



DEPARTMENT OF PROPERTY AND PROCUREMENT

**TESTIMONY OF
LISA MARIA ALEJANDRO, COMMISSIONER**

**BEFORE
THE 36TH LEGISLATURE OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS**

COMMITTEE ON CULTURE, YOUTH, AGING, SPORTS, AND PARKS

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**ON
THE PAUL E. JOSEPH STADIUM PROJECT**

*Testimony
of
Lisa Maria Alejandro, Commissioner of the Department of Property and Procurement
Before
The Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging, Sports, and Parks of the 36th Legislature of
the Virgin Islands of the United States
on
September 18, 2026*

1 Good afternoon Honorable Angel Bolques, Jr., Chair of the Committee on Culture, Youth,
2 Aging, Sports, and Parks, to Vice – Chair, the Honorable Carla J. Joseph, members of the
3 Committee on Culture, Youth, Aging, Sports and Parks (“Committee”), non-committee members
4 of the 36th Legislature, fellow testifiers, Legislative Staff, and the viewing and listening audience.

5 I am Lisa Maria Alejandro, Commissioner of the Department of Property and
6 Procurement, (“DPP”) appearing before the Committee in response to your August 21, 2026,
7 invitation concerning the Paul E. Joseph Stadium Project on St. Croix.

8 I appear today in support of the Department of Public Works (“DPW”) and the
9 Department of Sports, Parks, and Recreation (“DSPR”). DPW, as the Government's construction
10 management agency, maintains primary responsibility for the day-to-day project oversight,
11 construction supervision, contractor performance monitoring, and project completion activities.
12 Consequently, the Department yields to the testimony of the Department of Public Works
13 regarding the ongoing construction project. DPP's role in this project involves procurement,
14 contract administration, and reviewing and approving contractual modifications under applicable
15 law and regulations.

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17 **Status of Contracts**

18 The Department previously submitted copies of all Contracts executed for this Project¹.
19 The Project’s current completion time is December 31, 2026, through the execution of the most

¹ Copies of all items were previously shared with the Committee for the July 18, 2025, and April 20, 2026, Hearings, as applicable.

(a) **Original Contract No. C003SPRC15** (executed November 19, 2014) in the amount of Twenty Million Dollars and Zero cents (\$20,000,000.00);

(b) **Revised for Change Order No. 1 – Contract No. C003SPRC15** (which supersedes the above);



20 recent change order for time. Since the Department last testified on this project in April 2026,
21 there have been no change orders for added costs, and the only executed change orders extend
22 the project completion time to December 31, 2026. As previously discussed, the Change Order
23 process is a collaborative effort between the user agency and the Department of Public Works,
24 in reviewing the need for any changes and making recommendations for either the approval or
25 disapproval of Change Orders. Since Change Orders are modifications to the contractual
26 documents and must also approve the Change Order in line with the recommendations of the
27 Government's engineer.

28 29 **Conclusion**

30 The Paul E. Joseph Stadium Project has long been anticipated by the people of St. Croix
31 and the Virgin Islands. DPP recognizes the importance of delivering a facility that will serve
32 youth sports, community events, and economic development opportunities for generations to
33 come.

34 The Department remains committed to working collaboratively with all stakeholders to
35 facilitate the completion of this Project while ensuring that all procurement and contractual
36 actions continue to comply with Virgin Islands law and established procurement standards.

37 Mr. Chair, thank you for the opportunity to appear before the Committee today. DPP
38 stands ready to continue supporting the efforts of the Department of Public Works, the
39 Department of Sports, Parks and Recreation, and other stakeholders as the Paul E. Joseph
40 Stadium Project advances toward completion.

41 This concludes my prepared testimony. I am available to answer any questions the
42 Committee may have.

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- (c) **Supplemental Contract No. C003ASPRC15** (executed February 26, 2022) in the amount of Four Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$4,100,000.00) (Supplemental No. 1);
 - (d) **Supplemental Contract No. PO-24-810-8102-688** (executed September 10, 2024) for Five Million One Hundred Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$5,124,000.00) (Supplemental No. 2); and
 - (e) **Amendment No. 1 (executed December 24, 2025)** – to change payment terms and conditions to provide the Government with the option to make direct payments to suppliers.

