

**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, DECEMBER 1, 2020 FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.**

Council President Coley led all assembled in a Salute to the American Flag.

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Council Vice-President Tency A. Eason, North Ward  
Councilman Harold Johnson, Jr., West Ward  
Councilman Weldon M. Montague, III, At-Large  
Councilman Clifford R. Ross, At-Large  
Councilwoman Jamie Summers-Johnson, South Ward  
Council President Kerry Coley, East Ward

**Also Present:**

Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk  
Lisette Sanchez, Deputy City Clerk  
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator  
Gracia R. Montilus, City Attorney  
Adrian Mapp, Director of Finance  
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer  
Vinny Vitiello, Chief of Police  
Kenneth Douglas, Police Director  
Marty Mayes, Director of Public Works  
Laquana Best, Director of Planning  
Marlin Townes, Legislative Research Officer  
Tamara Robinson, City Clerk's Office  
Maggie Homere, City Clerk's Office

**Absent:** Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten, At-Large

The City Clerk announced that the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was sent to the Record Transcript, published in the Star Ledger on July 16, 2020, posted on the City's Website ([www.ci.orange.nj.us](http://www.ci.orange.nj.us)) and the Council's Website ([www.orangetwpnjcc.org](http://www.orangetwpnjcc.org)) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

- **October 20, 2020 Conference & Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to adopt by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Montague, III.**

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

**Motion passed.**

- **November 4, 2020 Conference Meeting Minutes (Council Members Johnson, Jr. and Wooten were absent and should abstain)**

**Motion to adopt by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Montague, III.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Eason, Montague, III, Ross, Summers-Johnson and Council President Coley  
 Nays: None  
 Abstain: Johnson, Jr.  
 Absent: Wooten

**Motion passed.**

- **November 4, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to adopt by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Montague, III.**

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

**Motion passed.**

**REPORTS:**

**DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION 2020:** None.

**CONSTABLE REPORTS:** None.

**OPRA REPORTS:** None.

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Finance Committee** – Council Vice President Eason reported the following recommendations from the meeting held on December 1, 2020:

- Ordinance 58-2020 should be postponed and brought back for the December 15, 2020 Council Meeting with amendments.
- Resolution 458-2020 has a typo and should state “not” to exceed.
- There are no outstanding objections and the legislation can move forward.

**Alcoholic Beverage Control Board** – Councilman Ross reported the following:

- There are three (3) vacancies on the Board: two (2) Commissioners and a Secretary
  - o Business Administrator Hartwyk confirmed that the ABC Board has been assigned a Secretary and he will speak with the Mayor about the two vacancies.

**Orange Police Department** – Chief Vitiello reported the following:

- Orange Police Department Report for the Month of November 2020
  - o Serviced over 600 families with 6,000 meals distributed every Thursday at both Ebenezer Baptist Church and 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church.
  - o Partnership with Essex County Health Department to offer drug abuse and prevention information to residents of Orange. The Essex County Health Department’s van will

- come to Orange once a month to provide a safe location for drug abuse and prevention assistance.
- Turkey Giveaway on Monday, November 23, 2020 wherein 175 turkeys were distributed to Orange residents. Donations from Proud Living Inc.
  - Police presence at all polling site locations during the General Election.
  - Two Narcan training sessions held to update and educate 20 officers on administering this life saving drug. Training will continue in 2021.
  - Pre-employment evaluation of 80 potential candidates all from the City of Orange since the City has been approved to hire 20 full-time police officers.
  - Street Crimes Gang Narcotics Task Force has recovered currency, weapons and narcotics.
  - Arrest of assailant who committed a homicide on Main Street two weeks ago.
  - Car thieves compared from November 2019 and November 2020 are up. Unfortunately, it is a State and County issue as well and there are initiatives in place to combat the problem.
    - Council Vice President Eason requested that the Police Department report include a teachable moment/tip on how to interact with the police.
    - Tip for the residents – greet your police officers.
  - Councilwoman Summers expressed her appreciation for the arrest of the homicide assailant.
    - Requested that the Council be notified so that they do not have to rely on social media for information, which is not always accurate.
  - Increased police patrol on Main Street during the holidays.
  - Councilman Johnson, Jr. congratulated Chief Vitiello on his promotion.

