

**CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 19, 2023**

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

8:10 P.M. CALL OF ROLL

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

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

Upon roll call, the following were noted present:

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

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

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

Pastor Eric Farrar – Hope Reformed Church

PRESENTATION

Knights of Columbus Presentation to Avenue of Flags and Veterans Day Parade Committee

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to approve the Workshop Session, Executive Session, Regular Session Meeting Minutes of December 5, 2023.

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

COMMUNICATIONS MEETING MINUTES

- C-1 Minutes of Traffic Safety Council of November 16, 2023
- C-2 Minutes of Beautification Committee of December 4, 2023
- C-3 Minutes of Board of Adjustment of December 5, 2023
- C-4 Minutes of the Alcohol Beverage Control Board of November 15, 2023

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

A. Adoption of Ordinance 7868-23

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7868-23

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 7868-23.

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

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 77 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Police Department" (Amends Table of Organization in Police Department)

(2-3-1-1) Councilman Kolodziej and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Gibson, Councilman Latona and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay. Councilwoman Pino abstained and Councilwoman Murphy was absent.

C. Adoption of Ordinance 7875-23

D. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7875-23

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 7875-23.

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

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

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

E. Adoption of Ordinance 7876-23

F. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7876-23

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public with regard to the Ordinance 7876-23.

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

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

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

FLOOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Patricia Sinicki Van Beveren Mora, 26 Sanford St., spoke about a violation she received for a City tree lifting her sidewalk. She remarked that she should not be responsible to repair the damage.

Gabriel Garcia, Concord St., spoke about the Israeli and Palestinian conflict.

Chris Taylor, Representative IBEW Local 58, spoke about the shortage of Dispatchers in Clifton and the need to increase salaries to attract more candidates. He remarked that the increases that

are being proposed put the employees into a new bracket for Chapter 78 insurance contributions and the employees end up with less in their paychecks. He explained that prospective candidates are getting free training from the City and then moving on to neighboring towns that are paying higher wages.

Kim Castellano, 59 Mahar Ave., thanked everyone for their support of a recent Toy Drive. She spoke about the Council's promise to reimburse her organization for out of pocket expenses.

Francesco Muoio, J5, The Meadows, discussed the rise in crime in the City and the need for additional police officers. He suggested the City reach out to the County for help.

Gerard Scorziello, 131 Pershing Rd., urged the Council to look for creative ideas to solve resident concerns in the City.

Avraham Eisenmen, 706 Passaic Ave., spoke about the Israeli and Palestinian conflict. He also remarked on anti-Zionism and anti-Semitism.

Henry Cholewczynski, 37 Phyllis Place, remarked that the Ordinance to raise the Police Table of Organization is an attempt to pad the upcoming budget. He spoke about City trees upending sidewalks and putting the responsibility of repairs on the homeowner. Mr. Cholewczynski suggested the City start a fund to repair these issues and take the responsibility away from the property owners. He wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Steve Goldberg, 124 Charles St., spoke about the Israeli and Palestinian conflict.

Joe Holzli, 75 Mountainside Terr., spoke about increasing the Police Table of Organization, the Israeli and Palestinian conflict, cleaning of Pearl Brook and flooding issues in the City..

Bart Ciervo, 306 Delawanna Ave., suggested that the Council terms be amended to one four-year term. Mr. Ciervo spoke about the medical benefits given to certain Council members that the taxpayers pay for. He asked why Councilwoman Pino was not charged with a violation for campaigning on public property. Mr. Ciervo asked why the public comes to the podium and asks questions but they are never answered. He questioned why the City is picking up garbage for a private school and spoke briefly about the Israeli and Palestinian conflict.

With no one else 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 Session.

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

CITY MANAGER PRIVILEGE/RESPONSE TO RESIDENTS

City Manager, Dominick Villano, wished all a Happy Holiday.

Patricia Sinicki Van Beveran Mora, the current Ordinance reads that the homeowner is responsible to maintain the sidewalks around their property. He said if Council would like to amend the Ordinance, that would be something they would have to discuss. Mr. Villano said he liked the suggestion from Mr. Cholewczynski to create a fund for these issues.

Chris Taylor, the compensation for City Dispatchers is still being discussed.

Kim Castellano, Thank you for all you do. Mr. Villano stated that an error was made and the Resolution for the reimbursement for distribution of food. It was never put on the agenda but it is on tonight's agenda so payment can be made.

