



Allentown

435 Hamilton Street
Allentown, Pa. 18101

Minutes - Final

City Council

Monday, January 5, 2026

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

Organizational Meeting

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President Hendricks: Welcome – Welcome to City Council’s organizational meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to have newly elected City Councilpersons and City Controller take the oath of office and to allow council to reorganize, selecting a President and Vice President.

Remarks by Outgoing Councilpersons

Councilperson Zucal

Council Person Hendricks

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated good evening and welcome. Welcome to the City Council's organizational meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to have newly elected City Council persons and the City Controller take the Oath of Office and to allow Council to reorganize, selecting a president and a vice president. He stated that they will begin by remarks by outgoing Councilpersons. That being Councilperson Ed Zucal and followed by himself.

Mr. Ed Zucal stated thank you Mr. Hendricks. He thanked the citizens of Allentown who elected him eight years ago. It has truly been an honor to serve those eight years and 25 years as a police officer. During his 2,920 days in office, he devoted his time to representing the citizens and the employees in the city with dignity and honor. He stated that he leaves his position tonight with a clear conscious and with pride, knowing that he performed his duties in the utmost professional manner and represented Allentown as an elected official should. He stated that every vote that he cast was not made by threats, phone calls, or political influence, but in the best interest of the future of its citizens. He stated to his colleagues, have the courage to stand up for what you believe in and the values you were taught. Rather than governing by peer pressure. He stated that true wisdom often means standing apart from the crowd. Throughout history, the majority has often been misguided. Real change and progress come from those willing to think for themselves. For now, he is going to enjoy his

little time off, at least for temporary. Thank you.

Mr. Daryl Hendricks stated thank you, Councilman. He stated that as he reflects on the close of his term as a Councilmember, he is humbled to have had the privilege to represent the great citizens of our city. A city in which he lived in since birth. The city in which he has been a public servant in for almost 50 years. He stated that he has learned a great deal about how our city runs and made the best of it by studying and researching those issues facing our city through an unprecedented pandemic and extensive growth here in the Lehigh Valley. He stated that he has met a lot of people throughout his career and cultivated a lot of friendships that he will carry forward. He also had the opportunity to be appointed to several boards. He stated that during these assignments, he had a chance to meet and work with several like-minded colleagues where we could learn from each others experiences. During his career service with this city, he had the opportunity to work with many great and dedicated city staffers, directors, and employees. He stated that one of which he must name specifically, Michael Hanlon. He stated thank you, Mike stating that he will miss you all. He stated that some of the other highlights were participating in city events and activities such as parades, flag raisings, and car shows along Hamilton Street and also representing our city businesses with countless ribbon cutting activities. He stated during his term in office, he did his best along with other Councilmembers to keep taxes and service increases down. He feels that the majority of Councilmembers he served with were fiscally responsible and made solid decisions based on the facts and resources available to them. It was a privilege to serve with many Councilmembers and three different mayors during his tenure. He stated that he will miss helping you shape our city and making a difference in our community. His goal was to be a good public servant and not a politician. He made decisions based on research and facts rather than future election chances. He is grateful for the confidence residents placed in him to represent their values and goals for our city. He stated as he begins the next chapter of his life, he will continue to pursue those goals in service of our city and those members of the community most deserving of them. He stated there is a lot he will miss, but it is time for him to spend more time with his wife and their family. Most especially, our five grandchildren who will certainly keep him on his toes. He stated thank you. Thank you all very much. He stated and now, he will step down from the dais and have our vice president Cynthia Mota take his position.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated and now what we are going to do is and she believes she is going to be the first one who is going to be sworn in by Linda Vega. She stated so Honorable Ms. Vega. She stated that she knows she is here. She stated that this is so exciting. She stated that she is really happy and see so many familiar faces here and ahead of time, she

just wants to say thank you.

Honorable Linda Vega swore in Cynthia Mota.

I, Cynthia Mota, do solemnly affirm that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office of Councilperson of the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania, with fidelity.

Taken sworn and subscribed before me this 5th day of January 2026.

Honorable Linda Vega stated that you have been sworn in.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated that she was wondering and would love to take a picture with her family and stated that she knows that this and took pictures with her family. She stated that now they have Mr. Jeremy Binder and the Honorable Michael D'Amore.

