

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 3, 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, North Ward
Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr.
Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III, At-Large
Councilmember Clifford R. Ross, At-Large
Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, South Ward
Councilmember Adrienne Wooten, At-Large (*Arrived at 8:31pm*)
Council President Kerry J. Coley, East Ward

Also Present:

Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator (*Arrived at 7:44pm*)
Laquana Best, Planning Director (*Arrived at 7:39pm*)
Derrick Brown, Fire Chief
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer
Vincent DeFilippo, Health Officer
Paula Ferreira, Tax Collector
Marty Mayes, Public Works Director
Gracia R. Montilus, City Attorney
Chris Murray, Tax Assessor
Keith Pressey, Supervisor of Recreation
Wendy Sykes, Director of Community Services (*Arrived at 8:22pm*)
Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Office
Vincent Vitiello, Police Chief
Avram White, Law Department
Margaret Homere, City Clerk's Office
Tamara Robinson, City Clerk's Office
Trisha Scipio, City Clerk's Office
Gabrielle Sims-Shelton, City Clerk's Office

Absent:

Adrian Mapp, Finance Director

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), the City's website (www.ci.orange.nj.us) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

A motion to adopt the April 19, 2022 Conference Meeting Minutes was made by Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross.

Motion Adopted

A motion to adopt the April 19, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III.

Motion Adopted

REPORTS

There were no Department Monthly Revenue Collections.

CONSTABLE REPORTS

There were no Constable Reports.

OPRA REPORTS

There were no OPRA Reports.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Council President directs Clerk to file reports.

Police Department

Police Chief Vincent Vitiello stated the department would be participating in the Essex County Special Olympics on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at Brookdale Park in Bloomfield. He gave accolades to Fire Chief Derrick Brown and the Fire Department on the exemplary work during the fire today and all the recent fires.

Fire Department

Fire Chief Derrick Brown reported there were two recent fires, one on May 3, 2022 at 12:30 am, 431 Park Avenue where 168 residents were displaced, no one injured, and all occupants were accounted for and relocated to Lincoln Avenue School. The second fire was last Saturday, 11:30 on multiple structures. The garage was on of a one family home was on fire, no one was injured, two people were displaced, and all Fire Fighters are safe from injury. Fire Chief Derrick Brown gave thanks to the Police Department and the Mutual Aide that were of assistance during these fires. Council Vice President Tency A. Eason added that 70 residents were at St. Matthews Church and commended Chief Derrick Brown for always answering calls even in the midst of fighting fires, great job. She thanked him for his service and how committed the Fire and Police Department is. She also thanked Police Chief Vincent Vitiello for the Police Department's assist. Councilmember Clifford R. Ross thanked Fire Chief Derrick Brown and the Fire Department for their service and acknowledged that Chief Derrick Brown has been very busy since becoming the Fire Chief. Councilmember Clifford R. Ross inquired about the fire origins at 551 Lincoln which had squatters and the cause is undetermined due to the collapsed floors. The fire at 408 and 414 Heywood were outdoor fires and are undetermined at this time, they are waiting on Arson to investigate. The fire today at 431 Park Avenue was unintentional, and started in an apartment, smoke detectors sounded but it was not a monitored smoke detector. The fire on Main Street started in the sign above Yummy-Yo and there is no investigation due to the collapsing. Councilmember Jamie B. Summers Johnson inquired about Vose for a follow-up and it will be checked on tomorrow.

Public Works

Public Works Director, Mayes stated weather is changing and the repaving has begun, the schedule is from now until November 15th. Starting on Ogden, going to William and then to Willow Street from North Day to Park Avenue. The other side of Willow is on another part of the schedule. There will be an update on the pavement schedule during the next Conference Meeting under Matters of Discussion. There is a lot of activity going on in the parks in terms of improvement which will also be discussed in more detail at the next meeting. Councilmember Clifford R. Ross requested curbs be painted but there were some streets between Lincoln and Tremont that were skipped over but they will come back to them. Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III inquired about street lights on Central Place and what the repaving schedule is for Day Street which Director Marty Mayes confirmed eight street lights on Day Street were fixed the evening of the request. Day Street repaving will be decided in two days. Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III was thankful that garbage cans were placed on Day Street and Alden. He also inquired about the cleanliness of the park near brook owned by RPM which will be looked at. Council Vice President Tency A. Eason inquired who is responsible for emptying garbage cans such as the one at Three Corner Deli, requested curbs be painted at the Village on High Street and Hawthorne, and hopes the repaving schedule will criss cross to also cover the North Ward. Public

