

Approved, September 14, 2021
Municipal Building
Park Ridge, NJ
January 5, 2021 – 6:23 P.M.

A Reorganization 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 Kelly Epstein led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein and Mayor Misciagna

Also Present: Julie Falkenstern, Borough Administrator
Durene Ayer, Chief Financial Officer
Magdalena Giandomenico, Borough Clerk
Lori Woods, Deputy Borough Clerk
Anthony Bocchi, Borough Attorney
Gregory Polyniak, Neglia Engineering
John Dunlea, Neglia Engineering

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Mayor Misciagna reads the Compliance Statement as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

INVOCATION

Mayor Misciagna calls on Reverend Robert T. Ulak of Our Lady of Mercy Church for the Invocation

COUNCILMAN JOHN M. COZZI SWORN IN

Mayor Misciagna advises receipt from the County Board of Elections of a Certificate of Election for **Councilman John M. Cozzi**, said term expiring 12/31/2023.

Honorable Assemblywoman Holly Schepisi administers the Oath of Office and Councilman Cozzi he takes his seat on the Dais.

(Councilman Cozzi is joined at the podium by his wife)

COUNCILMAN WILLIAM R. FENWICK SWORN IN

Mayor Misciagna advises receipt from the County Board of Elections of a certificate of election for **Councilman William R. Fenwick**, said term expiring 12/31/2023.

Honorable Assemblywoman Holly Schepisi administers the Oath of Office and Councilman Fenwick and he takes his seat on the Dais.

(Councilman Fenwick is joined at the podium by his family)

Councilman Fenwick thanks Assemblywoman Holly Schepisi for swearing in both new Councilmen

Assemblywoman Holly Schepisi: It is my pleasure! Happy New Year to the whole Council and thank you for having me here.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk calls the roll as follows:

Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Councilmember Epstein, Mayor Misciagna

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mayor Misciagna asks for nominations for **President of the Council** for the year 2021.

Councilmember Capilli nominates Councilmember Epstein.
Seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf to confirm.

Mayor Misciagna asks if there are any further nominations.

Councilmember Fenwick nominates Councilmember Cozzi
Seconded by Councilmember Cozzi to confirm.

Borough Clerk Magdalena Giandomenico asks for a Roll Call vote for nomination of Councilmember Epstein for Council President:

A motion is made by Councilmember Capilli and seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf

AYES: Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf,
Councilmember Epstein

NAYS: Councilmember Fenwick and Councilmember Cozzi

Borough Clerk Magdalena Giandomenico asks for a Roll Call vote for nomination of Councilmember Cozzi for Council President

A motion is made by Councilmember Fenwick and seconded by Councilmember Cozzi

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick and Councilmember Cozzi

NAYS: Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Councilmember Epstein

Borough Clerk Magdalena Giandomenico advises the Motions to make Councilmember Epstein the Council President passes.

Mayor Misciagna declares Councilmember Kelly Epstein the Council President for the year 2021. Congratulations Kelly!

Mayor Misciagna calls for a short recess

Mayor Misciagna: I would like to begin by congratulating the two new Councilmembers; Will Fenwick and John Cozzi on their election to the Borough Council. In this difficult and uncertain time, I am happy to see new residents stepping up to serve our community. I pledge to work cooperatively with both of you for the residents of Park Ridge. You both have big shoes to fill, but I am sure you will live up to the task.

Councilmembers Fenwick and Cozzi thank the Mayor.

Mayor Misciagna: We are looking forward to a good year.

MAYOR'S 2021 ADDRESS

This is where the Mayor usually reports on the **STATE OF THE BOROUGH REPORT** and what to expect in the upcoming year. Before I do that, we need to look back on 2020 one last time. The year 2020 was not the year that anyone expected or asked for.... During 2020, Park Ridge had 383 COVID cases and 40 deaths.

I would to take a Moment of Silence for the 40 lost Park Ridge residents – I ask that everyone say a prayer for the victims and their families.

In reflection on the past year, we certainly had a lot of bad news and uncertainty, but what I remember is how we, as a borough, reacted to this Global pandemic. While we are not out of the woods yet, I need to acknowledge some of those employees, volunteers and regular citizens that helped us all through this dark time in history. It is my hope that after it is safe, we will have a meeting in person, to personally thank all of the people that helped lighten the load of others in 2020.

While I cannot mention everyone, due to the large number, there are some that stand out to me and I would like to personally say, **THANK YOU**.

To our RESIDENTS:

FIRST: The two young girls that held up a sign to passing cars early on during COVID, saying that we will all be alright during the 1st few days, when I certainly wasn't sure where this was going. I want to **THANK YOU BOTH**. I still do not know exactly who you, but I am going to find out and we are going to invite you to a Council meeting to recognize you both for keeping positive and reminding us that we will get through this uncertainty. **THANK YOU**. NEXT to Steve Rich, a Park Ridge native, who organized an event to feed First Responders and medical professionals and victims of COVID and their families. Steve and dozens and dozens of volunteers cooked, delivered, and served *thousands* of meals – and delivering all of them to area hospitals, senior housing and family homes for those fighting COVID. Not only was it appreciated by those that received the meals, it also gave the volunteers a much-needed lift of their spirit. **THANK YOU, STEVE**. NEXT TO Janelle Larghi, who everybody recognizes as one of the hardest working people in our community - who for years, has been feeding our less fortunate neighbors at the Pascack Food Pantry, along with her husband, as well as all of the other volunteers. The demand for food increased 5-fold and their team never missed a step – they continued to serve throughout the year. **THANK YOU**. NEXT, I want to recognize the Lemba family. When Sue Lemba, a nurse at Hackensack Hospital, contracted COVID early on and she was placed on a ventilator - when that happened, the virus really hit home for most of us. Most of us in town know the Lemba family - they are very active. I want to thank the medical professionals that saved Sue, and everyone in town that prayed, cooked and offered support to the Lemba family. **THANK YOU ALL!**

To our BUSINESSES:

In a year when we didn't know if many of our businesses would even be able to survive, many stepped up to help others in need. Marc's Pizza, Peppercorn's, the RIDGE Diner, the Park Steakhouse and others donated food, to those in need, and those that were fighting COVID. While experiencing one of the most difficult years in the restaurant business, they all came through for our neighbors. I want to **THANK YOU ALL!**

To our BOROUGH EMPLOYEES:

Our Police and Fire Department's (led by CHIEF Joe Madden and CHIEF Tom Lepore) never missed a beat in keeping us safe this year - and made tough decisions that continued to put our public's safety first. **THANK YOU BOTH – AND THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF BOTH THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS**. I also want to thank our **OEM coordinator**, Sgt. Michael Babcock. Who, in his first year being in this position, helped us navigate through a worldwide pandemic. He worked tirelessly throughout the year to continue to do all he could do to keep people safe. **THANK YOU, SGT. BABCOCK**. I want to thank **OUR Utility employees and our DPW team**, led by Bill Beattie and Paul Longo, along with Chris O'Leary, Pete Wayne, and our volunteer Board of Public Works - Jeff Rutkowski, Tim Kennedy, Sean McNamara and Frank Pantoleo - thank you for keeping us up and running. **With a special thank you to Angelo DellArmo** for his technical expertise and assistance in getting our employees the ability to work remotely.

When we think of our Utility employees, we spend a lot of time acknowledging our front-line workers and Supervisors, **but I want to also thank our Biller and Customer Service Rep, Tommy Mazzarella**, who was one of the few employees, who worked in person, usually in an empty office, throughout the pandemic, to serve our residents efficiently. **THANK YOU, TOM, I APPRECIATE THE TIME YOU PUT IN.** This past CHRISTMAS our Line-man team worked throughout the holiday to get our residents up and running, in a few hours, saving the holiday for many of us. **THANK YOU TO ALL!**

To our Office Staff:

Led by Borough Administrator Julie Falkenstern, Borough Clerk Maggie Giandomenico, CFO Durene Ayer and their entire staff, worked throughout the year making sure business continued as usual.

