

CITIZEN COMMENTS
SPECIAL MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 31, 2021

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DECEMBER 31, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA QUESTIONS

1. With respect to the \$500,000 Retirement Severance Special Emergency Appropriation Ord. 60-2021, how many employees are subject to this emergency ordinance, when did they tender their retirement notices, why the delay in approving this municipal legislation until the last day of CY 2021, who determined to pay off this severance obligation in a lump sum and not over 5 years, who determined to pay off this severance obligation via issuance of an emergency note and not via surplus, when will amortization of this special appropriation commence, is this emergency appropriation subject to the discretionary approval of the State Executive Branch, when will this emergency ordinance become effective: upon approval of the mayor, 20 days after published notice of adoption or immediately upon approval?
2. With respect to 20 Day Estoppel Waiver and Rescission Res. 530-2021, when did this severance emergency arise and when did someone finally realize that the \$500,000 severance obligation had to be satisfied within and by the close of CY 2021 pursuant to well-established State law?
3. With respect to 20 Day Estoppel Waiver and Rescission Res. 530-2021, what is the urgent need to rescind a walk-on Res 529-2021(WO) adopted at the last December 22, 2021 CC meeting?
4. With respect to \$17,608,956.15 Bill List Res. 526-2021, why did the local governing body delay consideration and official action on this posted agenda action item on December 22, 2021?
5. Why the delay (Dec. 28, 2021) in publicly seeking CY 2022 Budget Consultant Requests for Proposals?
6. What is the status of the CY 2020 Audit?
7. By delaying the delivery and posting of the CY 2020 Audit and this \$500,000 emergent severance appropriation and long term indebtedness issuance, should Orange have tripped certain State and local Best Practices regulatory circuit breaker bell & whistle alarms?
8. Why the delay in preparing and posting monthly and quarterly operating and revenue reports?

<u>Month</u>	<u>Report Date</u>
April 30, 2020	Oct 30, 2020
May 31, 2021	Oct 30, 2020
June 30, 2020	Oct 30, 2020
July 31, 2020	Oct 30, 2020
Aug 31 2020	Oct 30, 2020
Sept 20, 2020	Oct 30, 2020
Oct 31, 2020	March 19, 2021
Nov 30, 2020	March 19, 2021
Dec. 31, 2020	
Jan 31, 2021	March 19, 2021

Feb 28, 2021	March 19, 2021
March 31, 2021	_____
April 30, 2021	_____
May 31, 2021	_____
June 30, 2021	_____
July 31, 2021	Sept 10, 2021
Aug 31, 2021	Sept 10, 2021
Sept 30, 2021	Dec 7, 2021
Oct 31, 2021	Dec 7, 2021

9. Is there a correlation and nexus between late filed and missing monthly operating and revenue reports and Orange’s current financial plight and condition?
10. Is the Orange water/sewer utility still self-liquidating?
11. How much pre August 2016 short and long term tax exemption monies has Orange left on the table under the watch of Mayor Warren and Finance Director Mapp?
12. How much long term tax exemption revenues does Orange owe the County under State law?
13. Under what authority did the local governing body, local planning board and local executive branch grant Walter G. Alexander Phases I & II approvals, long term tax exemptions as well as demolition and building permits to an affordable housing project with outstanding water/sewer charges? See, New West Developers LLC v. Twp. of Irvington, __ NJ Tax __ (Tax Dec. 27, 2021); Care One Management LLC v. United Healthcare Workers East, __ F4th __ (3d Cir Dec. 27, 2021).
14. When will Orange advise me of the availability of its Walter G. Alexander Phase III “fairness” expert for court permitted and expedited questioning under oath and penalty of perjury during January 2022?
15. Are certain Article I rights under our State Constitution broader than certain fundamental rights under our federal Constitution? See, State v. Fair, __ N.J. Super. __ (App. Div. Dec.10, 2021); Columbia Fruit Farms, Inc. v. Dept. of Community Affairs, __ N.J. Super. ____ (App. Div. Dec. 13, 2021); Dr. A. v. Hochul, 595 U.S. __ (Dec. 13, 2021) (Gorsuch, J. dissenting); State v. Acarrion, __ N.J. __ (Dec. 27, 2021); State v. Hedggepeth, __ N.J. __ (Dec. 27, 2021)
16. Under the “fundamental fairness” doctrine contained in Article I, paragraph 1 of our State Constitution, are stakeholders entitled to responses to their public questions and comments before local elected officials consider and take official action on posted agenda action items?
17. Are breach of fiduciary duty and official wrongdoing monetary damages, penalties and sanctions non-dischargeable bankruptcy debts and obligations?
18. Whose form, sufficiency and legality approval signature appears on all proposed municipal legislation listed on the December 31, 2021 Special Meeting Agenda?