# SWEARING-IN CEREMONY MEETING MINUTES CITY COMMISSION-MARGATE CITY

MAY 16, 2023

MARGATE CITY, NEW JERSEY

Call Meeting to Order – 12:00 p.m.

## **Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act:**

The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act for this meeting have been satisfied; a copy of the Annual Meetings Notice was sent to the Atlantic City Press, and the Star Ledger, posted on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building, the Municipal Website, and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

**Johanna Casey, City Clerk:** Reads the statement of compliance, followed with the flag salute and roll call is taken.

#### **Invocation:**

Rabi Krause: Gives the invocation

#### **Certification of Election:**

Johanna Casey: Reads the certification of the May 9, 2023 election.

#### **Swearing-In of Board of Commissioners:**

Joseph Sayegh, Esquire: Performs the swearing in of Maury Blumberg, who recites the oath of office.

Michael Becker: Performs the swearing in of Michael Collins, who recites the oath of office.

Claire Swift, New Jersey Assemblywoman: Performs the swearing in of Cathy Horn, who recites the oath of office. Speaks on why this is a historic day in Margate.

### **Resolutions:**

A motion for the nomination of Commissioner Collins for the position of Margate City Mayor, was put forth by Commissioner Horn, Seconded by Commissioner Collins.

A motion to adopt **Resolution #115-2023**, Appointing the Mayor of Margate City, was put forth by Commissioner Horn, Seconded by Commissioner Collins, with a vote of two ayes. Commissioner Blumberg abstained.

#### RESOLUTION#115-2023 APPOINTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARGATE

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; and

**THAT Michael Collins,** be and is hereby designated Mayor of the City of Margate City, and chosen as President of the Board of Commissioners to preside at all meetings of said Board, to supervise all departments and report to the Board, for its action, all matters requiring the attention of the Board or any department pursuant to Sections 40:72-10-11, R.S.

Johanna Casey: At this time Commissioner Collins is now Mayor Collins.

A motion for the nomination of Commissioner Blumberg for the position of Commissioner of Revenue and Finance, was put forth by Mayor Collins, Seconded by Commissioner Horn, with a vote of three ayes.

A motion to adopt **Resolution** #116-2023, Appointing the Commissioner of Revenue and Finance, was put forth by Mayor Collins, Seconded by Commissioner Horn, with a vote of three ayes.

#### RESOLUTION#116-2023 APPOINTING COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE AND FINANCE CITY OF MARGATE

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; and

**THAT Commissioner Maury Blumberg,** be and is hereby designated Commissioner of Revenue and Finance, and all executive, administrative, judicial and legislative power, authority, and duties pertaining to said Departments and the same are hereby vested in him, and he shall perform all duties with respect thereto.

A motion for the nomination of Commissioner Horn for the position of Commissioner of Public Safety and Public Affairs, was put forth by Mayor Collins, Seconded by Commissioner Blumberg, with a vote of three ayes.

A motion to adopt **Resolution #117-2023**, Appointing the Commissioner of Public Safety and Public Affairs, was put forth by Mayor Collins, Seconded by Commissioner Blumberg, with a vote of three ayes.

## RESOLUTION#117-2023 APPOINTING COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; and

**THAT Commissioner Catherine Horn,** be and is hereby designated as the Commissioner to be Director of the Department of Public Affairs and the Department of Public Safety and all executive, administrative, judicial and legislative power, authority, and duties pertaining to said Departments and the same are hereby vested in him, and he shall perform all duties with respect thereto.

A motion for the nomination of Mayor Collins for the position of Commissioner of Public Works and the Department of Parks and Public Property, was put forth by Commissioner Horn, Seconded by Commissioner Blumberg, with a vote of three ayes.

A motion to adopt **Resolution #118-2023**, Appointing the Commissioner of Public Works and the Department of Parks and Public Property, was put forth by Commissioner Blumberg, Seconded by Commissioner Horn, with a vote of three ayes.

# R E S O L U T I O N #118-2023 APPOINTING THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND PUBLIC PROPERTY OF THE CITY OF MARGATE

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; and

**THAT Mayor Michael Collins**, be and is hereby designated as the Commissioner of Public Works and the Department of Parks and Public Property and all executive, administrative, judicial and legislative powers, authority, and duties pertaining to said Departments and the same are hereby vested in him and he shall perform all duties with respect thereto.

