

MINUTES CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP

NEW JERSEY

THIS IS THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD VIA AUDIO-VIDEO CONFERENCING ON TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2020 FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.

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

Roll Call:

Present: Councilman Kerry Coley, East Ward
Councilman Christopher Jackson, At-Large
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr., West Ward
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson, South Ward
Councilwoman Donna K. Williams, At-Large
Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten, At-Large
Council-President Tency A. Eason

Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Chris Hartwyk, Business Administrator
Gracia R. Montilus, City Attorney
Kenneth Douglas, Director of Fire
Adrian Mapp, Director of Finance
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer
Marty Mayes, Director of Public Works & Planning
Capt. Vinny Viteillo, Police Department
Marlin Townes, Legislative Research Officer
Kathrina Nease, Water Superintendent
Maggie Homere, City Clerk's Office
Tamara Robinson, City Clerk's Office

The City Clerk announced that the requirement of N.J.S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was published in the Record-Transit on Thursday, April 16, 2020 and sent to the Star Ledger on Thursday, April 2, 2020, posted on the City Council and the City of Orange website and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

April 21, 2020 Conference & Regular Meeting

Motion to adopt by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilman Jackson

Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason
Nays: None
Abstain: None.
Absent: None

Motion passed.

May 5, 2020 Conference & Regular Meeting

Motion to adopt by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilwoman Wooten.

Roll Call:

- Ayes: Coley, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason
- Nays: None
- Abstain: None.
- Absent: None

Motion passed.

REPORTS:

DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION 2020:

- Department of Planning & Economic Development – Month of April 2020: \$20,184.00

CONSTABLE REPORTS: The City Clerk announced that there are no Constable Reports.

OPRA REPORTS:

Month of April 2020: 108 OPRA requests received, 54 completed and 54 pending.

COUNCIL REPORTS - Council President directs Clerk to file reports.

Councilwoman Williams reported that the Finance Department met tonight, May 19, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Kenneth Douglas, Fire Director reported the following:

- The department does not have any fire fighters out sick with Covid-19.
- The department is providing all of the necessary documentation to EOC to assist the City in obtaining the maximum award and reimbursement.

Katrina Nease, Water Superintendent reported the following:

- Thanked all department heads for their cooperation for reimbursements with EOC and FEMA.
- Water is going well and all sewers are clear.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

The City Clerk announced that there were no communications and petitions.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON GENERAL ISSUES/AGENDA ITEMS

“SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall email their statements or questions to citycouncil@orangenj.gov no later than 7:00 p.m. the day prior to the scheduled public meeting. For the citizen comment portion of the meeting, the public will be allowed to

question or comment on any new matter raised during the meeting. New matter is any discussion had by a council member or a City administrative staff person regarding any agenda item during the course of the meeting. Please email any question or comment relating to any new matter to Council President at teason@orangenj.gov with your name and address. The City Council reserves the right to respond or not respond during the meeting to any citizen's submission."

Council President Eason read into the record the following citizen questions:

1. Carl Fields of 98 High Street submitted the following questions: Are the compliance reports submitted by landlords regarding cleaning available to the tenants association of each building? Business Administrator Hartwyk advised that both Code Enforcement and the Health Department have conducted reports of violations or problems that needs to be addressed. Reports are not generated if there are no reports nor problems.
When and how will the CY 2020 Budget be made available to the Citizens Advisory Budget committee? Business Administrator Hartwyk advised that the CY 2020 Budget has been posted on the website; therefore, Council and CABC members should receive a budget books by the end of the week.
2. Jeff Felds business owner on Main Street submitted 51 questions, which were posted on the websites and will be answered in writing by the City Attorney Montilus and Business Administrator Hartwyk. An additional 6 questions were submitted, which have been forwarded to City Attorney Montilus and Business Administrator Hartwyk for response.

**Motion to Close Citizen Comments by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson. The Motion was unanimously approved.
Motion passed.**

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Summers-Johnson commented on the following:

- Attempts of petty crime in the South Ward (Haston, Stirling and Heywood Ave) getting into cars and backyards. Encouraged residents to call and report same at the Tip Line (973) 666-0097.
- Encouraged residents to call the Mayor's Hot Line (973) 280-1621, which calls are disseminated to the Ward Council Member.
- Brown v. Board of Education celebration.
- Thanked the Ebenezer Baptist Church for distributing food to the seniors in the South Ward.
- Thanked all the soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice to our country.

Councilwoman Williams commented on the following:

- Inquired if there will be any promotions at the Police Department, which Business Administrator responded no.
- All day music complaints.
- Orange Municipal Court.
- Wished everyone a Happy Memorial Day.
- Acknowledged the birthday of Malcolm X.