Honorable Michael D' Amore asked Mr. Binder to repeat after him. I, Jeremy Binder, do solemnly affirm that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office of Councilperson of the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania, with fidelity.

Honorable Michael D'Amore stated congratulations.

Mr. Jeremy Binder asked for a photo.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated and next we have Ms. Natalie Santos and she is going to be sworn by the Honorable Linda Vega.

Honorable Linda Vega stated Natalie Santos as a City Councilperson in the city of Allentown and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and county of Lehigh and the city of Allentown repeat after me I, Natalie Santos, do solemnly affirm that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office of Councilperson of the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania, with fidelity. Taken sworn and subscribed before me this 5th day of January 2026.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated picture time, come on, don't be shy stating photos. She stated the next person will be, the next Councilperson will be Cristian Pungo and he is going to be sworn in by the Honorable Linda Vega.

Honorable Linda Vega asked Cristian Pungo is he excited.

Mr. Cristian Pungo stated absolutely.

Honorable Linda Vega asked are you sure stating that you got two seconds left.

I, Cristian Pungo, do solemnly affirm that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office of Councilperson of the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania, with fidelity. Taken sworn and subscribed before me this 5th day of January 2026.

Dr. Cynthia Mota recognized Colombia stating beautiful.

Mr. Cristian Pungo stated logistically we did not plan for the picture so he is just going to ask five folks in the row over there to help up here with his wife, his mother and.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated photo. Photo. She stated that and now we have the Honorable Matt Tuerk. The mayor of the third largest city of PA. She stated that he is going to be sworn in by the Honorable Michael D'Amore.

I, Matt Tuerk, do solemnly affirm that I will support, obey and defend the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and that I will discharge the duties of my office of Mayor of the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania, with fidelity.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated good evening and thank you to everyone who is here today. She stated her family, her friends, colleagues and most importantly the residents of this great city. The city of Allentown. She stated that being sworn in for another term is truly an honor and doesn't take this responsibility lightly. She wants to take a moment to recognize and thank some of her colleagues and it is sad to say who will not be continuing on Council. Public Service is not always easy and it requires time, sacrifice, and a deep commitment to the community. She stated first, she wants to thank Daryl Hendricks stating your support and partnership has meant more to her than he may not realize. She stated that he has always shown up for the community whether it was a Council initiative or an event that had nothing to do with City Council, but it had a lot to do with the community. She stated that his willingness to support others and stay connected to the people of this city speaks volumes about your character. She stated that she is grateful for the opportunity to have served alongside of you. She stated that she will also like to thank Ed Zucal for his passion

for the city of Allentown. While we may not always have seen eye to eye, there is no doubt about your dedication and commitment to this city. She stated that she respects the service and energy you brought to this role. She stated thank you for your years of service to Allentown. She stated and to the voters of this city, thank you. She stated thank you for believing in her. In her leadership once again, your trust means everything to her and promises to continue working very hard every day to earn it. She stated that she remains committed to listening, learning, and leading with integrity and purpose. Finally, she wants to thank her family for standing by her, encouraging her, and supporting her in her dreams to serve the city. This city that she loves dearly stating that your patience, sacrifices and belief in me makes this journey possible. She stated that she is proud to serve Allentown and looks forward to continuing this work together. She stated that she is also so excited and looking forward to this year. She stated that she knows that they will all remain focused on building a stronger, more united city for everyone. She stated that she thanks them so much stating thank you very much in Spanish. She stated and now, Mr. Binder.