A motion to adopt **Resolution** #119-2023, designating the duties of the Director of Revenue and Finance, was put forth by Mayor Collins, Seconded by Commissioner Blumberg, with a vote of three ayes.

# RESOLUTION#119-2023 DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR OF REVENUE AND FINANCE CITY OF MARGATE

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; and

**THAT** the Executive, Administrative, Judicial, and Legislative powers, authority, and duties pertaining to Director's Office of Revenue and Finance inclusive of:

Contingency Fund

Elections

Financial Administration (City Auditor)

Foreclosure (Liquidation of TTL & Foreclosed Property)

Group Insurance & Hospitalization

Insurance and Employees' Bonds

Maintenance of Free Public Library

Municipal Clerk's Office

Tax Assessor and Tax Collector Offices

Tax Searcher

Housing Inspection

Planning and Zoning Board

Be and the same are hereby distributed into the Department of Revenue and Finance, and the Director of said Department is hereby vested with all the aforesaid powers and shall perform all duties with respect thereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby rescinded.

A motion to adopt **Resolution #120-2023**, designating the duties of the Director of Public Safety and Public Affairs, was put forth by Mayor Collins, Seconded by Commissioner Horn, with a vote of three ayes.

# R E S O L U T I O N #120-2023 DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS CITY OF MARGATE

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; and

**THAT** the Executive, Administrative, Judicial, and Legislative powers, authority, and duties pertaining to Director's Office of Public Safety and Affairs inclusive of:

Fire Department

Registrar of Vital Statistics

**Beach Inspectors** 

Police Department

Information Technology

Construction Code Officials

Municipal Court

**Emergency Management** 

Lifeguards

Legal Services

Animal Regulation

Be and the same are hereby distributed into the Department of Public Safety and Public Affairs, and the Director of said Department is hereby vested with all the aforesaid powers and shall perform all duties with respect thereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby rejected.

A motion to adopt **Resolution** #121-2023, designating the duties of the Director of Public Works, Parks and Public Properties, of was put forth by Commissioner Horn, Seconded by Mayor Collins, with a vote of three ayes.

# R E S O L U T I O N #121-2023 DUTIES OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS, PARKS AND PUBLIC PROPERTIES CITY OF MARGATE

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Margate City, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; and

**THAT** the Executive, Administrative, Judicial, and Legislative powers, authority, and duties pertaining to Director's Office of Public Works, Parks & Public Property inclusive of:

City Engineer

Gasoline and Oil

Lot Clearing

Playground and Parks

Property and Improvement

Recreation

Recycling

Rubbish Removal Contract

Street Lighting

Street Repairs and Maintenance

Water and Sewer Utilities

Be and the same are hereby distributed into the Department of Public Works, Parks and Public Property and the Director of said Department is hereby vested with all the aforesaid powers and shall perform all duties with respect hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby rescinded.

# **Public Comment:**

Johanna Casey: Opens the meeting to public comments.

Seeing that there were no comments, a motion to close public comment was put forth by Mayor Collins, and seconded by Commissioner Horn, with a vote of three ayes.

#### **Closing Remarks:**

**Commissioner Blumberg:** Thanks his family, friends, campaign team, volunteers and voters for their support. Appreciates everyone coming out today to celebrate.

**Mayor Collins:** It is a special day. Appreciates everyone coming out to the swearing-in ceremony and those who supported them. Thanks Commissioner Blumberg for showing Commissioner Horn and himself what this is all about. Campaign was great chance to meet new people. Speaks on the support given by his family. Looks forward to the next four years.

**Commissioner Horn:** Speaks on the amazing people she has met during the campaign and how her family has supported her. Gives special thanks to former Mayor Becker for giving her the chance to be on the Margate City School Board, and how this was the first step to her being here today.

Reverend Ney: Gives the benediction.

# Adjournment:

There being no further business, City Clerk Johanna Casey called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Whereupon, the motion was made by Commissioner Blumberg, and seconded by Mayor Collins, to adjourn the meeting. A unanimous voice vote was taken adjourning the meeting at 12:22p.m.

Johanna Casey: Thanks everyone for attending.

Mayor Michael Collins

Commissioner Maury Blumberg

Commissioner Catherine Horn

Johanna Casey, Municipal Clerk