

December 1, 2020

A Regular Meeting of the Piscataway Township Council was held on December 1, 2020 via the telephone meeting format, Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Gabrielle Cahill, at 7:30 pm.

Mrs. Cahill made the following Statement, in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as required under Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, specifying the time, date, location and, to the extent known, the agenda by posting a copy of the notice on the Municipal Building, Municipal Court and the two Municipal Library Bulletin Boards, providing a copy to the official newspapers of the Township and by filing a copy in the office of the Township Clerk in accordance with a certification by the Clerk which will be entered in the minutes.

On roll call, there were present: Messrs. Bullard, Cahn, Lombardi, McCullum, Shah, Uhrin, and Cahill. Mrs. Cahill led the salute to the flag.

No comments from Administration and Council on the Adjournment of any Agenda items.

Mrs. Cahill opened the meeting to the Public for comments regarding the Consent Agenda Items. There being no comments this portion of the meeting was closed.

The Clerk read for SECOND READING the following ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR RIVER ROAD AND RIDGE ROAD IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Township Council of Piscataway Township, Middlesex County, finds it in the interest of public safety to install a Traffic Signal at the intersection of River Road and Ridge Road; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer has submitted and certified all the legislative requirements pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4 and N.J.A.C. 16:27; and

**BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED** by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the intersection of River Road and Ridge Road shall be controlled by a Traffic Signal in accordance with the As-Built Traffic Signal Plan last revised January 3, 2019 and Timing Directive dated January 4, 2019, both prepared by Langan Engineering; and
2. That the Traffic Control Signal shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, Title 39 of the Revised Statutes and the New Jersey Administrative Code, and shall be operated in conformance with the designated plans; and
3. If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable; and
4. All other ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Township, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the Ordinances of the Township are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon second reading, final passage, publication as required by law.

Mrs. Cahill opened the Meeting to the Public for Comments: **ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER VII (7), TRAFFIC, SECTION 17.8, SCHEDULE OF RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING AREAS**

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Bullard, seconded by Mrs. Lombardi: **BE IT RESOLVED**, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING

THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR RIVER ROAD AND RIDGE ROAD IN THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY was introduced on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020 and had passed the first reading and was published on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the aforesaid Ordinance, having had a second reading on December 1, 2020, be adopted, passed, and after passage, be published, together with a notice of the date of passage or approval, in the official newspaper.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Ordinance shall be assigned No. 2020-30.

On roll call vote: Messrs. Bullard, Lombardi, McCullum, Shah, Uhrin, and Cahill answered yes.

The Clerk read for SECOND READING the following ORDINANCE: ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$1,500,000, \$500,000 OF WHICH IS FROM THE CAPTIAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND \$1,000,000 OF WHICH IS FROM A DEVELOPER'S CONTRIBUTION, FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. \$1,500,000 is hereby appropriated, \$500,000 of which is from the Capital Improvement Fund and \$1,000,000 of which is from a developer's contribution, for various capital improvements, including the acquisition of a roll-off truck, a patch truck, a small chipper with winch, a brine applicator on a roll-off skid, a wheel loader with hi-lift, a mini skid steer with a grapple/bucket and the Sidewalk Replacement Project, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto, in and by the Township of Piscataway, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Township").

Section 2. The Township hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect after final adoption and publication and otherwise as provided by law.

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RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Cahn, seconded by Mr. Shah: BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that: ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$1,500,000, \$500,000 OF WHICH IS FROM THE CAPTIAL IMPROVEMENT FUND AND \$1,000,000 OF WHICH IS FROM A DEVELOPER'S CONTRIBUTION, FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY was introduced on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020 and had passed the first reading and was published on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the aforesaid Ordinance, having had a second reading on December 1, 2020, be adopted, passed, and after passage, be published, together with a notice of the date of passage or approval, in the official newspaper.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Ordinance shall be assigned No. 2020-31.

On roll call vote: Messrs. Bullard, Lombardi, McCullum, Shah, Uhrin, and Cahill answered yes.

