopher M. Milam	X	
Commissioner Joseph Ripa	X	
Commissioner Christina Fuentes		X

*\* Two members of the public attended this meeting in person*

### **Approval of the Agenda**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti called for a motion to approve the December 21, 2022 agenda. Whereupon a motion was made by Commissioner Bush and seconded by Commissioner Hill approving said agenda. Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked for questions on the motion. No questions were asked. A unanimous vote was taken adopting and approving the agenda. A copy of the agenda is attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.

### **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti called for a motion to approve the October 19, 2022 and November 16, 2022 meeting minutes. Whereupon a motion was made by Commissioner McCullough and seconded by Commissioner Bush approving said minutes. All other Commissioners in attendance voted affirmatively adopting the minutes.

### **Executive Session**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked if an Executive Session was needed, to which General Counsel responded affirmatively.

Mr. Dougherty presented Resolution 2022-147 to the Chair and Commissioners for the exclusion of the public from discussions regarding personnel actions related to the Schedule "A" associated with Resolution 2022-133 and litigation matters related to Gaudelli Brothers appeal and state litigation and to Claudette Bruno v. South Jersey Transportation Authority. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner McCullough and seconded by Commissioner Ripa approving Resolution 2022-147. A unanimous vote was taken approving the resolution, adjourning the open portion of the meeting at 9:04 a.m.

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked the call operator to place the public audience on hold while the Board conducts the Executive Session.

At the close of Executive Session, Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked for a motion to return to the open portion of the meeting. Whereupon, a motion was made by Commissioner McCullough and seconded by Vice Chairman Milam. The open portion of the meeting reconvened at 9:29 a.m.

The call operator opened the meeting back up to the public portion of the meeting. Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti then requested the Secretary call the roll.

### **Roll Call**

<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Chair Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti	X	
Commissioner Jeffery A. April, Esq.		X
Commissioner Bryan J. Bush	X	
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD	X	
Commissioner James J. McCullough	X	
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt		X
Vice Chairman Christopher M. Milam	X	
Commissioner Joseph Ripa	X	
Commissioner Christina Fuentes		X

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked the Board if there is a motion to add a resolution to the agenda: Authorizing the Settlement of Claudette Bruno v. South Jersey Transportation Authority, et al., Whereupon, a motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Bush. All other Commissioners in attendance voted affirmatively approving an amendment to the agenda to include the resolution as described above.

### **Executive Report**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked for the presentation of the Executive Report. Mr. Dougherty presented the December 21, 2022 Executive Report: a copy of which is attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.

## **Committee Reports**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked Mr. Dougherty to present the Committee Reports. Mr. Dougherty reported all Committees met on December 7, 2022. During these meetings, briefings were provided on the resolutions being presented this morning as well as of the State Auditor Performance Audit and the All Electronic Tolling Project. Commissioners were also provided the schedule of upcoming projects, the EO-8 Report and Airport statistics.

## **Public Response to Agenda Items**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked the public for comments on any of the agenda items. No comments were made.

## **Approval of Bills**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked Mr. Dougherty for the presentation of bills. Mr. Dougherty stated the bills have been sent to the Commissioners previously for their review and are being recommended for approval.

Commissioner Hill directed the Board to the list of bills noting AECOM invoice #9 in the amount of \$30,540.94 appears to not have been included in the total. Mr. Dougherty confirmed Commissioner Hill's inquiry of the error advising a revised report will be sent to the Board with the corrected total.

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti called for a motion to approve the bill list. Whereupon the motion was made by Commissioner McCullough and seconded by Commissioner Bush approving said bill list. Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked the Commissioners for further questions on the motion. Being none, Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti requested the Secretary call the roll.

### **Roll Call**

<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Recused</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Chair Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti			X				
Commissioner Jeffery A. April, Esq.							X
Commissioner Bryan J. Bush		X	X				
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD			X				
Commissioner James J. McCullough	X		X				
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt							X
Vice Chairman Christopher M. Milam			X				
Commissioner Joseph Ripa			X				

### **Resolutions and Motions:**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked Mr. Dougherty to present the resolutions. Mr. Dougherty advised the Commissioners he would be presenting a total of fourteen (14) resolutions for their consideration. Mr. Dougherty presented Resolutions 2022-133 through 2022-146. Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti called for a motion to approve said resolutions. The motion as presented, was moved by Commissioner McCullough, and seconded by Commissioner Bush approving said resolutions. Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked the Commissioners for questions on the motion. Being none, Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti requested the Secretary call the roll.

