

**Minutes of the Regular
Meeting of the 2020 Council of the
City of Linden, held Tuesday,
March 16, 2021**

The meeting was called to order, at 7:24 pm, by President of Council Michele Yamakaitis and she announced: Notice of this meeting stating the date, place and time, has been disseminated as required under the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975" In addition to the publishing of the annual meeting schedule, electronic notice was provided on March 12, 2021 to The Local Source and Star Ledger, noting that the meeting would be conducted through the Ring Central Program and containing information on how to access the meeting. The same information was posted on the City's website, Linden TV, the bulletin board, and the front door of City Hall. Copies of the Agenda, and Personnel Reports are also posted on the City's website and Linden TV for the public. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

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.

A roll call showed the following members were present:

ROLL CALL

Councilwoman	Lisa Ormon
Councilman	Barry Javick
Councilman	Monique Caldwell
Councilman	John F. Roman
Councilman	Ralph Strano
Councilman	Garnett Blaine
Councilman	Armando Medina
Council President	Michele Yamakaitis
Mayor	Derek Armstead

President Yamakaitis announced that Mrs. Caldwell and Ms. Cosby were excused.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Blaine moved for approval of the minutes of the Special meeting of February 10, 2021 and the Regular meeting of February 16, 2021. The motion was seconded by Mr. Strano and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

PRESENTATION

**Congressman Donald Payne Jr.
COVID Relief Package**

Congressman Payne gave a detailed presentation on activities in Congress. He noted that this is difficult times for the country. He went on to speak about COVID vaccinations, and the rate of vaccinations need to reach herd immunity. He discussed the recently passed Recovery Act, and the funding that it provided to municipalities, including \$4.2 million to Linden. The Congressman talked about benefits, included in the Act for Linden residents and various groups. He pointed out his commitment to get schools re-opened. Lastly, he noted that his Newark Congressional Office has never been closed during this crisis. He provided his contact information.

Mayor Armstead thanked Congressman Payne for his diligence and hard work.

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ORDINANCE ON HEARING

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

65-6 An ordinance to amend and supplement Chapter II, Administration 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 II, Administration, shall be and the same is hereby amended as follows:
DELETE SECTION 2-13.5 and replace as follows:
The fee service is initially set as eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) dollars, base rate, plus fifteen (\$15.00) dollars per mile per trip. Rescue fee will be seven hundred \$700.00 dollars (i.e. Jaws of Life, etc) and the fee if oxygen is used will be fifty (\$50.00) dollars. There will be a two hundred fifty (\$250.00) dollar fee when assessment and basic care are provided and the patient does not want to be transported the hospital.

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, Mr. Javick 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:

65-7 An Ordinance extending Rent Control in the City of Linden

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, Mr. Javick 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 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:

65-8 Bond Ordinance authorizing various capital improvements for the Division of Engineering, appropriating \$880,000 therefore and authorizing the issuance of \$836,000 bonds or notes to finance part of the cost thereof.

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, 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 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:

65-9 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-PP-2

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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 Mr. Javick. Mr. Roman asked what schedule 4-PP-2 involved. Mr. Antonelli provided a response. Upon on a roll, call vote the foregoing ordinance was ordered 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:

65-10 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, 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
East Blancke St.	South	No parking except Thursday 11 am-3 pm	Hussa Street to Washington Ave

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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, Mrs. Ormon moved that the hearing be closed and the ordinance be adopted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Blaine 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:

65-11 Bond Ordinance providing an appropriation of \$44,000 for construction of a dog park in Lexington Park and authorizing the issuance of \$41,800 bonds or notes of the City for financing part of the appropriation.

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, Mr. Blaine moved that the hearing be closed and the ordinance be adopted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Strano 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:

65-12 Bond Ordinance providing an appropriation of \$550,000 for various non-public safety technology and authorizing the issuance of \$552,500 bonds or notes of the City for financing part of the appropriation.

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, Mr. Javick moved that the hearing be closed and the ordinance be adopted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Blaine and on a roll, call vote the foregoing ordinance was unanimously ordered approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

(*) Tax Collector:**

(1) Advising the following monies were collected and turned over to the Municipal Treasurer during the month of February, 2021.

2021 Taxes	\$36,977,148.44
2020 Taxes	\$298,896.36
2019 Taxes	\$3.19
Garbage Fee	\$0.00
Municipal Lien Redemption	\$0.00
Duplicate Tax Sale Certificate	\$0.00
Tax Search	\$0.00
Lien Redemption Request Fee	\$0.00
Year End Penalty	\$4,529.83
Returned Check Fee Paid	\$100.00
Returned Sewer Clean out	(\$0.00)
Returned Sewer Interest	(\$0.00)
Returned Check 2020	(\$.11)
Returned Check 2021	(\$85,281.86)
Returned Check Interest	(\$0.00)
Returned Online 2020 Taxes	(\$1,416.65)
Returned Online 2021 Taxes	(\$23,348.43)
Returned Online Interest	(\$928.67)
Adv. Before Tax Sale	\$0.00
Premium	\$0.00
Sewer Clean out charge	\$300.00
DPW Reso payments	\$0.00
Interest	\$29,826.25
Total	\$37,199,828.35

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

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>CTF#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
333	13	2/24/2021	19-00124	\$1,900.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$1,900.00 payable to: Actlien Holding, US Bank Cust, Actlien Holding, 50 South 16th Street, Suite 2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, charging same to account #-1-01-55-276-999-956.

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
200	27	3/2/2021	19-00091	\$177,000.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 177,000.00 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
155	4	2/23/2021	19-00070	\$900.00
349	5	2/25/2021	19-00126	\$800.00
360	5	2/25/2021	19-00128	\$700.00
480	13	2/9/2021	19-00159	\$800.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$3,200.00 payable to: US Bank Cust ProCap8 PROCAP MTGII, 50 South 16th Street, Suite #2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, charging same to account #-1-01-55-276-999-956.

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
143	1	2/26/2021	17-00115	\$23,300.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$23,300.00 payable to: Lillian Zhang, 11 Walnut Street, Livingston, NJ 07039, charging same to account #1-01-55-276-999-956.

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
118	1	3/1/2021	18-00058	\$9,400.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$9,400.00 payable to: KCC Promised Lands, LLC, 2560 Route 22 East, # 175, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076 charging same to account #-9-01-55-276-999-956.

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

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
117	1	3/1/2021	19-00050	\$50,600.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 50,600.00 payable to FNA DZ, LLC FBO WSFS, 120 N. La Salle Street, Suite #-1220, Chicago, IL 60602 charging same to account #-1-01-55-276-999-956.

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
114	1	2/24/2021	19-00046	\$1,500.00
153	2	2/24/2021	19-00068	\$1,500.00
178	4	2/24/2021	19-00083	\$1,500.00
198	35	2/23/2021	19-00089	\$1,500.00
260	4	2/24/2021	19-00109	\$1,500.00
277	4	2/24/2021	19-00114	\$1,200.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$8,700.00 payable to Trystone Capital Assets, LLC., 575 Route #-70, 2nd Floor, P.O. Box 1030, Brick, NJ 08723, charging same to account #-1-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Sale Requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2019 & 2020 tax sale on the following blocks & lots.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	Cert#	Premium
99	11.01	2/24/2021	19-00038	\$2,900.00
109	6	2/23/2021	19-00044	\$2,700.00
114	2	2/24/2021	19-00047	\$1,500.00
159	4	2/23/2021	19-00072	\$2,000.00
198	37	2/24/2021	19-00090	\$2,000.00
310	3.01	2/24/2021	19-00120	\$1,500.00
452	3	2/25/2021	19-00148	\$1,500.00
563	21	2/25/2021	19-00187	\$2,400.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 16,500.00 payable to: Fig as Cust. for Fig NJ19, LLC, P.O. Box 54226, New Orleans, LA 70154, charging same to account #-1-01-55-276-999-956.

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
22	18	2/22/2021	19-00012	\$7,900.00
51	7	2/24/2021	19-00021	\$4,200.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$12,100.00 payable to: BB 316 Investments, LLC, P.O. Box 953, Lakewood, NJ 08701, charging same to account #1-01-55-276-999-956.

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
10	15	3/1/2021	19-00007	\$26,600.00
61	13	3/3/2021	19-00024	\$26,400.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$53,000.00 payable to: Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, 33 N. La Salle Street, Suite #-1730, Chicago, IL 60602, charging same to account #1-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Court Judgement: Block 309 Lot 2, 241 W. St. George Ave, LLC
245 W. St. George Avenue, Tax Court #-009516-2018
Tax Court #-010365-2019

The above referenced former property owners are entitled to a refund due to a Tax Court Judgment reducing the assessment by 115,000 for 2018 and 115,000 for 2019 creating a total overpayment of \$ 15,842.40. Through agreement of the attorney and Mike Frangella, Tax Assessor \$ 15,842.40 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 \$15,842.40 payable to: Michael I. Schneck, Trustee for 241 W. St. George Ave, LLC, 301 South Livingston Avenue, Suite #-105, Livingston, NJ 07039, charging same to account #-1-01-46-872-373-243.