Mr. Jeremy Binder stated thank you, Councilperson Mota. He stated that he does have to say that he prepared remarks, but as someone who sat in that audience many, many hours and watched. He stated that this is really surreal to him to look this way stating that she just wants to call that out right now. He acknowledged outgoing Councilmembers Hendricks and Zucal. He stated as Ms. Mota has said though we might not see eye to eye on a lot of things all the time, any person who puts themselves out there in community service, especially at the local level it's a lot and he can appreciate going into this that it is going to be a lot stating that he just wants to acknowledge the time you have put in. He wants to start off by saying thank you to the the voters in Allentown for taking a chance on him. He entered into this without any name recognition or really a lot of background. He stated that he is truly humbled and honored to be able to be sitting up her right now. He stated that he spoke to many people while he was knocking on doors. He encouraged by conversations and those will shape a lot of the decisions we make here on the dais. H stated that he really appreciates that. He stated that he also wants to thank his friends that are in the audience. Your counsel, your feedback over the last couple of years has been and stated that he can't put a word to it. He stated that your commitment to holding him accountable and critiquing as this next four years go is incredibly important as well. He thanked his parents, Paul and Sharon as well as his sister, Heather and his niece Maya (sp), who this is her first public meeting of any way, shape or form. His parents taught him at a very young age, the importance of civic engagement. That your vote was your voice and you should exercise it all the time or as often as you can. He thanked them so much for being here tonight. He stated last, but not least most importantly, he wants to thank his partner Sheri stating that

your love, your encouragement, and support in this process has meant the world to me and he just wants to thank her for agreeing to endure four more years of city of Allentown discussions at home. He just wants to briefly just say how he got here stated so a little less than two years ago he was sitting in a Franklin Park Community meeting and at the time there were neighbors that was voicing frustration. It was either something that Council was doing with the administration stating he doesn't remember, but at the time he said you know, it really only takes about 3,000 votes to get through the primary here in Allentown and get on Council and actually help shape some of the stuff that the community was frustrated about. He stated that at that time Carol Gonzalez came over to him and if you don't know who she is, she was just an amazing social justice activist and she said that we have those votes here in Franklin Park, we just need to get people out. He stated that carried him through the rigors and the challenges of campaigning. He stated that he really appreciated what she said in that moment. He stated that she passed last year and unfortunately her memory lives on. In closing, he likes to carry on a tradition of previous Allentown City Council member and that was Courtney Robinson. He quoted someone during his acceptance time and stated he believes he quoted Churchill and looked at Candida because it probably was Churchill that he probably should have quoted. He stated that he is going to go a little bit, not as uppity, but he is going to quote Father Gregory Boyle. He was a Jesuit Priest in California and focuses on marginalized individuals and kids trying to overcome gang violence and he said we don't rescue people on the margins, but if we stand at the margins to figure, we all are rescued, sorry. He stated that he just wants to say that he is humbled and honored for this experience and looking forward to the next four years in Allentown. Thank you.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated now we have Ms. Santos.

Ms. Natalie Santos thanked Dr. Mota and stated that she will keep hers shorter and maybe sweeter. She stated that she is so grateful to be entrusted with another term. Her second term as a Councilperson of Allentown. She stated that she learned so much during her last four years stating let her tell them. To be in this kind of position and some people may know that this is a part-time position and they do this because they like it and wants to serve their community so shout out to you all that are still doing this and want to continue to do this. She stated that she can't wait to continue to serve her community and stated so thank you to everyone that has helped her along her journey, especially her friends and her partner who are in the audience today stating thank you guys. She stated that she looks forward to continuing to represent so thank you so much.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated now we have Mr. Pungo.

