

CITY COUNCIL - ELIZABETH, N. J.

REGULAR MEETING - TUESDAY, JULY 27, 2021

7:30 P. M.

AGENDA

ROLL CALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

PUBLIC SPEAKING.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- ORD. NO. 5498- An Ordinance granting an Environmental Encroachment Permit to Appalachia Hydrogeologic & Environmental Consulting, LLC, 678 Route 202-206, Bldg. 5, Unit 4, Bridgewater, N.J., for the installation of one (1) off-site monitoring well at the location of 581-599 Pennsylvania Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5500 - An Ordinance amending various sections of Chapter 17 of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "Land Development Code," specifically to create overlay zones related to the regulation of cannabis establishments.
- ORD. NO. 5501 - An Ordinance to exceed the State Fiscal Year 2022 Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to establish a CAP Bank pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14.

**THE ELIZABETH AVENUE SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT CALENDAR YEAR 2022 BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$310,387.18.**

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2021, from His Honor the Mayor subject to your advice and consent I am appointing Joseph Colacitti to the position of Deputy Tax Assessor effective August 16, 2021 for a four (4) year term, consistent with the provision of N.J.S.A. 40A:9-148.

Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 29, 2021, from His Honor the Mayor subject to your confirmation, advice, and consent, I am appointing the following attorneys and/or respective firms to serve as Municipal Public Defenders for the Municipal Court for the period covering July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a rate of \$300.00 per session and \$500.00 per session for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) matters for a total cost not to exceed \$175,000.00: Celeste Dudley-Smith, Esq., The Dudley-Smith Law Firm, LLC, 1155 West Chestnut Street, Suite 2A, Union, NJ; Chanima Odoms, Esq., The Law Office of Chanima Odoms, Esq., 16 Bennet Street, Unit 515, Jersey City, NJ; Vernita E. Sias-Hill, Esq., Attorney-at-Law, 1812 Front Street, Scotch Plains, NJ; Nidara Y. Rourk, Esq., 210 Dodd Street, East Orange, NJ; Maria M. Dias, Esq., Attorney-at-Law, 701 Westfield Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ; Celeste Dudley-Smith, Esq. shall be designated as Chief Municipal Public Defender at the additional compensation of \$5,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 21, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Turn Out Fire and Safety, Inc., 3468 Kennedy Boulevard, Jersey City, NJ for the purchase of protective Firefighter clothing and equipment for the Fire Department during the period of June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 21, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to ESI Equipment Inc., 440 Horsham Road, Suites 4 & 5, Horsham, PA for the purchase of Police and Homeland Security Equipment for the Police and Fire Departments during the period of June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$150,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 21, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept, and sign all appropriate documents for the FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program, Bureau of Justice Assistance anticipated funding will be utilized to enhance overall public safety efforts and more effectively address concerns throughout the City; focus areas include but are not limited to: overtime patrols in crime prevention/intervention programs in high crime areas; ABC Enforcement, Juvenile Curfew and Aftercare Programs, Narcotics Enforcement, Community Service Neighborhood Detail and Traffic Enforcement; as the City of Elizabeth has been designated the Fiscal Agent/Prime Recipient for Union County in reference to this grant program, the identified total funding request includes anticipated allocations in the following amounts for Union County recipient municipalities: City of Elizabeth \$119,332.00; City of Linden \$17,209.00 and the City of Plainfield \$29,572.00 amount not to exceed \$166,113.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 22, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Skylands Area Fire Equipment and Training, 23 Hamburg Turnpike, Suite A, Riverdale, NJ for the purchase of protective Firefighter Clothing and Equipment for the Fire Department during the period of June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$100,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 23, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract Firefighter One, LLC, 26 Gail Court, Suite 1, Sparta, NJ for the purchase of protective Firefighter Clothing and Equipment for the Fire Department during the period of June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022 in the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 24, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Witmer Public Safety Group, 104 Independence Way, Coatesville, PA for the purchase of protective Firefighter Clothing and Equipment for the Fire Department during the period of June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$60,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 24, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Foley Inc., 855 Centennial Avenue, Piscataway, NJ for the purchase of generator equipment maintenance and repair during the period of June 30, 2021 through June 29, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$125,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 24, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Gold Type Business Machines, Inc., 351 Paterson Avenue, East Rutherford, NJ for the purchase of E-tickets, hardware and software maintenance for the period of June 5, 2021 through June 4, 2022 in the amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.  
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Beyer Ford, 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, NJ for the purchase of six (6) Ford F-450 4wd Reg CAB 145" WB 60" CA (cab to axle) XL's as replacement vehicles for the Department of Public Works at a cost of \$401,079.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Trius Inc., 5049 Industrial Road, Farmingdale, NJ for the purchase of furnishing and installation of six (6) Henke Flows on new dump trucks for the Department of Public Works in the amount of \$96,246.48. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Alpine Software Corporation, 120 Assembly Drive, Mendon, NY for the purchase of proprietary software support and maintenance for the Fire Department Red Alert System during the period of May 15, 2021 through May 15, 2022 in the amount of \$20,015.42. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 28, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Bucks County International, Inc., 134 Old Oxford Valley Road, Langhorne, PA for the purchase of six (6) 2020 International Dump Trucks for the Department of Public Works as replacements to the fleet in the amount of \$848,844.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the City Hall Supervisors Association for a four (4) year contract from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025; in addition, employees covered under this agreement shall receive a two (2%) percent increase in their respective salary ranges for July 1, 2021, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2022, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2023, and two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2024. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Recreation Maintenance Workers Association and Police Mechanics and Electricians Association for a four (4) year contract from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025; in addition, employees covered under this agreement shall receive a two (2%) percent increase in their respective salary ranges for July 1, 2021, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2022, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2023, and two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2024; details are attached. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute an agreement with Union Council No. 8 New Jersey Civil Service Association for a four (4) year contract from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025; in addition, employees covered under this agreement shall receive a two (2%) percent increase in their respective salary ranges for July 1, 2021, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2022, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2023, and two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2024; details are attached. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Dr. Michael R. Zaboski, 240 Williamson Street, Suite 204, Elizabeth, NJ to serve as the Elizabeth Police Department's Physician during the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a total fee not to exceed \$20,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to award a contract to William H. Malone, Jr. Inc., 6 East Sand Dune Lane, Long Beach Township, NJ to provide insurance management consulting services during the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a flat fee of \$30,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute an Indemnification Agreement with the Elizabeth Board of Education covering the City's utilization of their facilities during the 2021-2022 fiscal year. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to award a policy of insurance with Safety National Casualty Corporation, 1832 Schuetz Road, St. Louis, MO; through agent-of-record Sirocco Group to obtain Excess Insurance on Worker's Compensation coverage and excess General Liability insurance during the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at an annual premium of \$284,354.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Union County Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation – Preserve Union County grant program; anticipated funding will be utilized to preserve and enhance municipal locations listed on the New Jersey Register of Historic Places, honoring our history as well as contributions to our community and region; matching funds are required for this grant, amount of the grant is not to exceed \$200,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Union County Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund – Kids Recreation Trust Grant; anticipated funding will increase opportunities and services at the Sixth Street Playground site through upgrades and modifications including but not limited to: the incorporation of a spray park and new playground equipment for an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Emergency Medical Benevolent Association, International Association of EMT's and Paramedics Local 87 for a four (4) year contract from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025; in addition, employees covered under this agreement shall receive a two (2%) percent increase in their respective salary ranges for July 1, 2021, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2022, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2023, and two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2024; details are attached. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Elizabeth Fire Department, Emergency Medical Service Division Supervisors Local 309 for a four (4) year contract from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025; in addition, employees covered under this agreement shall receive a two (2%) percent increase in their respective salary ranges for July 1, 2021, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2022, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2023, and two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2024; details are attached.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 1, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Public Health Nurse Supervisors Association for a four (4) year contract from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025; in addition, employees covered under this agreement shall receive a two (2%) percent increase in their respective salary ranges for July 1, 2021, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2022, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2023, and two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2024; details are attached. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 1, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Public Health Nurses Association for a four (4) year contract from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025; in addition, employees covered under this agreement shall receive a two (2%) percent increase in their respective salary ranges for July 1, 2021, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2022, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2023, and two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2024; details are attached. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 1, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute an agreement with the Recreation Maintenance Supervisors Association for a four (4) year contract from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025; in addition, employees covered under this agreement shall receive a two (2%) percent increase in their respective salary ranges for July 1, 2021, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2022, two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2023, and two and one quarter percent (2.25%) for July 1, 2024; details are attached. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 1, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding respective contracts to Signal Control Products, Inc., 199 Evans Way, Branchburg, NJ; Traffic Parts, Inc., 27895 Robinson Road, Conroe, TX and General Traffic Equipment Corp., 259 Broadway, Newburgh, NY for the furnishing of traffic signal parts for the Electrical Bureau of the Police Department for a two-year period from the date of the award of the contracts in the amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for all vendors combined. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 1, 2021, from the Business Administrator recommending awarding a contract to Atlantic Tactical, Inc., 763 Corporate Circle, New Cumberland, PA for the purchase of fifty (50) Sig Sauer P227 handguns and magazines for the Police Department in the amount of \$34,555.50. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 1, 2021, from the Business Administrator request authorization for the proper City officials to execute any and all documents necessary and appropriate and recommends awarding a contract to Dell, Inc., One Dell Way, RR2 8142, Round Rock, TX for the purchase of Cloud Based Microsoft Office 365, Project Online Professional GCC, Visio Plan 2GCC Software Subscriptions and Licenses for various offices during the period of September 1, 2021 to August 31, 2022 at a cost of \$175,049.00. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2021, from the Business Administrator advising that being satisfied that an emergency did exist, recommends the award of a contract to Empire Construction & Property Management Group, Inc., 14 Grove Street, Middletown, NJ for emergency repairs to a concealed area of the platform at the Marina Boat Launch Platform, exploratory work has begun consisting of removing the existing steel plates and I-beams, installing new steel beams and plates, and reinforcing the existing bulkhead at an estimated cost of \$125,000.00.  
Which was received. F.I.O.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 23, 2021, from the City Attorney recommending the renewal of a contract with the law firm of LaCorte, Bundy, Varady & Kinsella, 989 Bonnel Court, Union, NJ to serve as Civil/Criminal Litigation Counsel, Substitute/Conflict Counsel and/or Legal Counsel for Investigation of Complaints at a rate of \$175.00 per hour for Civil Litigation; \$175.00 per hour together with reasonable expenses for legal work required to defend against late notice of claims, motions and for other miscellaneous matters and subrogation claims to recover property damage losses shall be paid on the basis of twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount of recovery, for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 plus reasonable expenses not to exceed \$450,000.00 except as specifically authorized by resolution of City Council.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 23, 2021, from the City Attorney recommending the renewal of a contract with the law firm of LaCorte, Bundy, Varady & Kinsella, 989 Bonnel Court, Union, NJ to provide the same defense of Worker's Compensation cases, as well as matters included in the City's self-insurance program during the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a rate of \$175.00 per hour for each petition which includes attendance at all hearings, negotiations trials, appeals, etc., plus reasonable expenses; a rate of fifteen percent (15%) of recovery of liens involving third party actions not to exceed \$150,000.00 except as specifically authorized by resolution of City Council.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 23, 2021, from the City Attorney recommending awarding respective contracts for the assignment of legal counsel for Civil/Criminal Litigation Counsel, Substitute/Conflict Counsel and/or Legal Counsel for Investigation of Complaints when LaCorte, Bundy, Varady & Kinsella, Esqs., have conflicts of interest during the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 to: Edward J. Kologi, Esq., Michael S. Simitz, Esq., Kologi/Simitz, 500 North Wood Avenue, Suite 4B, Linden, NJ; Edwin R. Matthews, Esq., Bourne, Noll & Kenyon, 382 Springfield Avenue, Suite 507, Summit, NJ; Robert F. Renaud, Esq., Catherine DeAppolonio, Esq., Renaud DeAppolonio, LLC, 190 North Avenue East, Cranford, NJ; Peter H. Spaeth, Esq., Wolff, Helies, Spaeth & Lucas, Valley Park Professional Center, 2517 Highway 35, Building K, Suites 201 & 202, Manasquan, NJ; Kraig M. Dowd, Esq., Weber Dowd Law, LLC, 365 Rifle Camp Road, West Paterson, NJ; Daniel Antonelli, Esq., Antonelli Kantor, P.C., 354 Eisenhower Parkway, Suite 1000, Livingston, NJ; Janyce M. Wilson, Esq., 226 South Paul Street, Westfield, NJ; Perry L. Lattiboudere, Esq., Adams Gutierrez & Lattiboudere, LLC, The Legal Center, 1037 Raymond Boulevard, Suite 900, Newark, NJ; Kathryn V. Hatfield, Esq., Hatfield Schwartz Law Group, 240 Cedar Knolls Road, Suite 303, Cedar Knolls, NJ; Camille M. Kenny, J.S.C. (ret.), C K Solutions, 19 Manchester Drive, Westfield, NJ; David L. Minchello, Esq., Rainone Coughlin Minchello, 555 U.S. Highway One South, Suite 440, Iselin, NJ; Steven Fernandez, Esq., O'Toole Scivo, 14 Village Park Road, Cedar Grove, NJ with an hourly rate of \$175.00 and a cap of \$95,000.00.  
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 25, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the Tax Collector to cancel/credit/refund an overbilling of taxes for the 2020 Tax Year on the property located at 141 Washington Avenue in the amount of \$6,117.64; an overbilling of taxes for the 2021 Tax Year on the properties located at 16 Kerlyn Court in the amount of \$4,701.84; 646-648 Bailey Avenue in the amount of \$8,680.13; 317 Niles Street in the amount of \$7,677.17.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 6, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer advising in compliance with the SFY 2016 Appropriations Act requires that your Honorable Body approve all payments related to accumulated/uncompensated absence benefits.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 6, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that transfers for the 2021 SFY Municipal and Sewer Utility Budgets may be necessary.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 6, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer advising that temporary emergency appropriations for the 2022 SFY Municipal and Sewer Utility Budgets may be necessary.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 6, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Blau & Blau, 223 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, NJ to serve as the primary legal representative of the City in all matters relating to tax appeals including preparation for trials, discovery and motions, and the appearance at trials and other court appearances pertaining to tax appeals at the Union County Tax Board and New Jersey Tax Court and other venues during the 2022 SFY in the amount of \$130,000.00; compensation will be contingent upon the results of the appeals; twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount of increased tax associated with final judgments of the Union County Board of Taxation or the New Jersey Tax Court, if the case is settled without necessity of an appraisal; thirty-three and one third percent (33.33%) of the amount of the increased tax associated with final judgments if a real estate appraisal of the property is obtained; all costs associated with filing and prosecuting the tax appeals including but not limited to filing fees, expert witnesses, preparation of trial exhibits, copying and postage will be paid by Blau & Blau; fee shall not exceed \$250,000.00 for an individual property in any tax year.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 6, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with NW Financial Group, LLC, 2 Hudson Place, Hoboken, NJ to provide financial advisory services to the City in connection with the City's issuance of municipal and sewer utility debt obligations including bonds and bond anticipation notes and any other financial analysis deemed necessary for the 2022 SFY for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 6, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Acacia Financial Group, Inc., 6000 Midlantic Drive, Suite 410 North, Mount Laurel, NJ to provide financial advisory services to the City in connection with the city's issuance of municipal and sewer utility debt obligations including bonds and bond anticipation notes and any other financial analysis deemed necessary for the 2022 SFY for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.  
Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 6, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Louis C. Mai, CPA & Associates, 6 Moonshadow Court, Kinnelon, NJ to provide statutory audits of the General funds, Sewer Utility funds, Other Funds, the Single Audit and also for five (5) year comparative statements for the 2022 SFY in the amount of \$251,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 6, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Stack, Coolahan & Stack, LLC, 90 Hudson Street, P.O. Box 731, Hoboken, NJ to provide real estate counseling services with a credible opinion of market value for property tax valuation purposes in an amount of \$90,000.00 and the preparation of appraisal reports and litigation support including testimony and attendance at conferences scheduled by the Court in connection with State Tax Court appeals for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the 2022 SFY totaling \$115,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 6, 2021, from the Chief Financial Officer request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with DeCotiis, FitzPatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP, 61 South Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ to provide bond counsel services in connection with the City's issuance of debt obligations and to provide for the terms and the security of such obligations in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey for the 2022 SFY for an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 10, 2021, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request authorization to utilize Urban Enterprise Zone Assistance funds for the Fiscal Year 2022 Commercial District Security Program proposed funding will allow police officers to conduct walking patrols throughout the following business districts: Elizabeth Avenue, Broad Street, Morris Avenue, First Street, Third Street, East Jersey Street, Bayway Avenue, Elmora Avenue and the Historic Central Railroad Station; in addition, an extra duty Police Supervisor will be utilized during peak shift hours to manage and oversee the various Urban Enterprise Zone walking patrols during the period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 in the amount of \$368,742.00.; City will provide a twenty percent (20%) match in the amount of \$92,186.00; total project cost \$460,928.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 23, 2021, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into an agreement with Harbor Consultants, Inc., 320 North Avenue East, Cranford, NJ to provide planning services to the Planning and Zoning Board and the Department of Planning and Community Development during the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 at a cost of \$75,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request to designate Baker Street Holdings Urban Renewal, LLC, 500 Frank W. Burr Blvd, No. 47, Teaneck, NJ as the redeveloper for 827-961 and 827-907 Newark Avenue and authorize the proper City officials to negotiate a redevelopment agreement with Baker Street Holdings Urban Renewal, LLC. Which was received.



PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request authorization for the Planning Board to reexamine the Elizabethport Phase II Redevelopment Plan for a new mixed use development at 60-90 Broadway, 133-135 First Street, 120-134 Front Street, 59-81 Livingston Street and 74-82 Livingston Street. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter received July 2, 2021, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request to amend the Kapkowski Redevelopment Plan to rezone the following parcels: Rear 575, 577 627, 655, 667, 631, 601, and 583 Kapkowski Road. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2021, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with the property owner, DR Morris, LLC, 940 Elizabeth Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ to have a mural painted on his property located at 313-317 Morris Avenue. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2021, from the Director of Planning and Community Development request authorization for the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Marcel Goyen, 297 Grove Street, Woodbridge, NJ for the City's Mural Project, to paint a mural on the building located at 313-317 Morris Avenue in the amount of \$12,850.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 17, 2021, from the Director of Public Works request authorization for the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Union County Open Space, Recreation & Historic Preservation, Greening Union County program for one hundred fifty (150) Little Leaf Linden Trees, which will be planted curbside with the installation of root barriers for an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 24, 2021, from the Director of Public Works request permission to have liens placed against properties listed on Schedule A attached hereto for the removal and disposal of debris from said properties in the amount of \$1,629.36. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 25, 2021, from the Director of Public Works request approval of Contract Amendment No. 2 for the contract awarded to Colliers Engineering and Design, Inc., d/b/a Maser Consulting, 331 Newman Springs Road, Red Bank, NJ to provide Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping services at an original cost of \$541,000.00 to provide further for GIS mapping services at an additional cost not to exceed \$48,520.00 plus reimbursables for the Development of an Enterprise GIS and GIS Based Parcel Mapping in accordance with State of New Jersey Tax Map Regulations and Standards, which combined with a previous contract amendment raises the contract amount to \$609,445.00. Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the Director of Public Works recommending awarding a contract to Diaco contracting, Inc., d/b/a Grade Construction, 110 Pennsylvania Avenue, Paterson, NJ for the Elizabeth River Trail Phase 5 extension and Traffic Signal Replacement at the intersection of Clifton Street and Cole Place at a cost of \$1,771,305.55. Which was received.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC. (Cont'd)

