MINUTES CITY COUNCIL **CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP NEW JERSEY**

THIS IS A CONFERENCE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD VIA AUDIO-VIDEO CONFERENCING WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2023 AT 7:02 PM.

Roll Call:

Present:

Councilmember Kerry J. Coley, East Ward Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III, At-Large Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross, At-Large Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, South Ward Council President Tency A. Eason, North Ward Also Present: Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator Laquana Best, Planning Director Derrick Brown, Fire Chief Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer Paula Ferreira, Tax Collector Aaron Mizrahi, Esq., Deputy City Attorney Gracia R. Montilus, Esq., City Attorney Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer Vincent Vitiello, Police Chief Tamara Robinson, Deputy City Clerk Margarette Homere, City Clerk's Office Trisha Scipio, City Clerk's Office Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert, West Ward Councilmember Adrienne K. Wooten, At-Large Vincent DeFilippo, Health Officer Marty Mayes, Public Works Director Chris Murray, Tax Assessor Wendy M. Sykes, Director of Community Services Gabrielle Sims-Shelton, City Clerk's Office

Absent:

The City Clerk announced a Moment of Silence.

The City Clerk announced a "SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall email their statements or questions to citizencomments@orangenj.gov no later than 7:00 p.m. the day prior to the scheduled public meeting. The City Council reserves the right to respond or not respond during the meeting to any citizen's submission."

The City Clerk announced 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 Star Ledger, published in the Record Transcript on July 13, 2023, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall, the Council's Website (www.orangetwpnjcc.org), the City's Website (www.orangenj.gov) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

There were no matters for discussion.

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

24-2021 An ordinance to amend the City Code of the City of the Orange Township Chapter 4 entitled "Administration of Government", Article II entitled "City Council"; Section 15 entitled "City Clerk". (Postponed since the June 1, 2021 Council Meeting)

This Ordinance will remain postponed due to litigation.

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

- 75-2023 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township to approve a tax exemption for a Twenty-Two (22) year period and authorizing the execution of a financial agreement between the city and 617 Scotland Urban Renewal LLC
- 76-2023 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, creating a Parking Authority in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:11A-1 et seq.

Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk explained the plan is to have an independently functioning Parking Authority by the end of the second quarter. The second reading will be on December 19, 2023 before proceeding. The Mayor and Council would need to appoint members, and a Part-Time Executive Director would need to be hired.

RESOLUTIONS NO *457-2023 THROUGH *460-2023

- *457-2023 A resolution designating 617 Scotland Urban Renewal LLC as the Redeveloper for the property located at 611-617 Scotland Road and 517-519 Beach Street identified on the official tax map of the City as Block 6105, Lots 2, 3, 4 and 5 and authorizing the execution of a redevelopment agreement with 617 Scotland Urban Renewal LLC for the redevelopment of this property.
- *458-2023 A resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a Community Benefits Agreement with 617 Scotland Urban Renewal LLC for the redevelopment of the property located at 611-617 Scotland Road and 517-519 Beach Street identified on the official tax map of the City as Block 6105, lots 2, 3, 4 and 5.
- *459-2023 A resolution approving the Bill List for Council meeting vote on November 21, 2023 dated November 15, 2023 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95. (Grand Total: \$10,048,739.41)
- *460-2023 A resolution awarding a contract to Reliance Graphics, Inc., 80 Pompton Avenue, Verona, New Jersey 07044 to provide local printing services for the Local Municipal Election to be held on May 14, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$21,090.00 (Amended)

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Approved: January 2, 2024

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