

**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, JANUARY 18, 2022 FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.**

Council President Kerry J. Coley led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Council Vice President Tency A. Eason  
Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr.  
Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III  
Councilmember Clifford R. Ross  
Councilmember Jamie Summers-Johnson  
Council President Kerry J. Coley

**ALSO PRESENT**

Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk  
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator  
Laquana Best, Planning Director  
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer  
Vincent DeFilippo, Health Officer  
Paula Ferreira, Tax Collector  
Gerard Long, Fire Chief  
Marty Mayes, Public Works Director  
Gracia R. Montilus, City Attorney  
Chris Murray, Tax Assessor  
Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer  
Margarette Homere, City Clerk's Office  
Tamara Robinson, City Clerk's Office  
Gabrielle Sims-Shelton, City Clerk's Office  
Councilmember Adrienne Wooten  
Paula Ferreira, Tax Collector  
Adrian Mapp, Finance Director  
Stephanie Flood, Library Director  
Wendy Sykes, Director of Community Services

**ABSENT**

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 September 2, 2021, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall and on the Council's website ([www.orangetwpnjcc.org](http://www.orangetwpnjcc.org)), the City's website ([www.ci.orange.nj.us](http://www.ci.orange.nj.us)) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

There were no Meeting Minutes to approve.

**REPORTS**

There were no Department Monthly Revenue Collection to report.

**CONSTABLE REPORTS**

The City Clerk announced that Richard Noizy volunteered December 5, 2021 and December 19, 2021.

**OPRA REPORTS**

The City Clerk announced there were 134 OPRA requests received, 119 completed and 15 pending for the month of December 2021.

**COUNCIL REPORTS**

Council President directs Clerk to file reports.

**Fire Department – Fire Chief Gerard Long**

Chief Long confirmed that there has been an increase in fires in the surrounding areas due to space heater malfunctions and the lack of smoke detectors. To prevent these types of fires, Chief Long suggested to residents to always follow the heater manufacturer's instructions, such as keeping heaters three feet away from anything that could burn and not plugging into extension cords. The City will be taking a proactive approach to smoke detector installations and reminding residents to check the batteries. The Fire Department will begin installing fire detectors and providing fire safety information. Residents can call the Fire Department to schedule an appointment at (973) 952-6138, Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. There was a fire at Washington Street and Burnside Street, where multiple code violations were revealed and one person was displaced. There was a fire on McChesney Street and South Jefferson Street, which also had code violations. There was an 11-alarm chemical fire that transpired in Passaic and the Orange Fire Department was able to assist. Chief Gerard Long stated that 98% of the staff is back to work after dealing with the COVID pandemic. Vice President Tency A. Eason asked about automatic closing doors. She asked if Chief Gerard Long was a part of the Planning Technical Review Group and if this something we should be addressing as we look at redevelopment in Orange. Chief Gerard Long confirmed that the automatic doors are a help in preventing fires and he would love to be involved with the planning process; Planning Director Laquana Best welcomed Chief Gerard Long's involvement. Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr. inquired if it is required for the City notify insurance carriers of code violations when there is a fire and if the Council can legislate that. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated that insurance carriers have their own rules for that.

**Public Works – Director Marty Mayes**

Director Marty Mayes stated there has been many requests for the garbage and recycling schedule. It was finalized last week, posted to the website and sent out via e-mail. Council President Kerry J. Coley inquired if the engineers have done reports concerning the guard rails on Duane Street. Director Marty Mayes confirmed that the engineers are preparing a report which will determine if the guard rails are warranted. He is hoping to have the engineer come to a Council meeting to report his findings. Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr. inquired how much salt was used in the recent storm. Director Marty Mayes stated that typically between 80-100 tons is used, but because the snow turned into rain, not as much was used during that storm. The City is prepared to begin using brine, which is spread 24 hours before a storm.

**Planning Director – Director Laquana Best**

Director Laquana Best wanted to thank Fire Chief Gerard Long for the fire information and recommendations. The Vose Avenue project has some litigation issues, but the project should be back on track by the end of February.

**Tax Assessor Christopher Murray**

Tax Assessor Christopher Murray gave an update on the re-evaluation. He requested a formal extension and the County Administrator gave the City a March 1, 2022 deadline. Due to low entry rate, the Field Directors will go door-to-door and estimate letters will be mailed to residents. The Value letters will go out the first week in February, giving residents three weeks to meet with an assessor to go over their assessments. The Re-evaluation company contact information is 1-866-957-1388. Council Vice President Tency A. Eason asked for a number for 307 North Day Street and Business Administrator Hartwyk stated he would forward the information to Council Vice President Tency A. Eason.

