

**Minutes of the Regular
Meeting of the 2020 Council of the
City of Linden, held Tuesday,
December 15, 2020**

The regular meeting of the 2020 Council of the City of Linden, was held in the Council Chambers in the City Hall on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 7:05 pm., prevailing time.

The meeting was called to order by President of Council Michele Yamakaitis and she announced that the notice of this meeting stating the date, place and time, has been disseminated as required under the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975. (The meeting was conducted in an electronic format using Ring Central Meetings, due to the Covid 19 pandemic)

The Clerk rendered the opening prayer, after which the members of the Governing Body and the persons in attendance saluted the flag.

President of Council Michele Yamakaitis announced that members of the public who may be attending are on mute until the public comment portion of the meeting. If you wish to be recognized please use the raised hand icon, in the program, to identify yourself. You will then give your name and address, as at any Council meeting. Failure to do so, will result in you being muted, and not recognized further. If you are registered more than once you will only be recognized to speak one time, under your first registration, as with any council meeting. When public comment is opened, the ability to register will be closed.

Council President Michele Yamakaitis asked all to place their phones on mute, to eliminate background noise and to not use phones, on speaker, as it causes feedback issues.

A roll call showed the following members were present:

ROLL CALL

Councilwoman	Lisa Ormon
Councilman	Barry Javick
Councilman	Alfred Mohammed
Councilwoman	Rhashonna Cosby
Councilman	John F. Roman
Councilman	Ralph Strano
Councilman	Armando Medina
Councilwoman	Gretchen Hickey
Council President	Michele Yamakaitis
Mayor	Derek Armstead

President Yamakaitis noted that Councilman Blaine was excused.

Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Hickey moved for approval of the minutes of the Regular meeting of October 20,2020. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Caldwell, and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

ORDINANCE ON HEARING

64-56 ORDINANCE WAS REMOVED FROM CONSIDERATION PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING

President of Council Michele Yamakaitis announced that this is the date designated for the hearing and further consideration respecting an ordinance entitled:

64-57 **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER VII, TRAFFIC, OF AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, 1999," PASSED NOVEMBER 23, 1999 AND APPROVED NOVEMBER 24, 1999, AND AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN:

Section 1. That Chapter VII, Traffic, shall be and the same is hereby amended as follows:

7-33 HANDICAPPED PARKING REGULATIONS

7-33.1A Handicapped Parking On-Street

ADD:

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>No. of Spaces</u>
556 East Elm Street	1
42 West 12 th Street	1

DELETE:

25 Cedar Avenue	1
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President of Council Michele Yamakaitis announced that the hearing was now open, that all persons interested would be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the Ordinance and the Clerk will read the Ordinance. Thereupon President of Council Michele Yamakaitis inquired if there were any written objections.

None were presented and the Clerk stated that therefore none had been received. President of Council Michele Yamakaitis inquired if there was anyone who desired to be heard concerning the Ordinance read by the Clerk. There were none.

There being no persons to be heard, Mrs. Ormon moved that the hearing be closed and the ordinance be adopted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roman and on a roll, call vote the foregoing ordinance was unanimously ordered approved.

President of Council Michele Yamakaitis announced that this is the date designated for the hearing and further consideration respecting an ordinance entitled:

64-58 An ordinance to amend an ordinance entitled, “an ordinance establishing a schedule of titles, salary ranges and regulations for maintaining the classification and salary standardization plan of all employees of the City of Linden,” passed August 15, 1995 and approved August 16, 1995.

Adding: Schedule 4-OO-8

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None were presented and the Clerk stated that therefore none had been received. President of Council Michele Yamakaitis inquired if there was anyone who desired to be heard concerning the Ordinance read by the Clerk. There were none.

There being no persons to be heard, Mr. Strano moved that the hearing be closed and the ordinance be adopted. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ormon and on a roll, call vote the foregoing ordinance was ordered approved, with all voting in favor, except Ms. Cosby who voted no.

CONSENT AGENDA

(*) Tax Collector:**

(1) The amount of money collected during the month of November 2020 and turned over to the treasurer’s office is as follows:

2021 Taxes	\$126,004.95
2020 Taxes	\$28,047,081.76
2019 Taxes	\$2.63
Municipal Lien Redemption	\$0.00
Duplicate Tax Sale Certificate	\$0.00
Tax Search	\$0.00
Lien Redemption Request Fee	\$0.00
Year End Penalty	\$0.00
Returned Check Fee Paid	\$120.00
Returned Sewer Clean out	(\$0.00)
Returned Sewer Interest	(\$0.00)
Returned Check 2020	(\$23,834.11)
Returned Check 2021	(\$4,500.69)
Returned Check Interest	(\$100.50)
Returned Online 2020 Taxes	(\$24,602.64)
Returned Online 2021 Taxes	(\$3,640.08)
Returned Online Interest	(\$107.46)
Adv. Before Tax Sale	\$0.00
Premium	\$0.00
Sewer Clean out charge	\$600.00
DPW Reso payments	\$0.00
Interest	\$27,185.77
Total	\$28,144,209.63

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2018 tax sale on the following blocks & lots.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
35	6	11/2/2020	17-00031	\$17,600.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$17,600.00 payable to: Actlien Holding, US Bank Cust, Actlien Holding, 50 South 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, charging same to account #-0-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
66	7	11/2/2020	19-00026	\$62,400.00
114	15	11/2/2020	19-00049	\$49,500.00
538	23	12/1/2020	19-00171	\$14,000.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$125,900.00 payable to: Christiana T C/F, CE/1 Firstrust, P.O. Box 5021, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5021, charging same to account #-0-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
87	12	11/10/2020	19-00034	\$800.00
169	12	11/10/2020	19-00078	\$800.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$1,600.00 payable to: US Bank Cust ProCap8 PROCAP MTGII, 50 South 16th Street, Suite #2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, charging same to account #-0-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following blocks & lots.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
111	1	11/24/2020	19-00045	\$16,800.00
385	23	11/10/2020	19-00133	\$26,100.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 42,900.00 payable to Greymorr, LLC, BMO 85, P.O. Box 1414, Minneapolis, MN 55480, charging same to account # 0-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
128	13	11/2/2020	19-00055	\$42,400.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$42,400.00 payable to: Sunshine State Certificates IV, LLLP, Bank United Trustee, 7900 Miami Lakes Drive West, Miami Lakes, FL 33016, charging same to account #-0-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2018 & 2019 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
166	12	11/2/2020	17-00133	\$20,200.00
536	3	11/25/2020	18-00227	\$1,100.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$21,300.00 payable to: US Bank Cust for PC7, LLC Firstrust Bank, 50 South 16th Street, Suite #2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, charging same to account #-0-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following blocks & lots.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	Cert#	Premium
222	11	11/24/2020	19-00105	\$1,400.00
482	5	11/13/2020	19-00160	\$1,600.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 3,000.00 payable to: Fig as Cust. for Fig NJ19, LLC, P.O. Box 54226, New Orleans, LA 70154, charging same to account #-0-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
367	57	11/2/2020	19-00129	\$1,200.00
566	12	11/24/2020	19-00188	\$1,500.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$2,700.00 payable to Trystone Capital Assets, LLC., 575 Route #-70, 2nd Floor, P.O. Box 1030, Brick, NJ 08723, charging same to account #-0-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2019 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
392	6	12/2/2020	18-00173	\$28,500.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 28,500.00 payable to FNA DZ, LLC FBO WSFS, 120 N. La Salle Street, Suite #-1220, Chicago, IL 60602 charging same to account #-0-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following blocks & lots.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	Cert#	Premium
555	16	11/24/2020	19-00183	\$11,800.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 11,800.00 payable to: Fedigan, LLC, 474 Mary Allen Way, Mountainside, NJ 07092, charging same to account #-0-01-55-276-999-956.

Refund : Block 21 Lot 2 Hector Gladinier & Annette Torres 1836 Ingalls Avenue

The above referenced owner's mortgage company paid the 2019 4th quarter property taxes and the Title Company have paid creating this overpayment in the amount \$ 2,892.49 and the owner is entitled a refund.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 2,892.49 payable to: Hector Gladinier & Annette Torres, 1836 Ingalls Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036 charging same to # 0-01-55-288-999-904.

