

CITY OF CLIFTON
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 6, 2025

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

8:00 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 2025, which was published as legal advertisements in the Herald News on January 5, 2025, and was additionally advertised in the Record on January 5, 2025. 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) via Zoom
Councilman Kolodziej	(JK)
Councilman Latona	(AL)
Councilman D'Amato	(CD)
Councilwoman Pino	(RP)
Councilwoman Sadrakula	(MS)
Mayor Grabowski	(RG)

Also present were City Attorney, Thomas Egan; Assistant City Attorney, Andrew Oddo; City Manager, Gary DeMarzo; City Clerk, Kathleen Tolosi; Deputy City Clerk, Megan Krusznis.

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

Pastor Daisy - Crossroads Free Methodist Church

PRESENTATION

Proclamations for Boy Scout Troop #21

Proclamation to Aiden Prybicien

PUBLIC HEARING

2025 Municipal Budget Public Hearing.

Jeffrey Bliss, Auditor from Lerch Vinci and Bliss for the City, joined the hearing to answer any questions the board or the public had. He noted that the board must open to the public to allow questions on the budget as presented. After the public comment, the board has the choice to adopt the budget as presented or offer amendments.

Councilman Kolodziej asked if the board had the ability to move funds after the budget is adopted to cover areas from a deficit, the example was storm water. Mr. Bliss notified them that that type of deficit would not be allowed to be transferred.

Councilwoman Sadrakula asked what type of amendment requires an advertisement. Mr. Bliss advised that if a new line item of appropriation is increased by 1% or more than the total amount of appropriations, if any budget line item increases or decreases by more than 10%, or if the taxes are increased by more than 5%. She asked if the budget introduced in July included the \$500,000 payment for Capitals. Mr. Bliss confirmed it did.

City Manager Gary DeMarzo presented a slideshow to the board that was previously shown at the introduction. Amendments were included to explain how the reductions in the surplus usage can affect the increase in taxes. There were several cuts discussed, however the decrease in the tax percentage presented was only 2%. The recommendation to the board is to adopt the budget as presented. Councilman Kolodziej motioned, and Councilwoman Sadrakula seconded opening the public hearing.

The floor was opened to the public.

Robin Gibson, 12 Dwight Terrace, the City Manager is correct, our services are so important to continue to keep our residents happy. Our Police, Fire, and DPW are second to none and we need to find the funds internally to continue to provide the services that we do.

Councilman Latona motioned and Councilman D’Amato seconded closing the public portion, and the floor was closed.

Councilman Kolodziej spoke regarding the pain that this type of increase can cause. The taxes have continued to increase, and we need to address the issue now. The funds that were used to cover the increases over the course of the last several years have now been depleted. The budget introduced uses way too much fund balance, and we need to find a way to fix this. Funds are being held for projects that need to be appropriated to different costs. The City needs to start looking at alternative options for revenue.

Councilman Latona announced that he will be voting no for the budget due to the number of leased vehicles and there being not enough people to drive those vehicles. The presentation of a 5.5% tax increase when the City has Chapter 99 benefits that need to be updated, full time benefits for part time employees, a hiring freeze, questions for department heads for fees and cost savings that were unanswered, administrative review of overtime policies, not utilizing state grants or federal funding and using the operating budget, is too much to overlook.

Councilwoman Sadrakula spoke regarding the current administration attempting to correct 30 years of errors where, in her opinion, no cost-saving measures were taken. The budget process needs to begin earlier and the effort from all board members needs to increase to attend budget meetings. Costs are overstated and revenues are understated.

Councilman Kolodziej agreed that there is a lot of clean up that this current board needs to do, but we can only build a better future. We cannot correct the past. Trust funds are reported every year. This current budget does include \$300,000 worth of vehicles being removed.

A motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilwoman Pino, and failed on roll call vote to pass the municipal budget as introduced.

(3-4-0-0) Councilman Kolodziej, Councilwoman Pino, and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye. Councilman D’Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Latona, and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted Nay.

Mr. Bliss explained that the governing body may accept the cuts presented by the City Manager. They will need to approve that by resolution. At the next meeting the board can discuss additional cuts. If the city does not adopt the budget within a reasonable amount of time, the Division of Local Government Services will send a letter with a deadline of when the City must adopt the budget. If it is not adopted by that deadline, the Division will come in and review the budget and the Director of the DLGS will certify a tax rate at which they believe will be a prudent tax levy to fund the expenses of the City for 2025. The governing body will need to develop the budget around that certified tax rate.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Councilman D’Amato, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to approve the following Minutes:

Approval of Workshop Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2025

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2025

Approval of Executive Meeting Minutes of July 15, 2025

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

C-1 Hailey Hyland, Public Safety, hired as Public Safety Telecommunicator Trainee, effective July 21, 2025, at \$35,000.00 annually.

C-2 Adriana Alvarez, Public Safety, hired as Public Safety Telecommunicator Trainee, effective July 21, 2025, at \$35,000.00 annually.

C-3 Kevin Heredia, Public Safety, hired as Public Safety Telecommunicator Trainee, effective July 21, 2025, at \$35,000.00 annually.

COMMUNICATIONS MEETING MINUTES

C-4 Meeting Minutes of Clifton Traffic Safety Meeting on May 15, 2025

C-5 Meeting Minutes of Clifton Arts Center on June 23, 2025

- C-6 Meeting Minutes of Clifton Cable Advisory Committee on June 25, 2025
- C-7 Meeting Minutes of North Jersey District Water Supply Commission on June 25, 2025
- C-8 Meeting Minutes of Clifton Advisory Beautification Committee on July 7, 2025
- C-9 Meeting Minutes of the Passaic Valley Water Commission on July 23, 2025
- C-10 Meeting Minutes of the Clifton Planning Board on July 24, 2025

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8010-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8010-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8010-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman D'Amato 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.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-38 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets for Private Residences" (Deletes 3 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

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

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8011-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8011-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8011-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman D'Amato 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.

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

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

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8012-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8012-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8012-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman D'Amato 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.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-38 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets for Private Residences" (Adds 9 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

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

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8013-25

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilman Gibson and seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula.

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)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday August 19, 2025, 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 D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8014-25

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilwoman Sadrakula and seconded by Councilman Gibson

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)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday August 19, 2025, 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 D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8015-25

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilwoman Sadrakula and seconded by Councilman Latona.

