

**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 18, 2021 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
Councilwoman Adrienne Wooten, At-Large
Council President Kerry Coley, East Ward

Also Present:

Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Lisette Sanchez, Deputy City Clerk
Dwayne D. Warren, Esq., Mayor
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator
Laquana Best, Director of Planning
Kenneth Douglas, Fire Director
Gracia R. Montilus, City Attorney
Vincent Vitiello, Police Chief
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer
Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer
Tamara Robinson, City Clerk's Office

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) and the Council's Website (www.orangetwpnjcc.org) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

- **March 16, 2021 Conference & Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to adopt by Councilman Montague, III, second by Council Vice President Eason.
The Motion was unanimously approved.
Motion passed.**

- **April 6, 2021 Conference & Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Motion to adopt by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr.
The Motion was unanimously approved.
Motion passed.**

REPORTS:

DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION 2021:

- Department of Community Service – April 2021: \$15,011.00
- Department of Planning & Economic Development – April 2021: \$75,662.00
- City Clerk’s Office – April 2021: \$50.00
- Historic Preservation Commission – April 2021: \$140.00

CONSTABLE REPORTS: None.

OPRA REPORTS: Month of April 2021: 135 OPRA requests received, 107 completed and 28 pending.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Finance Committee – the City Clerk reported the following recommendations from the meeting held on May 18, 2021:

- Ordinance 3-2021 move forward and vote it down.
- Ordinance 14-2021 remain tabled.
- Ordinances 19-2021 and 20-2021 should be voted down.
- Resolutions 278-2021 and 279-2021 have been amended.

Timothy Walker, Director of Risk Management at Essex County and liaison for the City of Orange reported the following updates regarding Orange Park:

- Proposed \$108,400 beautification project before the Board of Chosen Commissioners, which will include, but is not limited to, tree pruning, landscaping, and planting.
- An assessment by the Department of Parks revealed that there are 75 garbage cans available although there is daily littering.
- Requested fence to be either repaired or replaced, but funds are not currently available.
- Requested from the Sheriff Department more surveillance.
- Crosswalk recommendation.
- Signage or street light exiting the park at Central Avenue.
- New traffic light at Main Street on Scotland Road and High Street.
- Status of the traffic lights on Park Avenue.

Police Department – Police Chief Vincent Vitiello reported the following:

- Two arrests on May 6th at Orange Park.
- Crime Stats:
 - o Violent crimes are down.
 - o Car and larceny thefts and simple assaults are up.
- Arrests on May 3rd of three known members of the vehicle traffic ring.
- Assistance at the vaccination sites and food pantry.
- Police coverage for the spring and summers events.

Fire Department – Director Kenneth Douglas reported the following:

- Update on the new fire apparatus and rescue squad.
- Training for extrication, fire apparatus and rapid intervention.

- Public service announcements for heat exhaustion, people staying hydrated and cooking/grilling safety.
- Water levels to respond to fires in the City of Orange.
- Birthday caravans.

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 the 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 citizens commented live:

- 1) **Zonasha Ward**, 743 Haxton Avenue commented regarding proper signage around the City, toll parking on Main Street, more transparency on the City’s website and rebuilding trust with the Council.
- 2) **Samantha Crockett**, 270 Heywood Avenue commented regarding repairs of parking meters and a signage plan for the City.

The City Clerk read the following comments emailed by Jeffrey Feld, which have been posted on the Council’s website under the May 18, 2021 Council Meeting’s citizen comments:

- 3) **Jeffrey Feld**, hardwaredad@aol.com
 1. Who is responsible for the two \$42,683.39 and \$46,827.18 US Treasury principal, penalty and interest payments described on the May 18, 2021 Bill List?
 2. Has any department head and city employee been held accountable for this US Treasury obligation to be funded by distressed taxpayers?
 3. Consistent with the recent May 12, 2021 State Supreme Court Kim Allen v. Cape May County whistleblower opinion, has Orange retained an independent third party to investigate and to examine all post July 1, 2012 nepotism claims and allegations against the Warren Administration?
 4. By what resolution, did the local governing body designate redeveloper status upon Scotland Holdings RSBRM Urban Renewal LLC for the construction of a 7 stories apartment building containing 85 parking spaces, 33-one bedroom and 54 two-bedroom units at 448 and 452 Scotland Road which will be the subject of a May 26, 2021 planning board hearing?
 5. When will the CY 2021 Financial Statement, CY 2021 Introduced Budget, CY 2021 User Friendly Budget, all CY 2021 Supplemental Debt Statements, all CY 2021 Local Finance

Board applications and all CY 2021 official statements be posted on a public website prior to the commencement of the local governing body advertised budget hearings?