Bart Ciervo, the City will not collect the garbage from the private school in Delawanna. They have made arrangements to have their garbage removed.

Joe Holzli, an email was received from the Army Corp of Engineers showing an interest in helping with the flooding at Third River. They stated that since the City has done a study on the

Third River flooding there is a possibility that they can help. The application will be completed and Mr. Villano will keep the public informed of any progress. He spoke about the process regarding permits, waivers and insurance to have DPW personnel remove debris from the Third River. Mr. Villano discussed the possibility of working with the Army Corp of Engineers to straighten the Third River to ease flooding. He remarked about the bridge on the Third River is privately owned and the City would need permission from the property owner to remove it. Mr. Villano also spoke about a piece of land on Clifton Avenue at the entrance of Anzaldi Park. He suggested exploring the option of building a retention pond in that area. He stated the process to start cleaning debris from the Third River will take approximately one month.

COUNCIL PRIVILEGE

Councilman Kolodziej

Councilman Kolodziej commented that he hopes for peace for all world citizens and does not support terrorism. He spoke about the lack of support from Council to increase the Police Table of Organization. He said he does not understand the lack of support even though the City was offered a grant to hire more officers. Councilman Kolodziej addressed Chris Taylor, IBEW Representative. He stated that there are ways to pay less through Chapter 78 such as choosing a different medical plan.

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona, and passed on roll call vote to amend Resolution R641-23 to be sure all the expenses that were laid out for food distribution are reimbursed to the Power of One.

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

Councilman Kolodziej remarked that the first meeting of Council in 2023, it was discussed to establish a fund for repairing sidewalks that are uplifted by City trees and 12 months later, nothing has been done. He addressed Ms. Sinicki Van Beveran Mora's sidewalk condition and asked City Manager to have DPW address this particular situation. City Manager, Dominick Villano, commented that he cannot have DPW repair the sidewalk according to City Ordinance, but will assist Ms. Sinicki Van Beveran Mora in obtaining a CHIP loan to help with the cost.

Councilman Kolodziej stated he was happy to hear his Council colleagues discussing using ARPA money for infrastructure improvements. He spoke about increases in health insurance, liability insurance, trash collection and the decrease in recycling revenue is going to have quite an impact on the 2024 budget. Councilman Kolodziej pointed out that the majority of the Council tabled the Sewer Usage charges. He commented that if the usage charges do not pass it will negatively impact the City's ability to raise revenue, which will mean a tax increase. He announced that vegetative waste ends next week and will not be reinstated until the spring.

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to invite the City's three State representatives to a meeting to discuss direct representation and help Clifton residents.

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

Councilman Kolodziej gave a report on the recent Passaic Valley Water Commission meeting. He announced that PVWC went out for several contracts using the Fair and Open process and 50% of the bids only got one quote. He also spoke about awarding Non Fair and Open contracts based on performance. He announced that the former Executive Director of Passaic Valley Water Commission, Joseph Bella passed away.

Councilman Kolodziej announced that the Insurance Committee met recently and all insurance premiums are increasing.

Councilman Latona

Councilman Latona spoke about flooding and lifted sidewalks. He announced several events that are happening around the City. Councilman Latona wished all a Happy Holiday. He announced that the Anchor Benefit deadline to file is December 29th. He thanked all the City volunteers and he prays for world peace.

Councilwoman Murphy

Councilwoman Murphy was absent.

Councilwoman Pino

Councilwoman Pino thanked the City employees of the City and her family for all their hard work this past year. She thanked everyone that supported her and wished all a Happy Holiday.

Councilwoman Pino left the dais at 9:31 p.m.

Councilwoman Sadrakula

Councilwoman Sadrakula announced that the Army Corps of Engineers might be willing to assist with the Third River flooding issue. She spoke about the City being denied a Federal Fire Grant. Councilwoman Sadrakula addressed the issue of City tree roots lifting sidewalks. She commented that other towns work with outside contractors to repair their city's sidewalks. She asked if the sidewalks could be repaired with Open Space Funds. Councilwoman Sadrakula spoke about the need for peace in the Middle East. She addressed IBEW Representative, Chris Taylor, and remarked that the Chapter 78 numbers will be looked at to see if a different insurance policy would help avoid a negative increase for Dispatchers. She spoke about the rise in crime and urged all residents to keep their outside lights on at all times to deter any misdeeds.