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 3 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday August 19, 2025, 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 D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8016-25

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilman Gibson and seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula.

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 9 Handicapped Parking Placard Numbers)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday August 19, 2025, 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 D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8017-25

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilman Kolodziej and seconded by Councilman Latona.

(4-2-1-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Latona, and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted Aye. Councilman Kolodziej and Councilwoman Pino voted Nay. Mayor Grabowski abstained.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise, and Supplement Chapter 296 of the Code of the City of Clifton Entitled "Landscapers"

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday August 19, 2025, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

Councilman Latona motioned, and Councilwoman Sadrakula seconded a motion for amendment to the ordinance to eliminate the program of private landscapers dumping grass clippings at DPW.

(4-2-1-0) Councilman D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Latona, and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted Aye. Councilman Kolodziej and Councilwoman Pino voted Nay. Mayor Grabowski abstained.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8018-25

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon a Motion made by Councilwoman Sadrakula and seconded by Councilman Latona.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise, and Supplement Chapter 375 of the Code of the City of Clifton Entitled "Sewer Connection Fee" (Increases Connection Fee")

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday August 19, 2025, 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 D'Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino, Councilwoman Sadrakula and Mayor Grabowski voted Aye.

FLOOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Tom Whittles, Clifton Ave., understands that the Council does not get involved in day-to-day items, so he notified the council of his wife's retirement due to harassment, bullying, and threats by department heads and supervisors. Documents will be forwarded to the City Manager and the council members.

Henry Cholazinski, spoke to the disfunction of the City for the last 30 years that the Council now has to correct. Zoning ordinances need to be enforced. Personnel evaluations need to be done. The garbage men need to have direction on what is recycling and what is trash.

Gary Perino, 491 Mt. Prospect Ave., asked when Mr. Villano was appointed to City Manager was there a nationwide or statewide search. He pointed out the presentation for the National Night Out event was excellent. He commented on the professionalism of one of the City's newest officers. Air BnB homes in Clifton are back on the website, the ordinances need to be enforced.

Jacqueline Potter, 651 Van Houten Avenue, asked for this upcoming school year in September what is the City planning on doing to keep kids safe getting on their buses on the main roads in town. The children are getting on the bus and cars that are supposed to be stopped are going around the bus putting all our children at risk.

Billy Prempeh, NJ Congressional District 9 Republican candidate, noted that some constituents have been advising him of distractions facing the City right now. He asked Councilwoman Pino for a debate.

Sharon (Sorloft), Friar Ln., wanted to advise the council about the water issue in the City, it is severely polluted. Photos will be provided to the City Manager to give to the council members.

Bart Ciervo, Delawanna Ave, asked if the issues that were previously brought up a year ago be discussed again. Sidewalks at the park in Delawanna and the sidewalks on Linden Ave need to be fixed. The baseball fields are never used; it should be turned into a dog park. The speed limit on Delawanna Ave needs to be fixed. The parks should be sprayed for ticks. The sewer hook ups need to be fixed and the council needs to look at the difference between an addition on a house and a brand new apartment complex.

Matt Ward, 1 Sewall Ave., the Division of Local Government Services should not be invited in to take over creating our tax levy. The adoption of our budget needs to be done by our governing body. Do not allow a non-elected official the opportunity to get in, we will lose total control of the budget process. The road conditions on the east side of the city are terrible, the City needs an aggressive capital plan for funding road projects.

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

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

CITY MANAGER PRIVILEGE/RESPONSE TO RESIDENTS

City Manager, Gary DeMarzo, had no comment for the public.

COUNCIL PRIVILEGE

Councilman Kolodziej

Councilman Kolodziej reported that Clifton does deserve the best with a nationwide search for a City Manager. There is no budget that was approved tonight, therefore there is no funding to spray for ticks although it should be a service that we provide. There is no direct representation with Passaic Valley Water Commission any longer, so it will be difficult to resolve the water issue and that the City can ask our representatives what we can do to report the issue and advocate for our residents. He also asked for our representatives to be contacted regarding an accurate listing of our water billing for the Board of

Education. A suggestion was made for the safety of our school children getting on the bus to install cameras on each bus and have the Board of Education send the footage to the Police Department to issue tickets. There will be approximately \$7,500 in revenue each year with our increase in sewer fees. The City's sanitation contract is going to be coming up and there are several items we should be looking into for a decrease in fees and increase in cost efficiencies. Upcycling Adventures session will be on Saturday the 9th from 10 to 12 at the Recycling Center. Main Memorial Park concerts in the park continue over the course of the next three weekends. August 15 and 16 will be family camp out. The Food Music and Car show will be on August 31, from 11 to 7 on the City Hall Campus. The proceeds will benefit our Veterans and support our Parades for Memorial Day and Veteran's Day.

Councilwoman Pino

Councilwoman Pino congratulated the Colombian community for their flag raising. The Ecuadorian flag raising ceremony will be Sunday at 1:00. ECHO is having the annual Auto Show fundraiser Sunday at Clifton Masonic Lodge from 11 to 4. She congratulated the Clifton Theater League once again on their 20 year anniversary, and the performance during the murder mystery they just performed. She commended the City employees for all their work for National Night Out. The Fall semester for the ECHO youth program will be starting soon.

Councilman Gibson

Councilman Gibson thanked everyone for their support during this difficult time in his life. The support from the community, especially Troop 21, has been so deeply appreciated. He noted how proud he is of the community and how excited he is to get back to the council chambers and be back with everyone again.

Councilman D'Amato

Councilman D'Amato spoke regarding the kindness and diligence that Troop 21 has. He asked the City Manager for an update on when the clean up of the Third River will be, and if the follow-up can happen with the Army Corp of Engineers. There is a broken basketball hoop at Albion Park which needs to be addressed. There is an update in the rules of order that will be presented to the board by September. Filming revenue is beneficial and Clifton should be on the Film-Ready list soon. He thanked the public for coming to the podium and speaking.

Councilwoman Sadrakula

Councilwoman Sadrakula noted that the Council voted last year that all confidential employees should have reviews. A question of why employees are not punching in or out was brought up, and how can it be addressed. The garbage contract is locked in due to the time frame passing. She thanked Gary for his working relationship with our City Attorney and with the council and having open communication. We need code enforcement across the board. There are people in the City still violating the codes even after warnings. There cannot be selective enforcement. The city needs to apply for more grants, and we need a grant writer. We need smart hiring.

