

Housing Authority of the City of Salem

Commissioner _____ presented the following resolution

Commissioner _____ seconded the following resolution

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENTS IN THE MATTER OF TIANA JOHNSON, TYRONE FLETCHER, KIRAH JARRETT, VANESSA SANTIAGO, TONYA HARVEY, REETHEL GERMAN, DENISE MCCANTS, AND QADIRAH LEWIS VS. SALEM HOUSING AUTHORITY IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY SALEM COUNTY DOCKET NO. SLM-L-55-24.

WHEREAS, on or about March 14, 2024, the Housing Authority of the City of Salem (hereinafter referred to as “SHA”) was served with a Complaint alleging civil rights and fair housing violations, and SHA filed an Answer on April 23, 2024, in the matter of Tiana Johnson, Tyrone Fletcher, Kirah Jarrett, Vanessa Santiago, Tonya Harvey, Reethel German, Denise Mccants, and Qadirah Lewis vs. Salem Housing Authority in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Salem County, Docket No. SLM-L-55-24, herein after (Johnson, et al. v. SHA); and

WHEREAS, on or about October 15, 2024, SHA and Plaintiffs engaged in a good faith mediation in which both parties were represented by counsel, and settlements of the outstanding matters were proposed to resolve the outstanding issues; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the proposed settlement agreements, they represent the proposals put forward in the mediation, and it is recommended that the SHA approve the settlements, pursuant to the draft settlement agreements attached hereto as Exhibits B - I; and

WHEREAS, has concluded that it is in the best interest of the SHA to resolve the matters of Johnson, et al, v. Salem Housing Authority Docket No. SLM-L-55-24, pursuant to the settlement agreements; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the SHA has approved the proposed Settlements attached as Exhibits B - I; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Executive Director is hereby authorized to execute all documents to effectuate the resolution of the matter and take all actions necessary to comply with the proposed settlements.

Certified and approved as to form and legality _____
 Cristal Holmes-Bowie, Esquire

VOTE	YES	NO	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Akmad Nichols, Chair				
Kiersten Westly Henson, Commissioner				
Dawn Johnson, Commissioner				
Joyce Lewis, Commissioner				
Destiny Wood, Commissioner				

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Salem on the 16th day of January 2025.

 Marc A. Starling, Secretary

Sworn to and subscribed
 Before me this
 16th day of January 2025.

Resolution No. 2025-001 [Approving CY2025 Board Public Meeting Dates]