Councilman Jackson commented on the following:

- Congratulated Councilwoman Wooten on her re-election.
- Requested additional trash cans in Orange Park.

Councilwoman Wooten commented on the following:

- Thanked all first responder for doing an amazing job.
- As of May 19, 2020, New Jersey is at 61% and Orange is at 43.5% in response to the 2020 Census. Encouraged everyone to fill out their 2020 Census which impacts the shortage of funds for the City.
- Thanked the BA, Council President and Department of Public Works for efforts in assisting in cleaning Orange Park.

Councilman Johnson, Jr. commented on the following:

- Crime Watch set up with the Police Department.

Council President Eason commented on the following:

- Thanked the Ebenezer Baptist Church for distributing food to all of the seniors around the City.
- Encouraged seniors to reach out to her at teason@orangenj.gov for food assistance.
- St. Matthews will become a food distribution center for the City of Orange Township.

ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING The City Clerk announced that there are no Ordinances on Second Reading/Public Hearing

ORDINANCES-INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING:

***16-2020 An ordinance to exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation limits and establish a Cap Bank in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14 for the Calendar Year 2020**

Motion to adopt on First Reading by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilwoman Wooten.

Roll Call:

- Ayes: Coley, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason
- Nays: None
- Abstain: None.
- Absent: None

Motion passed.

The City Clerk announced that he Final Reading is scheduled for Tuesday, June 16, 2020.

CONSENT AGENDA

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 REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE OF THE AGENDA.

RESOLUTIONS NO. *199-2020 THROUGH *221-2020

- *199-2020** A resolution celebrating the life of Doris Ford Ellis. (Sponsored by Council Member Donna K. Williams)
- *200-2020** A resolution celebrating the life of Daryl Andre Harrington. (Sponsored by Council Member Donna K. Williams)
- *201-2020** A resolution celebrating the life of Frances Williams. (Sponsored by The Orange City Council)
- *202-2020** A resolution honoring Barry Carter. (Sponsored by Council Member Donna K. Williams)
- *203-2020** A resolution authorizing additional attorney's fees to Critchley, Kinum & Denoia, LLC in connection with matters pertaining to governmental inquires and investigations regarding the City of Orange Township and its employees in an amount not to exceed sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00) for calendar year 2020.
- *204-2020** A resolution extending and amending the contract with Lamb Kretzer, LLC., 110b Meadowlands Parkway, Suite 201, Secaucus, New Jersey 07094 to handle conflict workers' compensation and authorizing additional funds for the calendar year 2020 in the amount not to exceed fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.000). (Amended)
- *205-2020** A resolution authorizing the retention of Florio Kenny, Raval, LLP, to serve as tax counsel for the City of Orange Township, in the amount not to exceed twenty thousand dollars (\$25,000.00) for calendar year 2020. (Amended Contract)
- *206-2020** A resolution amending resolution 34-2020 a resolution authorizing the extension of the contract between The City of Orange Township and David C. Stanziale, LLC, as special counsel in the matter, Steven Campione And Amy Campione V. City Of Orange Township, Docket No. Esx-L-7349-18 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for calendar year 2020 extending the contract until December 31, 2020 and adding an additional \$30,000 increasing the amount not to exceed to \$40,000.00.
- *207-2020** A resolution retaining Scarinci & Hollenbeck, LLC as special counsel with regard to various legal matters and litigation regarding the City of Orange Township in an amount not to exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) for calendar year 2020.
- *208-2020** A resolution extending and amending the contract with Lamb Kretzer, LLC., 110b Meadowlands Parkway, Suite 201, Secaucus, New Jersey 07094 as special counsel with regard to various legal matters and litigation involving Judith Feld,

Jeffrey S. Feld, The Four Felds, Etc. until December 31, 2020 and authorizing additional funds in the amount of \$25,000.00 making the amount not to exceed \$35,000.00 for the calendar year 2020. (Amended)

- *209-2020** A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on May 19, 2020 dated May 19, 2020 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$8,940,904.04)
- *210-2020** A resolution authorizing the award of a non-fair and open contract for financial consulting services to Rockfleet Financial Services, Inc., 45 Rockefeller Plaza, Suite 2000, New York, New York 10111 until December 31, 2020 for an amount not to exceed \$85,000.00. (Amended contract and proposal)
- *211-2020** A resolution amending Resolution 163-2020(WO) “A resolution authorizing the award of an emergency contract between the City of Orange Township and MIA Restoration d/b/a Puroclean of Morristown NJ, 9 Montgomery Road, Livingston, New Jersey 07039 for decontamination services of ems and als trucks, passenger vehicles, equipment and supplies in response to the covid-19 pandemic in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00” seeking additional funds in the amount of \$200,000.00 making a new amount not to exceed of \$250,000.00. (Amended)
- *212-2020** A resolution appointing CP Professional Services, 35 Sparta Avenue, Sparta, New Jersey 07871 to provide professional engineering services for CY 2020 January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 pursuant to the escrow schedule, not to exceed \$50,000 per board specifically for the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment that will be paid by escrow funds only.
- *213-2020** A resolution of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey authorizing city officials to undertake certain actions in connection with the issuance and sale of \$23,311,000 general obligation notes, series 2020 consisting of \$8,611,000 bond anticipation notes, series 2020b, \$7,200,000 redevelopment area bond anticipation notes, series 2020c and \$7,500,000 water utility bond anticipation notes, 2020d.
- *214-2020** A resolution authorizing settlement in matter of Estate of Keith Pole by his estate administrator, Aisha Pole Hall v. Township of Orange, et al., Docket No. ESX-L-006615-17, in the amount of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00).
- *215-2020** A resolution authorizing the award of an emergency contract between the City of Orange Township and Gemma Suits d/b/a Mask Supply Store, 11 Middle Neck Road, Suite 300, Great Neck, New York 11021 for personal protection equipment in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.00. (Amended)
- *216-2020** A resolution authorizing an addendum to Resolution #362-2018 & Resolution #40-2019 to Pennoni Associates, Inc., 24 Commerce Street, Suite 300, Newark, New Jersey 07102 to provide additional construction support services and construction

administration inspections for the NJIB'18 roadway improvements in the amount not to exceed \$53,000.00.

***217-2020** A resolution for Emergency Temporary Appropriations #3 to the calendar year 2020 budget.

***218-2020** A resolution authorizing an Emergency Temporary Appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20.

***219-2020** A resolution amending Resolution 117-2020 "A Resolution ratifying and awarding a contract to Reliance Graphics, Inc., 80 Pompton Avenue, Verona, New Jersey 07044 to provide local printing services for the local municipal election to be held on May 12, 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00" by adding an additional \$6,130.00 due to responding to the COVID-19 pandemic as mandated by Executive Order No. 105 and increasing the amount not to exceed to \$21,130.00

***221-2020** A resolution making application to the Local Finance Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3ee.

Motion to adopt Consent Agenda by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason
Nays: None
Abstain: None.
Absent: Coley

Motion passed.

ITEM REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPARATE VOTE:

220-2020 A resolution to read the CY 2020 Budget by title.

Motion to postpone to June 16, 2020 by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilman Jackson.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Coley

Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS AND WALK-ON ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

The City Clerk read into the record each of the following walk-on resolutions:

222-2020(WO) A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the County of Essex regarding the disbursement of Stimulus Funds to the City of Orange Township in response to the Covid-19.

223-2020(WO) A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to enter into a voluntary cooperative pricing system with Omnia Partners for the purchase of goods and services.

224-2020(WO) A resolution authorizing and ratifying the award if an emergency contract between the City of Orange Township and Williams Scotsman, Inc. 100 Pennyval Road, Woodbridge, NJ 07095 contract number R160101 under the Omnia Partners National Cooperative to provide trailers for the EOC Annex and decontamination center in response to the Covid-19 Pandemic in an amount not to exceed \$32,250.86.

225-2020(WO) A resolution introducing and approving the 2020 Calendar Year Budget (January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020)

Motion to walk-on Resolutions 222-2020(WO), 223-2020(WO), 224-2020(WO) and 225-2020(WO) onto the agenda by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Coley

Motion passed.

The City Clerk declared the time open for emailed citizen comments on the walk-on resolutions. Council President Eason announced that she had not received any emailed citizen comments.

Motion to close citizen comments by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilwoman Wooten. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

222-2020(WO) A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the County of Essex regarding the disbursement of Stimulus Funds to the City of Orange Township in response to the Covid-19.

Motion to adopt by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilwoman Wooten.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason
Nays: None
Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

223-2020(WO) A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to enter into a voluntary cooperative pricing system with Omnia Partners for the purchase of goods and services.

Motion to adopt by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilwoman Wooten.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

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Motion to adopt by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilwoman Wooten.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

225-2020(WO) A resolution introducing and approving the 2020 Calendar Year Budget (January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020)

Motion to adopt by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Coley, Jackson, Johnson, Jr., Summers-Johnson, Williams, Wooten and Eason

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion passed.

OTHER PENDING BUSINESS The City Clerk announced that there were no other pending business.

**Motion to adjourn by Councilwoman Williams, second by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson.
The motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.


**The next City Council Conference and Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 3, 2020
virtually at 7:00 p.m.**

APPROVED:

JUL 08 2020



Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk



Kerry J. Coley
Council President