

**CITY OF CLIFTON
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 21, 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)
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

Father Oleksii - Holy Ascension Church

PRESENTATION

Proclamation ~ Recognizing Public Works Professionals as First Responders on October 28, 2025

Tank Pull Committee Presentation to Avenue of the Flags, Clifton Cares and Veterans Parade Committee

CASA Presentation to Loyal Helwani, Clifton Health Department

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

Workshop Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2025
Regular Meeting Minutes of October 7, 2025
Executive Meeting Minutes for October 7, 2025

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

C-1 Thomas Sadowski, Human Services, resigned position of Social Worker Health, effective October 14, 2025.

COMMUNICATIONS MEETING MINUTES

C-2 Meeting Minutes of Passaic Valley Water Commission of July 23, 2025
C-3 Special Meeting Minutes of Passaic Valley Water Commission of August 27, 2025
C-4 Meeting Minutes of Advisory Board of Health of September 9, 2025
C-5 Meeting Minutes of Environmental Commission of September 10, 2025

- C-6 Meeting Minutes of Hazardous Materials Control Board of September 17, 2025
C-7 Meeting Minutes of Clifton Traffic Safety Committee on September 18, 2025

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8041-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8041-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8041-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula 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 349 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Permit Parking on Residential Streets and Municipal Lots," Article I, Entitled "Residential Streets", More Particularly Section 349-2 Thereof, Entitled "Restricted Streets" (Lincoln Place)

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

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8042-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8042-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8042-25

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 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation", More Particularly Article VI Thereof, Entitled "Confidential Officials and Employees" (Revises Eligibility for Health Insurance Coverage and Retiree Benefits)

Councilwoman Pino motioned, and Councilman Kolodziej seconded an amendment to the ordinance to grandfather the current council and become effective for the incoming council, which failed on roll call vote.

(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.

Councilwoman Sadrakula motioned, and Councilman D'Amato seconded the adoption of the ordinance, which passed on roll call vote.

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

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8043-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8043-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8043-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman D'Amato, seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula 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 439-37 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets" (Deletes 1 Handicapped Space)

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

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8044-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8044-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8044-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula 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" (Adds 11 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

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

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8045-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8045-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8045-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula 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" (Deletes 2 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

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

A. Adoption of Ordinance 8046-25

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 8046-25

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 8046-25

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman D'Amato, seconded by Councilwoman Sadrakula 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 6 Handicapped Parking Placard Numbers)

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

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8048-25

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 Councilwoman Pino.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation", More Particularly Article VI Thereof, Entitled "Confidential Officials and Employees," Section 99-34, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Sets New Maximum Salary Range for Management Information Specialist)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Wednesday November 5, 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 8049-25

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 Councilwoman Sadrakula.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation", More Particularly Article VI Thereof, Entitled "Confidential Officials and Employees," Section 99-34, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Sets New Maximum Salary Range for Deputy City Clerk)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Wednesday November 5, 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.

(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.

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8050-25

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 Councilwoman Pino.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation", More Particularly Article VI Thereof, Entitled "Confidential Officials and Employees," Section 99-34, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Adds Compensation for Municipal Housing Liaison)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Wednesday November 5, 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.

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

A. Introduction of Ordinance 8051-25

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, failed upon a Motion made by Councilman D'Amato and seconded by Councilwoman Pino.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 99 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Salaries and Compensation", More Particularly Article VI Thereof, Entitled "Confidential Officials and Employees," Section 99-34, Entitled "Minimum and Maximum Salaries Fixed" (Adds Compensation for Community Affairs Director)

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

FLOOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Gary Perino complimented the council on receiving funds from the County but noted other municipalities that received more money. He asked for more time for the public questions to be answered. He also asked for the use and what was allowed for Council health benefits, and if there was a violation of what was allowed.

Gina Scaduto used her public time to berate the council for health insurance issues and for the termination of her spouse.

Mary Fran Simmons thanked Councilman Gibson for his service to the council and to the city.

Guy Madsen used his public time to berate the council, and specifically Councilwoman Pino for health benefit coverage she accepted. He asked Councilwoman Pino to pay back the city for the funds used to cover the family plan. He complimented Councilman Gibson on his service to the city and to its residents.