Refund Block 27 Lot 12 Jose E. & Ana C. Lazo 517 Alexander Avenue

The above referenced owner's mortgage company paid the 2019 4th quarter property taxes and the Title Company have paid creating this overpayment in the amount \$ 1,855.40 and the owner is entitled a refund.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 1,855.40 payable to: Jose E. & Ana C. Lazo, 517 Alexander Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036 charging same to # 0-01-55-288-999-904.

Refund Re: Block 86 Lot 9.02 Franthony Mendoza Franco 1129 E. Henry Street

The above referenced owner's mortgage company paid the 2020 4th quarter property taxes and the Title Company have paid creating this overpayment in the amount \$ 3,735.32 and the owner is entitled a refund.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 3,735.32 payable to: Franthony Mendoza Franco, 1129 E. Henry Street, Linden, NJ 07036 charging same to # 0-01-55-288-999-904.

Refund Re: Refund of Property Taxes Block 173 Lot 31 Theodore Rodgers 542 E. Blancke Street

This property owner has been deemed a 100% Disabled Veteran by the V.A. as of 9/21/2020. Mr. Rodgers is entitled to the 100% Disabled Veteran Status for the remainder of the tax year 2020 on half of his 2-family home per Michael Frangella. The following is the amount that the mortgage company overpaid after the reduction of the 2020 4th quarter property taxes.

2020 Half of 4th quarter property taxes
Refund \$1,276.43

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$1,276.43 payable to: Theodore Rodgers, 542 E. Blancke Street, Linden, NJ 07036, charging same to account #-0-01-55-288-999-904.

Refund Re: Block 180 Lot 31 Francisco Figueroa 724 Walnut Street

The above referenced owner's mortgage company paid the 2020 4th quarter property taxes and the owners have paid creating this overpayment in the amount \$ 2,061.85 and the owner is entitled a refund.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 2,061.85 payable to: Francisco Figueroa, 724 Walnut Street, Linden, NJ 07036 charging same to # 0-01-55-288-999-904.

Refund Re: Block 201 Lot 11 C0211 Old Owner: Estate of Michel Witherspoon New Owner: Chernyakhovsky/Verashchaka 102 E. Elizabeth Avenue, Unit#-211

The above referenced owner's Mortgage Company and the Title Agency have paid the 2020 4th quarter property taxes creating this overpayment and the Title Agency is entitled a refund in the amount of \$ 2,061.85.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$2,061.85; payable to: Absolute Title Agency of NJ, LLC, 50 A US highway 9 North, Suite #205, Morganville, NJ 07751 charging same to # 0-01-55-288-999-904.

Refund Re: Block 444 Lot 1 Jorge Alvarez & Stephanie Valente 403 Clinton Street

The above referenced owner's mortgage company paid the 2020 3rd quarter property taxes and the Title Company have paid creating this overpayment in the amount \$ 3,199.20 and the owner is entitled a refund.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 3,199.20 payable to: Jorge Alvarez & Stephanie Valente, 403 Clinton Street, Linden, NJ 07036 charging same to # 0-01-55-288-999-904.

Refund Re: Block 415 Lot 6 Old Owner: Estate of Thomas J. Stephan Jr. New Owner: CHMIELUSA INC 1029 Forest Drive

The above referenced owner's Mortgage Company and the Title Agency have paid the 2020 4th quarter property taxes creating this overpayment and the Title Agency is entitled a refund in the amount of \$ 4,315.20.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$4,315.20; payable to: Polonia Title Agency, LLC 45 Blue Hill Road, Clifton NJ 07013 charging same to # 0-01-55-288-999-904.

Refund: Cancellation/Refund of Property Taxes Block 565 Lot 13 1404 Harding Avenue

This property owner has been deemed a 100% Disabled Veteran by the V.A. as of 9/20/2018 and purchased said property on September 21, 2020. Mr. Steinheim is entitled to the 100% Disabled Veteran Status for the remainder of the tax year 2020 on his home per Michael Frangella. The following is the amount that the property owner has overpaid after the of the 2020 quarter property taxes.

Overpaid		Cancel
2020-3 rd	\$8.23	2020-3 rd \$8.23
2020-4 th	\$1,861.21	2020-4 th \$1,861.21
Total Refund	\$1,869.44	Cancel Total \$1,869.44

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$1,869.44 payable to: Edwin Steinheim, 1404 Harding Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036, charging same to account #-0 -01-55-288-999-904.

Tax Court Re: Block 580 Lot 13 Linden Plaza, LLC C/O Wharton 1601 E. Edgar Road Tax Court #-004096-2018 Tax Court #-002403-2019

The above referenced former property owners are entitled to a refund due to a Tax Court Judgment reducing the assessment by 4,651,000 for 2018 and 5,151,000 for 2019 creating a total overpayment of \$675,166.76 Through agreement of the attorney and Mike Frangella, Tax Assessor \$675,166.76 is to be refunded.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$675,166.76 payable to: Zipp & Tannenbaum, LLC, Attorney Trust Account, 280 Raritan Center Parkway, Edison, NJ 08837, charging same to account #-0-01-46-872-373-243.

(*) Municipal Treasurer**
(2) Refunds

Re Refund of Stolen Monies

Judith Mejias-Collado is entitled to a refund of \$180.00 for monies stolen from her and recovered off of the suspect.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$180.00 payable to: Judith Mejias-Collado, 310 4th Ave., Linden, NJ 07036, charging same to 0-01-09-699-009.

Re: Permit Refund

Diversified Residential Properties LLC is entitled to a refund of \$50.00 for a Certificate of Smoke Detector and Carbon Monoxide Alarm Compliance.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$50.00 payable to Diversified Residential Properties LLC, 1553 Essex St., Rahway, NJ 07065, charging same to account 0-01-09-699-069.

Re: Service date of 3/20/2020

Magnacare is entitled to a refund in the amount of \$54.04 for service that was provided on 3/20/2020.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check payable to: Magnacare, 1600 Stewart Ave., Suite 700, Westbury, NY 11590 charging same to 0-01-08-629-011.

(*) Personnel**

(3) Pleased be advised that the following City of Linden employees have filed for retirement:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
Construction Code	Albert Cetroni	Housing Inspector p/t	November 1, 2020
Police Dept.	Anthony Lordi III	Police Sergeant	December 1, 2020
Fire Dept.	Lawrence Kolesa	Deputy Fire Chief	January 1, 2021
Fire Dept	Albert Martin	Fire Lieutenant	January 1, 2021
Public Works	Francis Fekete	Sewer Maintenance Worker	January 1, 2021

Mr. Javick moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cosby, and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

FIRST WARD

Mrs. Ormon gave the following report of the Finance Committee:

Approval is requested for the following finance actions:

1. The payment of bills totaling \$3,859,457.22. Bills have been signed by the Mayor, Council President and Finance Chairwoman and a detailed check register and vouchers are on file in the Clerk's Office.
2. We are in receipt of the investments made by the City Treasurer for the month of November at the rate of 0.20%.

Mrs. Ormon moved for approval of the Finance Report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roman and was ordered approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except for Ms. Cosby who voted no.

Mrs. Ormon gave the report of the Division of Transportation and Parking, informing all that the parking meters, around town, would be covered from 12/18/2020 until 1/1/2021. She noted that the Cultural & Heritage Committee will be holding their annual house holiday decoration contest, and explained how it would be done, this year. She added that the prizes given out will be from local establishments.

Mrs. Ormon spoke about the upcoming snow storm and that, in the First Ward, DeWitt Street is a snow emergency route, and cars will be towed if they are parked on it. She also pointed out when snow has to be removed from sidewalks by. She talked about the scheduled pickup of bulk trash, and asked residents not to place it out at the curb a week before the pickup. She wished all, that no matter what holiday they celebrated that they have a happy holiday,

SECOND WARD

Mr. Javick gave the report of the Fire Committee. The Fire Prevention Bureau collected a total of \$5,180.77 for the month of November. In addition, the ambulance reimbursement system collected a total of \$41,108.41 for the month of November, brining the year to date amount to \$644,822.41.

