# Commission Meeting

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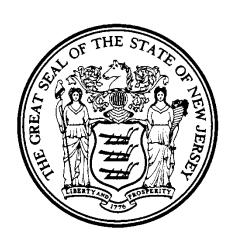
# NEW JERSEY COMMISSION ON CAPITAL BUDGETING AND PLANNING

**LOCATION:** 33 West State Street **DATE:** November 16, 2018

Trenton, New Jersey 10:00 a.m.

#### **MEMBERS OF COMMISSION PRESENT:**

James M. Rutala, Chair Eugene Lepore, Vice Chair Senator Samuel D. Thompson Assemblyman John DiMaio Justin Braz Catherine Z. Brennan Jo-Ann Povia Dennis Zeveloff



#### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Guy Bocage
Executive Director

David F. Patella
Assistant Executive Director

Brian Onda Budget Specialist Luke E. Wolff Senate Majority Commission Aide

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(The New Jersey Commission on Capital Budgeting and Planning held a meeting on November 16, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. Members of the Commission present via teleconference were James M. Rutala, Eugene Lepore, Senator Samuel D. Thompson, Assemblyman John DiMaio, Catherine Z. Brennan, and Jo-Ann Povia)

JAMES M. RUTALA (Chair): I want to call the meeting to order.

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the Commission has provided adequate notice of this meeting by giving written notice of the time, date, and location. The notice of the meeting has been filed at least 48 hours in advance by mail and/or fax to the Trenton *Times* and the *Star-Ledger*, and filed with the Secretary of State.

We will now take a roll call.

MR. BOCAGE (Commission Executive Director): Senator Sarlo. (no response)

Senator Thompson. (no response)

Assemblywoman Sumter. (no response)

Assemblyman DiMaio.

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: I'm on the line.

MR. BOCAGE: Catherine Brennan.

MS. BRENNAN: Present.

MR. BOCAGE: Jo-Ann Povia. (no response)

Mr. Zeveloff.

MR. ZEVELOFF: Present.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Braz.

MR. BRAZ: Here.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Lepore.

EUGENE LEPORE (Vice Chair): Here.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Rutala.

MR. RUTALA: Here.

MR. BOCAGE: And we have a quorum.

MR. RUTALA: Excellent.

MR. BOCAGE: Our first item of business is to elect the Acting Chair and Acting Vice Chair of the Commission.

May I ask that Mr. James Rutala be named as Chair, and Mr.

Eugene Lepore be named as Vice Chair?

Can we have someone who will put forward the motion?

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: I'll make the motion.

MR. BOCAGE: Do we have a second?

MS. BRENNAN: Second.

MR. BOCAGE: Thank you.

We'll now vote on the election of Chair Rutala and Vice Chair Lepore for this year.

Senator Sarlo is not here.

Assemblyman DiMaio.

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Ms. Catherine Brennan.

MS. BRENNAN: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Jo-Ann Povia.

MS. POVIA: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Zeveloff.

MR. ZEVELOFF: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Braz.

MR. BRAZ: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Lepore.

MR. LEPORE: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Rutala.

MR. RUTALA: Yes.

Okay; thank you.

The next item on the agenda is the approval of minutes of the March 23, 2018 meeting.

MR. ONDA (Budget Specialist): Actually--

MR RUTALA: Is there any discussion?

MR. ONDA: Actually, Chair, we need to elect the Executive Director, Guy Bocage.

MR RUTALA: Okay.

Do we have a motion to elect the Executive Director?

MS. BRENNAN: Motion.

MR RUTALA: Second?

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: Second.

MR RUTALA: Can we take a roll call?

MR. BOCAGE: I'll take a roll call.

Assemblyman DiMaio.

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Ms. Brennan.

MS. BRENNAN: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Ms. Povia.

MS. POVIA: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Zeveloff.

MR. ZEVELOFF: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Braz.

MR. BRAZ: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Lepore.

MR. LEPORE: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Rutala.

MR. RUTALA: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Thank you very much; the Chair moves.

MR RUTALA: Now we'll move on to the minutes for March

#### 23, 2018.

Do we have a motion to approve?

MS. BRENNAN: Motion to approve.

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: Second.

MR. BOCAGE: Thank you.

On the motion to approve the minutes of March 23, 2018, Senator Thompson.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Assemblyman DiMaio.

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Ms. Brennan.

MS. BRENNAN: Abstaining; I wasn't present.

MR. BOCAGE: Ms. Povia.

MS. POVIA: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Zeveloff.

MR. ZEVELOFF: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Braz.

MR. BRAZ: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Lepore.

MR. LEPORE: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: Mr. Rutala.

MR. RUTALA: Yes.

MR. BOCAGE: The motion moves.

MR RUTALA: Okay, Executive Director's Report.

MR. BOCAGE: In the Fiscal Year 2019, the Commission recommended \$14.569 million of discretionary projects, all of which have been funded and initiated with the Division of Property Management and Construction.