Judy Gergats used her public time to berate the council members regarding prior votes on part time employee benefits and health coverage. She added that the comments at the last meeting made by Councilwoman Pino regarding premium increases angered the public.

Bart Ciervo asked what municipal open space taxes are and added that seniors 65 and older should not have to pay school taxes. He asked about building a dog park. He asked why Councilwoman Pino brought up Councilman Gibson's health at the last meeting. He also asked for an update on Dunney Park.

Billy Prempeh commented on the health benefits that Councilwoman Pino receives and asked her when she would like to debate for a congressional seat.

Lizz Gagnon used her public time to show support for Councilman Gibson, and she thanked Margaret at the Senior Center and Kim Castellano from Power of One and also asked the City Manager to find a spot to help Kim Castellano with storage for Power of One.

Jeff Hoey, Maria Williamson, and Cameron Hebron asked for Council support for A4987/S3672, and for the council to pass a resolution of support of the Immigrant Trust Act.

William Gumann introduced himself as the president of the Supervisors Association of Clifton and appeared tonight to speak on behalf of the DPW workers in the IBEW union. He thanked the council for the proclamation this evening recognizing Public Works employees as essential workers, and also spoke against Ordinance 8042-25.

Chris Telda introduced himself as an IBEW representative for DPW, he also thanked the council for their proclamation this evening. He spoke to the discrepancies between the union contracts and the city regarding retirement information. He asked the council what will happen with the new insurance broker and noted that employees want more information.

Faith Webb read out a response to an OPRA request she submitted, and asked who is responsible for notifying council members about what insurance they are eligible for and asked how it will be corrected in the future. She also complimented Councilman Gibson.

Prem Tandon asked the council to review the revenue generators in the city and investigate parking restrictions and 24/7 NJ Transit bus routes that other municipalities have.

Robin Gibson thanked the public for their care and concern for Councilman Gibson. She spoke to the detriment of removing the 10-year eligibility for retirement benefits for Police, Fire, and DPW.

Ahmed Abdelbaki spoke regarding the vigil held for Charlie Kirk and said the councilmembers are not condemning the racist comments coming from the public.

Kathy Linker asked the council to treat each other better.

With no one else 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 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

Councilwoman Pino asked the City Manager and the Legal Department for clarification on who was fired and why. There were allegations made that one council person was responsible for one person being fired. Councilwoman Pino also asked the Legal Department if there was anything illegal being done regarding council people taking family benefits. City Manager, Gary DeMarzo, made no comments this evening.

COUNCIL PRIVILEGE

Councilwoman Sadrakula

Councilwoman Sadrakula thanked the public for coming out to speak and noted that it was unfortunate what happened at the last meeting. She spoke about an event in the past where council members told the public they would not take the health benefits. She asked the public to review the discussion item on the agenda this evening regarding the censorship that was placed on her from the prior council.

Councilman Latona

Councilman Latona congratulated everyone who received proclamations today. The Turkish flag raising

is October 25th and the Halloween parade is October 26th. He asked for Candyland fees to be \$5. Next month he would like to begin the process of Department Head annual reviews, and he would like a proposal in December for the 2026 budget. Election day is November 4th.

Councilman Kolodziej

Councilman Kolodziej noted for the public that the review for a January 1, 2026 start date for the elimination of a 10-year retirement benefit was discussed, but was turned down. He replied to public comments. Additionally, he motioned for a resolution to be put on for the next meeting in support of the Immigrant Trust Act, which was seconded by Councilman D’Amato. Councilman Kolodziej motioned and Councilwoman Pino seconded to remove Police, Fire, and DPW from a proposed 2026 voluntary furlough plan and have it on for discussion at the next agenda.

Councilwoman Pino

Councilwoman Pino spoke to the inflammatory comments about her on social media over the past few weeks and her legal counsel is reviewing the situation. She commented on Ordinance 8042-25, and the affect on all employees and residents.

Councilman D’Amato

Councilman D’Amato spoke regarding the behavior of the public and asked for respectful conversation. He asked the City Manager about the update for the Third River clean up. City Manager DeMarzo responded that it is in the works. He announced that he will be unable to attend the Planning Board meeting next week.