Mr. Javick noted that with 2020 ending there had been a lot of canceled events. The year was about neighbors helping each other. He then spoke about the holiday house decorating contest, and how there are a lot of beautiful decorations out there. He announced that Santa would be coming to SID, and how the program would be run. He asked Second Ward residents to remove their cars from the streets for the snow plows. He noted that the water company was continuing to replace mains in the Second Ward.

Mr. Javick reminded all that they should be locking their cars, to prevent thefts. He spoke about working hard to give the taxpayers of Linden another year of zero tax increase. He announced details of the flu shot program, and that shots were still available. He provided his contact information and wished all a happy holiday.

THIRD WARD

Mrs. Caldwell began by giving the report of the Construction Code Department. The Department issued 174 permits and 23 certificates, collecting a total of \$137,509.00 for the month of November. She then gave a report from the IT Committee. She provided information on the City's website, and allowing employees to work from home, in the near future. She spoke about the evaluation of the City's IT Department, and the recommendations on what needs to be done, including upgrades. They were also recommending the City use Zoom Cloud to store its data.

Mrs. Caldwell informed Third Ward residents that the 2021 Community meeting schedule is on the City's website. She provides her contact information, reminded all to be safe and to follow the guidelines of the CDC. Happy holidays. She then gave her condolences to the Woody Family on the loss of Buella.

FOURTH WARD

Mr. Mohammed began by offering his condolences to the Woody family, for their loss. He spoke about the wonderful job done by the police, in the Fourth Ward. Mr. Mohammed announced that on the third Saturday he would be hosting a community meeting. He noted that he would oppose any effort to increase taxes in Linden. He talked about his efforts to improve the quality of life in the Fourth Ward. He wished all a happy holiday season, and encouraged all to wear a mask during the pandemic. He spoke about the new vaccine for Covid 19, and thanked god for it. He finished by speaking about being happy to serve the City of Linden. There would be no tax increase and no return to the garbage tax.

FIFTH WARD

Ms. Cosby moved for approval to place a street light at 1826 Mildred Avenue, pole #02542. The motion was seconded by Mr. Medina and was unanimously ordered approved.

I do not have a report from the rent leveling board. They are having a special meeting tomorrow night and I have asked for a report from the Secretary as I will not be able to attend due to a conflict. For information on attending the meeting please contact the city clerk to get instructions on how to join the meeting.

I would like to acknowledge my neighbor Jan Sudnik as the 5th ward 2020 Good Neighbor of the year and thank her for her diligence in looking out for the ward and ensuring that we maintain optimum quality of life. I started to annually recognize residents here in the 5th ward many years ago because I appreciate that they care as much as I do. When I cannot be everywhere all at once, it's because of my good neighbors that I have been able to be successful. Thank you, Jan, you are appreciated.

I wanted to remind everyone that tomorrow is our last regularly scheduled community meeting. Last month, I announced the meeting for the 17th however, the meeting is actually tomorrow on the 16th at 6:30 pm. I will send out a link to the meeting it will be live on YouTube and on my council Facebook page. Our focus will be Legal marijuana and what it means to us. The council passed a zoning ordinance in years past which prohibited all retail marijuana establishments. The new legislation that is in Trenton nullifies that so we here in Linden, need to make decisions as to what we are going to do. All while keeping in mind that we as a municipality could generate revenue since this is going to be the new normal. Tune in and learn more. My guests will be Senator Scutari who was the champion of the legislation to legalize marijuana. The Mayor, Mayor Armstead, and the Linden police chief, Chief Hart. As we can see on St. Georges Ave the state is doing a lot of improvements to curbs and safety lights. I hesitate to announce that the push to stop light is under construction as we have not had a solid confirmation but I will say with confidence that the light has been approved and will be included in the improvements.

Additionally, the bus shelter that I worked so hard to get placed at 1140 E St Georges Ave was supposed to be replaced by now by the developer but it has not. I have heard from some commuters and I am working to see what the delay is all about. This shelter was removed due to construction and now that construction is completed in this area and I am working to get the shelter put back. Thank you for your patience.

Please pay attention to the emergency road signs that prohibit parking on certain streets in our ward. There is no parking on roads when snow covered and the police will tow your car! Chandler Ave, Park Ave, Hagel Ave, E Baltimore, and Dill Ave. This is a warning. As far as I know, alternate side parking has not been suspended so please be guided accordingly.

If you need to contact me please call or text 9087187933 or email rcosby@linden-nj.org

SIXTH WARD

Mr. Roman announced that he had visited DelAire Nursing home, and brought a supply of N-95 mask for the staff. He spoke about the second wave of the Covid virus, that New Jersey is experiencing, and the walk-up text centers that the County is running, which make it the number one in texting in the state. He told residents to go to the County website to get more information. Next, he announced that the County would be doing a food distribution at Kean University, on Saturday.

Mr. Roman talked about the water main servicing the Sixth Ward, and how the streets, where replacement work was being done by the utility companies, would be half paved. He next, discussed the upcoming winter storm and the amount of accumulation that is expected. He pointed out the emergency streets, in the Sixth Ward, that there is no parking allowed on them, and if someone is parked, the vehicle will be towed. He spoke about being safe with COVID and wished all a happy holiday.

SEVENTH WARD

Mr. Strano gave the following Personnel Report:

1. Police:
 - a) Permission to finalize 5 total background checks for Police Officer Recruits and hire up to 5 pending successful completion of all preemployment requirements for replacements from retirements.
 - b) Permission to hire June Spann and Megan Skrupskis as Per Diem Public Safety Telecommunicators effective December 30, 2020 at the hourly rate of \$22.50 pending the successful completion of all preemployment requirements.
 - c) Promotion of Mathew Wisnowski to Police Sergeant effective December 16, 2020 at the annual salary of \$108,000
 - d) Approval of the assignment of Training Supervisor at an annual Stipend of \$1,000 prorated for Kimberly Matos, Public Safety Telecommunicator, effective December 16, 2020.
 - e) Accepting the resignation in good standing of Michael Klobus, Police Officer Recruit, effective December 4, 2020
2. Fire:
 - a) Promotion of Christopher Rooney to Deputy Fire Chief at the annual salary of \$150,960 effective December 16, 2020, per agreement with Union and employee and waiver of salary increase from December 16, 2020 through December 31, 2020.
 - b) Promotion of Grzegorz Wronski to Fire Captain at the annual salary of \$124,000 effective December 16, 2020, per agreement with Union and employee and waiver of salary increase from December 16, 2020 through December 31, 2020.
 - c) Promotion of Michael Brattole to Fire Lieutenant at the annual salary of \$108,000 effective December 16, 2020, per agreement with Union and employee and waiver of salary increase from December 16, 2020 through December 31, 2020.
3. Recreation Department:
 - a) Permission to post for Recreation Leader to run Special Needs Bowling Program
4. Department of Community Services:
 - I. Division of Building and Grounds
 - a) Appointing Theron Dicks as Mason/Senior Carpenter at \$35.50/hr effective December 30, 2020 pending the successful completion of all pre-employment requirements.
5. Construction Code:
 - a) Appointing Shayla Bellinger as a Code Enforcement Trainee at \$17.45/hr not to exceed 29 hours per week effective December 30, 2020 pending successful completion of all pre-employment requirement.
 - b) Permission to post for (1) P/T Code Enforcement Trainee at \$17.45/hr not to exceed 29 hours per week due to retirement.
 - c) Appointing of Anthony Alfano as Fire Subcode Official at \$39.37/hr not to exceed 25 hours per week effective December 30, 2020, and granting a residency waiver based upon the appointment from the statewide Civil Service list.
6. Personnel:
 - a) Carry of the 2020 Vacation time (See the attached list)
 - b) Approval of the requested FMLA/NJFMLA leaves on file in the Personnel Division.

Mr. Strano moved for approval of the Personnel Report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Javick and was ordered approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except Ms. Cosby who voted no.

Mr. Strano spoke about the ordinance making W. 15th Street a one-way, that the direction needs to be changed, and a new ordinance would have to be introduced. Next, he spoke about he termed "car terrorist" that caused problems this past week. He explained that that it was a large group of cars enthusiasts, who were in the Target parking lot on Saturday. They were extremely noisy, causing

disturbances. When the police arrived, they ended up towing some cars and arrest were made. He then talked about the construction work that was taking place on South Stiles Street and how it would benefit the residents. He wished all a great holiday.

EIGHTH WARD

President Yamakaitis, due to Mr. Blaine's absence, spoke about the snow emergency routes in the Eighth Ward and asked residents to remove their cars from them in order to avoid being towed.

NINETH WARD

Mr. Medina offered his condolence to the family of retired firefighter Gary Rudnicki, who lost his battle with COVID. He then spoke about the amazing job done by Public Works in cleaning the leaves. He noted several streets where landscapers dumped mountains of leaves in the street, after public works had cleaned the area. He noted that this makes plowing difficult.

Mr. Medina spoke about the latest issue involving dog waste. Individuals are picking up the droppings, but then leaving the plastic bags, containing the waste, behind on the curb, noting he is seeing it more and more. He informed all that he is working with the City Clerk's office and Engineering division regarding utility lines hanging from poles, and getting them removed. He spoke about street lights that have been approved, but are awaiting installation, for long periods of time.

Mr. Medina thanked Mayor Armstead for the Santa visit to the Ninth Ward. He spoke about snow curiosity, and being mindful of your neighbors when shoveling snow. He noted the snow emergency routes, in the ward, and that there is no parking on them. He wished all a safe and happy holiday.

TENTH WARD

Mrs. Hickey asked residents to be considerate of their neighbors, and the City's snow plowers when shoveling snow. She informed Tenth Ward residents about the holiday house decorating contest. She informed residents that she has posted the phone numbers of individual willing to shovel snow, and to call them if they need help. Mrs. Hickey spoke about receiving calls, from residents regarding homes that have been sold, and the new owners doing construction work without obtaining the proper permits. She noted that she will report them all to the Construction Code Department.

Mrs. Hickey spoke about the holiday decoration on Wood Ave and how it is looking the best it has in years, stating that SID did an amazing job. She offered her condolences to the family of Gary Rudnicki, speaking about her long history with him. She noted that he passed from COVID. She informed all that her son, Patrick, would be coming home from the Army for the holidays. She wished all a happy holiday and that 2021 would be a better year.

President Yamakaitis recognized Mr. Roman. Mr. Roman gave a shout out to the Linden Superior Officers Association for raising money and donating it back to the community. The money would be used to purchase 10 Ring doorbells and giving one to each ward. He spoke about the promotions, in the Police and Fire Departments and how outstanding these individuals were.

President Yamakaitis recognized Mr. Strano. Mr. Strano congratulated those being promoted in the Police and Fire Department. He spoke about the recent passing of Joseph Policay, Sr., a long time Seventh Ward resident and a retired DPW employee. He noted his long association with Mr. Policay.

President Yamakaitis recognized Mrs. Ormon. Mrs. Ormon gave the report of the Transportation and Parking Division. The Division collected a total of \$20,703.43 for the month of November. She informed First Ward residents that due to COVID there would be no First Ward Holiday craft event for children, as it couldn't be done safely. She explained what she was doing in its place, and how to participate.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

President Yamakaitis noted the City employees who were retiring in December and wished them a happy retirement. She congratulated the individuals being promoted in the Police and Fire Departments. She urged residents to pay attention to the news and social media regarding for alters regarding the upcoming snow storm. President Yamakaitis gave a shout out to Captain Wayne Hanns, the Police and Fire Departments for their help with the Santa sleigh, which visited the wards. She spoke about SID and the Santa program.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Armstead congratulated the Fire Department personnel being promoted and each individual. He offered his congratulations to the City employees retiring this month, noting that one of the individuals was a classmate of his. He offered his condolence to various Linden families who had recently lost loved ones.

Mayor Armstead spoke about the redevelopment of St. Georges Ave and how Roselle had to be part of it. He noted that he had met with representatives of Roselle to discuss development on their side of St. Georges Ave., and noted to his commitment to working with them to have successful development.

Mayor Armstead spoke about the snow storm that was expected for tomorrow. He discussed his meeting, with various City officials to develop a strategy to handle it. He requested residents to remove their cars from streets designated as snow emergency routes, and all others to park their cars in their driveways. He announced that all areas of the City scheduled for garbage pickup on Thursday, would not have it picked up until Friday.

Mayor Armstead talked about the increase in violent crimes, particularly in the Fourth Ward, and the efforts to address this. He stated that he was happy with the success that the Police Department is having solving and reducing crime, and thanked them for the job they are doing. He went on to thank all who helped with distribution of food for Thanksgiving, pointing out that 250 turkeys were given out. He pointed out that the normal food distribution program, run by his office, is continuing. He also spoke about the Union County food distribution program for needy residents.

Mayor Armstead spoke about Santa's sleigh ride through the wards, and thanked Karl Tattoli and Luke Yamakaitis for being Santa, noting that all involved did an outstanding job, identifying a number of other individuals involved. The Mayor spoke about Mike Bono, and thanked him for being a good listener. He pointed out the efforts, of SID, to do something different on Wood Avenue for the holidays.

Mayor Armstead returned to the issue of the upcoming snow storm and read correspondence, from the Board of Education, that virtual learning will continue during the storm. He also read a letter, from Lt. Gunther regarding the traffic flow on 15th Street, being done in the wrong direction. The matter needs to be corrected, and that will be done in 2021.

Mayor Armstead informed all that the City had received a grant of \$425,000.00 for road improvements. He also announced that the City was applying for a grant, from the NJDEP, to deal with illegal dumping. He described the program. Next, he talked about a call he had received, from a parent with a handicapped child, who was having a car problem. The car was damaged in a hit and run. The Mayor had reached out to Mr. Strano, who looked at the car and was able to make it drivable. He thanked him for his help.

Mayor Armstead spoke about the 2021 and not raising taxes. He then read a quote from Colin Powell about leadership. He wished all a happy holiday season and prosperous new year.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION: 2020-340

RESOLUTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE MODEL 2513 XC 25 YARD REAR LOADER PURCHASED THROUGH A NATIONAL CO-OP, SOURCEWELL (FORMERLY NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE) AWARDED TO McNEILUS TRUCKS AND MANUFACTURING INC.

WHEREAS, the City of Linden wishes to obtain one Model 2513 XC 25-yard Rear Loader from an authorized vendor under Sourcewell, formerly National Joint Powers Alliance awarded to McNeilus Truck and Manufacturing Inc., 941 Hemlock Road, Morgantown, PA 19543; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by National contracting units is authorized by the Local Finance Notice 2012-10 using National Cooperative Contracts: Application of P.L. 2011, c. 139.; and,

WHEREAS, McNeilus Truck and Manufacturing Inc., has been awarded Contract #091219 for the Rear Loaders; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that it represents the best means available to obtain services for; and,

WHEREAS, the amount of the service is not to exceed \$270,687.00 and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this contract, which will be charged to account number C-04-55-907-737-919 and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Linden that McNeilus Truck and Manufacturing, Inc. be awarded a contract for a term of one year or until new awards are made; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Council President, City Clerk and/or such other city officials as is necessary and proper be authorized to execute such documents as necessary to implement this resolution.

RESOLUTION: 2020-341

RESOLUTION OF AWARD FOR PURCHASE OF DRONE CAMERA SYSTEMS WITH ACCESSORIES THROUGH THE BERGEN COUNTY CO-OP FOR THE LINDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Linden wishes to obtain Matrice and Autel Drone camera systems with accessories from an authorized vendor under the Bergen County Co-op Bid #18-68 awarded to Terrestrial Imaging, 375 Herbertsville Road, Brick, NJ 08724 and,

WHEREAS, the purchase of goods and services by local contracting units is authorized by the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12; and,

WHEREAS, Terrestrial Imaging, has been awarded a contract under bid #18-68, for the provision of Drones and accessories; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent recommends the utilization of this contract on the grounds that it represents the best means available to obtain services for; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the service is not to exceed \$37,905.08 and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this contract, which will be charged to account number C-04-55-902-735-915 and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Linden that Terrestrial Imaging be awarded a contract for a term of one year or until new awards are made; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Council President, City Clerk and/or such other city officials as is necessary and proper be authorized to execute such documents as necessary to implement this resolution.