On top of that, working to make sure we got back hundreds of thousands of dollars in State and Federal relief dollars and staying on top of the miles of paperwork, was certainly no small feat. All of our team stepped up when needed and one such example was; during height of the Pandemic, when we were asking senior citizens to stay home - our Borough Administrator Julie Falkenstern, and others, delivered food and masks to many, on their own time, in order to keep our residents safe in their homes. **THANK YOU TO ALL!**

To Howard Fredrics and his team of volunteers at PKRG-TV:

I want to thank you for all your technical assistance in broadcasting our virtual meetings of the Governing Body, on both TV and the web, so that our residents could stay engaged.

I would like to also thank all of our new businesses that came to Park Ridge in 2020:

- *PIM - Promotion in Motion who is bringing hundreds of good jobs to the Borough and occupying the former Hertz world-headquarters site.
 - *Lidl our newest supermarket moved into the former A&P site
 - *La Mirage Jewelers
 - *Park Ridge Pharmacy
 - *Jersey Mike's Subs
 - *Playdate on Park
 - *Park Avenue Landscape and Mason Supply at the former Quackenbush site.
 - *Whalen & Ives (long-time local business) expanded their operation with an additional location in Park Ridge
- New tenants in office building:
- *Dr. Brianna Barone
 - *Kaplan Plavin & Steinhardt Accounting Firm
 - *Comprehensive Insurance Agency
 - *El Tajin Mexican Restaurant (coming this month to 168 Kinderkamack Road)

While it was a tough year, we had a lot of new businesses coming in – our downtown is coming together and I am very optimistic about this upcoming year. In looking back over the year, I am proud to be part of the Park Ridge team and I am confident that we are prepared for whatever 2021 has in store for us. So, here's to the New Year – we have a lot to look forward to!

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

Mayor Misciagna would like to announce the **Fire Department Chief and Officers of the Fire Department** for the year 2021.

FIRE DEPT. CHIEF	Tom Lepore
DEPUTY CHIEF	Mark Durst
CAPTAIN	Richard Bosi
CAPTAIN	Peter Mauro
LIEUTENANT	Thomas G. Derienzo
LIEUTENANT	Kyle Ladewig

POLICE RESERVE OFFICERS

Mayor Misciagna would like to announce the **Officers of the Police Reserves** for the year 2021.

CHIEF	Paul Witte
CAPTAIN	Christopher Brown
LIEUTENANT	George Harcher
SERGEANT	Aaron Attong
SERGEANT	Vincent Lemba

FIRE INSPECTORS

Mayor Misciagna would like to announce the **Park Ridge Fire Inspectors (three-year term exp. 12/31/2021)**

John Hansen	Thomas Lepore
Daniel McEldowney	Tom Derienzo (term exp. 12/31/23)

BOROUGH OFFICIALS

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to appoint the **Borough Officials** listed herein for the year 2021:

A motion is made by Council President Epstein and seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf and Council President Epstein

Police Surgeon	Dr. John LoCurto	1 Year term
Fire Surgeon	Dr. Lester Levine	1 Year term
Police Matron	Lucille Bosco	1 Year term
Police Matron	Fran Smith	1 Year term
Zoning Officer	Tonya Tardibuono	1 Year term
Tax Search Officer	Jessica Mazzarella	1 Year term
Assessment Search Officer	Magdalena Giandomenico	1 Year term
Custodian of Petty Cash	Durene Ayer	1 Year term

BOROUGH HISTORIAN

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to appoint **Ralph Donnell** as **Borough Historian** for the year 2021.

A motion is made by Councilmember Metzdorf and seconded by Council President Epstein to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

SCHOOL TRAFFIC GUARDS

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to appoint the **School Traffic Guards** named below for the year 2021.

A motion is made by Councilmember Ferguson and seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

Joseph Felice	Don Eckbak	James Tonner
Renata Guglia	Joseph Harris	Tom Hoskins
Linda Strabone	Charles Trojan	

Relief Guards:
Caryl Yaiser BJ Quackenbush Charles Sappah Bruce Goldsmith

MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT TO OFFICAL BOARDS WITH THE ADVICE & CONSENT OF COUNCIL

Mayor reads Boards and Appointees as follows:

BOARD OF HEALTH (three-year term, two-year term alternate)

Christine Deppert		12/31/2023
Peggy Scheulen		12/31/2023
Dr. Robert Lincoln		12/31/2023
Leigh Weiss		12/31/2021
Tatiana Breslow	Alternate #2	12/31/2021

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS (three-year term)

Frank Pantaleo	12/31/2023
Michael Mintz	12/31/2022
Timothy Kennedy	12/31/2023

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES (five-year term member, one-year term alternate)

Michael Mintz	12/31/2025
John M. Cozzi (Mayor's Alternate)	12/31/2021

LOCAL ASSISTANCE BOARD (two-year term)

Barbara Martine	12/31/2022
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MUNICIPAL SWIM POOL COMMISSION (three-year term)

Alison Gill	12/31/2023
Rich Moss	12/31/2023
Patrick Moran	12/31/2023
Michael Mintz	12/31/2021

ZONING BOARD ADJUSTMENT (four-year term member, two-year term alternate)

Mike Curran	12/31/2024
Frank Pantaleo	12/31/2024
Michael Brickman	12/31/2023

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to accept the said Appointees to the Official Boards.

A motion is made by Council President Epstein and seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf to confirm

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

PLANNING BOARD

(Mayor's appointments, no council confirmation needed)

Mayor Misciagna appoints **Ron Epstein, Class IV** member of the **Planning Board**, to fill a vacancy of a four - year term, said term expiring December 31, 2022.

Mayor Misciagna appoints **Julie Falkenstern, Municipal Official, Class II** member of the **Planning Board** to a one-year term expiring December 31, 2021.

Mayor Misciagna advises that there is a **Class III** member of the **Planning Board** (a member of the Governing Body) to be chosen by the Governing Body.

Council President Epstein nominates Councilmember Metzdorf.

Mayor Misciagna asks if there are any further nominations. **There was None.**

A motion is made by Council President Epstein and seconded by Councilmember Ferguson to close the nominations.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

Mayor Misciagna declares **Councilmember Metzdorf, Class III** member of the **Planning Board** for the year 2021.

In accordance with the terms of the Planning Board Ordinance, **Mayor Misciagna** notes that he automatically becomes and remains a **Member (Class I)** of the **Planning Board** for the year 2021.

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS ARE FOR ONE YEAR, THEY ARE THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS WITHOUT COUNCIL CONFIRMATION

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to appoint the residents enumerated below to the various **Volunteer Committees** listed for the year 2021.

A motion is made by Councilmember Metzdorf and seconded by Council President Epstein to confirm

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

CABLE TV COMMITTEE (PKRG)

Howard Fredrics (Chair)	Lori Fredrics (Vice-Chair)
Jamie Lewis (Program Director)	Venkat Shanmugam
Tom Bauer	Sue Tudisco
Trevor Dublin	John Johnson
Joe Pedone	Joanne Caccioli
Brian Quinn	Chuck Caccioli
Daniel Simpson	Will O'Toole

D.A.R.E. COMMITTEE

PO Scott Malloy	Francis Smith
Lt. Peter Mauro	PO Dan Hoffman
Jean Joyce	Tammy Levinson
Liz Falkenstern	PO Santangelo

PO Dutcher
Rosemarie Malloy
Ken Helman
Kristen Newton
Frank Izzo
Kelly Gaccione

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE

Judi Youngman
Jorge Becerra
Barbara Dell'Armo
Andy Yaeger
Tammy Levinson
Troy Lederman, Principal PRHS
Christopher Kirkby, Principal West Ridge
Kevin Stokes, Principal East Brook
Laraine Meehan, Principal OLM
Phil Langer, Park Ridge Elks
Joyce Bruno
Paul Higgins
Melanie Nagel

HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Penny Peed
Barbara Martine
Marilyn Miller
Joe Bruno
Betty Jean Quackenbush
John Thomsen, Sr.
Anthony Fiorenza
Joan Valas

TRAIN STATION PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

June Bertini
Penny Peed
Joseph Bruno
Ralph Donnell
Ken Koury
Barbara Martine
Anthony Morgan

RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMITTEE

Regina Deutch
Rob Nicolich
Paul Scarduffa
Lyn Beer
Ray Mital
Tom Mitchell
Gregory Santangelo
Maureen Howell
Kelly Epstein
Claudia Beljean
Jason Roth
Paul Wharton
Tom Hoskins
Bob La Rubbio
Doug Salvi
Ira Rosen
Niru Beebe
Mel Beer
Steve Masson
Carolee Chirico
Michael Raia
Laurie Wharton
Greg Perez
Bob Fornatale
Nicholas Bussanich
Bob Gebhardt
Pinky Patel
Liz Falkenstern
Marissa Ekback

SHADE TREE COMMITTEE/GARDEN CLUB

Jim Hespe
Joann Schwamb
Garden Club Members
Gwen Pardi
Peter Jacobsen
Peter Jacobson
Gil Santos
Gabriel Smith
Barbara Martine
Donald Schwamb
Gwen Pardi
Bill Koenig

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Jerry Brunetto Bill Koenig
Barbara Martine Donald Schwamb
Gwen Pardi Richard Henning
Ralph Donnell
Pete Jacobson
Chairmen of the Planning and Zoning Boards

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Josh Arak Dan Browne, BOE
Kirk Brouwer Paul Wharton
Lynn Beer Scott Kreisler
Carmine Lizza Technology Coordinator, PRHS
Michael Mintz

ACCESS FOR ALL COMMITTEE

Lisa Bernardo (represents Park Ridge schools)
Liz Falkenstern (represents Rec Committee)
Julie Falkenstern (Borough Administrator)
Ed Pittarelli (member of community-at-large); serves as Chair
Chad Spies (represents Board of Health)
Brittany Vozza (represents the Chamber of Commerce)
Charles Ward (member of community-at-large; lives in Lehmann Gardens)
Sgt. Michael Babcock (OEM/Police)

GREEN TEAM COMMITTEE

Bob Bogert
Danielle Cawood - Public
Barbara Coleman – Public
Roseann Crisafi – Public
Vinny Lemba – Public
James McDermott- Public
Diana Rosner – Public
Frank Murphy – Public
Sergio Gil – Public
Natalie Rehak – Public
Don Schwamb – Planning Board
Keith Misciagna – Mayor - Advisor
Julie Falkenstern, Borough Administrator - Advisor

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Don Schwamb
Dave Vozza
William Fenwick
Eric Wagner
Keith Misciagna

MAYOR’S WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Keri Cooper
Barbara Hennig
Shelby Klein
Harold Katz
Joelle Kuron
Cathy Ferrero
Donna Fiorenza
William Hennig
Marilyn Miller
Joan Valas
Teri Ann Christopher

HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE

Ron Romano
Bob Howell
Keith Misciagna
William Diedtrich, Jr.
Greg Perez
Robert Metzdorf

MAYOR’S HOUSING TASK FORCE

Borough Attorney
John Hansen, Fire Official
Capt. Joseph Rampolla
Marjorie Vanacore, Inspector, Bergen County Department of Health Services
Tonya Tardibuono, Zoning Officer
Julie Falkenstern, Borough Administrator
Elena Rega, Property Maintenance Officer

SEATING ON DAIS: 2021 (from Mayor’s left to right)

Fenwick, Ferguson, Epstein, MAYOR, Metzdorf, Capilli, Cozzi

2021 STANDING COMMITTEES AND LIAISONS:

Mayor Misciagna announces the Standing Committees and Liaisons for 2021:

STANDING COMMITTEES – 2021

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION	Fenwick & Metzdorf
FIRE	Ferguson
INSURANCE	Cozzi
NEGOTIATIONS	Misciagna & Epstein
OPERATIONS/BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS	Ferguson
PERSONNEL	Epstein & Misciagna
PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE	Epstein
PUBLIC SAFETY/TRI BORO PUBLIC SAFETY	Capilli
SHARED SERVICES	Epstein & Metzdorf

BOARDS & COMMITTEES LIAISONS FOR 2021

ACCESS FOR ALL	Metzdorf
AMERICAN LEGION	Metzdorf
ATRIUM LIASON	Cozzi
BERGEN COUNTY 9-1-1	Police
BOARD OF EDUCATION	Capilli
BOARD OF HEALTH/Local Assistance & Pascack Mental Health	Epstein
BUSINESS COMMUNITY/CHAMBER	Metzdorf
CABLE TV/PKRG-TV	Ferguson
D.A.R.E COMMITTEE	Capilli
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE	Fenwick & Misciagna
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL	Epstein
GREEN TEAM	Capilli
HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE	Metzdorf
HANDICAP AWARENESS ADVISORY	Metzdorf & Administrator
HISTORICAL ADVISORY	Fenwick
LIBRARY BOARD	Cozzi
MAYOR'S WELLNESS	Epstein
MUNICIPAL POOL	Ferguson
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE	Misciagna
OPEN SPACE	Metzdorf
P.R.A.A.	Ferguson
RECREATION & CULTURAL FIELD COORDINATOR	Epstein
SAFETY COMMITTEE	Rosanna Monteleone
SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY	Capilli
SHADE TREE/GARDEN CLUB	Cozzi
TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE	Capilli
TRAIN STATION PRESERVATION COMMITTEE	Epstein
UTILITY BOARD LIASON	Metzdorf
	Ferguson

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi,
Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Misciagna 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 Mayor.

Speaker: There was no one.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Misciagna asks if any Councilmember would like to have any resolution removed from the Consent Agenda and placed under New Business.

Speaker: Councilmember Fenwick asked to have the following resolutions removed from the Consent Agenda:

- Res. No. 021-029 – Appointment of Borough Bond Counsel
- Res. No. 021-033 – Appointment of Borough Labor Counsel
- Res. No. 021-037 – Appointment of Special Tax Appeal Attorney
- Res. No. 021-038 – Appointment of Borough Attorney

Mayor Misciagna asks if any Councilmember would like to abstain from voting on any resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Speaker: *There was no one.*

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda (with the abstentions so noted).

A motion was made by Council President Epstein and seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

RESOLUTIONS:

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-001**

ADOPTING BY-LAWS FOR 2021

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following shall be adopted and are hereby approved as By-Laws regulating the conduct of meetings; order of business; appointment and duties of committees; and other matters more specifically referred to.

ARTICLE 1

These By-Laws shall regulate the conduct of the meetings of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge and shall remain effective until the next reorganization meeting or until

repealed, supplemented or amended at a regular meeting by the majority vote of the whole council. Any specific portion of the By-Laws may be suspended temporarily at any regular meeting for that meeting for that meeting only, upon the unanimous vote of the members present.

ARTICLE 2 MEETINGS

1. Ordinances and Resolutions may only be acted upon at formal meetings which are advertised pursuant to NJSA 10:4-6 et seq.
2. The meetings of the Mayor and Council shall be held in the Borough Hall Council Chambers in accordance with the Resolution adopted at the Reorganization meeting each year setting forth the times and dates. Additional special meetings at which formal action may be taken will be scheduled as needed and in the manner provided by law.
3. The agenda for regularly scheduled formal meetings shall be set and distributed no later than the Friday preceding the formal meeting. Notwithstanding, the Borough Clerk may amend said agenda after distribution as necessary to include all pending business, and all agenda changes will be announced as part of the regular order of business.
4. The regular order of business at each formal council meeting shall be:
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Roll Call
 - Compliance Statement
 - Agenda Changes
 - Public Privilege of the Floor
 - Ordinance Introduction
 - Ordinance Public Hearing
 - Consent Agenda
 - Communications
 - New Business
 - Reports of Governing Body
 - Approval of Minutes
 - Optional Additional Public Privilege of the Floor
 - Adjournment
5. The Council may, by resolution duly passed at a meeting, dispense with a future meeting or designate a different date for any regular meeting.
6. Seating and Voting Roll Call shall be determined by the Mayor.
7. All formal meetings shall end no later than 11:00 pm.

8. The Public Privilege of the Floor at a formal meeting shall be limited to a 5 minute maximum per speaker. Nevertheless, at a meeting where more than 20 members of the public are present, the Mayor and Council may decide to shorten the allotted time for speaking in order to accommodate as many speakers as possible.