Councilman Gibson

Councilman Gibson thanked the public for their support and thanked all the speakers this evening for coming out, and thanked Layal in the Health Department, and Maria from the Avenue of Flags for their hard work. He noted that he is happy with Triad.

Mayor Grabowski

Mayor Grabowski thanked the County for the \$200,000 award for Washington Park and expressed his grief for the Ordinance update, changing retirement benefits from 10 years to 20 years. The council is supposed to have civility, integrity, and not act out, and he has no control over people who act out. The public is supposed to look up to their leadership, and the council should lead by example.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Councilman Latona asked to clarify the Ordinance update voted on tonight for Chapter 99. City Attorney Tom Egan responded that the individual contracts must change individually. Employees are protected from any changes until their contracts are renegotiated. Councilwoman Pino asked for clarification regarding confidential employees. City Attorney Tom Egan answered that confidential employees were included in the change from 10 years to 20 years for retirement benefits.

Councilman Latona thanked administration for closed captioning. He reported on Monday, October 27th the State would be at City Hall from 2:00m to 4:00pm for the unclaimed funds event, and the CHIP program will be on site for representation from the City as well.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions were passed during the Work Session and moved as a group during the Regular Meeting.

RESOLUTION 508-25

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CLAIMS TO BE PAID
AT THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 21ST, 2025**

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

Current Fund	\$5,433,004.30
Grant Fund	\$25,579.02
Open Space Trust	\$-
General Capital Fund	\$127,956.76

Sewer Utility -Operating	\$455,789.71
Sewer Utility-Capital	\$20,637.51
Developers Escrow	\$125,233.84
Dog Trust	\$799.08
Revolving Loan Fund	\$-
Police Extra Duty	\$38,904.50
Trust Other	\$69,223.72
Section 8 Public Housing	\$221,407.64
Affordable Housing	\$662.50
Community Development	\$67,625.92
Payroll Agency	\$-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$-
Affordable Housing	\$-
	\$-
Self Insurance	\$1,242,597.32
Fire Dedicated Penalties	\$401.63
Revolving Loan Fund	\$-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$-
Unemployment Trust Fund	\$-
Library	\$99,801.07
General Liability Trust	\$5,749.36
Workers Compensation Trust	\$13,088.87
Trust Escrow	\$-
Reserve for Housing	\$-
Federal DOJ Forfeiture	\$-
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$7,948,462.75

RESOLUTION 509-25

CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2025 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 FY2026 Clifton Pedestrian Safety Grant for the Clifton Police Department and wishes to amend the 2025 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 2025 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 FY2026 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:

(a) Operations Excluded from CAPS

State and Federal Programs Off-set by
Revenues:

State of New Jersey FY2026 Clifton Pedestrian Safety Grant - \$35,000.00

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

RESOLUTION 510-25

**CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2025 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 FY2026 Clifton Sustained Enforcement Grant for the Clifton Police Department and wishes to amend the 2025 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 2025 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 FY2026 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 FY2026 Clifton Sustained Enforcement Grant - \$80,000.00

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

RESOLUTION 511-25

**CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2025 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 \$4,000.00 from the County of Passaic for the Clifton Youth Mental Health, and wishes to amend the 2025 Municipal Budget to include these amounts 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 2025 in the sum of \$4,000.00

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:

Youth Mental Health \$4,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$4,000.00 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:

Youth Mental Health \$4,000.00

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

RESOLUTION 512-25

CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2025 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 \$230,000.00 from the County of Passaic, Health Department for Childhood Lead Exposure Prevention Grant (07/01/2025 to 06/30/2026) and wishes to amend the 2025 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 correction and /or insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$230,000.00

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:

Passaic County Childhood Lead Exposure Prevention Grant (7/1/25 to 6/30/26)
- \$230,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$230,000.00 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 Exposure Prevention Grant (7/1/25 to 6/30/26)
- \$230,000.00