RESOLUTION: 2020-342

**RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO A FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS
QUALIFYING CERTAIN PROFESSIONALS FOR
CERTAIN POSITIONS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2021**

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6) the City of Linden (the "City"), County of Union, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, instituted a policy to negotiate agreements for Professional Services on the basis of demonstrated confidence and qualifications for types of Professional Services required by the City pursuant to a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent of the City of Linden has received in accordance with a published notice, sealed qualifications for various positions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the fair and open process, and based upon review of the qualifications and recommendations therefore, certain professionals are qualified for certain positions for the calendar year 2021;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6) on such basis as necessary, and for each of the approved and qualified vendors, a resolution approving each individual specific contract shall be considered by the Mayor and Council;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RSOLUTION: 2020-343

RESOLUTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF WISTAR TRACKING SOFTWARE SYSTEM FOR SOLID WASTE CARTS FROM SCHAFER SYSTEMS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

WHEREAS, the City of Linden wishes to purchase Wistar Tracking Software system for solid waste Schafer carts; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 provides for the provision or performance of goods and services for the support or maintenance of proprietary computer hardware and software; and

WHEREAS, Schafer Systems International, Inc., 10021 Westlake Drive, Charlotte NC 28273 was solicited for quotations; and

WHEREAS, Schafer Systems International, Inc. provided the most advantageous quote, price and others factors considered in the amount not to exceed \$49,775.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this award, which will be charged to C-04-55-907-738-919;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Schafer Systems International, Inc. be awarded a contract for the purchase of Wistar Tracking Software System for solid waste carts for the Division of Public Works;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Council President, City Clerk and/or such other city officials as is necessary and proper be authorized to execute such documents as necessary to implement this resolution.

RESOLUTION: 2020-344

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH CME ASSOCIATES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR THE SAMPLING OF THE POLYURETHANE FLOORING AT THE LINDEN MULTI-PURPOSE CENTER GYMNASIUM

WHEREAS, there exists a need for Environmental Services for the Sampling of the Polyurethane Flooring at the Linden Multi-Purpose Center Gymnasium; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, qualifications have been received through fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, CME Associates, 3759 Highway 1 South, Suite 100, Monmouth Junction, New Jersey 08852 submitted a qualification to the City and has qualified for the aforesaid service for 2020, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.), such services are considered Professional Services as within the scope of a licensed and regulated profession, and same may be awarded without competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer or his designee has certified to the availability of funds for this purpose, to charged to Account No. 0-01-20-165-124-255;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN that a contract for Professional Services be and hereby is awarded to CME Associates, 3759 Highway 1 South, Suite 100, Monmouth Junction, New Jersey 08852 at a fee not to exceed \$2,250.00 in accordance with their proposal dated November 9, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is expressly contingent upon the negotiation and execution of the necessary contract documents between CME Associates and the City of Linden; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be and hereby are empowered and directed to execute a contract with CME Associates to effectuate the foregoing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be published in according to law.

RESOLUTION: 2020-345

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELATION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE PREMIUM MONIES

WHEREAS, a tax sale certificate #15-00329 on block 555 lot 16 was sold on June 3, 2016;

WHEREAS, a premium of \$ 3,600.00 was paid on this certificate; and

WHEREAS, Stacey L. Carron, Tax Collector has verified that no redemption has taken place, and the lien holder of tax sale certificate #15-00329, MTAG as Custodian for Fig Capital Investments NJ13, LLC has assigned to Keystone Servicing Company, LLC, and Keystone Servicing Company, LLC has foreclosed on 10/23/22 and recommends said premium, totaling \$3,600.00, be canceled and turned over the City Treasurer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Linden that it does hereby authorize the cancellation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk forward a certified true copy of this resolution to the Tax Collector and the City Treasurer.

RESOLUTION: 2020-346

**CITY OF LINDEN
RESOLUTION CHAPTER 159
GREENING UNION COUNTY GRANT**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the City of Linden will receive \$10,000.00 from the County of Union and wishes to amend its 2020 Budget to include this amount as a revenue, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Linden hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2020 in the sum of \$10,000.00 which item is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues
 Special items of General Revenue Anticipated with
 Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local
 Government Services:
 Public and Private Revenues off-set with Appropriations:
 Greening Union County 2020

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$10,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations
 (A) Operations excluded from "CAPS"
 Public and Private Programs off-set by revenues:
 Greening Union County 2020

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sum of \$10,00.00 will be appropriated for a 50% matching funds requirement of the grant by the municipality and appears in the budget of the year 2020 under the caption "Matching Funds for Grants – Greening Union County".

RESOLUTION: 2020-348

CITY OF LINDEN RAT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there were certain payments made by the Municipal Treasurer during the month of November 2020 which do not appear on the Claims list,

WHEREAS, said payment must be ratified by the Governing Body of the City of Linden,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following payments be and hereby are approved:

<u>CK#</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>PAYABLE TO:</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	
	<u>AMOUNT</u>			
	11/4/2020	Payroll 11/5	Payroll – Current	\$1,731,236.30
	11/4/2020	Payroll 11/5	Payroll – Trust	\$105,600.85
	11/4/2020	Payroll 11/5	Payroll – Grant	\$1,654.86
	11/4/2020	Payroll 11/5	Payroll – Unemployment	\$175.54
	11/10/2020	Linden Public Library	November Library Payment	\$170,731.64
	11/10/2020	Linden Board of Ed.	November Board of Ed. Payment	\$7,851,326.33
	11/10/2020	Benecard Services LLC	November Funding for Presc. Plan	\$132,812.86
	11/10/2020	Unity Bank	Worker’s Comp Claims 10/26 – 11/1	\$31,129.83
	11/10/2020	Unity Bank	Worker’s Comp Claims 11/2 – 11/18	\$12,173.12
	11/13/2020	County of Union	4 th Quarter County Taxes 2020	\$8,025,311.40
	11/16/2020	NJ State Health Benefits	Health Claims – Active Bill	\$685,322.57
	11/16/2020	NJ State Health Benefits	Health Claims – Retiree Bill	\$410,406.97
	11/17/2020	Unity Bank	Worker’s Comp Claims 11/9 – 11/15	\$14,778.27
	11/17/2020	Payroll 11/19	Payroll – Current	\$1,735,539.08
	11/17/2020	Payroll 11/19	Payroll – Trust	\$119,379.09
	11/17/2020	Payroll 11/19	Payroll – Grant	\$2,800.41
	11/17/2020	Payroll 11/19	Payroll – Unemployment	\$154.59
	11/18/2020	Elavon, Inc.	November Merchant Fee – Garage Sale	\$69.71
	11/18/2020	Elavon, Inc.	November Merchant Fee – Dog Online	\$78.26
	11/24/2020	Unity Bank	Worker’s Comp Claims 11/16– 11/22	\$87,545.56
178841	11/25/2020	House of Flowers	Various Holiday Flowers	\$6,000.00
178842	11/25/2020	Vira, Jan	Refund – 4 th Quarter Railroad Permit	\$270.00
	11/25/2020	Vision Service Plan	December Vision Claims	\$4,480.40
	11/25/2020	Delta Dental of NJ	December Dental Claims – City	\$37,361.08
	11/25/2020	Delta Dental of NJ	December Dental Claims – Sewerage	\$2,907.93
	11/25/2020	Delta Dental of NJ	December Dental Claims – Housing	\$1,099.31
	11/25/2020	Delta Dental of NJ	December Dental Claims – Library	\$867.81
	11/25/2020	Delta Dental of NJ	December Dental Claims – Cobra	\$33.67

RESOLUTION: 2020-349

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN,
 COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE PLANNING
 BOARD TO INVESTIGATE WHETHER THE PROPERTY COMMONLY
 KNOWN ON THE CITY’S TAX MAPS AS BLOCK 159, LOTS 7, 8, 9, 10,**

11, AND 12 (A/K/A 611 ZIEGLER AVENUE, 300 ROSELLE STREET, 310 ROSELLE STREET, 318 ROSELLE STREET, 322 ROSELLE STREET AND 610 HUSSA STREET) SHOULD BE DESIGNATED AS AN AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et seq.

WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.* (the “**Redevelopment Law**”), authorizes municipalities to determine whether certain parcels of land in the municipality constitute areas in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, to determine whether certain parcels of land constitute areas in need of redevelopment under the Redevelopment Law the city council (“**City Council**”) of the City of Linden (the “**City**”) must authorize the planning board of the City (the “**Planning Board**”) to conduct a preliminary investigation of the area and make recommendations to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is in the best interest of the City that an investigation occur with respect to certain parcels within the City and therefore authorizes and directs the Planning Board to conduct an investigation of the property commonly known on the City tax maps as Block 159, Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12 (a/k/a 611 Ziegler Avenue, 300 Roselle Street, 310 Roselle Street, 318 Roselle Street, 322 Roselle Street and 610 Hussa Street) (hereinafter the “**Study Area**”), to determine whether the Study Area meets the criteria set forth in the Redevelopment Law, specifically *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5*, and should be designated as an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the redevelopment area determination requested hereunder, in connection with the Study Area, authorizes the City and City Council to use all those powers provided by the Redevelopment Law for use in a redevelopment area, except the power of eminent domain (hereinafter referred to as a “**Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area**”).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 2. The Planning Board is hereby authorized and directed to conduct an investigation pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6* to determine whether the Study Area satisfies the criteria set forth in *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5* to be designated as an area in need of redevelopment.

Section 3. As part of its investigation, the Planning Board shall prepare a map showing the boundaries of the Study Area and the location of the parcels contained therein, and appended thereto shall be a statement setting forth the basis of the investigation.

Section 4. The Planning Board shall conduct a public hearing in accordance with the Redevelopment Law, specifically *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6*, after giving due notice of the proposed boundaries of the Study Area and the date of the hearing to any persons who are interested in or would be affected by a determination that the Study Area is an area in need of redevelopment. The notice of the hearing shall specifically state that the redevelopment area determination shall not authorize the City or City Council to exercise the power of eminent domain to acquire any property in the delineated area, for the Study Area is being investigated as a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area.

Section 5. At the public hearing, the Planning Board shall hear from all persons who are interested in or would be affected by a determination that the Study Area is a redevelopment area. All objections to a determination that the Study Area is an area in need of redevelopment and evidence in support of those objections shall be received and considered by the Planning Board and made part of the public record.

Section 6. After conducting its investigation, preparing a map of the Study Area, and conducting a public hearing at which all objections to the designation are received and considered, the Planning Board shall make a recommendation to the City Council as to whether the City Council should designate all or some of the Study Area as an area in need of redevelopment (non-condemnation).

Section 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION: 2020-350

RESOLUTION RESCINDING AN AWARD OF CONTRACT WITH TO WETLANDS, INC. FOR TREE PLANTING FOR FALL 2020/SPRING 2021 IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE CITY OF LINDEN

WHEREAS, at the November 11, 2020 Council Meeting, City Council passed Resolution No. 2020-329 awarding a contract to Wetlands Inc. for tree planting; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2020-329 was adopted in error; the Resolution to award the contract is to be done by the Linden Shade Tree Commission; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2020-329 should be rescinded in its entirety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN as follows:

1. That Resolution No. 2020-329 "**RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH WETLANDS INC. FOR SOIL AND TREE PLANTING FOR FALL 2020/SPRING 2021 IN VARIOUS**" passed on November 10, 2020 and approved on November 11, 2020 shall be and the same is hereby rescinded.
2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION: 2020-351

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF BRIAN FRITZSCHE AS A MEMBER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

WHEREAS, Brian Fritzsche, has submitted his resignation as a member and secretary of the Linden Zoning Board of Adjustment, effective November 30, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the City of Linden does hereby accept his resignation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Linden thank him for his service to the citizens of Linden and wish him well in his future endeavors.

RESOLUTION: 2020-352

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JOAO GONCALVES AS A MEMBER OF THE LINDEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

WHEREAS, Joao Goncalves has submitted his resignation as a member of the Linden Economic Development Corporation, effective November 25, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the City of Linden does hereby accept his resignation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Linden thank him for his service to the citizens of Linden and wish him well in his future endeavors.

RESOLUTION: 2020-353

RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION 2020-91 APPOINTING ALFREDO GONZALEZ AS ALTERNATE #2 TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

WHEREAS, at the February 18, 2020 Council Meeting, City Council passed Resolution No. 2020-91 appointing Alfredo Gonzalez as Alternate #2 to the Zoning Board of Adjustment; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2020-91 was adopted in error; as Alfredo Gonzalez was previously appointed, by Resolution 2020-60 a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 2020-91 should be rescinded in its entirety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN as follows:

1. That Resolution No. 2020-91 **appointing Alfredo Gonzalez as Alternate #2 member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment** passed on February 18, 2020 and approved on February 19, 2020 shall be and the same is hereby rescinded.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION: 2020-354

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO BRINKERHOFF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. FOR A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT AND INVESTIGATION AT THE FORMER UNITED PAINT & VARNISH SITE, FUNDED THROUGH THE HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION FUND (HDSRF) MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Linden has determined that it would be in the best interests of the City of Linden to retain the services of a consultant to provide preliminary environmental assessment and investigation at the former United Paint & Varnish site; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.), such services are considered "Professional Services" as within the scope of a licensed and regulated profession, and same may be awarded without competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, qualifications have been received through a fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, Brinkerhoff Environmental Services, Inc. submitted a qualification to the City and has qualified for the aforesaid services for 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer or his designee has certified to the availability of funds for this purpose, to be charged to Account No.0-01-20-165-124-255.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN that an agreement for Professional Services be and hereby is awarded to Brinkerhoff Environmental Services, Inc., 1805 Atlantic Ave., Manasquan, NJ 08736 at a fee not to exceed \$4,575.00, subject to the receipt of grants from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is expressly contingent upon the negotiation and execution of the necessary contract documents between Brinkerhoff Environmental Services, Inc. and the City of Linden; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and hereby is empowered and directed to execute said agreement with Brinkerhoff Environmental Services, Inc. to effectuate the foregoing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be published according to law.

RESOLUTION: 2020-355

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SAFETY IN-HOUSE REPAIR CENTER AGREEMENT WITH SCOTT TECHNOLOGIES, INC. TO ALLOW THE LINDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT TO PERFORM SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE WORK ON 3M SCOTT MANUFACTURED EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Linden and Scott Technologies, Inc. desire to enter into an agreement that allows the Linden Fire Department to perform service and maintenance work on 3M Scott manufactured equipment; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN that the Mayor or the Fire Chief and City Clerk be and hereby are directed and authorized to enter into an agreement with Scott Technologies, Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be published and take effect pursuant to law.

RESOLUTION: 2020-356

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION FUND PUBLIC ENTITY PROGRAM THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

WHEREAS, The City of Linden has applied for an has been awarded a grant in the amount of up to \$4,575 from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) Municipal Grant Program through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority for Preliminary Assessment and Site Investigation of the United Paint and Varnish Company property, located at 1123 Husa Street, Block 78, Lot 11;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Linden that the above referenced grant is hereby accepted and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute grant documents as an authorized representative thereunder, as the representative for the City of Linden; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a comprehensive plan exists specifically for the development or redevelopment of contaminated or potentially contaminated real property in the host municipality or that a realistic opportunity exists that the Project Site will be developed or redeveloped within a three year period from the completion of the remediation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority.

RESOLUTION: 2020-357

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO BRINKERHOFF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. FOR A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT AND INVESTIGATION AT THE FORMER APEX PLATING SITE, FUNDED THROUGH THE HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION FUND (HDSRF) MUNICIPAL GRANT PROGRAM THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Linden has determined that it would be in the best interests of the City of Linden to retain the services of a consultant to conduct a preliminary environmental assessment and investigation of the former Apex Plating Site; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.), such services are considered "Professional Services" as within the scope of a licensed and regulated profession, and same may be awarded without competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, qualifications have been received through a fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, Brinkerhoff Environmental Services, Inc. submitted a qualification to the City and has qualified for the aforesaid services for 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer or his designee has certified to the availability of funds for this purpose, to be charged to Account No. G-02-40-165-020-201;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN that an agreement for Professional Services be and hereby is awarded to Brinkerhoff Environmental Services, Inc., 1805 Atlantic Ave., Manasquan, NJ 08736 at a fee not to exceed \$47,026.00, subject to the receipt of grants from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is expressly contingent upon the negotiation and execution of the necessary contract documents between Brinkerhoff Environmental Services, Inc. and the City of Linden; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor be and hereby is empowered and directed to execute said agreement with Brinkerhoff Environmental Services, Inc. to effectuate the foregoing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be published according to law.