9. The public shall be permitted to speak at a work session as provided by law for a maximum of 5 minutes per speaker. The Mayor shall announce within a reasonable time from the opening of the meeting that the floor is open to the public for comments and will notify speakers of the 5 minute limitation.

10. Executive Sessions, commonly known as closed sessions, will be conducted as necessary in the manner prescribed by law to discuss only those matter allowed by law.

11. Pursuant to the New Jersey's Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-7, any member of the Mayor & Council may participate in any closed session or public meeting by telephone communication device provided that the device being used is free from being intercepted and not be overheard by anyone. Participation by telephone communication shall not count for quorum purposes.

12. Only the Mayor and/or Acting Mayor (in the absence of the Mayor) can call for a vote in the public meeting for something not on the Agenda.

13. Mayor and Council will set aside the first Tuesday of December each year for a Special Meeting dedicated to Reorganization. At that time the Mayor and Council will invite any elected candidates that will be sworn in at the January Reorganization Meeting to this Special Meeting to discuss liaison and committee assignments.

14. Except as herein specified, Robert's Rules of Order Shall be used.

ARTICLE 3 COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

1. The regular standing committees shall be as follows:

- Finance & Administration
- Fire
- Insurance
- Negotiations
- Operations
- Personnel

Policy
Public Buildings & Grounds
Public Health & Welfare
Public Safety

2. Each committee shall consist of at least one member of the Council and appointment to each Committee shall be made by the Mayor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Finance & Administration Committee shall have two members of the Council who shall be chosen from each political party, if applicable. If a subsequent vacancy exists for any Committee or Board Liaison appointment, then in such event, the Mayor shall make the appointment to fill said vacancy. -The Mayor, in his/her sole determination, shall make changes to Committee/Board Liaison assignments at any time during the year.
3. The Mayor, or the Council by a majority vote, shall have the power to appoint special committees for purposes other than those embraced in the duties of the standing committees. The Mayor, or the Council, shall have the power to appoint members from the Council or other citizens of Park Ridge as he determines necessary.
4. The Mayor shall be a member of all Committees, both special and standing.
5. All committees shall make a report to the Council either in writing or orally of their activities as necessary.

ARTICLE 4 PAYMENT OF BILLS

All bills or claims against the Borough shall be processed and paid in accordance with the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge, Chapter 6, entitled "Claims Approval and Payment."

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE RESOLUTION NO. 021-002

DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that The Ridgewood News, a Gannett Company, McLean Virginia is hereby designated as the official newspaper of the Borough of Park Ridge for the publication of advertisements and notices as required by law to be published for the year 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Bergen Record, Community Life and Pascack Press, New Jersey be used for advertisement on an as needed basis.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-003**

DESIGNATION OF LEGAL DEPOSITORIES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge finds and declares that N.J.S.A. 40a:5-14 requires that the Borough designate a deposit for its monies a bank or trust company having its place of business in the State and organized under the laws of the United States or this State; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following listed banks and associations are hereby designated as depositories for the Borough of Park Ridge:

Bank of America	
Citibank	PNC Bank
Lakeland Bank	TD Bank
Valley Bank	Wells Fargo Bank
Sovereign Bank	Chase Bank
Mariners Bank	New Jersey Cash Management

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that prior to the deposit of any municipal funds in any of the above listed depositories, said depository shall file with the Chief Financial Officer a certification indicating their compliance with the New Jersey Division of banking requirements for participation in the Government Unit Protection Act pursuant to R.S. 17:9-41.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-004**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW
FUND PETTY CASH - GOLDEN AGE**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, to establish such a fund for the Golden Age in the amount of \$750; and

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Durene M. Ayer, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes such action and that two copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approval.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-005**

**2021 CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN
BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14, Local Fiscal Affairs Law, requires that each municipality adopt a Cash Management Plan designed to assure the deposit, investment, and proper disbursement of local funds;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge does hereby adopt the following Cash Management Plan.

A. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES

The following institutions are designated as permissible depositories for the deposit of Borough funds:

Bank of America	Citibank
PNC Bank	
Lakeland Bank	TD Bank
Valley Bank	Wells Fargo Bank
Sovereign Bank	Chase Bank
Mariners Bank	New Jersey Cash Management

All depositories must conform to the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA) and shall provide a Notification of Eligibility from the State of New Jersey, Department of Banking, on a semi-annual basis. In addition, designated depositories shall maintain maximum FDIC or FSLIC coverage of all Borough funds on deposit.

B. DEPOSIT OF FUNDS

All funds shall be deposited within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt, in accordance with NJSA 40A:5-15 into appropriate fund operating accounts. Non-interest bearing operating and capital accounts shall be regularly monitored for the availability of funds for investment.

Debt Service and Trust accounts shall be maintained in accordance with Federal and State statutes regulating such funds. Payroll, Developers' Escrow deposits and other agency funds, which represent funds of individuals and other organizations held by the Borough shall be deposited in regular, non-interest-bearing checking accounts unless applicable State statutes direct otherwise. Grant funds shall be deposited in accordance with regulations of the granting government or agency.

Where compensating balances are required by any designated depository to offset the cost of services provided, an agreement between the Borough and the depository shall be executed, specifying the charge for each service and the balance required to offset each charge.

C. INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS AND PROCEDURES

The Borough may purchase those investments permitted in N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1, which include:

- United States Treasury Bonds, Notes, and Bills
- United States Government Agency and Instrumentality Obligations
- Bonds and other obligation of the Borough of Park Ridge
- Bonds and other obligations of the Park Ridge Board of Education
- Commercial Bank Deposits and Certificates of Deposit
- New Jersey Arbitrage Rebate Management Fund
- Savings Bank Deposits and Certificates of Deposit
- State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund

The Borough may purchase other obligations approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of Treasury for investment by local units.

Investments shall be limited to a maturity of not more than one year unless a longer term is permitted by applicable Federal or State regulations. Allowable investments with maturities which extend beyond the end of the Borough's fiscal year shall be permitted only if interest accrued on the investment is credited to the Borough at the end of the fiscal year for the purpose of realizing budgetary revenue.

The purchase of Certificates of Deposit shall be made based on the availability of funds for investment and the analysis of projected cash flows. Bids for Certificates of Deposit will be solicited of at least three designated depositories only if the amount available for investment is \$100,000 or greater. Telephone bids will be solicited by the Chief Financial Officer, or designated staff member. Bidders shall specify the principal amount, interest rate, and maturity of the investment. A check or wire transfer will be made available to the winning bidder on the same business day the bid is awarded. Where the return on a proposed investment does not exceed the cost of making such investment, the Chief Financial Officer will not make the investment.

The Chief Financial Officer shall have the discretion to award an investment to the depository wherein the funds reside, should that institution's quoted interest rate be less than other quoted rates, and the differential in interest rates is not more than twenty-five (25) basis points (0.25%), providing that the term of the investment is thirty (30) days or less. The Chief Financial Officer shall have discretion to reject all bids.

D. DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

All funds shall be disbursed as authorized and directed by the Mayor and Council, except that the Chief Financial Officer shall have the authority to make disbursements prior to receiving the approval of the Borough Council in extreme emergencies where the safety of the public is jeopardized. In addition, the following disbursements may be made prior to receiving approval of the Mayor and Council:

County Taxes	Petty Cash Reimbursements
County Open Space Taxes	Postage
Debt Service	Purchase of Investments
Insurance Premiums	Salaries and Wages
Interfunds	School Taxes
Public Library Tax Levy	Self-Insurance Payments
Payroll Withholding Amounts	Special Improvement District Taxes
Bergen County Utility Authority	State of New Jersey Pension Obligations
And manual checks as approved in writing by the Borough Administrator	

For disbursements relative to payroll tax withholding, the Mayor and Council may authorize the use of a servicer to take possession of the local unit funds and execute the disbursements of the Borough to the taxing authorities. Tasks to be performed by the servicer may include report preparation, calculation of withholding and direct deposit of payroll disbursements.

The Chief Financial Officer is designated the "approval officer" responsible for authorizing and supervising the activities of the servicer. In cases where the servicer takes possession of local unit funds for payments of payroll claims, the approval officer is charged with ensuring that payments are made on a timely basis by regularly securing third party confirmation of such.