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

RESOLUTION 513-25

**RESOLUTION CLOSING AND CANCELLING
OUTSTANDING CAPITAL PROJECT ACCOUNT BALANCES**

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

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

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 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>	<u>Bond Ordinance</u>	<u>Cancel Amount</u>
04-215-55-946-000 – Athenia Steel Projects	7108-13	\$ 104,332.17
04-215-55-951-302 – Fire Stations 1 & 3 Combination	7215-15	\$ 3,485,000.00
04-215-55-951-412 – Soil & Groundwater Athenia II	7215-15	\$ 62,700.00
04-215-55-951-901 – Administrative Expenses (Section 20)	7215-15	\$ 386,819.77
04-215-55-965-301 – New Aerial Truck	7606-20	\$ 9.82
04-215-55-970-201 - Radar Upgrade Projects	7665-21	\$ 1.92
04-215-55-972-601 – City Hall Improvements	7736-22	\$ 985.00
04-215-55-973-501 – License Plate Readers	7740-22	\$ 400.53

Total Capital Improvements To Be Canceled: \$ 4,040,249.21

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

RESOLUTION 515-25

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CLIFTON AUTHORIZING AN EXTENDED GRACE PERIOD OF THE 4th QUARTER, 2025 REGULAR PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS AND ADDED/OMITTED PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS

WHEREAS, the fourth quarter regular property tax bills and Added/Omitted property tax bills are statutorily due on November 1, 2025

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton customarily offers a ten (10) grace period for these payments to be submitted without penalty of interest: and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 54:4-67 requires payment to be due within ten (10) day grace period, interest reverts to the original statutory due date, not the grace period’s end.

WHEREAS, the Passaic County Board of Taxation issued 2025 Tax Rate Certification for the City of Clifton on September 24,2025. The Clifton City Tax Assessor closed, signed the Added/Omitted bill list and submitted it to the Passaic County Board of Taxation by 9/30/2025.

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Printing Vendor, PRINT AND MAIL confirmed regular property tax bills scheduled to be mailed out by October 21,2025. Added/Omitted bills are scheduled to be mailed out by October 21, 2025, by the Tax Collector Department.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-64 requires the taxpayers are allowed a 25-day grace period from the date of mailing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton extends the grace period for the fourth quarter, 2025 property tax bills and Added/Omitted property tax bills to November 17th, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector's Office make arrangement to extend the fourth quarter 2025 property tax bills and Added/Omitted property tax bills grace period to Monday, November 17, 2025, with their respective software company.

RESOLUTION 516-25

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF 68% OF THE TAXES AND REFUND 68 % OF A PORTION OF THE 2025 THIRD QUARTER TAXES FOR BLOCK 16.01 LOT 15, 273 HAZEL ST, OWNED BY DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS Georgeo A. Antinori has made an application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for an exemption on the dwelling of a 100% permanent and totally disabled veteran for the property located at Block 16.01, Lot 15, 273 Hazel St.; and

WHEREAS in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 et seq. as amended by P.L.2019, c.413; N.J.A.C. 18:28-1.1 et seq, the Tax Assessor has approved the exemption and Mr. Antinori occupies 68% of a multi-unit house, therefore the 100% permanent and totally disabled veteran is only entitled to an exemption on 68% of the property; and

WHEREAS the United States Department of Veteran Affairs determined an effective date of the 100% Permanent & Total Disability of September 22, 2025; and

WHEREAS in reference to any retroactive refund, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32, the governing body of each municipality, at its discretion, may return all taxes collected on property which would have been exempt had proper claim in writing been made at the time of the exemption; and

WHEREAS by virtue of the approved 100% permanent and totally disabled veteran exemption, Georgeo A. Antinori is entitled to the cancellation of 68% of the property taxes for the 2025 fourth quarter on the subject property and at the governing body's discretion to refund a portion of 68% of the property taxes for the 2025 third quarter; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Council, having reviewed the facts and circumstances of the application, approves the cancellation of 68% of the property taxes for the 2025 fourth quarter and hereby authorizes the cancellation and refund a portion of 68% of the 2025 third quarter taxes for a total refund of \$181.23; and

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

1. To cancel 68% of the property taxes for the 2025 fourth quarter and cancellation and refund a portion of 68% of the 2025 third quarter taxes for a total refund of \$181.23.
2. To keep the subject 68% 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 517-25