RESOLUTION: 2020-358

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION FUND PUBLIC ENTITY PROGRAM THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

WHEREAS, The City of Linden has applied for an has been awarded a grant in the amount of up to \$47,026.00 from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) Municipal Grant Program through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority for Preliminary Assessment and Site Investigation of the Apex Plating Site property, located at 725 Commerce Road, Block 4398, Lot 26;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Linden that the above referenced grant is hereby accepted and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute grant documents as an authorized representative thereunder, as the representative for the City of Linden; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a comprehensive plan exists specifically for the development or redevelopment of contaminated or potentially contaminated real property in the host municipality or that a realistic opportunity exists that the Project Site will be developed or redeveloped within a three-year period from the completion of the remediation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority.

Resolution: 2020-359

CITY OF LINDEN

RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER 2020 APPROPRIATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Linden, County of Union, New Jersey, that the following transfers of 2020 appropriations be made in accordance with the provisions of Revised Statute 40A: 4-58.

CURRENT BUDGET

From: Salary Adjustment - Salaries & Wages	\$ 54,000.00		
To: Purchasing - Salaries & Wages		\$ 22,000.00	
To: Legal Services & Costs - Salaries & Wages		\$ 32,000.00	
From: Solid Waste Collection - Salaries & Wages	\$ 105,000.00		
To: Solid Waste Collection - Other Expenses		\$ 105,000.00	
From: Constituent Services - Salaries & Wages	\$ 35,000.00		
From: Engineering Services/Costs - Salaries & Wages	\$ 15,000.00		
To: Legal Services & Costs - Other Expenses		\$ 50,000.00	
From: Purchasing - Other Expenses	\$ 10,000.00		
To: Telephone - Other Expenses		\$ 10,000.00	
From: City Clerk - Other Expenses	\$ 14,000.00		
From: Payroll Services - Other Expenses	\$ 16,000.00		
To: Office of Information Technology - Other Expenses		\$ 30,000.00	
 Total Transfers Needed:	 \$ 249,000.00	 \$ 249,000.00	

RESOLUTION: 2020-360

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNION COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REVENUE SHARING COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE PROPOSALS HEREINAFTER LISTED AND PRIORITIES FOR YEAR 47 FUNDING (2021-2022)

WHEREAS, the County of Union has provided Community Development Block Grant Funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development since 1974-1975; and

WHEREAS, the City of Linden has been a participating Union County Community Development Program municipality; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue to receive program funding, it is now necessary for the City of Linden to prepare and submit applications for funding assistance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Linden has conducted a public hearing on December 10, 2020 in order to receive project funding requests and recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN

that the following projects have been selected for submission to the County of Union for Community Development funding and that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all documentation necessary to complete formal application for requested funding.

<u>Project</u>	<u>Priority</u>
Street Improvements	1
Home Improvement Program	2

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Union County Community Development Revenue Sharing Committee be urged to approve the proposals set forth herein and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Union County Community Development Revenue Sharing Committee forthwith.

RESOLUTION: 2020-361

**Resolution Recognizing Jan Sudnik as 2020
Good Neighbor in the Fifth Ward, City of Linden**

WHEREAS, Nelson Mandela once said “Safety and security don't just happen, they are the result of collective consensus and public investment. We owe our children, the most vulnerable citizens in our society, a life free of violence and fear;” and

WHEREAS, many of our fellow citizens have adopted this philosophy, doing things, not for recognition but as a statement about the type of community they want to live in; and

WHEREAS, Jan Sudnik has been a part of the Linden community since 1957. Jan attended the original School Four on Cranford Ave, Bender Memorial Academy, and graduated from Mother Seton Regional High School in 1975. Jan then went on to Union County Technical Institute where she obtained her Associates Degree in Chemical Technology. Soon after, Jan went to work full-time for the Schering-Plough Corporation while attending school nights at Fairleigh Dickinson towards obtaining a B.S. Degree in Chemistry. Jan worked for Schering-Plough for 32 years and then Merck & Co. for another 2 years in various roles of increasing responsibility within the Quality Control/Quality Assurance organization. Currently, she is a self-employed contractor conducting quality system audits of suppliers for the Pharmaceutical and Dietary Supplement Industries.

WHEREAS, Over the past several years Jan has provided support to Councilwoman Rhashonna Cosby and the residents of the 5th Ward by reporting quality of life concerns, road safety issues, making her neighborhood, and the City of Linden a better place for its residents; and

WHEREAS, Jan's unselfish actions have made the Fifth Ward a better place and Councilwoman Rhashonna Cosby wishes to acknowledge Jan Sudnik as Good Neighbor and the Mayor and Council of the City of Linden wish to express their heartfelt appreciation to Jan for her efforts; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Linden that they hereby thank Jan Sudnik for her unsolicited efforts that have made the area safer, for no other reason than the desire to have and maintain a safe and clean community and expressing the City's gratitude for her efforts in making Linden a better place; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be entered into the minutes of the Council of the City of Linden and that a copy be presented Jan Sudnik in permanent recognition of the foregoing.

RESOLUTION: 2020-362

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND
THE 2020 CAPITAL BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the City of Linden, New Jersey desires to amend the 2020 Capital Budget of said municipality by inserting thereon or correcting and deleting the items therein as shown in such budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Linden of the County of Union as follows:

Section 1. The 2020 Capital Budget of the City of Linden is hereby amended by adding thereto a Schedule to read as follows:

**AMEND THE
CAPITAL BUDGET OF THE**

**CITY OF LINDEN, NEW JERSEY
Projects Schedules for 2020
Method of Financing**

<u>Project</u>	<u>Est. Cost</u>	<u>Budget Approp.</u>	<u>Capital Imp. Fund</u>	<u>Grants In Aid</u>
PD Camera System 4 th ward park	\$288,200	\$262,000.00	\$26,200	

RESOLUTION: 2020-363

RESOLUTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF SOLID WASTE CARTS SOLICITED BY QUOTATIONS FOR THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS

WHEREAS, the City of Linden wishes to purchase solid waste carts for the Division of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 provides for the solicitation of competitive quotes and the award to a vendor whose response is most advantageous, price and other factors considered; and

WHEREAS, Sanitation Equipment Corp, 80 Furler Street, Totowa, NJ 07512 was solicited for quotations; and

WHEREAS, Sanitation Equipment Corp. provided the most advantageous quote, price and others factors considered in the amount not to exceed \$22,471.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this award, which will be charged to: C-04-55-907-709-919; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Sanitation Equipment Corp. be awarded a contract for the purchase of solid waste carts in the amount of \$22,471.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Council President, City Clerk and/or such other city officials as is necessary and proper be authorized to execute such documents as necessary to implement this resolution.

RESOLUTION: 2020-364

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LINDEN THROUGH THE LINDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE, 1033 PROGRAM TO ENABLE THE LINDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT TO REQUEST AND ACQUIRE EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the United States Congress authorized the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program to make use of excess Department of Defense personal property by making that personal property available to municipal, county and State law enforcement agencies (LEAs); and

WHEREAS, DLA rules mandate that all equipment acquired through the 1033 Program remain under the control of the requesting LEA; and

WHEREAS, participation in the 1033 Program allows municipal and county LEAs to obtain property they might not otherwise be able to afford in order to enhance community preparedness, response, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, although property is provided through the 1033 Program at no cost to municipal and county LEAs, these entities are responsible for the costs associated with delivery, maintenance, fueling, and upkeep of the property, and for specialized training on the operation of any acquired property; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-30.2 requires that the governing body of the municipality or county approve, by a majority of the full membership, both enrollment in, and the acquisition of any property through, the 1033 Program; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Linden:

1. That the City, through the Department of Police, is hereby authorized to apply for enrollment in the Department of defense 1033 Program in order to have an opportunity to obtain surplus federal property originally intended for the U.S. Department of Defense (DOD).
2. That this Resolution only approves the application for the 1033 Program. The acquisition of any property, by the Department of Police form the 1033 Program must be recommended by the Mayor and approved by a Resolution adopted by a majority of the full membership of the governing body.
3. That this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION: 2020-365

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF FRANK DELLA FEMINA AS A MEMBER OF THE LINDEN PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS, Frank Della Femina has submitted his resignation as a member of the Linden Planning Board, effective December 9, 2020.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the City of Linden does hereby accept his resignation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Linden thank him for his service to the citizens of Linden and wish him well in his future endeavors.

Mr. Mohammed moved for approval of Resolutions 2020-340 through 2020-365. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cosby. President Yamakaitis asked for discussion. Mr. Roman, asked if the owner of the property, Nuno, was aware of resolution 2020-349, and if he was in favor of it. He further noted that there seemed to be a number of resignations (Resolutions 2020-351; 352; 353; and 365) from boards/commissions, and asked what the reason was. Mr. Bodek responded that most of the resignation said that they were for personnel reasons and that he would supply Mr. Roman with copies of the resignation emails/letters. Mayor Armstead responded that Nuno is in favor of the review. Ms. Cosby stated that she had the same concerns as Mr. Roman, on resolution 2020-349. She spoke about the integrity of the neighborhood and keeping it the same. She spoke about revisiting the salaries of those serving on Boards/Commissions and reviewing their duties. Mr. Antonelli noted that 2020-349 is a referral to the Planning Board, non-condemnation. Mayor Armstead expounded, that typically non-condemnation means that the owner is coming to us for help in getting the property developed. He pointed out that Nuno said it was time for him to do something different. Mr. Lospinoso added that this is the first step in the process. A redevelopment plan would be drawn up and that will also come to Council for approval. Mrs. Caldwell asked if it was possible for the School District to purchase the property to build another school. Mr. Antonelli responded that the City cannot force the property owner to sell to anyone. Ms. Cosby noted that the resolution for the QuickChek site originally said non-condemnation. She asked if Nuno wants to develop the site why does the City have to get involved. Mr. Antonelli responded to Ms. Cosby's comments/questions, noting that the Clarke property always called for condemnation, and provided an explanation as to why the property owner cannot do this on their own. These are tools of the municipality to redevelop properties. Ms. Cosby stated that did not answer her question, pointing out that the City has a Master Plan, which defines the uses for that property. Mayor Armstead explained that the property is zoned residential/commercial. A number of different projects can go there. It is up to the property owner. The resolutions were ordered approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except Ms. Cosby who abstained on resolutions 2020-342 and 2020-355, and voted no to resolutions 2020-348 and 2020-349.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

Ordinance

64-59 An ordinance approving the application for a long-term tax exemption and authorizing the Execution of a financial agreement with the Apartments at Linden Station Urban Renewal, LLC

Ordinance #64-59 was introduced by Mr. Strano and was read on first reading by the Deputy Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Strano, seconded by Mrs. Ormon the foregoing Ordinance was on roll call vote ordered approved, with all voting yes except Mrs. Cosby who voted no.

Ordinance

64-60 Bond Ordinance providing an appropriation of \$288,200 for the Acquisition and installation of a video surveillance system for the Fourth Ward Park and authorizing the issuance of \$273,790 bonds or notes of the City for financing part of the appropriation.

Ordinance #64-60 was introduced by Mr. Mohammed and was read on first reading by the Deputy Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Mohammed, seconded by Mrs. Caldwell the foregoing Ordinance was on roll call vote Unanimously ordered approved

Ordinance

64-61 An ordinance to amend and supplement Chapter VII, Traffic, of an ordinance entitled, "An ordinance adopting and enacting the revised General Ordinance of the City of Linden, 1999," passed November 23, 1999 and approved November 24, 1999, and as amended and supplements.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN:

Section 1. That Chapter VII, Traffic, Section 7-14, Parking Prohibited During Certain Hours on Certain Streets, shall be and the same is hereby amended to add the following:

Name of Street	Side	Hours and Days	Location
Gesner Street	South	Mon.- Fri. &:00 a.m. To 10:00 a.m.	Between Wood Avenue to Ainsworth Street

Ordinance #64-61 was introduced by Mrs. Ormon and was read on first reading by the Deputy Clerk.

On motion of Mrs. Ormon seconded by Mrs. Caldwell the foregoing Ordinance was on roll call vote unanimously ordered approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

NO PERSONAL, POLITICAL OR DEROGATORY COMMENTS: (not to exceed 3 minutes). We ask, that due to the current health crisis that questions and/or statements be limited to items on the agenda, only. Thank you for your cooperation. Please raise the hand on the Ring Central site and wait to be recognized.

Ed Kaminski, Maple Avenue. Mr. Kaminski began by wishing all a happy holiday. He then referred to Ordinance 64-59, asking if it was the Quick Check property. The answer was yes. Mr. Kaminski continued stating that when the City gets into the real estate business it gets its "butt kicked," and ends up cost us a lot of money. He went on speaking about not being "in the know" but did not understand why we aren't doing more for the small business owners in town. Mr. Kaminski pointed out that while he appreciated Linden working with Roselle, we really should only be focused on Linden only. He spoke about un-used parking lots, in the area of Wood Ave (like St. Elizabeth's Church) and approaching the entities that own them to create additional parking. He concluded that "we don't do real estate development well."

Joseph Birch, LPS President, 625 Beechwood Road. Mr. Birch by thanking retiring Police Sargent Anthony Lordi for a job well done. He thanked the Mayor and Council for supporting supervision in the Police Department. He thanked Mrs. Zack for the work in her office, congratulated the individuals being promoted in the Fire Department and spoke about the loss of retired firefighter Garrett Rudnicki. Mr. Roman commented that tonight, Mr. Birch's wife, Tracey, was attending her last meeting as a Board of Education Commissioner.

Hans Herberg. Mr. Herberg wished all a safe and happy holiday, focusing on taking care and helping each other out. He urged to support small businesses.

Mrs. Ormon moved to close the public comment period. The motion was seconded by Mr. Strano and was ordered approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except Mr. Roman and Mrs. Hickey who voted no. After the motion Mr. Roman commented that another member of the public had raised their hand. President Yamakaitis noted that the hand was not raised until after the motion was made and seconded.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

Ms. Cosby stated that she wanted to touch on something that the Mayor had said, recommending to do training. She noted that when she was on the Personnel Committee evaluations of department heads were done. They were not well received by the department heads, but we need to run the City as a business. We need to get things done for our city. Evaluation of department heads need to be done.

Mrs. Hickey wished good luck to those whose retirements were announced this evening. She spoke about the City being in good hands with the individuals being promoted in the Fire Department. She promised to work to resolve the issues with PSE&G and the installation of new street lights, noting that she had already spoke to her contact at PSE&G. Mrs. Hickey voiced her concerns regarding all of the resignations from Boards and Commissions that were acted upon tonight. We need good people to serve on these boards, and urged residents to volunteer to serve. She then talked about the upcoming snow emergency, and offered prayers for Chief Hart and all of the first responders.

Mr. Javick offered his congratulations to those promoted tonight and wish good luck and health to the retirees.

Mr. Roman detailed all of the issues with PSE&G in the Sixth Ward.

Mr. Medina noted he would be reaching out to Mayor Armstead and Mrs. Ormon for some community issues. He provided his contact information.

President Yamakaitis wished all a happy holiday. She thanked the Council members for their patience's, this evening and provided her contact information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Council Conference meeting prior to the Council meeting:

Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at 6:00 pm in the Council Conference Room, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave. (Meeting to be held virtually)

*Council Meeting: Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave. (Meeting to be held virtually)

The re-organization meeting of the City Council will be as follows:

*Council Conference meeting prior to the Council meeting:

Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the Council Conference Room, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave.
(Meeting to be held virtually)

*Council Meeting: Tuesday, January 5, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave. (Meeting to be held virtually)

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ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body, Ms. Cosby moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roman and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Bodek
City Clerk