Councilwoman Pino returned to the dais at 9:34 p.m.

Councilwoman Sadrakula announced that the Ordinance to increase the Police Department Table of Organization failed. She spoke about the cleaning of debris from Pearl Brook and eliminating health benefits for Council members. Councilwoman Sadrakula commented that she is pleased that the garbage pick up for the private school in the Delawanna section will stop. She asked for recycling numbers and suggested stepping up enforcement for recycling. Councilwoman Sadrakula wished all a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. She remarked that she hopes 2024 is a better year and would like the Council to come together and start solving issues.

Councilman Gibson

Councilman Gibson thanked the many volunteers that help the City and especially Kim Castellano of the Power of One.

Councilwoman Sadrakula left the dais at 9:39p.m.

He spoke about a resident that called him and mentioned that a tree on Urma Avenue looks like it was starting to fall. Councilman Gibson stated that the tree did fall and City Manager, Dominick Villano, expedited that clean up.

A Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Latona, and passed on roll call vote to put a discussion item on the next meeting to talk about the responsibility of repairing sidewalks uprooted by City trees.

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

Councilwoman Sadrakula returned to the dais at 9:41 p.m.

He spoke about establishing a fund for sidewalk repairs and the Police Table of Organization.

Councilwoman Pino left the dais at 9:42 p.m.

Councilman Gibson wished all a Merry Christmas.

Councilwoman Pino returned to the dais at 9:43 p.m.

Councilman Gibson stated that he hopes all his colleagues will step up in the new year and get things done.

Mayor Grabowski

Mayor Grabowski spoke about City tree roots lifting sidewalks. He announced that the Insurance Committee met and all insurance is increasing. He gave accolades to Kim Castellano on her Toy Drive and Christmas Party for the less fortunate. Mayor Grabowski announced that action is being taken on the Third River cleaning. He wished all a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

RESOLUTIONS VOTED ON SEPERATELY

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to table Resolution R651-23.

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

R651-23 Resolution of Council Liaison Appointments to Various Boards and Commissions

**RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL LIAISON APPOINTMENTS
TO VARIOUS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Council Members are appointed as Council Liaison representatives to the following Boards and Committees on the City of Clifton Organizational listing for a term ending December 31, 2024:

Board/Committee	Liaison
Planning Board	Ray Grabowski
	William Gibson
ACTION Clifton	Lauren Murphy
	William Gibson
	Joe Kolodziej
	Alt. Ray Grabowski
Advisory Beautification Committee	Ray Grabowski
	Alt. Rosemary Pino
Affordable Housing Agency	Mary Sadrakula
Board of Health	Ray Grabowski
	Alt. Rosemary Pino
Board of Recreation	William Gibson
	Lauren Murphy
Bureau of Insurance/Health Benefits Committee	Ray Grabowski
	Joe Kolodziej
	Lauren Murphy
Christmas Spirit Committee	Joe Kolodziej
	Rosemary Pino

Civil Rights Committee	Rosemary Pino
	Tony Latona
Clean Communities Committee	Rosemary Pino
	Mary Sadrakula
	Alt. Joe Kolodziej
Clifton Arts Center & Sculpture Committee	Joe Kolodziej
	Ray Grabowski
Clifton CA-TV Committee	Joe Kolodziej
	Alt. Tony Latona
Clifton Veterans' Committee	Tony Latona
	Joe Kolodziej
	William Gibson
Code Enforcement Committee	Rosemary Pino
	William Gibson
	Alt. Mary Sadrakula
Committee on City Manager Matters	Lauren Murphy
	Ray Grabowski
	Joe Kolodziej
	Alt. Mary Sadrakula
Committee on Economic Development	Ray Grabowski
	Mary Sadrakula
	Lauren Murphy
	Alt. Rosemary Pino
Committee for Grants/Revenues/Facilitations with Legislators	Tony Latona
	William Gibson
	Rosemary Pino
	Alt. Lauren Murphy
Committee on Police Matters	Ray Grabowski
	Joe Kolodziej
	Mary Sadrakula
	Alt. Lauren Murphy
Disabilities Committee	Tony Latona
	Alt. Ray Grabowski
Downtown Clifton Economic Development Group	Joe Kolodziej
	Alt. Rosemary Pino
DPW Committee	Tony Latona
	Joe Kolodziej
	Mary Sadrakula
	Alt. Ray Grabowski
Finance/Bond Advisory Board	Lauren Murphy
	Joe Kolodziej
	Mary Sadrakula
	Alt. Ray Grabowski
Fire Review Committee	Ray Grabowski
	Lauren Murphy
	Rosemary Pino
	Alt. Mary Sadrakula
Friends of Morris Canal	William Gibson
	Alt. Lauren Murphy
Hazardous Materials Control Board	William Gibson
	Alt. Mary Sadrakula
Historic Botany Village SID Board of Directors	William Gibson