### **Roll Call**

<b>Commissioner</b>	<b>Motion</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Yea</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Recused</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Chair Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti			X				
Commissioner Jeffery A. April, Esq.							X
Commissioner Bryan J. Bush		X	X				
Commissioner Maurice B. Hill, Jr., DMD			X				
Commissioner James J. McCullough	X		X				
Commissioner C. Robert McDevitt							X
Vice Chairman Christopher M. Milam			X				
Commissioner Joseph Ripa			X				

*Copies of Resolutions 2022-133 through 2022-146 are attached hereto and made a permanent part of these official Authority minutes.*

**RESOLUTION 2022-133 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

Pursuant to the Authority By-Laws, the Personnel Committee shall advise the Board on issues related to organization structure, equal employment opportunity, labor negotiations, employment practices and personnel actions affecting an individual's employment status or compensation. This resolution seeks Board approval for personnel actions as specified in the "Schedule A" attached to this resolution.

**RESOLUTION 2022-134 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT TO THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (SJTPO)**

As host agency to the SJTPO, the Authority regularly enters into agreements to accept funding on their behalf. This resolution designates the Executive Director to approve, on behalf of the Authority, each Federal Aid Agreement issued, to request reimbursement of eligible costs under each Federal Aid Agreement, to accept reimbursement thereof and execute sub-contracts with sub-regions, consultants or other parties as may be provided for in an approved Federal Aid Agreement for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. The Executive Director's execution of any documents required in connection therewith is conclusive evidence of such authorization and approval.

**RESOLUTION 2022-135 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF ENGINEER TO EXECUTE PROJECT APPLICATIONS, PERMITS AND GRANTS WITH AGENCIES SUCH AS THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND THE PINELANDS COMMISSION ON BEHALF OF THE AUTHORITY**

The Authority identifies necessary projects to carry out its purposes under the Act. Many of these projects are led by or overseen by the Chief Engineer of the Authority. In order to pursue these projects, the Authority must complete various permit applications, project applications, grant applications and the like with agencies such as, but not limited to, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the Pinelands Commission, the New Jersey Department of Transportation, the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and the Federal Aviation Administration. The Chief Engineer is responsible for completing these various applications. It is the desire of the Authority to grant the Chief Engineer the authority to execute such applications on behalf of the Authority, provided these applications are part of approved projects (i.e., are identified within an adopted budget or capital project plan) or are at no cost to the Authority or will require future approvals from the Board of Commissioners. The Commissioners of the Authority do hereby authorize the Chief Engineer, during the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, to complete and submit permit applications, project applications, grant applications and the like with agencies such as, but not limited to, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the Pinelands Commission, the New Jersey Department of Transportation, the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and the Federal Aviation Administration in connection with the purposes outlined herein and consistent with the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.S.A. 27:25A-1 et seq.

**RESOLUTION 2022-136 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO SOUTH STATE, INC OF BRIDGETON, NEW JERSEY FOR THE ATLANTIC CITY EXPRESSWAY 2022 BRIDGE REHABILITATION PROGRAM**

On October 19<sup>th</sup> and October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the Authority publicly advertised for bids for the Atlantic City Expressway 2022 Bridge Rehabilitation Program. Work for this project consists of furnishing all labor, equipment, and materials and performing all work required to repair various bridges along the Atlantic City Expressway. On November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022, two (2) bids were received, opened, and tabulated with South State, Inc. of Bridgeton, New Jersey being deemed to have submitted the lowest responsible bid in an amount not to exceed \$1,643,400.00. The Director of Engineering/Chief Engineer believes it to be in the best interest of the Authority and recommends entering into a contract with South State, Inc. of Bridgeton, New Jersey, for the Atlantic City Expressway 2022 Bridge Rehabilitation Program, in an amount not to exceed \$1,643,400.00.