**Essex County Liaison:** Council Vice President Eason reported the following on behalf of Timothy Walker, Director of Risk Management who was not able to attend the meeting:

- November 18<sup>th</sup> tour of Orange Parks and Director of the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs will come before the Council on December 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss any concerns that arose out of the tour.
- Free COVID-19 testing for Essex County residents.
- St. Matthews Church providing COVID-19 testing every Monday and Tuesday.
- Cares Act and Rentals funding are still available.

**Fire Department:** Director Douglas reported the following:

- October was Fire Prevention Month; therefore, the Fire Department provided a Fire Prevention presentation to the seniors at Oakwood Avenue. The presentation included fire extinguisher demonstration, hands on CPR, display of new fire apparatus, health giveaways and food distribution.
- Winter Fire Safety Seminar held on Saturday, November 21 at the Seven Oaks area.
- Annual Gift to Give Thanksgiving Feast for Thanksgiving held at the Fire Department held at the Fieldhouse Building on Thanksgiving Day, wherein 350 meals were distributed and over 50 meals were delivered to senior buildings.
- Urged the residents to call the 911 dispatch for emergencies and not directly to the Fire House.

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

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

None.

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

“SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall be allowed to participate in this portion of the Council Meeting via audio call in number and video conferencing platform by stating their name and address when directed to do so by the Council President. All public comments submitted through electronic mail or written letter before the meeting shall be read aloud by the City Clerk. The City Council reserves the right to respond or not respond during the meeting to any citizen’s questions or comments. If the Council wishes to address any comments it shall be done during the remote public meeting.

The City Clerk inquired if there were any citizens that wished to make comments. The following citizen commented live:

**1) Murphy Wilson:**

- Thanked Director Mayes for having the leaves on Heywood Avenue removed.
- Provided an update on the Zoning Board:
  - o Announced Joyce L. Lanier was appointed the new Zoning Board Secretary.
  - o Zoning Board’s Joint Meeting with the Planning Board and the Historic Preservation Commission held on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. The following topics were discussed:
    - Vulnerabilities of the new Zoning Ordinance.
    - Proposed legislation to strengthen all wards.
    - Summary of 2019 and 2020 cases.
    - Establishing a regular meeting in February to have another Joint Meeting.

The City Clerk reported that the emailed citizen comments received from the Seven Oaks Society and Jeff Felds have been posted on the website [www.orangetwpnjcc.org](http://www.orangetwpnjcc.org) under the December 1, 2020 Council Meeting.

**2) Seven Oaks Society – [sevenoakssociety@gmail.com](mailto:sevenoakssociety@gmail.com)**

Thank you to the Orange Firefighters and Council Members that were present at the Seven Oaks Society Winter Fire Safety Seminar on Saturday November 21st at 11am. We were blown away at the level of the presentation that was provided by our Firefighters.

We would like to take this moment to express our genuine thanks for your team's very dynamic presentation on CPR and Fire Safety. Their expertise in addressing the updated approaches of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) was valued by the neighbors. The surprise of ‘Sparky’ coming out was also exceedingly cherished by children.

*Things we learned:* When dealing with an unresponsive person we should always call 911 1st, so we know help is on the way. Have a fire extinguisher in your home (especially in the kitchen and at the grill) and how to properly maintain and operate it. We learned to PULL the pin, AIM at the base, SQUEEZE the handle, and SWEEP the flame.

We are truly grateful for your time, professionalism, and presence.

- 3) **Jeff Felds – [hardwaredad@aol.com](mailto:hardwaredad@aol.com), 11 Alexander Lane, Short Hills NJ:**

**Regular Meeting**

**Agenda**

**Ordinances**

**First Reading**

**\$250,000 Redevelopment Area Bond Ord. 59-2020**

**Russo Related Lincoln Avenue 30 Year LTTEL Long Term Tax Exemption**

**Ord. 60-2020**

**\$1,800,000 Water/Sewer Utility Emergency Appropriation Ord. 61-2020**

1. Do local elected officials have a constitutional, statutory and common law duty to respond to all pertinent second reading public hearing and agenda item related questions prior to taking official action?
2. Do any of the proposed December 1, 2020 Agenda ordinances and resolutions bear the approval signature of our City Attorney or Deputy City Attorney?
3. When will the Local Finance Board consider the \$250,000 Redevelopment Area Bond and \$1,800,000 Emergency Water/Sewer Utility Appropriations Applications?
4. Will this impact and delay the December 15, 2020 second reading public hearing dates?
5. Why aren't these LFB applications attached to the proposed municipal legislation?
6. Will there be a properly noticed net benefits fiscal impact study presentation prior to the second reading public hearing on the redevelopment area bond and long term tax exemption ordinances?
7. Does the supporting long term tax exemption net benefits fiscal impact study undermine and contradict Orange's Feld X "fairness" injury expert report?
8. Does this long term tax exemption net benefits fiscal impact study comply with the DLGS long term tax exemption tool kit issued November 18, 2020?
9. Was a non-urban renewal Russo related entity (Russo Acquisition LLC) the planning board applicant?
10. Is this fact glossed over in the body of the long term tax exemption ordinance?
11. Did each councilmember review the relevant Planning Board minutes, transcripts and resolutions relating to this 30 year Russo related Lincoln Avenue long term tax exemption project?
12. Does our water/sewer utility have the current capacity to handle this new additional demand?
13. What is the current status of our wells and water/sewer capacity?
14. Has our water/sewer utility cured all its outstanding noticed violations?
15. What connection fees, if any, will apply to this new project?

**Municipal Court Director Ord. 62-2020**

16. What other municipalities have a Municipal Court Director?
17. What was the template used by in house attorney Mehta for this proposed legislation?
18. Will there be any additional new costs and expenses relating to this new municipal director position?
19. Who will have direct jurisdictional oversight of this new Municipal Court Director? The Essex County Assignment Judge? Our mayor? Or, the local governing body?
20. Who will be responsible for reviewing, accepting and transmitting all citizens municipal criminal complaints to all appropriate career professional prosecutors for probable cause intake review?

- 21. Did our current municipal court supervisor (on the advice of certain in-house attorneys) fail to submit my Feld XVII municipal criminal complaint to career professional prosecutors for probable cause intake review?

**Consent Agenda Resolutions**

**CY 2020 Financial Emergency/Local Finance Board Related  
 Public Safety Department Consolidation Working Group Res. 459-2020  
 \$250,000 Redevelopment Area Bond Application Res. 460-2020  
 \$1,525,000 CY 2020 Intra-Line Item Appropriation Transfer Res. 462-2020  
 \$1,800,000 Water/Sewer Utility Emergency Appropriation Res. 465-2020**

- 22. In connection with its Annual CY 2020 Surplus Invasion Application, did Orange represent to the Local Finance Board that this public safety structural reform would occur in CY 2020?
- 23. Is the local governing body backstepping from a cost-saving promise and representation made to the Local Finance Board?
- 24. Why aren't all LFB applications and certifications attached to the submission authorization resolutions?
- 25. Based upon my last November 18, 2020 virtual appearance before the Local Finance Board, does the Redevelopment Area Bond Application supporting materials need to be updated in order to demonstrate compliance with the November 18, 2020 issued long term tax exemption tool box?
- 26. When did the local governing body learn of the \$1,800,000 water/sewer utility, \$1,300,000 employee medical benefits and \$40,000 telephone shortfalls?

**4) Donna K. Williams, former Councilwoman-at-Large:**

Redevelopment on Central Place and in the area...Demolition has occurred and I wanted to know if there is going to be a community meeting to discuss the type of redevelopment (style) prior to construction...in a recent article the ED of the OHA indicated multi family dwelling; in that specific area of demolition it has always been 1/2 family homes stand alone. I ask that there is a community discussion before the redevelopment type is approved. Also, the parking is already a challenge. But I think most important I think that the new should be complimentary to what is there and the new should include off street parking. Finally did the OHA meet the following conditions that they had not previously responded to. Thank you in advance and in the future I will submit my concern/request in a timely fashion. Respectfully Donna K. Williams.

**5) Samantha Iris Crockett:**

Good evening! What is the procedure for shutting ones water off during an emergency? I called the city all day and was passed around. I ended up calling Suez and they came out but they need approval from the city to shut it off. My shut off valve is broken/doesn't work.

The City Clerk read into the record Citizen Comments up to the five-minute timeframe allotted to each citizen. As a result, all of the comments submitted by Jeff Felds were not all read into the record.

**Motion to close citizen comments by Council Vice President Eason, second by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.  
 Motion passed.**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilwoman Summers-Johnson commented on following:

- Reiterated the importance of having all department heads participating in the Council Meetings to answer questions from the residents.
- Advised the Council that the residents want the Ordinance to prohibit barbed wire in the City of Orange; therefore, she and Councilwoman Wooten will be bringing it back before the Council.
- Meeting with Administration regarding Scotland Road where it meets with South Orange and West Orange concerning complaints from residents regarding stores looking a mess.
- Thanked former Councilwoman Williams for attending the three (3) street naming and bringing a letter from Assemblywoman Timberlake. Also, thanked Assemblyman Giblin for attending. The street naming were held on November 21<sup>st</sup> for the following:
  - o Designating Tremont Avenue beginning at S. Center Street and ending at Mosswood Street as Vivian Gaunt Way in Honorarium;
  - o Designating Mosswood Avenue beginning at Warwick Avenue and ending at Tremont Avenue as Honorable William R. Lewis Way-In-Memoriam; and
  - o Designating the intersection of Mosswood Avenue and Heywood Avenue as Mrs. Anne Jackson- Johnson Place in Memoriam.
- Attended the Orange Fire Department's Winter Fire Safety presentation at Haxton Avenue sponsored by the Seven Oaks Society.
- Proposed legislation for disposal of trash by businesses and apartment buildings.
- Produce distribution scheduled for December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:00 am. to 2:00 p.m. at 234 Lincoln Avenue.
- Winter Fire Safety Expo is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon to 1:00 p.m. at Claremont Terrace (between S. Center Street and Sylvan Way)

Council Vice President Eason commented on the following:

- Apologized to the residents for the telephone line glitches as the telephone system is being updated.
- Thanked Katrina Nease, Superintendent of Water for the upgrades and modifications to the water system.
- St. Matthews will be giving away 1,000 boxes of food on Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 336 Oakwood Avenue.
- Thanked the Shauger Group, Mr. Klein, Star Tavern and everyone who donated turkeys to the City of Orange.
- Requested that Business Administrator Hartwyk provide the residents an explanation regarding the Municipal Court Director position.
  - o Business Administrator Hartwyk reported the following:
    - There are two titles recognized by Civil Service to run the Court system administratively. The City does not have Municipal Court Director as a title. The current title being used requires the occupant of that office to have a certification from a committee appointed by the Supreme Court. An application has been made but due to COVID a meeting has not been held in 11 months.

- The City was audited by the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) and have been directed to move the Court Administrator into the Municipal Court Director position.
- The City must adopt the Ordinance to amend the Code and create the position.
- The move is only administrative with no change in salary nor personnel.

Councilman Montague, III commented on the following:

- Distributed 80 turkeys in conjunction with the Newark Emergency Services.
- Distributed an additional 160 turkeys at Ebenezer Baptist Church.
- In conjunction with Wendy Sykes and Keith Pressey, the City will be having its first online Job Readiness Program, which will include interview techniques and resume writing.
- Availability of jobs and requested anyone looking for a job to reach out to him.
- Straight and Arrow has given access to anyone in Orange looking for drug treatment/program free of charge.
- Urged residents to protect themselves from COVID and to continue following procedures: wearing a mask, keeping 6 ft. distance and staying home as much as possible.
- Expressed his appreciation to be part of the Municipal Council and the Administration of the City of Orange Township.

Councilman Johnson, Jr. commented on the following:

- Thanked his colleagues for being so energetic, informative and expressed his appreciation for all their hard work.
- Expressed his appreciation towards the Mayor for informing the Council about the Executive Order.
- Thanked the City of Orange employees for all of their work.

Councilman Ross commented on the following:

- Cleanup of abandoned house located at 563 Berkeley Avenue.
- City needs a comprehensive plan to eradicate the rats.
- Requested an update on the new development project at Highland and Lincoln Avenue:
- Director Best reported that the application was before the Planning Board at their last meeting. The next step is to have public meeting and then permit phase.
- Worst of times brings out the best of the community.
- Attended and volunteered at the Orange Housing Authority and Orange Fire Department Thanksgiving giveaways, wherein many families were feed and turkeys distributed.
- Thanked everyone who volunteered.

Council President Coley commented on the following:

- Requested an update of the gas pump located at the Public Works garage.
  - o Director Mayes confirmed construction started two weeks ago and should be ready by the end of the month.
- Inquired about the City's readiness for snow.
  - o Director Mayes confirmed that the City is ready for the snow with lots of salt and an additional truck.
- Thanked the Department of Public Works for their great job collecting leaves in the City.



**ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING**

**55-2020 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic”, Section 200-10.2, Residential Permit. (Berryman Place)**

The City Clerk inquired if there were any residents wishing to comment. There were no live citizen comments.

**Motion to close Citizen Comments by Councilman Johnson, Jr., second by Councilman Montague, III. The Motion was unanimously approved.  
Motion passed.**

**Motion to adopt on Second Reading by Council Vice President Eason, second by Councilman Ross.**

**Roll Call:**

- Ayes: Eason, Johnson, Jr., Montague, III, Ross, Summers-Johnson and Council President Coley
- Nays: None
- Abstain: None
- Absent: Wooten

**Motion passed.**

**ORDINANCES-INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING**

**58-2020 An ordinance to amend and supplement the Code of the City of Orange Township to create Chapter 153 entitled “Portable Lavatories”.**

**Motion to postpone to the Council Meeting of December 15, 2020 to be amended by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr.**

**Roll Call:**

- Ayes: Eason, Johnson, Jr., Montague, III, Ross, Summers-Johnson and Council President Coley
- Nays: None
- Abstain: None
- Absent: Wooten

**Motion passed.**

**59-2020 A bond ordinance of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, providing aid to a redevelopment project located at 33-51 Lincoln Avenue and 60 Scotland Road in the City of Orange Township and appropriating \$250,000, therefor, and providing for the issuance of \$250,000 in bonds or notes of the City of Orange Township to finance part of the cost thereof**

**Motion to adopt on First Reading by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr.**

**Roll Call:**

- Ayes: Eason, Johnson, Jr., Montague, III, Ross, Summers-Johnson and Council President Coley

Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Wooten

**Motion passed.**

**Second Reading/Public Hearing is scheduled for December 15, 2020.**

**60-2020 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township to approve a tax exemption for a thirty (30) year period and to authorize the thirty (30) year exemption and authorizing the execution of a financial agreement between the City and D&R Orange Urban Renewal II, LLC.**

**Motion to adopt on First Reading by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Montague, III.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Eason, Johnson, Jr., Montague, III, Ross, Summers-Johnson and Council President Coley  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Wooten

**Motion passed.**

**Second Reading/Public Hearing is scheduled for January 5, 2021.**

**61-2020 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, providing for a special emergency appropriation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-53(m) to fund an anticipated deficit in operations in the Water/Sewer Utility Fund of the City for the 2020 fiscal year directly attributable to COVID-19.**

**Motion to adopt on First Reading by Councilman Montague, III, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Eason, Johnson, Jr., Montague, III, Ross, Summers-Johnson and Council President Coley  
Nays: None  
Abstain: None  
Absent: Wooten