Disbursements shall be executed via electronic wire transfer of funds by the Chief Financial Officer, or designated staff member, when that method of payment will result in a financial benefit to the Borough in the form of increased investment income.

E. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES

Chapter 6 of the Code for the Borough of Park Ridge designates the Mayor, Borough Clerk, Deputy Borough Clerk, Borough Treasurer, and Assistant Borough Treasurer as the authorized signers of checks. All warrants or checks for the disbursement of money shall be made by three (3) of the authorized signers and facsimile signatures may be used. Payroll and Agency checks related to Salary and Wages shall be signed by the Borough Treasurer and facsimile signature may be used.

F. PETTY CASH FUND

Reimbursement for expenditures through the Petty Cash Fund shall be made within the limits approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services. The Petty Cash Fund shall be maintained in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21. Individual reimbursements from the Petty Cash Fund shall not exceed \$75 per item. The following Petty Cash Funds shall be maintained:

Current Fund	\$750.00
Electric & Water Utility	\$500.00
Swim Pool Utility	\$250.00
Golden Age Club	\$750.00

G. BONDING

The following officials shall be covered by surety bonds; said surety bonds to be examined by the independent auditor to insure their proper execution:

Chief Financial Officer	Assistant Chief Financial Officer
Borough Treasurer	Assistant Borough Treasurer
Tax Collector	Borough Clerk
Borough Administrator	

Staff members of the Department of Finance and Tax Collection not covered by separate surety bonds shall be covered by a Public Employee's Faithful Performance Bond.

H. COMPLIANCE

The Cash Management Plan of the Borough of Park Ridge shall be subject to the approval of the Borough's Legal Counsel, and shall be subject to the annual audit conducted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4

As stated in N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14, the official(s) charged with the custody of Borough funds shall deposit them as instructed in the Cash Management Plan and shall thereafter be relieved of any liability or loss due to the insolvency or closing of any designated depository.

If at any time this Cash Management Plan conflicts with any regulations of the State of New Jersey, or any department thereof, the applicable State regulations shall apply.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-006**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND CHANGE
OF CURRENT FUND PETTY CASH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution; and

WHEREAS, a Current Fund Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$750 has previously been approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash; and

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Durene M. Ayer, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue a Current Fund check in the amount of \$750 payable to the order of Durene M. Ayer, Custodian of Petty Cash.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-007**

PETTY CASH POLICY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution, and,

WHEREAS, the Borough currently has the following existing petty cash funds:

Current Fund	\$750
Electric & Water Utility	\$500
Swim Pool Utility	\$250
Golden Age Club	\$750

Which, were previously approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash, and,

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Mayor and Council to formally establish guidelines for use of such funds as follows:

1. Petty Cash is to be used for business related cash expenditures or reimbursement of \$75 or less.
2. A Petty Cash slip indicating the name, purpose, date, amount, and line-item to charge must be completed and signed by the individual receiving the funds. Additionally, a receipt must be attached. The slip must also be signed by the Petty Cash Custodian.
3. The Petty Cash fund will be replenished periodically. All receipts will be attached and included on the payment of bills.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that Petty Cash disbursements be limited to \$75 or less and must include proper documentation as outlined above.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-008**

DESIGNATING OFFICIAL TAX SEARCH OFFICER 2021

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, that Jessica Mazzearella, Tax Collector, being a duly bonded Official of the Municipality, be and she is hereby designated as Official Tax Search Officer (N.J.S.A. 54:5-11 of the Borough of Park Ridge for the year 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there shall be no additional compensation for this appointment.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-009**

APPOINT FUND COMMISSIONERS 2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Park Ridge does hereby appoint the following fund commissioners for the year 2021:

Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund:
Borough Administrator Julie Falkenstern as Fund Commissioner
Chief Financial Officer Durene Ayer as Alternate

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-010**

DESIGNATION OF ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that Magdalena Giandomenico, Municipal Clerk being a bonded official of the Municipality be, hereby is, designated as the person for searching improvements pursuant to the provisions of Article 3A of Title 54, Chapter 5, of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all lawful fees collected by the said Magdalena Giandomenico, Municipal Clerk in her official capacity as the person to make and issue certificates as to the liability for assessments for municipal improvements, be received and retained by the Borough of Park Ridge.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-011**

APPOINT PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER 2021

BE IT RESOVLED that the Borough Administrator, Julie Falkenstern, be appointed as the public agency compliance officer for the calendar year 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be provided to the:

Public Agency Unit
State of New Jersey
Department of the Treasury
Division of Public Contracts
Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance
PO Box 209
Trenton, NJ 08625-0209

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-012**

**MUTUAL AID - PASCACK VALLEY
FIRE DEPARTMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge recognizes the necessity for the sharing of the emergency services, aka mutual aid, to communities or districts inside and outside of the presently established Pascack Valley and Tri-Boro Mutual Aid groups, for the purpose of providing of personnel and fire rescue equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge's Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designated representative will be making decisions to provide mutual aid to area communities with brief notice; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge's Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designated representative will ensure that arrangements are made, prior to providing such mutual aid to other communities, for appropriate emergency protection for the Borough of Park Ridge and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge understands that the community or region requiring mutual aid may not be adjacent to or part of the existing Pascack Valley or Tri-Boro Mutual Aid groups already established in the Pascack Valley of Bergen County; and

WHEREAS, Worker's Compensation will be provided by the Borough of Park Ridge (employer), General Liability is assumed by the recipient of the service and Automobile Liability/Physical Damage and Property Insurance stays with the owner of the property (Borough of Park Ridge).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park that it authorizes the Borough of Park Ridge's Fire Chief and or the Fire Chief's designated representative to provide mutual aid services to any community or district the Fire Chief or his designated representative deems necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Park Ridge will provide its insurance carriers and its insurance agents with copies of this resolution to ensure that insurance coverage, in the same manner as provided on an everyday basis, is provided to the Borough of Park Ridge and its representatives during the time period mutual aid is provided to another community or district.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Governing Body of Emerson, Hillsdale, Montvale, Old Tappan, River Vale, Township of Washington, Westwood, Woodcliff Lake and to the Park Ridge Fire Department.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-013**

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MUTUAL AID PLAN
AND RAPID DEPLOYMENT FORCE**

WHEREAS, the police departments in Bergen County have a day to day responsibility to provide for the security of lives and property, for the maintenance and preservation of the public peace and order, and

WHEREAS, Law Enforcement Officials also have a responsibility to provide for preparedness against natural emergencies, such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, major storms, etc., man-made causes, civil unrest, and civil disobedience such as riot, strikes, jail or prison riots, train wrecks, aircraft crashes, major fires, ethnic disorders, riots, terrorist incidents and bombings, state and national emergencies, and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Police Chief's Association has proposed a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force to deal with these emergencies, and

WHEREAS, this Plan is adopted in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.4 and N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.6, and

WHEREAS, this Plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of law enforcement personnel and equipment whenever a local law enforcement agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of an emergency, riot or disorder, in order to protect life and property, and

WHEREAS, it is also recognized that the Park Ridge Chief of Police, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and under the authority of the Bergen County Prosecutor, has the authority to assign officers to a Task Force, Rapid Deployment Team, or Regional SWAT Team operated in conjunction with the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge to participate in a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force in accordance with the Plan as submitted by the Bergen County Police Chief's Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the police Department of the Borough of Park Ridge, under the direction of the Chief of Police, cooperate with the Bergen County Police Chief's Association to create an Interlocal Services Agreement with all municipalities in the County of Bergen in order to put into place the Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Board of Chosen Freeholders, the County Prosecutor, and all municipalities in the County of Bergen.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-014**

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S
"Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in
Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit's hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual's criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Body of the Borough of Park Ridge, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183, by certifying that the local unit's hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to show evidence of said compliance.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-015**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, NJ
THROUGH THE PARK RIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE, 1033
PROGRAM TO ENABLE THE PARK RIDGE POLICE TO REQUEST AND ACQUIRE
EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT**

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

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

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

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

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Park Ridge Police Department is hereby authorized to enroll in the 1033 Program for no more than a one-year period, with authorization to participate terminating on December 31 of the current calendar year from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Park Ridge Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire items of non-controlled property designated "DEMIL A," which may include office supplies, office furniture, computers, electronic equipment, generators, field packs, non-military vehicles, clothing, traffic and transit signal systems, exercise equipment, farming and moving equipment, storage devices and containers, tools, medical and first aid equipment and supplies, personal protection equipment and supplies, construction materials, lighting supplies, beds and sleeping mats, wet and cold weather equipment and supplies, respirators, binoculars, and any other supplies or equipment of a non-military nature identified by the LEA, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes, based on the needs of the Park Ridge Police Department without restriction; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Park Ridge Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire the following "DEMIL B through Q" property, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes controlled property items authorized for acquisition, including quantity, e.g., (1) utility truck, (12) 5.56 millimeter rifles, or (1) MRAP, etc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Park Ridge Police Department shall develop and implement a full training plan and policy for the maintenance and use of the acquired property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Park Ridge Police Department shall provide a quarterly accounting of all property obtained through the 1033 Program which shall be available to the public upon request; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately and shall be valid to authorize requests to acquire “DEMIL A” property and “DEMIL B through Q” property that may be made available through the 1033 Program during the period of time for which this resolution authorizes; with Program participation and all property request authorization terminating on December 31st of the current calendar year from January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Council authorize the Park Ridge Police Department to submit an application for participation in the aforementioned "1033 Program" and hereby expresses its approval of any such application by a majority of the full membership of the Council.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-016**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND CHANGE OF
ELECTRIC AND WATER FUND PETTY CASH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution, and,

WHEREAS, an Electric and Water Fund Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$500 has previously been approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash, and,

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Durene M. Ayer, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue an Electric & Water Fund check in the amount of \$750 payable to the order of Durene M. Ayer, Custodian of Petty Cash.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-017**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND CHANGE
OF MUNICIPAL POOL FUND PETTY CASH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution, and,

WHEREAS, a Municipal Pool Fund Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$250 has previously been approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash, and,

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Durene M. Ayer, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue a Municipal Pool Fund check in the amount of \$250 payable to the order of Durene M. Ayer, Custodian of Petty Cash.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-018**

2021 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides that where any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2021 Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided, and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty days of January, 2021, and

WHEREAS, said total appropriations are limited to 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2020 Budget exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service, capital improvements and public assistance in the said 2020 Budget,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for the Borough's records.

APPROPRIATION	SALARY & WAGES	OTHER EXPENSES	TOTAL
CURRENT FUND			
<i>General Government</i>			
General Administration	\$18,040	\$9,480	\$27,520
Mayor & Council	\$11,340	\$2,810	\$14,150
Municipal Clerk	\$38,320	\$10,660	\$48,980
Finance Administration	\$53,210	\$14,100	\$67,310
Collection of Taxes	\$24,140	\$2,910	\$27,050
Assessment of Taxes	\$4,060	\$2,000	\$6,060
Legal Services	\$0	\$60,000	\$60,000
Engineering Services	\$0	\$13,130	\$13,130
Grant Professional	\$0	\$9,190	\$9,190
<i>Land Use Administration</i>			
Planning Board	\$20,200	\$6,190	\$26,390
Zoning Board of Adjustments	\$14,320	\$2,970	\$17,290
Zoning Officer	\$4,010	\$290	\$4,300
Housing Task Force	\$3,350	\$70	\$3,420
<i>Insurance</i>			
General Liability	\$0	\$45,150	\$45,150
Employee Group Health	\$0	\$327,600	\$327,600
<i>Public Safety Functions</i>			
Police	\$794,860	\$25,990	\$820,850
Police Reserves	\$4,470	\$6,670	\$11,140
Pistol Range	\$0	\$6,630	\$6,630
Tri-Boro Safety	\$0	\$78,620	\$78,620
Emergency Management	\$860	\$1,710	\$2,570
Municipal Court	\$0	\$33,930	\$33,930
Fire Department	\$0	\$22,700	\$22,700
Fire Prevention	\$11,610	\$2,180	\$13,790
<i>Public Works Functions</i>			
Streets & Road Maintenance	\$227,370	\$45,710	\$273,080
Sewer System	\$15,480	\$3,100	\$18,580
Solid Waste Collection	\$0	\$153,830	\$153,830
Buildings & Grounds	\$23,590	\$21,320	\$44,910
Vehicle Maintenance	\$27,610	\$17,800	\$45,410
Shade Tree O/E	\$0	\$4,120	\$4,120
Recycling	\$0	\$37,610	\$37,610

<i>Health & Human Services</i>			
Board of Health	\$7,330	\$14,300	\$21,630
Public Assistance	\$2,890	\$0	\$2,890
<i>Parks & Recreation Functions</i>			
Recreation	\$7,280	\$5,780	\$13,060
Senior Citizens	\$5,770	\$1,970	\$7,740
<i>Other Common Operating Functions</i>			
Park Ridge Television	\$3,410	\$1,390	\$4,800
Municipal Service Act	\$0	\$5,250	\$5,250
<i>Code Enforcement & Administration</i>			
Construction Code Official	\$96,130	\$8,550	\$104,680
<i>Utility Expenses & Bulk Purchases</i>			
Electricity	\$0	\$23,630	\$23,630
Telephone	\$0	\$7,880	\$7,880
Water	\$0	\$4,600	\$4,600
Gas & Oil	\$0	\$5,250	\$5,250
Gasoline	\$0	\$15,750	\$15,750
<i>Landfill/Solid Waste Disposal Costs</i>			
Disposal Fees	\$0	\$19,690	\$19,690
Recycling Tax	\$0	\$2,890	\$2,890
<i>Statutory Expenditures</i>			
Social Security	\$0	\$60,380	\$60,380
Defined Contribution Plan	\$0	\$1,320	\$1,320
<i>Education Functions</i>			
Maintenance of Public Library	\$0	\$150,000	\$150,000
<i>Sewerage Processing and Disposal</i>			
Bergen County Utilities Authority - Sewer Fees	\$0	\$184,540	\$184,540
<i>Municipal Debt Service</i>			
Payment of Bond Principal	\$0	\$350,000	\$350,000
Interest on Bonds	\$0	\$60,000	\$60,000
Green Trust Loan Repayment	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000

Current Fund Total	\$1,419,650	\$1,911,640	\$3,331,290
WATER UTILITY FUND			
Operating	\$350,000	\$406,880	\$756,880
Group Health Insurance	\$0	\$85,320	\$85,320
<i>Capital Improvements</i>			
Capital Improvement Fund	\$0	\$19,100	\$19,100
<i>Statutory Expenditures</i>			
Social Security	\$0	\$27,420	\$27,420
Defined Contribution Plan	\$0	\$300	\$300
APPROPRIATION	SALARY & WAGES	OTHER EXPENSES	TOTAL
<i>Debt Service</i>			
Interest on Bonds	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000
Water Utility Fund Total	\$350,000	\$554,020	\$904,020
ELECTRIC UTILITY FUND			
Operating	\$340,000	\$180,340	\$520,340
Purchase of Electric Current	\$0	\$1,606,500	\$1,606,500
Group Health Insurance	\$0	\$65,630	\$65,630
<i>Capital Improvements</i>			
Capital Outlay	\$0	\$25,460	\$25,460
<i>Statutory Expenditures</i>			
Social Security	\$0	\$25,250	\$25,250
<i>Debt Service</i>			
Interest on Bonds	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000
Electric Utility Fund Total	\$340,000	\$1,907,180	\$2,247,180

SWIM POOL UTILITY FUND			
Operating	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$15,000
<i>Statutory Expenditures</i>			
Social Security	\$0	\$2,760	\$2,760
Swim Pool Utility Fund Total	\$5,000	\$12,760	\$17,760

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
TEMPORARY CAPITAL BUDGET
RESOLUTION NO. 021-019**

Whereas, the local capital budget for the year 2021 has not yet been adopted, and
Whereas, it is desired to introduce capital ordinances,
Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, by the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, that the 2021 temporary capital budget be established as follows:

