

CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 6, 2024

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 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 2024, which was published as legal advertisements in the Herald News on December 10, 2023, and was additionally advertised in the Record on December 10, 2023. 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)
Councilman D’Amato	(CD)
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

Nancy Ferrigno – City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of October 15, 2014, the Special Executive Minutes of October 15, 2024, the Workshop Session Minutes of October 15, 2024, the Executive Session Minutes of October 15, 2024, and the Regular Minutes of October 15, 2024.

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

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- C-1 Tyler Gibson, Public Works, resigned from his position of Laborer 1, effective October 14, 2024.
- C-2 Falguni Patel, Police Civilian, Keyboarding Clerk 1, hired effective October 16, 2024, at \$32,500.00 annually.
- C-3 Jose Quirino, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$43,262.00 annually.
- C-4 Joseph Tamimi, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$43,262.00 annually.
- C-5 Alexander Gell, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$43,262.00 annually.

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- C-6 Samuel Bottner, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$43,262.00 annually.
- C-7 Fatijon Zuta, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$43,262.00 annually.
- C-8 Darryl Winston, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$43,262.00 annually.
- C-9 Alyssa Rodriguez, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$43,262.00 annually.
- C-10 Alberto Perez Jr, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$43,262.00 annually.
- C-11 Andrew Hirsch, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$46,997.00 annually.
- C-12 Yessel Rojas, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$46,997.00 annually.
- C-13 Justin Degroat, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$46,997.00 annually.
- C-14 Colin Hogan, Public Safety, Hired as Police Officer, effective October 21, 2024 at \$43,262.00 annually.
- C-15 Ana Recse, Public Safety, resigned position of School Traffic Guard, effective October 28, 2024
- C-16 Maria Espaillat, Public Safety, hired as School Traffic Guard, at \$16.00 hourly, effective October 29, 2024.
- C-17 Arthur Weber, Public Safety, retired from his position of Firefighter, effective November 1, 2024.
- C-18 Maritza Gonzalez, Regulatory Affairs, resigned from her position of Technical Assistant to the Construction Official, effective November 1, 2024.

COMMUNICATIONS MEETING MINUTES

- C-19 Minutes of Alcoholic Beverage Control Board of September 11, 2024
- C-20 Minutes of North Jersey District Water Supply Commission of September 25, 2024
- C-21 Minutes of CA-TV Committee of September 25, 2024
- C-22 Minutes of Clifton Senior Advisory Committee of October 24, 2024
- C-23 Minutes of Disabilities Committee of October 21, 2024
- C-24 Minutes of Civil Rights Committee of September 23, 2024
- C-25 Minutes of Traffic Safety Council of September 19, 2024

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

A. Adoption of Ordinance 7948-24

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7948-24

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to Ordinance 7948-24.

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman D'Amato to close the public hearing.

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 Handicapped Space)

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

C. Adoption of Ordinance 7949-24

D. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7949-24

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to Ordinance 7949-24.

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej to close the public hearing.

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 5 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

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

E. Adoption of Ordinance 7950-24

F. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7950-24

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to Ordinance 7950-24.

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej to close the public hearing.

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 4 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

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

G. Adoption of Ordinance 7951-24

H. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7951-24

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to Ordinance 7951-24.

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman D'Amato, seconded by Councilman Gibson to close the public hearing.

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)

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

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

A. Introduction of Ordinance 7952-24

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 D'Amato, and passed on roll call vote.

Bond Ordinance Providing for Various Sewer Utility Capital Improvements in and by the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey Appropriating \$8,050,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$8,050,000 Bonds or Notes to Finance the Cost Thereof

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

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to be held Monday, November 18, 2024, 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, Councilman D'Amato, Councilwoman Pino, and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay.

B. Introduction of Ordinance 7953-24

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 D'Amato, and passed on roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, E titled "Salaries and Compensation", More Particularly Article III Thereof, Entitled "City Hall Employees", Section 99-2, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Adds Title and Stipend for Fire Investigator and Fire Official)

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 Monday, November 18, 2024, 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, Councilman D'Amato, Councilwoman Pino, and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Latona and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay.

C. Introduction of Ordinance 7954-24

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 D'Amato, and passed on 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 III Thereof, Entitled "Supervisory Officials and Employees", Section 99-10, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Amends Salaries for Supervisory Officials and Employees for Years 2023, 2024 and 2025)

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 Monday, November 18, 2024, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(6-0-1-0) Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilman D'Amato, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Gibson abstained.

D. Introduction of Ordinance 7955-24

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 D'Amato, and passed on roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 77 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Police Department", More Particularly Article II Thereof, Entitled "Salaries and Benefits" (Revises Salaries for Police Officers for Years 2024-2027)

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 Monday, November 18, 2024, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

(6-0-1-0) Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilman D'Amato, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Gibson abstained.

FLOOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Priscilla Alvarez, 2 Pleasant Ave., asked for an update on a solution to stop the tractor trailer traffic on Pleasant Ave., which is a safety issue to the children in her daycare.

The following individuals spoke about the lack of parking in Botany Village which is negatively affecting their businesses.

Rebecca Swiatowski, 10 Village Square

Marek Swiatkowski, 10 Village Square

Joseph Santos, 217 Dayton Ave.

Jose Mena, 218 Dayton Ave.

A Motion was made by Councilman Latona, seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula. and passed with no objections to suspend the regular order of business to discuss the lack of parking in Botany Village and passed with no objections.

City Manager, Dominick Villano, pointed out that the Botany SID needs to devise a plan to help the business owners with the lack of parking. Mr. Villano invited the group to attend the next Botany SID meeting to discuss a resolution to this issue. Other suggestions were permit parking, metered parking, and erecting a parking garage.

The group advised Council that when the Botany SID holds their flea markets, they block access to their businesses.

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilwoman Pino, and passed on roll call vote to cancel the remaining Botany SID flea markets of November 17, 2024, December 1, 2024, and December 15, 2024.

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

Gary Perino, 491 Mt. Prospect Ave., addressed several pressing community issues during the recent council meeting, highlighting the need for immediate attention to parking challenges faced by local botany businesses. He congratulated all candidates, both winners and losers, for their participation in the recent elections, acknowledging the importance of civic engagement. Mr. Perino raised concerns about the dangers posed by Hepburn Road, likening it to a raceway, and suggested that implementing rumble strips, speed bumps, or electronic traffic signs with counters could mitigate accidents and enhance safety. Additionally, he inquired about whether the administration had reached out to procure the Allwood Theater sign for the museum. Mr. Perino also expressed frustration over the lack of action by the county prosecutor regarding individuals who abandon cats, stressing the need for accountability in animal welfare. Addressing traffic issues, he pointed out the congestion created by trucks at the intersection of Van Houten Avenue and Mount Prospect Avenue, as well as the jams caused by parents parking in a nearby strip mall when picking up their children from Woodrow Wilson Middle School. In a separate discussion, Mr. Perino questioned if political signs were recyclable, to which City Manager Dominick Villano responded that they are not. He also asked the city attorney, Matthew Priore, about the Council's non-partisan standing, specifically questioning the appropriateness of candidates being nominated from the Council dais.