**RESOLUTION 2022-137 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY PERMITTING THE SOUTH JERSEY PORT CORPORATION AND THE CAPE MAY BRIDGE COMMISSION TO PERFORM SERVICES AND PROJECTS THROUGH THE USE OF THE AUTHORITY'S JOB ORDER CONTRACT VIA A SHARED SERVICES ARRANGEMENT**

Pursuant to Section 7(x) of the Act, the Authority is authorized to enter into any and all agreements or contracts convenient or desirable for the purposes of the Authority. Under N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4, et seq., any local unit may enter into an agreement with any other local unit or units to provide or receive any service that each local unit participating in the agreement is empowered to provide or receive within its own jurisdiction, including services incidental to the primary purposes of any of the participating local units. On or about November 17, 2021, the Authority entered into a Professional Services and License Agreement with Gordian Group, Inc. for Gordian Group, Inc. to perform services related to the development, implementation, and support of a Job Order Contracting program. The Authority, via Resolution 2022-58, entered into a construction agreement with South State, Inc. for the Atlantic City Expressway Heavy Highway Job Order Contract. The Cape May County Bridge Commission, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4, et seq., seeks to contract with Gordian Group, Inc. and/or South State, Inc. for its own projects using the Authority's Job Order Contract via a shared services arrangement. The South Jersey Port Corporation, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4, et seq. and/or other applicable law, seeks to contract with Gordian Group, Inc. and/or South State, Inc. for its own projects under the Authority's Job Order Contract via a shared services arrangement. The Director of Engineering believes it is in the best interest of the Authority to permit the Cape May County Bridge Commission and the South Jersey Port Corporation to have access to the Authority's Job Order Contract via a shared services arrangement.

**RESOLUTION 2022-138 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING 2023 ADVERTISING EXPENDITURES TO PROMOTE THE ATLANTIC CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

To dedicate funds for the purpose of promoting passenger and airline traffic at the Airport as increasing passenger and airline traffic at ACY generates income for the airport.

**RESOLUTION 2022-139 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A PARTICIPATING GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT WITH OST, INC./CONVERGE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AERONAUTICAL FACILITIES**

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:2-7.1(b)(11), the Authority is permitted to lease real property as may be required for the conduct of Authority business without the need for public advertisement. The Airport includes real property owned by the Authority that is identified as developable property in the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") Approved Master Plan. OST, Inc./Converge ("Developer"), proposes to finance, design, construct and operate aeronautical facilities on a 20-acre parcel of property, and 3 bays at the Snow Equipment Building, leased by the Authority from FAA at the Airport that is developable property (the "Project"). The Developer would construct all ramps, taxiways, and associated infrastructure for the Project. In addition to the above the Developer would also be responsible for all applicable fees and costs for the use of Airport facilities. Additional terms and conditions for the Project are set forth on Exhibit A, the Draft Term Sheet that is attached to this resolution. The Director of the Airport believes that the proposed Project would foster economic development in the area, would generate additional revenue for the Airport and would be in the best interests of the Authority and the public that it serves.

**RESOLUTION 2022-140 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE LAND LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SIGNATURE FLIGHT SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A HANGAR AT THE ATLANTIC CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

Pursuant to Section 7(n) of the Act, the Authority has the power to grant by franchise, lease or otherwise, the use of any project, facility or property owned and controlled by the Authority to any person for the consideration and for the period or periods of time and upon terms and conditions as are agreed upon, including but not limited to, the condition that the lessee may construct or provide any buildings or structures for the project facility or property or portions thereof. The Airport includes real property owned by the Authority that is identified as developable property in the Federal Aviation Administration Approved Master Plan. Previously, Signature Flight Support (“Signature”), a corporation authorized to conduct business in the State of New Jersey, exercised its contractual right of first refusal and proposed to finance, design, construct, and operate an aircraft hangar, office space, and employee parking on property owned by the Authority at the Airport that is developable property (the “Project”). On or about January 17, 2022, the Authority and Signature entered into a Land Lease Agreement (“Agreement”) for the Project. Signature seeks to respond to certain public advertisements for developments at the Airport which would require the extension of the permitting period under the Agreement. The Authority and Signature seek to amend the Agreement to extend the permitting period for Signature’s development of the Project from December 17, 2022 until September 30, 2023. The Director of the Airport believes that the amendment to the Agreement would assist in fostering economic development in the area, would generate additional revenue for the Airport and would be in the best interests of the Authority and the public that it serves.