RESOLUTION #20-357

RESOLUTION offered by Mr. Bullard, seconded by Mrs. Lombardi, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that:

**WHEREAS**, the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Piscataway permit the adoption of Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway as part of the Consent Agenda, upon certain conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, each of the following Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations to be presented before the Township Council at its December 1, 2020 Regular Meeting appear to have the unanimous approval of all members of the Township Council:

- a. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Budget Transfers.
- b. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Renewal of Liquor License 1217-33-017-009 – L & W Services LLC (inactive) for the 2020-2021 License Term.
- c. RESOLUTION – Authorizing 2020 and 2021 Peddlers License – Lissett Pozo.
- d. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Waiving 2021 Late Fees for Establishments Closed Due to Health Emergency.
- e. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Award of Contract for Public Safety Building Bullet Proofing Exterior Windows Through ESC 18/19-28 – Window Film Depot – Not to Exceed \$127,393.50.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway that each of the above-listed Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations be approved and adopted by the Township Council, with the same legal effect as through each was read in its entirety at the December 1, 2020 Regular meeting and adopted by separate vote. The following are the Resolutions, typed in full, which were adopted by the foregoing consent agenda resolution:

**RESOLUTION #20-358**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 provides for appropriation transfers during the last two (2) months of the fiscal year from those accounts where there is an excess over the amount deemed necessary to those appropriations deemed to be insufficient.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the following transfers are hereby authorized:

*CURRENT FUND*

Account Code	Description		From	To
01- 2020- 0200- 0100- 1	ADMINISTRATION	SALARIES AND WAGES	15,000.00	
01- 2020- 0200- 0120- 1	MUNICIPAL CLERK	SALARIES AND WAGES	5,000.00	
01- 2020- 0200- 0125- 1	COMPUTER CENTER	SALARIES AND WAGES	25,000.00	
01- 2020- 0200- 0122- 2	Document Management	OTHER EXPENSES		120,000.00
01- 2020- 0200- 0130- 1	FINANCE	SALARIES AND WAGES	20,000.00	
01- 2020- 0200- 0140- 2	POSTAGE	OTHER EXPENSES		5,000.00
01- 2020- 0200- 0145- 1	TAX COLLECTION	SALARIES AND WAGES	25,000.00	
01- 2020- 0200- 0150- 1	TAX ASSESSMENT	SALARIES AND WAGES	5,000.00	
01- 2020- 0200- 0175- 1	CABLE TV	SALARIES AND WAGES	50,000.00	
01- 2020- 0250- 0240- 1	POLICE DEPARTMENT	SALARIES AND WAGES	220,000.00	
01- 2020- 0250- 0245- 1	CROSSING GUARDS	SALARIES AND WAGES	155,000.00	
01- 2020- 0260- 0280- 2	FLEET MAINTENANCE	OTHER EXPENSES	25,000.00	
01- 2020- 0260- 0290- 1	STREETS & ROADS	SALARIES AND WAGES	65,000.00	
01- 2020- 0260- 0305- 1	SOLID WASTE	SALARIES AND WAGES	50,000.00	
01- 2020- 0260- 0310- 2	BUILDING & GROUNDS	OTHER EXPENSES	50,000.00	
01- 2020- 0280- 0365- 1	PARKS& MAINTENANCE	SALARIES AND WAGES	25,000.00	
01- 2020- 0280- 0370- 1	RECREATION	SALARIES AND WAGES	45,000.00	
01- 2020- 0280- 0370- 2	RECREATION	OTHER EXPENSES	45,000.00	
01- 2020- 0280- 0375- 1	OFFICE ON AGING	SALARIES AND WAGES	30,000.00	
01- 2020- 0280- 0375- 2	OFFICE ON AGING	OTHER EXPENSES	35,000.00	
01- 2020- 0300- 0415- 2	SEVERENCE LIABILITY	OTHER EXPENSES		430,000.00
01- 2020- 0360- 0472- 2	SOCIAL SECURITY	OTHER EXPENSES	61,000.00	
01- 2020- 7250- 7250- 1	POLICE DISPATCH/911	SALARIES AND WAGES	65,000.00	
01- 2020- 7250- 7250- 2	POLICE DISPATCH/911	OTHER EXPENSES	52,000.00	
01- 2020- 7440- 7415- 2	POLICE BUILDING WINDOW IMPROVEMENT	OTHER EXPENSES		128,000.00
01- 2020- 7440- 7900- 2	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND	OTHER EXPENSES		725,000.00
01- 2020- 7440- 7910- 2	LAND ACQUISITION	OTHER EXPENSES	340,000.00	

Grand Total :		\$1,408,000.00	\$1,408,000.00

RESOLUTION #20-359

**WHEREAS**, L&W Services, LLC, (“L&W”) holder of liquor license number 1217-33-017-009 in the Township of Piscataway, has applied for renewal of said license for the 2020-2021 license term; and

**WHEREAS**, a special ruling by the Director of the NJ ABC was required due to L&W’s inactive license, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39, for the 2020-2021 license term, which Special Ruling was granted on November 17, 2020; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the liquor license of L&W Services, LLC (1217-33-017-009) (Inactive) is hereby renewed for the period commencing July 1, 2020, until June 30, 2021, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33:1-12.39, which Special Ruling was granted in November 17, 2020.