Donna Popowich, 57 Dalewood Road, congratulated all the newly elected officials. She discussed the removal of political signs from public spaces. Furthermore, there is an ongoing discussion about limiting the size of political signs in future campaigns to ensure they do not overwhelm our neighborhoods. Recently, a question arose regarding why Latino Leaders received donations while the Lauren Murphy Foundation was denied support. This discrepancy

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highlights the need for transparency in our funding practices. Lastly, she stated she is eager to welcome our new communications manager.

Alias Ragsdale, 121 Maplewood Ave., thanked residents for their support in his campaign for a seat on the Board of Education. He pointed out that even though he did not win the seat, the experience was amazing.

Judy Bassford, 92 Mountain View Dr., thanked everyone who supported her and helped her win another term on the Board of Education.

Ed Nunez, 230 Livingston St., congratulated Chris D'Amato for winning a seat on the Municipal Council.

Henry Cholewczynski, Phyllis Place, extended his congratulations to all the winners of the Municipal Council and Board of Education elections. He expressed optimism that the newly elected Council will be able to make progress on various community issues. In his remarks, he specifically raised concerns about a poor paving job on Phyllis Place near Bloomfield Avenue. Mr. Cholewczynski hopes that these issues will be addressed soon.

With no one else wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman Latona, and passed on roll call vote to close the Public Session.

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

CITY MANAGER PRIVILEGE/RESPONSE TO RESIDENTS

Phyllis Alvarez - Regarding the tractor trailer traffic near her daycare center, he stated that he met with the Engineering Department, the Department of Public Works, and the traffic division to discuss potential solutions. It was agreed that one effective approach will be to box out her building to prevent tractor trailer access to the street. Additionally, we will establish a designated truck route with clear signage to ensure that drivers avoid Pleasant Avenue. To further enforce this, a blinking sign indicating a 4-ton weight restriction will be erected. Mr. Villano will also reach out to Google Maps to request an update to their routing to better reflect these changes. He assured her that summonses will be issued to anyone who does not adhere to these newly established regulations.

Donna Popowich – Your organization established a PAC which would result in the municipality giving donations to a political party. Once you changed to a non-profit, the City issued a check. The Latino Leaders was not a PAC but a Civic Organization which the municipality can donate to. Mr. Villano announced that the Communications Manager will start work on December 1st.

Henry Cholewczynski – City Manager, Dominick Villano, agreed that the paving job on Phyllis Place is sub-par. He stated that the contractor will be put on notice to redo the paving.

COUNCIL PRIVILEGE

Councilwoman Sadrakula

Councilwoman Sadrakula requested a comprehensive list of vehicles procured at a cost exceeding \$17,500 and sought clarification on whether the City successfully secured the Allwood Theater sign for historical preservation purposes. Councilwoman Sadrakula announced that the Botany Village flea markets had been canceled to provide relief for business owners experiencing parking shortages. She took a moment to congratulate Chris D'Amato on his recent election to the Council, while also highlighting the need for the Council to improve its overall performance. She stressed the importance of having all committee meetings recorded and audio files made available to the public for those interested in accessing this information. Councilwoman Sadrakula emphasized the necessity of advocating with State and County Legislatures to secure a fair share of funding for the community. She also called for an update on the Third River flooding, noting that City Manager Dominick Villano is in the process of scheduling a meeting to explore potential options for addressing this pressing issue.

Councilman Latona

Councilman Latona announced the hiring of new police officers, reinforcing the Council's commitment to community safety. Additionally, he shared details on local news and upcoming events that will engage residents. One pressing issue discussed was the City's soliciting policy, which he would like to implement a ban on soliciting after dusk to enhance neighborhood tranquility. Councilman Latona also asked when the next Allwood Road meeting would be scheduled. He requested a comprehensive list of all city vehicles to be presented at the next meeting, along with a copy of the resolution regarding parking regulations on Kowal Street. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 18th. Councilman Latona also reminded everyone about the upcoming daylight savings time change, urging residents to be mindful. Reflecting on the recent council seat changes, he expressed disappointment over the embarrassment caused by discord among Councilmembers and proposed reverting to an alphabetical order for seating arrangements. Additionally, he announced that the Police Contract has been successfully finalized, and he extended congratulations to all candidates who won in the recent elections.

Councilman Kolodziej

Councilman Kolodziej's stated he is glad to see the PBA contract finally settled but recalls the negotiations that preceded it. Notably, during the negotiation period, the Council's decision to change the attorney midstream is an issue that concerned him. This shift, he believes, inadvertently allowed the PBA to exert undue pressure on the City and the new legal representative, steering them away from arbitration. He expressed apprehension about the financial implications of the contract for taxpayers, highlighting the need for transparency in the final cost. On a more positive note, he commended the City for hiring a Communications Manager and announced Passaic Valley Water Commission news and events. Furthermore, Councilman Kolodziej expressed his approval of the Council's agreement to enhance public safety by hiring more police officers, emphasizing the need to increase the force to 225 officers for the betterment of the community.

Councilwoman Pino

Councilwoman Pino was absent.

Councilman D'Amato

Councilman D'Amato, took a moment to express his gratitude to everyone who supported him in his campaign for Councilmember. He remarked that the journey through this process has been enlightening. He also congratulated all the other candidates for their dedication and effort. He spoke about an article in the Clifton Merchant Magazine that recognized him as someone to watch in Clifton's future. Councilman D'Amato commended the organizers of the ballot box stating that it was efficient and well-managed, ensuring a smooth experience for everyone involved. He addressed the ongoing concerns regarding the Third River flooding. City Manager Dominick Villano, announced that a Zoom meeting will be scheduled soon to discuss this matter further. Additionally, he inquired about the temporary flood barriers for the Third River. City Manager, Dominick Villano reported that they have been ordered. Councilman D'Amato discussed illegal activity at a parking lot near Park Slope, which he has received numerous complaints. City Manager Villano acknowledged these concerns and mentioned that an investigation is currently underway. He expressed pleasure that the City has hired a Communication Manager, and he looks forward to having her join us in our upcoming Council Meetings for introduction.

Councilman Gibson

Councilman Gibson addressed the importance of traffic safety, particularly around the daycare center located on Pleasant Avenue. He highlighted that City Manager, Dominick Villano, is proactively managing this issue and has suggested the installation of a speed table on Pleasant Avenue to enhance safety. Additionally, Councilman Gibson pointed to the ongoing problem of inadequate parking in Botany Village. He stressed the necessity for increased traffic enforcement

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in areas known for frequent violations. Furthermore, Councilman Gibson urged the resolution of the paving issues on Phyllis Place. He read the most recent recreation news.

Mayor Grabowski

Mayor announced an initiative from the Fire Department, which will be hosting a pet food drive to support local animal shelters. The Mayor also encouraged everyone to attend the upcoming Veterans Day Parade, a significant event that honors the sacrifices of our servicemen and women. He took a moment to thank all the volunteers who worked tirelessly to make the parade a success. He congratulated Chris D'Amato for winning a seat on the Council, along with recognition for all candidates who participated in the recent elections.