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 1, 2021, from the Director of Public Works request approval of Change Order No. 2 – Final for the contract awarded to P.M. Construction Corp., 1310 Central Avenue, Hillside, NJ in connection with the Trumbull Street Stormwater Control Project in the original amount of \$5,417,928.66; change order represents final quantity adjustments from estimated bid quantities to the final as-built quantities and an extension of time from the amended completion date of July 5, 2018 to the actual completion and closeout date of November 6, 2020; final quantity adjustments result in a reduction of \$139,804.09 from the contract and is further reduced by \$165,000.00 for liquidated damages for delays in contract completion reducing the final contract price by the amount of \$304,804.09 which combined with a previous change order decreases the final contract amount to \$5,498,124.57.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 1, 2021, from the Director of Public Works request approval of Contract Amendment No. 1 Final for the contract awarded to Mott MacDonald, LLC, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, NJ to provide construction phase engineering services in connection with the Trumbull Street Flood Control Project Phase III at an original cost of \$333,050.00 to provide engineering and field services during construction including conducting meetings, review of submittals and shop drawings, full time inspection and administrative services at an additional cost of \$200,500.00 raising the contract amount to \$533,550.00.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated July 2, 2021, from the Director of Recreation request to amend the resolution adopted June 22, 2021, authorizing the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Urban Parks/Green Acres Program for an amount not to exceed \$799,450.00, specifically to reflect "if an Urban Parks project is not approved, the application may be rolled into the upcoming Green Acres funding round; if the application is rolled over, the unfunded eligible balance will compete for Green Acres funding in the form of a grant, combination grant/loan, or loan funding based on the project category"; anticipated funding will provide development of new tennis and pickleball courts at the former Bayway Polish Home site.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 25, 2021, from the Police Director request to establish handicapped parking spaces in front of the following locations: 75 Fulton Street (personalized); 594 Walnut Street (personalized); 218 Murray Street (personalized); 417 Fulton Street (personalized); 526 First Ave Fl. 1; 721 Grier Avenue deletions: 19 Lyon Place; 60 Watson Avenue; 1 Dewitt Road; 952 Grove Street, 552 Livingston Street, 632 Fourth Avenue, 667 Maple Avenue, 47 Reid Street.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 22, 2021, from Sebastian "Bazz" Valencia, For the Culture Elizabeth, NJ request permission to host the Second Annual "For The Culture Youth Festival" to be held on Saturday, August 28, 2021 at Carteret Park from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.; included in the request is to have all fees waived.  
Which was received.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 22, 2021, from the City Treasurer submitting the City Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of April 2021 and Statement of Bank Balances and Investments as of April 30, 2021.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Letter dated June 30, 2021, from the City Treasurer submitting the City Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of May 2021 and Statement of Bank Balances and Investments as of May 31, 2021.  
Which was received.