Tax Court Judgement Block 309 Lot 1, 277 W. St. George Ave, LLC
305 W. St. George Avenue, Tax Court #-009502-2018
Tax Court #-010364-2019

The above referenced former property owners are entitled to a refund due to a Tax Court Judgment reducing the assessment by 192,000 for 2018 and 192,000 for 2019 creating a total overpayment of 26,449.92. Through agreement of the attorney and Mike Frangella, Tax Assessor \$26,449.92 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 \$26,449.92 payable to: Michael I. Schneck, Trustee for 277 W. St. George Ave, LLC, 301 South Livingston Avenue, Suite #-105, Livingston, NJ 07039, charging same to account #-1-01-46-872-373-243.

Refund/Sewer Payment Block 168 Lot 11, Isalia C. Brito & Ana M. Brito
544 Middlesex Street, 2021 Tax payment error
LRSA-Vendor #05141

There now exists a credit balance on the above referenced block & lot due to the owner making payments online towards the taxes that should have been paid on the 2020 sewer billing, I am requesting that this overpayment in the amount of \$ 298.86 be refunded and made payable to LRSA (Linden Roselle Sewerage Authority) to apply to the 2020 amounts due.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 298.86 payable to: L.R.S.A., 5005 South Wood Avenue, P.O. Box 4118, Linden, NJ 07036, charging same to account #- 1-01-55-288-999-904-.

(*) Library Board Appointments:**

- (2)** Advising that Mayor Derek Armstead has appointed the following individuals to the Library Board.
Marlene Berghammer for a term beginning immediately and terminating 12/31/2021. (unexpired term of Mary Joan Renna)
Daniel Yamakaitis as the Mayor's alternate to the library Board expiring 12/31/2022

(*) Environmental Commission:**

- (3)** Advising that Mayor Derek Armstead has appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Environmental Commission:
Janet Miller for a term beginning 4/1/2021 and terminating March 31, 2024.
Amanda Vogel for a term that began June 15, 2018 and expires June 14, 2021.
Hans Herberg for a term beginning January 1, 2021 and terminating December 31, 2023.

(*) MAYOR'S OFFICE**

- (4)** Ratifying the use of the PAL Building by the Board of Education for Basketball Practice Contingent upon the supplying of appropriate insurance and providing a hold harmless agreement.

(*) Personnel:**

- (5)** Advising that the following City Employees have filed for retirement:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
Fire Dept.	James Clinebell	Fire Fighter	April 1, 2021
Public Works Dept.	Peter McFeeley	Sr. Laborer (Tier 1)	April 1, 2021
Recreation Dept.	Jeffrey Silverman	Recreation Leader	April 1, 2021
Central Dispatch	Roseann Vazquez	Telecommunicator	April 1, 2021

(*) Treasurer's Office Refunds:**

- (6)** Morgan Development is entitled to a refund of \$50.00 for a backflow certification that was overpaid. 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: Morgan Development, 3301 Tremley Pt. Rd., Linden, NJ 07036, charging same to 1-01-09-699-091.

Mr. Javick moved for approval of Consent items #1 through #6. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mohammed. Mr. Roman asked what was the property address for the property identified as Block 200, Lot 27. Ms. Carron responded that it is 19 East Elizabeth Ave, noting that the reason for the payment of \$177,000 amount was that it was a lien being redeemed. She explained the tax lien process. The Consent Agenda was ordered approved by a roll call vote, with all voting in favor except President Yamakaitis who abstained on item#2 and yes to the rest.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

First Ward

Mrs. Ormon moved for approval of the following finance actions:

1. The payment of bills totaling \$1,920,423.77. 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 February at the rate of 0.10%.

The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hickey and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Mrs. Ormon offered her condolences to the Gregorio and Givens Family on their recent losses. She provided on the upcoming bulk trash pickups to her residents. Next, she noted that Public Works is working to address the pothole issues around town. She pointed out that with the coming of spring the Shade Tree Commission is working on its planting. She asked any First Ward resident, who would like a tree, in front of their houses, to please give her a call.

Mrs. Ormon spoke about a recent meeting, with the Board of Education over the summer camp program. She asked all to walk their dogs on leashes, and to make sure that they pick up after them. She concluded by wishing the members of the Jewish Community a happy Passover, and the Christian Community a happy Easter.

Second Ward

Mr. Javick moved for approval to install street lighting on pole #62631 (near #47 E 19th Street) and to approve the replacement and upgrade of street lights on Wildcat Way. The motion was seconded by Mr. Strano and was ordered approved, with all voting in favor, except Mrs. Hickey who did not vote. Next, he gave the report of the Fire Committee. The ambulance reimbursement system collected \$45,935.36 for the month of February, 2021, with total amount, for 2021, being \$114,249.36.

Mr. Javick stated that things are starting to get better. He talked about the progress, in the Second Ward, with redevelopment and the revitalization of the SID District. He pointed out that SID was looking for the availability of grants to receive funding for the revitalization of the SID District.

Mr. Javick brought to everyone's attention involving clothes dryers, and the vent stacks, piratically commercial establishments. He noted the need for them to be cleaned, regularly to avoid the lint catching fire. He then asked all to be aware of the new no-parking zones on various corners on Wood Ave., and the reason for them. He offered his condolences to the Gregorio, Givens and Fish families on their losses.

Fourth Ward

Mr. Mohammed offered his condolences to the Givens, Heins, and Fish families. He informed all that the work has started on the camera system for the Fourth Ward Park. Additionally, street sweepers have been out in the ward and have throughout the ward. He informed all about the upgrades to the basketball back-boards in the park. Lastly, he informed all that the CVS, on Wood Avenue, has begun administering the J&J COVID Vaccine, and then provided his contact information.

Sixth Ward

Mr. Roman offered his condolences to the Givens family, noting that Mr. Givens was a legend. He also, offered his condolences to the Gregorio family on the passing of Jodi. He noted that he has been able to get a lot of people get the COVID Vaccine. He pointed out the Union County hotline, and how to make an appointment, stating that the vaccine is becoming more and more available. The County is now going to senior housing complexes, and offering the J&J vaccine to residents.

Mr. Roman announced Wheeler Park and that the County is redoing the track. He added that he has asked that the County install crosswalks on South Wood Ave. He went on to speak about the closure of Pleasant Ave, that the water company fixed one broken main, then another one blew out down the line, resulting in the need to replace 100 feet of pipe. This has become a large project, with Pleasant Street being closed for a few more weeks.

Mr. Roman informed all that W. Linden Avenue will be repaved after April 1st. In addition, the contractor will make intersection improvements for the Walmart shopping area hopes to finish in two to three months. He announced plans for a neighborhood clean-up and asked residents to pick up after their dogs. He wished all a Happy Easter.

President Yamakaitis congratulated Mr. Roman on his new puppy.

Seventh Ward

Mr. Strano gave the following report of the Personnel Committee:

1. Office of the Construction Code:
 - a. Accepting the voluntary resignation of Joseph Egidio, Electrical Sub-Code Official effective March 28, 2021.
 - b. Approval to post statewide for the position of Full Time Electrical Sub-Code Official due to above resignation.
 - c. The interim appointment of Michael Juzefyk, Electrical Sub-Code Official Part Time at the hourly rate of \$39.37 pending the successful completion of the City's pre-employment requirements. Not to exceed 29 hours per week.
2. Office of the Tax Assessor:
 - a. Approval of the appointment of Tanasia Bailey as a Clerk 1 at the starting salary of \$34,458.00, effective April 19, 2021, subject to successful completion of the City's pre-employment requirements.
3. Fire Department
 - a. Approval of the promotion of Wayne Hanns to the rank of Deputy Fire Chief at the rate of \$154,130.00 effective April 1, 2021.

- b. Approval of the promotion of Carl Tattoli to the rank of Fire Captain at the rate of \$126,600.00 effective April 1, 2021.
4. Department of Community Services
 - a. Accepting the voluntary resignation from Doug Scott, Laborer 1 effective March 12, 2021.
 - b. Approve the salary increase for Brian Jones, Mechanic, Tier 2, to \$20.25 per hour, effective April 1, 2021.
 - c. Approve the in-line promotion of Salustiano Deliz, Jr. to Mechanic 2, Tier 2, at a salary of \$19.00 per hour, effective April 1, 2021.
 5. Department of Parks and Recreation
 - a. Approval of the appointment of Andy Brisson, Omnibus Driver/Recreation Leader, at the salary of \$23.00 per hour, effective April 19, 2021 subject to successful completion of the City's pre-employment requirements.
 - b. Accept the seasonal hire list on file with the Clerk's Office.
 6. Division of Personnel
 - a. Approval of the following FMLA/NJFLA leaves which are on file in the Division of Personnel.

Mr. Strano moved for approval of the Personnel Report. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hickey and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Mr. Strano informed all that the Post Office will be replacing the mail box that was located on Grasselli Ave., and the difficulty about where it had been placed. He congratulated the retirees that were on the Consent agenda, and read the following recognition for James Venditto, which was written by James's brother John and sister AnnMarie Whelan:

In Recognition of James Venditto's career

My sister Ann Marie and I would like to share our sentiments regarding our brother James Venditto's recent retirement from the Municipal Garage staff. It struck both of us hard to see our younger brother's name on the Personnel retirement list at the last City Council meeting. As many people know, in February of last year Jim suffered cardiac arrest while taking a walk in a park with his wife. His life was saved by a Good Samaritan who knew CPR, and after a week in an induced coma he was slowly awakened and has since fully recovered, albeit with a defibrillator implanted in his chest. This was just the beginning of the horrible year of 2020; a month later we would all have a world-wide pandemic on our hands.

Jim did not expect to retire so young. He has been an integral member of the DPW branch of mechanics for decades, the guy you went to in order to get your truck fixed fast and done right. He was very happy to supervise the current mechanical group, arguably the best group we have ever had. He returned to work shortly after his doctor cleared him and, if you know him, you know he was going stir-crazy sitting around the house until he was allowed to resume full activities. Still, this brush with death was enough to influence his decision to retire shortly after turning 55 years old.

We are immensely proud of Jim and happy that he and his wife Kathy have the opportunity to share their lives together thanks to an angel God put in Nomehegan Park on February 3rd, 2020. They will be able to enjoy a less stressful life thanks to the opportunity the City of Linden gave him almost 37 years ago.

Thank you for your time,
John Venditto and Ann Marie Whelan

Mr. Strano offered his condolences and sympathy to the Givens and Gregorio families.

Eighth Ward

Mr. Blaine noted that Linden's Park and Recreation Department is being recognized, with two awards, from the State of New Jersey. He then provided details on the awards. Next, he noted the coming of spring and letting kids out to enjoy the fresh air in the parks. He pointed out various programs that the Department of Parks and Recreation would be offering in the coming weeks.

Mr. Blaine spoke about an accident fatality that happened in the Eighth Ward. He urged all to get their Covid vaccination, and asked residents to pick up debris so that it is not blowing all over the ward. President Yamakaitis spoke about the Easter Egg pickup that will be run out of the JTG Center.

Ninth Ward

Mr. Medina offered his condolences to the Givens and Gregorio families. He spoke about Ninth Ward issues related to speeding. He thanked Chief Hart and Lt. Gunther for the police enforcement activities in the ward. He reminded all, with the coming of nicer weather, to be careful of children outside playing. Mr. Medina talked about parks and the cleaning of parks. He asked all to help keep the parks clean, by picking up trash. He noted that two years, 2020 and 2021, sidewalk repairs will be done this year. He stated that there was a lot that is going to be happening this year, in the Ninth Ward. He provided his contact information

Tenth Ward

Mrs. Hickey apologized for not being in attendance last month, and explained the reasons why. She noted that she had a great meeting with Mr. Dunham and spoke about the work that would be done at the park by McManus Middle School and the Ninth Ward Park. She pointed out the installation of equipment for special needs children.

Mrs. Hickey announced that the Linden Housing Authority will be delivering corn beef dinners to the residents of their buildings. She noted that the Housing Authority Executive Director, Ann Ferguson, wanted to express her thanks to former Senator Ray Lesniak for helping to get the Covid vaccine for the seniors in the Linden Housing Authority buildings.

Mrs. Hickey offered her condolences to the Gregorio and Givens families. She also spoke about the missing person, Brian Gooney, who is a para-professional, in the Linden School system. She noted the 10th ward streets of the week and spoke about the traffic enforcement efforts that would take place, adding that most pulled over where residents of the area. She provided a detailed report on the recent fire in City hall and thanked a number of individuals for their efforts with the fire and reopening city hall. Mrs. Hickey talked about a limited number of complaints, over conditions, in City Hall, and that they are being addressed. She wished all a happy Easter.

Council President

President Yamakaitis offered her condolences to the Givens and Gregorio families, and congratulated the retirees. She informed all about the Easter giveaways that would be handed out by the Mayor's Youth Commission. She gave a report on various activities that the Library would be conducting. She concluded by thanking the St. John's Boy Scout troop for inviting her to speak during Women's History Month.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Armstead reported on the City Hall fire and thanked Mr. Bodek and Mr. Bishop for being there to oversee the process to reopen City Hall. He also thanked Ms. Tattoli for being in work early and discovering the fire and reporting it to the Fire Department. He offered his congratulations to those being promoted in the Fire Department and condolences to the Givens family, and spoke about their long history in Linden. He also offered his condolences to the Mase, Fish, Heins and Gregorio families.

The Mayor reported on the Grand Openings of Chick Fillet and Hook and Reel. He informed all that the City was entertaining proposals for the redevelopment of the LCP site. He wanted to make sure that whatever the proposal it had to be profitable for the City, and explained the process. He also informed all about the expansion of one of the Advanced Greeks warehouses from 750,000 square feet to 1.1 million square feet. It is the largest warehouse development in the metropolitan area. It will generate a quarter of a billion dollars in taxes to the City over 30 years.

The Mayor spoke about the letter he had sent to the Governor regarding the Board of Health, and read the letter. He noted that the City is hiring a consultant to analyze the Board, its operations, and assist in hiring a new health officer.

The Mayor discussed the 2021 budget and how last year there was talk about a two-million-dollar shortfall, but now we are able to introduce this year's budget, with no increase in taxes, again. He pointed out that all should understand the budget and process before they speak on it.

Mayor Armstead wished all a happy St. Patrick's day.

Mr. Antonelli provided an update on the legislation legalizing marijuana, and explained what options the city had to make decisions on in the next few months.

RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Roman moved for approval of Resolutions 2021-124 through 2021-155. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mohammed and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

RESOLUTION: 2021-124

STATE CONTRACT RESOLUTION FOR MAINTENANCE SERVICE FOR CITYWIDE FIRST RESPONDER EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the City of Linden wishes to obtain services from an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program 1-NJCP; for citywide first responder emergency communication system maintenance from Motorola Solutions, Inc., an authorized vendor under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program 1-NJCP; 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, Motorola Solutions, Inc., 5 Paragon Drive, Suite 200, Montvale, NJ 07645 has been awarded New Jersey State Contract No. 83909 for radio communication equipment, maintenance, 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 \$67,246.04; and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this contract, which will be charged to account number 1-01-25-250-314-275; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Linden that Motorola Solutions, 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: 2021-125

RESOLUTION DECLARING SURPLUS FOR SALE OR DISPOSITION CERTAIN ITEMS NOT NEEDED FOR GOVERNMENT USE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A:11-36 provides for the sale/disposal of surplus property not needed for government use; and

WHEREAS, the City of Linden desires to sell certain surplus property or dispose; and

WHEREAS, the items listed below are being declared surplus and not needed for municipal purpose; and

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Dell Monitor (Model Number 0FJ44J)
2	Acer Monitors (Model Number K242HYL)
2	Dell Monitors (Model Number V246HQL)
1	Dell Monitor (Model Number E2013Hc)
4	Dell Monitors (Model Number 1704FPt)
1	Dell Monitor (Model Number 1704FPVt)
2	Dell Monitors (Model Number 2001FP)
2	Dell Monitors (Model Number 1707FPc)
2	Dell Monitor (Model Number E176FPf)
1	Dell Monitor (Model Number E201Ht)
1	Dell Monitor
1	Dell Monitor (Model Number E198WFPv)
2	Dell Monitors (Model Number P2213t)
1	Dell Monitor (Model Number E2311Hf)
1	Dell Monitor (Model Number E2011Ht)
2	Dell Monitors (Model Number E2216H)
	-Service Tag CYPK192
	-Service Tag JYVJ192
1	Dell Monitor (Model P2219H)
	-Service Tag J30L443
1	Acer Monitor (Model Number K242HYL)
4	Monitors
4	Acer Monitors
2	Dell Monitors

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>
7	Dell OptiPlex 390s
	-Service Tag 5DZFNS1
	-Service Tag GNQ8HS1
	-Service Tag 62SXJS1
	-Service Tag 5F0GNS1
2	Dell OptiPlex 755s
	-Service Tag 2R1QGH1
	-Service Tag 9TCWXF1
1	Dell OptiPlex 780
	-Service Tag 3TK29P1
1	Dell Optiplex 790
	-Service Tag FDYFNS1
	-Service Tag 79KPWR1
2	Dell OptiPlex 980s
	-Service Tag HGCVFQ1
	-Service Tag HGCTFQ1
1	Dell OptiPlex 3010
	-Service Tag FGW58Y1
	-Service Tag FGY58Y1

2	Dell Optiplex 9010s -Service Tag 5H1YBX1	-Service Tag 5GYZBX1
1	HP Elitebook 8560p	
1	Dell Inspiron 7000 (F/A 11781)	
2	Dell Latitude E5450 -Service Tags 4MGKHC2 -Service Tag F91SV32 (F/A 16610)	
1	Dell Latitude 3470	
5	Wyse Thin Clients -Serial Number 1N0DM102364 -Serial Number 1N0DLC8977 -Serial Number 1N0DLC09644 -Serial Number 1N0DM102773 -Service Tag 95VMPY2	

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Dell Printer (Model Number g835t12)
1	Dell Printer (Model Number jpbcc1401y)
2	Dell Printers (Model Number DV17F52)
1	HP LaserJet Model P4014n -Serial Number CNBX200122
1	Jet Direct 500X -Serial Number SG91851721
2	3 Com 8 Port Switch -Serial Number 0200/YJ9W770168773 -Serial Number AB-9XSQ9H003DDDC
1	3com Baseline Switch -Serial Number LNZQ7F0211189
7	Keyboards
2	Speakers
1	Mouse

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	Acer Monitor (Monitor Number V246HQL) -Serial Number MMT2BAA008926459454221
1	Acer Monitor (Model Number K242HYL) -Serial Number MMT41AA002901024894203
1	Epson Printer (Model Number XP-830) -Serial Number W57Y404292
1	HP Laserjet 4250m -Serial Number CNGXC54734

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36 that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to sell at public action or by other means as provided for in the statue using their best business discretion for the following items:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to confirm the sale of said items.

RESOLUTION: 2021-126

**CITY OF LINDEN RESOLUTION TO
ESTABLISH THE CURRENT FUND
OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE PERIOD OF
JANUARY 1, 2021 THROUGH APRIL 31, 2021**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2021 Current Operating Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2020 Current Operating Budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance, is the sum of \$98,328,334.60 and

WHEREAS, four months of the total appropriations in the 2021 Current Operating Budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance in said Current Operating Budget is the sum of \$32,776,111.56; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following appropriations be made for current fund and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his records.

RESOLUTION: 2021-127

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THAT A LIEN BE PLACED
ON VARIOUS PREMISES FOR WORK COMPLETED BY THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC
PROPERTY AND DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS OF THE CITY OF LINDEN**

WHEREAS, premises known and designated as follows have been the subject of much controversy as said premises had a heavy growth of weeds, grass and debris thereon and/or unsafe and hazardous conditions; and

Block 425	Lot 12	201 Lexington Avenue
Block 118	Lot 4	818 Cleveland Ave
Block 118	Lot 1	1218 McCandless Street
Block 541	Lot 4	22 E 20 th Street
Block 451	Lot 1	301 S Wood Ave.
Block 457	Lot 40	16 S Wood Ave
Block 265	Lot 1	2119 Orchard Terrace
Block 368	Lot 29	621 Amherst Road
Block 223	Lot 7	35 Furber Ave
Block 78	Lot 11	1123 Hussa St
Block 538	Lot 23	1703 S Wood Ave
Block 336	Lot 26	1210 Sunnyfield Dr
Block 137	Lot 13	916 Bower St

WHEREAS, proper notice has been provided to the owners of said properties to have said premises cleaned up, as this was in violation of a City Ordinance, and the owners have not complied with the request; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with City Ordinance, a copy of which is attached hereto, the City may remove or cause to be removed said heavy growth of weeds, grass and debris when the owners have refused or neglected to do so; and

WHEREAS, the condition of said lots had become a health hazard and safety hazard, and for the best interests of the City of Linden it was necessary for the City of Linden to have said

properties cleaned up by the Division of Public Property and Division of Public Works employees at the cost as follows:

Block 425	Lot 12	201 Lexington Avenue	\$400.00
Block 118	Lot 4	818 Cleveland Ave	\$900.00
Block 118	Lot 1	1218 McCandless Street	\$1380.00
Block 541	Lot 4	22 E 20 th Street	\$400.00
Block 451	Lot 1	301 S Wood Ave.	\$300.00
Block 457	Lot 40	16 S Wood Ave	\$600.00
Block 265	Lot 1	2119 Orchard Terrace	\$500.00
Block 368	Lot 29	621 Amherst Road	\$295.00
Block 223	Lot 7	35 Furber Ave	\$395.00
Block 78	Lot 11	1123 Hussa St	\$255.00
Block 538	Lot 23	1703 S Wood Ave	\$215.00
Block 336	Lot 26	1210 Sunnyfield Dr	\$350.00
Block 137	Lot 13	916 Bower St	\$500.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, that it hereby directs the Receiver of Taxes to place a lien against the aforementioned properties, at the amount noted above, and such liens shall become and form part of the taxes levied upon such properties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the owners of the properties or their agent.

RESOLUTION: 2021-128

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELATION OF TAX SALE CERTIFICATE PREMIUM MONIES

WHEREAS, a tax sale certificate #16-00060 on block 75 lot 12 was sold on June 9, 2017;

WHEREAS, a premium of \$ 11,800.00 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 #16-00060, US Bank Cust Actlien Holding has assigned to Act Property, LLC and Act Property, LLC has foreclosed on 2/2/2021 and recommends said premium, totaling \$11,800.00, 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: 2021-129

**CITY OF LINDEN RESOLUTION TO
ESTABLISH THE SANITARY LANDFILL
UTILITY OPERATING BUDGET
FOR THE PERIOD OF
JANUARY 1, 2021 THROUGH APRIL 31, 2021**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2021 Sanitary Landfill Utility Operating Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the total appropriations in the 2020 Sanitary Landfill Utility Operating Budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance, is the sum of \$99,700.00; and **WHEREAS**, four months of the total temporary appropriations for the 2021 Sanitary Landfill Utility Operating Budget cannot exceed the sum of \$33,233.33; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following temporary appropriations be made in the amount of \$33,233.33 and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his records.

RESOLUTION: 2021-130

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LETTER OF AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF LINDEN BOARD OF HEALTH AND THE
CITY OF ELIZABETH DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, IN CONJUNCTION
WITH TRINITAS HOSPITAL FOR
2021 FOR STD CLINIC SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the City of Linden is desirous of entering into a contract with the City of Elizabeth Health Department, in conjunction with Trinitas Hospital, for STD testing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2), said contract is exempt from the bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose, to be charged to account/line item No. 1-01-27-330-183-255;

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

1. The City of Linden and the Linden Health Department hereby approve the Letter of Agreement between the City of Linden and the City of Elizabeth, Department of Health and Human Services providing for STD testing, attached hereto and made a part hereof, in an amount of \$175.00 per patient, not to exceed \$8,750.00.

2. The Mayor and City Clerk be and hereby are directed, empowered and authorized to execute said Letter of Agreement on behalf of the City of Linden.

3. This Resolution shall take effect pursuant to law.

RESOLUTION: 2021-131

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO TELIAPP CORPORATION FOR TECHNOLOGY CLOUD MIGRATION SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Linden has determined that there exists a need for technology cloud migration services; and

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

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be made available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer or her designee has certified as to the availability of funds for this purpose will be charged to account/line item C-04-55-902-740-919; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing Agent has certified that this meets the statute and regulations governing the award of said contract.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, that the contract for professional services be and hereby is awarded to Teliapp Corporation, 401 n. Wood Avenue, Linden in accordance with their qualifications, in an amount not to exceed \$192, 000.00 for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution expressly contingent upon the negotiation of the necessary contract documents between Teliapp Corporation and the City of Linden; and

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

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

RESOLUTION: 2021-132

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT TO THE FIRM OF FLORIO KENNY RAVAL FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE ON IMPLEMENTING POLICIES RELATIVE TO NEW CANNABIS LAWS

WHEREAS, from time to time, as determined by the City Attorney, special counsel services are needed to represent the City of Linden; 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, Florio Kenny Raval has submitted a qualification to the City and has qualified for the aforesaid services; and

WHEREAS, since professional legal services are rendered or performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by the laws of the State of New Jersey; the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S. 40A:11-1 et seq.) permits the award of a contract therefore as a Professional Service without competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide for funds for said purpose in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified to the availability of funds for this purpose, to be charged to Account No. 1-01-20-155-123-255;

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

1. That the law firm of Florio Kenny Raval, Attorneys at Law of the State of New Jersey be and is hereby retained as Special Counsel to the City for matters relative to implementing policies relative to the State of New Jersey new Cannabis Laws.

2. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an Agreement with Florio Kenny Raval setting forth the terms and conditions of the legal services to be rendered.

3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law as a contract for professional services may be awarded without competitive bidding, pursuant to N.J.S. 40A:11-5 (1) (a).

4. The City shall not be liable for payment of any monies exceeding the contract price of \$10,000.00 unless additional funds are approved by the governing body and the contract amended in accordance with applicable law.

5. A notice of this action shall be published in accordance with applicable law.

RESOLUTION: 2021-133

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2020-354 AWARDING A CONTRACT TO BRINKERHOFF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. FOR A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT 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 at the former United Paint & Varnish site, located at Block 78 Lot 11 (1123 Husa Street); 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: 2021-134

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2020-356 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 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: 2021-135

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO CHARLES E. HECK FOR REAL ESTATE APPRAISER SERVICES AND OTHER SERVICES FOR STATE COURT TAX APPEALS FOR 2021

WHEREAS, it is necessary to hire a real estate appraiser in order to defend the City of Linden on all industrial and commercial tax appeals filed before the Union County Board of Taxation for 2021 and also new and pending cases before the Tax Court of New Jersey; 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, Charles E. Heck submitted a qualification to the City and has qualified for the aforesaid services for 2021; 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 be charged to Account No. 1-01-20-156-117-273;

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 Charles E. Heck, 506 Thompson Place, Middletown, New Jersey 07748; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the terms of said agreement shall be for a period of one year at a fee not to exceed \$18,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is expressly contingent upon the negotiation and execution of the necessary contract documents between Charles E. Heck 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 Charles E. Heck to effectuate the foregoing; and

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

RESOLUTION: 2021-136

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STACEY L. CARRON, TAX COLLECTOR, TO PARTICIPATE IN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE PROCESS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-19, authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has promulgated rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS, Tax Collector, Stacey L. Carron has advised that an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process; and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations require a municipality to send two (2) notices of tax sale to all properties included in said sale; and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations allow said municipality to charge a fee of \$25.00 per notice for the creation, printing and mailing of said notice; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to more fairly assign greater fiscal responsibility to delinquent taxpayers, the City of Linden wishes to charge \$25.00 per notice mailed which will be assessed specifically to the delinquent accounts that are causing the need for a tax sale and not to the general tax base.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LINDEN that the City of Linden wishes to participate in the electronic tax sale; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Stacey L. Carron, Tax Collector shall and hereby is authorized to participate in the electronic tax sale program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect pursuant to law.

RESOLUTION: 2021-137

**RESOLUTION
TEMPORARY CAPITAL BUDGET FOR 2021**

WHEREAS, the City of Linden desires to introduce the 2021 Temporary Capital budget of said

municipality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Linden introduces the 2021 Temporary Capital Budget follows:

Section 1. The 2021 Temporary Capital Budget of the City of Linden is hereby introduced to read as follows:

METHOD OF FINANCING

<u>Project</u>	<u>Est. Costs</u>	<u>Budget Approp.</u>	<u>Capital Impr. Fund</u>	<u>Grant in Aid</u>	<u>Debt Authorized</u>
Sport Utility Vehicles & Related Equipment/Accessories	\$363,000.00	\$363,000.00	\$18,150.00		\$344,850.00

Section 2. The Clerk be and is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, within three days after the adoption of these projects for 2021 Capital Budget, to be included in the 2021 Capital Budget as adopted.

RESOLUTION: 2021-138

CITY OF LINDEN RAT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, there were certain payments made by the Municipal Treasurer during the month of February 2021 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>	
179658	02/02/21	Rahway Post Office	Annual Chapter 75 Notices	\$3,472.34
	02/05/21	Elavon Inc.	January Merchant Fees – Garage Sale	\$59.99
	02/05/21	Elavon Inc.	January Merchant Fee – Dog Online	\$76.81
	02/05/21	Unity Bank	Workers Comp Claims 1/25 – 1/31	\$14,299.70
	02/05/21	Benecard Services LLC	February Prescription Funding	\$130,691.27
	02/09/21	Vision Service Plan	February Vision Claims	\$3,936.03
	02/10/21	Linden Board of Education	February Board of Ed Payment	\$7,851,326.33
	02/10/21	Linden Free Public Library	February Library Payment	\$187,630.33
179658	02/10/21	Rahway Post Office	Annual Mailing Fee	\$490.00
	02/10/21	Payroll 2/12	Payroll – Current	\$1,847,991.44
	02/10/21	Payroll 2/12	Payroll – Trust	\$107,961.29
	02/10/21	Payroll 2/12	Payroll – Grant	\$849.71
	02/10/21	Payroll 2/12	Payroll – Unemployment	\$1,864.21
	02/11/21	Unity Bank	Workers Comp Claims 2/1 – 2/7	\$8,755.86
	02/12/21	County of Union	1 st Quarter County Purpose Tax	\$7,692,714.05
	02/12/21	County of Union	1 st Quarter County Open Space Tax	\$237,845.61
	02/12/21	County of Union	1 st Quarter County Added & Omitted Open	\$1,302.53
	02/12/21	County of Union	1 st Quarter County Added & Omitted Tax	\$43,397.84
	02/12/21	NJ State Health Benefits	Health Claims – Active Bill	\$666,135.27
	02/12/21	NJ State Health Benefits	Health Claims – Retiree Bill	\$452,906.68
	02/19/21	Unity Bank	Workers Comp Claims 2/8 – 2/15	\$25,420.09
	02/19/21	NJDEP, Budget & Finance	Multi Parks 1992 Debt Payment	\$15,880.75
179898	02/24/21	ADP	February Invoices	\$7,743.55
	02/24/21	U.S. Bank	Admin Fee – S Wood Ave	\$2,875.00
	02/24/21	Unity Bank	Workers Comp Claims 2/16 – 2/21	\$12,269.91
	02/24/21	Delta Dental of NJ	March Dental Claims – City	\$37,590.50
	02/24/21	Delta Dental of NJ	March Dental Claims – Sewerage	\$3,177.29
	02/24/21	Delta Dental of NJ	March Dental Claims – Housing	\$1,099.31
	02/24/21	Delta Dental of NJ	March Dental Claims – Library	\$876.81
	02/24/21	Delta Dental of NJ	March Dental Claims – Cobra	\$33.67
	02/24/21	U.S. Bank	S. Wood Ave 2004 Debt Payment	\$178,609.00
	02/24/21	Payroll 2/26	Payroll – Current	\$1,851,958.59
	02/24/21	Payroll 2/26	Payroll – Trust	\$77,501.20
	02/24/21	Payroll 2/26	Payroll – Grant	\$1,309.01
	02/24/21	Payroll 2/26	Payroll – Unemployment	\$1,810.46
179899	02/26/21	Home Depot U.S.A. INC	Past Due Invoices	\$3,172.46

RESOLUTION: 2021-139

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A HOLD HARMLESS AND ACCESS
AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNITY SOLAR PLATFORM HOLDINGS, LLC WITH
RESPECT TO CERTAIN AREAS WITHIN CITY HALL**

WHEREAS, the City of Linden (“**City**”) owns certain real property commonly known as City Hall and located at 301 North Wood Avenue, Linden, New Jersey 07036 (“**City Hall**”); and

WHEREAS, Community Solar Platform Holdings, LLC (“**CSP**”) seeks access to the constituent services office (the “**Office**”) and the common areas within City Hall (collectively, “**City Property**”) for the limited purpose of assisting the City with the community solar energy program (the “**Purpose**”); and

WHEREAS, in order to undertake the necessary steps for allowing CSP to utilize City Property, the City wishes to enter into a hold harmless and access agreement with CSP establishing the terms for CSP and its personnel to access the City Property in furtherance of its Purpose (the “**Agreement**”); and

WHEREAS, nothing in the Agreement shall constitute or be construed as an agreement by the City to sell or lease the City Property to the CSP, or as creating any rights in CSP other than a revocable, limited license for accessing the City Property on the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement.

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

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

Section 2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto, with such additions, deletions and modifications as may be necessary or desirable in consultation with counsel, and to take all other necessary or appropriate action to effectuate such Agreement

Section 3. If any part of this Resolution shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereby shall not affect the remaining parts of this Resolution.

Section 4. A copy of this resolution shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the City Clerk.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION: 2021-140

**AMENDING A CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY AUDUBON SOCIETY
AS STEWARD OF THE LINDEN LANDFILL**

WHEREAS, pursuant to a certain administrative Consent Order between the City of Linden and Department of environmental Protection the City of Linden solicited bids for services relating to the administration of the Linden Landfill and associated greenway areas, including the Hawkrisse Sanctuary(the Linden Greenway Project); and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Audubon Society is not for profit New Jersey corporation originally founded in 1897, having a mission that includes providing environmental education and fostering a conservation ethic among New Jersey’s citizens, and which carries out its mission through education programs and information services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Administrative Consent Order the New Jersey Audubon Society has been previously been approved by the City of Linden, after the solicitation of Request for Qualification, to provide such services as outlined in the Administrative Consent Order, and the City of Linden authorized retaining the New Jersey Audubon Society to provide such services pursuant to a Resolution which was adopted by City Council on September 18, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Audubon Society is ready, willing and able to provide environmental program resources for the benefit of the City of Linden and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City, in compliance with the Administrative Consent Order, is required to provide such programs and resources to the Citizens of the City of Linden, deems it in the best interest of the City of Linden to amend the agreement entered into with the New Jersey Audubon Society on March 18, 2008 to create a comprehensive environmental education and structured presence at the Linden Gateway Project; and

WHEREAS, in a proposal dated March 1, 2021 the New Jersey Audubon Society has submitted a request for additional funds for Tasks 1-7 in the amount of \$29,280.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer or her designee has certified as to the availability of funds for this purpose which will be charged to account/line item No. C-04-55-907-477-919 and;

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

1. The City of Linden and the New Jersey Audubon Society shall enter into a Memorandum of

Understanding, in such form as approved by the Law Department to provide such services as required under the Administrative Consent Order.

2. The Mayor, City Clerk, or their designees, are hereby authorized and directed to execute such Memorandum of Understanding and to affix the corporate seal thereon.

3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION: 2021-141

RESOLUTION FOR CAMERA SYSTEM THROUGH THE PEPPM PROGRAM FOR EASTERN DATACOMM

WHEREAS, the City of Linden wishes to obtain camera system from an authorized vendor under the PEPPM program awarded to Eastern Datacomm, 44 Commerce Way, Hackensack, NJ 07601 a distributor of Panasonic and Razberi, authorized vendors 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, Eastern Datacomm, Inc. has been awarded as distributor for Razberi and Panasonic, for the provision of providing city wide camera systems; 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 \$261,746.55 and,

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has certified the availability of funds for this contract, which will be charged to account number C-04-55-902-739-919 and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Linden that Eastern Datacomm, 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: 2021-142

RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING FORECLOSURE OF CITY TAX TITLE LIENS

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the City of Linden has prepared and presented to the Municipal Council of the City of Linden an In Rem Foreclosure List. The list includes Schedule Numbers One through Three; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-104.35 provides in pertinent that the governing body may by Resolution, foreclose any of the tax sale certificates held by it, by the summary proceedings In Rem as provided in the In Rem Foreclosure Act [L.1948, c. 96]; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the City of Linden, in the County of Union and the State of New Jersey that Special Counsel, McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, is hereby authorized to foreclose the property schedule as noted below on the In Rem Foreclosure List, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof:

Cert #	Block/Lot	Property Name
13-00502	587/3.01	Cherokee LCP Land – 587 Land LLC
16-00370	587/3.02	Cherokee LCP Land – 587 Land LLC
13-00504	587/3.03	Cherokee LCP Land – 587 Land LLC

Resolution # 2021-143

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: Finance Administration - Other Expenses	\$ 6,000.00	
To: City Clerk - Other Expenses		\$ 6,000.00
From: Municipal Court - Salaries & Wages	\$ 100,000.00	
From: Uniform Building Code Act - Salaries & Wages	\$ 60,000.00	
To: Legal Services & Costs - Other Expenses		\$ 160,000.00
From: Salary Adjustment - Salaries & Wages	\$ 346,000.00	
To: Fire Department - Salaries & Wages		\$ 75,000.00
To: Solid Waste Collection - Salaries & Wages		\$ 271,000.00
Total Transfers Needed:	\$ 512,000.00	\$ 512,000.00

RESOLUTION: 2021-144

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY REFERRING TO THE PLANNING BOARD FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN ENTITLED "REDEVELOPMENT PLAN BLOCK 513, LOT 1 (SOUTH PARK AVENUE 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 a municipality to determine whether certain parcels of land in the municipality constitute "areas in need of rehabilitation" and/or "areas in need of redevelopment"; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Redevelopment Law, by Resolution dated June 18, 2019, the City Council ("**City Council**") of the City of Linden (the "**City**") designated as "an area in need of redevelopment" the property identified as on the City tax maps as Block 513, Lot 1 (the "**Redevelopment Area**"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Redevelopment Law the City Council caused a redevelopment plan for the Redevelopment Area to be prepared, entitled the "Redevelopment Plan Block 513, Lot 1 (South Park Avenue Redevelopment)" (the "**Redevelopment Plan**"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to have the Planning Board review and comment upon the Redevelopment Plan, as described on *Exhibit A* attached hereto, for its review and comment, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7* of the Redevelopment Law.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Linden, County of Union, New Jersey that:

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. Pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e)*, the City Council hereby refers the Redevelopment Plan, as described on *Exhibit A* attached hereto, to the Planning Board for review and recommendation. The Planning Board shall prepare a report regarding its recommendations as to the Redevelopment Plan, and submit same to the City Council within 45 days after referral, as required by the Redevelopment Law.
3. The City Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution, and the Redevelopment Plan, attached hereto as *Exhibit A*, to the Planning Board for review.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION: 2021-145

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN,
COUNTY OF UNION, CORRECTING RESOLUTION 2021-118, WHICH
AUTHORIZED THE EXECUTION OF A CERTIFICATE OF
COMPLETION FOR DC HOSPITALITY LINDEN URBAN RENEWAL,
LLC HOTEL PROJECT**

WHEREAS, DC Hospitality Linden Urban Renewal, LLC (the “**Redeveloper**”) pursuant to the Redevelopment Agreement with the City of Linden (the “**City**”), dated as of June 11, 2019 (the “**Agreement**”) undertook certain work at Block 436, Lot 10.06 and completed construction of a four (4) story, 122 unit wood-framed hotel (the “**Hotel Project**”); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides that upon completion of the required work for the Hotel Project, the Redeveloper may apply for a Certificate of Completion, which in part recognizes that the work has been completed and releases the Redeveloper from their responsibilities under the Agreement as to the Hotel Project; and

WHEREAS, the Redeveloper requested that the City issue a Certificate of Completion for the Hotel Project and submits that they have complied with all requirements of the Agreement, the applicable Planning Board and related approvals, and has obtained a Final Certificate(s) of Occupancy from the City Construction Official in accordance with the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Redeveloper, as part of the Hotel Project development, undertook the necessary construction, and has complied with all requirements of the applicable Planning Board and related approvals, and has obtained a Final Certificate(s) of Occupancy from the City Construction Official, dated February 5, 2021; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2021-118, adopted February 16, 2021, the City Council authorized execution of the Certificate of Completion for the Hotel Project; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to correct Resolution 2021-118, which identified the location of the Hotel Project as Block 469, Lot 10.06, rather than Block 436, Lot 10.06; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Linden, New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby corrects Resolution 2021-118 to reflect the correct location of the Hotel Project, and consents to execution of a revised Certificate of Completion, as set forth herein, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.

Section 2. The City Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute the revised Certificate of Completion on behalf of the City, as necessary to further evidence or acknowledge the City's consent.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION: 2021-146

**RESOLUTION FOR THE CLEANING OF HVAC SYSTEMS AT VARIOUS
CITY-OWNED BUILDINGS IN THE CITY OF LINDEN**

WHEREAS, the City of Linden wishes to clean existing HVAC systems at various City-owned buildings including the JTG Center on Helen Street, Multi-Purpose Center on John Street, 7th Ward Recreation Center on Tremley Point Road and the PAL Building on Maple Avenue in the City of Linden; 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, Duct Dudes, 173 Karkus Avenue, Woodbridge, NJ 07095 was solicited for quotations; and

WHEREAS, Duct Dudes provides the most advantageous quote, price and other factors considered in the amount not to exceed \$14,700.00 for the scope of work that was solicited; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer or her designee has certified as to the availability of funds for this award, which will be charged to Account No. C-04-55-904-589-919; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN that Duct Dudes be awarded a contract to clean HVAC systems at various City-owned building at the low quote of \$14,700.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution is expressly contingent upon the execution of the contract between Duct Dudes and the City of Linden; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Mayor and City Clerk be and hereby are empowered and directed to execute such documents as necessary to implement this resolution.

RESOLUTION: 2021-147

**RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT WITH MULLER BOHLIN & ASSOCIATES, INC. TO
PROVIDE RAIL TRANSPORTATION PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION SERVICES
RELATIVE TO THE 2020 NJDOT RAIL FREIGHT GRANT**

WHEREAS, there exists within the City of Linden the need for a consultant to provide rail transportation project management and coordination services including, but not limited to, grant administration, project design and planning, and construction inspection services relative to the 2020 NJDOT Rail Freight Grant Project in the Tremley Point section of the City; 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, Muller Bohlin & Associates, Inc. submitted a qualification to the City and has qualified for the aforesaid services in 2021; 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, Muller Bohlin & Associates, Inc., having offices at 242 10TH Street, Suite 101, Jersey City, NJ 07302 possesses the requisite professional certification and experience necessary to serve in said position; and

WHEREAS, funds will be made available for this purpose to be charged to Account No: C-04-55-901-736-919;

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 Muller Bohlin & Associates, Inc. at a fee not to exceed \$369,965.00 for the term January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, to be paid from funds received through the 2020 NJDOT Rail Freight Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is expressly contingent upon the negotiation and execution of the necessary contract documents between Muller Bohlin & Associates, Inc. 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 Muller Bohlin Associates to effectuate the foregoing; and

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

RESOLUTION: 2021-148

**RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING THE 160TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF LINDEN**

WHEREAS, the area Linden now occupies was first explored by Europeans when men from Henrick Hudson's "Half Moon" visited in 1609. One of them reported that "the lands were pleasant with flowers and goodly trees...and very sweet smells came from them." The land was claimed by the Dutch who retained possession until the conquest of New Amsterdam by the English in 1664; and

WHEREAS, the first signs of village life appeared around the taverns. One of these was the Wheatsheaf Tavern built in 1745 on St. Georges Avenue at the corner of Chestnut Street in what is now Roselle. By 1750 there were a small cluster of eight to ten houses around the Tavern and the first school in Linden was established nearby. In Colonial times, Wheatsheaf Tavern was the natural gathering place of the community, it was the stage coach stop, the post office and during the Revolutionary War, the place where militia gathered and trained. And when Linden was later incorporated the govern body met there; and

WHEREAS, by an Act of the State Legislature dated March 4, 1861 the Township of Linden was created, with a population of 1,146. The area included what is now Roselle and a small portion of Cranford, in addition to the present confines of Linden. At this time the first Township Committee was elected. The members elected a chairman whose office corresponded to that of the Mayor today. They fixed the tax rate, borrowed money by issuing bonds, and decided how the revenue was to be spent. A town hall and fire house were built; and

WHEREAS, by 1872 the Tremley Point Area had attracted two industries, the Russell Coe Bone Factory and the S.S. Fales Chemical Works. By 1900, Linden began to take advantage of its waterfront as an industrial site attracting both oil and chemical plants. Some of the pioneer companies included Grasselli Chemical Company, General Aniline, W.J. Bush Company, the Linden Tanning Company and the John Stephenson Company, maker of trolley cars to name a few; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on March 4, 2021 as we celebrate the 160th Anniversary of the Township of Linden that we take the time to reflect on the great achievements of our Community. In the words of the Honorable Robert B. Meyner, Governor of the State of New Jersey in October of 1961, "Your City, in the great industrial heartland of New Jersey, has a rich record of history and achievement to proclaim"; and

BE IT RESOLVED BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be placed in the minutes of the City Council of the City of Linden and a copy hereof be presented to the Linden Historical Society in permanent recognition of the foregoing.

Resolution: 2021-149

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CITY OF LINDEN AS A RECIPIENT OF THE 2021 LAND ETHICS AWARD BY THE BOWMAN'S HILL WILDLIFE PRESERVE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE BLUE ACRES PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The Land Ethics Award honors and recognizes the creative use of native plants in the landscape, sustainable and regenerative design, and ethical land management and construction practices; and

WHEREAS, the City of Linden's Blue Acres Floodplain Restoration Project has been selected as one of the winners of the 2021 Land Ethics Award for the project that was completed adjacent to Marshes Creek. The Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve in New Hope, Pennsylvania inspires the appreciation and use of native plants and they were very impressed by the scope of this project; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 the City's project was selected by the New Jersey Section of American Water Resources Association for their Annual Excellence in Water Resources Protection and Planning Award. Presentations of this project have been presented at the Floodplain Management and Landscape Architect Conferences as well as, to the NJ Corporate Wetlands Restoration Partnership; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor Armstead and the Members of the Governing Body wish to recognize and thank Nancy Sadlon of Phillips 66, Dr. George Guo of Rutgers University for applying for a grant to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation and to all those who volunteered their time for this project could not have been successful without their assistance and dedication to the City of Linden in its effort to make a difference in Our Environment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be placed in the minutes of the City Council of the City of Linden and a copy hereof be presented to Ms. Nancy Sadlon and Dr. George Guo in permanent recognition of the foregoing.

RESOLUTION: 2021-150

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO P&A CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR EMERGENCY SANITARY SEWER REPAIR ON WASHINGTON AVENUE WITHIN THE CITY OF LINDEN

WHEREAS, the City of Linden had a need for emergency sanitary sewer repair services along Washington Avenue between Center Street and East St. Georges Avenue within the City of Linden; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 solicitation of competitive quotes was performed and a vendor was selected whose response was the most advantageous, price and other factors considered; and

WHEREAS, P&A Construction, Inc., P.O. Box 28, Colonia, NJ 07067 was solicited for a quotation; and

WHEREAS, P&A Construction, Inc. provided the most advantageous quote, price and other factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the underground conditions were found to be more deteriorated than anticipated which increased the estimated quantities of materials for the temporary and final trench repair to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer or her designee has certified as to the availability of fund for this award which will be charged to Account No: C-04-55-901-666-919; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN that P&A Construction, Inc. be awarded a contract for emergency sanitary sewer repair services along Washington Avenue in the amount of \$152,120.30.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be and hereby are empowered and directed to execute the necessary documents to implement this resolution.

RESOLUTION: 2021-151

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CAMERA EQUIPMENT LOAN AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the City wishes to participate in NJDEP's Illegal Dumping Program; and

WHEREAS, by using cameras on loan from NJDEP, it is the City's intention of catching and deterring illegal dumping; and

WHEREAS, the City of Linden has determined it is in the best interests of the City to enter into this agreement, as attached hereto and made part of, to utilize the aforementioned property for said purposes.

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

1. The City hereby authorized execution of the Camera Equipment Loan Agreement.
2. The Mayor and the City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said Agreement.

RESOLUTION: 2021-152

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
LINDEN, COUNTY OF UNION, AUTHORIZING THE
EXECUTION OF A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION FOR SRV
LINDEN I URBAN RENEWAL, LLC PHASE I**

WHEREAS, SRV Linden I Urban Renewal, LLC, as successor to VVR Developers, LLC (the “**Redeveloper**”) pursuant to the Redevelopment Agreement with the City of Linden (the “**City**”), dated as of June 16, 2017 (the “**Agreement**”) undertook certain work at Block 84, Lot 1.01 and completed construction of a four (4) story mixed use building with thirty-nine (39) apartments and five (5) commercial units (the “**Project-Phase I**”); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides that upon completion of the required work for the Project, the Redeveloper may apply for a Certificate of Completion, which in part recognizes that the work has been completed and releases the Redeveloper from their responsibilities under the Agreement as to the Project-Phase I; and

WHEREAS, the Redeveloper has requested that the City issue a Certificate of Completion for the Project-Phase I and submits that they have complied with all requirements of the Agreement, the applicable Planning Board and related approvals, and has obtained a Final Certificate(s) of Occupancy from the City Construction Official in accordance with the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Redeveloper, as part of the Project-Phase I development, undertook the necessary construction, and has complied with all requirements of the applicable Planning Board and related approvals, and has obtained a Final Certificate(s) of Occupancy from the City Construction Official, dated September 14, 2020; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Linden, New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. The City Council hereby consents to execution of a Certificate of Completion, as set forth herein, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.

Section 2. The City Council hereby authorizes and directs the Mayor to execute the Certificate of Completion on behalf of the City, as necessary to further evidence or acknowledge the City’s consent.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION: 2021-153

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDING FOR THE DISTRACTED DRIVING ENFORCEMENT
GRANT FROM THE NEW JERSEY DIVISION OF
HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY**

Whereas, The City of Linden agrees to accept a Distracted Driving Grant award from the Department of Highway Safety in the amount of \$12,000.00 to carry out the U Text. U Drive. U Pay campaign from April 1, 2021 to April 30, 2021.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:

- 1) That the City of Linden does hereby authorize the acceptance of the Distracted Driving Grant in the amount of \$12,000.00 from the Department of Highway Safety; and
- 2) Authorizes that executive of the grant agreement; and also, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between The City of Linden and the Distracted Driving Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign the application, and that they are successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith;

RESOLUTION: 2021-154

**RESOLUTION AMENDING A CONTRACT TO APRUZZESE, MCDERMOT, MASTO & MURPHY, P.C.
FOR SPECIAL LABOR COUNSEL SERVICES ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS AS DETERMINED BY THE
CITY ATTORNEY FOR 2021**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Linden has determined that it would be advisable and in the best interests of the City to retain the services of Professional Services to represent the City of Linden, and to render legal advice and assistance to the city and to the City Attorney; 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, Apruzzese, McDermot, Mastro & Murphy, P.C submitted a qualification to the City and has qualified for the aforesaid services: and

WHEREAS, since professional legal services are rendered or performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by the laws of the State of New Jersey; the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S. 40A:11-1 et seq.) permits the award of a contract therefore as a Professional Service without competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Director has certified to the availability of funds for this purpose, to be charged to Account No.1-01-20-155-123-255;

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

1. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an amendment to the agreement with Apruzzese, McDermot, Mastro & Murphy, P.C setting forth the terms and conditions of the legal services to be rendered.
3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law as a contract for professional services may be awarded without competitive bidding, pursuant to N.J.S. 40A:11-5 (1) (a).
4. For the services hereinabove described as Apruzzese, McDermot, Mastro & Murphy, P.C. contract shall be amended in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the calendar year 2021. The City shall not be liable for payment of any monies exceeding the amended contract price stated herein unless additional funds are approved by the governing body and the contract amended in accordance with applicable law.
5. A notice of this action shall be published in accordance with applicable law.

RESOLUTION: 2021-155

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT WITH ROBERT VARADY, ESQ. OF THE FIRM LA CORTE, BUNDY, VARADY & KINSELLA FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS AS DETERMINED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, from time to time, as determined by the City Attorney, special counsel services are needed to represent the City of Linden; 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, La Corte Bundy Varady & Kinsella has submitted a qualification to the City and has qualified for the aforesaid services: and

WHEREAS, since professional legal services are rendered or performed by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession and whose practice is regulated by the laws of the State of New Jersey; the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S. 40A:11-1 et seq.) permits the award of a contract therefore as a Professional Service without competitive bidding; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide additional funds for said purpose in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified to the availability of funds for this purpose, to be charged to Account No. 1-01-20-155-123-255;

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

1. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an amendment to the Agreement with La Corte, Bundy, Varady & Kinsella setting forth the terms and conditions of the legal services to be rendered.
3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law as a contract for professional services may be awarded without competitive bidding, pursuant to N.J.S. 40A:11-5 (1) (a).
4. The City shall not be liable for payment of any monies exceeding the amended contract price of \$15,000.00 unless additional funds are approved by the governing body and the contract amended in accordance with applicable law.
5. A notice of this action shall be published in accordance with applicable law.

ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

Ordinance

65-13 An Ordinance establishing a CAP Bank for Calendar Year 2021.

Ordinance #65-13 was introduced by Mrs. Ormon and was read on first reading by the Deputy Clerk.

On motion of Mrs. Ormon seconded by Mr. Javick the foregoing Ordinance was ordered approved by a roll call vote, with Mr. Mohammed not voting.

Ordinance

65-14 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-PP-3

Ordinance #65-14 was introduced by Mrs. Ormon and was read on first reading by the Deputy Clerk.

On motion of Mrs. Ormon seconded by Mr. Javick the foregoing Ordinance was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Ordinance

65-15 An Ordinance providing an appropriation of \$363,000 for acquisition of sport Utility vehicles and related equipment/accessories for the Police Department and authorizing the issuance of \$344,850 Bonds or notes of the City for financing part of the appropriation.

Ordinance #65-15 was introduced by Mrs. Ormon and was read on first reading by the Deputy Clerk.

On motion of Mrs. Ormon seconded by Mr. Blaine the foregoing Ordinance was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Ordinance

65-16 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, 199," passed November 23, 1999 and approved November 24, 1999, and as amended and supplemented.

BE IT ORDINED 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

7-33.1 A Handicapped Parking On-Street

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Spaces</u>	<u>No. of Location</u>
ADD: 110 West 16 th St.	1	On the northwesterly sideline of West 16 th Street, 120 feet more or less southwesterly from the projection of the southwesterly curblineline of Winans Avenue in front of 110 West 16 th Street for length of 22 feet. The aforesaid space is specifically reserved and designated for a vehicle for Cynthia Dudley-Hayes to be identified by license plate number and placard to be issued by the City, and no other vehicle bearing or displaying handicapped license plates and/or placards, or not, shall be permitted to park in such space.
2021 Von Spiegel Place	1	On the northwesterly side of Von Spiegel Place, 63 feet more Or less southwesterly from the projection of the southwesterly Curblineline of McCandless Place in front of 2021 Von Spiegel Place and continuing for a length of 22 feet in a southwesterly Direction. The aforesaid space is specifically reserved and Designated for a vehicle for Kristi DePalma to be identified by License plate number and placard to be issued by the City, And no other vehicle bearing or displaying handicapped License plates and/or placards, or not, shall be permitted To park in such space.

Ordinance #65-16 was introduced by Mr. Javick and was read on first reading by the Deputy Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Javick seconded by Mr. Blaine the foregoing Ordinance was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Ordinance

65-17 An Ordinance to amend and supplement Chapter XXVI, flood damage prevention, 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 XXVI, Flood Damage Prevention, shall be and the same is hereby amended as follows:

Chapter XXVI, Flood Damage Prevention, Amend Section 25-17 Stormwater Control.
AMEND SECTION 26-17 STORMWATER CONTROL

Ordinance #65-17 was introduced by Mr. Javick and was read on first reading by the Deputy Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Javick seconded by Mrs. Ormon the foregoing Ordinance was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

Ordinance

65-18 An Ordinance adopting an amendment to the Redevelopment Plan for the St. Georges Avenue Redevelopment Area – Phase II.

Ordinance #65-18 was introduced by Mrs. Ormon and was read on first reading by the Deputy Clerk.

On motion of Mrs. Ormon seconded by Mr. Blaine the foregoing Ordinance was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

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. Mr. Kaminski began by thanking the Mayor for bringing up the Board of Health matter and reaching out to the Governor, seeking assistance. He asked how did we get to this point and what are we doing to ensure that it doesn't happen again. He then discussed the City Budget and the need for more explanation on it.

Carl Tattoli. Mr. Tattoli thanked the Mayor and Council for his promotion to Fire Captain.

There being no other members of the public wishing to be heard, Mrs. Hickey moved to close the public comment portion of the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ormon and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

Mr. Medina spoke about DPW being out, cleaning the parks and have stated sweeping streets again.

Mrs. Hickey thanked Congressman Payne for his presentation, noting that the City has received, under the Covid Relief Act, \$4.1 million and can use it anyway that they see fit.

Mr. Javick congratulated the retirees and wished all a happy St. Patrick's Day.

Mayor Armstead responded to Mr. Kaminski's comments of the budget, discussing anticipated revenue that will be coming in this year and projections of revenue in the future. He stated that there are good things in the future with the City being in good shape.

Mr. Roman stated he wanted to clear the air on the budget and the short fall of \$1.6 million decline due to COVID. The \$4.1 million from the Federal Government will make up for the shortfall.

Mayor Armstead stated that there would have been a zero tax increase even if the City had not received the \$4.1 million in COVID funding.

President Yamakaitis spoke about the Board of Health, how they were an autonomous board, which is overseen by commissioner and not the Mayor and Council. She wished a happy Women's History Month to all on the dais, and all of the female Department heads.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Council President Yamakaitis made the following announcements:

- Council Conference meeting, Monday, April 19, 2021, at 6:00 pm in the Council Conference Room, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave. (Meeting to be held virtually)

*Council Conference meeting prior to the Council meeting:

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 6:00 pm in the Council Conference Room, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave.
(Meeting to be held virtually)

*Council Meeting: Tuesday, April 20, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 301 N. Wood Ave. (Meeting to be held virtually)

Please check the City website, Linden-nj.org for directions on how to participate electronically in these meetings and for copies of the agenda.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body, Mr. Strano moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ormon and was unanimously ordered approved by a roll call vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph C. Bodek
City Clerk