**Finance Department – Chief Financial Officer Nile Clements**

Chief Financial Officer Nile Clements stated Councilmembers should have received their audit books for calendar year 2020. The auditors will attend the February 1, 2022 Council Meeting as a part of Matters for Discussion; they are preparing a corrective action.

Councilmember Clifford R. Ross asked Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk if the Rental Moratorium had been lifted or extended, the Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk will research and follow up with Councilman Clifford R. Ross.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

There were no communications and petitions.

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

The City Clerk announced that the “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 to 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.

**Quantavia Hilbert of 353 Lincoln Avenue** – Ms. Hilbert stated that she has an office on 170 Scotland Road and she noticed today that when students returned to school, additional traffic crossing support was not present during school drop-off hours. While this is a county road, she states that this should not be an excuse for the City not to address these concerns of needing additional support for the crossing guard. She is willing to purchase materials such as cones to assist.

**Chantal Wilson of 755 Vose Avenue** – Ms. Wilson inquired about the repairs at the Library and if there is an estimated time of when repairs would be completed. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated the City is still waiting to hear about the application that was made for the Library back funds. The Library Board has met and discussed some interim repairs, but he does not have the status of those projects at this time. Council President Kerry J. Coley stated Council does not control the Library and asked her to reach out to the Clerk’s Office for the contact information to the Library.

**Aisha Samuel - [asamuel16@yahoo.com](mailto:asamuel16@yahoo.com)** - Please explain to me how ANY Cop can see cars in my driveway and tell me they aren’t blocking it. Please explain to me why when I call to have a vehicle towed from my driveway, I get resistance from people who don’t have to deal with this [REDACTED] at all. I’ve been in my house since 2019 and this [REDACTED] continues to happen because the cops refuse to tow cars. This is simple! If a car is beyond the bend in the curb, they should be automatically towed, point blank period! I do not want to continue 2022 with this [REDACTED] of having police tell me that ANY car in my driveway is not in fact blocking my driveway. What do I need to do to have legislation passed in the City of Orange to have people towed from my driveway AUTOMATICALLY when they are parked in my driveway? If I was a business there wouldn’t even be an issue because businesses tow people all the time, and yet a citizen who pays homeowner taxes can’t get the same result. Councilmember Jamie Summers-Johnson stated as the Police Liaison she checked into this matter and DPW painted a yellow line in front of her home and they will follow up again.

**Jeffrey Feld -[hardwaredad@aol.com](mailto:hardwaredad@aol.com) – Resolutions,** Whose form, sufficiency and legality approval signature appears on all proposed municipal legislation listed on the January 18, 2022 Agenda? Who monitors the work product of retained outside professionals and internal department heads? Why hasn't Orange severed its relationship with a municipal planner implicated in certain federal public corruption kickback guilty pleas? What is the status of Orange's CY 2020 Audit? Is it prudent to retain a CY 2021 Auditor prior to the completion and delivery of the CY 2020 Audit? After what amount of time such as a decade, is it prudent for fiduciaries of a public trust to shake things up and to retain a new outside auditor and outside budget consultant? After how many months after a missed statutory audit filing deadline, should certain circuit breaker "red warning flags" bells and whistles go off on the local and state levels? Why the urgent need to adopt a \$2,199,123 CY 2022 Emergency Temporary Appropriation Resolution at just the second meeting of CY 2022? From what sources are these emergency line item temporary appropriations being funded? Prior Years Bills \$18,123, Urban Parks/Green Acres Grant \$1,200,000, CDBG Grant-Ward St \$286,500, CDBG Grant-ADA Senior Bus \$70,000, Capital Improvement Fund \$625,000, Why the urgent need to amend a JIF Resolution adopted at the last public CC meeting? What are these urgent amendments and modifications? Why wasn't page 2 of the attached JIF Agreement attached to the amending resolution? What are the adverse consequences of failing to pay certain outstanding obligations within 2 years of their due date? Does Orange have any more than 2 years outstanding unpaid obligation to any third parties, including the County? Was Orange's water/sewer utility self-liquidating in CY 2020 and CY 2021? Why the need to outsource litigation previously handled in-house? Based upon the Gluck Walworth POs listed in the Bill List, how many other redevelopment projects are in the pipeline and the aggregate number of units in such projects? Can Orange's current water/sewer, traffic and school system infrastructure handle the inflow and impact of all these new residential units? Of the 15 outstanding December 2021 OPRA requests, who are the requestors and who are the delinquent departments? How many OPRA Requests did Orange receive in CY 2021 OPRA and how many CY 2021 OPRA Requests still remain open and outstanding? What was the average response time? Why the delay in producing all the closing documents relating to acquisition of the former Bank of America property, including all affidavits of sale executed and delivered by the seller entity owned and controlled by former key city employees? Other Repetitive Matters of Public Importance - 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). 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? Are breach of fiduciary duty and official wrongdoing monetary damages, penalties and sanctions non-dischargeable bankruptcy debts and obligations? **[this was intentionally omitted]** Has Orange adopted a mandatory vaccination requirement for all city employees where failure to comply will result in mandatory unpaid leave? Has Orange adopted a Best Practices Inventory Inclusionary Zoning Ordinance or an Ordinance requiring all redevelopers to contribute to a fund to preserve existing affordable housing units or to fund certain public improvements?