Councilman Latona

Councilman Latona congratulated Troop 21 for their efforts for Councilman Gibson. He reported to the community that he was out of the country and will follow up with everyone. We need performance reviews, and the evaluations are annual, so the department heads need to be evaluated and the council needs to have a poll for their availability. Sidewalks, updating Chapter 99, permit parking and other items that have been open for years need to be voted on and closed out. The budget needs to be done earlier, and we need to "right the ship". He also addressed the public comments and responded with understanding and noted that any employees with a grievance must report it to administration.

Mayor Grabowski

Mayor Grabowski quickly noted the Clifton Unhoused Initiative. He asked the City Manager for an update on the project on Paulison Avenue. The City Manager responded that the property was changed by deed in lieu of foreclosure. The new capital group came in and was introduced to the Construction Office and the Legal Department. The project manager is motivated to finish the project. The first 100 units will be available for their Certificate of Occupancy and tax payments in October. He concluded his comments with the concern for the City in regards to the Division of Local Government Services coming in to pick the City's tax rate. We do not want the State coming in.

RESOLUTIONS VOTED ON SEPARATELY

A motion was made by Councilman Latona, and seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula and passed on roll call vote to reject the bids

RESOLUTION 399-25

REJECTING BIDS FOR CITY HALL FUELING STATION IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton authorized bids to be solicited for City Hall Fueling Station Improvements, with the return date of May 29, 2025 but the bids received substantially exceeded the project cost estimates so the bids were rejected on that basis; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid from Aurora Environmental, Inc. of Union Beach, New Jersey was \$736,780.00 which substantially exceeds the project cost estimates; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law, the bid from Aurora Environmental, Inc. is rejected because it substantially exceeds the estimated costs and anticipated appropriate for the project in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is authorized and directed to return any bids bonds placed on deposit with said bids to the respective bidders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City authorizes the Purchasing Agent to readvertise the project for additional bids.

(4-3-0-0) Councilman D’Amato, Councilman Gibson, Councilman Latona, and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted Aye. Councilman Kolodziej, Councilwoman Pino, and Mayor Grabowski voted Nay.

Resolution 400-25 was tabled.

RESOLUTION 400-25

AWARDING CONTRACT FOR WALKING PATHS AT VARIOUS PARKS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT TO D.S.MEYER ENTERPRISES

BE IT RESOLVED: that the contract for the **WALKING PATHS AT VARIOUS PARKS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT** be and the same is hereby awarded to **D.S. MEYER ENTERPRISES** of **Waldwick, New Jersey**, the low bidder meeting the specifications at a grand total bid price of **\$1,366,303.00**, in accordance with bids received on **July 22, 2025**, and recommended by communication dated **July 25, 2025** to the Mayor and Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Mayor and City Clerk be and they are authorized and directed hereby to execute such contract, upon approval by the Law Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the required Certificate of Availability of Funds for the above contract has been obtained from the Chief Financial Officer of the City of Clifton. The appropriation to be charged for this expenditure is:

Certification Of Funds:

Funds Are Available In Account # _____

Resolution 414-25 was tabled.

RESOLUTION 414-25

**AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR HEARING OF DISCIPLINARY MATTERS AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF CLIFTON
AUGUST 7, 2025 - AUGUST 6, 2026**

WHEREAS, the Council desires to retain law enforcement professional, Raymond Hayducka, Jr. to assist on an as-needed basis with the hearing of disciplinary matters that involve members of the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, this contract fee set forth below for a one year term:

Law Enforcement Professional

Fees

Raymond Hayducka, Jr.

\$150 per hour

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City to have the aforesaid hearing officer available to hear the disciplinary charges;

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 this contract (in combination with other matters) may be in excess of \$17,500.00 for the term; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from counsel 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 the award of professional services contract as stated above is authorized; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the aforesaid fee for services for each of the aforesaid professional shall not exceed \$10,000 per annum without the adoption of a supplemental resolution by the Municipal Council; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the original of this resolution and any resulting contract shall be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the City Clerk's Office of the City of Clifton.

Resolution 422-25 was tabled.

RESOLUTION 422-25

**AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO
CME ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR GENERAL ENGINEERING PROJECT MANAGEMENT
SERVICES FOR OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton ("City") requires ongoing general professional engineering services to support municipal operations, capital planning, grant seeking, and consultation as needed; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent has obtained informal professional services quotes from _____ reputable engineering firms, _____, _____ and _____; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager, City Engineer, and Purchasing Agent reviewed the quotes and qualifications submitted, and unanimously recognized CME Associates, Inc., located at 849 W. Bay Avenue, Suite 16, Barnegat, NJ 08005 as providing a response in the best interest of the City; and,

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

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to exceed \$ _____ and the term of the contract is for twelve (12) months from date of award by the governing body; and,

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

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from CME Associates, Inc., and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, DE IT RESOLVED, that a professional general engineering services contract for services is hereby awarded to CME Associates Inc., 849 W. Bay Avenue, Suite 16, Barnegat, NJ 08005, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$ _____, in accordance the same terms set forth in the original proposal received on _____, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract on behalf of the City of Clifton, and that the original of this resolution award the contract above referred to be placed file and made available for the inspection at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no services and/or goods shall commence prior to execution of a contract prepared by the Law Department, and shall expire upon completion or no later than one (1) year from date of award; and

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds shall be available via the following account:

RESOLUTIONS

A motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona, and passed on roll call vote with no objections to move the remaining resolutions.