Additionally, the Commission recommended \$1.497 billion for debt service and other capital improvements.

The Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriations Act included \$1.524 billion for these items.

Do you have any questions? (no response)

If not, we can move on to the Fiscal 2020 capital requests.

Also, I'd just like to mention, for those of who are representing your agencies, or others, please state your name before making your comments. This meeting is being transcribed, and we would like your name to accompany your statements.

Thank you.

We'll begin with the Department of Agriculture.

Any questions? (no response)

The Department of Children and Families.

Are there any questions for the Department of Children and Families? (no response)

The Department of Corrections; any questions?

MS. BRENNAN: I think we're going to need DOC's assistance prioritizing their requests.

MR. PATELLA: Yes, I think that would be a good idea. We'll have an offsite meeting to get together with DPMC and Corrections, and just try to come up with a way to get a handle on the projects that need to be accomplished.

MS. BRENNAN: Right. We've recently had some power outages and other emergent needs related to DOC. And I think-- And obviously, based on the submission, the needs are extensive. And I think we are going to need their assistance in prioritizing.

MR. BOCAGE: Okay.

Any other questions for the Department of Corrections? (no response)

The Department of Education.

MR. LEPORE: I have a quick question regarding -- I believe it is Priority No. 5, the electrical system upgrade in Jersey City.

Because there's a security component, my thought would be that this would be an eligible project under the recent School Security, et al., Bond Act. Could anybody at the Department speak to that?

JOSEPH VITELLI: Hi; Joe Vitelli, Department of Education.

Good afternoon, everybody; good morning, I should say.

The electrical upgrades that were requested for Jersey City would incorporate some of the security panels that are located there; but wasn't a direct effect onto the security system.

MR. LEPORE: Okay, thank you.

MR. BOCAGE: Any others; any other questions? (no response) The Department of Law and Public Safety.

**TERRI GOLDBERG:** Yes; Terri Goldberg and Anthony Schirillo.

MR. BOCAGE: Any questions for the Department of Law and Public Safety? (no response)

Juvenile Justice Commission; any questions?

MS. BRENNAN: Again, I think we're going to need assistance prioritizing.

MR. BOCAGE: Okay.

The Department of Military and Veterans Affairs; any questions?

COLONEL MICHAEL LYONS: Hello, this is Mike Lyons from the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, if you have any questions. (no response)

MR. BOCAGE: Judiciary -- any questions for Judiciary? (no response)

Okay, apparently not.

Is there any other business that would like to be raised at this point? (no response)

No? Okay.

Well, I thank you all for calling in. We can adjourn the meeting.

UNIDENTIFIED MEMBER OF COMMISSION: Our next call is December 7?

MR. BOCAGE: Correct; Friday, December 7, at 10 a.m. We'll send out the contact information.

MS. BRENNAN: Okay; can we just address how we'll get feedback from both Corrections and the JJC on their projects?

MR. BOCAGE: We can send--

**KEITH POUJOL**: We're available any time for the staff.

MS. BRENNAN: Okay.

GARY T. ALPERT: We're available to meet any time to discuss our priorities.

MS. BRENNAN: Okay.

MR. PATELLA: Cathy, we'll reach out with both agencies to set up a meeting to discuss the priorities with them.

MS. BRENNAN: Okay, all right; thank you.

And we should probably include DPMC.

MR. PATELLA: We will.

MS. BRENNAN: Okay.

MR RUTALA: Any information that's made available -- if you could circulate through Guy, that would be helpful to the rest of us.

MS. BRENNAN: Sure.

Okay, thank you.

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: I just have a quick general question in regards to this process.

And I'm relatively new to this Commission, so please bear with me.

Will this list be pared down as we go through this process and make final recommendations? Or will it pass through, essentially, the way it is?

MR. PATELLA: Right; so Assemblyman DiMaio, we will rank the projects. This list-- The Commission will recommend projects for what we have funding for. So this is simply an opportunity to go over the requests for the agencies at this point. So the recommendation will be the third meeting, where we'll actually present a list of projects that we'll be able to fund. So this is going to be pared down to, mainly, the top priorities in the agencies.

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: Okay; understood. I appreciate the input.

Thank you.

MR. LEPORE: Just a quick question.

What's the anticipated funding level? Is it roughly \$15 million again?

MS. BRENNAN: Gene, I think we still have to -- we're going to still have to settle on that.

MR. LEPORE: Okay.

MR. BOCAGE: Okay; unless there are any other questions or comments, we can adjourn.

MS. BRENNAN: Okay.

MR. BOCAGE: Thank you all for calling in.

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: I'll move that.

MR. BOCAGE: Excuse me?

ASSEMBLYMAN DiMAIO: I was going to make a motion; I have no questions. Just a motion to adjourn, that's all.

MR. BOCAGE: Okay, all right.

Thank you all very much calling in. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

ALL: Thank you.

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(MEETING CONCLUDED)

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