Mr. Cristian Pungo stated thank you Cynthia. He stated first and foremost thank you all for being here tonight and for being engaged and for supporting those that ran and for really for just caring for us that ran and just for caring about others which is really the reason why you are here. He stated as he sits here he is humbled to be surrounded by so many people who have played an integral role to getting him here as a public servant. He stated service to others is amongst the most impactful things we can do as a people. He stated that he sits here today not just in his own will to run for an elected office, but as a testament of kindness and service of others in his life. He stated that his family came to the city in the early 2000s when he was about six. He stated that he came with no expectation, no intention, no specific path because he was six, but he thank God for the decision because without it he can never be here. He stated that the people who supported him in his campaign by sharing his post, donations, attending events, knocking for signatures and standing with his at polling stations where the same people who saw him grow up here years ago watching the plays, attending the swim meets, buying his art, and being a community for him in a place where he originally had none. He stated that Allentown and the community that he found here is the main reason he decided to run and ensuring every resident in Allentown can have that and is and always will be his northstar. Whether today is your first day here, or whether you are the seventh generation to live here. Whether you are born on the hospital on 17th Street or another country all together. If you call Allentown home, we will serve you all the time. He stated that he won't too much of your time, but he wants to give some very special thank you. He stated Linda Vega, thank you so much stating during campaign season sat him down on her porch and asked him the tough questions. She wasn't letting him off easy. She shared so many incredibly honest opinions about her time and service and knew it was a no brainer to ask her today and thank her so much for that. He stated that he really wants to thank his friends that are here today stating the voters who voted him in today. He has so many specific gratitude's for each and every one of them, but he doesn't have enough time to single them all out and thanked them so much and stated that he loves them all. He stated thank you to his new found family. Your support means so much more than you will ever know. He thanked his mother specifically whose work ethic showed him how to work for what you want and spoke Spanish. He stated of course, his anchor, the love of his life to the person who sees him at his lowest and helps him to get up and keep moving forward, his wife Stephanie. He stated that he is better because of them and he hopes he can serve the city even with an ounce of compassion and love that you show me every day. He stated to his colleagues up here, it is an honor to sit amongst you and looks forward to getting to work. Thank you.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated Mr. Hanlon, let's do the Roll Call, please.

Mr. Michael Hanlon did the Roll Call and stated everyone is present. Dr. Cynthia Mota thanked Mr. Hanlon. She stated now they are going to do the invocation and it is going to be done by Rabbi Moshe Kurtz from the Congregation Sons of Israel.

Dr. Cynthia Mota asked Rabbi Moshe Kurtz if he mind pronouncing his name and stated her apologies.

Rabbi Moshe Kurtz stated that it is Moshe Kurtz. It is the Yiddish pronunciation like Moshe. It was really close.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated right, right.

Rabbi Moshe Kurtz stated that he is not going to go through a million acknowledgements, but he does have to thank both Genesis Ortega and outgoing Chairman Daryl Hendricks for the kind invitation. He stated just a few weeks ago, we were actually standing in these Chambers here and did the inaugural Menorah lighting with Mayor Tuerk and some of the Council members who are with us and they look forward to future partnerships with the entire city of Allentown. He asked if they please rise as they recite the follow prayer, O Mighty God, we come before you as men and women of noble will. Your Prophet Isaiah declared My thoughts are not yours and so we do not possess your infinite wisdom. Yet we humbly endeavored to fill your mandates as it says in Genesis to work and to safeguard the city of Allentown, the garden which you have entrusted to us. O God, you declared as it says in Jeremiah, it is not my world like fire says the Lord and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces. Just as the hammer breaks a stone to several fragments so to one verse is stated by God and from it emerge several interpretations. Debate and difference of opinion is not a bug, but it is a feature of the human condition. However, sage God elucidated that argumentation need not results in alienation. In Psalms, it states happy is the man that has his quiver full of them. They shall not be put to shame when they speak with their enemies in the gates. Your sage teach that even a parent and child or a teacher and student were locked intellectual combats. They become a likened into adversaries with each other due to the intensity of their debates, but yet they are not permitted to leave the Study Chambers until they express their love and their affection for each other as the Talmud teaches stating O Mighty God, much debate has occurred in these hallowed chambers and there will be and they should be many, many more debates, however (Jewish prayer - there is but one thing he requests of you O Lord that you bestow upon us and bless us with the wisdom, the patience, the resolve and the fortitude to see that even when they seem like we are enemies at the gates that is only,

but a temporary illusion for we are all in pursuits of the same fundamental goal. Like the hammer that strikes the stone, we produce different methods, however, we are not adversaries, but allies working together for the betterment of our neighbors, for the betterment of our beloved city. He stated may God bless our mayor, our City Council and all who work for the betterment of the city of Allentown, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and may God Bless our United States of America and let us say, Amen.