Works Director, Marty Mayes confirmed there were three new signs put up at the Dunkin Donuts and for the last two weeks, DPW has been going around cleaning properties around the city and the team is really working well together. Council President Kerry J. Coley inquired if people who have trouble paying fines to the City could be recruited to help with clean-up to offset those monies. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk will work with Director Marty Mayes to see if this is a viable idea. Council Vice President Tency A. Eason spoke with the County about the SLAP program, but it was suspended because of COVID. There has been complaints about buses which are being moved out.

Community Service Department

Director of Recreation Keith Pressey stated the Spring Programs have begun. Baseball is very busy, last year there were 3 teams and this year there are 7, 4 T-Ball, 1 Minor and 2 Major. There are 2 sessions of Skills and Drills. On Saturday, May 14th at 10am there is a collaboration with Althea Gibson Association for a Tennis Jamboree. There are programs being established based on the wants of the residents such as the Mommy and Me Program. One program was cancelled due to low registration, however three programs will begin tomorrow at Central Playground. They were trying to introduce new programs such as golf program but it didn't get the response needed to continue, so it has to be reworked. The Become a Life Guard class on May 7th is sold out. The Little League Parade is in the planning stage and should be discussed with more detail at the next Council Meeting. Councilmembers Clifford R. Ross and Weldon M Montague, III are working with Recreation on an upcoming project as well. Council Vice President Tency A. Eason is still waiting on instructional basketball which is at OPA on Saturday's 11:30am – 1:00pm. Recreation Director Keith Pressey stated the department is looking at non-traditional activities and he will research fencing as well. Health Director Vincent DeFilippo added an event for seniors was held a Bella Italia today. Councilmember Jamie B. Summers Johnson was pleased to see programming for children under the age of six.

Planning Department

Planning Director Laquana Best stated that projects are moving as planned. There are some early due dates, for Reock and Mt. Vernon (early June). The department is reapplying for Sustainable New Jersey, which we had the Bronze level the past few years. There were delays due to the Covid pandemic but we were given an extension. Christopher Mobley met with the Green Team concerning the application and the deadline is the end of May, which is the first stage and the final stage is due in November. Usually you are recognized at league of Municipalities. She also commended the Fire Department. Councilmember Clifford R. Ross inquired if there any new plans in the pipeline that Council need to be aware of. Director Laquana Best and the department are going through their due diligence, any concerns lifted are being addressed and Council will be equipped with information needed for Council to make decisions.

Finance Department

Chief Financial Officer Nile Clements stated the budget is ready to be introduced at the May 17th City Council Meeting.

Tax Collector Department

Tax Collector Paula Ferreira has been busy collecting the second quarter taxes which were due on May 1st, and must be paid by May 10th to avoid accumulating interest.

Tax Assessor Department

Tax Assessor Chris Murray stated yesterday was the statutory deadline to file an appeal to the Essex County Tax Board. There are roughly about 100 County Tax Board Appeals.

City Clerk's Office

The City Clerk Joyce L. Lanier stated the City of Orange Municipal Election will be held on Tuesday, May 10th. There are deadlines that residents should be aware of. If residents wish to vote by mail, they can do so if they file a mail-in ballot application in person at the County Clerk's Office by 3:00pm on Monday, May 9th. On May 10th they would drop off their mail-in ballot to the County Clerk's Office by 8:00pm or the mail-in ballot drop box which is located in front of City Hall (29 North Day Street, Orange, NJ 07050).

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

There were no Communications or Petitions.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON GENERAL ISSUES/AGENDA ITEMS

The City Clerk announced that a "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 though 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.