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION AND REFUND OF A PORTION OF THE 2025 3RD QUARTER TAXES PAID ON PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 41.05 LOT 92, 72 RUNYON RD, OWNED BY A DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, Christopher Verost has made an application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for an exemption on the dwelling of a 100% permanent totally disabled veteran for the property located at Block 41.05 Lot 92, 72 Runyon Rd.; and

WHEREAS in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 et seq. as amended by P.L.2019, c.413; N.J.A.C. 18:28-1.1 et seq, the Tax Assessor has approved the exemption and because Mr. Verost occupies 100% of the dwelling the disabled veteran is entitled to an exemption on 100% of the property; and

WHEREAS the United States Department of Veteran Affairs determined an effective date of the 100% Permanent & Total Disability of July 11, 2025; and

WHEREAS in reference to any retroactive refund, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32, the governing body of each municipality, at its discretion, may return all taxes collected on property which would have been exempt had proper claim in writing been made at the time of the exemption; and

WHEREAS by virtue of the approved 100% permanent and totally disabled veteran exemption, Christopher Verost is entitled to the cancellation of the 2025 fourth quarter taxes and of a portion of the 2025 third quarter property taxes on the subject property, and at the governing body's discretion, to refund a portion of the 2025 third quarter taxes in the amount of \$2,003.16; and

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

1. To cancel the property taxes for the 2025 fourth quarter and to cancel and refund the pro-rated portion of the 2025 third quarter property taxes for a total refund of \$2,003.16.
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 518-25

**RESOLUTION RELEASING GUARANTEES FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS:
PB NUTCLIF LLC, 10 METRO BOULEVARD STARBUCKS
BLOCK 80.02, LOTS 1.08, 1.09, 1.10 & 4.13**

WHEREAS, PB Nutclif LLC (the Developer) originally posted with the City of Clifton a cash bond in the amount of \$26,400.00 for publicly dedicated improvements and privately owned landscape buffers for the facility located at 10 Metro Boulevard, designated as Block 80.02, Lots 1.08, 1.09, 1.10 & 4.13; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Engineering Department has inspected the site improvements and finds that the Developer has satisfactorily completed all the work in accordance with the approved plan, and is acceptable; and

WHEREAS, the Developer has submitted to the City of Clifton Maintenance Bonds in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Developers Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the site improvements at 10 Metro Boulevard, Clifton, New Jersey, Block 80.02, Lots 1.08, 1.09, 1.10 & 4.13 are accepted, the City Engineer is hereby directed to return the Performance Bond and all escrow funds to PB Nutclif LLC.

RESOLUTION 519-25

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE A REQUEST FOR
ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR THE SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE
VOUCHER PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR 2026**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton, through its Public Housing Agency (PHA), administers the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program funded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (H.U.D.); and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the proper administration of said program that professional accounting and financial services be provided to ensure compliance with H.U.D. regulations and to maintain accurate fiscal records and reports; and

WHEREAS, the city has determined that the services required include, but are not limited to:

- Establishing and maintaining books of account and records.
- Maintaining books and posting books of original entry to the General Ledger.
- Preparing journal vouchers.
- Maintaining inventory records and controls.
- Maintaining controls over costs and finances;
- Preparing fiscal reports as required by H.U.D.
- Assisting in and preparing budgets and revisions.
- Preparing financial statements of costs incurred as related to the approved budget.
- Serving as a consultant on accounting and financial matters; and
- Submitting monthly VMS (Voucher Management System) submissions to H.U.D.

WHEREAS the City has recommended that Requests for Proposals (RFPs) be solicited in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-1 et seq., and *N.J.A.C.* 5:34-4.1 et seq., governing the procurement of professional services through competitive contracting procedures; 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 proposals in accordance with 40A:11-4.1 et seq., for Financial Advisory Services for year 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Notice to Proposers 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.

RESOLUTION 521-25

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF MX908 HANDHELD CHEMICAL
DETECTION METER FOR THE CLIFTON FIRE DEPARTMENT OFF THE BERGEN
COUNTY CO-OP CONTRACT PURCHASING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1
ET SEQ.**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Fire Department has identified the need to procure one (1) MX908 Handheld Chemical Detection Meter to enhance its on-scene identification and hazardous materials response capabilities, which are available off of the Bergen County Cooperative; and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Association (11BCCP), the sister cooperative under Bergen County (CK04), from which a contract for one (1) MX908 Handheld Chemical Detection Meter, BC-BID-24-62, was awarded to Safeware, Inc located at 4403 Forbes Blvd. Lanham MD 20706-432 ; and

WHEREAS, the above contract, BC-BID-24-62, is valid for the term of December 4, 2024 through to December 3, 2026; and

WHEREAS, quote for above procurement is obtained by the City Fire Department, with a not to exceed amount of \$94,460.28 for the term of December 4, 2024 through to December 3, 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 procurement of one (1) MX908 Handheld Chemical Detection Meter, via the aforesaid Bergen County cooperative contract, and therefore delegates 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 procurement as needed from the above-named awarded contractor off the Bergen County's NJCPA Cooperative Contract No. BC-Bid-24-62, through to December 3,2026; and

CERTIFICATION OF FUNDS: Funds shall be available in 15-286-58-001-001

RESOLUTION 522-25

**RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE ROAD ROCK SALT FOR THE CITY OF CLIFTON
OFF OF PASSAIC COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM
PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A:40A:11-12a**

WHEREAS, pursuant to resolution R421-21, adopted September 21, 2021, the City approved continued participation with the Passaic County Cooperative Pricing System (ID# 38PCCP); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works will need to procure Road Rock Salt, as needed with weather conditions considered, which is available for \$70.34 per ton from Morton Salt via their Passaic County Cooperative; and

WHEREAS, comparing with New Jersey State Contract# 20-FLEET-01519 prices from July 9, 2025 through June 30, 2026 is \$87.03 per ton;

WHEREAS, Morton Salt, located at 444 West Lake Street, Suite 3000, Chicago, Illinois 60606, was awarded Passaic County Cooperative Contract SB-25-061, titled “Winter Products, Including Bulk Rock Salt, Grits, Bagged Calcium Chloride, Liquid Calcium Chloride and Bagged Magnesium Chloride”, which expires November 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under a State of New Jersey Division of Local Government Services approved cooperative purchasing program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Clifton to procure Road Rock Salt in preparation of hazardous road conditions that can occur with winter weather; 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 authorize the Purchasing Agent to procure goods as-needed from Morton Salt, 444 West Lake Street, Suite 3000, Chicago, Illinois 60606 via Passaic County contract SB-25-061, in an estimated not to exceed amount of \$280,000.00, for the period of December 20, 2025, through to April 30, 2026 (2025-2026 Winter Season).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, funds shall be available from 15-286-56-004-000, budget adoption and subsequent year budgetary appropriations considered.

RESOLUTION 523-25

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR ACCOUNTING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton has an ongoing need for professional accounting services to assist in the administration and financial management of the City’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and

WHEREAS, the services required include technical assistance and specialized accounting expertise in compliance with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) regulations, specifically **2 CFR Part 200**, and all other applicable Federal, State, and local laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the city has determined that the services required include, but are not limited to:

- a) Establishing and maintaining the books of account and records in accordance with Public Housing Administration procedures;
- b) Maintaining books and posting books of original entry to the General Ledger;
- c) Preparing journal vouchers;
- d) Maintaining inventory records and controls;
- e) Maintaining controls of costs and finances, including encumbrances and open or outstanding accounts;
- f) Preparing fiscal reports and balance sheets on a monthly, quarterly, or annual basis as required by Federal, State, and/or local regulations;
- g) Preparing and assisting in the preparation of budgets and budget revisions;
- h) Preparing monthly financial statements of costs incurred relative to the budget;
- i) Serving as consultant on accounting and financial matters;
- j) Reconciling CDBG year-end printouts from the Clifton Finance Department to the accountant’s records;

- k) Reviewing CDBG purchase orders for correct coding on a bi-monthly basis;
- l) Providing a method for the City’s drawdowns of grant funds and communicating directly with CDBG staff as needed;
- m) Preparing quarterly cash-on-hand reports as required by HUD; and
- n) Being trained in HUD’s online course *Financial Management 201 – A Closer Look: Blueprints for Sound Management*; and

WHEREAS the City has recommended that Requests for Proposals (RFPs) be solicited in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-1 et seq., and *N.J.A.C.* 5:34-4.1 et seq., governing the procurement of professional services through competitive contracting procedures; 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 proposals in accordance with 40A:11-4.1 et seq., for Financial Advisory Services for year 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Notice to Proposers 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.

RESOLUTION 524-25

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO TRIAD ASSOCIATES FOR CDBG PROFESSIONAL PLANNER SERVICES

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Community Development Department requires certain specialized administrative and professional planning services of an expert in connection with the operation and management of its Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and

WHEREAS, proposals for the CDBG Planner Services (Contract No. 25-153) were duly solicited by the City of Clifton, with the submission deadline set for September 30, 2025, at 11:00 A.M.; and

WHEREAS, upon the opening of proposals, one (1) proposal was received from Triad Associates, which proposed to provide Community Development Specialist Services for a flat annual fee of \$87,600, to cover approximately 25 hours per week of both on-site and off-site technical assistance as outlined in the scope of services; and

WHEREAS, **Triad Associates** has successfully provided community development application preparation and program implementation services to the City in prior years and has demonstrated the experience, qualifications, and capacity to continue to perform these services in a professional and satisfactory manner; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton desire to award a contract for these required professional services to Triad Associates for the November 1, 2025–October 31, 2026 program year, at a fee not to exceed \$87,600.00, or \$7,300 per month; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional services contract for CDBG administrative and professional planning services is hereby awarded to Triad Associates, 1301 W. Forest Grove Road (Headquarters) Vineland NJ 08360 in accordance with its proposal obtained September 30, 2025 at a fee not to exceed \$87,600.00 without the adoption of supplemental resolutions; 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, Funds are/were available for payment of services in Account #17-201-20-118-403

RESOLUTION 526-25

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A 2019 FORD F250 DONATED TO THE CITY OF CLIFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that authorization is hereby given for acceptance of a 2019 Ford F250, Vin:1FT7W2BT6KEC26665, donated to the City of Clifton Police Department from Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, 2704 Geryville Pike, Pennsburg, Pennsylvania 18073.

RESOLUTION 527-25

RESOLUTION AWARDING EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICE CONTRACT TO MARSH MCLENNAN 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 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 October 21, 2025 and ending December 31, 2026, to Marsh McLennan 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, 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 providers in accordance with the proposal dated September 8, 2025 and the duration of the contract is October 21, 2025 through December 31, 2026;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service contract for health insurance broker services is hereby awarded to **MARSH MCLENNAN AGENCY** in accordance with its proposal dated September 8, 2025, in the amount of Medical, Prescription and Stop Loss at a Per Employee Per Month fee of \$16 (approximately \$135,000) and Dental at the Standard Commission Schedule.

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:	Marsh McLennan Agency
Services:	Provision of Health Insurance Broker Services
Cost:	Medical, Prescription and Stop Loss at a Per Employee Per Month fee of \$16 and Dental at the Standard Commission Schedule.
Term:	October 21, 2025 through December 31, 2026

RESOLUTION 528-25

**RESOLUTION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE
HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey are in receipt of an application from John T. Maxwell to become a Member of the Historical Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that John T. Maxwell is hereby appointed as a Member of the Historical Commission commencing this day.

RESOLUTION 529-25

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (“MOU”)
BETWEEN THE PASSAIC COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE CITY OF
CLIFTON HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Municipal Council would like to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between the Passaic County Department of Health and the City of Clifton Health Department for Public Health Nurse Case Management Services and/or Environmental Inspections from the Clifton Health Department for lead burdened children; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, New Jersey that the Memorandum of Understanding between the Passaic County Department of Health and the City of Clifton Health Department, attached hereto and included herein by reference, is hereby authorized and approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk be and are hereby authorized to execute the aforementioned agreement.