6. What is the proposed CY 2021 municipal purpose tax rate?
 7. What was the \$1,200,000 issuance described and included on the last supplemental debt statement and original May 12, 2021 Local Finance Board Water Wells Utility Increased Issuance Application?
 8. Is the five months \$17,500 retention cap authorized under Res. 268-2021 incorporated in the 7 months \$50,000 Legislative Research Officer Res. 279-2021 Retention Cap?
 9. Of the 28 April 2021 outstanding Open Public Records Act document requests, who are the requestors and the offending delinquent department heads?
 10. How many CY 2021 OPRA document requests remain open and outstanding?
 11. Has the Tyshammie Cooper OPRA dispute listed on the State Government Records Council's April 2021 Meeting Agenda been resolved?
 12. Have all Local Government Officials filed their annual CY 2021 Ethics Disclosure Statements due April 30, 2021?
 13. Has any local public official abused their powers and injured the citizens they are supposed to protect?
 14. Has any local public official abused their positions for personal gain?
 15. Has any local public official failed to uphold the law and weaponized it against specific groups because of what they believe?
 16. When will I and others receive written responses to all our outstanding written questions and comments?
- 4) **Jorge Reyes**, 4091 Valley Street commented regarding parking enforcement on Nassau and Union Streets and traffic survey.
 - 5) **Genora Jenkins**, 327 Carteret Terrace commented regarding cars parked daily at the bus zone near Lincoln Avenue School.

**Motion to Close Citizen Comments by Councilman Ross, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr. The Motion was unanimously approved.
Motion passed.**

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Johnson, Jr. commented on the following:

- Positive direction of COVID due to everyone's hard work and urged everybody to remain diligent.

Council Vice President Eason commented on the following:

- Encouraged everyone to get vaccinated against COVID.

Councilman Ross commented on the following:

- Inquired when the garbage at 280 Henry Street will be cleaned up.
- Requested list of streets to be paved in the summer.
- Inquired if a developer has been selected for both the REC center and Police Department.

- Inquired when the Orange Public Library will be open.
- Inquired regarding the sale of the Elks Lodge property.
- Inquired regarding the plans for the summer food program and youth jobs for the summer.
- Thanked Keith Pressey, Supervisor of Recreation for inviting the United States Tennis Association who ran a tennis clinic, made a donation and commitment to run a summer camp.

Councilwoman Wooten commented on the following:

- Music festival by the University of Orange.
- Ambitious football festival.
- Tennis jamboree.
- Requested that the residents take care of the City parks.
- Pooping stations have been ordered to be placed around the City.
- Open Space Recreation & Historic Advisory Board available vacancies.
- Encouraged everyone to reach out to friends and family during these difficult times.

Councilman Montague, III commented on the following:

- May 13th event at the Presbyterian Church of Ghana located at 510 Lincoln Place where COVID vaccines and testing were administered, as well as, a job fair was held for FedEx.
- Gates at Metcalf Park are now being locked each night.

Councilwoman Summers-Johnson commented on the following:

- NFL football camp held at Orange High School.
- Beautification of properties by homeowners.
- Beech Street and Argyle Avenue neighborhood watches.
- Encouraged the City ticket cars who fail to observe street cleaning rules, as well as, those who are illegally parked.
- City of Orange's recreation program.
- Orange High School and Stem Academy recipients of \$22 million in scholarships.

Council President Coley commented on the following:

- Requested that City Attorney Montilus look into amending the ordinance regarding no smoking in the park.