RESOLUTION #20-360

**WHEREAS**, Lissett Pozo has applied with the Township of Piscataway for a Peddlers License for 2020 and 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to letters from the Piscataway Township Police Department dated November 19, 2020, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, the Piscataway Township Police Department recommends granting a Peddlers License for 2020 and 2021 to Lissett Pozo; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to issue a Peddlers License for 2020 and 2021 to Lissett Pozo.

RESOLUTION #20-361

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Piscataway (the “Township”) recently mailed out its Retail Food License Renewals for Calendar Year 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Chapter 10, Section 2.4(d)(2) of the Township Code, the Township currently charges a \$120.00 per month late fee for any establishment that fails to renew their retail food license; and

**WHEREAS**, many establishments that are currently closed for business due to the COVID-19 pandemic have contacted the Township and voiced their concerns about paying the late fees associated with a failure to file same, as these establishments are unsure about whether they will be able to open for Calendar Year 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township has decided to waive the late fees, as described in Chapter 10, Section 2.4(d)(2) of the Township Code for Calendar Year 2021 subject to each establishment providing the Township with a letter stating that they are currently closed due to the health emergency and that they shall apply prior to opening and operating their establishment; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to waive the late fees for any retail food license pursuant to Chapter 10, Section 2.4(d)(2) of the Township Code for Calendar Year 2021, subject to the receipt of a letter from any such retail food establishment confirming that they are currently closed due to the health emergency and that the establishment shall apply for said retail food license prior to opening and operating their establishment; and

**BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED** that any establishment that operates without a valid retail food license shall be subject to the penalties provided for in the Township Code as well as any late fees for the time period that the establishment has been operating without the retail food license.

RESOLUTION #20-362

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Piscataway (the “Township”) desires to bullet proof the exterior windows of the Public Safety Building (the “Project”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Chief of Police recommends entering into a contract with Window Film Depot, Freehold, NJ, in the amount of \$127,393.50 through State Approved Co-op #65MCECCPS, Contract # ESC 18/19-28, Hunterdon County ESC Co-op HCESC #181; and

**WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 et. seq.** authorizes the Township to make purchases and contract for services through the use of a nationally-recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing agreement that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding process; and

**WHEREAS,** funds are available pursuant to certification # R-2020-0115;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Window Film Depot, Freehold, NJ for the bullet proofing of the exterior windows at the Public Safety Building in the amount not to exceed \$127,393.50, through State Approved Co-op #65MCESCCPS, Contract # ESC 18/19-28, Hunterdon County ESC Co-op HCESC #181.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMENTS FROM OFFICIALS:

Mrs. Lombardi acknowledged police officer who ran into house fire to save resident.

Mrs. McCullum wished everyone Happy and Healthy Holiday

Mrs. Cahill echoed above comments.

The Council considered the matters on the Agenda session:

- RESOLUTION – Authorizing Professional Planning Services for Area in Need of Redevelopment Study and Redevelopment Plan – Block 5901, Lot 3.23 - 10 Constitution Avenue — CME Associates – Not to Exceed \$15,800.00.
- RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Soil Erosion/Landscape Bond –
  - Block 2904, Lot 73 – 97 Doyle Street.
  - Block 10411, Lot 24.01 – 675 Roosevelt Avenue.
  - Block 11316, Lot 1.03 – 97 Mitchell Avenue.
- RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Performance Surety and Cash Bonds:
  - Elnashar Group LLC - Block 2705, Lot 6.01 – 20 Mae Lane
- RESOLUTION – Authorizing Award of Contract Under ESCNJ 16/17-48 for Scanning and Digital Storage of Records – AccuScan – Not to Exceed \$154,170.00.
- RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Tree Replacement Bond – Block 12502, Lot 10.01 – 16 Logan Lane.
- RESOLUTION – Authorizing Cancellation of Appropriations.

OPEN TO PUBLIC:

None

There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:52pm on motion of Mr. Bullard, seconded by Mrs. Lombardi, carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa A. Seader, Township Clerk

Accepted:

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Gabrielle Cahill  
Council President