**RESOLUTION 2022-141 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING AN ASSIGNMENT OF THE OUTDOOR MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS FROM SHORE SIGN SERVICE, INC. TO KEYSTONE OUTDOOR ADVERTISING COMPANY, INC. FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF BILLBOARD MANAGEMENT AND RELATED SERVICES ALONG THE ATLANTIC CITY EXPRESSWAY**

Following the Authority’s Requests for Proposals, the Authority entered into Outdoor Management Agreements, for various billboards along the Expressway with Shore Sign Service, Inc. (“Shore”). On October 17, 2022, Keystone Outdoor Advertising Company, Inc. (“Keystone”) and Shore informed the Authority that Keystone had agreed to purchase 100% of the outstanding shares of Shore’s stock (the “Transaction”). Following the Transaction, Keystone seeks to assume all rights, obligations and liabilities under the Agreements, and all amendments, if any, to the Agreements, by an assignment of the Agreements from Shore to Keystone.

**RESOLUTION 2022-142 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING AMMENDMENT OF THE AGREEMENT WITH RIEHL’S TOWING OF DEPTFORD, NEW JERSEY FOR LIGHT DUTY TOWING AND ROAD SERVICES ON THE ATLANTIC CITY EXPRESSWAY – WESTERN SECTOR**

On May 9<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the Authority publicly advertised for bids for Towing and Road Service on the Atlantic City Expressway (“Expressway”) for the Eastern Sector and Western Sector of the Expressway. On June 7, 2018, the Authority received one bid for the Western Sector on the Expressway, which was from Riehl’s Towing (“Contractor”). The Authority and the Contractor entered into a Towing and Road Service Agreement dated October 16, 2018 (attached as Exhibit “A”) (the “Agreement”), which provides that the Contractor shall provide light duty towing and road services along the Atlantic City Expressway – western sector. Pursuant to paragraph number 29 of the Agreement, the Authority is permitted to amend the Agreement. In consideration of industry concerns related to unexpected increased costs due to inflation and costs of goods specifically fuel prices, the Authority desires to amend the Agreement. The rates of the Agreement will be increased by eight percent (8%) for total blended charge of \$162.00 [this blended charge consists of \$81.00 for Group A Vehicles and \$243.00 for Group B Vehicles] and a Labor Rate of \$33.75 per quarter (1/4) hour.

**RESOLUTION 2022-143 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING AMMENDMENT OF THE AGREEMENT WITH FLANAGAN’S AUTO & TRUCK SERVICE OF PENNSAUKEN, NEW JERSEY FOR HEAVY DUTY TOWING AND ROAD SERVICES ON THE ATLANTIC CITY EXPRESSWAY –EASTERN SECTOR**

On May 9<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the Authority publicly advertised for bids for Towing and Road

Service on the Atlantic City Expressway (“Expressway”) for the Eastern Sector and Western Sector of the Expressway. On June 7, 2018, the Authority received three bids for the Eastern Sector on the Expressway and Flanagan’s Auto & Truck Service of Pennsauken, New Jersey (“Contractor”) was determined to be the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for the Eastern Sector and the Atlantic City International Airport (the “Airport”). The Authority and Contractor entered into a Towing and Road Service Agreement dated October 12, 2018 (attached as Exhibit “A”) (the “Agreement”), which provides that the Contractor shall provide Heavy Duty Towing and Road Services along the Atlantic City Expressway – Eastern Sector and the Airport. Pursuant to paragraph number 29 of the Agreement, the Authority is permitted to amend the Agreement. In consideration of industry concerns related to unexpected increased costs due to inflation and costs of goods specifically fuel prices, the Authority desires to amend the Agreement. The rates of the Agreement will be increased by eight percent (8%) for Group C vehicles in the amount of \$123.12 and a labor rate charge in the amount of \$1.08 per quarter (1/4) hour.

