

Approved June 11, 2024

Municipal Building
Park Ridge, NJ
May 28, 2024 - 8:00 P.M.

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge was called to order at the above time, place and date.

Council President Ferguson asked William Fenwick to lead everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

Absent: Councilmember Metzdorf, Councilmember Capilli and Mayor Misciagna

Also Present: John Schettino, Borough Attorney
Connie Carpenter, Borough CFO
Magdalena Giandomenico, Borough Clerk

Council President Ferguson Reads Compliance Statement, as required by Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

SUSPEND THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Council President Ferguson calls for a motion to suspend the regular order of business to **present a Ceremonial Proclamation to Celebrate LGBTQ+ Pride Month**

A motion was made by Councilmember Mintz and seconded by Council President Ferguson to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

A CEREMONIAL PROCLAMATION FOR LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS, Park Ridge wishes to honor the history of the LGBTQ liberation movement and to support the rights of all citizens to experience equality and freedom from discrimination; and

WHEREAS, all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. LGBTQ citizens have had immeasurable impact to the cultural, civic and economic successes of our country; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is committed to supporting visibility, dignity and equality for LGBTQ people in our community; and

WHEREAS, while society at large increasingly supports LGBTQ equality, it is essential to acknowledge that the need for education and awareness remains vital to end discrimination and prejudice; and

WHEREAS, this nation was founded on the principle that every individual has infinite dignity and worth, and the Borough of Park Ridge calls upon the people of this municipality to embrace this principle and work to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists; and

WHEREAS, celebrating Pride Month influences awareness and provides support and advocacy for members of the LGBTQ community, and is an opportunity to take action and engage in dialogue to strengthen alliances, build acceptance and advance equal rights.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that I, Keith J. Misciagna, Mayor of the Borough of Park Ridge, on behalf of the Governing Body, hereby proclaims the month of June 2024 as Pride Month in Park Ridge in support of the LGBTQ community.

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Council President Ferguson asks if anyone present wishes to be heard on any matter.

Upon recognition by the Mayor, the person shall proceed to the floor and give his/her name and address in an audible tone of voice for the records. Unless further time is granted by the Council, he/she shall limit his/her statement to five (5) minutes. Statements shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any member thereof. No person, other than the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, without recognition by the Council President.

Speaker: William Fenwick: Mr. Fenwick asked about the RFQ for Prosecutor for the joint court, has our prosecutor resigned or was fired? The Borough Attorney stated that he is resigning so they are looking for a replacement. Mr. Fenwick also asked if the judge was appointed yet? The Borough Attorney stated that he is going through the interview process. Mr. Fenwick stated that on the Montvale Borough website it states that in September the southbound entrance onto the parkway at Exit 172 is going to be closed because the overpass there is going to be completely refurbished, has the Borough received any information about this? The Borough Administrator stated the Borough has not been notified by Montvale or any other agency about this, it is not a Park Ridge Road project. The Borough Engineer stated usually the contractor has to inform the residents. Mr. Fenwick spoke about alternates not being appointed to the planning board.

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-015**

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE CONSTRUCTION OF PICKLEBALL COURTS AT THE MUNICIPAL POOL, IN, BY AND FOR THE SWIM POOL UTILITY OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$155,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS."

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 2024-015 - \$155,000.00 Bond Ordinance to Authorize the Construction of Pickleball Courts at the Municipal Pool, in, by and for the Swim Pool Utility of the Borough of Park Ridge

A motion was made by Councilmember Mintz and seconded by Councilmember Goldsmith to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

Council President Ferguson asks the **Borough Clerk** to read the Ordinance by title.

Borough Clerk: Ordinance No. 2024-015 – A Bond Ordinance to Authorize the Construction of Pickleball Courts at the Municipal Pool, In, By and For the Swim Pool Utility of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, to appropriate the Sum of \$155,000.00, to Pay the Cost Thereof, to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds, to Finance Such Appropriation and to Provide for the Issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes in Anticipation of the Issuance of Such Bonds

Council President Ferguson asks the **Borough CFO** to give a brief description of this Ordinance.

Borough CFO: This is for the construction of pickleball courts at the Park Ridge Municipal Pool in, by and for the Swim Pool Utility of the Borough, self-paying, the pool will pay itself back with its funds.