**Motion passed.**

**Second Reading/Public Hearing is scheduled for December 15, 2020.**

**62-2020 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Part 1, Chapter 14 Municipal Court to establish the position of Municipal Court Director**

**Motion to adopt on First Reading by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Montague, III.**

**Roll Call:**

Ayes: Eason, Johnson, Jr., Montague, III, Ross, Summers-Johnson and Council President Coley  
 Nays: None  
 Abstain: None  
 Absent: Wooten

**Motion passed.**

**Second Reading/Public Hearing is scheduled for January 5, 2021.**

**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. \*457-2020 THROUGH \*466-2020**

- \*457-2020** A resolution appointing Sharon Spence as a homeowner representative to the Rent Leveling Board in the City of Orange Township, New Jersey. (Sponsored by Council President Kerry J. Coley)
- \*458-2020** A resolution amending resolution 27-2020 entitled “a resolution authorizing the extension of a communications services contract with Direct Development, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 commencing January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 with the option of extending for the years 2021 and 2022” seeking to authorize additional fees to Direct Development, LLC in the amount of \$3,000.00 making the new amount not to exceed \$18,000.00 for the calendar year 2020. (Amended)
- \*459-2020** A resolution appointing Council Members Weldon M. Montague, III, Clifford R. Ross and Kerry J. Coley to a Working Committee to research and assess the benefits and disadvantages of creating a Public Safety Department within the City of Orange Township through the merger of the Orange Police Department and the Orange Fire Department. (Sponsored by Council Member Kerry J. Coley)
- \*460-2020** A resolution of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey authorizing the submission of an application to the Local Finance Board requesting approval of a bond ordinance (Lincoln Avenue Redevelopment Project) authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$250,000 redevelopment area bonds pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:3-4.
- \*461-2020** A resolution revoking resolutions 261-2019 which granted developer designation for 595 Lincoln Avenue Urban Renewal Entity, LLC, as a developer within the Lincoln Avenue Redevelopment Area and 406-2019(WO) which authorized the contract of sale between the City and 595 Lincoln Avenue Urban Renewal Entity, LLC for the

**sale of real property located at 595 Lincoln Avenue and identified on the city tax map as Block 6303, Lot 7**

- \*462-2020 A resolution for the transfer of appropriations.**
- \*463-2020 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of tax sale Certificate No. 18-00153 on Block 6901 Lot 18, also known as 385 Lawn Ridge Road and a refund for all accrued interest, penalties to Richard Leonardis in the amount of \$3,902.52.**
- \*464-2020 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of tax sale Certificate No. 19-00884 for Block 4702 Lot 9 also known as 196 Oxford Street in addition to a refund for all accrued interest, penalties and fees to CC1 NJ II in the amount of \$4,570.24.**
- \*465-2020 A resolution approving the certification of the Chief Financial Officer as the anticipated deficit in operations in the Water/Sewer Utility of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey directly attributable to COVID-19 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-53(m), and approving the submission of an application to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in connection with the proposed funding of such anticipated deficit through a special emergency appropriation of the City.**
- \*466-2020 A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on December 1, 2020 dated November 24, 2020 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95. (Grand Total: \$4,420,988.90)**

**Motion to adopt Consent Agenda by Councilman Montague, III, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr.**

**Roll Call:**

- Ayes: Eason, Johnson, Jr., Montague, III, Ross and Council President Coley**
- Nays: None**
- Abstain: None**
- Absent: Summers-Johnson and Wooten**

**Motion passed.**

**NEW BUSINESS AND WALK-ON ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS – None.**


**OTHER PENDING BUSINESS – None.**


**Motion to adjourn by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Montague, III.  
The motion was approved by unanimous vote.**

**Meeting adjourned at 9:44 p.m.**

**The next City Council Conference and Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 virtually at 7:00 p.m.**

**APPROVED:            January 5, 2021**

  
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**Joyce L. Lanier**  
City Clerk

  
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**Kerry J. Coley**  
Council President