

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 46

WHEREAS, Atlantic City and its residents have faced longstanding operational, economic, and social challenges; and

WHEREAS, my Administration is committed to working with local officials to promote the revitalization of Atlantic City; and

WHEREAS, this past February, I appointed a team, led by James E. Johnson as a special counsel on Atlantic City matters, to provide recommendations for fostering continuing progress and prosperity in light of the above challenges; and

WHEREAS, for the next six months, Special Counsel Johnson engaged in a meaningful review of the City's present status and its future potential in order to identify opportunities for growth; and

WHEREAS, on September 20, Lieutenant Governor Oliver and I received a series of recommendations in a report entitled *Atlantic City: Building a Foundation for a Shared Prosperity*, prepared by Special Counsel Johnson and his team; and

WHEREAS, the report makes recommendations and proposals in numerous critical areas that would require significant support from State departments and agencies; and

WHEREAS, efforts to promote the goals outlined in the report will necessitate coordinated efforts among those departments and agencies; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of an Atlantic City Coordinating Council will provide an effective mechanism for such coordination, and will allow for the implementation of the report's recommendations with respect to the synchronization of state efforts and the identification of individuals and available resources essential to Atlantic City's revitalization;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PHILIP D. MURPHY, Governor of the State of New Jersey, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and by the Statutes of this State, do hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. There is hereby established the Atlantic City Coordinating Council, hereinafter referred to as "the Council."

2. The Council shall consist of at least 19 members, including the Lieutenant Governor, the Commissioners of the Departments of Agriculture, Children and Families, Corrections, Education, Health, Human Services, Labor and Workforce Development, and Transportation, or their respective designees, the Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs, or his designee, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, or her designee, the Attorney General, or his designee, the Treasurer, or her designee, the Secretary of Higher Education, or her designee, the Executive Director of the NJ Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, or his designee, the Chief Executive Officer of the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, or his designee, the Executive Director of NJ Transit, or his designee, the Director of the Authorities Unit, or his designee, and the Chair of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, or her designee.

3. The Governor may, as determined to be appropriate, appoint additional members to the Council, who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor.

4. The Council shall be chaired by the Lieutenant Governor. The Chairperson shall establish such rules of operation as the Council may require.

5. Neither the Chairperson nor any member of the Council shall be compensated in addition to the compensation received, if any, as an employee or officer of the State.

6. The Council shall meet as often as practicable and as requested by the Governor or Chairperson.

7. The objectives of the Council shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

a. Developing and advising the Governor on coordinated initiatives to support revitalization in key areas, including, but not limited to, the following:

- i. Economic Development;
- ii. Jobs;
- iii. Public Safety;

- iv. Public Health and Social Services;
- v. Land Use Planning and Development;
- vi. Youth Outcomes; and
- vii. Government Effectiveness and Accountability.

b. Formulating a strategy for ensuring various state efforts across these areas are aligned;

c. Identifying subject matter experts to assist with initiatives in the City; and

d. Identifying any available resources to further the Council's goals and support the revitalization of the City.

8. The Council shall be purely advisory in nature, and shall report to the Governor at least once every six months, outlining specific recommendations as directed in this Order.

9. Each department, office, division, and agency of this State is hereby required, to the extent not inconsistent with law and consistent with budgetary constraints, to cooperate fully with the Council and to furnish the Council with such assistance on a timely basis as is necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Order. Any named member of the Council who intends to appoint a designee shall do so within 30 days.

10. This Order shall take effect immediately.

[seal] GIVEN, under my hand and seal this
15th day of November,
Two Thousand and Eighteen, and
of the Independence of the
United States, the Two Hundred
and Forty-Third.

/s/ Philip D. Murphy

Governor

Attest:

/s/ Matthew J. Platkin

Chief Counsel to the Governor