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

RESOLUTION 393-25

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE
Claims to be paid the meeting of August 6th, 2025**

Meeting of August 6th, 2025

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

Current Fund	\$18,068,145.10
Grant Fund	\$332,505.93
Open Space Trust	\$6,500.00
General Capital Fund	\$1,657,507.71
Sewer Utility -Operating	\$2,753,745.98
Sewer Utility-Capital	\$964,409.45
Developers Escrow	\$375.00
Dog Trust	\$1,765.45
Revolving Loan Fund	
Police Extra Duty	\$61,207.50
Trust Other	\$178,232.10
Section 8 Public Housing	\$50,572.75
Affordable Housing	\$-
Community Development	\$99,180.84
Payroll Agency	\$-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$-
Affordable Housing	\$-
	\$-
Self Insurance	\$2,103,057.25
Fire Dedicated Penalties	\$7,344.00
Revolving Loan Fund	\$-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$-
Unemployment Trust Fund	\$-
Library	\$163,400.10
General Liability Trust	\$58,446.80
Workers Compensation Trust	\$72,086.39
Trust Escrow	\$-
Reserve for Housing	\$-
Federal DOJ Forfeiture	\$-
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$26,578,482.35

RESOLUTION 394-25

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the Governing Body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2024 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the Governing Body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the Governing Body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the Annual Audit entitled “Comments and Recommendations”; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Governing Body have personally reviewed at a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled “Comments and Recommendations”, as evidenced by the Group Affidavit Form of the Governing Body attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the Annual Audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and

WHEREAS, all members of the Governing Body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local Governing Body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local Governing Body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the Director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined no more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required Affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

RESOLUTION 395-25

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS FOR THE CHANGE ORDER FOR STATE LINE CONSTRUCTION CO., INC. - WEASEL BROOK CULVERT IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, at the July 15, 2025 City Council Meeting, the City Council approved Change Order #1 and Final Payment Resolutions for the Culvert Replacement of Weasel Brook – Section 7 with State Line Construction Co., Inc. on Resolution Numbers R369-25 and R370-25; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of this Contract is \$1,649,985.00 and the Change Order Resolution was required to be certified for funds by the Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of fund prior to being approved; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Office has now reviewed Change Order #1 to assure funding is available for the \$55,000.00 Change Order.

WHEREAS, funding is available for this ARPA Funded Project in the following Sewer Capital Project Account for this Change Order:

08-215-55-953-104 - \$55,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that the Certification of Funds be made part of this approval, and final payment be processed.

RESOLUTION 396-25

**SEWER UTILITY
RESOLUTION CLOSING AND CANCELING
OUTSTANDING CAPITAL ACCOUNT BALANCES**

WHEREAS, there exists outstanding capital projects with in the Sewer Utility Capital Fund of the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, the accounts indicated below will no longer be utilized as capital projects and are now considered complete or closed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that these Sewer Utility Capital Fund Projects be hereby closed and the remaining balance be zeroed and canceled to their respective accounts and balances:

<u>Account Number and Name</u>	Bond	
	<u>Ordinance</u>	<u>Cancel</u>
08-215-55-936-002 – 2012 Bonsal Capital Projects	7036-12	\$ 70,209.37
08-215-55-939-101 – 2014 Capital Projects Bloomfield Ave	7162-14	\$ 7,292.45
08-215-55-939-301 – 2014 Capital Projects Bloomfield Ave	7162-14	\$ 100,000.00
08-215-55-952-001 – 2020 Capital Projects GIS Upgrades	7595-20	\$ 112,961.82
08-215-55-958-101 – 2024 Capital Projects Third River Study	7945-24	\$ 100,000.00
Total Sewer Utility Capital Improvement Projects To Be Canceled:		<u>\$ 390,463.64</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Office is authorized to cancel said balances and correct the City’s financial records for these cancellations.

RESOLUTION 397-25

**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**

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>
329 Delawanna Avenue	\$ 800.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 900.00
Blk 72.02, Lot 12			
24 Patricia Place	\$ 300.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 400.00
Blk 71.01, Lot 5			
425 Main Avenue	\$ 500.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 600.00
Blk 59.01, Lot 19			

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.

RESOLUTION 398-25

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION AND REFUND OF A PORTION OF
THE 2025 2nd QUARTER TAXES, ON PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 68.09 LOT 23, 51
SUSSEX ROAD, OWNED BY A DISABLED VETERAN**

WHEREAS, the Tax assessor has confirmed that Givoanniantonio Zodiaco, the owner of a single-family residence located at Block 68.09 Lot 23, 51 Sussex Rd has been declared 100% disabled as of October 14, 2024 by the United States Department of Veteran Affairs; and

WHEREAS Givoanniantonio Zodiaco became a resident of the City of Clifton on May 23, 2025; and

WHEREAS Givoanniantonio Zodiaco has made an application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for a 100% property tax exemption on the subject property in accordance with the law; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of his disabled veteran exemption Givoanniantonio Zodiaco is entitled to the cancellation and a partial refund of the 2025 second quarter property taxes on the subject property; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council, having reviewed the facts and circumstances of the application, granted the application, and approved the 100% tax exemption on the subject property as of July 25, 2025, and hereby authorizes the cancellation of 100% of the taxes and a partial refund of the second quarter property taxes on the subject property in the amount of \$1,093.38.

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

1. To cancel and refund the pro-rated portion of 2025 second quarter in the amount of \$1,093.38 for a total refund in the amount of \$1,093.38 and cancel the remaining 2025 property taxes on the subject property.
2. To keep the subject 100% property tax exemption for the totally disabled veteran for so long as he shall qualify for the exemption and for so long as the exemption is authorized by law based upon the facts and circumstances of this matter.

RESOLUTION 401-25

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR
2025 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM TO D&L PAVING CONTRACTORS**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the contract for the **2025 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM** be and the same is hereby awarded to **D&L Paving Contractors** of **Nutley, New Jersey**, the low bidder meeting the specifications at a grand total bid price of **\$2,980,817.76**, in accordance with bids received on **July 17, 2025**, and recommended by communication dated **July 29, 2025** to the Mayor and Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Mayor and City Clerk be and they are authorized and directed hereby to execute such contract, upon approval by the Law Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the required Certificate of Availability of Funds for the above contract has been obtained from the Chief Financial Officer of the City of Clifton. The appropriation to be charged for this expenditure is:

RESOLUTION 402-25

**RESOLUTION EXTENDING PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES CONTRACT
WITH GEORGE A. HELD, AIA AND ASSOCIATES IN CONNECTION WITH INTERIOR
ALTERATIONS TO CLIFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council awarded a professional architectural services contract to George A. Held AIA and Associates for Interior Alterations to Police Department and Administration Area; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer, by memorandum dated July 30, 2025 has reported that additional architectural services and engineering design services are required for Construction Management Services and Inspection Services in connection with the Clifton Police Department; and

WHEREAS, George A. Held, AIA and Associates has submitted a proposal for the furnishing of said additional services for a fee not to exceed \$5,250.00, and the City Engineer recommends extending the contract to include the additional services; 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 19:44-A-20.5*; and

