

**CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES APRIL 18, 2023**

The Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton was held in the Municipal Conference Room of Clifton City Hall, 900 Clifton Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey.

8:10 P.M. CALL OF ROLL

Mayor Grabowski called the meeting to order and presided, and announced that the location of exits should be noted for use in case of fire or other emergencies and also that smoking regulations apply to the building and cell phones should be deactivated and turned off and read the following Statement of Compliance into the record:

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the Annual Notice of regularly scheduled meetings of the Municipal Council for the year 2023 which was published as legal advertisements in the Herald News on December 12, 2022 and was additionally advertised in the Record on December 12, 2022. Further notice of this meeting was given on Friday prior to the meeting to The Herald News and by posting of said notice on the bulletin board at City Hall and on the Clifton Website which notice stated that formal action may or may not be taken on matters to come before the Municipal Council.

Upon roll call, the following were noted present:

Councilman Gibson	(BG)
Councilman Kolodziej	(JK)
Councilman Latona	(AL)
Councilwoman Murphy	(LM)
Councilwoman Pino	(RP)
Councilwoman Sadrakula	(MS)
Mayor Grabowski	(RG)

Also present were City Manager, Dominick Villano; City Attorney, Matthew Priore; Assistant City Attorney, Andrew Oddo and City Clerk, Nancy Ferrigno.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / INVOCATION / PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Rabbi Kronenberg

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to approve the Workshop Meeting, Executive Session Minutes and Regular Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2023.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

C-1 Idida Dongo School Crossing Guard - Public Safety starting effective 04/03/2023 at \$16/hourly.

COMMUNICATIONS MEETING MINUTES

C-2 Minutes of Passaic Valley Water Commission of February 22, 2023
C-3 Minutes of Disabilities Committee of March 20, 2023
C-4 Minutes of Advisory Board of Health of March 14, 2023
C-5 Minutes of Environmental Commission March 8, 2023

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

A. Adoption of Ordinance 7812-23

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7812-23

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 7812-23

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Gibson and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments, upon motion regularly made by Councilman Gibson seconded by Councilman Latona and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-37 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets" (Deletes 161 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

C. Adoption of Ordinance 7813-23

D. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7813-23

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 7813-23

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments, upon motion regularly made by Councilman Kolodziej seconded by Councilman Latona and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Various Chapters of the Code of the City of Clifton (Adds and Amends Fees)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

E. Adoption of Ordinance 7814-23

F. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7814-23

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 7814-23

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Latona, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance

was thereafter finally passed without amendments, upon motion regularly made by Councilwoman Murphy seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 461 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Zoning" More Particularly Article VIII Thereof, Entitled "Accessory Buildings; Fences, Walls and Screening", Section 461-47 Thereof Entitled "Fences" (Modifies Paragraph A for Maximum Fence Height Requirements)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

G. Adoption of Ordinance 7815-23

H. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7815-23

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 7815-23

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments, upon motion regularly made by Councilman Kolodziej seconded by Councilman Latona and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation", More Particularly Article II Thereof, Entitled "Nonuniformed Officials and Employees", Section 99-2, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed; Uniform Allowances" (Amends 2022, 2023, 2024 & 2025 Salaries for DPW Titles; Adds Title and Compensation for Social Service Assistant Position; and Corrects Errors in System Analyst Position Salaries 2022, 2023, 2024 & 2025)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

I. Adoption of Ordinance 7816-23

J. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7816-23

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 7816-23

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Latona, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy and passed on roll call vote to close the public hearing.

The following entitled ordinance had been introduced and having passed on first reading, which first reading was by title and said entitled ordinance having been published according to the law and thereafter placed on the Agenda of the present meeting, said ordinance was brought up for public hearing at the opening of such hearing said ordinance was given a second reading which reading was by title and all persons interested having been given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and upon motion, adopted said hearing was closed and said ordinance was thereafter finally passed without amendments, upon motion regularly made by Councilman Kolodziej seconded by Councilman Latona and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 203 of the Code of the City of Clifton Entitled "Dogs and Other Animals" at Article IX Entitled "Keeping and Trapping of Animals" at Various Locations (Revises Various Provisions to Remove Sections that are no Longer Applicable and Updates Licensing Procedure)

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

A. Introduction of Ordinance 7817-23

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-38 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets for Private Residences" (Deletes 1 Restricted Handicapped Space)

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

B. Introduction of Ordinance 7818-23

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Gibson and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-38 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets for Private Residences" (Adds 4 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

C. Introduction of Ordinance 7819-23

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-37 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets" (Deletes 1 Restricted Handicapped Space)

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

D. Introduction of Ordinance 7820-23

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-38 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets for Private Residences" (Amends Handicapped Parking Placard Numbers)

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

E. Introduction of Ordinance 7821-23

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Gibson and carried by roll call vote.

Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 461 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Zoning", More Particularly Section 461-53(N) Thereof, Entitled "Temporary Signs" (Add Section 5 Temporary Real Estate Open House Signs)

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(5-2-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Latona and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay.

F. Introduction of Ordinance 7822-23

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and carried by roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 461 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Zoning", More Particularly Section 461-13 Thereof, Entitled "Schedule of Regulations as to Bulk, Height and Other Requirements; Modifications" (Adds Section N3 Open Decks Setback)

It was regularly moved, seconded and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 2, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

CITY MANAGER PRIVILEGE

City Manager, Dominick Villano, gave a clarification on veteran refunds. He stated our current procedure for reimbursement to disabled veterans. He advised Council that the State of New Jersey is introducing Bill #3928. City Attorney, Matthew Priore, clarified how this bill will work. He

explained that this Bill will give the veteran real estate exceptions once they are declared disabled retroactively back to the date they are declared disabled. The reason for this is that there has been delays in processing these applications and may take years for the veteran to receive 100% disability. The problem with this is that the municipalities have already paid the percentage to the County and Board of Education and there is no way for the municipalities to recoup this money. He indicated that this Bill would address that problem. A discussion was held with Council, the City Manager and the City Attorney.

FLOOR TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Tony Vancheri, 296 Maitland Avenue, Paterson, stated that he is happy with the new State law regarding veterans and that the City should remove the five-year stipulation.

Gary Perino, 491 Mt. Prospect Ave., stated that he was happy with the questions posed to Senator Gill. He stated that he is still having a problem with Channel 77 on Optimum. He asked if there were any changes on the sidewalk issues and discussed signs being put up on poles, etc.

Gerard Scorziello, 131 Pershing Road, invited everyone to attend a Republic Club meeting and he spoke with regard to the issues that the Republic Club addresses.

Kim Castellano, 59 Mahar Avenue, thanked the Council for supporting the seniors' "We Care Program".

Crystal from The Red Room in Clifton spoke about the Grand Opening which was held and thanked the members of the Council who attended. She discussed some of the programs that are held at The Red Room.

Juan Quintanar of Bohemian Bistro, announced their Grand Opening on April 28, 2023. He also discussed the benefits of having murals.

Nicholas Reyes of Bohemian Bistro, thanked all veterans for their service and also discussed the benefits of having murals.

Steve Goldberg, 124 Charles St., announced a Comedy Night being held at the American Legion in Woodland Park. He then spoke regarding the pollution of the Passaic River and would like to see the Council write to the State and Federal Government regarding cleaning said river. He stated that today is the day we commemorate the loss of six million Jews and invited everyone to attend the Israeli Flag Raising on Sunday, April 30, 2023.

Joseph Saino, 102 Trenton Ave., he spoke about the City's Ordinance regarding the placement of Realtor signs. He agreed that the Members of the Civil Rights Commission should be subject to a background check.

Francesco Muoio, J5 The Meadows, spoke about the "Silent Majority in Clifton".

Bart Ciervo, 306 Delawanna Ave., apologized to City Manager, Dominick Villano, for things he had said to and about the City Manager. He spoke about Lowry Park. He then asked when the sidewalks in the parks will be completed. He was happy about the garbage being cleaned up on Delawanna Avenue and the new fence posts in the park.

Mickey Gaudet, 28 Bergen Avenue, spoke about parking at 43 Clifton Avenue, the St. Peter's Haven Bloomin 5K Run and the need for a crossing guard at Fleischer Avenue.

Nathanial King, spoke regarding veterans and the homeless population in Clifton.

With no one else wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej, and passed on roll call vote, to close public session.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

COUNCIL PRIVILEGE

Councilman Kolodziej

Councilman Kolodziej clarified some of the facts behind the policy of the 100% disabled veteran. He then discussed some of the items that were talked about at the March meeting of the Passaic Valley Water Commission. Councilman Kolodziej spoke about the 2023 Budget and the fact that the Council agreed to hire a Public Information Officer as well as a Comptroller to improve our accountability in the way money is spent. He spoke about the fact that we face a very large budget deficit. The Councilman wants a Discussion item put on the next Agenda to increase the Police Department Table of Organization by eighteen officers.

Councilman Latona

Councilman Latona discussed the veteran issue. He thanked Kim Castellano for the work she does with the Power of One. He congratulated Crystal of The Red Room on their Grand Opening. He spoke about the mural situation and advised everyone that we will be obtaining sample ordinances from other municipalities. He spoke about Debbie Oliver of the Recreation Department giving him a spreadsheet of all work that has been done, is being done and will be done in each park throughout the City. Councilman Latona spoke about taking the "Powers & Duties of Municipal Governing Bodies" class. He advised everyone of a fundraiser at St. Philip's to support the Scholarship Fund on April 29th. He spoke about a grant to help the homeless population. He then spoke about the "first 100 days" and the things that this Council has accomplished during that time.

Councilwoman Murphy

Councilwoman Murphy gave a report on the Action Clifton Committee meeting which was held on April 10th. She then thanked Kim Castellano for all the work she does with the Power of One. She thanked and congratulated Nathaniel King for the work he has done with the homeless population. She listed upcoming City events as well as Recreation events.

Councilwoman Sadrakula left the dais at 9:30 and returned at 9:33.

Councilwoman Pino

Councilwoman Pino thanked Senator Gill for coming to Clifton to discuss any issues within the City. She spoke about the tour that she went on at the Passaic Valley Water Commission. She announced that the Civil Rights Committee will be meeting on April 20th. She announced a Town Hall meeting that she will be hosting on April 24th. She asked the City Manager for an update on Haddonfield Road. City Manager, Dominick Villano, stated that it would be discussed at the next Traffic Safety Council meeting. She asked the City Manager where the Dental Clinic will be held. She announced the dates for the Rabies Clinic. She congratulated Crystal from The Red Room Grand Opening as well as the gentlemen from the Bohemian Bistro.

Councilwoman Sadrakula

Councilwoman Sadrakula spoke about the problem with Channel 77. She then asked the City Manager about soliciting permits. She asked if the letters went out to the residents on Allwood Place and Mt. Prospect Street regarding sidewalks. City Attorney, Matthew Priore, responded She asked about the Weinbrook family not wanting a dog park at Lowry Field. City Manager, Dominick Villano, stated that the family did not want the fields altered. Councilwoman Sadrakula asked about the parking issue at 43 Clifton Avenue. Mr. Villano stated that he is working with the Traffic Division and an ordinance will be drafted by them. She asked the City Attorney, Matthew Priore, for all of the outside attorney counsel bills that we spent on the Palma case. Mr. Priore responded that Dom Carmagnola, Esq. did not bill us for the first case as it was dismissed rapidly. Councilwoman Sadrakula stated that today is Holocaust Remembrance Day and spoke regarding a small Jewish Cemetery here in Clifton. She stated that she would like to see a museum on City Hall property at one of the barns. The Councilwoman then requested that a Budget meeting be set up. Mr. Priore advised the Councilwoman that an investigation was made of the properties in question with regard to sidewalks and explained to her why sidewalks would not have to be put in on those properties.

Councilman Gibson

Councilman Gibson spoke about electric bicycle’s battery chargers being dangerous and are not to be used inside a house. He asked the City Manager for an update on mini pantries that were discussed at the last meeting. Mr. Villano stated that if Council agrees to these mini pantries, that there would be some restrictions. Mr. Villano will provide the Councilman with a list of restrictions. Councilman Gibson thanked Lt. Brodie for addressing the Pershing Road parking issue. He thanked Mr. Vancheri for his service. He then thanked Kim Castellano for all the work she does with the Power of One. He congratulated Crystal of The Red Room on their Grand Opening. He discussed the mural issue and advised that further discussion is needed on this subject. He asked the City Manager for the status of Nash Park. Mr. Villano stated that we submitted a grant through Green Acres and are awaiting a response.

Mayor Grabowski

Mayor Grabowski told Mr. Perino to check with his provider with regard to his problems with Channel 77. He then thanked Kim Castellano for all the work she does with the Power of One as well as the volunteers who work along with her. The Mayor thanked Bart Ciervo for apologizing to the City Manager. He congratulated John Biegel on the one-year anniversary of the Community Health Program and Community Policing Station in Botany Village. He thanked everyone associated with these programs for helping the homeless (their clients) as they refer to them. He agreed with Councilman Latona regarding his comments on the “first hundred days”.

RESOLUTIONS VOTED ON SEPARATELY

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to approve the following resolutions:

R202-23 Resolution: Approve Claims List Resolution for the April 18, 2023, City Council Meeting

**RESOLUTION
TO APPROVE**

Claims to be paid the meeting of April 18, 2023

Resolved that all claims on the attached sheets are approved as reasonable and proper claims against the City of Clifton.

Current Fund	\$6,164,401.62
Grant Fund	\$ 270,384.82
General Capital Fund	\$ 181,759.63
Sewer Utility -Operating	\$ 8,423.58
Sewer Utility-Capital	\$ 95,010.38
Developers Escrow	\$ 2,000.00
Dog Trust	\$ 3,599.62
Police Extra Duty	
Trust Other	\$ 119,908.18
Section 8 Public Housing	\$ 244,129.83
Community Development	\$ 8,731.41
COAH	
Self-Insurance	\$ 542,478.44
Fire Dedicated Penalties	
Revolving Loan Fund	
Tax Title Lien Redemption	
Unemployment Trust Fund	
Library	
General Liability Trust	\$ 792,083.28
Workers Compensation Trust	\$ 16,330.60
Federal DOJ Forfeiture	
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$8,449,241.39

(6-1-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay.

R205-23 Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Interbuilding Wireless Connectivity and Video Surveillance for the Department of Public Works off of Hunterdon County Co-Op HCESC-CAT-22-09 Physical Security Products #HCESC-CAT-22-09, Through September 29, 2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF INTERBUILDING WIRELESS CONNECTIVITY AND VIDEO SURVEILLANCE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS OFF OF HUNTERDON COUNTY CO-OP -HCESC-CAT-22-09 PHYSICAL SECURITY PRODUCTS #HCESC-CAT-22-09, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has a need for installing the Interbuilding Wireless Connectivity and Video Surveillance to protect the premises from thefts and unwanted loitering; and

WHEREAS, Commercial Technology Contractors Inc, located at 152 Huron Ave, Clifton NJ 07013, has been awarded a contract through Hunterdon County Co-op under Physical Security Products #HCESC-CAT-22-09, through to September 29, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Hunterdon County Co-operative (HCESC); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq., the Municipal Council wishes to authorize the aforesaid mentioned purchase and delegate the power to make the same to the following named official: Amisha J. Jariwala, Purchasing Agent; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council to hereby approve and authorize purchase of Interbuilding Wireless Connectivity and Video Surveillance provided by Commercial Technology Contractors Inc, Inc., located at 152 Huron Ave, Clifton NJ 07013, based on the contract period and terms outlined in the Hunterdon County Cooperative Pricing Contract, in a not to exceed amount of \$166,624.79, through to September 29, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no services and/or goods shall commence prior to issuance of a Purchase Order by the Finance Department.

(6-1-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay.

R208-23 Resolution Authorizing Entertainment License for La Bonita Bar Restaurant, Inc. t/a La Bonita Bar

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTERTAINMENT LICENSE FOR LA BONITA BAR RESTAURANT, INC. T/A LA BONITA BAR

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that the application of La Bonita Bar Restaurant, Inc. t/a La Bonita Bar, of 394 Lexington Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey (B-C Zone) is approved, and entertainment is authorized for the period from April 18, 2023 through June 30, 2023, on the following terms and conditions:

1. NIGHTS - STANDARD ENTERTAINMENT NIGHTS/HOURS:

Three (3) nights per week:
Friday and Saturday - Hours: 10:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.
Sunday - Hours 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

2. OPTIONAL ENTERTAINMENT NIGHTS/HOURS:

New Year's Eve
Hours: 8:00 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.

3. **TYPE OF ENTERTAINMENT** (one of the following at permitted times):

DJ music

4. **TERM OF AUTHORIZATION FOR ENTERTAINMENT:**

April 18, 2023 through June 30, 2023

5. **SECURITY/PARKING REQUIREMENTS:**

Not applicable.

6. **NOISE LEVELS:**

In accordance with the Code of the City of Clifton.

7. **OUTSIDE DEBRIS CLEANUP:**

In accordance with the Code of the City of Clifton.

8. **REQUIREMENTS/RESTRICTIONS:**

- A. An entertainment license is not required for private parties. A private party is defined as a gathering or celebration that is by invitation only and is not advertised or open to any members of the general public and in which no admission fee is charged to guests, whether in advance or at the door. Any party or event that is advertised in any media, including but not limited to newspapers, magazines, internet, radio or television shall not be considered a private party. Any party or event in which an admission fee is charged to guests, whether in advance or at the door, shall not be considered a private party.
- B. There will be no loud or offensive music, no go-go or exotic dancers; no dancing or other entertainment of a lewd, licentious or lascivious manner; no topless, bottomless or indecently exposed entertainers or service employees; no entertainers under eighteen (18) years of age.
- C. No establishment that is licensed to serve alcoholic beverages shall advertise, promote or hold a "teen night" for individuals under the age of 18. When holding a private party in which individuals under the age of 21 are invited, no alcoholic beverages may be served to individuals under the age 21.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted nay.

RESOLUTIONS

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to move the group.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

R203-23 Resolution - 2023 Temporary Budget Increase for the Municipal Budget

**CITY OF CLIFTON
2023 TEMPORARY BUDGET**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 authorizes temporary appropriations to provide for the period between the beginning of the budget year and the adoption of the budget, where contracts,

commitments or payments are to be made prior to the adoption of the budget for any fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, contracts, commitments or payments are to be made by the City of Clifton for the purpose and amounts requested in the manner and time therein provided; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Temporary Appropriations Amendments are hereby authorized to provide for contracts, commitments, and payments prior to the adoption of the 2023 Municipal Budget as follows:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Department Code</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Childhood LEAD Exposure Grant	01-201-41-744-323	\$ 22,722.00
Total Temporary Budget Increase:		<u>\$ 22,722.00</u>

R204-23 Resolution Authorizing Advertisement of Notice of Intent for Fleet Leasing Management and Services for City of Clifton Via Sourcewell National Cooperative Contract

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF NOTICE OF INTENT FOR FLEET LEASING MANAGEMENT AND SERVICES FOR CITY OF CLIFTON VIA SOURCEWELL NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton is allowed to participate in inter-local purchasing systems per N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 (b) P.L. 2011, c.139 which was enacted into law permitting agencies to utilize cooperative purchasing agreements with other states; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to resolution R274-18, adopted June 19, 2018, the City of Clifton is a member of Sourcewell, formerly known as National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA), a national cooperative, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2, and LFN 2012-10; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton seeks permission to advertise the City’s interest in participating with the Sourcewell national cooperative for Fleet Management Services, which was awarded to Enterprise Fleet Management., located at 1550 Route 23 North, Wayne, NJ 07470; and

WHEREAS, information regarding the contract may be found on Sourcewell’s website at <https://www.sourcewell-mn.gov/cooperative-purchasing/030122-efm>; and

WHEREAS, the current contract term for Sourcewell contract #030122-EFM, for Fleet Management Services which expires on April 18, 2026; and

WHEREAS, barring comments to the contrary, it is the intent of the City of Clifton to award a contract to Enterprise Fleet Management., located at 1550 NJ-23 Ste 101, Wayne, NJ 07470, pursuant to the proposal submitted in response to Sourcewell’s Notice to Bidders Titled “Fleet Management” and Contract Award # 030122-EFM for Fleet Management Services; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Clifton authorizes the Purchasing Agent to advertise the Notice of Intent to Award Contract under a National Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with a comment period ending May 01, 2023.

R206-23 Resolution Awarding a Contract to Strategic Health Advisers, LLC for Community Health Assessment Services for the City of Clifton

**CITY OF CLIFTON
RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO STRATEGIC HEALTH ADVISERS,LLC FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CLIFTON**

WHEREAS, the Council previously adopted Resolution R111-23 on February 21,2023, authorizing the Purchasing Agent to advertise Request for Proposals for Community Health Assessment Services in accordance with 40A:11-4.1 et seq., the Competitive Contracting process, and to receive and publicly open any responses for the goods and services requested therein; and,

WHEREAS, on April 11,2023, the Purchasing Agent received and publicly opened the sole proposal, which was submitted by Strategic Health Advisers LLC, with the following proposal; and

	Amount
Rate for developing a community engagement plan (MAPP)	\$1,875.00
Rate for Identifying methods of collection and development of data collection tool	\$7,250.00
Rate for Data Analysis and Reporting Including Final Assessment	\$42,862.50
Rate for participation in meetings with Clifton Health Department and email correspondence in person and virtual	\$12,500.00
Rate for biweekly/monthly conference calls with Clifton Health Department staff as needed to discuss project status	\$7,500.00
Hourly Rate for Services rendered beyond the scope of those described above	\$250.00
Total	\$71,987.50

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent by virtue of such duties, license, and appointment, did a formal evaluation of the submitted proposal and found the documents and content to be responsive and responsible; and

WHEREAS, Strategic Health Advisers LLC, located at 67 Woodland Road, Bloomfield, NJ 07003, has successfully provided the same above services for the other Townships and Cities; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 *et seq.*, the competitive contracting process was carried out with all due diligence, and the proposal submitted by Strategic Health Advisers, LLC is recommended for award for the above services for a two-year period, May 1, 2023 through July 31, 2024, with the option to extend the contract for two (2) additional one-year periods; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a contract for Community Health Assessment Services is hereby awarded to Strategic Health Advisers, LLC, located at 67 Woodland Road, Bloomfield, NJ 07003,for the period of May 1, 2023 through July 31, 2024 with the option to extend the contract for two (2) additional one-year periods for total amount not to exceed \$71,987.50; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Clifton. and that the original of this Resolution and the contract above referred to be placed on file and made available for inspection at the office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton.

R207-23 Resolution Authorizing Renewal for Grant Consulting and Public Relations Consulting Services to Bruno Associates, Inc. - 5/1/23-5/1/24

**CITY OF CLIFTON
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL FOR GRANT CONSULTING AND
PUBLIC RELATIONS CONSULTING SERVICES TO BRUNO ASSOCIATES, INC -
5/1/2023 - 5/1/2024**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton solicited proposals through the competitive contracting process for Grant Consulting and Public Relations Consulting Services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, Resolution R233-31 was approved by the governing body on May 18, 2021 for the initial two-year contract term of June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City has the option to renew said contract for three one year options in accordance with the Request of Proposals received on May 4, 2021; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a contract for Grant Consulting and Public Relations Consulting Services be renewed for option year 1 from May 1, 2023 – May 1, 2024 to Bruno Associates Inc., 1373 Broad Street, Suite 304, Clifton NJ 07013 at \$50,000.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Clifton; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be kept on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no services and/or goods shall commence prior to issuance of a Purchase Order by the Finance Department.

R209-23 Resolution Urging the State Legislature to Adopt Senate Bill No. S131/Assembly Bill No. 3928

RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT SENATE BILL NO. S131/ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 3928

WHEREAS, municipalities are required to exempt 100% disabled veterans from payment of property taxes under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, delays in determining a veteran is 100% disabled can lead to a municipality reimbursing a veteran for several years of property taxes at a hardship to the municipality; and

WHEREAS, pending before the New Jersey State Legislature is Senate Bill No. S131/Assembly Bill No. 3928 which, if adopted, would require the State to reimburse municipalities for 102% of property taxes reimbursed to 100% disabled veterans retroactive to the effective date of total disability; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton supports this Bill as it is in the best interests of not only veterans but all residents of the State of New Jersey; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton urges the State Legislature to adopt Senate Bill No. S131/Assembly Bill No. 3928; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to Nia Gill, Thomas P. Giblin, Britnee Timberlake, Senate President, Assembly Speaker, the Lieutenant Governor and the Governor of State of New Jersey and the League of Municipalities.

R210-23 Resolution Appointing Member to the Civil Rights Committee

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER TO THE CIVIL RIGHTS COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey are in receipt of an application from Sidra Habal to become a member of the Civil Rights Committee (Grelawn Section);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that Sidra Habal be and is hereby appointed as Alternate Member of the Civil Rights Committee (Grelawn Section) commencing this date for a term of two years to December 31, 2024.

R211-23 Resolution Authorizing the Clifton Public Housing Agency to Change the Utility Allowance Schedule for the Section 8 Voucher Program Beginning June 1, 2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CLIFTON PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY TO
CHANGE THE UTILITY ALLOWANCE SCHEDULE FOR THE SECTION 8
VOUCHER PROGRAM BEGINNING June 1, 2023**

WHEREAS, on April 6, 1976 the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton , pursuant to Section 8 of the United Sates Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 USC 1437 F), adopted a resolution establishing the Clifton Public Housing Agency; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this Agency is to make available certain federal funds to aid the housing needs of certain low- and moderate-income citizens of the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, the Clifton Public Housing Agency administers the Section 8 Housing Voucher Program; and

WHEREAS, the Utility Allowance Schedule is used in the computation of the tenant rental assistance calculations; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations, the utility schedule should be periodically updated and changed to reflect current utility rates; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Clifton Public Housing Agency, pursuant to the guides of H.U.D., to change the Allowance for Tenant-Furnished Utilities and Other Services to the new form HUD-52667 Utility Allowance Schedule

	<u>EFF</u>	<u>1 BDRM</u>	<u>2 BDRM</u>	<u>3 BDRM</u>	<u>4 BDRM</u>
Heating Nat/Gas	41	55	76	93	114
Heating-Electric	63	84	112	136	165
Heating – Fuel Oil	92	123	169	208	254
Cooking Nat/Gas	6	7	9	10	13
Cooking Electric	5	7	10	12	15
Other Electric	32	37	53	59	63
Water Heat/Gas	14	18	21	25	29
Water Heat/Electric	30	37	46	55	64
Water Heat/Oil	31	40	48	56	64
Water	30	34	41	49	56
Natural Gas Cust. Chg	9	9	9	9	9

WHEREAS, the new allowances have been furnished by Northeastern Utility Consultants, LLC located at P.O. Box 264, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania and prepared on April 5, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the aforesaid Allowance for Tenant-Furnished Utilities and Other Services become effective June 1, 2023.

R212-23 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Cancellation of Mortgages Between City of Clifton and JoEllen Cammaroto; Teofil Glebocki & Eugenia R. Kotys-Flebocki; and Kristine A. Lake (Clifton Home Improvement Program)

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CANCELLATION OF
MORTGAGES BETWEEN CITY OF CLIFTON AND JoELLEN CAMMAROTO;
TEOFIL GLEBOCKI & EUGENIA R. KOTYS-GLEBOCKI; and KRISTINE A. LAKE
(CLIFTON HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM)**

WHEREAS, on August 23, 2016, in conjunction with a CHIP grant to JoEllen Cammaroto, a mortgage in the amount of \$10,000.00 was given by the City of Clifton for property situated at 14 Nash Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey (Block 2.06, Lot 25); and

WHEREAS, on October 12, 2016, in conjunction with a CHIP grant to Teofil Glebocki & Eugenia R. Kotys-Glebocki, a mortgage in the amount of \$8,150.00 was given by the City of Clifton for property situated at 19 Rodgers Place, Clifton, New Jersey (Block 27.07, Lot 39); and

WHEREAS, on September 7, 2016, in conjunction with a CHIP grant to Kristine A. Lake, a mortgage in the amount of \$10,000.00 was given by the City of Clifton for property situated at 124 Hawthorne Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey (Block 20.09, Lot 1); and

WHEREAS, the Program Director of the Clifton Home Improvement Program has advised that the aforesaid mortgages have expired;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that the Mayor and City Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute Cancellation/Discharge of Mortgage for each aforesaid mortgage in a form satisfactory to the Law Department.

R213-23 Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation and Refund of a Portion of the 2023 First Quarter Taxes on Property For Block 20.14, Lot 4, 43 Hudson Street Owned by a Disabled Veteran

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION AND REFUND OF A PORTION OF THE 2023 FIRST QUARTER TAXES ON PROPERTY FOR BLOCK 20.14 LOT 4, 43 HUDSON STREET OWNED BY A DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has confirmed that Lawrence La Raia, the owner of the property located at Block 20.14, Lot 4, 43 Hudson Street has been declared 100% disabled by the US Department of Veteran Affairs as of March 22, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence La Raia has made application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for a property tax exemption in accordance with the law; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of his disabled veteran exemption, Lawrence La Raia is entitled to the cancellation and partial refund of the 2023 first quarter property taxes on the subject property; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council, having reviewed the facts and circumstances of the application, wishes to grant the application and hereby approves the tax exemption on the subject property as of March 22, 2023, and hereby authorizes the cancellation and partial refund of the 2023 first quarter property taxes on the subject property in the amount of \$187.56;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that the Tax Collector and/or City Treasurer are here authorized and directed:

1. To cancel and refund the pro-rated portion of the 2023 first quarter taxes in the amount of \$187.56 and cancel the remaining 2023 second, third and fourth quarter property taxes and:
2. To keep said subject property tax exempt for the totally disabled veteran for as long as he shall qualify for the exemption and for so long as the exemption is authorized by law based upon the facts and circumstances of this matter.

R214-23 Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of 57% of the Taxes and Refund 57% of a Portion of the 2022 Fourth Quarter Taxes and 57% Refund of the 2023 First Quarter Taxes for Block 72.05, Lot 40, 65 William Street, Owned by a Disabled Veteran

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF 57% OF THE TAXES AND REFUND 57% OF A PORTION OF THE 2022 FOURTH QUARTER TAXES AND 57% REFUND OF THE 2023 FIRST QUARTER TAXES FOR BLOCK 72.05, LOT 40, 65 WILLIAM STREET, OWNED BY DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has confirmed that Jose Solano, the owner of a two-family residence located at Block 72.05 Lot 40, 65 William Street has been declared 100% disabled as of October 18, 2022 by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs; and

WHEREAS, Jose Solano has made application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for a 57% property tax exemption on the subject property in accordance with the law; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of his disabled veteran exemption, Jose Solano is entitled to the cancellation of 57% of the taxes and refund of a portion of the 57% of the 2022 fourth quarter property taxes and 2023 first quarter property taxes on the subject property; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council, having reviewed the facts and circumstances of the application, grants the application and approves the 57% tax exemption on the subject property as of October 18, 2022 and hereby authorizes the cancellation and partial refund of 57% of the 2022 fourth quarter property taxes in the amount of \$1,618.37 and a 57% refund of the 2023 first quarter property taxes on the subject property in the amount of \$1,795.79 for a total refund of \$3,414.16; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that for the reasons aforesaid, the Tax Collector and/or City Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed:

1. To cancel and refund a portion of the 57% of the 2022 fourth quarter taxes in the amount of \$1,618.37 and refund 57% of the 2023 first quarter taxes in the amount of \$1,795.79 for a total refund of \$ 3,414.16; and
3. To keep the subject 57% property tax exemption for the totally disabled veteran for so long as he shall qualify for the exemption and for so long as the exemption is authorized by law based upon the facts and circumstances of this matter.

R215-23 Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation and Refund of a Portion of the 2021 Fourth Quarter Property Taxes and the Entire 2022 Property Taxes for Block 23.06, Lot 1, 35 Stanley Street, Owned by a Disabled Veteran

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION AND REFUND OF A PORTION OF THE 2021 FOURTH QUARTER PROPERTY TAXES AND THE ENTIRE 2022 PROPERTY TAXES FOR BLOCK 23.06 LOT 1, 35 STANLEY STREET, OWNED BY A DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has confirmed that Herman Barba, the owner of property located at Block 23.06, Lot 1, 35 Stanley Street has been declared 100% disabled by the US Department of Veteran Affairs as of October 25, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Herman Barba has made application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for a property tax exemption in accordance with the law; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of his disabled veteran exemption, Herman Barba is entitled to the cancellation and partial refund of the 2021 fourth quarter property taxes and the entire 2022 property taxes on the subject property; and:

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council, having reviewed the facts and circumstances of the application, wishes to grant the application and hereby approves the tax exemption on the subject property as of October 25, 2021, and hereby authorizes the cancellation and partial refund of the

2021 fourth quarter property taxes on the subject property in the amount of \$2,198.39 and the 2022 property taxes in the amount of \$12,630.52 for a total refund of \$14,828.91 and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that the Tax Collector and/or City Treasurer are here authorized and directed:

1. To refund the pro-rated portion of the 2021 fourth quarter property taxes in the amount of \$2,198.39 and refund the entire 2022 property taxes in the amount of \$12,630.52 on the subject property for a total refund of \$14,828.91; and
2. To keep said subject property tax exempt for the totally disabled veteran for as long as he shall qualify for the exemption and for so long as the exemption is authorized by law based upon the facts and circumstances of this matter.

R216-23 Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of 50% of the Taxes and a Refund of a 50% Portion of the 2023 First Quarter Taxes for Block 7.05, Lot 22, 22 Mina Avenue, Owned by a Disabled Veteran

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF 50% OF THE TAXES AND A REFUND OF A 50% PORTION OF THE 2023 FIRST QUARTER TAXES FOR BLOCK 7.05, LOT 22, 22 MINA AVENUE, OWNED BY A DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has confirmed that Euriss Figueroa, the owner of a two-family residence located at Block 7.08, Lot 22, 22 Mina Avenue has been declared 100% disabled as of February 22, 2022 by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs; and, therefore, qualifies for the 100% disabled veteran tax exemption as of his date of legal New Jersey residency, March 3, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the two-family residence located at Block 7.08, Lot 22, 22 Mina Avenue became Euriss Figueroa's principal residence on March 3, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Euriss Figueroa has made application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for a 50% property tax exemption on the subject property in accordance with the law; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of his disabled veteran exemption, Euriss Figueroa is entitled to the cancellation of 50% of the taxes and a partial refund of the 2023 first quarter property taxes on the subject property; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council, having reviewed the facts and circumstances of the application, grants the application and approves the 50% tax exemption on the subject property as of March 3, 2023, and hereby authorizes the cancellation of 50% of the taxes and a 50% partial refund of the 2023 first quarter property taxes on the subject property in the amount of \$ 485.24 and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that for the reasons aforesaid, the Tax Collector and/or City Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed:

1. To cancel 50% and partially refund 50% of the 2023 first quarter tax payments in the amount of \$ 485.24 covering March 3, 2023 through March 31, 2023; and
2. To keep the subject 50% property tax exemption for the totally disabled veteran for so long as he shall qualify for the exemption and for so long as the exemption is authorized by law based upon the facts and circumstances of this matter.

**CITY OF CLIFTON
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council deems it essential in the furtherance of the public interest, to discuss, in closed session, as expressly permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, the following subject(s), to wit:

- CON-1 Kowal Street Improvements
- CON-2 Clocking In and Out of City Employees
- CON-3 Workers' Compensation Claim - RB - FD
- CON-4 Potential Firehouse Evaluation & Assessment Report

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the public shall be excused and excluded from that portion of the Council's meeting to be held on April 18, 2023 at which time, said subject(s) shall be discussed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the discussion held at such closed session can be disclosed to the public on or about the time the matter is concluded.

LICENSES

L-1 Delicias Para TuBoca Algo Mas

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of FaustoDiaz t/a Delicias Para TuBoca Algo Mas for a Food Vending Vehicle/Milk for a period ending January 31, 2024, is hereby approved and licenses so issued in the compliance with the approval of the Board of Health, Fire Department, Police and Zoning Officer.

L-2 Lubesinas Market & Deli

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR: Lubesinas Market & Deli, LLC
 T/A: Lubesinas Market & Deli
 ADDRESS: 313 Lakeview Avenue, Clifton, NJ 07011
 TYPE OF FOR ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED: Grocery Milk – Continued Use
 FORMERLY OR NEW: Teresa's Mini Market
 ZONE:
 PERMITTED: Yes
 VARIANCE REQUIRED: No

L-3 Liguori's Delicatessen

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR: Liguori's Delicatessen, LLC
 T/A: Liguori's Delicatessen
 ADDRESS: 62 Market Street, Clifton, NJ 07012
 TYPE OF FOR ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED: Caterer/Grocery/Milk – Continued Use
 FORMERLY OR NEW: Agaimé Delicatessen
 ZONE: B-C
 PERMITTED: Yes
 VARIANCE REQUIRED: No

L-4 435 Clifton Meat Farm Corp.

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of 435 Clifton Meat Farm Corp. t/a Superfresh/Food Universe for a Caterer/Grocery/Milk – Continued Use for a period ending January 31, 2024, is hereby approved and licenses so issued in the compliance with the approval of the Board of Health, Fire Department, Police and Zoning Officer.

L-5 Monica Jimenez

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR: Monica Jimenez
T/A: Rudy's Cafe
ADDRESS: 93 Randolph Avenue, Clifton, NJ 07011
TYPE OF FOR ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED: Caterer/Grocery/Milk – Continued Use
FORMERLY OR NEW: Surprise Store
ZONE: PD-1
PERMITTED: Yes
VARIANCE REQUIRED: No

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona, and passed on roll call vote to change the prohibited parking ordinance to remove Kowal Street and remove parking signs.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 p.m.

(7-0-0-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Ferrigno
City Clerk

Raymond Grabowski, Mayor