James H. Ward, III of 743 Hauxton Avenue – Mr. Ward, III began by commending the joint efforts of the Orange Fire and Police Departments for keeping the residents safe through all of the recent tragedies over the course of the past two weeks. The city suffered a great loss with five major fires resulting in substantial loss to property including the monumental historic Masonic Temple on Main Street, home on Lincoln Ave., and the fire last night which displaced so many residents. The fire on Heywood was witnessed and called in by a member of The Seven Oaks Crime Watch. The property that was adjacent to the fire had previously had a stop order because of illegal work order. The City need to have better account to prevent illegal work on properties. He hopes that the Resolution with the water | Suez is postponed and explained to the residents before moving forward.

Danielle McMillian-Bennett of 458 Tremont Place - Ms. Bennett expressed concerns about what could be done with making our school zones one way during pick up and drop off for the safety of our students. What are plans for abandoned Police Station at Lincoln and Tremont Avenue, and will there be an open discussion involving the community concerning all of the new development, new apartments are not needed as there is already a parking issue in the city. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk said there ongoing discussions with a developer concerning the abandoned Police Station. There is a joint effort with the School Board in regards to reconfiguring school zone drop off and the decisions should be made and implemented by the time school starts in the fall. There are a lot of physical changes that need to take place such as striping and Ordinances changes to name a few. He can be reached at 973-280-2587 for more answers.

A. Manuel of 152 Heywood Ave - Mr. Manuel spoke about the quality of life in the City of Orange. When he purchased his property in 2016, there were about 20 abandoned properties surrounding his. The corner where the Veterans Hospital is located has become an after-hours night life designated by folk who have taken advantage of those abandoned properties and the revised noise Ordinances has not remedied the entire problem. The property owners are East Orange residents and purchase under LLC's and who purchase these properties use them as after-hours spots with no regard for the residents. What are the rules for this? He also commended the Fire Chief and the Police Chief for keeping the residents safe through the recent fires.

Kweli Campbell of 552 Argyle Avenue – Ms. Campbell wanted to follow up from the last City Council Meeting in regards to the No Pet Zone, she in. City Attorney Garcia R. Monitlus stated he could be reached this week concerning this as it is still under review. Ms. Campbell also inquired about the Engineer's visit to Metcalf Park and if it is possible for a representative of "Friends of Metcalf" accompany the Engineer and be a part of the process. Public Works Director Marty Mayes stated the visit on the 15th was not an appropriate time for the representative to be in attendance and this is a discussion that the two of them can have off line. Ms. Campbell inquired if the Vose Ave Development is supposed to resume. Planning Director Laquana Best stated this is going through legal concerns but we are on track with the same developer.

Angela Bynum of 579 Liberty Street – Ms. Bynum gave her comments concerning the fires and she hopes there will be investigations into arson. She expressed her concern for the many displaced residents and inquired how to get resources to the residents. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated this is a complicated issue, the Red Cross handles the initial help when residents are displaced. Without Renters insurance there is very little that can be done other than engaging the Community and Churches. The City looks to the County and neighboring cities to lend a helping hand until a more stable living situation can be obtained. Ms. Bynum stated more needs to be done to keep the community united, if not we will have to replace those in these seats.

Tyrone Tarver of 258 Ogden Street – Mr. Tarver stated he sent a correspondence to a number of parties regarding sign ordinances. Mr. Tarver stated there were multiple illegal signs posted on utility polls by Municipal City Council candidate Fatimah Turner. He sent an e-mail to the Mayor's Office, Police Department, all Council Members and the City Clerk's Office and he was directed by the City Clerk to inquire with PSE&G which informed him they are not responsible for removing any type of campaign literature. Mr. Tarver stated Ordinance 210-30.2e that reads temporary political signs posted on fire hydrants, fire and police call boxes, public telephone poles, public utility poles or similar public fixtures are expressly prohibited. Candidates signed M-13 forms that advised us against posting campaign materials specifically to telephone and utility poles. He stated that the signs he is referencing where posted as high as 25 feet so there must have been a ladder involved. It is a concern, illegally posted, and he would like feedback from Council or Police Department. Aaron Mizhari from the Law Department stated that violations have been issued to candidates including Mr. Tarver himself. The Ordinance states that signs in violation must be removed in ten days or the candidate can receive further violations. The City Clerk will provide contact information for the Law Department for those who need to address violations.