**RESOLUTION 2022-144 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING AMMENDMENT OF THE AGREEMENT WITH RIEHL’S TOWING OF DEPTFORD, NEW JERSEY FOR HEAVY DUTY TOWING AND ROAD SERVICES ON THE ATLANTIC CITY EXPRESSWAY – WESTERN SECTOR**

On May 9<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the Authority publicly advertised for bids for Towing and Road Service on the Atlantic City Expressway (“Expressway”) for the Eastern Sector and Western Sector of the Expressway. On June 7, 2018, the Authority received one bid for the Western Sector on the Expressway, which was from Riehl’s Towing of Deptford, New Jersey (Contractor). The Authority and Contractor entered into a Towing and Road Service Agreement dated October 16, 2018 (attached as Exhibit “A”) (the “Agreement”), which provides that the Contractor shall provide Heavy Duty Towing and Road Services along the Atlantic City Expressway – Western Sector. Pursuant to paragraph number 29 of the Agreement, the Authority is permitted to amend the Agreement. In consideration of industry concerns related to unexpected increased costs due to inflation and costs of goods specifically fuel prices, the Authority desires to amend the Agreement. The rates of the Agreement will be increased by eight percent (8%) for Group C vehicles in the amount of \$324.00 and a labor rate charge in the amount of \$40.50 per quarter (1/4) hour.

**RESOLUTION 2022-145 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING AMMENDMENT OF THE AGREEMENT WITH BLAKESLEE TOWING & RECOVERY /DBA COURT HOUSE TOWING, OF RIO GRANDE, NEW JERSEY FOR EASTERN SECTOR TOWING AND ROAD SERVICES (LIGHT DUTY) INCLUSIVE OF ATLANTIC CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT**

On August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 and August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the Authority publicly advertised for bids for Towing and Road Service on the Atlantic City Expressway (“Expressway”) for the Eastern Sector and Road Services, Light Duty, Inclusive of Atlantic City International Airport (“Airport”). On September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the Authority received two bids for the Eastern Sector Towing and Road Services on the Expressway inclusive of the Airport were received. The Authority and Blakeslee Towing & Recovery/DBA Court House Towing (Contractor) entered into a Towing and Road Service Agreement dated October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (attached as Exhibit A) (the “Agreement”), which provides that the Contractor shall provide Light Duty Towing and Road Services along the Atlantic City Expressway – Eastern Sector Inclusive of the Atlantic City International Airport. Pursuant to paragraph number 29 of the Agreement, the Authority is permitted to amend the Agreement. In consideration of industry concerns related to unexpected increased costs due to inflation and costs of goods specifically fuel prices, the Authority desires to amend the contract. The rates of the Agreement will be increased by eight percent (8%) for a total blended charge of (\$21.87). This blended charge consists of (\$38.34) for Group A Vehicles and (\$5.40) for Group B Vehicles] and a Labor Rate of (\$0.22) per quarter (1/4) hour. The following details the rate increase for this agreement.

**RESOLUTION 2022-146 OF THE SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF CLAUDETTE BRUNO V. SOUTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, ET. AL.**

Pursuant to Section 7(x) of the Act, the Authority is authorized to enter into any and all agreements or contracts convenient or desirable for the purposes of the Authority. On July 22, 2022, counsel for Plaintiff in the matter of Claudette Bruno v. South Jersey Transportation Authority, et al., Docket No. ATL-L-2012-22, filed a Complaint alleging Plaintiff suffered injuries due to a slip and fall on Authority property. The Parties have determined it is in the best interest of all involved to reach a settlement of all outstanding claims. The Executive Director believes it to be in the best interest of the Authority and the public within its jurisdiction to enter into this settlement agreement resolving the matter of Claudette Bruno v. South Jersey Transportation Authority, et al., Docket No. ATL-L-2012-22 for \$5,000.00.

**Petitions or Communications, Unfinished Business and New Business**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked if there were any petitions or communications, unfinished or new business. Mr. Dougherty responded all petitions and communications were mailed prior to the meeting. Mr. Dougherty responded there is no new business to discuss.

**General Comment**

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti asked the public for any general comments. Michelle Brunetti-Post from the Press of Atlantic City asked the Board to expand on information regarding Resolutions 2022-139 and 2022-140.

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti stated Ms. Post, as a member of the Press, could take the questions offline. No further comments were made by the public.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti announced the next meeting will be held on January 18, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Chair Gutierrez-Scaccetti called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon the motion was made by Vice Chairman Milam and seconded by Commissioner Bush to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 9:44 a.m.

Submitted by: *Cynthia A. Blasberg*

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Cynthia A. Blasberg, Board Secretary

**Note: An Executive Session was held during this meeting.**