RESOLUTIONS VOTED ON SEPERATELY

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed, with no objections, to table Resolution R520.

R520-24 Resolution Condemning All Forms of Hate in the City of Clifton

RESOLUTION CONDEMNING ALL FORMS OF HATE IN THE CITY OF CLIFTON

WHEREAS “hate” in any form, including but not limited to, hate based crimes, threatens the integrity of our diverse and inclusive community, and must be identified, condemned, and eliminated;

WHEREAS, in 2022, New Jersey reported a record high of 2,211 bias incidents, a 17% increase from 2021, reflecting a significant rise in acts motivated by hate and bias;

WHEREAS, in both 2021 and 2022, Black individuals were the most frequently targeted victims of bias incidents, the Jewish community faced the highest rate of religious-based attacks, and the Hispanic/Latino community was the most frequently targeted ethnic group;

WHEREAS, the 2023 data shows that anti-Black bias accounted for 34% of all reported bias motivations in New Jersey, with anti-Jewish bias accounting for 22%, alongside a significant increase in anti-Muslim and anti-Arab bias incidents by 75% and 70%, respectively;

WHEREAS, schools and educational institutions in New Jersey, including elementary, secondary, and higher education, have seen a disturbing rise in bias incidents, increasing the threat to safe and equitable learning environments for students;

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton, as part of New Jersey's diverse population, strives to be a community where all residents—regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, or disability—can live free from fear, intimidation, and violence;

WHEREAS, hate and bias crimes have a harmful impact not only on individual victims but on the entire community, causing division, mistrust, and fear;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Clifton:

1. Condemns all forms of hate, including but not limited to: racism, antisemitism, Islamophobia, xenophobia, transphobia, homophobia, sexism, and ableism.
2. Affirms its commitment to protect all residents from acts of bias, hatred, and discrimination by supporting policies, programs, and partnerships that promote diversity, equity, inclusion, and safety for all.
3. Supports the development and implementation of educational programs in Clifton’s schools and community institutions to raise awareness about bias and hate, foster mutual respect, and teach prevention strategies.
4. Encourages collaboration between local law enforcement, the County Prosecutor, and the

Attorney General's office to ensure thorough investigation and prosecution of all hate crimes in accordance with New Jersey's bias intimidation laws.

5. Endorses public awareness initiatives, like the "No Hate in the Garden State" campaign, to encourage reporting of bias incidents and hate crimes while fostering a message of inclusivity and respect.
6. Reaffirms the City of Clifton's commitment to being an inclusive, welcoming community, and condemns all acts of discrimination that threaten the values of equality and justice for all; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be a testament to Clifton's ongoing fight against hate in all its forms, and its dedication to building a safer, more unified community.

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

A Motion was made by Councilman D'Amato, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to award contract to Statewide Striping Corporation for traffic calming improvements trial, Third Street and Dwasline Road.

R503-24 Resolution Awarding Contract to Statewide Striping Corporation for Traffic Calming Improvements Trial, Third Street and Dwasline Road

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO STATEWIDE STRIPING CORPORATION FOR TRAFFIC CALMING IMPROVEMENTS TRIAL, THIRD STREET AND DWASLINE ROAD

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has solicited and received two proposals from Statewide Striping Corp. and Straight Edge Striping, LLC for the Traffic Calming Improvements Trial, Third Street and Dwasline Road project; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer recommends that a contract for Traffic Calming Improvements Trial, Third Street and Dwasline Road Project be awarded to Statewide Striping Corporation in accordance with its submitted proposals, dated October 24, 2024, in the amount not to exceed \$39,785.00 as it was the lower of the two proposals received and is within the City's bid threshold so that formal bidding is not required; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the submitted bid and upon the recommendation of the City Engineer, the Municipal Council wishes to award a contract to Statewide Striping Corporation for the provision of said services, in the amount not to exceed \$39,785.00; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to be not to exceed \$39,785.00, and the duration of the contract is until completion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract for Traffic Calming Improvements Trial, Third Street and Dwasline Road Project is hereby awarded to **STATEWIDE STRIPING CORPORATION** in accordance with its proposal dated October 24, 2024, in the amount not to exceed \$39,785.00, and shall not exceed that amount except upon 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; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following short notice be printed once in a legal newspaper of the City of Clifton:

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**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

The City of Clifton has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:11-5(1)(a)*. The contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to: Statewide Striping Corporation, Parsippany, New Jersey
Services: Traffic Calming Improvements
Project: Third Street and Dwasline Road
Cost: Not to exceed \$39,785.00
Term: Until completion

(6-0-1-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilman D'Amato, Councilwoman Pino, and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilwoman Sadrakula abstained.

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

R509-24 Resolution Awarding Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service Contract to Acrisure, LLC d/b/a/ IMAC Insurance Agency For Health Insurance Broker Services

**RESOLUTION AWARDING EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE
CONTRACT TO ACRISURE, LLC. D/B/A IMAC INSURANCE AGENCY FOR
HEALTH INSURANCE BROKER SERVICES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the recommendation of the City Manager and based upon the Standard Certification Declaration for an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service of the City Manager, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, both price and other factors considered, and upon review of the two proposals received, the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of

Clifton wish to authorize the following Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service contract for the period beginning January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2025, to Acrisure, LLC d/b/a IMAC Insurance Agency for the reason that this provider has offered the best and most cost-effective services for the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, the subject matter is Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service and may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 et seq.* and *N.J.A.C. 5:34-2.3(B) et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton instead advertised a request for proposals on September 25, 2024 on its website and the League of Municipalities website and received sealed proposals from five firms on October 31, 2024; 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 Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services vendor and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to exceed \$17,500,00 to be paid by the medical insurance providers in accordance with the proposal dated October 3, 2024 and the duration of the contract is through December 31, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service contract for health insurance broker services is hereby awarded to **ACRISURE, LLC d/b/a IMAC INSURANCE AGENCY**, in accordance with its proposal dated October 3, 2024, in the amount of \$65,000.00 to be paid by Horizon plus standard ancillary line commissions to be paid by the providers; 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; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following short notice be printed once in a legal newspaper of the City of Clifton:

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

The City of Clifton has authorized the following Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service contract pursuant to the exception provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 40:11-5(1)(a)(ii) and (m) and *N.J.A.C.* 5:34-2.3(B). Documents regarding this matter are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to:	Acrisure, LLC d/b/a IMAC Insurance Agency
Services:	Provision of Health Insurance Broker Services
Cost:	\$65,000.00 to be paid by medical insurance providers, standard ancillary line commissions to be paid by the providers (Prescription 3%, Dental 10% of the first \$5,000, 4% of the next \$95,000 and 2% thereafter, Stop Loss 12%)
Term:	January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025

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

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman Latona to table Resolution R511. With no objections the same passed.