Jeffrey Feld - hardwaredad@aol.com - What is the status of Orange's CY 2022 Budget and CY 2021 Unaudited Financial Statement? Must Orange obtain State Local Finance Board approval prior to adoption of its CY 2022 Budget? What is the status of Orange's two pending Local Finance Board Applications? Will the Local Finance Board consider these two pending applications prior to the Feld X 45 days notice of appeal filing deadline (Order filed April 18, 2022 but entered April 21, 2022)? When will the supporting supplemental debt statement for Bond Ordinance 29-2022 be posted on a public website? Who was responsible for amending the certification hearing dates relating to postponed Bond Ordinance 29-2022? Upon adoption of this new proposed bond ordinance, how much qualified bond ordinance cap will remain available for the City? What is the projected real property debt service increase for this water sewer utility related bond ordinance? Who is responsible for monitoring the work product and annual retention caps of all retained professionals? See, Res. 215-2022. How much has Orange paid its outside labor counsel in CY 2016, CY 2017, CY 2018, CY 2019, CY 2020 and CY 2021? Under whose municipal attorney watch did the Township of Irvington recently attempt to restrict, restrain, alter and abridge a resident's right to obtain documents pursuant to the Open Public Records Act? How much has Orange paid Lerch Vinci in CY 2022 for ancillary financial not budget consultant related professional services? In CY 2021, how much did Orange pay Lerch Vinci for ancillary financial not budget consultant related professional services? On April 19, 2022, did another individual plead guilty to federal charges relating to the ongoing federal investigation of Orange? See, NJ US Attorney Press Release 22-145

There was a motion to Close Citizen Comments made by Council Vice President Tency A. Eason and seconded by Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Clifford R. Ross – Councilmember Ross spoke about the Budget and wanted it on record that he was not happy because the budget was not introduced at tonight’s meeting as previously stated. We have been waiting since 2021, it is the second quarter and still the Budget has yet to be presented. He is looking to forward to working with the CBAC. There has been multiple fires in the city and we need to start looking for a second Fire House in the North or East Ward to cut down on response time. He asked everyone to keep the residents from the Park Avenue fire in prayers. He thanked to first responders, Fire Department, EMS, Red Cross, and our Faith Based Organizations who have reached out to provide shelter, food, and clothing to those who assisted with the displaced residents. The County is offering summer jobs for Essex County residents ages 16- 24. This is an eight week program from July 11th – September 16th, 25 hour work week, paying \$15 hour, and the deadline to apply is May 20th. If you are interested are know anyone who maybe, call the County at 973-395-8626 or call him for additional information at 973-666-1866. The flier with more information will be given to the Clerk’s Office and posted on the website. Don’t get caught with plastic bags, as of tomorrow you need to bring reusable bags to stores. Happy Mother’s Day to all Mothers.

Councilmember Adrienne Wooten – Councilmember Wooten stated there was a great Mother’s Day Event today for the seniors which was well attended. On Saturday there was the second cleanup (the first one was the week before) event, which allowed residents to bring bulk and trash to the yard to dispose of. On June 1st there will be a LGBTQ Flag Raising. There will be an e-mail sent with more information for those who would like to participate. She brought up the fact that Roe vs Wade has been getting a lot of news coverage and the Mayor made a key point during the Mother’s Day Event today – make sure you are voting for the proper people and do your research. She apologized for being late as she was with the fire victims with the Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk. Happy Mother’s Day to Mothers and those who have poured into others. Keep the Fire Fighters in your prayers.

Councilmember Weldon, Montague, III – Councilmember Montague, III asked everyone to continue to pray for the recent victims of the fires. He commended the Fire and Police chief for the work done. He wished all the Mothers a Happy Mother’s Day. On June 4th at 12:00 noon he and Councilmember Clifford R. Ross will have official kick off to the Orange Week 2002 at Central Playground. The Inaugural Councilman Basketball Classic against East Orange. There will also be UFTA doubles match; Mayor Dwayne Warren, Esq. and Councilmember Adrienne Wooten against Superintendent Fitzhugh and Fatimah Turner. Not Orange, Inc. will be in attendance to give out awards. We want the seniors to attend as well.

Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson – Councilmember Johnson wanted to clear up some misinformation. She stated that Councilmembers does not receive a meeting packet two weeks prior to a meeting, and The City Clerk made it clear that the Clerk’s Office has a deadline of noon the Wednesday before the Council Meeting for Administration and Departments to turn in information, and the packets are disbursed as soon as possible after the information is compiled. The deadline to complete the packets is Friday at noon, if the Clerk’s Office has all the information then Councilmembers receive the packets at that time. Councilmember Summers Johnson stated it was said in a Council Meeting and also someone from Trenton stated that the Tax Re-Evaluation was initiated because the City is broke. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated this information was false and the Re-Evaluation was initiated because the State and the County ordered it. Councilmember Summers Johnson stated she received information that developers can build whatever they want because the City of Orange does not have a standard on how things should be built. Planning Director Laquana Best stated the City of Orange has a standard and it is based on the type of building being constructed, location and other factors. These standards can be found in the Zoning Board Ordinances. Councilmember Summers Johnson stated she and Councilmember Adrienne Wooten are in talks to bring Art

back to the Valley. Councilwoman Summers Johnson read a text that she received of a social media post – “Today the Council approved Chris Hartwyk’s request to raise our taxes 8-12% due to infrastructure issues, especially the federal push for our town to upgrade our water system. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk responded this information is not accurate. Councilmember Summers Johnson stated The Mother’s Day event was great and it was great to see all of the senior homeowners. The South Ward Renters Association will have a meeting to discuss renters insurance. Happy Mother’s Day.

Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr. – Councilmember Johnson, Jr. commended the men and women in blue for their service to the City. He gave thanks to God that there was no loss of life during these fires. We can help the residents as much as possible. He thanked Councilmember Jamie B. Summers Johnson for addressing issues of misinformation. The County will hold a Household Hazardous waste collection event on Saturday, May 7th at Cedar Grove Station from 8:30am – 4:30pm. He will forward the flier to the City Clerk to post on the website. He wished Happy Mother’s Day to all the mothers.

Council Vice President Tency A. Eason – Council Vice President Eason stated that after watching the documentary on opioids, she wanted to know if the drop off at the police station is still available. Police Chief Vincent Vitiello stated the container is still at the Police Station and anyone is welcome to come anytime. Essex County Senior Services will visit the senior buildings to give the seniors advice about emergency contact safety and let them know what services are available to them. St Matthews Church at 336 Oakwood Avenue is asking for volunteers to help with families displaced because of the fires, when you arrive please wear your mask. Happy Mother’s Day to mothers, dads and grandmothers that act as mothers. Most of all enjoy and love your children, pray for them and teach them through being a good role model. Councilmember Adrienne Wooten asked if the County would be doing ID’s but Council Vice President Eason stated they would not be issuing ID’s and she would forward a schedule for ID’s.

Council President Kerry J. Coley - Council President Coley inquired about the additional plans for Duane Street. Public Works Director Marty Mayes stated there will be a speed hump, street painting and signage that comes with that painting. Council President Coley requested that Public Works redo the yellow curbs which will also include highly visible reflective lighting done within the next two weeks. Happy Mother’s Day to City Council and all the mothers listening.

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

14-2022 An ordinance to the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” Section 200-52-1 Handicapped Parking Spaces to remove a handicapped parking space. (94 Park Street – East Side)

A motion to close Citizens Comments was made by Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Adrienne Wooten

A motion to adopt on final 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 B. Summers-Johnson, Hon. Adrienne Wooten, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Adopted

16-2022 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” Section 200-10.2, Residential Permit. (Central Avenue)

A motion to close Citizens Comments was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr.

A motion to adopt on final was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Adrienne Wooten

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Adopted

18-2022 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, “Vehicles and Traffic” Section 200-52-1 Handicapped Parking Spaces. (640 Union Street)

A motion to close Citizens Comments was made by Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr. and seconded by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross

A motion to adopt on final was made by Councilmember Adrienne Wooten 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 B. Summers-Johnson, Hon. Adrienne Wooten, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Adopted

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING**29-2022 A bond ordinance providing for Phase I of the PFAS treatment at the Chestnut Street Pump Station, by and in the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey; appropriating \$7,000,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$7,000,000 bonds or notes to finance the cost thereof.**

(Postponed from the 04/19/2022 Council Meeting)