RESOLUTION 530-25

**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 \$150 Administrative Fee**, as follows:

<u>Address</u>	<u>Service Fee</u>	<u>Administrative Fee</u>	<u>Total Lien</u>
67 Hollywood Avenue Blk 9.09, Lot 30	\$ 696.82	\$ 150.00	\$ 846.82
43 Christie Avenue Blk 2.11, Lot 20	\$ 696.82	\$ 150.00	\$ 846.82
206 W. 3 rd Street Blk 16.09, Lot 17	\$ 601.29	\$ 150.00	\$ 751.29

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 531-25

RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT FOR PROVIDING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST PLANNING AND TECHNICAL SERVICES TO TRIAD ASSOCIATES – CDBG YEAR 51 – OCTOBER 21, 2025 THROUGH OCTOBER 20, 2026

WHEREAS, the City’s Professional Planner for the CDBG Program solicited proposals for providing Community Development Specialist Planning and Technical Services; and

WHEREAS, in response to request for proposals, a proposal was received by and the City’s Professional Planner for the CDBG Program recommends the award of a contract for said services to Triad Associates of Vineland, New Jersey, who provided the most advantageous quotation to the City, price and other factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the contract is within the bidding threshold and therefor may be awarded without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor under *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-t 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 contractor and is incorporated into the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is in accordance with the proposal dated September 30, 2025 not to exceed \$30,000.00 plus technical services billed at \$185.00 per hour, and the duration of the contract is October 21, 2025 through October 20, 2026; and

WHEREAS, there are funds available for the payment of the services per the certification of the availability of funds below;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a contract for the providing Community Development Specialist Planning and Technical Services be and the same is hereby awarded to Triad Associates of Vineland, New Jersey, in accordance with their proposal at a total price not to exceed \$30,000.00 plus technical services billed at \$185.00 per hour; 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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the original of the resolution and the contract above referred to be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton.

RESOLUTION 532-25

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; and

CON-1	Litigation ~ S. Arnowitz, et. al. v. City of Clifton, et. al., Docket No. PAS-L-003491-20 Joey’s Place, LLC et.al. v. City of Clifton et al., Docket No: 2:19-cv-20546
CON-2	Contract Negotiations ~ Police Chief
CON-3	Contract Negotiations ~ Development Agreement, 1184 Main Avenue, LLC, 1184 Main Avenue, Block 11.21, Lot 1
CON-4	Contract Negotiations ~ FMBA Early Retirement
CON-5	Contract Negotiations ~ SOA
CON-6	Contract Negotiations ~ Clifton Schools Traffic Guards
CON-7	Personnel ~ Employee Health Benefits
CON-8	Personnel

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 October 21, 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.

LICENSES

L-1 Sal's Deli & Pizza

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL
FOR SAL'S DELI & PIZZA LLC
T/A SAL'S DELI & PIZZA
ADDRESS 849 CLIFTON AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07013
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED RESTAURANT/GROCERY-CONTINUED USE
FORMERLY OR NEW VILLA ROMA
ZONE B-C
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-2 Original Jumbo's, The

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL
FOR JOHN MAYO
T/A THE ORIGINAL JUMBO'S
ADDRESS 697 VAN HOUTEN AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07013
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED CATERER-CONTINUED USE
FORMERLY OR NEW SABRETT
ZONE B-C
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-3 El Mexicano

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL
BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE APPLICATION OF SAUL & CAROL LLC
T/A EL MEXICANO
for permission to conduct a: RESTAURANT-CONTINUED USE
for a period ending January 31, 2026 on the premises known as:
1293 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.

L-4 Munchie Xpress

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL
FOR MUNCHIE MART LLC
T/A MUNCHIE XPRESS
ADDRESS 553 LEXINGTON AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED GROCERY
FORMERLY OR NEW NEW
ZONE B-C
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 Donia 1

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL
FOR DONIA 1 LLC

T/A DONIA 1
ADDRESS 213 PARKER AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED RESTAURANT-CONTINUED USE
FORMERLY OR NEW TACOS MATAMOROS
ZONE PD-1
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 Shop Mart

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL
FOR DIPAN & NEHAN CORPORATION
T/A SHOP MART
ADDRESS 786 BLOOMFIELD AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07012
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED RESTAURANT/GROCERY/MILK-CONTINUED
USE
FORMERLY OR NEW SHOP MART
ZONE M-2
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon a Motion made by Councilwoman Pino, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Tolosi, City Clerk

Raymond Grabowski, Mayor