ORDINANCES-SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

3-2021 **An ordinance to amend Chapter 4, Article II of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township to clarify and update the qualifications for the Legislative Research Officer. (Sponsored by Councilmember Coley) (Postponed at the 02/16/2021, 03/02/2021, 04/06/2021 and 04/20/2021 Council Meetings)**

The City Clerk inquired if there were any citizens that wish to make a comment. There were no live citizen comments. Therefore, the City Clerk read into the record the following comments submitted by **Jeffrey Feld**:

1. What statute authorizes a Faulkner Act local governing body to retain a legislative research officer?
2. Is the aggregate Legislative Research Officer CY 2021 retention cap \$50,000 or \$67,500?

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

Motion to adopt on Second Reading by Councilman Montague, III, second by Councilman Ross. On the motion: Council President Coley respectfully requested that the Municipal Council vote this ordinance down.

Roll Call:

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

Motion failed.

14-2021 An ordinance to amend the code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 210, "Development Regulations", to prohibit any class of cannabis businesses within its geographical boundaries. (Sponsored by Councilmember Eason) (Tabled at the 04/20/2021 Council Meeting)

Motion to lift from the table by Councilman Montague, III, second by Councilman Ross.

On the motion: Councilwoman Summers-Johnson reminded the Council Members that the Mayor sent an email regarding a proposed ordinance being worked on by the Law Department. Therefore, she is recommending that this ordinance remained tabled.

Roll Call:

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

Motion failed. Ordinance remains tabled.

19-2021 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey granting an easement affecting Block 7004, Lot 4 to 751 Vose Avenue Urban Renewal LLC for construction and maintenance of a water meter vault.

The City Clerk inquired if there were any citizens that wish to make a comment. There were no citizen comments.

Motion to close Citizen Comments by Council Vice President Eason, 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 Montague, III.

Roll Call:

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

Motion failed.

20-2021 A bond ordinance amending and supplementing bond ordinance number 22-2020 heretofore finally adopted by the City Council of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey on July 8, 2020 entitled, "Bond ordinance providing for the Main Street Streetscape and Traffic Control Project, by and in the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, appropriating \$5,400,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$5,400,000 bonds or notes to finance the cost thereof", as amended and supplemented by bond ordinance number 2-2021 finally adopted by the City Council of the City on February 16, 2021, to increase the appropriation to \$9,200,000 and to increase the authorization of bonds or notes to \$9,200,000 therein.

The City Clerk inquired if there were any citizens that wish to make a comment. There were no live citizen comments. Therefore, the City Clerk read into the record the following comments submitted by **Jeffrey Feld:**

1. Does the local governing body lack the authority to approve Main Street Streetscape Ord. 20-2021?
2. When did the Warren Administration and the local governing body advise the general public of the decision to rescind the Main Street Streetscape Funding Ordinances?
3. When will the local governing body take official action rescinding the funding of the amended Main Street Streetscape Project as represented to the Local Finance Board on May 12, 2021?

Motion to close Citizen Comments by Council Vice President Eason, second by Councilman Ross. The Motion was unanimously approved.

Motion passed.

Motion to adopt on Second Reading by Council Vice President Eason, second by Councilman Montague, III.

Roll Call:

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

Motion failed.

21-2021 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey authorizing the acquisition, by negotiated purchase or condemnation, of property owned by Orange Flats LLC located at Block 3601, Lots 1, 2, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, and Block 3702, Lot 4 on the Official Tax Map of the City of Orange Township.

The City Clerk inquired if there were any citizens that wish to make a comment. There were no citizen comments.

**Motion to close Citizen Comments by Councilman Ross, second by Council Vice President Eason. 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, Wooten and Council President Coley
Nays: Summers-Johnson
Abstain: None
Absent: None

Motion passed.

22-2021 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" Section 200-52-1 Handicapped Parking Spaces. (263A Cleveland Street). (Amended)

The City Clerk inquired if there were any citizens that wish to make a comment. There were no citizen comments. Thereafter, the City Clerk recommended that the Citizen Comments for this ordinance remain open since the driver's license submitted has expired.