A motion to close Citizens Comments was made by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson and seconded by Councilmember Weldon Montague, III.

### COUNCIL COMMENTS

**Councilmember Weldon Montague, III** – Councilman Montague, III inquired about the analysis being done on Duane Street because there have been accidents in the resident's yard at least three times. Public Director Marty Mayes stated the engineer will be present at the next Council Meeting with an official report. Councilman Montague, III asked which strand of COVID he had contracted and Director Vincent DeFilippo explained that anyone should be able to obtain that information from their Primary Care

Physician. Councilman Montague, III informed Fire Chief Gerard Long that he and Councilmember Clifford R. Ross would like to plan an event in the East Ward giving residents fire safety tips. Chief Gerard Long has been reviewing statistics and he is willing to assist with the event. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated that the environmental issues at the Northside Fire House has gotten worse; it is highly unlikely that the site can be used. He has identified three new potential sites which are all extremely expensive. Councilman Montague, III inquired about the expected completion date of the project at 305 North Day Street. Director Marty Mayes stated it will be taken care of when the weather breaks and College Park is in the process of being worked on, but it is closed at this time.

**Councilmember Jamie B. Summers Johnson** – Councilwoman Summers-Johnson thanked Meredith Sue Willis for her suggestion of luminaries which was how we celebrated Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. She acknowledged to Mayor Dwayne Warren, Esq., Fire Chief Gerard Long, Fire Inspector John Petroccia, and Code Enforcement Officer Elroy Corbitt for their assistance with an issue at 765 Vose where the residents had no heat. This was an issue that prompted the South Ward Renters Association which will be held on February 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. The zoom information will be posted to the website and sent out in an e-mail blast. On February 23<sup>rd</sup>, there will be a South Ward Community Policing Event. There will be an event administering vaccines, giving food bags, and toys for the kids on January 29<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm sponsored by the Hub and Costa De Pedro. She sent prayers for Councilmember Adrienne Wooten as she is dealing with giving testimony in the case for her son's murder.

**Councilmember Clifford R. Ross** – Councilman Ross stated he is focused on the 2022 Budget. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated the budget is in the works.

**Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr.** – Councilman Johnson, Jr. thanked Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson for sharing information concerning Councilmember Adrienne Wooten and he will be in prayer. Councilman Johnson, Jr. stated he will be reading the audit book and ready with his questions on the budget.

**Council Vice President Tency A. Eason** – Council Vice President Eason inquired about a back-up plan for baseball season if the work on Metcalf Park was not complete before the season begins, adding more caution tape near the brook, and a way to remove the homeless at 307. Councilwoman Eason gave thanks to DPW for their hard work of cleaning. The Health Director Vincent DeFilippo stated if the homeless gentleman can prove his identity they would give him a birth certificate. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated they are working on the problems. Councilwoman Eason asked if there is anything on the books for Sunday rest to get some quiet from construction. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk will look into this.

