## 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, AUGUST 7, 2024, AT 7:40PM.

Roll Call:

Present: Councilmember Kerry J. Coley, East Ward

Council Vice President Tency A. Eason, North Ward Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert, West Ward Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III, At-Large Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross, At-Large Council President Adrienne K. Wooten, At-Large

Also Present: Joyce Lanier, City Clerk

Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator

Laquana Best, Planning Director Derrick Brown, Fire Chief

Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer Vincent DeFilippo, Health Officer Paula Ferreira, Tax Collector

Marty Mayes, Public Works Director Aaron Mizrahi, Esq., Deputy City Attorney

Chris Murray, Tax Assessor

Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer

Vincent Vitiello, Police Chief

Tamara Robinson, Deputy City Clerk
Margarette Homere, City Clerk's Office
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Trisha Scipio, City Clerk's Office

**Absent:** Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, South Ward

Gracia R. Montilus, Esq., City Attorney

Wendy Sykes, Director of Community Services

The City Clerk announced a Moment of Silence dedicated to Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson and her family on the loss of her father, City of Orange Township long-time resident James A. Summers.

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 <u>citizencomments@orangenj.gov</u> 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 11, 2024, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall, the Council's Website (<a href="www.orangetwpnjcc.org">www.orangetwpnjcc.org</a>), the City's Website (<a href="www.orangenj.gov">www.orangenj.gov</a>) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

#### MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

Health Update

Health Officer Vincent DeFilippo stated Covid cases are tripled in Essex County, NJ1 strand accounts for 36% of cases, and the KP2 strand accounts for 30% of cases. There is also a new strand of Covid. There were three cases of measles in Essex County and parents should get their children vaccinated. There is a mobile clinic for vaccinations in Essex County which can be reach at 973-877-8456. There has also been a listeria outbreak with Boars Head deli meat. Two deaths and 38 people were seriously ill from this outbreak.

### ORDINANCES - SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING

An ordinance amending Chapter 200.10.2 entitled Residential Permit Parking Zone A, Permit Parking Hours on Oakwood Avenue between Central Avenue and Parrow Street.

(Sponsored by Councilmember Wooten)

Councilwoman Quantavia L. Hilbert wanted to discuss the procedure for obtaining permit parking. Council Vice President Tency A. Eason stated there is anticipated legislation from the Law Department. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated there is a survey of the streets to access what is needed. This ordinance is tabled.

### ORDINANCES - INTRODUCTION | FIRST READING

A capital ordinance appropriating \$320,000 from the Capital Surplus Fund to pay for the purchase of equipment for the Fire Department, by and in the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey.

Councilmember Clifford R. Ross asked what is this fund used for and how much is currently in the fund. CFO Nile Clements stated the purpose of this ordinance is to purchase SCBA equipment (oxygen tanks). The Capital Surplus Fund are appropriated so that the city doesn't have to incur debt.

31-2024 An ordinance amending Chapter 210 Article V Section 32 Stormwater Control Requirements of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township.

Councilmember Clifford R. Ross asked for an explanation. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated Stormwater management governed by state statue is changed every few years pursuant to the directive from the DEP.

An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, to approve and adopt the Scattered Sites Redevelopment Plan, implementing specific development regulations and bulk zoning standards applicable to the Scattered Sites Redevelopment Area, all in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.

Councilmember Clifford R. Ross asked for an explanation. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated these properties need attention and are not in any redevelopment plan.

# RESOLUTIONS NO \*350-2024 THROUGH \*384-2024

\*371-2024 A resolution authorizing the acceptance of the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School Program 2024 for the Lincoln Avenue School Pedestrian Safety Improvements Project in the amount of \$912,000.00.

Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert asked what the funding is being used for. Business Administrator Chris Hartwyk stated it is create safer pedestrian and bikeway access to the Lincoln Avenue School. There can only be one school done at a time.

\*375-2024

A resolution authorizing the extension of the awarded contract with Matrix New World Engineering, 26 Columbia Turnpike, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Florham Park, New Jersey 07932 to provide professional engineering construction administration services for the Central Spray Park Improvements in the amount not to exceed \$37,969.09.

Councilmember Clifford R. Ross inquired if this was a change order which it is an extension of the contract. Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III inquired about FEMA and Director Marty Mayes explained there was two sources of income.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III

**Motion Adopted** 

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm.

Approved: September 3, 2024

Joyce L. Lanier

City Clerk

Adrienne K. Wooten Council President