

**THE RHODE ISLAND CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CONVENTION CENTER COMMITTEE MEETING**

July 25, 2006

A meeting of the Convention Center Committee of the Rhode Island Convention Center Authority (hereinafter referred to as “Authority”, the “CCA” or the “Board”) was held on July 26, 2006, pursuant to notice, at the Rhode Island Convention Center Boardroom, One Sabin Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

Board members present were, Committee Co-Chair, Bernie Buonanno, Commissioners, David A. Duffy and Jerry Massa.

Also in attendance, Jim McCarvill, Kerrie Bennett and Betty Sullivan, Convention Center Authority; Bob Cappalli, Larry Lepore, Cheryl Schadone, BJ Voss and Eleanor SanAntonio, SMG/DDC; Tim Muldoon, and Julian Raveneau, SMG/RICC; Bruce Leach, Legal Counsel and Eileen Smith, Recording Secretary.

Chairman Massa called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. (at the rise of the Dunkin’ Donuts Committee) and announced that the next meeting would be held on August 29, 2006 at the rise of the Dunkin’ Donuts Committee meeting.

Noting that the minutes of the June meeting had been distributed Mr. Massa entertained a motion to approve. Upon a motion duly made by

Mr. Duffy and seconded by Mr. Buonanno, it was unanimously

VOTED: to approve the minutes of the June meeting.

Mr. Muldoon noted that the Convention Center has been working on parking alternatives. He displayed a drawing of a proposed reconfiguration for the north garage exit. Mr. McCarvill said that we would like to get conditional approval from the DOT and the City Traffic Department. Mr. Muldoon reported on the on-going projects. He noted that the South Garage lighting and motion sensors are on schedule, the Jr. Ballroom relocation of utilities is nearing completion and the Jr. Ballroom carpet will arrive in August. Mr. Massa noted that two meetings had been held regarding the feasibility of meeting space in the West Lobby. He asked Mr. Muldoon when we could expect the study to be completed. Mr. Muldoon said that he should have a report for the September meeting.

Mr. Massa asked Mr. Muldoon to present the financial highlights. Mr. Muldoon reported that June was a great month with five major conventions and trade shows. Mr. Muldoon noted that Year to Date revenue was up by \$456,000 when compared to Fiscal Year 2005. He noted the moderate gains in parking and was pleased to report that food and beverage had reached a milestone of \$4,000,000 in revenue. Mr. Muldoon said that record is great for a building of this size. Mr. Muldoon also reported that an agreement was signed for GTECH parking and the garage is now at capacity for monthly parkers. Mr.

Muldoon noted the hand off of the Boat Show to new owners. Ms. Sullivan congratulated Mr. Muldoon and his staff saying that she was very impressed with the numbers.

Noting no further business, Mr. Massa entertained a motion to adjourn. Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Buonanno and seconded by Mr. Duffy it was unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn at 4:30 p.m.