**Council President Kerry J. Coley** – Councilman Coley stated that this past Sunday at 300 Oakwood Avenue there was a heat issue. When the inspector arrived there was no superintendent on site. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk confirmed there is a state requirement that there must be a full time superintendent on site when there is more than 20 residents. Councilman Coley asked that we get Code Enforcement to address this concern. Councilman Coley asked for an update on the water wells. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated there is a construction schedule in the spring for Well 5, it is the first on the construction list as it is the most important and most productive. Council President Kerry J. Coley suggested a strip of land near Freeway Drive to consider a possible location to build another Fire House. He also asked about the maintenance contracts with developers as they leave debris from the construction sites. He asked the Business Administrator to check the Ordinances to see what the requirements are for clean-up by developers. Resolution 449-2020 (WO) was adopted on November 4, 2020, concerning salary increases. There needs to be a plan put together to rescind this resolution to transition back to normal operations.

City Attorney Gracia R. Montilus stated the e-mail sent for Citizens Comments would not be read into the record as it does not have anything to do with City Business.

### POSTPONED RESOLUTIONS

480-2021 A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, authorizing a cooperative purchasing agreement for services with Johnston Communications Inc. to provide telephone services for the City of Orange Township Police Department from January 1, 2022 until December 31, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$2,598,397.35.

**A motion to remain postponed to the next meeting was made by Councilmember Weldon Montague, III and seconded by Council Vice President Tency A. Eason**

**Roll Call:**

**Yeas:** Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Hon. Weldon Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie Summers-Johnson, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Hon. Adrienne Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

*(Postponed to February 1, 2022 meeting)*

21-2022 A resolution amending Resolution 64-2019 for the contract award authorizing T&M Associates, 11 Tindall Road, Middletown, New Jersey 07748 to provide licensed site remediation professional services for the Chestnut Street Pump Station located at 632 Chestnut Street, Orange, New Jersey for an additional amount not to exceed \$18,122.14.

**A motion to remain postponed to the next meeting was made by Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Weldon Montague, III.**

**Roll Call:**

**Yeas:** Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Hon. Weldon Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie Summers-Johnson, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Hon. Adrienne Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

*(Postponed to February 1, 2022 meeting)*

### 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. \*32-2022 THROUGH \*53-2022

\*32-2022 A resolution establishing a Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC) for the 2022 annual Municipal Budget process.

- \*33-2022 A resolution appointing Janicea Jones-Vance as a member to the Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee for Calendar Year 2022 Municipal Budget Process.  
(Sponsored by Councilmember Montague, III)
- \*34-2022 A resolution appointing Zonasha Ward as a member to the Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee for Calendar Year 2022 Municipal Budget Process.  
(Sponsored by Councilmember Montague, III)
- \*35-2022 A resolution appointing Carol Perkins as a member to the Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee for Calendar Year 2022 Municipal Budget Process.  
(Sponsored by Councilmember Johnson, Jr.)
- \*36-2022 A resolution appointing Sharief Williams as a member to the Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee for Calendar Year 2022 Municipal Budget Process.  
(Sponsored by Councilmember Wooten)
- \*37-2022 A resolution appointing Carl Fields, Jr. as a member to the Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee for Calendar Year 2022 Municipal Budget Process.  
(Sponsored by Councilmember Eason)
- \*38-2022 A resolution appointing Quantavia Hilbert as a member to the Citizen's Budget Advisory Committee for Calendar Year 2022 Municipal Budget Process.  
(Sponsored by Councilmember Johnson, Jr.)
- \*39-2022 A resolution celebrating the life of German Mateo. (Sponsored by the Orange Municipal Council)  
AMENDED
- \*40-2022 A resolution celebrating the life of Carol Briggs. (Sponsored by Councilmember Coley).
- \*41-2022 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of Tax Sale Certificate No. 19-00854 on Block 1802 Lot 30, also known as 47 Hillyer Street and issuing a refund to Trystone Capital Assets LLC for amount paid of \$5,759.63 and subsequent payment for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2021 in the amount of \$6,694.68 for a total refund amount of \$12,454.31.
- \*42-2022 A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to cancel 2014 and 2015 taxes on City Certificate #12-0000, 500 Burnside Avenue, Block 401 Lot 28, in the amount of \$7,409.37, plus interest and penalties.
- \*43-2022 A resolution for the approval to procure firearm training and waiver classes for the City of Orange Township Police Department from Essex County Police Academy, 250 Grove Avenue, Cedar Grove, New Jersey, 07009, for a period commencing January 1, 2022, and continuing through December 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$16,500.00.
- \*44-2022 A resolution amending Resolution No. 30-2022 authorizing the City of Orange Township to participate in the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund by approving the execution of a Joint Trust agreement and resolution to rejoin for the period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024.
- \*45-2022 A resolution for emergency temporary appropriations #1 for the Calendar Year 2022 Budget.

- \*49-2022 A resolution authorizing the services of The David C. Stanziale, LLC, to represent the City of Orange Township in the matter, "Latiffane Toler v. City of Orange Township, et al" Docket No. ESX-L-5446-19 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for Calendar Year 2022.
- \*50-2022 A resolution authorizing the extension of a professional service agreement with to Nishuane Group LLC to provide professional planning consultant services to the City of Orange Township and its land use boards for a period commencing January 1, 2022, and continuing through December 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00.
- \*51-2022 A resolution authorizing a contract with PFK O'Connor Davies, LLP to serve as Municipal Auditors and to perform the Calendar Year 2021 Audit, and to assist with the preparation of the annual financial statement, as needed, along with ancillary accounting services in an amount not to exceed \$125,000.00.
- \*53-2022 A resolution approving the Bill List for Council Meeting vote on January 18, 2022 dated January 11, 2022 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95. (Grand Total: \$5,201,208.77)

**A motion to adopt the Consent Agenda was made by Councilmember Weldon Montague, III and seconded by Council Vice President Tency A. Eason**

**Roll Call:**

**Yeas:** Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Hon. Weldon Montague, III,  
Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie Summers-Johnson, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Hon. Adrienne Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

- 46-2022 A resolution authorizing the services of The Antoine Law Firm, LLC., to represent the City of Orange Township in the matter, "Deborah Haskins v. Value Zone, et al" Docket No. ESX-L-006189-21 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for Calendar Year 2022.

**A motion to return to Administration was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Weldon, Montague, III**

**Roll Call:**

**Yeas:** Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Hon. Weldon Montague, III,  
Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie Summers-Johnson, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Hon. Adrienne Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

*(Returned to Administration)*



47-2022 A resolution authorizing the services of The Antoine Law Firm, LLC., to represent the City of Orange Township in the matter, "Daniel Laurent v. The City of Orange Township, et al" Docket No. ESX-L-008914-20 in amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for Calendar Year 2022.

**A motion to return to Administration was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Weldon, Montague, III**

**Roll Call:**

**Yeas:** Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Hon. Weldon Montague, III,  
Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie Summers-Johnson, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Hon. Adrienne Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

*(Returned to Administration)*

48-2022 A resolution authorizing the services of The Antoine Law Firm, LLC., to represent the City of Orange Township in the matter, "Yvonne Conyers v. Kirks' Tire & Auto Service Center, et al" Docket No. ESX-L-8079-21 in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for Calendar Year 2022.

**A motion to return to Administration was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Jamie Summers-Johnson**

**Roll Call:**

**Yeas:** Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Hon. Weldon Montague, III,  
Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie Summers-Johnson, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Hon. Adrienne Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

*(Returned to Administration)*

52-2022 A resolution authorizing a professional services contract with Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP, located at 17-17 Route 208, Fairlawn, New Jersey 07410 for assistance with preparation of the annual budget commencing on January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.

**A motion to postponed to the February 1, 2022 meeting was made by Councilmember Weldon Montague, III and seconded by Councilmember Jamie Summers-Johnson**

**Roll Call:**

**Yeas:** Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Harold J. Johnson, Jr., Hon. Weldon Montague, III,  
Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie Summers-Johnson, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

**Nays:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Hon. Adrienne Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

*(Postponed to the February 1, 2022 Meeting)*

There was no New Business and no Walk-On Ordinances or Resolutions.

**OTHER PENDING BUSINESS**

There was no other pending business.

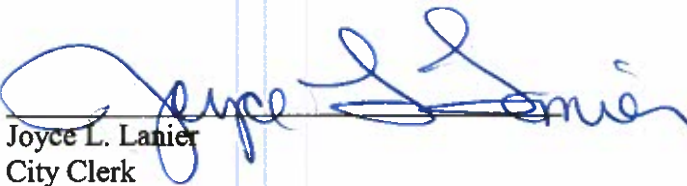
A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Weldon Montague, III and seconded by Council Vice President Tency A. Eason

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The next City Council Conference and Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 1, 2022 virtually at 7:00 p.m.

Approved: May 17, 2022

  
Joyce L. Lanier  
City Clerk

  
Kerry J. Coley  
Council President