Present: 7 - Cynthia Mota, Natalie Santos, Ce-Ce Gerlach, Candida Affa, Santo Napoli, Jeremy Binder, and Cristian Pungo

Oath of Office and seating of the new councilpersons and Mayor:

Cynthia Mota Honorable Linda Vega Sirop

Jeremy Binder Honorable Michael D'Amore

Natalie Santos Honorable Linda Vega Sirop

Cristian Pungo- Honorable Linda Vega Sirop

Matt Tuerk – Honorable Michael D'Amore

Remarks by Councilpersons Mota, Binder, Santos, Pungo

Invocation: Rabbi Moshe Kurtz from the Congregation Sons of Israel

Pledge to the Flag

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated can you please rise everyone. She stated let's do the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council and the public stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Present: 7 - Cynthia Mota, Natalie Santos, Ce-Ce Gerlach, Candida Affa, Santo Napoli, Jeremy Binder, and Cristian Pungo

Courtesy of the Floor

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated now, let's do Courtesy of the Floor, please. Ok, no cards.

Election of President and Vice-President

Council will elect a President and Vice President at its organizational meeting. The President or Acting President will first take nominations from the floor for Council President. Each Councilperson can only make one nomination. After the nominations have been made by councilpersons, the President may offer a nomination. The potential candidates shall be voted on as nominated. The first candidate to receive a majority vote will become the President. The procedures will be the same for the election of the Vice President.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated next, we are going to do the organization of Council. She stated that they are going to do the election of Council President and Vice President. She stated that so she is the acting

president and will ask someone to make a nomination on the floor for president. She stated that she needs someone to make a nomination for president.

Ms. Candida Affa stated that she will nominate for president, Mr. Santo.

Dr. Cynthia Mota stated ok. She stated that it is time to vote.

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Yes: 7 - Cynthia Mota, Natalie Santos, Ce-Ce Gerlach, Candida Affa, Santo Napoli, Jeremy Binder, and Cristian Pungo

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Dr. Cynthia Mota stated congratulations.

Mr. Santo Napoli stated ok, we will get and stated that they will also continue this meeting forward with nominations for vice president.

Mr. Cristian Pungo stated that he will nominate Cynthia Mota for vice president.

Mr. Santo Napoli stated we have nomination for Ms. Cynthia Mota.

Yes: 7 - Cynthia Mota, Natalie Santos, Ce-Ce Gerlach, Candida Affa, Santo Napoli, Jeremy Binder, and Cristian Pungo

Council and Mayor Remarks

Mr. Santo Napoli stated that he will make just some brief remarks. First and foremost, he wants to thank all his colleagues who supported him and also who believed in his leadership. He stated that he will tell them, that he will not let them down and anxious to show all of them and our city staff and all of our residents and taxpayers how much good the City Council could do in 2026. He stated that he is really, really excited. He is also looking forward to working with Vice President Cynthia Mota. He stated her and I served in leadership two years ago and stated he learned a lot from her. He stated that her experience and her passion for this community will only help them get more of what they want done and more accomplished in 2026. He stated that he is really excited to work with her and looking forward to and also looking forward to working with all of his colleagues.

He stated that they have really a lot of work to do and one thing he wants to do is to set a new standard, new tone for our public meetings and also wants to put more of an emphasis with all of your help on creating more legislation that creates a positive impact to this community so definitely more legislation coming out of us and stated that he is very excited to see what they can accomplish. He welcomed back, Ms. Natalie Santos and Ms. Cynthia Mota and stated congratulations to both of you and he also wants to welcome the new colleagues, Mr. Jeremy Binder, and Cristian Pungo stating congratulations to both of you and again looking forward to 2026. He stated that we have a lot of work to do and tonight is the night to celebrate. Tomorrow, we get to work. He stated thank you everyone. He asked was there any remarks from Mayor Tuerk.