WHEREAS, the estimated combined aggregate value of the contract is expected to be in excess of \$17,500.00, and the duration of the contract is until the services are completed; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an extension of the aforesaid professional services contract for additional architectural services and engineering design services for Construction Management and Inspection Services in connection with Interior Alterations to Police Department and Administration Area be and hereby is awarded to George A. Held, AIA and Associates for an additional fee not to exceed \$5,250.00, in accordance with its supplemental proposal dated July 22, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the required Certificate of Availability of Funds for the above contract has been obtained and is endorsed hereon; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the original of this resolution and the extension of 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 Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute an extension of contract on behalf 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 EXTENSION OF CONTRACT**

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

Awarded to: George A. Held, AIA and Associates, Clifton, NJ
Services: Construction Management and Inspection Services
Project: Interior Alterations to Police Department and Administration Area
Cost: Additional work not to Exceed \$5,250.00
Term: Until completion

Adopted: August 6, 2025
Kathleen Tolosi, City Clerk

RESOLUTION 403-25

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR
INTERIOR ALTERATIONS TO CLIFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT 1 TO IN-
LINE ARCHITECTURAL GLASS & METAL**

BE IT RESOLVED: that the contract for the **INTERIOR ALTERATIONS TO CLIFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT 1** be and the same is hereby awarded to **IN-LINE ARCHITECTURAL GLASS & METAL** of **Fairfield, New Jersey**, the low bidder meeting the specifications at a grand total bid price of **\$276,000.00**, in accordance with bids received on **July 17, 2025**, and recommended by communication dated **July 28, 2025** to the Mayor and Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Mayor and City Clerk be and they are authorized and directed hereby to execute such contract, upon approval by the Law Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the required Certificate of Availability of Funds for the above contract has been obtained from the Chief Financial Officer of the City of Clifton. The appropriation to be charged for this expenditure is:

RESOLUTION 404-25

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR INTERIOR ALTERATIONS TO CLIFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT 2 TO NELA CARPENTRY & MASONRY

BE IT RESOLVED: that the contract for the **INTERIOR ALTERATIONS TO CLIFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT CONTRACT 2** be and the same is hereby awarded to **NELA CARPENTRY & MASONRY** of **Saddle Brook, New Jersey**, the low bidder meeting the specifications at a grand total bid price of **\$91,000.00**, in accordance with bids received on **July 17, 2025**, and recommended by communication dated **July 30, 2025** to the Mayor and Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the Mayor and City Clerk be and they are authorized and directed hereby to execute such contract, upon approval by the Law Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the required Certificate of Availability of Funds for the above contract has been obtained from the Chief Financial Officer of the City of Clifton. The appropriation to be charged for this expenditure is:

RESOLUTION 405-25

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO
JEN ELECTRIC, INC. OFF OF MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING CONTRACT
#37: TRAFFIC SIGNAL PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE
JULY 1, 2025, THRU JUNE 30, 2027**

WHEREAS, the Police Department requests services from Jen Electric, Inc. for traffic signal maintenance and repairs on the City's fifty-one (51) traffic signals, as needed; and,

WHEREAS, Jen Electric, Inc. has been awarded Morris County Cooperative Contract #37 - Traffic Signal Maintenance & Repairs for a term of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027; and,

WHEREAS, the Preventative Maintenance Rate is \$255.00 per unit (\$255.00 x 51 traffic signals = \$13,005.00 per year); and,

WHEREAS, the Police Department requests additional funds to be set aside for the traffic signal materials in the amount of \$15,000.00 per year; and,

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (MCCPC); and,

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council to hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned award of contract to Jen Electric, Inc., 631 Morris Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081, based on the contract period and terms outlined in the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Contract in an amount not to exceed \$13,005.00 and an additional \$15,000.00 for traffic signal materials per year; total amount of said contract shall not exceed \$56,010.00 without the adoption of a supplemental Resolution; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute said service contract upon approval by the Law Department; and,

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

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds will be available, as needed, subject to subsequent year budget approvals, in account 01-201-25-240-405 as follows:

- 1) Amount Certified for Initial Budget Year 2023: \$28,005.00
- 2) Amount Certified for Initial Budget Year 2024: \$56,010.00
- 3) Outstanding Balance to be certified for the remainder of the contract Year 2025: \$28,005.00

RESOLUTION 406-25

**AWARDING CONTRACT TO JEN ELECTRIC, INC.
OFF OF MORRIS COUNTY COOPERATIVE PRICING CONTRACT #37
FOR EMERGENCY TRAFFIC SIGNAL REPAIRS, SIGNAL MODIFICATIONS, AND
UPGRADES AS-NEEDED (JULY 1, 2025, THRU JUNE 30, 2027)**

WHEREAS, the Clifton Police Department requests services from Jen Electric, Inc. for traffic signal repairs, upgrades, and modifications on the City's fifty-one (51) traffic signals, as needed; and,

WHEREAS, Jen Electric, Inc. has been awarded Morris County Cooperative Contract #37, Traffic Signal Maintenance & Repairs for a term of July 1, 2025, through to June 30, 2027; and,

WHEREAS, the above contract provides for as-needed repairs resulting from accidents, and additionally provides for as-needed upgrades and signal modification services; and,

WHEREAS, the Clifton Police Department requests emergency repair funds to be set aside for emergency traffic signal repairs in the amount of \$35,000.00 for each year of the term; and,

WHEREAS, the Clifton Police Department requests additional funds to be set aside for as-needed traffic signal upgrades and modifications in the amount of \$15,000.00 each year of the term; and,

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Council (MCCPC); and,

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council to hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned award of contract to Jen Electric, Inc., 631 Morris Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey 07081, based on the contract period and terms outlined in the Morris County Cooperative Pricing Contract in an as-needed amount not to exceed \$35,000.00 and an additional as-needed amount of \$15,000.00 for traffic signal modifications and traffic light upgrades each year of contract term; total amount of said contract shall not exceed \$100,000.00, subject to approval and adoption of subsequent budgets, without the adoption of a supplemental Resolution; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute said service contract upon approval by the Law Department; and,

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

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds will be available, as needed, subject to subsequent year budget approvals, in account 01-201-25-240-405 as follows:

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| 1) Amount Certified for Initial Budget Year 2025: | \$25,000.00 |
| 2) Amount Certified for Budget Year 2026: | \$50,000.00 |
| 3) Outstanding Balance to be certified for the remainder of the contract in Budget Year 2027: | \$25,000.00 |

RESOLUTION 407-25

**ESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS AND OTHER LAW
ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES FROM ATLANTIC UNIFORM CO. INC OFF
OF THE NJ STATE CONTRACT PURCHASING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-
12a FOR CLIFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Police Department has a requested to purchase uniforms and other law enforcement supplies from Atlantic Uniform Co Inc; and

WHEREAS, Atlantic Uniform Co. Inc., 468 Washington Ave Belleville NJ 07109 , has been assigned NJ State Contract No. T0106/17-FLEET-00763 – Law Enforcement Firearms Equipment and Supplies; 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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned purchase above from Atlantic Uniform Co. Inc., 468 Washington Ave Belleville NJ 07109, which has been assigned NJ State Contract No. T0106/17-FLEET-00763, at a cost not to exceed \$100,000.00 for the term ending May 2026.

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds shall be charged accordingly as expenses occur with presentation of properly executed Purchase Order

Account numbers:
01-201-25-240-207 – Uniform Allowance
01-201-25-240-242 – Other Equipment

RESOLUTION 408-25

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF TIRES AND RE-CAPPED TIRES
AS-NEEDED OFF THE NJ STATE CONTRACT PURCHASING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO
N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has an ongoing need to purchase tires and re-capped tires, off of NJ State Contracts #25-FLEET-82627 and #25-FLEET-81812, respectively; and

WHEREAS, Custom Bandag Co., 401 East Linden Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036 has been awarded both NJ State Contracts No. 25-FLEET-82627 (expiring June 30, 2027), and Contract No. 20-FLEET-81812 (expiring June 30,2027); and

WHEREAS, the above vendor, Custom Bandag, has been encumbered at an average of \$100,000 per year over the past three years, and the departmental need has not diminished due to the nature of the above given commodities; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent and DPW Director in seeking to maintain compliance with regard to aggregate commodity procurement is requesting authority to purchase off the above New Jersey State Contracts, as awarded to Custom Bandag Co., in an amount not to exceed \$110,000 through July 31,2026 in aggregate; 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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IF RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned ability to purchase the above from Custom Bandag Co., 401 East Linden Avenue, Linden, NJ 07036, as-needed off the New Jersey State Contracts No25-FLEET-82627, and No. 25-FLEET-81812, at an aggregate cost not to exceed \$110,000 from August 1,2025 through July 31, 2026, pursuant to the above New Jersey State contracts.

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: funds shall be certified at the time of purchase, whereby a properly executed purchase order, processed as-needed, shall be the instrument of fund encumbrance for each department and division usage, annual budgetary adoption and appropriations considered.

RESOLUTION 409-25

**ESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF RADIO COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT
FOR TWO AMBULANCES, OEM PICKUP TRUCK AND ENGINE 4 OFF THE NJ STATE
CONTRACT PURCHASING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Fire Department has requested to purchase Radio Communication Equipment and Accessories for the Clifton fire Department's two ambulances, an OEM pickup truck and Engine 4 ; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Chief has received a quotes from Motorola Solutions, Inc., via NJ State Contract for dual head all band radio and equipment for two Ambulances, OEM Pickup truck and Engine 4 ; and

WHEREAS, Motorola Solutions, Inc., 5 Paragon Drive, STE. 200, Montvale NJ 07645, has been assigned NJ State Contract No. 83909 - Radio Communication and Accessories, which expires 04/30/2026; 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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned purchase above from Motorola Solutions, Inc., 5 Paragon Drive, STE. 200, Montvale NJ 07645, off the New Jersey State Contract No. 83909, at a total cost not to exceed \$39,181.77.

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds shall be used for this purchase from the following Capital account line: 04-215-55-965-301.

RESOLUTION 410-25

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE RADIO EQUIPMENT INSTALLATIONS
FROM ELECTRONIC SERVICE SOLUTIONS. FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF
CLIFTON OFF OF BERGEN COUNTY COOPERATIVE CONTRACT
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A:40A:11-12a**

WHEREAS, pursuant to resolution R262-16, the City is a member of the Bergen County Cooperative Contract from which the BC-BID-22-35 contract was awarded for a bid term of through October 18, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department of the City of Clifton requires the installation of onboard radios in two ambulances and Engine 4 to ensure effective communication, improve clarity, comply with current digital standards, and enhance interoperability during multi-agency incidents; and

WHEREAS, Electronic System Solutions Inc., located at 141 River Road, Elmsford, NY 10523, has submitted a proposal to perform the required radio installations at a total cost not to exceed **\$5,593.00**; and

WHEREAS, Electronic Service Solutions Inc located. was awarded Bergen County Cooperative Contract No. BC-BID-22-35 expiring October 18, 2025; 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

WHEREAS, the cost breakdown of the installation is as follows:

- Ambulance 1: \$1,526.00
 - Ambulance 2: \$1,526.00
 - Engine 4: \$2,541.00
- for a combined total of **\$5,593.00**; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the Purchasing Agent to procure goods as-needed from Electronic System Solutions Inc 141 River Road, Elmsford, NY 10523 via Bergen County Cooperative Contract No. BC-BID-22-35, in a total amount not to exceed \$5,593.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a properly executed purchase order, processed as needed, shall be the instrument of fund encumbrance for each year, budgetary appropriations considered.

Account: 04-215-55-971-302-**\$5,593.00**

RESOLUTION 411-25

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF ONE STRUCTURAL
FIREFIGHTING HOSE FOR ENGINE 4 FOR THE CITY OF CLIFTON FOR FIRE
DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Fire Department requires the purchase of structural firefighting hose to

place Engine 4 into fully operational service; and

WHEREAS, quotations were solicited for the above purpose. The following two vendors submitted the quotes:

	Name of Vendor	Cost
1.	Continental Fire and Safety Services	\$18,720.50
2.	New Jersey Fire and Safety	\$29,077.00

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 Continental Fire & Safety Services 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 Continental Fire & Safety Services, located at 2740 Kuser Rd Hamilton NJ 08691 for not to exceed \$18,720.50; 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 purchase said one structural firefighting hose to lower respondent Continental Fire & Safety Services. located at 2740 Kuser Rd Hamilton NJ 08691 in an amount not to exceed \$18,720.50. Term of the Contract shall commence from August 1, 2025 to July 31, 2026; and

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

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds are available in account number Capital Improvement Account (04-215-55-973-301)

RESOLUTION 412-25

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR HEALTH INSURANCE
BROKER AND PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE BROKER FOR THE CITY OF
CLIFTON**

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4-1, local contracting units may procure insurance broker services through requests for proposals; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires health insurance and property and casualty insurance broker services for 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent of the City of Clifton has prepared Request for Proposals for said services;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that authorization is hereby given for the advertisement of requests for proposals for both health insurance broker and property and casualty insurance broker services for 2026.

RESOLUTION 413-25

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING SPECIAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF CLIFTON
– DOMINICK VILLANO V. CITY OF CLIFTON, ET AL.**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires the services of outside legal counsel to represent the City of Clifton in a lawsuit filed against the City; and

WHEREAS, Ian Doris, Esq. of the firm Keenan & Doris of Rutherford, New Jersey, has been approved to represent the City of Clifton by the City's excess insurance carrier; and

WHEREAS, the City requires outside counsel to represent the City in the matter of Villano v. City of Clifton, et al., Docket No. #PAS-L-001827-25; and

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 the duration of the contract is through the conclusion of the lawsuit being handled; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from counsel 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 professional legal services for outside counsel to represent the City of Clifton as special counsel is awarded to Keenan & Doris, effective August 7, 2025, the rate to be paid for said services is \$175.00 per hour for partners.

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: Keenan & Doris, Rutherford, New Jersey
Services: Special Counsel
Project: Villano v. City of Clifton, et al., Docket No. # PAS-L-001827-25
Amount: \$175.00 for partners, not to exceed \$100,000
Term: August 7, 2025 Through conclusion of the lawsuit being handled

Adopted: August 6, 2025
Kathleen Tolosi, City Clerk

Certification of Funds:
Funds Are Available in Account Personnel – Legal Fees
Account #01-201-20-105-320

RESOLUTION 415-25

**RESOLUTION REJECTING BID FOR PROFESSIONAL PLANNER SERVICES UNDER THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton authorized bids to be solicited for Professional Planner Services under the Community Development Block Grant, with the return date of June 17, 2025 but the bid received was from the City's current Planner; and

WHEREAS, the City rejects this proposal and will readvertise in an effort to expand the pool of potential applicants; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the bid from Jill Hartmann, PP, AICP. is rejected in an attempt to expand the pool of potential applicants.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is authorized and directed to return any bids bonds placed on deposit with said bids to the respective bidders.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City authorizes the Purchasing Agent to readvertise the project for additional bids.

RESOLUTION 416-25

RESOLUTION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE ACTION CLIFTON COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey are in receipt of an application from Dennis Benigno to become a Member of the Action Clifton Committee (Hazel Street Section);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that Dennis Benigno is hereby appointed as a Member of the Action Clifton Committee commencing this day.

RESOLUTION 417-25

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PY2025-2029 CONSOLIDATED PLAN, PY 2025 ACTION PLAN, AND AMENDED CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

WHEREAS, under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is authorized to extend financial assistance to communities in the elimination or prevention of slums or urban blight, or activities which will benefit low- and moderate-income persons or other urgent community development needs; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has advised the City that for PY 2025 it is eligible to receive an entitlement of \$1,261,206 for the CDBG Program.

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has prepared the PY 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and PY 2025 Annual Action Plan which addresses the housing and community development needs of City residents; and

WHEREAS, the City has prepared an amendment to its Citizen Participation Plan which outlines the City's responsibilities for obtaining citizen comment on the Consolidated Plan, Annual Plans, Plan Amendments, the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) and any Section 108 loan application should the City undertake one.

WHEREAS, a draft of the City's PY 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, PY 2025 Annual Action Plan, and Citizen Participation Plan was on display from July 1 – July 31, 2025, and the City has held public hearings on said Five-Year Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan, and amended Citizen Participation Plan and the comments of various agencies, groups and citizens were taken into consideration in the preparation of the final documents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLIFTON:

1. That the PY 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, PY 2025 Annual Action Plan, and amended Citizen Participation Plan are hereby in all respects approved.
2. That it is cognizant of the conditions that are imposed in the undertaking and carrying out of community development activities with federal financial assistance, including those relating to (a) the relocation of site occupants and, (b) the prohibition of discrimination because of race, color, age, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin, and other assurances as set forth under the certifications.
3. That the City Manager of the City of Clifton on behalf of the City Council, is authorized to file an application for financial assistance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development which has indicated its willingness to make available a \$1,261,206 grant to carry out the CDBG Program.
4. That the City Manager of the City of Clifton, on behalf of the City Council, is hereby authorized to provide such assurances and/or certifications as required by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and also any supplemental or revised data which HUD may request in connection with the review of this Application.
5. That the City Manager is authorized to execute on behalf of the City the formal grant contracts and other documents relating to the City's PY 2025 CDBG Program.

RESOLUTION 418-25

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLES
AUGUST 2025 AUCTION**

WHEREAS, the following motor vehicles have been abandoned; and

WHEREAS, it is required that the sale of same be approved by the Governing Body of the Municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved, that the following motor vehicles be authorized for sale in accordance with N.J.S.A.: 14 - 157, N.J.S.A. 39: 10A-1 AND N.J.S.A. 40A: 11 - 36 subject to the minimum bid of \$10.00 plus starting bid price as per market value.

ANTHONY'S TOWING 793 VAN HOUTEN AVE 973-778-7554

2014 FORD FUSION	3FA6P 0RU3E R2162 72
2012 HYUNDAI TUCSON	KM8JU CAC0C U4177 58
2012 HYUNDAI SONATA	5NPEB 4AC4C H4085 39
2014 HONDA ACCORD	1HGCR 2F81E A0366 82
2008 DODGE CHARGER	2B3LA 43G28 H3252 35

E.C.R.B. 65 CLIFTON BLVD 973-773-2929

2008 NISSAN ROGUE	JN8AS 58V98 W1261 07
2019 FORD ECOSPORT	MAJ6S 3GLXK C2870 70
2010 FORD ECONOLINE E250	1FTNE 2EL0A DA725 12
2012 NISSAN ROGUE	JN8AS 5MV3C W3974 98
2016 FREIGHTLINER M2	3ALAC WDT5G DHG32 97
2007 CHEVROLET IMPALA	2G1WT 58K47 93334 89

NEW TRIMBLE AUTO BODY 214 TRIMBLE AVE 973-417-0000

2008 MERCEDES-BENZ GL4	4JGBF 71E48 A4104 87
2004 ACURA TL	19UUA 66284 A0321 87

NICOLETTE TOWING 618 LEXINGTON AVE 973-253-0025

2018 CHEVROLET MALIBU	1G1ZD 5ST0J F2333 21
2016 DODGE DART	1C3CD FBB9G D6444 45
2011 SUBARU IMPREZA	JF1GR 7E63B G8151 25
2012 BMW 320I	WBAXG 5C57C DW921 98

TELEP MOTORS 574 VAN HOUTEN AVE 973-779-0283

2004 HONDA CBR	JH2PC 37044 M1024 22
2020 NISSAN SENTRA	3N1AB 8CV4L Y2989 09
2012 FORD E250	1FTNE 2EW0C DA842 36
2005 BMW 330	WBABW 53465 PL496 63
2020 DODGE CHARGER	2C3CD XBG2L H2115 02
2021 PORSCHE CAYENNE	WP1AA 2AY3M DA048 17
2012 SUBARU IMPREZA	JF1GV 7F64C G0302 36

RESOLUTION 419-25

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CLIFTON ADOPTING THE 2025 PASSAIC COUNTY
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Clifton recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the 2025 Passaic County Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Passaic County Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in the City of Clifton from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the Governing Body demonstrates their commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the 2025 Passaic County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body, of the City of Clifton, in the County of Passaic, in the State of New Jersey, THAT:

Section 1 . It adopts the 2025 Passaic County Hazard Mitigation Plan. This plan approved by the City, may be edited or amended after submission for review, but will not require the City to re-adopt any further iterations. This only applies to this specific plan and does absolve the City from updating the plan in 5 years.

RESOLUTION 420-25

**RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPER AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF CLIFTON AND CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART**

BE IT RESOLVED, that a Developer Agreement between the City of Clifton and Church of the Sacred Heart, the Developer of Block 4.03, Lot 14, 25 Clifton 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.

RESOLUTION 421-25

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONSULTANT SERVICES TO CRYSTAL RODRIGUEZ AS
LOCAL HEALTH OUTREACH CO-ORDINATOR
TERM JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2026**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Health Department through New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials grant has a continuous need to implement comprehensive local health outreach plan to gather data and monitoring infectious disease and related response activities including surveillance, testing rates and vaccination coverages; and

WHEREAS, quotations were solicited for the purpose of providing objectives for the outreach plan, such as increasing vaccination rates, promoting hygiene practices, and early detection of infectious diseases. The following three vendors submitted the quotes:

		Per Hour Cost	Annual Cost(9 months)
1.	Crystal Rodriguez	\$40.25	\$22,000.00
2.	Strategic Health Advisors, LLC	\$95.00	\$51,925.00

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 Crystal Rodriguez located at 15 West 16th Street, Linden NJ 07036. 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 lowest responsive and responsible vendor Crystal Rodriguez located at 15 West 16th Street, Linden NJ 07036. in the amount not to exceed \$22,000.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council that the contract (by way of a purchase order) for Local Health Outreach Coordinator Services be awarded to the lowest respondent, Crystal Rodriguez located at 15 West 16th Street, Linden NJ 07036 in an amount not to exceed \$22,000.00. Term of contract shall commence July 1, 2025 and end on March 31,2026; and

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

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds are available upon adoption of the 2025 budget in account number. 02-213-40-702-031 – NJACCHO Grant

RESOLUTION 423-25

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 be discussed as per the Agenda and the Resolution:

- A. Contracts / Agreements – to be discussed
- B. Personnel matters – to be discussed
- C. Litigation matters – to be discussed

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the public shall be excused and excluded from this portion of the Council’s meeting to be held on August 6, 2025 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.

Motion to go into Closed Session

- CON-1 Litigation - DV v. City of Clifton, et al. Docket No. PAS-L-1827-25 (R413-25)
- CON-2 Contract - Developer Agreement Church of the Sacred Heart, 25 Clifton Avenue, Block 4.03, Lot 14
- CON-3 Personnel
- CON-4 Personnel
- CON-5 Litigation - SS v. City of Clifton, et al. Docket No. PAS-L-3035-17
- CON-6 Litigation - S&S Shell, Inc. d/b/a Anthony's Towing v. Mayor and Council of City of Clifton, Docket No.: PAS-L-1206-25
- CON-7 Litigation - Liability Claims Against the City of Clifton – 1/1/2025 to 06/30/2025
- CON-8 Litigation - Workers' Compensation Claim, Date of Loss: 07/24/2018
- CON-9 Litigation - Workers’ Compensation Claim, Date of Loss: 11/14/2020
- CON-10 Litigation - Workers’ Compensation Claim, Date of Loss: 04/27/2022

LICENSES

- L-1 Honeybees N Nuts

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF HONEYBEES N NUTS INC T/A HONEYBEES N NUTS for permission to conduct a: GROCERY-CONTINUED USE for a period ending January 31, 2026 on the premises known as: 353 CROOKS AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011 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 World of Knowledge Learning Center, The

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF THE WORLD OF KNOWLEDGE LEARNING CENTER T/A THE WORLD OF KNOWLEDGE LEARNING CENTER for permission to conduct a: RESTAURANT for a period ending January 31, 2026 on the premises known as: 810 BROAD ST 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-3 D & G Grocery

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF D & G GROCERY LLC T/A D & G GROCERY for permission to conduct a: GROCERY/MILK-CONTINUED USE for a period ending January 31, 2026 on the premises known as: 141 VALLEY RD 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-4 Van Houten Pharmacy

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF HSMG LLC T/A VAN HOUTEN PHARMACY for permission to conduct a: GROCERY-CONTINUED USE for a period ending January 31, 2026 on the premises known as: 669 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-5 Yorem Pide

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF YOREM LAHMACUN LLC T/A YOREM PIDE for permission to conduct a: CATERER/BAKERY-CONTINUED USE for a period ending January 31, 2026 on the premises known as: 247 CROOKS AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011 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-6 Main Cure Pharmacy

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF MAIN CURE PHARMACY LLC T/A MAIN CURE PHARMACY for permission to conduct a: GROCERY for a period ending January 31, 2026 on the premises known as: 1245 MAIN AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011 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.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Gibson logged off the Zoom meeting at 11:39pm.

Councilman D’Amato, Councilman Latona, and Councilwoman Sadrakula stepped off the dais prior to closing the meeting.

Upon a Motion made by Councilwoman Pino, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej, the meeting was adjourned at 11:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Tolosi, City Clerk

Raymond Grabowski, Mayor