A motion to adopt on first reading 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. Clifford R. Ross, Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, Hon. Adrienne Wooten, and Hon. Kerry J. Coley

Nays: Hon. Weldon Montague, III

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Adopted

Final Reading: June 8, 2022

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. *222-2022 THROUGH *234-2022

- *222-2022** A resolution acknowledging and recognizing Forest Street Community School for being named a 2022 Blue Ribbon Beacon School. (Sponsored by Councilmembers Wooten and Summers-Johnson and the Municipal Council)
- *223-2022** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Corelogic for overpayment of taxes made on Block 5004, Lot 27.02, C037 also known as 475 South Jefferson Street in the amount of \$2,447.83.
- *224-2022** A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to refund Corelogic for overpayment of taxes made on Block 5004, Lot 27.02, C039 also known as 475 South Jefferson Street in the amount of \$2,553.76.
- *225-2022** A resolution authorizing the purchase of circuit board upgrades, software renewal, service and supplies for the powered single station trash compactors from Direct Environmental Corp, 345 South 2nd Street, Lindenhurst, NY 11757 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.
- *226-2022** 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 2022 Roadway Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$93,000.00.
- *227-2022** A resolution authorizing the purchase and installation of playground equipment from MRC, Inc., 2130 Route 35, Building B, Suite 222, Sea Girt, New Jersey 08750 for the Central Playground Improvements Phase II under the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ) Co-Op contract #20/21-06 in an amount not to exceed \$38,584.96.
- *228-2022** A resolution to accept grant funds from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety Juvenile Justice Commission Summer Expansion Program in the amount of \$14,509.60 for four (4) MCE summer camp swim instructors.
- *229-2022** A resolution appointing Cheryl Gayle, a resident of Orange, New Jersey as a Regular Member to the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Orange Township, New Jersey replacing Regular Member Louis Harris.
- *230-2022** A resolution appointing James H. Ward, III, a resident of Orange, New Jersey to First Alternate to replace Antoinett Hall, as a First Alternate Member to the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Orange Township, New Jersey.
- *231-2022** A resolution appointing Carl Fields, Jr., a resident of Orange, New Jersey as a Second (2nd) Alternate Member to the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Orange Township, New Jersey.

- *232-2022** A resolution appointing Errica Quartey, a resident of Orange, New Jersey as a 3rd Alternate to the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Orange Township, New Jersey.
- *233-2022** A resolution re-appointing Kenneth Black, a resident of Orange, New Jersey as a Regular Member to the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Orange Township, New Jersey.
- *234-2022** A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on May 03, 2022 dated April 27, 2022 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$2,248,428.43).

A motion to adopt the consent agenda was made by Councilmember Weldon Montague, III and seconded by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Adopted

POSTPONED RESOLUTION

- 215-2022** A resolution authorizing payment of legal fees to Scarinci & Hollenbeck, LLP as labor counsel for an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00 for services rendered in prior years.

A motion to postpone was made by Councilmember Weldon Montague, III and seconded by Councilmember Harold J. Johnson, Jr.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Adopted

NEW BUSINESS AND WALK-ON ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

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

OTHER PENDING BUSINESS

There was no Pending Business.

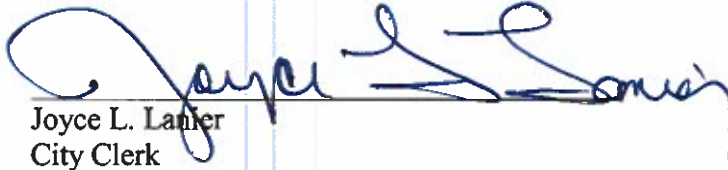
A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers Johnson

The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

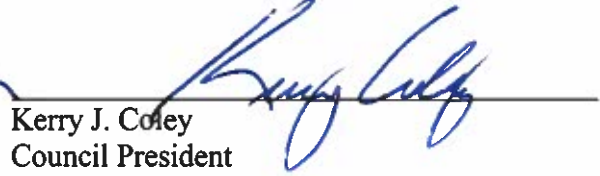
PUBLIC NOTICE

The next City Council Conference and Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 17, 2022 virtually at 7:00 p.m.

Approved: May 17, 2022



Joyce L. Lanier
City Clerk



Kerry J. Coley
Council President