Mayor Matt Tuerk thanked Mr. Napoli. He stated that he is excited and the spirit of levity is phenomenal. It feels good and stated that he is happy to hear you say that we are here to celebrate. He stated that it is a celebration and stated that he wants to note that they had a ton of people they should recognize in the room today, but he just wants to note two people who did have to step out. He stated that recently sworn in new county executive for Lehigh County Josh Siegel was here a moment ago along with Lehigh County Commissioner Jeff Brace stating not only it affords him the opportunity to make a brief joke. He stated that he is going to be shorter than County Executive Siegel in his remarks tonight, but the bar is pretty low because he thinks Josh went on for about 22 minutes. He stated that he is will try to be brief. He stated four years ago he spend his first day as mayor running from building to building and thanking the employees of the city of Allentown. He stated that he was grateful, but a naive resident of the city with a big job ahead of him. Shaking hands of police and Public Works employees, finance teams, and firefighters stating that he felt a sense of excitement for our shared future and he is sure that the traffic control and tech support for folks alike appreciated the thanks, but they probably wondered what kind of mayor is he going to be. Today, he started the first day of his second term. Again, thanking our city employees. The naiveté is gone. After four years as mayor, he has a new profound sense of gratitude for the incredible public servants that he works alongside every single day. Through crisis and triumph, they have shown him a lot and taught him how important it is to show up and four years later, the paramedics, and paralegals, registered nurses and Rec specialists, housing inspectors and human resources generalists, all know what kind of mayor he is. He is a mayor who starts every day with energy and passion to serve the residents of the city of Allentown. He is a mayor who celebrates with our people when we succeed and who grieves with our community when we lose. He is a mayor who asked a lot of questions, seeking to understand so we can do better together. He is a mayor who believes that Allentown will show up, if we asked them to and will do amazing things for

each other. He is a mayor who counts on residents to speak up and remind elected officials to do better. He is a mayor who looks for help from the private sector and from government partners alike. Bottom-line, he is a mayor who shows up and that is the kind of mayor that our city deserves. He stated that they have some major challenges ahead of them. They are going to need partners like: Abby Goldfarb to show up with a helping hand. He stated that they are going to need moms like Jeani Garcia to show up for peace. We are going to need artist like Kyle Edwards to show up and bring us together for a purpose. We are going to need residents like Antoine Rudski (sp), Adrian Badus (sp), Esuk Ramos (sp) to show up along with all those laughing kids that you heard in the hallway earlier to show up for the future of Allentown. He stated that we are going to need mentors like Tony Hannah, Anita Ramos (sp), and Crystal Vargos - Benton (sp) to guide those young people. We are going to need fellow public servants like Josh, who just stepped away and Adrian Brown Newall and Jeff Brace, and Ana Tiburcio to join us all in service to Allentonians and we definitely going to need Tony Iannelli and Carol Birks to show up to bring business and education together here in Allentown. He stated that he can say with certainty that we are going to need a City Council and a mayor to be on the same page every day showing up for our residents. He stated that he wants to thank all of them in advanced stating actually he wants to take a moment and thank Councilman Hendricks and asked if Councilman Zucal step out. He stated there you go stating and Councilman Zucal for your service. He stated that he repeats a lot of what Council has to say. We do not always agree, but he knew he could always talk to them both and appreciates their service to our city. Not just to City Council people, but as police officers for years. He stated that they set a standard for what it means to serve the public of the city of Allentown and grateful to them for that service. He stated that he is thanking them all in advanced for what he is about to ask. He wants to thank again, our incredible employees stating that he is grateful for joining so much of them tonight. He stated that he would especially mention his Chief of Staff hiding in the back somewhere, Michaela Boyer. His Specialist Assistant in the mayor's office, Jay Lopez, the Chief of Police Charles Roca, our Chief of Fire Freddy Agosto, DCED Director Vicky Kistler, Director of Parks and Recreation, Mandy Tolino, Director of IT Gerry Anthony, and former City Councilperson who deeply understands public service and current Human Resources Director for the city of Allentown Marty Velasquez stating thank you all. He stated now, before he finishes he has to tell them what kind of man he is stating that he is a partner who is most proud to stand beside (inaudible) without whom none of this is possible. He is a father whose hope for the future lies not only in the amazing children of the city of Allentown, but his children. Mel, who is in Belize right now and Margo and Riley. He stated that they all have done a lot of good work together over the past four years here in Allentown, but we only just begun. There is a lot of future ahead of us. He stated thank

you Tony and Gracias. Thank you.

Mr. Santo Napoli stated ok and asked if there were any other remarks from his colleagues before they adjourn. He stated ok and thanks again everyone and Happy New Year and we will adjourn this meeting.

ADJOURNED: 6:48 PM

Mr. Cristian Pungo stated one quick announcement.

Mr. Santo Napoli stated if anyone has a Chaser of parking, we can pay for your parking with Mike Hanlon.