R511-24 Resolution Awarding Professional Consulting Engineering Services Contract to Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. for Survey, Engineering, Permitting and Construction Support Services for Accessible Pathways in Various Parks

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING ENGINEERING
SERVICES CONTRACT TO SUBURBAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. FOR
SURVEY, ENGINEERING, PERMITTING AND CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT
SERVICES FOR ACCESSIBLE PATHWAYS IN VARIOUS PARKS**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires Professional Consulting Engineering Services for Survey, Engineering, Permitting and Construction Support Services for accessible pathways in various parks; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Department currently has a contract with Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc., with its original proposal, dated February 8, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Department wishes to extend this contract, adding additional funds and additional parks to the project list; and

WHEREAS, the Recreation Supervisor recommends that a contract be awarded to Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. in accordance with its submitted proposal, dated October 16, 2024, in the amount of not to exceed \$102,850.00 (excluding construction, administration and observation), including supplemental partial topographic survey, if needed, and including NJDEP FWW General Permit #17, if needed; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the proposal and the recommendation of the Recreation Supervisor, the Municipal Council wishes to award a contract to Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. for the provision of said services, in the amount of not to exceed \$102,850.00 (excluding construction, administration and observation), including supplemental partial topographic survey, if needed, and including NJDEP FWW General Permit #17, if needed; and

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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 Recreation Supervisor and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

WHEREAS, the current value of the contract is determined to not to exceed \$102,850.00, and the duration of the contract is until completion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a Professional Consulting Engineering Services Contract for Survey, Engineering, Permitting and Construction Support Services for accessible pathways in various parks is hereby awarded to SUBURBAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC, in accordance with its proposal dated October 16, 2024, in the amount not to exceed \$102,850.00 (excluding construction, administration and observation), including supplemental partial topographic survey, if needed, and including NJDEP FWW General Permit #17, if needed, 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; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following short notice be printed once in a legal newspaper of the City of Clifton:

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

The City of Clifton has awarded a contract without competitive bidding as a professional service pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:11-5(1)(a). The contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to: Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc.
Services: Accessible Pathways
Project: Various Parks
Cost: Not to exceed \$102,850.00 (excluding construction, administration and observation), including supplemental partial topographic survey, if needed, and including NJDEP FWW General Permit #17, if needed
Term: Until completion

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

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman D'Amato and passed on roll call vote to appoint Grace Roble as Alternate 2 to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

R516-24 Resolution Appointing Alternate #2 to the Clifton Zoning Board of Adjustment

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALTERNATE #2 TO THE CLIFTON
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey is aware of a member vacancy on the Clifton Zoning Board of Adjustment; and

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WHEREAS, interviews were conducted at a Special Executive Session Meeting on October 15, 2024 of three candidates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that Grace Robol be and is hereby appointed as Alternate #2 commencing this day for a two-year term through December 31, 2026.

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

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilwoman Pino and failed on roll call vote to authorize supplemental funds for professional services to Amanda Van Hoose Garofalo in connection with workplace harassment and retaliation claim.

R521-24 Late - Resolution Authorizing Supplemental Funds for Professional Services to Amanda Van Hoose Garofalo in Connection with Workplace Harassment and Retaliation Claim

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO AMANDA VAN HOOSE GAROFALO IN CONNECTION WITH WORKPLACE HARASSMENT AND RETALIATION CLAIM

WHEREAS, on July 16, 2024, a professional services contract for independent investigation counsel was awarded to Amanda Van Hoose Garofalo, from July 16, 2024 through the conclusion of the investigation, and

WHEREAS, the authorized amount under the contract for said services was not to exceed \$17, 500.00 for the contract term without the adoption of a supplemental resolution; and

WHEREAS, Amanda Van Hoose Garofalo has provided satisfactory independent investigation services to the City of Clifton and, due to greatly enhanced activity, it is projected that the fee for said services will exceed the authorized amount of \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, supplemental funding in the amount of an additional \$5,000.00, for a total not to exceed \$22,500.00 will be required through the conclusion of the investigation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that supplemental funding in the amount of an additional not to exceed \$5,000.00 for a total not to exceed \$22,500.00 for independent investigation services through the conclusion of the investigation, by Amanda Van Hoose Garafalo, is authorized and approved.

(3-1-3-0) Councilman Kolodziej, Councilwoman Pino and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Gibson voted nay. Councilman Latona, Councilman D'Amato and Councilwoman Sadrakula abstained.

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

R513-24 Resolution Appointing Holman Frenia Allison, P.C. to Handle Forensic Audit Services for Two Fiscal Years

RESOLUTION APPOINTING HOLMAN FRENIA ALLISON, P.C. TO HANDLE FORENSIC AUDIT SERVICES FOR TWO FISCAL YEARS

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires forensic audit services to conduct an audit for two fiscal years; and

WHEREAS, the City has received a proposal from Matthew F. Holman, CPA of the firm Holman Frenia Allison, P.C., of Lakewood, NJ, and the City would like to appoint them for forensic auditing services for the two fiscal years of 2019 and 2023; and

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WHEREAS, the services to be performed are professional and/or extraordinary unspecifiable 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 therefor 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-20.5; 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 and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

WHEREAS, there are funds available for the payment of the aforesaid services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that:

An agreement for forensic audit services to conduct an audit for the two fiscal years of 2019 and 2023 shall be effective September 17, 2024.

The aforesaid fee for services shall not exceed \$75,000.00 each year with a total not to exceed amount of \$150,000.00 without the adoption of a supplemental resolution by the Municipal Council.

The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Clifton.

The original of this resolution and the contract in question shall be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office of the City of Clifton.

The following short notice be printed once in a legal newspaper of the City of Clifton:

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

The City of Clifton has awarded a professional services contract without competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a). This contract and the resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to: Holman Frenia Allison, P.C., of Lakewood, NJ
Services: Forensic Audit Services
Project: Forensic Auditor for two fiscal years
Amount: not to exceed \$75,000.00 for each fiscal year
Term: 2019 and 2023 fiscal years

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

A Motion was made by Councilman Latona, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to approve Claims List resolution for the November 6, 2024 Council meeting.

R494-24 Resolution: Approve Claims List Resolution for the November 6, 2024, City Council Meeting

**RESOLUTION
TO APPROVE
Claims to be paid the
Meeting of November 6, 2024**

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

Current Fund	\$	13,603,387.78
Grant Fund	\$	79,005.55
General Capital Fund	\$	23,898.37
Sewer Utility -Operating	\$	1,961,342.11
Sewer Utility-Capital	\$	-
Developers Escrow	\$	65,171.36
Dog Trust	\$	5,036.22
Revolving Loan Fund	\$	-
Police Extra Duty	\$	-
Trust Other	\$	49,178.23
Section 8 Public Housing	\$	5,259.00
Reserve for Housing	\$	-
Community Development	\$	60,239.14
Payroll Agency	\$	-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$	-
Affordable Housing	\$	-
	\$	-
Self Insurance	\$	2,341,594.43
Fire Dedicated Penalties	\$	3,144.94
Revolving Loan Fund	\$	-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$	-
Unemployment Trust Fund	\$	-
Library	\$	53,394.20
General Liability Trust	\$	14,451.33
Workers Compensation Trust	\$	22,322.93
Trust Escrow	\$	-
Reserve for Housing	\$	-
Federal DOJ Forfeiture	\$	-
	\$	
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$	18,287,425.59

(6-0-1-0) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman D'Amato, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Latona abstained.