Council President Ferguson asks if anyone wishes to be heard concerning the introduction of this Ordinance.

Speaker:

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to pass this Ordinance on the first reading by title and it be published in full in The Record with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on June 11, 2024.

A motion was made by Councilmember Goldsmith and seconded by Councilmember Mintz to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

BE IT RESOLVED that the ordinance entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE CONSTRUCTION OF PICKLEBALL COURTS AT THE MUNICIPAL POOL IN, BY AND FOR THE SWIM POOL UTILITY OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$155,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS."

heretofore introduced, does now pass on first reading, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 11th day of June, 2024, at 8:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at the regular meeting place of the Borough Council, and that at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, and that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance according to law with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of the time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-014**

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$3,275,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 2024-014 - \$3,275,000.00 Bond Ordinance to Authorize the Making of Various Public Improvements and the Acquisition of New Additional or Replacement Equipment in, by and for the Borough of Park Ridge and to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds to Finance Such Appropriation

A motion was made by Councilmember Mintz and seconded by Councilmember Goldsmith to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

Council President Ferguson asks the **Borough Clerk** to read the Ordinance by title.

Borough Clerk: Ordinance No. 2024-014 – A Bond Ordinance to Authorize the Making of Various Public Improvements and the Acquisition of New Additional or Replacement Equipment and Machinery, New Communication and Signal Systems Equipment, New Information Technology Equipment, and New Automotive Vehicles, Including Original Apparatus and Equipment, in, by and for the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, to appropriate the Sum of \$3,275,000.00, to Pay the Cost Thereof, to Make a Down Payment, to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds, to Finance Such Appropriation and to Provide for the Issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes in Anticipation of the Issuance of Such Bonds

Council President Ferguson asks the **Borough CFO** to give a brief description of this Ordinance.

Borough CFO: This is for various capital improvements within the Borough departments that was approved with the Municipal Budget adoption.

Council President Ferguson asks if anyone wishes to be heard concerning the introduction of this Ordinance.

Speaker:

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to pass this Ordinance on the first reading by title and it be published in full in The Record with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on June 11, 2024.

A motion was made by Councilmember Goldsmith and seconded by Councilmember Mintz to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

BE IT RESOLVED that the ordinance entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$3,275,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS."

heretofore introduced, does now pass on first reading, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 11th day of June, 2024, at 8:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at the regular meeting place of the Borough Council, and that at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, and that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance according to law with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of the time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-013**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 80 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE ENTITLED “PROPERTY MAINTENANCE”.

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2024-013 – An Ordinance Amending & Supplementing Chapter 80 of the Code of the Borough Entitled: “Property Maintenance”

A motion was made by Councilmember Mintz and seconded by Councilmember Goldsmith to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

Council President Ferguson asks the **Borough Clerk** to read the Ordinance by title.

Borough Clerk: Ordinance No. 2024-013, An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 80 of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge Entitled: “Property Maintenance”

Council President Ferguson asks the **Borough Engineer** to give a brief description of this Ordinance.

Borough Engineer: It is a new ordinance that we are required to adopt per NJDEP.

Council President Ferguson asks if anyone wishes to be heard concerning the introduction of this Ordinance.

Speaker: Mr. Fenwick: Has Quackenbush lumber be informed by this? The Borough Engineer stated that those are covered bags and there is no run off, this is not geared towards a hardware store.

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to pass this Ordinance on the first reading by title and it be published in full in The Bergen Record with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on June 11, 2024

A motion was made by Councilmember Mintz and seconded by Councilmember Goldsmith to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

ORDINANCES – PUBLIC HEARING

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-012**

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$200,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 2024-012, A \$200,000.00 Bond Ordinance to Authorize the Making of Various Public Improvements in, by and for the Water Utility of the Borough of Park Ridge and to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds to Finance Such Appropriation

A motion was made by Councilmember Goldsmith and seconded by Councilmember Mintz to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

Council President Ferguson asks the **Borough Clerk** to read the Ordinance by title.

