

**COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

**May 18, 2021**

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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**April 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes**

**MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION**

**“Do Something Good for Your Neighbor Day”**  
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**ORDINANCE ON HEARING**

- 65-21** Bond ordinance providing an appropriation of \$129,800 for the acquisition of various items of capital equipment for the Fire Department authorizing the issuance of \$123,310 bonds or notes of the City for financing part of the appropriation.
- 65-22** Bond Ordinance authorizing the resurfacing of various streets in and for the City of Linden, appropriating \$4,400,000 therefore and authorizing the issuance of \$4,180,000 in Bonds or Notes to finance part of the cost thereof.
- 65-23** Bond Ordinance providing an appropriation of \$330,000.00 for the replacement of the roof at the JTG Recreation Center for the City of Linden and authorizing the issuance of \$313,500.00 in Bonds or Notes of the City for financing part of the appropriation.
- 65-24** Ordinance of the City of Linden, adopting a Redevelopment Plan entitled, "Redevelopment Plan Block 513, Lot 1 (South Park Avenue Redevelopment) pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- (\*\*\*) Tax Collector:**
- (1)** Advising the following monies were collected and turned over to the Municipal Treasurer during the month of April, 2021.

2021 Taxes	\$16,754,028.21
2020 Taxes	\$603,005.46
2019 Taxes	\$0.00
Garbage Fee	\$0.00
Municipal Lien Redemption	\$6,098.65
Duplicate Tax Sale Certificate	\$0.00
Tax Search	\$0.00
Lien Redemption Request Fee	\$0.00
Year End Penalty	\$25,160.15
Returned Check Fee Paid	\$0.00
Returned Sewer Clean out	(\$0.00)
Returned Sewer Interest	(\$0.00)
Returned Check 2020	(\$0.00)
Returned Check 2021	(\$1,358.20)
Returned Check Interest	(\$0.00)
Returned Online 2020 Taxes	(\$1,190.01)
Returned Online 2021 Taxes	(\$0.00)
Returned Online Interest	(\$309.99)
Adv. Before Tax Sale	\$0.00
Premium	\$0.00
Sewer Clean out charge	\$900.00
DPW Reso payments	\$0.00
Interest	\$85,903.76
Total	\$17,472,238.03

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block-1 Lot-11  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount of \$ 60.00 that was due to a posting error from the former owner of block 271 Lot-10. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting that this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

Total \$17,472,238.03

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block-5 Lot-23  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 5.00 that was due to a payment by the former owner. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting that this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block-8 Lot-16  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 2.38 that was due to a payment by the former owners title agency. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting that this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block-75 Lot-12  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 60.00 that was due to a payment by the former owner. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting that this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block-222 Lot-15  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 10.00 that was due to a payment by the former owners title agency. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting that this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block-329 Lot-19  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 5.00 that was due to a payment by the former owner. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting that this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block-413 Lot-26  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 60.00 that was due to a payment by the former owner. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting that this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block- 472 Lot- 11  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 5.00 that was due to a payment by the former owner. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block-483 Lot- 12  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 5.00 that was due to a payment by the former owner. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting that this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block- 549 Lot- 4  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 30.00 that was due to a payment by the former owner. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**OVERPAYMENT**

Re: Block-16 Lot-22  
Garbage fee overpayment

The above referenced property has an overpayment in the amount \$ 5.00 that was due to a payment by the former owner. By the time that we were able to identify these payments and their origin, the ownership had changed and no one has come forward to request a refund. I am requesting that this amount be transferred to M.R.N.A. by the City Treasurer.

**TAX SALE** Requesting the refunds of the premiums paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
5	13	4/13/2021	19-00001	\$1,200.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$1,200.00 payable to: Jing Yang, 628 N. Butrick Street, Waukegan, IL 60085, 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
8	23	4/13/2021	19-00003	\$31,700.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$31,700.00 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 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
13	3	4/30/2021	19-00008	\$41,500.00
162	9	4/30/2021	18-00095	\$9,900.00
452	13	4/30/2021	19-00149	\$1,600.00
562	17	4/30/2021	19-00185	\$1,500.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 54,500.00 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 2018 tax sale on the following blocks & lots.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	Cert#	Premium
18	7.01	4/13/2021	17-00017	\$1,100.00
574	8.03	5/5/2021	17-00353	\$1,400.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$2,500.00 payable to: Fig as Custodian for Fig NJ18, LLC, Secured Party, P.O. Box 54472, 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 2019 & 2020 tax sale on the following blocks & lots.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
100	6	5/5/2021	18-00048	\$2,400.00
554	6	4/30/2021	19-00182	\$25,400.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 27,800.00 payable to Greymorr, LLC, BMO 85, P.O. Box 1414, Minneapolis, MN 55480, 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
184	1	5/5/2021	19-00085	46,200.00
188	8	4/30/2021	19-00087	\$1,600.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$47,800.00 payable to: Christiana T C/F, CE/1 Firsttrust, P.O. Box 5021, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5021, charging same to account #-1-01-55-276-999-956.

**TAX SALE** Requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2018 & 2019 tax sale on the following blocks & lots.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
188	20	4/23/2021	17-00153	\$35,100.00
253	11 CA02	4/13/2021	18-00137	\$10,200.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$45,300.00 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 2020 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
220	5	4/30/2021	19-00104	\$71,300.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 71,300.00 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
332	2	5/7/2021	19-00122	\$900.00
399	15	4/30/2021	19-00137	\$800.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$1,700.00 payable to: US Bank Cust ProCap8 PROCAP MTGII, 50 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite #2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, charging same to account #-1-01-55-276-999-956.

**TAX SALE** I am requesting the refund of the premium paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
265	13	5/7/2021	19-00110	\$1,200.00
341	26	4/16/2021	19-00125	\$1,200.00
540	17	4/30/2021	19-00172	\$1,200.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$3,600.00 payable to Trystone Capital Assets, LLC., 575 Route #-70, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2020 tax sale on the following block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
439	12	5/7/2021	19-00144	\$2,000.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$2,000.00 payable to: EONE Group, LLC, 150 Airport Road, Suite #-1200, Lakewood, NJ 08701, 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 block & lot.

Block	Lot	Redemption Date	CTF#	Amount
462	12	5/4/2021	17-00294	\$1,000.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$1,000.00 payable to: US Bank Cust for PC7, LLC Firstrust Bank, 50 South 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite #2050, Philadelphia, PA 19102, charging same to account #-1-01-55-276-999-956.

**OVERPAYMENT** Block 436 Lot 6, 1420 E. Linden Avenue Realty, LLC  
1420 E. Linden Avenue 2021 1<sup>st</sup> quarter

There now exists a credit balance on the above referenced block & lot due to an overpayment by the owner on the 2021 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. The overpayment amount is \$ 18,173.38.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$18,173.38 payable to: 1420 E. Linden Avenue Realty, LLC, 1420 E. Linden Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036 charging same to account #-1-01-55-288-999-904.

**OVERPAYMENT** Block 207 Lot 28, Thomas J. Borowski  
2017 Garbage Fee Overpayment Refund

There now exists a credit balance on the above referenced block & lot due to the owner making partial payments towards the Garbage Fee. The garbage fee is no longer being billed, I am requesting that this overpayment in the amount \$360.00 be refunded and made payable to LRSA (Linden Roselle Sewerage Authority) to remove the credit and pre-pay the 2021 amounts due.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check for \$360.00 payable to L.R.S.A., 5005 South Wood Avenue, P.O. Box 4118, Linden, NJ 07036, charging same to account #1-01-08-607-011.

**OVERPAYMENT**           Block 279 Lot 20, Maria A. Flechas  
407 W. Curtis Street

The mortgage company in error paid the above referenced owner's taxes. The Mortgage Company is entitled a refund for \$1,766.85.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check for \$1,766.85, payable to Core Logic Tax Services, LLC, Attention: Kathy Bishop. 92-16 220<sup>th</sup> Street, Queens Village, NY 11428, charging same to account #-1-01-55-288-999-904.

**OVERPAYMENT**           Block 103 Lot 2, 1<sup>st</sup> Pentecostal Church of God  
914 E. St. George Avenue  
2017 Garbage Fee Overpayment Refund

There now exists a credit balance on the above referenced block & lot due to the owner making partial payments towards the Garbage Fee. The garbage fee is no longer being billed, I am requesting that this overpayment in the amount \$ 5.00 be refunded and made payable to LRSA (Linden Roselle Sewerage Authority) to remove the credit and pre-pay the 2021 amounts due.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check for \$5.00 payable to L.R.S.A., 5005 South Wood Avenue, P.O. Box 4118, Linden, NJ 07036, charging same to account #1-01-08-607-011.

**OVERPAYMENT**           Block 203 Lot 3  
Posting Error  
843 Washington Avenue

There now exists a credit balance on the above referenced block & lot due to a posting error on the 2020 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> property taxes that was posted incorrectly to Blk 193 Lot 23. The overpayment amount is \$2,082.93.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$2,082.93 payable to: Samiya Nawaz & Adil Nawaz, 843 Washington Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036, charging same to account #-1-01-55-288-999-904.

**(\*\*\*) Halloween Parade Committee**

- (2)** Requesting permission to close Wood Avenue for the Annual Halloween Parade on October 24, 2021, with a rain date of October 31, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. from U.S. Highway 1&9 to Gibbons Street, from the County of Union.

**(\*\*\*) City Clerk's Office:**

- (3)** Requesting approval of the following Bingo/Raffle License Amendment which was submitted to our office:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Type of Event</u>	<u>Fees</u>
LHS PTSA	50/50	N/A
LHS PTSA	Tricky Tray	N/A

**(\*\*\*) Municipal Treasurer:**

- (4)** Requesting approval of the following reimbursements:

- a. Kianna Stephenson is entitled to a refund in the amount of \$108.51 for service that was provided on 6/21/2019. Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$108.51 payable to: Kianna Stephenson, 59 Brookdale Ave. APT. 1, Newark, NJ 07106, charging same to 1-01-08-629-011.

- b. Gregson Pena is entitled to a refund in the amount of \$713.00 for service that was provided on 9/29/2018. Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$713.00 payable to: Gregson Pena, 714 Pennington Sr., Elizabeth, NJ 07201, charging same to 1-01-08-629-011.
- c. Deswick Paisley is entitled to a refund in the amount of \$250.00 for service that was provided on 1/1/2021. Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$250.00 payable to: Deswick Paisley, 701 Cranford Ave. Apt 209, Linden, NJ 07036, charging same to 1-01-08-629-011.

**REPORTS AND COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**RESOLUTIONS**

- 2021-194 Resolution for the State Contract Purchase of four 2021 Ford Police Interceptor Utility (SUV's) from Winner ford for the Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00
- 2021-195 Resolution ratifying certain payments made by the Municipal Treasurer during the month of April 2021.
- 2021-196 Resolution approving the introduction of the calendar year 2021 Special Improvement District Budget and setting a hearing date of June 15, 2021 on the Budget.
- 2021-197 Resolution authorizing an award of contract for software required for the renewal and maintenance of time clocks and attendance equipment with Visual Computer Solutions, Inc. for a one-year period at a rate not to exceed \$53,125.00.
- 2021-198 Resolution authorizing the execution of a reimbursement agreement with Ace Pluss, LLC.
- 2021-199 Resolution authorizing the City of Linden Tax Collector to prepare and mail estimated tax bills in accordance with P.L. 1994, C 72.
- 2021-200 Resolution establishing the current fund operating budget for the period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- 2021-201 Resolution to establish the Sanitary Landfill Utility operating budget for the period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2021.
- 2021-202 Resolution authorizing the cancelation of tax sale certificate premium monies on, block 8 lot 25 in the amount of \$9,500.00. (402 North Park Avenue)
- 2021-203 Resolution authorizing the cancelation of tax sale certificate premium monies, on block 439 lot 20 in the amount of \$70,000.00. (606 Commerce Road)
- 2021-204 Resolution amending resolution 2021-160 authorizing a shared services agreement with the Township of Woodbridge for a Certified Health Officer (amending the cost of services from \$20,000 to \$24,000).
- 2021-205 Resolution appointing Hoplite Communications as consultant to the City of Linden, at no cost to the City, regarding the City of Linden's communication carriers.

- 2021-206 Resolution supporting the 2021 National Click It or Ticket 2021 enforcement campaign.
- 2021-207 Resolution authorizing the Execution of a Dual Stream Recyclables agreement with Bayshore, with a cost of handling the processing of commingled, not to exceed \$112,000.00
- 2021-208 Resolution authorizing the execution of a pole attachment agreement with Verizon to allow placement of security cameras on their utility poles.
- 2021-209 Resolution for the use of State Contract No. A91341 for the provision of an E-Ticketing Turnkey Systems from Gold Type Business Machines for the Police Department in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.
- 2021-210 Resolution waiving fees for a community wide garage sale to be held in the Sixth Ward on June 12, 2021, with a rain date of June 13, 2021.
- 2021-211 Resolution approving a contract, at a fee not to exceed \$10,000.00, to Key-Tech Laboratories for testing and inspection of materials for annual construction projects.
- 2021-212 Resolution authorizing the redevelopment agreement between the City of Linden and Centerpoint Linden Plaza Urban Renewal LLC for property identified on the Official Tax Map of the City of Linden Block 580, Lots 13 and 14 and Block 253, Lots 40 and 41.
- 2021-213 Resolution amending Resolution 2021-46, awarding a contract to Communities in Cooperation, Inc., an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 for a total value, inclusive of the amendment, of \$30,000.00.
- 2021-214 Resolution authorizing the Linden Baseball Association to place Banners on the varsity field fences.
- 2021-215 Resolution waiving fees for a community wide garage sale to be held in the Ninth and Tenth Wards on June 5, 2021 and June 6, 2021.
- 2021-216 Resolution urging support of A-5450/S-3827 clarifying telecommunications industry corporate tax responsibilities to municipalities

#### **ORDINANCE ON INTRODUCTION**

- #65-25 An ordinance to provide for the amendment of Chapter 31 Zoning Regulations of the revised general ordinances of the City of Linden with the addition of a new section entitled "Telecommunications Facilities in the Public "Right-of-Way."
- #65-26 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-4
- 65-27 Ordinance approving the application for a long-term tax exemption and authorizing the City of Linden to enter into a financial agreement with Centerpoint Linden Plaza Urban Renewal, LLC for property identified on the official tax Map of the City of Linden as Block 580, Lots 13 and 14.

#### **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.**



**COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

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