RESOLUTIONS

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

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

R495-24 Resolution - 2024 Budget Transfer Resolution - Municipal Budget

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER
2024 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
CURRENT FUND**

WHEREAS, transfers between budget appropriations are permitted by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 during the last two months of the fiscal year; and

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WHEREAS, certain 2024 Municipal Budget Appropriations are expected to be insufficient to meet the expenditure requirements through the end of the fiscal year, and certain 2024 budget appropriations are expected to have funds available to offset these expenditure requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, (not less than two-thirds thereof affirmatively concurring) that the transfers as listed between 2024 Municipal Budget Appropriations be made in the Current Fund:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Amount – From:</u>	<u>Amount – To:</u>
Auditing Expense – OE	01-201-20-135-320		\$ 90,000.00
Mayor & Council – OE	01-201-20-110-374	\$ 25,000.00	
Police Dept – OE	01-201-25-240-405	\$ 15,000.00	
Fire Dept – OE	01-201-25-265-255	\$ 15,000.00	
Building Dept (DPW) – OE	01-201-26-290-405	\$ 15,000.00	
Vehicle Maint. – OE	01-201-26-315-405	\$ 5,000.00	
Finance Dept. – OE	01-201-20-130-334	\$ 15,000.00	
Total Transfer Amount:		\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00

R496-24 Resolution - 2024 Budget Transfer Resolution - Sewer Utility

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER
2024 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
SEWER UTILITY**

WHEREAS, transfers between budget appropriations are permitted by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 during the last two months of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, certain 2024 Sewer Utility Budget Appropriations are expected to be insufficient to meet the expenditure requirements through the end of the fiscal year, and certain 2024 budget appropriations are expected to have funds available to offset these expenditure requirements,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, (not less than two-thirds thereof affirmatively concurring) that the transfers as listed between 2024 Municipal Budget Appropriations be made in the Sewer Utility:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Amount – From:</u>	<u>Amount – To:</u>
Sewer System Operating Exp.	07-201-26-291-503	\$ 35,000.00	
Sewer Auditing Expense	07-201-20-135-334		\$ 35,000.00
Total Transfer Amount:		\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00

R497-24 Resolution to Transfer 2024 Budget Appropriations - Current Fund

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER
2024 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
CURRENT FUND**

WHEREAS, transfers between budget appropriations are permitted by N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 during the last two months of the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, certain 2024 Municipal Budget Appropriations are expected to be insufficient to meet the expenditure requirements through the end of the fiscal year, and certain 2024 budget appropriations are expected to have funds available to offset these expenditure requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, (not less than two-thirds thereof affirmatively concurring) that the transfers as listed between 2024 Municipal Budget Appropriations be made in the Current Fund:

Department	Account Number	Amount – From:	Amount – To:
Personnel – S&W	01-201-20-105-101		\$ 15,000.00
City Manager – S&W	01-201-20-100-101	\$ 15,000.00	
M.I.S. – S&W	01-201-20-140-101		\$ 5,000.00
Cable TV – S&W	01-201-20-141-101		\$ 4,000.00
Finance Admin - S&W	01-201-20-130-101	\$ 9,000.00	
Zoning & Planning – S&W	01-201-21-180-101		\$ 13,000.00
Housing – S&W	01-201-21-190-101	\$ 13,000.00	
Construction Code – S&W	01-201-22-195-101		\$ 10,000.00
Construction Code – OE	01-201-22-195-503	\$ 10,000.00	
Fire Dept. – S&W	01-201-25-265-124		\$ 500,000.00
Police Dept. – S & W	01-201-25-240-124	\$ 500,000.00	
Roads – S&W	01-201-26-292-101		\$ 5,000.00
Recycling – S&W	01-201-26-305-101	\$ 5,000.00	
Postage – OE	01-201-20-106-312		\$ 10,000.00
City Clerk – Election	01-201-20-120-210		\$ 40,000.00
Health Care Waiver – OE	01-201-23-221-111	\$ 40,000.00	
Tax Collector – Printing	01-201-20-150-224		\$ 10,000.00
Financial Administration OE	01-201-20-130-225	\$ 20,000.00	
Building Dept (DPW) OE	01-201-26-290-405		\$ 25,000.00
Public Works Admin – OE	01-201-26-300-225		\$ 1,500.00
Roads Department – OE	01-201-26-292-405	\$ 26,500.00	
Total Transfer Amount:		\$ 638,500.00	\$ 638,500.00

R498-24 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2024 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - \$259,942.00 Childhood Lead Activities Grant

CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2024 CITY BUDGET FOR
ADDITIONAL REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has received notice of an award of \$259,942.00 from the County of Passaic, Health Department for Childhood Lead Activities Grant (07/01/2024 to 06/30/2025) and wishes to amend the 2024 Municipal Budget to include this amount as revenue.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the correction and /or insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2024 in the sum of \$259,942.00 which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated
With Prior Written Consent of the Director of the
Division of Local Government Services:
State and Federal Revenues Off-set with
Appropriations:
Passaic County Childhood Lead Activities Grant (7/1/24 to 6/30/25) -
\$259,942.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$259,942.00 be and the same is hereby correctly appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:

(a) Operations Excluded from CAPS
State and Federal Programs Off-set by
Revenues:
Passaic County Childhood Lead Activities Grant (7/1/24 to 6/30/25) -
\$259,942.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City forwards a copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

R499-24 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2024 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - \$80,000.00 Sustained Enforcement Grant

**CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2024 CITY BUDGET FOR
ADDITIONAL REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has received \$80,000.00 from the State of New Jersey for the FY2025 Clifton Sustained Enforcement Grant for the Clifton Police Department and wishes to amend the 2024 Municipal Budget to include this amount as revenue,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2024 in the sum of \$80,000.00 which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated
With Prior Written Consent of the Director of the
Division of Local Government Services:
State and Federal Revenues Off-set with
Appropriations:
State of New Jersey FY2025 Clifton Sustained Enforcement Grant -
\$80,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$80,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:
General Appropriations:

- (a) Operations Excluded from CAPS
State and Federal Programs Off-set by
Revenues:
State of New Jersey FY2025 Clifton Sustained Enforcement Grant - \$80,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City forward to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

R500-24 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2024 Municipal Budget to include Grant - \$35,000.00 Pedestrian Safety

**CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2024 CITY BUDGET FOR
ADDITIONAL REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has received \$35,000.00 from the State of New Jersey for the FY2025 Clifton Pedestrian Safety Grant for the Clifton Police Department and wishes to amend the 2024 Municipal Budget to include this amount as revenue,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2024 in the sum of \$35,000.00 which is now available as a revenue from:

- Miscellaneous Revenues:
- Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated
With Prior Written Consent of the Director of the
Division of Local Government Services:
State and Federal Revenues Off-set with
Appropriations:
State of New Jersey FY2025 Clifton Pedestrian Safety Grant - \$35,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$35,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:
General Appropriations:

- Operations Excluded from CAPS
State and Federal Programs Off-set by
Revenues:
State of New Jersey FY2025 Clifton Pedestrian Safety Grant - \$35,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City forward to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

R501-24 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2024 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - \$753,257.00 NJDOT Grant

**CITY OF CLIFTON
CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2024 CITY BUDGET FOR
ADDITIONAL REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has received \$753,257.00 from the New Jersey Department of Transportation for Fiscal Year 2023 Municipal Aid Program, LA-2023 Clifton City Neighborhood Sidewalk and Curb Restoration and wishes to amend the 2024 Municipal Budget to include this amount as revenue,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2024 in the sum of \$753,257.00 which is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:
 Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated
 With Prior Written Consent of the Director of the
 Division of Local Government Services:
 State and Federal Revenues Off-set with
 Appropriations:
 New Jersey DOT FY2023 Municipal Aid - \$753,257.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$753,257.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:
General Appropriations:
 (a) Operations Excluded from CAPS

 (b) State and Federal Programs Off-set by

Revenues:
 New Jersey DOT FY2023 Municipal Aid - \$753,257.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City forward to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

R502-24 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2024 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - \$1,443.00 CASA Grant City Match

**RESOLUTION AMENDING CITY BUDGET
CHANGE IN TITLE OR TEXT OF AN APPROPRIATION
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE CITY MATCH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-85 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may, at the request of, or with the consent of, the governing body of any county or municipality, make such correction of the title, text, or amount of any appropriation appearing in

the budget as may be necessary to make said item of appropriation available for the purpose or purposes required for the needs of any such county of municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:4-85, the Governing Body of the City of Clifton, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to make the following corrections in the Budget Year 2024:

That the appropriation provided for in the approved budget entitled:

Operations Outside "CAPS" -

Grant Match – Miscellaneous Expense be decreased by \$1,443.00

And an appropriation in the like amount of \$1,443.00 be added to the budget entitled:

Operations Outside "CAPS" -

Municipal Alliance City Match (7/1/2024) - \$1,443.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing correction, in the opinion of the Governing Body, warranted and authorized by the statute above referred to, and is necessary for the orderly operation of the City for the reasons hereinafter set forth:

The City provided for the possibility of receiving added grants after adoption of the 2024 Municipal Budget by providing a line item "Grant Match". The amount of grant and related match requirement now becoming know after the passage of the Municipal Budget. In order to accept the additional Municipal Alliance Grant, legal provisions for the required match must be made. The City received our Municipal Alliance funding for the period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025. The grant received from the County of Passaic requires a 25% City Match. This Resolution is requesting permission for transfer funds from the generic Grant Match Budget Line to the Specific City Match for the Municipal Alliance (CASA) Grant. This above correction will provide for the said legal provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a Certified Copy of this Resolution be properly forwarded to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

R504-24 Resolution to Award Contract to Duke's Root Control, Inc., Under Houston-Galveston National Cooperative for Foaming Root Control Services for the Clifton Engineering Department

**RESOLUTION TO AWARD CONTRACT TO
DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL INC., UNDER HOUSTAN-GALVESTON NATIONAL
COOPERATIVE FOR FOAMING ROOT CONTROL SERVICES FOR
THE CLIFTON ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton is permitted to join national cooperative purchasing agreements under the authority of N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2(b)(3); and,

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton is a member of the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing Program (HGAC), a national cooperative, since January 1, 2012 thru present, 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 R486-24 of October 15, 2024, an advertisement was placed in the Herald News on October 23, 2024, to announce the City's interest in utilizing the HGAC national cooperative contract for the purpose of procuring Sewer Cleaning, hydro excavating, inspection equipment, as requested by the City Engineer (subsequently, the required 10-day period has passed with no comments having been submitted); and

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WHEREAS, the term for the HGAC contract SC06-24 for Sewer Cleaning, Hydro-Excavating, Inspection Equipment and Miscellaneous Services is June 01, 2024 thru May 31, 2028 all pertinent information may be found on the HGAC website at <https://www.hgacbuy.org>; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent is satisfied with the procurement process conducted by HGAC, and the contract which was awarded to Duke's Root Control Inc., and along with associated documentation submitted by both HGAC and Duke's Root Control Inc., the Purchasing Agent finds all is in compliance with the guidance in LFN 2012-10; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent followed all applicable guidelines stipulated by the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services as outlined in Local Finance Notice 2012-10; and

WHEREAS, there were no alternative approaches and/or rejections made by any New Jersey contractors/vendors by the November 1, 2024 comment deadline; and

WHEREAS, this office has reviewed and evaluated the use of HGAC 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 Duke's Root Control Inc, Inc., 44 Airport Road Suite E, Eglin IL 60123, pursuant to the proposal submitted in response to the Houston-Galveston Area Council National Cooperative Request for Bids for Foaming Root Control Services (Contract #SC06-24); 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, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, State of New Jersey as follows:

The City of Clifton is authorized to award said Sewer/Storm Water, Hydro-Excavating Equipment and Related Services pursuant to HGAC contract #SC06-24.

The proposal submitted by Dukes Root Control Inc. for the procurement of Sewer/Storm Water, Hydro-Excavating Equipment and Related Services for the City's Engineering Department , for a total not to exceed amount of \$49,966.42 is hereby awarded.

R505-24 Resolution Authorizing Advertisement for RFP's for Community Health Improvement Plan for 2025 for City of Clifton

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR RFPS FOR
COMMUNITY HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR 2025 FOR CITY OF CLIFTON**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton is committed to enhancing the health and well-being of its community members through planning and collaborative initiatives and hence needs a consultant to develop City's CHIP that adheres to Public Health Accreditation Board Standards; and

WHEREAS, to meet this need effectively, it is essential to procure these services through a fair and open process of soliciting Request for Proposals; and

Whereas, the development of a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) for 2025 is essential to identify health needs, set priorities, and implement effective interventions; and

WHEREAS, the RFP shall clearly outline the scope of work, qualifications required, evaluation criteria and other relevant details necessary for prospective professionals to submit comprehensive proposals; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton that the Purchasing Agent is authorized to advertise a Notice to Bidders and to receive public RFPs response for the services described herein via Fair and Open process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Notice to bidders shall be published once in the legal newspaper of the City of Clifton, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

R506-24 Resolution Authorizing Advertisement of Notice of Intent to Procure Ambulance Apparatus for the Clifton Fire Department Via Sourcewell National Cooperative Contract

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO
PROCURE AMBULANCE APPARATUS FOR THE CLIFTON FIRE DEPARTMENT
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 Ambulance & Emergency Medical Service Vehicles, which was awarded to PL Custom Emergency Vehicles., located at 2201 Atlantic Ave, Manasquan, NJ 08736; and

WHEREAS, information regarding the contract may be found on Sourcewell's website at <https://www.sourcewell-mn.gov/cooperative-purchasing/122123-PLC/>; and

WHEREAS, the current contract term for Sourcewell contract ## 122123-PLC, for Ambulance & Emergency Vehicles which expires on February 28, 2028; and

WHEREAS, barring comments to the contrary, it is the intent of the City of Clifton to award a contract to PL Custom Emergency Vehicles., located at 2201 Atlantic Ave, Manasquan, NJ 08736, pursuant to the proposal submitted in response to Sourcewell's Notice to Bidders Titled "Ambulance and Emergency Medical Service Vehicles" and Contract Award # 122123-PLC for Ambulance & Emergency Medical Service Vehicles; 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 November 25, 2024.

R507-24 Resolution Awarding a Contract to Stryker Sales Corporation Lucas Chest Compression System off the Bergen County Cooperative - Fire Department

**RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO STRYKER SALES CORPORATION
LUCAS CHEST COMPRESSION SYSTEM OFF THE BERGEN COUNTY
COOPERATIVE
FOR THE CITY OF CLIFTON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton, via Resolution R262-16 authorized participation in the Bergen County Cooperative Pricing System (#CK04-BERGEN); and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Fire Chief requested that the City procure one (1) proprietary LUCAS Chest Compression Systems and related equipment in order to provide optimally safe cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) during emergency situations; and

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WHEREAS, the LUCAS Chest Compression system compresses the chest to the required depth recommended by the American Heart Association in order to ensure consistency during resuscitation, which prevents a Firefighter or EMT from determining if he or she is performing the depth of compressions properly (there is no known gauge to determine this task), and helps maintain a safe physical distance from an accident or health emergency victim in order to prevent the spread of pathogens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Fire Chief has obtained a proposal via the Bergen County Cooperative, Contract # 24-15, for LUCAS Compression Systems from Stryker Sales Corporation, located at 2825 Airview Blvd., Kalamazoo, MI 4900 (MSI vendor #493), for a total not to exceed amount of \$18,497.30; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bergen County cooperative contract for LUCAS Chest Compression Systems and related equipment be awarded to Stryker Sales Corporation, 2825 Airview Blvd., Kalamazoo, MI 49002, for the total not to exceed amount of \$18,497.30; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution and the invoice 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.

R508-24 Resolution Authorizing Entry into and Execution of a Service Renewal Agreement with Acrisure LLC d/b/a Bergen Risk Managers, Inc. for Administration of Liability Self-Insurance Program Claims

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTRY INTO AND EXECUTION OF A SERVICE
RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH ACRISURE LLC D/B/A/ BERGEN RISK
MANGERS, INC. FOR ADMINISTRATION OF LIABILITY SELF-INSURANCE
PROGRAM CLAIMS**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires services for the administration of liability self-insurance claims; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton advertised a Request for Proposals on September 25, 2024 on the City's website and the League of Municipalities' website for third Party Administration Services for the Administration of Liability Self-Insurance Claims and received two proposals on October 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Acrisure LLC D/B/A Bergen Risk Managers, Inc. submitted the lowest proposal for the provision of said services at a cost of \$32,700, in accordance with its proposal dated September 25, 2024; and

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

WHEREAS, the estimated value of the contract is determined to be \$32,700.00, and the duration of the renewal contract is for a period of one (1) year commencing January 1, 2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a renewal contract for liability self-insurance claims service administration, for the period of one year, is hereby awarded to Bergen Risk Managers, Inc. in accordance with its proposal dated September 25, 2024, for a price of \$32,700.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a renewal 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.

R510-24 Resolution Awarding Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service Contract to Acrisure, LLC d/b/a Polaris Galaxy Group for Property and Casualty Insurance Broker Services

**RESOLUTION AWARDING EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE
CONTRACT TO ACRISURE, LLC. D/B/A POLARIS GALAXY GROUP FOR
PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE BROKER SERVICES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the recommendation of the City Manager and based upon the Standard Certification Declaration for an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service of the City Manager, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, both price and other factors considered, and upon review of the two proposals received, the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton wish to authorize the following Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service contract for the period beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31 2025, to Acrisure, LLC d/b/a Polaris Galaxy for the reason that this provider has offered the best and most cost effective services for the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, the subject matter is Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service and may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 et seq.* and *N.J.A.C. 5:34-2.3(B) et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton instead advertised a request for proposals on September 25, 2024, and received sealed proposals from three firms on October 31, 2024; 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 Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services vendor and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to exceed \$17,500,00 to be paid by the insurance providers in accordance with the proposal from Acrisure/Polaris Galaxy Group and the duration of the contract is through December 31, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service contract for property & casualty insurance broker services is hereby awarded to **ACRISURE, LLC d/b/a POLARIS GALAXY GROUP**, in accordance with its proposal dated September 26, 2024, in the amount of:

- 15% of environmental impairment insurance premium
- 5% of excess liability insurance premium
- 14% of excess worker’s compensation insurance premium
- 15% of property insurance coverage premium
- 15% of various liability insurance coverage premium
- total estimated value of \$94,275

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; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following short notice be printed once in a legal newspaper of the City of Clifton:

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**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

The City of Clifton has authorized the following Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service contract pursuant to the exception provisions of *N.J.S.A.* 40:11-5(1)(a)(ii) and (m) and *N.J.A.C.* 5:34-2.3(B). Documents regarding this matter are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to:	Acrisure, LLC d/b/a Polaris Galaxy Group
Services:	Provision of Property & Casualty Insurance Broker Services
Cost:	15% of environmental impairment insurance premium 5% of excess liability insurance premium 14% of excess worker's compensation insurance premium 15% of property insurance coverage premium 15% of various liability insurance coverage premium total estimated value of \$94,275
Term:	January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025

R512-24 Resolution Approving Developer Agreement Between the City of Clifton and Patra Garden, LLC

**RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPER AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF CLIFTON AND PATRA GARDEN, LLC**

BE IT RESOLVED, that a Developer Agreement between the City of Clifton and Patra Garden, LLC, the developer of Block 36.01, Lots 11.01 and 10.01, 62-66 Mount Prospect Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey, is hereby authorized and approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Developer Agreement on behalf of the City of Clifton.

R514-24 Resolution Appointing S&S Shell, Inc. d/b/a Anthony's Towing as an Official Tower Under Chapter 425, Article I of the Code of the City of Clifton

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING S&S SHELL, INC. D/B/A ANTHONY'S TOWING AS
AN OFFICIAL TOWER UNDER CHAPTER 425, ARTICLE I OF THE CODE OF THE
CITY OF CLIFTON**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article I of Chapter 425 of the Code of the City of Clifton, the Municipal Council shall appoint persons or entities engaged in the business of furnishing adequate and proper wrecking, towing, storage and emergency repair services to motor vehicles within the limits of the City, with the exception of motor vehicles on toll roads, when requested to do so by the City who meet all the requirements as set forth in Chapter 425 of the Code of the City of Clifton to qualify as an Official Tower on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, S&S Shell, Inc. d/b/a Anthony's Towing has adequately met the standards set forth in Chapter 425 of the Code of the City of Clifton to be appointed as an Official Tower;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that S&S Shell, Inc. d/b/a Anthony's Towing, 793 Van Houten Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey 07013, is hereby appointed as an Official Tower of the City of Clifton effective September 25, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Official Tower shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor and Municipal Council and shall comply with all applicable city ordinances, State statutes and Administrative Code regulations dealing with towers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the annual reporting of the list of Official Towers shall be available for inspection in the Office of the City Clerk by any member of the general public upon request.

R515-24 Resolution Approving Developer Agreement Between the City of Clifton and Palestinian American Community Center

**RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPER AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF CLIFTON AND PALESTINIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY CENTER**

BE IT RESOLVED, that a Developer Agreement between the City of Clifton and Palestinian American Community Center, the Developer of Block 5.24, Lots 12 & 15, 386 & 390 Lakeview Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey, is hereby authorized and approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute said Developer Agreement on behalf of the City of Clifton.

R517-24 Resolution for Appointment to the Civil Rights Committee

**RESOLUTION FOR APPOINTMENT 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 applications from Michael L. Hecht, Ellen Bartoldus, Barbara Klein and Linda Lipton to become Members of the Civil Rights Committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that Michael L. Hecht, Ellen Bartoldus, Barbara Klein and Linda Lipton be and are hereby appointed to the Civil Rights Committee commencing this day.

R518-24 Resolution Appointing Michele Butler as Deputy Registrar and Hayley Fabian as Alternate Registrar

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING MICHELE BUTLER AS DEPUTY REGISTRAR AND
HAYLEY FABIAN AS ALTERNATE REGISTRAR**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey is aware that Victoria Kaufman is resigning her position as Deputy Registrar; and

WHEREAS, Michele Butler currently holds the position of Alternate Registrar and Hayley Fabian currently holds the position of Sub-Registrar;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey Michele Butler be and is hereby appointed as Deputy Registrar and Hayley Fabian is hereby appointed as Alternate Registrar.

R519-24 Resolution Authorizing Tax Collector to Lien Properties and Bill Property Owners and Collect for Reimbursement of Expenditures Made by City of Clifton for Emergency Order Clean-Ups

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX COLLECTOR TO LIEN PROPERTIES AND
BILL PROPERTY OWNERS AND COLLECT FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF
EXPENDITURES MADE BY CITY OF CLIFTON FOR EMERGENCY ORDER
CLEAN-UPS**

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WHEREAS, numerous code violations and an emergent health situation existed at the following premises for a long period of time, and despite countless letters, warnings, notices and citations issued to the property owners, the violations and health conditions continued unabated; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton took emergency clean-up action on the properties and expended funds from its revolving lien account, **inclusive of \$100 Administrative Fee**, as follows:

<u>Address</u>	<u>Service Fee</u>	<u>Administrative Fee</u>	<u>Total Lien</u>
121 Getty Avenue Blk 12.05 Lot 10	\$ 225.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 375.00
329 Delawanna Avenue Blk 72.02 Lot 12	\$ 500.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 600.00

WHEREAS, it is necessary to place a lien on each property in order to seek reimbursement from each property owner for the funds expended by the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, it may be necessary for the City of Clifton to expend funds in the future for the aforesaid properties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is authorized to lien the properties as set forth above, and to take whatever action is necessary to accomplish reimbursement from the property owners for the current expenditures and any expenditures incurred in the future.

A Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to enter into Executive Session

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

R522-24 Executive Session

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 CWA/Crossing Guards Contract
- CON-2 Developer Agreement - Patra Garden, LLC, Block 36.01, Lots 11.01 and 10.01
- CON-3 Fire Department Antenna License Agreements - Negotiations - Daughters of Miriam and ON3
- CON-4 Update of Liability Claims Filed Against the City of Clifton
- CON-5 Developer Agreement - Palestinian American Community Center - 386 & 390 Lakeview Ave.
- CON-6 S&S Shell, Inc. d/b/a Anthony's Towing v. Mayor & Council of City of Clifton - PAS-L-2779-24
- CON-7 DPW Director Request for Salary Increase
- CON-8 Clifton Station Developers LLC - Update
- CON-9 Memorandum of Agreement with PBA, Local 36
- CON-10 Complaint Regarding Workplace Harassment, Retaliation and Discrimination
- CON-11 Update of Liability Claims Filed Against City of Clifton : Litigation Privilege
- CON-12 Legal Opinion Regarding Appointment of Official Towers
- CON-13 Passaic-Clifton Community Kolloel Congregation v. City of Clifton, et al
- CON-14 Conflict of Interest by Target of Retaliation, Harassment and Discrimination
Complaint Interfering with Investigation

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 November 6, 2024, 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 Daisy Mini Mart

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF KG FOOD AND GROCERY LLC
T/A DAISY MINI MART
for permission to conduct a: GROCERY/MILK
for a period ending January 31, 2025 on the premises known as:
781 VAN HOUTEN AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07013
be and the same 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 Stew Leonard's

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF STEW LEONARD'S PARAMUS, LLC
T/A STEW LEONARD'S
for permission to conduct a:
GROCERY/BAKERY/MILK-CONTINUED USE
for a period ending January 31, 2025 on the premises known as:
467 ALLWOOD RD CLIFTON, NJ 07012
be and the same 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-3 Breaker Billiards

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR CALL THE BALL BILLIARDS INC
T/A BREAKER BILLIARDS
ADDRESS 1142 US RTE 46 CLIFTON, NJ 07013
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED RESTAURANT

FORMERLY OR NEW NEW
ZONE B-D
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-4 CUMAC

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR CUMAC ECHO, INC
T/A CUMAC
ADDRESS CITY WIDE ZONE
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED FOOD VENDING VEHICLE
FORMERLY OR NEW NEW
ZONE N/A

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PERMITTED YES

VARIANCE REQUIRED NO

FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-5 Starbucks #67639

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR STARBUCKS CORPORATION

T/A STARBUCKS COFFEE #67639

ADDRESS 10 METRO BLVD, CLIFTON, NJ 07014

TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED RESTAURANT - NEW

FORMERLY OR NEW NEW

ZONE N/A

PERMITTED YES

VARIANCE REQUIRED NO

FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-6 Edible Arrangements

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF MNN ENTERPEISES CLIFTON, LLC

T/A EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS

for permission to conduct a: CATERER-CONTINUED USE

for a period ending January 31, 2025 on the premises known as:

890 VAN HOUTEN AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07013

be and the same is hereby approved and licenses so issued in the compliance with the approval of
the Board of Health, Fire Department, Police and Zoning Officer.

A Motion was made by Councilman Latona, seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula and failed on
roll call vote to revert the order of Council seating at the dais back to alphabetical order.

(3-3-0-1) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Latona and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted aye.
Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman D’Amato and Mayor Grabowski voted nay. Councilwoman
Pino was absent.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Ferrigno, City Clerk

Raymond Grabowski, Mayor