Borough Clerk: Ordinance No. 2024-012 – A Bond Ordinance to Authorize the Making of Various Public Improvements, in, by and for the Water Utility of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, to Appropriate the Sum of \$200,000.00, to Pay the Cost Thereof, to Authorize the Issuance of Bonds, to Finance Such Appropriation and to Provide for the Issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes in Anticipation of the Issuance of Such Bonds

Council President Ferguson asks the **CFO** to give a brief description of this Ordinance.

Connie Carpenter: This is a bond ordinance to account and supplement funding for funding for the undertaking of Phases 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the engineering services for the installation of water treatment systems for Well Nos. 11, 12, 14 and 18 to add funds to a previous bond.

Council President Ferguson asks if anyone wishes to be heard concerning the adoption of this Ordinance.

Speaker:

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to close the Public Hearing on this Ordinance and that it be adopted with notice of final passage to be published in The Bergen Record.

A motion was made by Councilmember Mintz and seconded by Councilmember Goldsmith to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

CONSENT AGENDA:

Council President Ferguson asks if any Councilmember would like to abstain from voting on any Resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda (with the abstentions so noted).

A motion was made by Councilmember Mintz and seconded by Councilmember Goldsmith to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz, and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

RESOLUTIONS:

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-184**

AUTHORIZE 2ND QTR. TAX PAYMENT REFUND

WHEREAS, as a result of a mistakenly withdrawing tax funds from a previous owner’s bank account that had been enrolled in our automatic payment processing, in accordance to R.S. 54:4-21; there is a refund of taxes on Block 1402 Lot 2 Qualifier C1205, also known as 205 North Maple Avenue in Park Ridge, due to the previous owner; and,

WHEREAS, Dana Catanese has requested a refund of the payment in the amount of \$1,488.99.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Borough Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to return the following second quarter 2024 tax payment:

B 1402/L 2 (C0205)	Dana Catanese	\$1,488.99
	7 Oakland Drive	
	Montvale, NJ 07645	

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-185**

AUTHORIZE TAX OVERPAYMENT REFUND

WHEREAS, Mr. O’Hara, the owner of record for Block 1504, Lot 4, also known as 16 Storms Avenue, Park Ridge, NJ 07656, has been declared 100% Disabled Veteran Status by the State of New Jersey and the Borough of Park Ridge Assessor and he is totally exempt from paying property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the above-mentioned owner’s mortgage company has continued to make payments towards his property taxes in the amount of \$9,870.33 and this has resulted in an overpayment of taxes on his account in accordance to R.S. 54:4-21;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey, that the Director of Finance/CFO refund the total amount of \$9,870.33 to Mr. O’Hara.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-186**

AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL LIFEGUARDS

WHEREAS, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Park Ridge Swimming Pool Commission was authorized to hire at the subscribe rates of pay, to pool staff in order to operate the Park Ridge Swimming Pool for the 2024 season by way of Resolution No. 024-163; and

BE IT RESOLVED, the Park Ridge Swimming Pool Commission is recommending stipends for the following pool employees enumerated below; and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Park Ridge Swimming Pool Commission is hereby authorized to administer the stipends for the following pool employees:

Joseph Lopes	Lifeguard	\$ 15.15/Hr.
Shannon Nelson	Lifeguard	\$ 15.15/Hr.
Brenna Bane	Lifeguard	\$ 15.15/Hr.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-187**

**ANNUAL APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVES TO
BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REGIONAL COMMITTEES
PY 2024-2025 Covering Period July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025**

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Park Ridge has entered into a three-year Cooperative Agreement with the County of Bergen as provided under the Interlocal Services Act N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. and Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and

WHEREAS, said Agreement requires that the Municipal Council appoint a representative and alternate and that the Mayor appoint a representative and alternate for the PY 2024-2025 term starting July 1, 2024, and ending on June 30, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey, that it hereby appoints Magdalena Giandomenico as its representative and Connie Carpenter as its alternate and that the Mayor hereby appoints Michael Mintz as his representative and John Ferguson as alternate to serve on the Community Development Regional Committee for PY 2024-2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an original, certified copy of this resolution be immediately emailed and sent via postage to Robert G. Esposito, Director; Bergen County Division of Community Development; One Bergen County Plaza, Fourth Floor; Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 - resposito@co.bergen.nj.us **as soon as possible and no later than Monday, July 1, 2024.**

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-188**

**REJECTING BIDS RECEIVED FOR WELL DRILLING AND
REDEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, the Borough of Park Ridge received bids for– Well Drilling and Redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received from A.C. Schultes, Inc in the amount of \$405,000; and

WHEREAS, all eligible bids were higher than the price estimated for the completion of the project; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2* permits a contracting unit to reject all bids if the lowest bid substantially exceeds the cost estimates for the good or services or if the lowest bid substantially exceeds the contracting unit's appropriate for the goods or services; and

WHEREAS, Qualified Purchasing Agent recommends that the bid be rejected as exceeding initial estimates; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey that the bids received for Well Drilling and Redevelopment are hereby rejected, in accordance with the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2(a) and (b)*; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the above listed bid for Well Drilling and Redevelopment is hereby rejected.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-189**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF FURNISHING AND
DELIVERY OF ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION MATERIALS**

WHEREAS, there is a need for the furnishing and delivery of electric distribution materials; and

WHEREAS, as the cost for the distribution materials would exceed the bid threshold the Borough sought bids for the project entitled "BID: FURNISHING AND DELIVERY OF ELECTRIC DISTRIBUTION MATERIALS" and sealed bids were advertised to be received on April 10, 2024, at 1:00pm. and second time on May 9, 2024 at 1:00pm in accordance with the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, bids have been advertised pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1971, c.198 (C.40A:11-4) and on two occasions and no bids have been received on both occasions in response to the advertisement; and

WHEREAS, reasonable effort was made by the Borough to determine that the same or equivalent goods or services, at a cost which is lower than the negotiated price, are not available from an agency or authority of the United States, the State of New Jersey or of the county in which the contracting unit is located, or any municipality in close proximity to the contracting unit; and

WHEREAS, the Borough sought pricing and has determined WESCO as being the most cost-effective provider of furnishing and delivery of electric distribution materials for the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et. seq. the Borough may contract for such necessary delivery and furnishing by resolution having identifying that the same or equivalent goods or services, at a cost which is lower than the negotiated price from an agency or authority of the United States, the State of New Jersey or of the county in which the contracting unit is located, or any municipality in close proximity to the contracting unit and no bids were received on both occasions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge Bergen County, New Jersey, that the Borough is hereby authorized to sign and issue purchase orders for the furnishing and delivery of electric distribution materials services identified herein for the sum not to exceed \$120,000.00, payable to WESCO.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-190**

**AUTHORIZE RECEIPT OF SEALED BIDS WELL DRILLING
AND REDEVELOPMENT SERVICE**

WHEREAS, the Water Department needs to hire a contractor to perform well drilling and redevelopment services at several ground water supply wells; and

WHEREAS, over a one (1) year period, the anticipated total expenditures for said services are over \$44,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of New Jersey Statute 40A:11-4 requires the public advertising for bids when anticipated annual expenditures are over \$44,000.00;

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works, Borough of Park Ridge, in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey, that it recommends to the Mayor and Council to authorize for the receipt of sealed bids for well drilling and redevelopment services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey authorize for the receipt of sealed bids for well drilling and redevelopment services.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-191**

**AUTHORIZING THE AMENDMENT H2M PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
PERMANENT PFAS TREATMENT SERVICES**

WHEREAS, H2M Professional services proposal for Well 20 dated, March 14, 2023 was \$246,200.00; and

WHEREAS, due to the NJDEP now requiring all PFAS treatment systems to seek a NJDEP Treatment Works Approval (TWA) for the discharge of backwash wash to the sanitary collection system additional detailed design and permitting services are needed to fulfill the added requirement; and

WHEREAS, H2M submitted an updated services proposal for Well 20 in the amount of \$319,600.00; and

WHEREAS, that the Director of Operations agrees with the amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the funds are available in Borough of Park Ridge Account No. 06-2150-55-2311-004.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, the amendment to the H2M professional services for Well 20 dated April 16, 2024, in the amount of \$319,600.00, is hereby authorized and the Borough's Director of Operations is authorized and directed to execute New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) TWA Permit Application and the NJDEP Statement of Consent for the Well 20 PFAS Treatment Project.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-192**

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING A FORM REQUIRED TO BE USED FOR THE FILING OF
NOTICES OF TORT CLAIMS AGAINST THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE
NEW JERSEY TORT CLAIMS ACT, N.J.S.A. 59:8-6.**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A.. 59:8-6, provides that a public entity may adopt a form to be completed by claimants seeking to file a Notice of Tort Claim against the public entity; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge is a public entity covered by the provisions of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge deems it advisable, necessary, and in the public interests to adopt a Notice of Tort Claim form in the form attached hereto and made a part hereof.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, assembled in public session the 28 day of May, 2024, that the attached Notice of Tort Claim form be and hereby is adopted as the official Notice of Tort Claim form for the Borough of Park Ridge; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all persons making claims against the Borough of Park Ridge, pursuant to the New Jersey Tort Claims Act, N.J.S.A. 59:8-1, et. seq., be required to complete the form herein adopted as a condition of compliance with the notice requirement of the New Jersey Tort Claims Act.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-193**

AUTHORIZE REFUNDS OF POOL REGISTRATIONS

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge Municipal Pool processes registrations for the 2024 pool season through Community Pass; and

WHEREAS, payments for registration are typically made using credit cards and e-checks through the Community Pass website; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Borough to issue refunds by check; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the funds available in Borough of Park Ridge Account No. 09-2010-55-5022-299

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Borough Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund a total of \$49.00 according to the list below:

NAME	ADDRESS	AMOUNT
Warren Gordon	117 Gelnaw Lane Montvale, NJ 07645	\$ 49.00
Steven Ozer	31 Contempra Circle Tappan, NY 10983	\$ 49.00
Aydogan Cicek	19 Dalewood Road Clifton, NJ 07013	\$525.00

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-194**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF REMAINING 2024 PROPERTY
TAXES - BOROUGH OWNED PROPERTY**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge has acquired Block 608,
Lots 15 & 37, commonly known as North Fifth Street; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge is exempt from paying property taxes; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough
of Park Ridge that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the remaining
2024 property taxes for North Fifth Street,
Block 608, Lots 15 & 37.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-195**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE KOOPERS FOR POLES
THROUGH THE
SOURCEWELL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING CONTRACT
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10
SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #121218**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge Electric Departments need to replace utility
poles. The Park Ridge Electric utility needs to proceed with the purchase of twenty 45/2 utility
poles through the Sourcewell Cooperative pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:1 1-10 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7
from Wesco/Anixter; and

WHEREAS, as per N.J.S.A 52:34-6-2(b)(3) the items were advertised in the Bergen
Record for ten calendar days; and

WHEREAS, the budget pricing for said twenty said utility poles is
\$15, 980.00 and the Chief Financial Officer has certified the funds from account 07-2010-55-
5122-008; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough
of Park Ridge, Bergen County, New Jersey that they authorize the purchase of twenty 45/2 utility
poles the Sourcewell Cooperative pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:1 1-10 and N.J.A.C. 5:34 from
Wesco/Anixter at a cost of \$15,980.00.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-196**

ESTIMATED THIRD QUARTER 2024 TAX BILL

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge desire to provide a mechanism whereby the Borough's cash flow will not be adversely affected should the delay in the adoption of any budget, or the certification of any required information necessary for the issuance of tax bills extend beyond a reasonable time;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge as follows:

1. The Estimated August 2024, Third Quarter Tax Bill be issued with an estimated tax rate of \$3.252 per \$100.00 of assessed valuation.
2. That taxpayers, banks, and mortgage companies be permitted to pay estimated taxes on or before August 10, 2024, at 0% interest, after which interest at the rate of 8% per annum on amounts up to \$1,500 of delinquency and 18% per annum on amounts over \$1,500 of delinquency shall be charged from August 1, 2024.
3. That the reconciled November 2024 Fourth Quarter Taxes are due and payable as originally scheduled on November 1, 2024, with a ten-day grace period, interest to be calculated as of November 1, 2024 if not paid prior to the expiration of said grace period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk forward one certified copy of this resolution to the Tax Collector for the purpose of preparing, printing, and mailing the Estimated Third Quarter Tax Bill.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-197**

