

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

June 15, 2021

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SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

2021 Budget Hearing
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ORDINANCE ON HEARING

- #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.

CONSENT AGENDA

(***) **Tax Collector:**
(1) Advising the following monies were collected and turned over to the Municipal Treasurer

2021 Taxes	\$21,298,069.64
2020 Taxes	\$224,185.46
2019 Taxes	\$3.20
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	\$4,106.90
Returned Check Fee Paid	\$80.00
Returned Sewer Clean out	(\$0.00)
Returned Sewer Interest	(\$0.00)
Returned Check 2020	(\$0.00)
Returned Check 2021	(\$10734.03)
Returned Check Interest	(\$18.80)
Returned Online 2020 Taxes	(\$0.00)
Returned Online 2021 Taxes	(\$24,778.66)
Returned Online Interest	(\$0.00)
Adv. Before Tax Sale	\$0.00
Premium	\$0.00
Sewer Clean out charge	\$200.00
DPW Reso payments	\$1,300.00
Interest	\$33,933.97
Total	\$21,526,347.68

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

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Cert#</u>	<u>Premium</u>
2	6	5/26/2021	18-00001	\$26,200.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$26,200.00 payable to: Fedigan, LLC, 474 Mary Allen Way, Mountainside, NJ 07092, 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 blocks & lots.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>Cert#</u>	<u>Premium</u>
8	14	5/12/2021	18-00011	\$1,400.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 1,400.00 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 refunds of the premiums paid at the 2020 tax sale on the following block & lot.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>CTF#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
10	2	5/21/2021	19-00006	\$1,600.00
64	4	6/2/2021	19-00025	\$2,100.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 3,700.00 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 block & lot.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>CTF#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
114	14	5/21/2021	19-00048	\$1,500.00
120	2	5/21/2021	19-00052	\$1,200.00
163	28	5/26/2021	19-00074	\$1,500.00
169	8	5/25/2021	19-00077	\$2,600.00
421	32	5/25/2021	19-00141	\$1,500.00
425	12	5/21/2021	19-00142	\$1,500.00
490	7	5/21/2021	19-00165	\$1,500.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$11,300.00 payable to Trystone Capital Assets, LLC, 1608 Rt. 88, Suite #-330, 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.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>CTF#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
128	9	5/21/2021	19-00054	\$21,300.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$ 21,300.00 payable to 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 2018 tax sale on the following blocks & lots.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>CTF#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
281	4	6/1/2021	17-00214	\$21,700.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount \$21,700.00 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 blocks & lots.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>CTF#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
446	7.01	5/28/2021	19-00146	\$200.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount \$200.00 payable to: AGPS Investments, LLC, P.O. Box 2111, 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 blocks & lots.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>CTF#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
538	18	5/21/2021	18-00229	\$16,200.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount \$16,200.00 payable to: D1Solftball, 20 Glenside Drive, Montclair, NJ 07043, 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.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>CTF#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
144	14	5/27/2021	19-00060	\$1,200.00
154	2	5/21/2021	19-00069	\$700.00
457	23.01	6/2/2021	19-00150	\$1,100.00
467	3	5/21/2021	19-00154	\$700.00
524	80	5/21/2021	19-00168	\$800.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount \$4,500.00 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 2019 tax sale on the following block & lot.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Redemption Date</u>	<u>CTF#</u>	<u>Amount</u>
132	17	5/21/2021	18-00076	\$14,300.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$14,300.00 payable to: Phoenix Funding, Inc, 1148 Springfield Road, Mountainside, NJ 07092 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
118	4	5/21/2021	18-00059	\$3,500.00
148	9	5/21/2021	19-00065	\$1,500.00
444	6	5/26/2021	18-00192	\$2,000.00

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$7,000.00 payable to Greymorr, LLC, BMO 85, P.O. Box 1414, Minneapolis, MN 55480, charging same to account # 1-01-55-276-999-956.

Tax Court Judgement Block 60 Lot 8.02, 10 St. Marks, LLC - 10 St. Marks Street
Tax Court Docket #-010501-2015, 009073-2019 & 010155-2020

The above referenced property owners are entitled to a refund due to a Tax Court of New Jersey judgment reducing the assessment by 10,000 for 2015, 20,000 for 2019 & 25,000 for 2020.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount \$3,733.50 payable to: McKirdy, Riskin, Olson & Della Pelle C/O 10 St. Marks LLC, 201 Littleton Road, Suite #-135, Morris Plains, NJ 07950 charging same to account #1-01-55-275-999-000.

Overpayment Block 153 Lot 3, Monique Holland aka Monique Barkley
905 Bower Street - 2021 overpayment

The above referenced owners Mortgage Company has paid the 2020 4th quarter property taxes as well the title agency, which has created this overpayment and the owner, is entitled a refund for \$2,299.97.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount \$2,299.97 payable to: Monique Barkley, 905 Bower Street, Linden, NJ 07036 charging same to # 1-01-55-288-999-904.

Overpayment Block 144 Lot 6, Erik & Tracey Erath
715-717 E. Elizabeth Avenue, 2021 2nd quarter

The above referenced owner's Mortgage Company and the Title Agency have paid the 2021 2nd quarter property taxes creating this overpayment and the Title Agency is entitled a refund in the amount \$3,589.05.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check in the amount \$3,589.05; payable to: Omega Settlement Services, Inc., 4 Franklin Avenue, Suite #-3, Ridgewood, NJ 07450 charging same to # 1-01-55-288-999-904.

(*) Personnel Department:**

(2) Advising that the following City employee has filed for retirement:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
Fire Dept.	Richard Bornstad	Fire Captain	July 1, 2021

(*) Personnel Department:**

(3) Approving the payment of Medicare Reimbursements Chapters 88, 54 & 436 to retired employees for their Part B and Part D coverage in a total amount of \$347,528.86.

(*) Municipal Treasurer:**

(4) Requesting approval of the following reimbursements:

Service date of 10/2/2019

Subrogation Payment Processing Center is entitled to a refund in the amount of \$438.00 for service that was provided on 10/2/2019.

Therefore, it would be in order for the council to authorize the treasurer to issue a check payable to: Subrogation Payment Processing Center, 24344 Network Place, Chicago, IL 60673-1243, charging same to 1-01-08-629-011.

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(5) STREET CLOSURE REQUEST - DOLORES JOSEPH & EDME ST. PIERRE:

Requesting approval to close Harrison Place between E. Elm Street and Blancke Street on July 4, 2021 to hold a Block Party Social Event. The application has been approved by the Police Chief and the Certificate of Liability Insurance has been received and approved by the Municipal Attorney.

(***) **STREET CLOSURE REQUEST – John Wright**

- (6)** Requesting approval to close the 100 Block of West Morris Avenue, on Saturday, August 21, 2021 from 2:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. for a Sixth Ward Block Party. The approval is contingent upon meeting all the requirements of the Ordinance, including, but not limited to submission of an application, approval of the Chief of Police, submission of a Certificate of Liability Insurance, approval of the Municipal Attorney, and sign-off by the neighbors.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY

MAYOR'S REPORT

RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 2021-217 Resolution approving a contract with Taser International (Axon Enterprise, Inc.) for the purchase of maintenance and storage for the Linden Policed Department Body Worn Camera system in an amount not to exceed \$192,244.00.
- 2021-218 Resolution authorizing the foreclosure of City tax title liens. (Linden Chlorine site, liens held by Cherokee LCP Land LLC)
- 2021-219 Resolution combining bonds aggregating the principal sum of \$10,721,000.00, authorized by fifty-two bound ordinances heretofore adopted to finance part of the cost of various general improvement into one consolidated issue of bonds and providing for the form, maturities and other details of said consolidated issues.
- 2021-220 Resolution ratifying certain payments made by the Municipal Treasurer during the month of May 2021 which do not appear on the Claims list.
- 2021-221 Resolution establishing the current fund operating budget for the period of January 1, 2021 through July 31, 2021 in the sum of \$57,358,195.24.
- 2021-222 Resolution establishing the sanitary landfill utility operating budget for the period of January 1, 2021 through July 31, 2021 in a sum not to exceed \$58,158.33.1
- 2021-223 Resolution releasing the Performance Guarantee and safety and stabilization maintenance bond for DC Hospitality Group, LLC, and requiring a maintenance a two-year bond.
- 2021-224 Resolution authorizing the execution of a memorandum of understanding with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey for use of the City of Linden's firearms range.
- 2021-225 Resolution declaring the month of June 2021 as LGBTQ month in the City of Linden.
- 2021-226 Resolution waiving fees and granting approval, retroactively for a community wide garage sale to held in the Fourth Ward on June 12, 2021 and June 13, 2021 with a rain date of June 19, 2021 and June 20, 2021.
- 2021-227 Resolution authorizing an interlocal services agreement with the Borough of Roselle for the resurfacing of North Wood Avenue at an estimated value of \$114,512.40 with Roselle reimbursing the City 47% of the cost.

- 2021-228 Resolution for the purchase of one 2021 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD from Winner Ford for the Fire Department under State Contract No. 20-FLEEt-01189 at a value not to exceed \$31,133.00
- 2021-229 Resolution for the purchase of 2022 Ford F250 Crew Cab 4x4 pickup from Ditschman Flemington Ford through the Morris County Co-op for the Fire Department at a value not to exceed \$38,748.00.
- 2021-230 Resolution for roof restorations at John T. Gregorio Center from WTI Tremco through ESCNJ co-op in an amount not to exceed \$299,990.54.
- 2021-231 Resolution authorizing an award of contract for an upgrade to the City of Linden's Time and Attendance Equipment to Visual Computer Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.
- 2021-232 Resolution to award a contract to Montana Construction Corp., Inc., for sanitary sewer reconstruction, on Maple Avenue between East Henry St and Middlesex St. at cost not to exceed \$28,500.00.
- 2021-233 Resolution approving the submission of a grant application with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the City of Linden Transit-Orientated Development Beautification Project.
- 2021-234 Resolution authorizing a shared services agreement with the Township of Woodbridge for a Fire Sub-Code Official, for a period of three months at a fee not to exceed \$40,000.00.
- 2021-235 Resolution authorizing an amendment to the original site license agreement City of Linden and original power purchase agreement executed in connection with the Union County Improvement Authority's 2011 renewable energy program.
- 2021-236 Resolution engaging Muller Bohlin Associates, Inc., to provide Grant Writing Services relative to Urban Parks and Green Acres in 2021 and to assist in applying for the Transit Village Grant at a fee not to exceed \$20,000.00.
- 2021-237 Resolution authorizing a shared services agreement with the Linden Roselle Sewerage Authority for a purchasing agent. The Authority shall pay the City 20% of the salary of the individual assigned, and the City will provide the services for up to 50 hours per month.
- 2021-238 Resolution supporting Union County traffic safety upgrades on Raritan Road
- 2021-239 Resolution authorizing the execution of a pole attachment agreement with PSE&G to allow placement of security cameras on their utility poles.
- 2021-240 Resolution accepting grant funding from the Safe and Secure Communities Grant to support the salaries of Linden Police in the amount of \$32,400.00.
- 2021-241 Resolution accepting monetary a monetary donation from Columbia Bank to the Linden Police Department in support of the Departments 2021 Youth Academy in the amount of \$5,000.00.
- 2021-242 Resolution authorizing the execution of an Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Services Agreement with Equifax Workforce Solutions (previously known at Talx Corporation) for a three-year period commencing July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$3,000.00 per year to provide unemployment insurance tax control and consultant services.

2021-243 Resolution referring to the Planning Board for review and comment an amended redevelopment plan entitles “Redevelopment Plan Block 339, Lot 5 (Former D’S Dugout),” dated October 19, 2020, pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION

65-28 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-5

65-29 An ordinance to amend and supplement Chapter VII, Traffic of an ordinance entitled, “An ordinance adopting and enacting the revised general ordinances of the City of Linden, 1999,” passed November 23, 1999 and approved November 24, 1999, and as amended and supplemented

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

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

Chapter VII, Traffic

7-33 HANDICAPPED PARKING REGULATIONS

7-33.1A Handicapped Parking On-Street

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Spaces</u>	<u>No. of Location</u>
ADD:		
215 Madison Street	1	On the southeasterly sideline of Madison Street, 214 feet more or less northeasterly from the projection of the northeasterly curblineline of Parkway Avenue in front of 215 Madison Street for a length of 22 feet. 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.
DELETE:		
515 East Blancke Street	1	On the northwesterly sideline of East Blancke Street, 108 feet more or less northeasterly from the projection of the northeasterly curblineline of Maple Avenue, in front of 515 East Blancke Street for a length of 22 feet. The aforesaid space is specifically reserved and designated for a vehicle for Colleen Krason identified by license plate number and a 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.

65-30 An ordinance creating a new chapter entitled “Licensing of Jitneys.”
 ADD:
 Chapter 4-42 Licensing of Jitneys

65-33 **An ordinance to amend and supplement Chapter VII, Traffic of an ordinance entitled, “An ordinance adopting and enacting the revised general ordinances of the City of Linden, 1999,” passed November 23, 1999 and approved November 24, 1999, and as amended and supplemented**
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINDEN:

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

Chapter VII, Traffic

7-15 PARKING BY PERMIT ONLY IN DESIGNATED RESIDENTIAL AREAS

7-15.7 RESIDENTIAL OVERNIGHT PARKING PERMIT

ADD:

c. North Park Ave area

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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