By the Clerk:

Minutes: Fair Rental Housing Board meeting held April 21, 2021  
Which was received.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- ORD. NO. 5503 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Tina Pierce, 75 Fulton Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5504 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Zoe Oviedo Martinez, 417 Fulton Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5505 - An Ordinance to authorize the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Emad Ayesb, 218 Murray Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5506 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 5362, adopted on September 22, 2020, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Johnny Gratacos, 19 Lyons Place, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5507 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 4584, adopted on May 12, 2015, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Alfredo Arias, 60 Watson Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5508 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 5459, adopted on April 13, 2021, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Kimberly Charles-Smith, 552 Livingston Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5509 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 4983, adopted on February 27, 2018, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Elelice Silva, 632 Fourth Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5510 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 5251, adopted on October 8, 2019, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Jairo Ramirez, 667 Maple Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5511 - An Ordinance to rescind Ordinance No. 5169, adopted on April 23, 2019, which authorized the establishment of a personalized handicapped parking space for Manuel Lopez, 47 Reid Street, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE FOREGOING  
ORDINANCES SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2021 AT 7:30 P.M.**

**ORDINANCES ON FINAL PASSAGE**

- ORD. NO. 5498- An Ordinance granting an Environmental Encroachment Permit to Appalachia Hydrogeologic & Environmental Consulting, LLC, 678 Route 202-206, Bldg. 5, Unit 4, Bridgewater, N.J., for the installation of one (1) off-site monitoring well at the location of 581-599 Pennsylvania Avenue, Elizabeth, New Jersey.
- ORD. NO. 5500 - An Ordinance amending various sections of Chapter 17 of the City of Elizabeth, entitled "Land Development Code," specifically to create overlay zones related to the regulation of cannabis establishments.
- ORD. NO. 5501 - An Ordinance to exceed the State Fiscal Year 2022 Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to establish a CAP Bank pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14.

**NEW BUSINESS**

In compliance with the SFY 2016 Appropriations Act (Best Practices Requirement), City Council is requested to approve all payments related to accumulated/uncompensated absence benefits.

Authorize Temporary Emergency Appropriations for the 2022 Fiscal Year Municipal and Sewer Utility Budgets in the amount of \$6,313,439.00.

Adopt and approve the Elizabeth Avenue Special Improvement District Calendar Year 2022 Budget in the amount of \$310,387.18.

Confirm the appointment of Mr. Joseph Colacitti to serve as the Deputy Tax Assessor for a term of (4) four years effective August 16, 2021.

Confirm the appointment of the following to serve as Municipal Public Defenders for the Elizabeth Municipal Court for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, at a rate of \$300.00 per session and \$500.00 per session for Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) matters, for a total cost not to exceed \$175,000.00: Celeste Dudley-Smith, Esq., The Dudley-Smith Law Firm, LLC, Union N.J.; Chanima Odoms, Esq., The Law Office of Chanima Odoms, Esq., Jersey City, N.J.; Vernita E. Sias-Hill, Esq., Attorney-at-Law, Scotch Plains, N.J.; Nidara Y. Rourk, Esq., East Orange, N.J. and Maria M. Dias, Esq., Attorney-at-Law, Elizabeth, N.J.; Celeste Dudley-Smith, Esq. shall be designated as Chief Municipal Public Defender at the additional compensation of Five-Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

Authorize the award of a contract to Turn Out Fire & Safety, Inc., 3468 Kennedy Boulevard Jersey City, N.J., for the purchase of protective Firefighter clothing and equipment for the Fire Department for the period June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to ESI Equipment Inc., 440 Horsham Road, Suites 4 & 5, Horsham, PA, for the purchase of Police and Homeland Security Equipment and Supplies for the Police and Fire Departments for the period June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$150,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the FY 2021 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for an amount not to exceed \$166,113.00 and all appropriate documents enabling the City of Elizabeth to be designated as Fiscal Agent for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program – Bureau of Justice Assistance – Fiscal Years 2018, 2019 and Subsequent Years.

Authorize the award of a contract to Skylands Area Fire Equipment and Training, 23 Hamburg Turnpike, Suite A, Riverdale, N.J., for the purchase of protective Firefighter clothing and equipment for the Fire Department for the period June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$100,000.00.

**NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

Authorize the award of a contract to Firefighter One, LLC, 26 Gail Court, Suite 1, Sparta, N.J., for the purchase of protective Firefighter clothing and equipment for the Fire Department for the period June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$120,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Witmer Public Safety Group, 104 Independence Way, Coatesville, PA, for the purchase of protective Firefighter clothing and equipment for the Fire Department for the period June 15, 2021 through June 14, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$60,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Foley Inc., 855 Centennial Avenue, Piscataway, N.J., for the purchase of generator equipment maintenance and repair through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Co-Op for the period June 30, 2021 through June 29, 2022 at a cost not to exceed \$125,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Gold Type Business Machines, Inc., 351 Paterson Avenue, East Rutherford, N.J., for the purchase of E-tickets, hardware and software maintenance through the Bergen County Co-Op for the period June 5, 2021 through June 4, 2022, in the amount not to exceed \$100,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Beyer Ford, 170 Ridgedale Avenue, Morristown, N.J., for the purchase of six (6) Ford F-450 4WD Reg CAB 145" WB 60" XL's as replacement vehicles for the Department of Public Works, at a total cost of \$401,079.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Trius Inc., 5049 Industrial Road, Farmingdale, N.J., for the purchase of furnishing and installation six (6) Henke Plows on new dump trucks for the Department of Public Works through the Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative Pricing System, in the amount of \$96,246.48.

Authorize the award of a contract to Alpine Software Corporation, 120 Assembly Drive, Mendon, N.Y., for proprietary software support and maintenance for the Fire Department Red Alert System for the period May 15, 2021 through May 15, 2022, in the amount of \$20,015.42.

Authorize the award of a contract to Bucks County International, Inc., 134 Old Oxford Valley Road, Langhorne, PA, for the purchase of six (6) 2020 International Dump Trucks as replacements to the fleet for the Public Works Department, in the amount of \$848,844.00.

Authorize His Honor the Mayor to execute the collective bargaining agreement with the City Hall Supervisors Association, for a four-year contract for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Authorize His Honor the Mayor to execute the collective bargaining agreement with the Recreation Maintenance Workers Association and Police Mechanics and Electricians Association, for a four-year contract for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Authorize His Honor the Mayor to execute the collective bargaining agreement with the Union Council No. 8 New Jersey Civil Service Association, for a four-year contract for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Authorize the award of a contract to Dr. Michael R. Zaboski, 240 Williamson Street, Suite 204, Elizabeth, N.J., to provide the professional services of a Physician for the Elizabeth Police Department for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, at a total cost not to exceed \$20,000.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to William H. Malone, Jr. Inc., 6 East Sand Dune Lane, Long Beach Township, N.J., to provide Insurance Management Consulting Services for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, for a total cost of \$30,000.00.

**NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

Authorize the proper City officials to execute an Indemnification Agreement with the Elizabeth Board of Education, 500 North Broad Street, Elizabeth, N.J. covering the City's utilization of the Board of Education facilities during the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Authorize the award of a contract to Safety National Casualty Corporation, 1832 Schuetz Road, St. Louis, MO, through the agent-of-record, Sirocco Group for the renewal of a policy for Excess Insurance on Workers' Compensation Coverage & excess General Liability insurance for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, at an annual premium of \$284,354.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Union County Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation – Preserve Union County Grant Program 2021, anticipated funding will be utilized to preserve and enhance municipal locations listed on the New Jersey Register of Historic Places, honoring our history as well as contributions to our community and region, matching funds are required for this grant, for an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Union County Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Kids Recreation Trust Fund Grant Program, anticipated funding will increase opportunities and services at the Sixth Street Playground site through upgrades and modifications, for an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00.

Authorize His Honor the Mayor to execute the collective bargaining agreement with the Emergency Medical Benevolent Association, International Association of EMT's and Paramedics Local 87, for a four-year contract for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Authorize His Honor the Mayor to execute the collective bargaining agreement with the Public Health Nurses Association, for a four-year contract for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Authorize His Honor the Mayor to execute the collective bargaining agreement with the Recreation Maintenance Supervisors Association, for a four-year contract for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2025.

Authorize the award of respective contracts to Signal Control Products, Inc., 199 Evans Way, Branchburg, N.J.; Traffic Parts, Inc., 27895 Robinson Road, Conroe, TX and General Traffic Equipment Corp. 259 Broadway, Newburgh, N.Y., for the furnishing of traffic signal parts for the Electrical Bureau of the Police Department, for a two-year period from the date of the award, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00 for all vendors combined.

Authorize the award of a contract Atlantic Tactical, Inc., 763 Corporate Circle, New Cumberland, PA, for the provision of fifty (50) Sig Sauer P227 handguns and magazines for the Police Department, in the amount of \$34,555.50.

Authorize the award of a contract to Dell, Inc., One Dell Way, RR2 8142 Round Rock, TX, for the purchase of Cloud Based Microsoft Office 365, Project Online Professional GCC, Visio Plan 2 GCC Software Subscriptions and Licenses for various offices and authorize the proper City Officials to execute any necessary documents provided by Dell, Inc. in connection with the contract for the period September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022, at a cost of \$175,049.00.

Authorize the renewal of a contract with the Law Firm of LaCorte, Bundy, Varady and Kinsella, 989 Bonnel Court, Union, N.J., to provide the City with legal services in the defense of Civil/Criminal Litigation Counsel, Substitute/Conflict Counsel and/or Legal Counsel for Investigation of Complaints in auto/general liability cases and matters included within the City's self-insurance program for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, not to exceed \$450,000.00, except as specifically authorized by City Council.

NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

Authorize the renewal of a contract with the Law Firm of LaCorte, Bundy, Varady and Kinsella, 989 Bonnel Court, Union, N.J., to provide the City with legal services in the defense of Worker's Compensation cases and matters included within the City's partial self-insurance program for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, not to exceed \$150,000.00, except as specifically authorized by City Council.

Authorize the award of respective contracts to: Edward J. Kologi, Esq., Michael S. Simitz, Esqs., KOLOGI/SIMITZ, Linden, NJ; Edwin R. Matthews, Esq., BOURNE, NOLL, & KENYON, Summit, NJ; Robert F. Renaud, Esq., Catherine DeAppolonio, Esq., RENAUD DEAPOLONIO, LLC, Cranford, NJ; Peter H. Spaeth, Esq., WOLFF, HELIES, DUGGAN SPAETH & LUCAS, Manasquan, NJ; Kraig M. Dowd, Esq., WEBER DOWD LAW LLC, West Paterson, NJ; Daniel Antonelli, Esq., ANTONELLI KANTOR, P.C., Livingston, NJ; Janyce M. Wilson, Esq., Westfield, NJ; Perry L. Lattiboudere, Esq., ADAMS GUTIERREZ & LATTIBOUDERE, LLC, Newark, NJ; Kathryn V. Hatfield, Esq., HATFIELD SCHWARTZ LAW GROUP, Cedar Knolls, NJ; Camille M. Kenny, J.S.C., (ret), C K SOLUTIONS, Westfield, NJ; David L. Minchello, Esq., RAINONE COUGHLIN MINCHELLO, Iselein, NJ and Steven Fernandez, Esq., O'TOOLE SCRIVO, Cedar Grove, NJ to provide the City with Legal Counsel in Civil/Criminal Litigation Counsel, Substitute/Conflict Counsel and/or Legal Counsel for Investigations of Complaints in situations where the law firm of LaCorte, Bundy, Varady, and Kinsella, Esqs., 989 Bonnel Court, Union, N.J., have conflicts of interest and for any other matter for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, with a hourly rate of \$175.00 and a cap of \$95,000.00 for each Attorney, except as specifically authorized by City Council.

Authorize the Tax Collector to cancel/refund/credit an overbilling of taxes on the property located at 141 Washington Avenue for Tax Year 2020, in the total amount of \$6,117.64.

Authorize the Tax Collector to cancel/refund/credit an overbilling of taxes on the property located at 16 Kerlyn Court for Tax Year 2021, in the total amount of \$4,701.84.

Authorize the Tax Collector to cancel/refund/credit an overbilling of taxes on the property located at 646-48 Bailey Avenue for Tax Year 2021, in the total amount of \$8,680.13.

Authorize the Tax Collector to cancel/refund/credit an overbilling of taxes on the property located at 317 Niles Street for Tax Year 2021, in the total amount of \$7,677.17.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Blau & Blau, Attorneys at Law, 223 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, N.J. to serve as the Tax Appeal Attorney at the New Jersey Tax Court and Union County Board of Taxation for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 in the amount of \$130,000.00 and to include its interest to the propose and file tax appeals to increase property tax assessments contingent upon the results of the tax appeals, fee shall not exceed \$250,000.00 for an individual property in any tax year.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a contract with NW Financial Group, LLC, 2 Hudson Place, Hoboken, N.J., to provide Financial Advisory Services in connection with the City's issuance of municipal and general sewer utility debt obligations and any other financial analysis deemed necessary for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Acacia Financial Group, Inc., 6000 Midlantic Drive, Suite 410 North, Mount Laurel, N.J., to provide Financial Advisory Services in connection with the City's issuance of debt obligations, through the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust and any other related financial analysis deemed necessary for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, for an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a contract award with Louis C. Mai, CPA & Associates, 6 Moonshadow Court, Kinnelon, N.J., to conduct Statutory Audits of the City of Elizabeth, General Funds, Sewer Utility Funds, Other Funds, the Single Audit of Federal and State Grants and also for five (5) year comparative statements for the 2022 SFY ending June 30, 2022, in the amount of \$251,000.00.

NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Stack, Coolahan & Stack, LLC., Real Estate Appraisers and Consultants, 90 Hudson Street, Suite 200, Hoboken, N.J., to provide Real Estate Counseling Services with a credible opinion of market value for property tax valuation purposes, in the amount of \$90,000.00 and for the preparation of appraisal reports and litigation support including testimony and attendance at conferences scheduled by the Courts in connection with State Tax Court appeals for an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022, totaling \$115,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a contract with DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP, 61 South Paramus Road, Suite 250, Paramus, N.J., to provide Bond Counsel Services in connection with the City's issuance of debt obligations and to provide for the terms and the security of such obligations in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey for the period July 1, 2021 to July 30, 2022, for an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Harbor Consultants Inc., 320 North Avenue East, Cranford, N.J., to serve as City Planner for Planning Services to the Planning and Zoning Boards and the Department of Planning and Community Development for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022, in the amount of \$75,000.00.

Designate Baker Street Holdings Urban Renewal, LLC, 500 Frank W. Burr Blvd., #47, Teaneck, N.J., as the redeveloper for parcels PT 827-961 Newark Avenue (Block 11, Lot 847) and 827-907 Newark Avenue (Block 11, Lot 847.A) and authorize the proper City officials to negotiate a Redevelopment Agreement with said entity.

Authorize the Planning Board to re-examine the Elizabethport Phase II Redevelopment Plan for parcels 60-90 Broadway, 133-135 First Street, 120-134 Front Street and 59-81 Livingston Street and 74-82 Livingston Street for a new mixed-use development.

Authorize the proper City Officials to enter into a contract with the property owner, DR Morris, LLC, 940 Elizabeth Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., to commence a Mural Project at the property located at 313-317 Morris Avenue, on the side wall facing Union Avenue.

Authorize the proper City officials to enter into a contract with Marcel Goyen, 297 Grove Street, Woodbridge, N.J. for a Mural Project on the side of a building located at 313-317 Morris Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., at a total cost of \$12,850.00.

Authorize the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the Union County Open Space, Recreation & Historic Preservation – Greening Union County Grant Program, for the purchase of 150 Little Leaf Linden Trees and the installation of root barrier to be planted curbside throughout the City, for an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00.

Establish liens for the removal and disposal of debris on properties listed on Schedule A on file in the City Clerk's Office, in the total amount of \$1,629.36.

Authorize Contract Amendment No. 2 - to the contract awarded to Colliers Engineering and Design, Inc., d/b/a/ Maser Consulting, 331 Newman Springs Road, Red Bank, N.J. to provide Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping services in the original cost of \$541,000.00, specifically to provide further GIS mapping services at an additional cost not to exceed \$48,520.00 plus reimbursables for the Development of an Enterprise GIS and GIS Based Parcel Mapping in accordance with State of New Jersey Tax Map Regulations and Standards, raising the contract amount to \$609,445.00.

Authorize the award of a contract to Diaco Contracting, Inc., d/b/a Grade Construction, 110 Pennsylvania Avenue, Paterson, N.J., for the Elizabeth River Trail Phase 5 Extension and Traffic Signal Replacement at the intersection of Clifton Street and Cole Place, in the amount of \$1,771,305.55.



**NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

Authorize Change Order No. 2 - Final to the contract awarded to P.M. Construction Corp. 1310 Central Avenue, Hillside, N.J., in connection with the Trumbull Street Stormwater Control Project, in the original cost of \$5,417,928.66; Change Order represents final quantity adjustments from estimated bid quantities to the final as-built quantities and an extension of time from the amended completion date of July 5, 2018 to the actual completion and closeout date of November 6, 2020; final quantity adjustments result in a reduction of \$139,804.09 from the contract and is further reduced by \$165,000.00 for liquidated damages for delays in contract completion reducing the final contract price in the amount of \$304,804.09, which combined with a previous change order decreases the final contract amount to \$5,498,124.57.

Authorize Contract Amendment No. 1 - Final to the contract awarded to Mott MacDonald, LLC, 111 Wood Avenue South, Iselin, N.J. to provide construction phase engineering services in connection with the Trumbull Street Flood Control Project Phase III, in the original cost of \$333,050.00, specifically to provide engineering and field services during construction including conducting meetings, review of submittals and shop drawing, full time inspection and administrative services at an additional cost of \$200,500.00 raising the contract amount to \$533,550.00.

Amend the resolution adopted June 22, 2021, authorizing the proper City officials to apply, accept and sign all appropriate documents for the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Urban Parks/Green Acres Program, specifically to reflect "if an Urban Parks project is not approved, the application may be rolled into the upcoming Green Acres funding round; if the application is rolled over, the unfunded eligible balance will compete for Green Acres funding in the form of a grant, combination grant/loan or loan funding based on the project category"; anticipated funding will provide development of new tennis and pickleball courts at the former Bayway Polish Home, for an amount not to exceed \$799,450.00.

Establish a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located 526 First Avenue, Fl. 1.

Rescind resolution adopted March 26, 2019, which established a handicapped parking space in front of the premises located at 75 Fulton Street. (now personalized)

Delete the following handicapped parking spaces from in front of the premises located at: 1 Dewitt Road; 952 Grove Street.

Permit For the Culture, 15 Watson Avenue, Elizabeth, N.J., to host a community event, the 2nd Annual For The Culture Youth Festival in co-sponsorship with the City of Elizabeth to be held on Saturday, August 28, 2021 at Carteret Park from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., with set-up time of 10:00 a.m., with a rain date of August 29, 2021, waiving all fees.

Authorize settlement in the worker's compensation litigation matter of Timoteo v. the City in the total amount of \$20,557.20.

Approve Bingo and Raffle Licenses

**COMMENDATIONS:**

Roslyn Schwartzberg  
Eleanor Koos Blore  
Henrietta L. Davis

)100<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
)100<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
)101<sup>st</sup> Birthday

Juliana Diaz  
Daniel Mauricio Martinez Reyes  
Claudia Rodriguez Pena  
Charles Ariza

)Elizabeth Colombian Flag Raising Committee  
) Recognition for their contributions to the  
) Colombian Community

NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)

Dorothy Limehouse  
Michelle Salerno  
Jairo Labrador  
Hector Porfo

)National Night Out  
) Recipients  
) August 3, 2021  
)

MEMORIALS:

Felice Quaglia  
Manuel Gallardo  
Rupe R. Morrobel  
Marcel Theo Hall

ADJOURNMENT