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**CAPITAL BUDGET
2021**

1 PROJECT TITLE	2 PROJECT NUMBER	3 ESTIMATED TOTAL COST	4 AMOUNTS RESERVED IN PRIOR YEARS	5 PLANNED FUNDING SERVICES FOR CURRENT YEAR - 2021					6 TO BE FUNDED IN FUTURE YEARS
				5a 2019 Budget Appropriations	5b Capital Improvement Fund	5c Capital Surplus	5d Grants in Aid and Other Funds	5e Debt Authorized	
North Fifth Street Improvements	21-1	490,000	-		-	-	207,000	490,000	-
TOTAL - ALL PROJECTS		\$ 490,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 207,000	\$ 490,000	\$ -

**5 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM - 2021 TO 2026
Anticipated Project Schedule and Funding Requirements**

1 PROJECT TITLE	2 PROJECT NUMBER	3 ESTIMATED TOTAL COSTS	4 ESTIMATED COMPLETION TIME	5 FUNDING AMOUNTS PER YEAR					
				5a 2021	5b 2022	5c 2023	5d 2024	5e 2025	5f 2026
North Fifth Street Improvements	21-1	490,000	2021	490,000					
		-							
TOTAL - ALL PROJECTS		\$ 490,000		\$ 490,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

5 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM - 2021 TO 2026
Summary of Anticipated Funding Sources and Amounts

1 PROJECT TITLE	2 Estimated Total Cost	BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS		4 Capital Improve- ment Fund	5 Capital Surplus	6 Grants-in- Aid and Other Funds	BONDS AND NOTES				
		3a Current Year 2021	3b Future Years				7a General	7b Self Liquidating	7c Assessment	7d School	
North Fifth Street Improvements	490,000			-		207,000	490,000				
TOTAL - ALL PROJECTS	\$ 490,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 207,000	\$ 490,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	

It is hereby certified that this is a true copy of a resolution establishing a temporary capital budget on January 5, 2021.

Certified by me

 (Date)

 Municipal Clerk

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-020**

**RESCINDING ELECTRIC AND WATER – CASUAL LABOR
PETTY CASH FUND**

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, that the petty cash fund for the Electric and Water – Casual Labor be rescinded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, hereby authorizes such action and two copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approval.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-021**

**RESCINDING RECREATION COMMITTEE
PETTY CASH FUND**

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, that the petty cash fund for the Recreation Committee be rescinded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, hereby authorizes such action and two copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approval.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-022**

**RESCINDING PUBLIC ASSISTANCE
PETTY CASH FUND**

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, that the petty cash fund for the Public Assistance be rescinded; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, hereby authorizes such action and two copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approval.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-023**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF INTEREST RATES ON DELINQUENT TAXES &
ASSESSMENTS UNDER R.S. 54:4-67**

WHEREAS, R.S. 54:4-67 et seq., permits the Governing Body to fix the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes, assessments, or other municipal charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the rate of interest on unpaid taxes shall be eight percent per annum on the first One Thousand Five Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars of delinquency and 18 percent per annum on any amount in excess of One Thousand Five Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date of actual payment, provided that no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made on or before the tenth calendar day following the date upon which the same became payable; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in addition to the interest provided above, on all delinquencies in excess of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars and which are not paid prior to the end of the fiscal year, the Tax Collector shall also collect a penalty of six (6) percent of the amount of the delinquency in excess of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk provide a certified copy of this resolution to the Tax Collector.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with Chapter 99, the Tax Collector is hereby permitted to conduct the yearly tax sale.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-024**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND CHANGE OF
GOLDEN AGE FUND PETTY CASH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution; and

WHEREAS, a Golden Age Fund Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$750 has previously been approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash; and

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Durene M. Ayer, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue a Golden Age Fund check in the amount of \$750 payable to the order of Durene M. Ayer, Custodian of Petty Cash.

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-025

AWARD OF CONTRACT
Maintenance, Service and Repair of Potable Water Storage, Treatment, Pumping and Distribution System Facilities

WHEREAS, the upon the recommendation by the Borough of Park Ridge Board of Public Works, the Mayor and Council did authorize the receipt of bids for unit labor prices for the Maintenance, Service and Repair of Potable Water Storage, Treatment, Pumping and Distribution System Facilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Notice to Bidders, duly advertised, two bids were received on December 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the following table lists the bid total results based on the estimated hours of the various trades needed for the first year and optional second year of the contract; and

Bidding Contractor List			
Bidder	Address	*Year 1	*Year 2 (option)
Rapid Pump & Meter Service Co., Inc.	Paterson, NJ	96,720.00	103,131.00
Longo Electrical-Mechanical, Inc.	Wharton, NJ	78,375.00	79,275.00

WHEREAS, the Director of Operations has deemed the bid of Longo Electrical-Mechanical, Inc. as the lowest responsible bid; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Public Works of the Borough of Park Ridge that it recommends to the Mayor and Council to accept the bid of Longo Electrical-Mechanical, Inc. of Wharton, NJ subject to review by the Board of Public Works Rate Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER ESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that it accepts the bid of Longo Electrical-Mechanical, Inc. of Wharton, NJ subject to review by the Board of Public Works Rate Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER ESOLVED that a true copy of this resolution shall be sent to Longo Electrical-Mechanical, Inc. of Wharton, NJ (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-026**

**AWARD OF CONTRACT
WELL DRILLING AND REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

WHEREAS, upon recommendation of the Park Ridge Board of Public Works, the Mayor and Council did authorize the receipt of bids for unit prices for WELL DRILLING AND REDEVELOPMENT SERVICES; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Notice to Bidders, duly advertised, one bids was received on December 15, 2020; and

WHEREAS, attached is a table showing the tabulation of the unit prices submitted; and

WHEREAS, based on the estimated quantities, the bid of Rinbrand Well Drilling Co., Inc. is the lowest apparent bid at a cost of \$193,400.00 based on the estimated quantities; and

WHEREAS, said bidder has the appropriate experience and qualifications to perform the required work; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Operations recommends awarding the bid to Rinbrand Well Drilling Co., Inc. pending the legal review by the Board of Public Works Attorney; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Public Works of the Borough of Park Ridge that it recommends to the Mayor and Council that the bid of Rinbrand Well Drilling Co., Inc. of Glen Rock, NJ be awarded pending legal review; and

BE IT FURTHER ESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that it accepts the bid of Rinbrand Well Drilling Co., Inc. of Glen Rock, NJ pending legal review; and

BE IT FURTHER ESOLVED that a true copy of this resolution shall be sent to Rinbrand Well Drilling Co., Inc. of Glen Rock, NJ (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-027**

APPOINTMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANNER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an planner to serve as Affordable Housing Planner; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Burgis Associates, Inc. with a mailing address of 25 Westwood Avenue, Westwood, NJ 07675 as Affordable Housing Planner for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 0210-028**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH AUDITOR

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a professional to serve as Borough Auditor; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP with a mailing address of 17-17 Route 208, Fairlawn, NJ 07410 as Borough Auditor for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-030**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ENGINEER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an engineer to serve as Borough Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Neglia Engineer Associates with a mailing address of 34 Park Avenue, PO Box 426, Lyndhurst, NJ 07071 as Borough Engineer for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointments and the contracts are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award these contracts as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of these contracts is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contracts and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into these contracts and shall be incorporated in full in the said contracts,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute contracts on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contracts to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Engineers shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-031**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH FINANCIAL ADVISOR

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a financial advisor to serve as Borough Financial Advisor; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint NW Financial Group with a mailing address of 2 Hudson Place, 3rd Floor, Hoboken, NJ 07030 as Borough Financial Advisor for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-032**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH GRANT CONSULTANT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a professional to serve as Borough Grant Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Bruno Associates, Inc. with a mailing address of 1373 Broad Street, Suite #304, Clifton, NJ 07013 as Borough Grant Consultant for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as "Professional Services," pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-034**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH PLANNER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an planner to serve as Borough Planner; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint MASER with a mailing address of 331 Newman Spring Road, Suite 203, Red Bank, NJ 07701 as Borough Planner for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and

Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-035**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH RISK MANAGER - MEDICAL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a professional to serve as Borough Risk Manager - Medical; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint The Vozza Agency with a mailing address of One Depot Square, PO Box 100, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 as Borough Risk Manager - Medical for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as "Professional Services," pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-036**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH RISK MANAGER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a professional to serve as Borough Risk Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint The Vozza Agency with a mailing address of One Depot Square, PO Box 100, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 as Borough Risk Manager for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as "Professional Services," pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-039**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STREET SWEEPING SHARED SERVICES
AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF PARAMUS**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge is in need of annual street sweeping services;
and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge and the Borough of Paramus seek to renew an Interlocal Agreement wherein the Borough of Paramus will provide Street Sweeping services for the Borough of Park Ridge; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Paramus has offered to provide said services pursuant to a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Park Ridge; and

WHEREAS, the shared services proposal presented by the Borough of Paramus (a copy of which is attached hereto) is the most cost effective proposal for the Borough of Park Ridge; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council deem it to be in the best interests of the Borough of Park Ridge to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Borough of Paramus for Street Sweeping services,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Borough hereby authorize the Mayor to execute the required Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Paramus for street sweeping services for the 2021 calendar year.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-040**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF MAURO A. FINAMORE AS
HIGH HAZARD STRUCTURES
("HHS") ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge has the need to hire a part-time High Hazard Structures ("HHS") electrical inspector; and

WHEREAS, Mauro A. Finamore is licensed to provide such inspections and has been providing such services to the Borough on a temporary basis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Finamore shall be compensated at a rate of \$10,000.00 per year for such service; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Finamore is hired on a probationary basis; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized and directed, and the Borough Clerk to attest, to any and all documents necessary to hire Mauro A. Finamore as a part-time probationary employee pursuant to the terms of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of the within resolution be available for public inspection during regular business hours and pursuant to the laws of the State of New Jersey, County of Bergen and Borough of Park Ridge.

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to adopt Res. No. 021-029 – Appointment of Borough Bond Counsel

A motion was made by Councilmember Metzdorf and seconded by Council President Epstein to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

NAYS: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Cozzi

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-029**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH BOND COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an attorney to serve as Borough Bond Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Rogut McCarthy, LLC with a mailing address of 37 Alden Street, Cranford, NJ 07016 as Borough Bond Counsel for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law,(NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and

Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to adopt Res. No. 021-033 – Appointment of Borough Labor Counsel

A motion was made by Council President Epstein and seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

NAYS: Councilmember Fenwick and Councilmember Cozzi

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-033**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH LABOR COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an attorney to serve as Borough Labor Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Dario Metz & Albert Eyerman, LLC with a mailing address of 345 Union St., Hackensack, NJ 07601 as Borough Labor Counsel for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of

funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to adopt Res. No. 021-037 – Appointment of Special Tax Appeal Attorney

A motion was made by Council President Epstein and seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Capilli Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

NAYS: Councilmember Fenwick and Councilmember Cozzi

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-037**

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an attorney to serve as Borough Special Tax Appeal Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint William F. Rupp, Esq. of MARC Law at 210 Park Ave, Suite 301, Florham Park, NJ 07932 as Borough Special Tax Appeal Attorney for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to adopt Res. No. 021-038 – Appointment of Borough Attorney

A motion was made by Councilmember Metzdorf and seconded by Council President Epstein to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Council President Epstein

NAYS: Councilmember Fenwick and Councilmember Cozzi

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 021-038**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an attorney to serve as Borough Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Anthony Bocchi, Esq., Cullen/Dykman, with a mailing address of 433 Hackensack Ave, Hackensack, NJ as Borough Attorney for the year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as "Professional Services," pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

COUNCILMEMBERS REMARKS:

Councilmember Fenwick: I would like to thank the people of Park Ridge for choosing me as one of their new Council Members. I would also like to thank all of my supports who worked to help bring us here. I would also like to thank several of our residents, who are no longer with us, who had dedicated a lot of their time to the Borough and inspired me to work to be on this

Council. They are including Dr. Robert Ballentine, former Councilmember Maughan, as well as several others over the past years that helped to get us here today. I promise to always work to put Park Ridge first and I thank the people of Park Ridge for their support.

Councilmember Ferguson: I would like to wish everyone a Happy & Healthy New Year. Moving on to 2021, with only good things to come. I would like to thank Tom Farinano and Mike Mintz, our outgoing Councilmen, for their years of service. I would also like to welcome John Cozzi and Will Fenwick to the Council – I look forward to working with them in this coming year.

Councilmember Cozzi: I would like to thank the residents of Park Ridge for electing me. I promise to do everything I can to put Park Ridge first. I know Mr. Metzdorf, as I grew up in the same town as him, and I am happy to work with him as well as the rest of the Council. I would also like to wish the residents, the Council and everybody else who is listening a Happy & Healthy New Year. I am very glad to see 2020 in our rearview mirror at this point.

Councilmember Capilli: I would just like to wish everybody a Happy & Healthy New Year. Will and John, I look forward to working with you this year. Congratulations and best of luck!

Councilmember Metzdorf: I would like to welcome Will and John to the Council. I have known John for quite some time. I know that they will both contribute to the Council and I look forward to working with both of you, and the rest of the Council. **Tri-Boro Food Pantry:** The Pandemic has resulted in a dramatic increase of service from the Tri-Boro Food Pantry. I would like to remind the Park Ridge residents that the Food Pantry accepts donations of food, household items, paper towels, tissues, toilet paper and more. They also accept monetary donations.

If you want to make a donation, you can make your check payable to the Tri-Boro Food Pantry. Your checks can be mailed or dropped off to 65 Pascack Road, Park Ridge, NJ 07656. All donations are tax-deductible. If you wish, they also accept Venmo. Any non-perishable food donations can be dropped off to Borough Hall (front entrance) or to the Pantry on Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. The drop-off is in the back of 65 Pascack Road, in the parking lot, that they share with the High School. Finally, you can be assured that 100% of the donations that you make to the Tri-Boro Food Pantry, goes to the people in need. Nobody gets paid, they pay no rent; every nickel and penny go to the people in need. So, you have been extremely generous with your donations, but I ask that if you can, please step it up just a little because there are still so many people in need. Wishing everyone a Happy New Year. I hope that we can all get through this Pandemic in a healthy manner.

Mayor Misciagna: Thank you, Rob. We are not out of the woods yet. The Food Pantry is extremely appreciative and all donations are greatly appreciated!

Council President Epstein: First of all, Happy New Year to everyone. Heading into my fifth year on the Council, I wanted to extend my humble thanks and gratitude to the Council for their support, in selecting me, as the next Council President. I also am looking forward to working closely with you, Mr. Mayor, with the rest of the Council, as well as with all of the borough employees to ensure that we continue to meet the needs of the citizens of Park Ridge. Will and

John, I welcome both of you to the Council. Over the past 4 years that I have been on the Council, we have had our differences of opinions, as is. I look forward to having you both come on and provide us with your expertise and your involvement. I have always looked forward to our conversations; I am looking forward to conversations with both of you, as I have not had the chance to meet with you yet. I am looking forward to an interesting and productive 2021!

MAYOR REMARKS:

Mayor Misciagna: I would like to acknowledge our two departing Councilmembers, Tom Farinaro and Mike Mintz. They are both two long-time friends of mine; I have known them both for over twenty years. They are great residents of Park Ridge and they will be missed! Will and John, I know you are up to the task of filling both of their shoes and I look forward to working with you this coming year, as well as with Kelly Epstein as our new Council President. This has been a difficult year and I want the residents of Park Ridge to know that this has never been a rubber-stamp Council. We do our job working through difficult issues, and this year was difficult on many, many levels. I am proud to be part of this team and I am looking forward to a great 2021. So, I want to wish everybody a happy, healthy, COVID-free & prosperous New Year!

BENEDICTION & CLOSING:

Mayor Misciagna calls on Father Robert Ulak of Our Lady of Mercy Church for the Benediction.

There being no further business, Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to close the Reorganizational meeting.

A motion is made by Council President Epstein and seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf to confirm

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf and Council President Epstein

Mayor Misciagna: To everybody, here's to a great 2021, I am looking forward to a much better year! God Bless everyone and Happy New Year!

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk