

**CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MAY 16, 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, City Clerk, Nancy Ferrigno and Deputy City Clerk, Michele Butler.

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

Pastor Daisy Kirchofer – Crossroads Free Methodist

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Gibson and passed on roll call vote to approve the Workshop Session, Executive Session and Regular Session Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2023, and the Special Meeting Session and Special Executive Meeting Session Minutes of May 9, 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 Christopher Foti - Clifton Fire Dept. has resigned effective 04/15/2023.
- C-2 Jose Quirino - Clifton Police Dept. has resigned effective 04/08/2023.
- C-3 Clifford Kuzmik - Dept. of Public Works has resigned effective 04/01/2023.
- C-4 Nathaniel King Warming Center Assistant - Health Dept. has been promoted to Social Services Assistant effective 05/01/2023 at \$45,0000 annually.
- C-5 Kelly Aguilar-Almazo Keyboarding Clerk I- Clifton Police Dept. has been promoted to Keyboarding Clerk II effective 05/01/2023 at \$40,000 annually.
- C-6 Nicholas Gencarelli has resigned as Supervising Fire Prevention Specialist and has been hired as Firefighter effective 05/01/2023 at \$41,310.00.
- C-7 Gianna Cifelli Keyboarding Clerk I -Tax Collector has been promoted to Keyboarding Clerk II effective 05/01/2023 at \$40,000 annually.

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- C-8 Nicole Hegedus Public Safety Telecommuter- has retired with the Clifton Police Dept. effective 05/01/2023.
- C-9 Dirk Dority Supervisor of Public Works - Dept of Public Works has retired effective 03/01/2023.
- C-10 Yasheka Wimberly Keyboarding Clerk II- Tax Collector has resigned effective 04/21/2023.
- C-11 Burton Shoobs Recreation Aide - Recreation Dept. has advanced from temporary seasonal to permanent part time status effective 03/01/2023 at \$19.75/hour.

COMMUNICATIONS MEETING MINUTES

- C-12 Minutes of North Jersey District Water Supply Commission of March 22, 2023
- C-13 Minutes of Passaic Valley Water Commission of March 22, 2023
- C-14 Minutes of Board of Adjustment of May 3, 2023
- C-15 Minutes of Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of March 8, 2023
- C-16 Minutes of CA-TV Committee of February 22 and March 22, 2023
- C-17 Minutes of Board of Health of April 11, 2023
- C-18 Minutes of Environmental Commission of April 12, 2023

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

A. Adoption of Ordinance 7823-23

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7823-23

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 7823-23

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, 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 Gibson seconded by Councilwoman Murphy 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 VI Thereof, Entitled "Confidential Officials and Employees", Section 99-34, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed; (Creates Title of & Compensation for Comptroller)

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

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

A. Introduction of Ordinance 7824-23

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 Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)

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

Wednesday, June 7, 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.

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

B. Introduction of Ordinance 7825-23

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" (Adds 8 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 Wednesday, June 7, 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 7826-23

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" (Adds 8 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 Wednesday, June 7, 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 7827-23

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" (Amends Handicapped Parking Placard Number)

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 Wednesday, June 7, 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.

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(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 7828-23

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 439-13 Thereof, Entitled "Parking Prohibited at all Times on Certain Streets" (Adds Portion of Clifton Avenue)

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 Wednesday, June 7, 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.

FLOOR TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Keith Oakley, 900 Clifton Ave., reported that 2,256 flags are now flown at the Avenue of Flags. He spoke about the many events the Avenue of Flags members support, such as, parade floats, the maintenance and erecting of flags on Maine Ave. and speaking at events. He announced his retirement due to his move to another state and thanked everyone who supported him and the Avenue of Flags.

Joe Tuzzolino, 900 Clifton Ave., thanked Keith Oakley for his many years of service to the Avenue of Flags. He announced that the Avenue of Flags is in need of volunteers.

A resident of Lakeview Avenue, spoke about traffic safety and noise issues from customers of La Fortaleza restaurant.

Bart Ciervo, 306 Delawanna Ave., spoke about a dog park, broken fence, lack of lights and a flag in Dunney Park. He also discussed homes on Allwood Place with no sidewalks and the roof on Firehouse #1.

Dave Wyka, 101 Van Breeman Dr., thanked County Commissioner, Pat Lepore for arranging for an officer to be assigned to Clifton High School. He spoke about traffic safety issues, school busses driving through his neighborhood, property tax increases and the need for parking enforcement in the area of Clifton High School.

Michael Maffei, 136 Edgewood Ave., spoke about PILOT Programs, tax increases, legal cannabis businesses and the current City budget.

Ray Robertello, 64 Woodlawn Ave., extended an invitation to all to attend the Pride flag raising ceremony.

Amy Maffei, 136 Edgewood Rd., discussed prayer and the flag salute at council meetings. She stated that some members of the Council look like they are not interested in the Council meetings. She spoke about tax increases, traffic safety around La Fortaleza restaurant and homeless individuals living on railroad tracks.

Yalile Alzate, 337 East 1st St., spoke about traffic safety, tax increases, the need to freeze or cut salaries for City employees and the bad service she has received from the City of Clifton.

Gary Perino, 491 Mt. Prospect Ave., remarked on the traffic safety at the intersection of Allwood Road and Hepburn Road. He discussed establishing a City Museum, appointing a Deputy Mayor, the legal definition of a sidewalk, zoning resolutions for new construction and retaining walls being built in right of ways.

Mickey Guadet, 28 Bergen Ave., thanked the Council for passing an ordinance to help with children crossing Clifton Avenue. She spoke about sidewalks and traffic around schools that recently hindered an ambulance from arriving at an accident scene in a timely fashion. She suggested using license plate readers to identify cars that are blocking traffic around schools. Ms. Guadet remarked that the City needs more police.

Faith Webb, 23 Strangeway Terrace, spoke about an incident where she found a bottle of unmarked capsules on the street and the negative experience she had when she reported the incident to the police. She remarked on the recent rash of bicycle gangs popping up around the City and spoke about sidewalks, recycling and the steep ramps at the Recycling Center. Ms. Webb recommended that no left turn be established by the train station on Clifton Boulevard. She agreed with Mr. Perino that a City museum is a good idea. Ms. Webb suggested that the Council allow telephone call access to speak at Council meetings. She announced a fundraiser being held by Allwood Church.

Kaz Plichta, 72 Parson Rd., thanked the Council for their hard work establishing the budget. He spoke about trucks idling and loud noise from a roof compression unit at Damascus Bakery. Mr. Plichta stated that a spot light at 750 Bloomfield Ave. is too bright and impedes vision when driving at night. He remarked on garbage cans not being hidden from street view, traffic safety issues at Bloomfield Ave. and Parson Rd. and speeding at the intersection of Bloomfield Ave. and Shafto Rod. He stated that there is a property on Shafto Rd. that needs to trim their hedges because they are obstructing drivers' line of sight.

Henry Cholewczynski, 37 Phyllis Place, spoke about the installation of sidewalks according to the City's ordinance and a resident who replaced a curb with sharp rocks. He thanked Keith Oakley for his many years of service to the City of Clifton.

Joe, (did not give last name) 136 Clifton Blvd, spoke about sidewalks, a recent discovery of a bottle of pills and drag racing on Clifton Blvd.

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy and passed on roll call vote to close the public session.

(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, responded to questions asked at public session:

Members of the Council cannot respond to all on an email because it would violate the Sunshine Law.

The discovery of unmarked pills on Clifton Blvd. will be referred to the police department.

Police enforcement will be stepped up at La Fortaleza restaurant for traffic issues.

The Dog Park in Dunney Park has been approved. Will advise the Engineering Department to start the process.

An investigation will take place to find out who is destroying the fence at Dunney Park and hold them accountable.

The installation of sidewalks on Allwood Place will be looked into.

Mr. Wyka to take up the issue of empty school busses driving around his neighborhood with the Board of Education.

The intersection of Allwood Road and Hepburn Road is a PSE&G project and will be resolved once the project is complete.

The appointing of a Deputy Mayor is not approved for the City's form of government.

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Mr. Villano explained the parameters of the ordinance addressing traffic and crossing guards at the intersection of Clifton Ave and Fleischer Place.

It was confirmed that the City does own license plate readers.

The attendant at the Recycling Center will be told to assist residents when needed.

Truck idling in the Parson Road area and zoning for 750 Bloomfield Ave. will be looked into.

Where needed, speed limit signs will be moved to a more noticeable area with no obstructions.

Fading signs will be replaced.

The owners of the property at Bloomfield and Shafto will be put on notice to trim their hedges.

The Chief of Police will be made aware of drag racing on Clifton Boulevard.

COUNCIL PRIVILEGE

Councilman Latona

Councilman Latona thanked Keith Oakley for his many years of service to the City of Clifton. He announced that Fire Station #1 has reopened and that the Recycling Committee recently met. He stated that the Recycling Center will soon be accepting electronics and that the Recycling Center employees need to help residents carrying recycling when necessary. Councilman Latona announced several events taking place around the City. He spoke about the benefits of switching current savings accounts to higher interest accounts with the rise of interest rates. Councilman Latona remarked on a recent ROTC dinner, quality of life issues, tax increases, enforcing the sidewalk ordinance, creating a City museum and PILOT programs.

Councilwoman Murphy

Councilwoman Murphy spoke about the homeless situation in Clifton. She spoke about the many efforts of the City Health Department which resulted in many people receiving help. Councilwoman Murphy spoke about the need to raise taxes to pay for police, pensions, health benefits and the increase in the solid waste contract. She thanked Keith Oakley for his many years of service to the City.

Councilwoman Pino

Councilwoman Pino announced that the Clifton Theater League is accepting auditions for their latest production. She gave accolades to certain Health Department employees for outstanding work. Councilwoman Pino thanked Keith Oakley for his many years of service to the City and thanked Joe Tuzzolino for stepping up and taking Keith's place within the Avenue of Flags.

Councilwoman Sadrakula

Councilwoman Sadrakula said she was pleased at the increase of residents attending Council meetings. She spoke about tax increases, balancing the budget and PILOT programs. She discussed having a call in option to City Council meetings. Councilwoman Sadrakula agreed that establishing a City Museum is a great idea. She spoke about enforcing the sidewalk ordinance and Council Members who are disrespectful by not giving the public their full attention at Council meetings.

Councilman Gibson

Councilman Gibson thanked Keith Oakley for his many years of service to the City and thanked Joe Tuzzolino for stepping up and taking Keith's place within the Avenue of Flags.

Councilwoman Sadrakula left the dais at 9:50 p.m.

Councilman Gibson remarked that the safety issue at the crosswalk on Lexington Ave. by La Fortaleza restaurant, needs to be brought to the County and the Traffic Safety Committee. He asked

City Manager, Dominick Villano, if a flag could be installed at Dunney Park. Mr. Villano advised that he would take care if it. Councilman Gibson assured Ms. Webb that the police department would be contacting her regarding the pills she found on Clifton Blvd.

Councilwoman returned to the dais at 9:53 p.m.

Councilman Gibson announced that he is receiving a lot of complaints regarding loud music and suggested an Ordinance be drafted to help with the problem. He discussed the problem of motorcycle racing around the City.

Councilman Kolodziej

Councilman Kolodziej announced that an interview was held to hire Labor Counsel and it was found that the firm the City was currently using, offered the fairest price. He spoke about his suggestion to add 18 police officers but other members of the Council wanted the issue sent to a sub-committee for review which results in the addition of the police officers not making it on the budget for this year. Councilman Kolodziej expressed his concern for work overload in the police department which can add to the attrition rate. He announced that the City received their bond rating from Standard and Poor and asked that it be placed on the City website. Councilman Kolodziej explained the process of how the City is rated by Standard and Poor. He remarked that the City's rating was lowered due to non-compliance of Fund Balance policy. Councilman Kolodziej discussed PILOT programs, adding police officers, adding a Comptroller, addressing quality of life issues, the solid waste contract and explained tax points.

Mayor Grabowski

Mayor Grabowski thanked Keith Oakely for his many years of service to the City with the Avenue of Flags. He announced that several Clifton Firefighters received Valor awards from the Passaic County 200 Club. Mayor Grabowski stated he has been receiving many complaints about loud music around the City and asked that everyone respect your neighbors and keep noise to a minimum. He announced an upcoming Covid 19 memorial service and urged all residents to attend this year's Memorial Day Parade.

Councilwoman Sadrakula asked that the Firefighters who received Valor awards and Keith Oakely be recognized at the next Council meeting.

RESOLUTIONS VOTED ON SEPERATELY

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy and passed on roll call to vote on the following resolution separately:

R234-23 Resolution Introducing 2023 Municipal Budget

**RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE
2023 MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations attached hereto constitute the local Budget of the City of Clifton, Passaic County, New Jersey for the year 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said budget be published in The North Jersey Herald and News in the issue of June 2, 2023, and that a hearing on the Budget will be held at the Municipal Building on June 20, 2023 at 8:00 o'clock (P.M.) or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached.

(4-3-0-0) Councilman Kolodziej, Councilwoman Murphy, Councilwoman Pino and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Gibson, Councilman Latona and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay.

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A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy and passed on roll call to vote on the following resolution separately:

R236-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract to George A. Held, AIA and Associates for Additional Architectural and Engineering Design Services for Fire Stations 2, 4 and 6

RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO GEORGE A. HELD, AIA AND ASSOCIATES FOR ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES FOR FIRE STATIONS 2, 4 AND 6

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2017, the Municipal Council awarded a professional architectural services contract to George A. Held AIA and Associates for design and preparation of bid documents for Firehouse 5 and 6 Additions and Alterations; and

WHEREAS, on April 19, 2022, the Municipal Council extended the above award in connection with Gender Accommodations facilities at City Fire Houses; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires additional professional architectural and engineering design services for Fire Stations 2, 4 and 6; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer recommends that a contract be awarded to George A. Held, AIA and Associates in accordance with its submitted proposal, dated May 8, 2023, in the amount not to exceed \$14,250.00; and

WHEREAS, the services to be performed are professional services, within the meaning of those terms as used in the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., and, accordingly, a contract may be awarded therefore without public advertising for bids and bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A 40A:11-5; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A 19:44-A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the estimated value of this contract is in excess of \$17,500.00 and the duration of the contract will be until completion; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from George A. Held, AIA and Associates and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional services contract for additional architectural and engineering design services for Fire Stations 2, 4 and 6 is hereby awarded to **GEORGE A. HELD, AIA AND ASSOCIATES**, in accordance with its proposal dated May 8, 2023, in the cumulative amount not to exceed \$14,500.00, without the adoption of a supplemental resolution authorizing additional funding; 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.

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

RESOLUTIONS

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Murphy, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to approve 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.

R233-23 Resolution: Approve Claims List Resolution for the May 16, 2023 City Council Meeting

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
Claims to be paid the meeting of May 16, 2023**

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

**RESOLUTION
TO APPROVE
Claims to be paid the meeting of MAY 16, 2023
Meeting of May 16, 2023**

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

Current Fund	\$30,646,417.32
Grant Fund	\$473,879.54
General Capital Fund	\$158,562.44
Sewer Utility -Operating	\$1,919,287.85
Sewer Utility-Capital	\$6,094.75
Developers Escrow	
Dog Trust	\$1,363.84
Police Extra Duty	
Trust Other	\$80,431.44
Section 8 Public Housing	\$226,711.35
Community Development	\$17,026.42
COAH	
Self Insurance	\$692,243.13
Fire Dedicated Penalties	
Revolving Loan Fund	
Tax Title Lien Redemption	
Unemployment Trust Fund	
Library	\$12,378.92
General Liability Trust	\$49,717.07
Workers Compensation Trust	\$13,218.81
Federal DOJ Forfeiture	
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$34,297,332.88

R235-23 Resolution Authorizing Final Payment - Roof Truss Repairs to Clifton DPW - Harshi Construction

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT
ROOF TRUSS REPAIRS TO CLIFTON DPW
HARSHI CONSTRUCTION**

WHEREAS, HARSHI CONSTRUCTION of Edison, New Jersey, did complete roof truss repairs to Clifton DPW project in and for the City of Clifton for the total amount of \$145,000.00

And previous payments on account of said total have been paid in the amount of. \$ 20,430.00

Leaving this FINAL PAYMENT of..... \$124,570.00

WHEREAS, said work was authorized by contract duly awarded at a regular meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Clifton; and

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WHEREAS, the Contractor has posted a Maintenance Bond, for a period of two years, in the amount of **\$14,500.00**; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has inspected the work done and has determined that said work has been properly done and completed, to the best of his knowledge, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the contract as amended, if amended, and hereby recommends that the said work be accepted;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Clifton does hereby formally accept the work as shown as completed in this resolution and contract.

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is authorized and directed to include the said claim totaling **\$124,570.00** on the claim list.

R237-23 Resolution Awarding Contract for Repair and Service of Daikin Chiller for the Main Library of the City of Clifton

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR REPAIR AND SERVICE OF DAIKIN CHILLER FOR THE MAIN LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF CLIFTON

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Main Library is in need to repair their Daikin Chiller Model AGZ120E; and

WHEREAS, quotations were solicited for the purpose of servicing and repairing the same by installing new HP compressor into the chiller. The following two vendors submitted the quotes:

	Name of Vendor	Cost
1.	D & B Service Group LLC	\$19,108.00
2.	H.T. Lyons Contractors	\$22,929.00

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44-A-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the estimated value of the contract is expected to be in excess of \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from D & B Service Group LLC and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the submitted quotes, it is recommended the contract be awarded to the D & B Service Group LLC located at 444 John F Kennedy Drive, Bloomfield NJ 07003. as Service and Repair quote is lowest of both quotations submitted and specifications are acceptable to the Director of Library Services of the City of Clifton; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this award is most advantageous to the Library’s needs, price and other factors considered, in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-6.1; 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 purchases and delegate the power to make the same to the following named official: **Amisha J. Jariwala, Purchasing Agent** upon the terms and conditions hereafter stated; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council is hereby authorized and directed to perform service and repair to lowest respondent D & B Service Group LLC . located at 444 John F Kennedy Drive, Bloomfield NJ 07003 in an amount not to exceed \$19,108.00. Term of the Contract shall commence from May 20,2023 to December 31,2023; and

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

R238-23 Resolution to Award Contract to Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc.,
Under a Sourcewell National Contract, for Fleet Management Services

**RESOLUTION TO AWARD CONTRACT TO
ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT, INC., UNDER A SOURCEWELL
NATIONAL CONTRACT, FOR FLEET MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

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, which allows local contracting units to utilize national cooperative contracts as a method of procurement; and;

WHEREAS, pursuant to resolution R204-23, adopted April 18, 2023, the City of Clifton authorized the Purchasing Agent to advertise the City's intent to participate in the Sourcewell national cooperative in order to pursue City's Fleet Management Services program, under Sourcewell contract number #030122-EFM, which was awarded to Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc.; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent is satisfied that the procurement conducted by Sourcewell and the contract awarded to Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc. with the associated documentation submitted by both Sourcewell and Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc. are in compliance with the guidance in LFN 2012-10; and,

WHEREAS, the City's Purchasing Agent did advertise the City's intent to award the above contract in the Herald News on April 23, 2023, with no comments submitted during the required comment period of ten (10) days; and,

WHEREAS, the City shall enter into agreement with the aforementioned Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc., for a period of five (5) years, in order to lease fleet vehicles in an estimated annual not to exceed amount of \$296,160 per year for forty one (41) vehicles; and,

WHEREAS, this office has reviewed and evaluated the use of Sourcewell contract #030122-EFM, as it relates to charges for services, materials and delivery and has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Clifton to award said 5-year open-end lease contract to Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc. 600 Corporate Park Drive, St. Louis, MO 63105 as the use of the purchasing agreement shall result in cost savings to the City, considering all factors; 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 Jariwala, Purchasing Agent; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The City of Clifton is authorized to award said contract pursuant to Sourcewell contract #030122-EFM, for the fleet leasing program; and,
2. The proposal submitted by Enterprise Fleet Management for the leasing of fleet vehicles for a 5-year contract period shall not exceed \$296,160.00 annually.

R239-23 Resolution to Amend Resolution R225-23 - Temperature Controlled Storage Unit

**AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND RESOLUTION R225-23
TEMPERATURE CONTROLLED STORAGE UNIT**

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution R225-23, the City awarded a contract to purchase Temperature Controlled Storage Unit from Interport Maintenance Co. Inc in an amount not to exceed \$24,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, inadvertently the shipping cost of \$425.00 was omitted from the resolution; and

WHEREAS, the above contract for purchase of Temperature Controlled Storage Unit, after including the shipping cost, brings the total not to exceed contract amount to \$24,425.00; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Resolution R225-23 and the Contract with Interport Maintenance Co. Inc. Located at 635 Delancy Street, Newark NJ 07105, be and hereby is amended to increase the amount by \$425.00, bringing the contract total not to exceed dollar amount to \$24,425.00; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council is authorized and directed to implement and execute the contract amendment, upon approval by the Law Department.

R240-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Engineering Services Contract to Civil 1 Engineering for Engineering Services in Connection with Additional Work for the Renovation Project of Certain Areas of Stefan Tatarenko Memorial Park

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES
CONTRACT TO CIVIL 1 ENGINEERING FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES IN
CONNECTION WITH ADDITIONAL WORK FOR THE RENOVATION
PROJECT OF CERTAIN AREAS STEPHAN TATARENKO MEMORIAL PARK**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires professional engineering services in connection with the additional renovation project to improve certain portions of Stephan Tatarenko Memorial Park; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer recommends that a contract for engineering services be awarded to Civil 1 Engineering in accordance with its submitted proposal, dated April 25, 2023, to the extent of \$9,900.00; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the proposal and upon the recommendation of the City Engineer, the Municipal Council wishes to award a contract to Civil 1 Engineering for the provision of said services, to the extent of \$9,900.00; and

WHEREAS, the subject matter is professional services and may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-5 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 19:44A-20.5, and, therefore, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from the engineer and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to be not to exceed \$9,900.00, and the duration of the contract is until completion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional engineering services contract in connection with additional renovation project to improve certain portions of Stephan Tatarenko hereby awarded to **CIVIL 1 ENGINEERING**, in accordance with its proposal dated April 25, 2023 to the extent of \$9,900.00, and should not exceed that amount until the adoption of a supplemental resolution authorizing additional funding; 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.

R241-23 Resolution Authorizing New Limousine License - 3L Transportation

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NEW LIMOUSINE LICENSE

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey are in receipt of a new Limousine License application from Carlos Lopera the owner and operator of 3L Transportation Services, 31 Josh Court, in the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, all paperwork has been completed and all fees have been paid; and

WHEREAS, all inspections have been completed by the Police and Zoning Departments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that approval for a new Limousine License from Carlos Lopera, the owner and operator of 3L Transportation Services in the City of Clifton is hereby granted.

Company name:

3L Transportation Services

Owner and Operator:

Carlos Lopera

Approved Vehicles:

2020 Ford Expedition JFMJK2A5ZLEA87311

Approved Parking Location:

31 Josh Court, Clifton,

R242-23 Resolution to Approve New Ice Cream Peddler's License - Snopy Ice Cream

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NEW ICE CREAM PEDDLERS LICENSE

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey are in receipt of a renewal application for an Ice Cream Peddlers License from Yulysa Lopez Garcia owner of Snopy Ice Cream, 118 E. 4th Street, Clifton, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, all paperwork has been completed by the applicant and all fees have been paid; and

WHEREAS, all inspections have been completed by the Health, Zoning and Police Departments; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, and State of New Jersey that approval for a renewal application for an Ice Cream Peddlers License from Yulysa Lopez Garcia owner of Snopy Ice Cream, 314 Atlantic Street, Paterson, is hereby granted.

Company name:
Snopy Ice Cream

Owner:
Yulyisa Lopez García

Approved Operator:
Yulyisa Lopez Garcia

Approved Vehicle:
2006 GMC JGDIG31U561241229

Parking Location:
241 Main Avenue, Passaic, NJ 07055

R243-23 Resolution Authorizing Ice Cream Peddlers License Renewal - Zack's Ice Cream

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ICE CREAM PEDDLERS LICENSE RENEWAL

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey are in receipt of a renewal application for an Ice Cream Peddlers License from Ziad Farhan owner of Zack's Ice Cream, 289 Hazel Street in the City of Clifton, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, all paperwork has been completed by the applicant and all fees have been paid; and

WHEREAS, all inspections have been completed by the Health and Police Departments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, and State of New Jersey that approval for a renewal application for an Ice Cream Peddlers License from Ziad Farhan owner of Zack's Ice Cream in the City of Clifton is hereby granted.

Company name:
Zack's Ice Cream

Owner:
Ziad Farhan

Approved Operator:
Ziad Farhan

Approved Vehicle:
2002 GMC 31GDHG35R321230408

Parking Location:
340 Paxton Street, Paterson, NJ 07503

R244-23 Resolution Awarding the Contract to Management Computer Services, Inc. for Clifton Public Housing Agency Voucher Program

**RESOLUTION AWARDING THE CONTRACT TO MANAGEMENT
COMPUTER SERVICES, INC. FOR CLIFTON PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY
VOUCHER PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Clifton Public Housing Department has a need of basic proprietary Section 8 Management and Accounting Software; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has a need to acquire such service as a Non-Fair and Open Contract pursuant to N.J.S.A 19:44A-20.5

WHEREAS, as a determination has been made as follows:

1. The known or estimated cost of the goods or service to be provided will exceed \$17,500.
2. Price quotes have been solicited and received from one interested service provider.
3. The anticipated term of this contract is for the calendar year 2023.
4. Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4(a), the maximum dollar value of this contract shall be \$22,500.00 and the Section 8 Officer has certified the availability of funds; and

WHEREAS, the subject matter is professional services and may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-5 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 19:44A-20.5, and, therefore, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from the engineer and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to not exceed \$22,500.00, and the duration of the contract is Year 2023; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Clerk be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for rendering such software services by Management Computer Services, Inc. for fees of \$22,500.00 for year 2023;

R245-23 Executive Session

**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 Workers' Compensation Claim - CP - PD
- CON-2 Legal Opinion Concerning Chapter 395 of the Municipal Code
- CON-3 Monthly Updates on Legal Matters
- CON-4 Michael Zigarelli v. City of Clifton, et al - Docket No. PAS-L-1241-20
- CON-5 Liability Claims Filed Against City After June 30, 2022
- CON-6 Labor Counsel Interviews Discussion (No documentation)
- CON-7 New Firehouse Update

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 May 16, 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 Triplet Deli & Grocery

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of A& I Grocery t/a Claribel Deli Grocery, 2 Kulik St., Clifton, NJ 07011 for Caterer/Grocery/Milk – Continued Use 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 Happy Vegans

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR: Happy Vegans, LLC
T/A: Happy Vegans
ADDRESS: 1279 Main Avenue, Clifton, NJ 07011
TYPE OF FOR ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED: Restaurant – Continued Use
FORMERLY OR NEW: Happy Vegans
ZONE:
PERMITTED: Yes
VARIANCE REQUIRED: No

L-3 Lubesinas Market & Deli

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of Lubesunas Market & Deli, LLC t/a Lubesinas Market & Deli, 313 Lakeview Ave., Clifton, NJ 07011 for Caterer/Grocery/Milk – Continued Use 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-4 Revive Body Nutrition

BE IT RESOLVED, that the application of Revive Body Nutrition, LLC t/a Revive Body Nutrition, 9 Sheridan Ave., Clifton, NJ 07011 for Restaurant - Continued Use 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 Clifton Village Pizza

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR: CVPN, LLC
T/A: Clifton Village Pizza
ADDRESS: 1380 Clifton Ave., Clifton, NJ 07012
TYPE OF FOR ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED: Restaurant – Continued Use
FORMERLY OR NEW: Clifton Village Pizza
ZONE: B-D
PERMITTED: Yes
VARIANCE REQUIRED: No

L-6 Tribeca Beverage

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR: Tribeca Beverage, LLC
T/A: Tribeca Beverage
ADDRESS: 23 Carol St., Clifton, NJ 07014
TYPE OF FOR ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED: Grocery - New

FORMERLY OR NEW:
ZONE: B-D
PERMITTED: Yes
VARIANCE REQUIRED: No

L-7 Camp Fire Coffee Roasting

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR: Camp Fire Coffee Roasting, LLC
T/A: Camp Fire Coffee Roasting
ADDRESS: 1308 Main Ave., Clifton, NJ 0711
TYPE OF FOR ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED: Grocery - New
FORMERLY OR NEW: Law Office
ZONE: B-C
PERMITTED: Yes
VARIANCE REQUIRED: No

Council returned to Workshop Session.

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilwoman Murphy to adjourn the meeting at 11:02 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Ferrigno
City Clerk

Raymond Grabowski, Mayor