PAYMENT OF BILLS - UTILITY

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that they are in receipt of the following Board of Public Works Utility bills in the sum of \$328,513.58 (incorporated in bill list dated May 14, 2024) which was previously approved and authorized for payment by the Board of Public Works Chief Financial Officer and have been approved and authorized for payment and that the Mayor, Borough Clerk and Borough Treasurer are, hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants in payment of same.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-198**

PAYMENT OF BILLS - BOROUGH

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following bills in the sum of \$276,360.94 (bill list dated June 24, 2024) have been approved and authorized for payment and that the Mayor, Borough Clerk and Borough Treasurer are, hereby authorized and directed to issue warrants in payment of same.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-199**

BE IT RESOLVED that the ordinance entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$3,275,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS."

heretofore introduced, does now pass on first reading, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 11th day of June, 2024, at 8:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at the regular meeting place of the Borough Council, and that at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, and that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance according to law with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of the time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-200**

BE IT RESOLVED that the ordinance entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE CONSTRUCTION OF PICKLEBALL COURTS AT THE MUNICIPAL POOL IN, BY AND FOR THE SWIM POOL UTILITY OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$155,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS."

heretofore introduced, does now pass on first reading, and that said ordinance be further considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on the 25th day of June, 2024, at 8:00 P.M., or as soon

thereafter as the matter can be reached, at the regular meeting place of the Borough Council, and that at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, and that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance according to law with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of the time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-201**

**EXTENSION OF LICENSE
0247-33-005-006 WILLIAM STRASSER**

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for an extension of license of Plenary Retail Consumption License 0247-33-005-006, for the purpose of extending the license to William I. Strasser, Esq., the Executor or Administrator of the Estate of Angelo Colella, Deceased; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, Bergen County, NJ does hereby approve, effective May 28, 2024, the extension of license of Plenary Retail Consumption License 0247-33-005-006 to William I. Strasser, Esq., the Executor or Administrator of the Estate of Angelo Colella, Deceased, premises located at 103 Spring Valley Road, Park Ridge, NJ 07656.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-202**

**RESOLUTION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS
2024 Roadway Improvements (Municipally-Funded)**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, Bergen County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of John J. Dunlea, P.E. of Neglia Group on behalf of the Borough Engineer that the plans & specifications for:

**2024 Roadway Improvements (Municipally-Funded)
BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Are hereby approved and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for bids. This Resolution to take effect immediately.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 024-203**

**PERSON-TO-PERSON and PLACE-TO-PLACE TRANSFER INCLUDING
EXPANSION OF PREMISES OF
LIQUOR LICENSE 0247-33-005-006
ANDOVI, INC.**

WHEREAS, an application has been filed by Andovi, Inc, with premises located at 103 Spring Valley Road, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 for a Person-to-Person transfer and Place-to-Place transfer including expansion of premises of Plenary Retail Consumption License 0247-33-005-006, heretofore issued to Silver Fountain Inc., with a mailing address of 103 Spring Valley Road, Park Ridge, NJ 07656; and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all aspects, the transfer fees have been paid, and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term; and

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 36 of the New Jersey Statutes, regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances and conditions consistent with Title 33; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed and the police department reviewed the source of all funds used in the purchase of the license and the licensed business and all additional financing obtained in connection with the licensed business; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge does hereby approve, effective May 28, 2024, the Person-to-Person and Place-to-Place transfer including expansion of premises of Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0247-33-005-006 to Andovi, Inc., with a mailing address of 549 Wittich Terrace, River Vale, NJ 07675; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to endorse the license certificate as follows: “This license, hereafter license number 0247-33-005-006, subject to all its terms and conditions, is hereby transferred to Andovi, Inc., with a mailing address of 549 Wittich Terrace, River Vale, NJ 07675 for premises located at 103 Spring Valley Road, Park Ridge, NJ 07656, effective May 28, 2024.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to notify the ABC and the applicant of the approval of the person to person transfer and a place-to-place transfer including expansion of premises from Silver Fountain Inc., and to Andovi, Inc.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council President Ferguson asks for a motion to approve the Minutes as follows:

Public Session Minutes Dated May 14, 2024

A motion was made by Councilmember Mintz and seconded by Councilmember Goldsmith to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Metzdorf, Councilmember Goldsmith, , Councilmember Mintz and Council President Ferguson

NEW BUISNESS

A motion was made by Councilmember Hoffman to appoint Peter Montebano to the Planning Board Alternat 2 spot and seconded by Councilmember Goldsmith to confirm.

AYE: Councilmember Hoffman and Councilmember Goldsmith

NAY: Councilmember Mintz and Council President Ferguson

ABSENT: Councilmember Metzdorf and Councilmember Capilli

Motion fails.

Councilmember Hoffman: First just want to start off by saying that this was such a great weekend for Park Ridge and the in the preceding week starting with last week troop 80 had a Luminaire event, where we had little bags decorated in honor of those who have fallen in service of their country. It was a nice event, a nice little ceremony, and it was well attended to and I thank the Boy Scouts for doing it. We just had Memorial Day and I want to big thank big thank you to the American Legion, our police, our fire and all our First Responders who were there for the ceremony. In the morning the fire department came and raised this big American flag. It was an important ceremony very solemn day, and I want to thank all those people for what they did. Big thank you as well to the were the committee volunteers who were up bright and early to get the speakers and the microphone out of the basement of Boro Hall and bring it up to Veterans Park and have that set up for the ceremony the parade was amazing uh the weather held out we had a little bit of rain during the ceremony in the morning but otherwise it was a great parade. Another thanks you to the American Legion for the picnic that they host every year, it's a really great event and a great day for the town. Moving forward, our next big event is the town picnic on June 1st this coming Saturday. I hope everyone in town can come. We're going to have a live music, beer garden, we're having food that is going to be provided by Marc and El tahim in town is also going to be selling tacos. It's another one of our big events of the year, it's a great time there's going to be rides face painting. I hope everybody can make it. I don't remember if I spoke at the last meeting about the car show, so just to go over that quickly. In the beginning of May we had our annual car show again, this is a great event. It was pretty well attended by our residents, we had over 110 cars that were registered. It was a fun afternoon

and the rec committee continued to work hard. I can't thank all these volunteers enough because they are volunteers, and they love this town and they put on these events sacrificing their own time to help. June 15th Pop Empanada doing another lobster broil. You can visit the store for more information. We are going to do Chess in the Park, the recreation committee. Visit the borough website for more information. TANS has been continued to talk and good participation by all the members and we are broadening people within the TANNAC community. We have an attorney that has experience with aviation law helping out.

Councilmember Mintz: The pool opened Saturday May 24th and it was successful during the day but towards the end we had some paint coming off from the bottom. The pool has been emptied and it is being power washed so it should be opened for this upcoming weekend.

Councilmember Goldsmith: I would like to thank the Legion and Tri Boro commission, and everyone involved in the Tri-Boro Parade and putting it together it was a great event and response and attendance. The Board of Health is scheduling the annual rabies clinic, November 6th between 6:30 and 8:00 p.m. by the DPW on Sulak will be providing rabies shots to cats and dogs. They are also looking for volunteers to help. We recently lost a member due to other commitments, however, since we have lost one member we are reaching out to the community, if you are interested and have some qualification, please submit your contact information and resume. We have also discussed a pet ordinance issue and I know Councilman Hoffman was active helping providing information about existing communities that have a pet ordinance on the books. This past meeting we agreed on the Montvale and Hillsdale model.

Council President Ferguson: The parade was a great event, it was a lot of fun so many great smiling faces out there, so thank you to the Legion, thank you to the Triboro and the police department, all the fire departments. It was a lot of fun walking up the street, we had some good laughs and the kids' faces with the candy, they now got used to it and come running out for it. The PRAA the fall registration is now open. I would like to thank the whole finance committee, Councilman Mintz and Goldsmith for working on the budget and getting another year of a zero-tax increase for our residents, for the municipal portion. It is hard work and you guys did it, thank you!

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Councilmember Mintz and seconded by Councilmember Hoffman to adjourn the Regular Mayor and Council Meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:34 P.M.

AYES: Councilmember Hoffman, Councilmember Goldsmith, Councilmember Mintz and Council President Ferguson

Respectfully submitted,



Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk