

**THIS WAS A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY, ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2016, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.**

The Chair led all assembled in a Salute to the American Flag.

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Councilman Kerry Coley, East Ward  
Councilman Elroy A. Corbitt, At-Large  
Councilwoman Tency A. Eason, North Ward  
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr. West Ward  
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson., South Ward  
Councilwoman Donna K. Williams, At-Large  
Council President April Gaunt-Butler, At-Large

**Also Present:** Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk  
Mary Mayes, Acting BA  
Adrian Mapp, Finance Director  
James Wolfe, Assistant City Attorney  
Keith Harvest, Legislative Research Officer  
Margaret Homere, Senior Clerk,  
Kenneth Douglas, Fire Director,  
John Wade, Acting Police Director

**Absent:** Councilman Elroy A. Corbitt, Member-at-Large  
Joy Lascari, Chief Financial Officer

The City Clerk announces that the requirement of N.J. S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., The Sunshine Law had been met. A notice of this meeting was sent to the Record-Transcript and published in the Star Ledger on July 16, 2015, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES MEETINGS**

**April 19, 2016- Conference & Regular Minutes**

**Motion to approve the Conference and Regular meeting minutes from April 19, 2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.**  
By consensus the Regular and Conference meeting minutes were approved.

**REPORTS:**

**DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION    None****CONSTABLE REPORTS-    None****OPRA REQUESTS    None****COUNCIL REPORTS**

Ms. Cooper, the Chief of Staff, came to the podium and spoke about the litigations that were outstanding. Ms. Cooper would give a more detailed report by next week. The Council then can have a Special meeting with Dan Smith, the City Attorney to discuss those items.

Ms. Cooper reported on the outstanding PBA contract that would be settled within the next two weeks and the OSA contract that was settled. Their goal is to have the contracts by the next Council meeting to have them approved.

She reported that the Budget that is being introduced tonight does not include the numbers for the OSA and the PBA. There will have to be a budget amendment before the budget adoption. The Finance Director will want to have a special meeting with the Council to discuss the contract numbers. The terms of the OMEBA have been completed and the City is interviewing Attorneys who can help bring all the contracts in one place. She reported that once the PBA contract is settled there is hope that the Fire Department's contract will also be settled.

Councilwoman Williams gave the report of the Finance Committee.

The Chief Financial Officer will provide the Council with a check register for the last 90 days. The Finance Director will provide all purchase orders for the contractors that have been correcting the water damage to the building.

The insurance company for the water damage is being covered by Travelers Insurance not the Jiff.

Mr. Mapp gave a brief report on the insurance coverage by Travelers.

Mr. Mapp would provide the dollar amount of the deductible for the Council the following day. Councilwoman Williams Ordinance - 37-2016 asked if the title of the newly requested position had been corrected. The City Clerk reported that it had.

Resolution 94-2016 through 104-2016 be withdrawn because of needed information that has not been received by the Council.

Resolution 105-2016 she asked how that amount was determined by the State. Director Mayes would find out and let them know.

For Resolution 106-2016 – the Finance Committee recommends that it be withdrawn because there was no backup provided. Councilwoman Williams reported that Resolution 107-2016 the Operating Expenses of various departments were adjusted by the budget consultant.

Councilwoman Williams reported that the bill list resolution reflected that money that had not been approved by the Council had been paid by the administration. The City Clerk reported that the bill list had been amended by the CFO and the amended amount added was \$264,406.35.

Director Mapp did not have an answer for the increase to the bill list. Councilwoman Williams spoke about the ever increasing bills for vehicle parts and services. Councilman Coley will work

on an ordinance with a policy that hopefully cuts down those cost and more efficient use of the vehicles.

Mr. Mapp urged the Council not to remove the resolutions that the committee suggested. He stated that requested information will be provided by the following Friday.

Discussion ensued between Mr. Mapp and Councilwoman Williams.

Mr. Carl Smith, Tax collector, reported that the refund items on the resolutions were not part of the bulk tax sale. He explained why the money needed to be refunded to the lien holders.

Councilwoman stated that they still needed the backup to make a decision on those liens.

Councilman Johnson asked about resolutions 99-2016, 100-2016 101, 102 and 103-2016. The addresses changed but all resolutions had the same verbiage. How were they auctioned in error at the tax sale? Mr. Smith the Tax Collector reported that United Water did not give the city an accurate list which created the problem. The Council President Gaunt-Butler asked about the missing affidavits for the liens. Mr. Smith reported that some did not have tax sale certificates. Mr. Smith answered other questions about the resolutions regarding repayments to lien holders. He also reported that the State requires that on delinquent bills that all the interest be paid up front along with payment to the delinquent bill. Partial payments are accepted but interest payments are paid first and the rest of the payment goes to the bill. The bulk tax sale report will be given to the Clerk's Office on Monday, after he reviews it.

### **Council President directs Clerk to file reports**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS-**

The Clerk's Office received communications from the State of New Jersey

Department of Community Affairs - a notice of late introduction to the Budget.

A notice from the Department of Commerce - a past due notice of the annual survey of public employee and payroll for the paid period to include March 2016.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON GENERAL ISSUES/AGENDA ITEMS**

The City Clerk made the following statement:

Pursuant to section 4-10 of the Code of the City of Orange Township, each person addressing the Council shall step up to the microphone, shall give his or her name in an audible tone for the record, and unless further time is granted by the presiding officer, shall limit his or her address to Five (5) minutes.

The public is expected to conduct themselves in a proper manner, any derogatory, abusive or threatening statements will not be permitted. The Chair will immediately rule such conduct out of order and terminate any further comments.

The following residents and business owners made comments.

- Mr. William Lewis commented that at the last meeting the Councilmembers were out of line. Made suggestions on how to conduct the Council meetings. Also stating that

questions should be answered between the Administration and Council before the meeting not during it. Mr. Lewis provided his resume of positions throughout his career.

- Jeffery Feld reported that he had received a phone call from the DCA and he asked when they were going to enforce the rule about the introduction of the budget. He reported that the law department did not answer his OPRA request on a judgement regarding a levy. Spoke of his concern with the outside planner that the city is hiring. His concern of the budget consultant being the forensic auditor for the city.
- Mr. Quil Lyles asked questions about the redevelopment area he lives in and the trash schedule for that area. He works out of a youth organization called Urban Family Advance Program and asked what the city is doing to build a bond between the youth of the city.
- Ms. Murphy Wilson commented that new positions should not be considered until the budget is introduced and reviewed to see if the positions can be afforded. She commented that the statements by the tax assessor of the tax sale refunds do not make sense. She had reservations about the Nishuane Group resolution, giving her reasons why. Ms. Wilson thanked the Council President for bringing order and professionalism to the meetings and hoped that the person that follows her does the same. She thanked Council President Gaunt-Butler for her service.
- Ms. Gloria Stewart thanked the Council President for her service. Ms. Stewart stated she had concerns about a Mayor of Plainfield having control over Orange's finances. She then asked how the Finances in Plainfield doing. When will the city get a Business Administrator and a Police Director? The Mayor should be at these meetings or his name plate should be removed from the dais. She thanked Director Douglas for the façade over the Fire House. The port a poddies need to be removed from the Walter G redevelopment area now that it is finished. The Board of Education should be an elected board so they are accountable to more than just one person. This was directed to Director Mayes that the light on Oakwood is too long and asked again about the recycling and how it helps the revenue of the city.
- Mr. Christopher Jackson asked about the Master Plan and the city planners taking a year to complete it; is that really effective. He suggested interviewing people that are from Orange and know Orange. He commented about the lateness of the budget. Mr. Jackson felt that the Mayor should have been at the meeting to introduce his budget. He felt that the contracts should have been included in the budget since they will change the budget greatly. He felt that the position of Chief of Staff should be explained as to why the position is necessary as well as deputy business administrator.

**Motion to Close Citizen Comments:**

**Second:**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

The Council President asked Attorney Wolfe if it was a conflict to be Mayor in one city and Finance Director in another. He did not feel it was a conflict. As far as the Budget consultant doing the Forensic audit he would have to get back to the Council President.

The Council President asked about the litigation against the city. Attorney Wolfe stated that he cannot comment because it is pending litigation. Answers will be given to the Council when Attorney Smith gives his report to the Council.

Director Mayes will work with Mr. Lyles regarding the trash pickup. Director Wade will speak with Lyles. Ms. Stewart reviewed the duties of a Chief of Staff by looking at the ordinance. Director Mayes did not know when the city would get an official Business Administrator. There was no information regarding the Acting Police Director. Director Mayes gave a verbal report on the recycling program and how much it had helped the city. Director Mayes confirmed that if the city hires Nishuane then they would not be hiring a full time planner for one year.

Councilwoman Summers-Johnson stated that her mission will be to get more residents to vote. She spoke of the South Ward Community meeting she had on June 1st.

Councilwoman Williams asked why the city isn't hiring a Planner. Director Mayes reported that he felt good about the Nishuane Group and Ms. Cooper stated that they were able to have more people working on projects than having one full time person. Councilwoman Williams spoke about voting and its importance.

Councilman Johnson asked when the city closed on the YWCA building. Ms. Cooper report April 20th 2016.

Councilwoman Eason reported that the Big Old Booster Club will hold their Annual Scholarship fund raiser on June 16th, Councilwoman Summers-Johnson will be speaking at the meeting. Councilwoman Eason encouraged the residents to visit the Mayor and discuss what their expectation were.

Councilman Coley commented that Hickory St. and other areas with abandoned homes need to be secured. Councilman Coley also feels that the Board of Education members should be elected not appointed. The Councilman asked Attorney Wolfe to look into getting a referendum on the November ballot to elect members of the Board of Education. The Councilman stated that the low voter turnout is a national problem not just Oranges. He recommended that voting should be done online.

Council President Gaunt-Butler spoke to the other Council Members about getting appointments for the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Council President asked Ms. Cooper and Mr. Mapp if there were any financial problems at the Library. Mr. Mapp said he could not answer that. Ms. Cooper asked for clarification. Council President

Gaunt-Butler wanted to know about pensions. Giving the example that if someone wants to retire and put in their paperwork would there be concerns about them getting their pension payments. Ms. Cooper said not to her knowledge, she had not heard any concerns like that. All payments are current. Ms. Cooper added that since there is no budget yet the city is giving the statutory amount.

The Council President asked the Council Members to arrive early at the June 21<sup>st</sup> meeting. She had been working on a 'meds drop box' for the city of Orange and the presentation would be at 6:30.

**Motion to close Council Comments by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson**

**The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**ORDINANCE FOR RECONSIDERATION - Postponed from May 17, 2016**

The Clerk read Ordinance 24-2016 by title.

**24-2016 An ordinance repealing and abolishing Section 23:1-4.16 of the code of the City of Orange Township entitled "False arrest and liability insurance:  
(Sponsored by Council Member April Gaunt-Butler)**

**The Council President asked for a 2 minutes recess due to some confusion regarding the ordinance.**

**Motion for a recess by the Gaunt-Butler, seconded by Councilman Johnson, Jr.**

**The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**Motion to reconvene by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.**

**Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**Motion to override by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson.**

On the Motion Attorney Wolfe stated that upon a Mayor's veto, the Council cannot postpone a vote to override the veto.

Councilwoman Williams stated that the Council did take action with their motion to postpone. Council President Gaunt-Butler stated that it was the Attorney at that meeting that stated the Council could postpone. When Attorney Wolfe asked explained that the Council could not abolish one ordinance without having something to take effect right away. Attorney Harvest stated that he was not at that meeting but the Council should not box in the dark. The Council needs to know what happened at the last meeting. Discussion ensued. The Council wanted to know what would happen if they postpone again until the next meeting. Attorney Harvest stated that everything would be fine if they postponed again. Councilman Johnson asked Attorney Harvest if he was at the last meeting on May 17<sup>th</sup>. The Attorney stated he was not.

Councilman Johnson disagreed. The Council with advice from Attorney Harvest decided to leave the ordinance postponed until the June 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.

**ORDINANCES–SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING**

The City Clerk stated that Ordinance 25-2016 was also postponed.  
Attorney Wolfe agreed that Ordinance 25-2016 should also be postponed.  
Councilwoman Williams stated that 25-2016 should be done first and then 24-2016.  
So they could vote on 25-2016 at this meeting. This would create an overlapping of laws. It was decided that Ordinance 25-2016 should be voted on.  
The City Clerk read the Ordinance by title.

**25-2016 An ordinance amending and supplementing the code of the City of Orange Township by creating Chapter 24 entitled “Defense and Indemnification”  
(Sponsored by: Council Member April Gaunt-Butler)**

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 25-2016.

**Motion to close public hearing by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson.  
The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 25-2016 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler  
Nays: None.  
Abstain: Eason  
Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Ordinance 28-2016 by Title.

**28-2016 An ordinance amending Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township entitled Administration of Government  
(Sponsored by Council Member April Gaunt-Butler)**

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 28-2016.

**Motion to close public hearing by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson.**

**The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**Motion to extend the meeting past 10:30 P.M. by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Eason

Abstain:

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 28-2016 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler

Nays:

Abstain: Eason

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Ordinance 29-2016 by Title.

**29-2016 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled "Vehicles & Traffic," Section 200-10.2 residential parking permit.**

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 29-2016.

Ms. Gloria Stewart asked about specific details on the section that dealt with Tremont Court.

Councilwoman Summers-Johnson stated that residents on that street would be the only people that could part their cars.

**Motion to close public hearing by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson.**

**The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 29-2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**



The Clerk read Ordinance 30-2016 by Title.

**30-201 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles & Traffic,” Section 200-52-1 Handicap Parking Spaces. (464 Austin Place)**

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 30-2016.

**Motion to close public hearing by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Eason**

**The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 30-2016 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Ordinance 31-2016 by Title.

**31-2016 An ordinance amending Chapter 185 of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township entitled “ Street and Sidewalks” (Sponsored by Council Member Kerry J. Coley)**

The Chair declared the time open for a hearing on Ordinance Number 30-2016.

Ms. Gloria Stewart asked for more clarification on the ordinance. Councilman Coley explained the change in times that snow could be removed.

**Motion to close public hearing by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson**

**The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**Motion to adopt Ordinance Number 31-2016 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

**Motion to suspend the rules and add Ordinance 38-2016.**

The Clerk read Ordinance 38-2016 by title.

An ordinance relating to salaries and classifications of certain employees of the City of Orange Township.

There was no response to the motion to suspend the rules.

**ORDINANCES INTRODUCTION/ FIRST READING**

The Clerk read Ordinance 23-2016 by title.

**23-2016 An ordinance calling for the establishment of a minimum wage at agencies that received funding from the City of Orange Township.  
(Sponsored by Council Member Donna K. Williams)  
(TABLED) 4-19-2016)**

**Motion to lift from the table by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Eason

Abstain:

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

Councilwoman Williams stated that she is withdrawing the ordinance because the State has legislation that is doing the same thing.

**Motion to withdrawn by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.**

**The Motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

The Clerk read Ordinance 27-2016 by title.

**27-2016 An ordinance amending Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township entitled Administration of Government  
(Sponsored by Council Members Jamie Summers-Johnson  
& Elroy Corbitt) (POSTPONED 5-17-2016)**

**Motion that Ordinance 27-2016 be introduced on first reading and that the public hearing would be held July 1, 2016 by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded Councilwoman Williams.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler

Nays:

Abstain:  
Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Ordinance 35-2016 by title

**35-2016 An ordinance amending Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township entitled Administration of Government creating the position of Chief of Staff under the Office of the Mayor.**

**Motion to table the ordinance by Councilwoman Eason, seconded Councilwoman Williams. Tabled until June 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler  
Nays:  
Abstain:  
Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries. Tabled until June 21<sup>st</sup>.**

The Clerk read Ordinance 36-2016 by title.

**36-2016 An ordinance amending Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township entitled Administration of Government creating the position of Aide to the Mayor under the Office of the Mayor.**

**Motion to table the ordinance by Councilwoman Williams, seconded Councilwoman Eason.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler  
Nays:  
Abstain:  
Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries. Tabled until June 21<sup>st</sup>.**

The Clerk read Ordinance 37-2016 by title.

**37-2016 An ordinance to create and establish the position of Assistant Business Administrator in the Department of Administration.**

**Motion to table by Councilwoman Williams, seconded Councilwoman Eason.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler  
Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries. Tabled until June 21<sup>st</sup>.**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **The City Clerk read the following statement.**

All items listed with an asterisk (\*) are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so request, in which event, the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence of the agenda.

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBERS \*94-2016 – 110-2016**

- \*94-2016** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund subsequent water charges paid by the outside lien holder, U.S. Bank Custodian for BV001 Trust, S006 for property known as 130 High Street, Block 1501, Lot 13 in the amount of \$939.41.  
**(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*95-2016** A resolution authorizing the Chamber of Commerce, Division of Merchants to conduct sidewalk sales in the City of Orange Township, New Jersey on June 2, 3 and 4, July 7, 8 and 9, August 4, 5 and 6 in the event of rain the sale shall take place on June 11, July 16 and August 13, 2016.
- \*96-2016** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund subsequent water charges paid by the outside lien holder, U.S. Bank Custodian for BV001 Trust for property known as 593 Christopher Street, Block 6007, Lot 24 in the amount of \$848.57. **(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*97-2016** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund subsequent water charges paid by the outside lien holder, U.S. Bank Custodian for BV001 Trust for property known as 217-219 Snyder Street, Block 1602, Lot 31 in the amount of \$723.01. **(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*98-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0075 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$251.16.  
**(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*99-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0105 and authoring refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$4,738.29.  
**(Removed for a separate vote)**

- \*100-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0126 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$3,405.97.  
**(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*101-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0150 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$497.46.  
**(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*102-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0015 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$3,777.20.  
**(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*103-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0082 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$6,936.96.  
**(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*104-2016** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund subsequent water charges paid by the outside lien holder, U.S. Bank Custodian for BV001 Trust for property known as 217-219 Snyder Street, Block 1602, Lot 31 in the amount of \$1,102.65.  
**(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*105-2016** **A resolution to accept State of New Jersey Clean Communities Grant Funds in the amount of \$56,115.06.**
- \*106-2016** **A resolution authorizing the City Attorney to settle resolve litigation matters against the City of Orange Township.**  
**(Withdrawn by the Administration) (Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*107-2016** A resolution for Emergency Temporary Appropriations to the calendar year 2016 budget **(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*108-2016** A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on June 8, 2016 dated accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$ 32,090,819.42).  
**(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*109-2016** A resolution authorizing the award of a contract with Nishuane Group, LLC, 105 Grove Street, Ste. 1, Montclair, New Jersey 07042 to provide professional planning services for a period of one(1) year in the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00. **(Removed for a separate vote)**
- \*\*110-2016** **A resolution introducing and approving the 2016 Calendar Year Budget (January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016)**

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler

Nays:

Abstain:

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 94-2016 by title.

**94-2016** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund subsequent water charges paid by the outside lien holder, U.S. Bank Custodian for BV001 Trust, S006 for property known as 130 High Street, Block 1501, Lot 13 in the amount of \$939.41.

**Motion to approve Resolution 94-2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 96-2016 by Title.

**96-2016** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund subsequent water charges paid by the outside lien holder, U.S. Bank Custodian for BV001 Trust for property known as 593 Christopher Street, Block 6007, Lot 24 in the amount of \$848.57.

**Motion to approve Resolution 96-2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 97-2016 by Title.

**97-2016** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund subsequent water charges paid by the outside lien holder, U.S. Bank Custodian for BV001 Trust for property known as 217-219 Snyder Street, Block 1602, Lot 31 in the amount of \$723.01.

**Motion to approve Resolution 97-2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 98-2016 by Title.

**98-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0075 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$251.16.

**Motion to approve Resolution 98 -2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Chair read Resolution 98-2016 by Title.

**99-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0105 and authoring refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$4,738.29.

**Motion to approve Resolution 99 -2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 100-2016 by Title.

**100-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0126 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$3,405.97.

**Motion to approve Resolution xx -2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 101-2016 by Title.

**101-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0150 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$497.46.

**Motion to approve Resolution 101 -2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 102-2016 by Title.

**102-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0015 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$3,777.20.

**Motion to approve Resolution 102 -2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 103-2016 by Title.

**\*103-2016** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 15-0082 and authorizing refund payment to lien holder in the amount of \$6,936.96.

**Motion to approve Resolution 103 -2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Williams

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**



The Clerk read Resolution 104-2016 by Title.

**\*104-2016** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund subsequent water charges paid by the outside lien holder, U.S. Bank Custodian for BV001 Trust for property known as 217-219 Snyder Street, Block 1602, Lot 31 in the amount of \$1,102.65.

**The City Clerk stated that Resolution 97-2016 and 104-2016 were for the same address. The Resolution was withdrawn by the Tax collector.**

The Clerk read Resolution 106-2016 by Title.

**106-2016** A resolution authorizing the City Attorney to settle resolve litigation matters against the City of Orange Township.

**Motion to approve Resolution 106-2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.**

On the motion the Council President Gaunt-Butler asked if this was a blank check to settle litigations and were any Councilmembers aware of this resolution. Ms. Cooper stated that the Attorney in the resolution would answer to the Council and take care of old cases.

Councilwoman Williams stated that cases on the books would not cost the city any money in attorney fees unless they were actively being worked on. Discussion ensued between Councilwoman Williams and Ms. Cooper. Councilwoman Eason felt that the attorney would be able to close out the cases. Councilwoman Williams asked why the in-house attorneys aren't working on those cases. Ms. Cooper stated that Council members had approached the Mayor for an independent attorney and the Mayor had the resolution created.

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Summers-Johnson,

Nays: Williams, Johnson, Jr., Gaunt-Butler

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Fails.**

The Clerk read Resolution 107-2016 by Title.

**107-2016** A resolution for Emergency Temporary Appropriations to the calendar year 2016 budget

**There were two (2) version which the Council had reviewed and when a poll was taken by the Clerk it was determined that version two would be voted on.**

**Motion to approve Resolution 107 -2016 Version 2 by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Williams.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams

Nays: Gaunt-Butler

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 108-2016 by Title.

**108-2016** A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on June 8, 2016 dated accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$ 32,355,225.77).

**This is an increase of 264,406.35 from the original submitted bill list.**

**Motion to approve Resolution 108 -2016 by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilman Coley.**

On the motion City Clerk Lanier read a statement regarding other bill lists that had been voted down by the city Council but items were paid for by the Administration. The Administration is now asking, with this resolution, the Council to approve those bills that had been paid.

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams

Nays: Gaunt-Butler

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

The Clerk read Resolution 109-2016 by Title.

**109-2016** A resolution authorizing the award of a contract with Nishuane Group, LLC, 105 Grove Street, Ste. 1, Montclair, New Jersey 07042 to provide professional planning services for a period of one (1) year in the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00.

**Motion to approve Resolution 109 -2016 by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, seconded by Councilwoman Eason.**

On the motion Councilman Johnson asked if items that were requested had been supplied. After further discussion it was decided to postpone the resolution until June 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Motion to postpone until June 21, 2016 by Councilwoman Williams, seconded by Councilman Johnson.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Coley, Eason, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Gaunt-Butler

Nays: Eason,

Abstain: None.

Absent: Corbitt

**Motion Carries.**

**NEW BUSINESS** None.

**OTHER PENDING BUSINESS** Council President Gaunt-Butler would have the Clerk Poll the Council for their availability for budget hearings dates. The public hearing can take place 28 day from June 8<sup>th</sup>. Not less than 28 days.

Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman Eason, seconded by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.

By consensus the regular meeting adjourned at 11:22 P.M.

**Approved:**

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**Joyce L. Lanier**  
City Clerk

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**April Gaunt-Butler**  
Council President