**Motion to postpone and keep the Citizen Comments open by Councilwoman Summers-Johnson, second by Councilman Montague, III. The Motion was unanimously approved.
Motion passed.**

23-2021(WO) A bond ordinance amending and supplementing bond ordinance number 51-2019 heretofore finally adopted by the City Council of the City of Orange Township on November 18, 2019 entitled, "Bond ordinance providing for Phase I of the rehabilitation and/or redevelopment of water transmission mains, water distribution mains and wells, by and in the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, appropriating \$5,000,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$5,000,000 bonds or notes to finance the cost thereof", to increase the appropriation therein to \$7,300,000, to increase the authorization of bonds or notes therein to \$7,300,000, and to amend the description of the improvements authorized therein.

The City Clerk inquired if there were any citizens that wish to make a comment. There were no live citizen comments. Therefore, the City Clerk read into the record the comments submitted by **Jeffrey Feld**:

1. With the rescission of the \$8,000,000 Thomas Boulevard Water Project Bond Issuance, does Orange have current water/sewer capacity to supply all approved and proposed redevelopment projects, including a new noticed Scotland Road residential project?

Motion to close Citizen Comments by Council Vice President Eason, second by Councilman Ross. 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, Wooten and Council President Coley
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	None

Motion passed.

ORDINANCES-INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

28-2021 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township Chapter 200, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", Section 200-16, Loading Zone. (Cleveland Street)

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

Roll Call:

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

Motion passed. Final Reading scheduled for June 15, 2021

29-2021 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township adopting the Upper Main Street Redevelopment & Rehabilitation Plan without condemnation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7.

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, Wooten and Council President Coley
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None

Absent: None

Motion passed. Final Reading scheduled for June 15, 2021

30-2021 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", Section 200-10.2, Residential Permit. (Gist Place) (Sponsored by Councilmember Eason)

Motion to adopt on First Reading by Councilman Montague, III, second by Council Vice President Eason.

Roll Call:

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

Motion passed. Final Reading scheduled for June 15, 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. 259-2021 THROUGH *279-2021

The City Clerk announced that Resolutions 272-2021 and 278-2021 are being removed from the Consent Agenda for a separate vote.

- *259-2021 A resolution appointing Jessica Engstrom as a Homeowner Representative to the Rent Leveling Board in the City of Orange Township, New Jersey. (Sponsored by Councilmember Summers-Johnson)**
- *260-2021 A resolution re-appointing Ernest C. Williams to the Affirmative Action Commission of the City of Orange Township. (Sponsored by Councilmember Ross)**
- *261-2021 A resolution recognizing June 2021 as Pride Month in the City of Orange Township. (Sponsored by Councilmembers Summers-Johnson and Wooten)**
- *262-2021 A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on May 18, 2021 dated May 12, 2021 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95. (Grand Total: \$15,507,495.38)**
- *263-2021 A resolution recognizing the last Monday in May as Memorial Day in the City of Orange Township. (Sponsored by Councilmembers Summers-Johnson and Wooten)**

- *264-2021** A resolution recognizing May 16, 2021 to honor our LGBT Elders in the City of Orange Township. (Sponsored by Councilmembers Summers-Johnson and Wooten)
- *265-2021** A resolution awarding a contract for the revaluation of all real property in the City of Orange Township to Professional Property Appraisers Inc. in an amount not to exceed the amount of \$439,875.00.
- *266-2021** A resolution authorizing payment of legal fees to the law firm of Florio, Kenny & Raval, LLP as tax appeal counsel for an amount not to exceed \$7,000.00 for services rendered in prior years.
- *267-2021** A resolution ratifying and authorizing an extension of the contract for federal government consulting services to Mercury Public Affairs, LLC, 200 Varick St, Suite 600, New York, New York 10014 commencing January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021 in the amount not to exceed \$32,500.00.
- *268-2021** A resolution authorizing the extension of the contract between the City of Orange Township and O'Toole Scrivo, LLC as Legislative Research Officer services for a period of five (5) months, ending May 31, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00.
- *269-2021** A resolution authorizing Pennoni Associates, 24 Commerce Street, Suite 300, Newark, New Jersey 07102 to provide professional engineering, design and construction administration services for the NJDOT 2021 Roadway Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00.
- *270-2021** A resolution authorizing the services of Purcell, Mulcahy & Flanigan, LLC, to represent the City of Orange Police Chief, Orange Police Department and the Township of Orange Police Chief in the matter entitled "Rene Auguste and Jean L. Charles v. City of Orange, et al." Docket No. ESX-L-008137-20 in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00 for calendar year 2021.
- *271-2021** A resolution authorizing Remington & Vernick Engineers, 232 Kings Highway East, Haddonfield, New Jersey 08033 to provide professional services associated with water service and sanitary sewer lateral replacement for the Department of Public Works Brook Alley Garage Improvement Project in an amount not to exceed \$8,300.00.
- *273-2021** A resolution to apply for a grant from the Sustainable Jersey Grants Program in the amount of \$20,000.00.
- *274-2021** A resolution adopting an official form to be used to file a Notice of Claim against the City of Orange Township under the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, *N.J.S.A. 59:1-1 et seq.*

- *275-2021** A resolution approving the payment of a sum of up to \$5,200 by the City of Orange Township to Ms. Phyllis Thomas for damage caused to her vehicle by the Orange Fire Department on January 11, 2021.
- *276-2021** A resolution authorizing the public auction of surplus, unserviceable vehicles and equipment from the motor fleet of the City of Orange Township Police and Public Works Departments.
- *277-2021** A resolution authorizing a contract to Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc., 3735 Green Road, Beachwood, OH 44122-5705 (Northern, New Jersey Branch located at 8 Main Street, Flemington, New Jersey 08822) to provide roof repair services to all municipal buildings under the ESCNJ Co-Op Contract #ESCNJ/APEA21-D commencing May 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.
- *279-2021** A resolution awarding a professional services contract to O’Toole Scrivo, LLC to provide Legislative Research Officer services from June 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Motion to adopt Consent Agenda by Council Vice President Eason, second by Councilman Ross.

Roll Call:

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

Motion passed.

The City Clerk announced that the following resolutions were removed from the Consent Agenda for a separate vote.

- *272-2021** A resolution authorizing the services of David C. Stanziale, LLC to represent the City of Orange Township and the City of Orange Fire Department in the matter, **“Hazel Purcell v. Housing Authority of the City of Orange”** Docket No. ESX-L-000376-21 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for calendar year 2021.

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

Roll Call:

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

Motion passed.

***278-2021 A resolution amending resolution 348-2020 titled “A resolution amending resolution 224-2020(WO) titled ‘A resolution authorizing and ratifying the award of an emergency contract between the City of Orange Township and Williams Scotsman, Inc., 100 Pennval 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.’ seeking additional funds in the amount of \$42,000.00 making a new amount not to exceed \$74,250.86” to extend the contract an additional six months for an amount not to exceed \$32,250.86 increasing the total amount not to exceed to \$106,501.72. (Amended)**

Motion to adopt as amended by Council Vice President Eason, second by Councilman Montague, III.

On the motion: Councilwoman Wooten inquired why this is an emergency since the original resolution was voted upon in September 2020.

Business Administrator Hartwyk advised that the original resolution was to order trailers for the decontamination center. The City has lost their decontamination center. Therefore, the trailers have been transferred and are now the new decontamination emergency operating center. In summary, this resolution is an extension of the original emergency.

Roll Call:

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

Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS AND WALK-ON ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS None.

OTHER PENDING BUSINESS

Business Administrator Hartwyk announced that there will be Public Hearing on June 1, 2021 at 6 p.m. for a grant application to be submitted to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection’s Urban Parks Grant with a rollover to the Green Acres Land Acquisition and Park Development Program, by the City of Orange Township. The application will provide park improvements for Military Park. The public is invited to see the presentation, ask questions and make comments.

The City Clerk announced that the following revised budget hearing dates:

Tuesday, May 20, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Description: Budget Hearing: Fire Department, Law Department & Planning Department

Monday, June 7, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

Description: Budget Hearing: Finance Department Continuation, Public Works, Fire Department, and Water Department

Motion to adjourn by Council Vice President Eason, second by Councilman Johnson, Jr.

The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Approved: August 4, 2021



Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk



Kerry J. Coley
Council President