	Lauren Murphy
Historical Commission	William Gibson
	Alt. Lauren Murphy
Joint Board - Council Alliance Committee	Lauren Murphy
	Mary Sadrakula
	Rosemary Pino
	Alt. Tony Latona
Office of Emergency Management	William Gibson
Picnic Committee	Tony Latona
	William Gibson
	Rosemary Pino
Real Estate Committee	Tony Latona
	Mary Sadrakula
	Alt. Rosemary Pino
Recycling Committee	William Gibson
	Tony Latona
	Alt. Ray Grabowski
Revolving Loan Fund Committee	Ray Grabowski
	Tony Latona
	Mary Sadrakula
Safety Town Committee	Rosemary Pino
	Joe Kolodziej
Senior Citizens Advisory Committee	Tony Latona
	Alt. Mary Sadrakula
Sewer Committee	Mary Sadrakula
	Tony Latona
	Alt. Lauren Murphy
Traffic Safety Council	William Gibson
	Alt. Rosemary Pino
Tree Committee	William Gibson
	Rosemary Pino
	Mary Sadrakula
	Alt. Ray Grabowski
Towing Sub Committee	Tony Latona
	William Gibson
	Mary Sadrakula
	Alt. Lauren Murphy
Youth Week Committee	Ray Grabowski
	Rosemary Pino
	Alt. Tony Latona
Zoning Ordinance Review Committee	Tony Latona
	William Gibson
	Rosemary Pino
	Alt. Mary Sadrakula

R625-23 Resolution Authorizing Permission to Bid for Restoration and Interior Alterations for Fire Department Garage

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilwoman Pino and failed on roll call vote to authorize permission to bid for restoration and interior alterations for Fire Department garage.

(3-1-2-1) Councilman Kolodziej, Councilwoman Pino and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay. Councilman Gibson and Councilman Latona abstained. Councilwoman Murphy was absent.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMISSION TO BID FOR
RESTORATION AND INTERIOR ALTERATIONS FOR: FIRE DEPARTMENT
GARAGE**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton shall incur no expense exceeding \$17,500, except where either authorized by law or waived by the Municipal Council up to the State of New Jersey bid threshold;
and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton seeks construction services estimated to cost in excess of \$17,500
without waiver; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work includes the exterior restoration and interior alterations of the Fire
Department Garage situated next to the Fire Headquarters at 900 Clifton Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer of the City of Clifton has prepared Bid Specifications, Notice to Bidders, Proposals and Specifications for said improvements in anticipation of the public bidding for same and finds same to be acceptable for public bidding; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton that the Purchasing Agent is authorized to advertise a Notice to Bidders and to receive public bids for the services described therein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Notice to Bidders shall be published once in a legal newspaper of the City of Clifton no later than the next Municipal Council meeting, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 *et seq.*

R628-23 Resolution Awarding Contract to Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP for Municipal Auditing Services for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2023

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to award contract to Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP for Municipal Auditing Services for fiscal year ending December 31, 2023.

(4-2-0-1) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilwoman Pino and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Latona and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay. Councilwoman Murphy was absent.

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO LERCH, VINCI & HIGGINS, LLP FOR
MUNICIPAL AUDITING SERVICES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023**

WHEREAS, under the direction of the Chief Financial Officer, the office of Purchasing Agent received one (1) proposal the City of Clifton requires the professional auditing services of Registered Municipal Accountant to perform certain professional auditing services as required by the Local Fiscal Affairs Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-1 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP is an accounting firm authorized by law to conduct a practice as Certified Public Accountants and Registered Municipal Accountants, recognized professions, the practice of which are regulated by law; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Municipal Council desire to award a contract for the required professional services for the City of Clifton to Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023; under the terms of the Federal Single Audit Act of 1984, at a fee not to exceed \$84,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the cost associated with additional work as directed by the City will conform with its proposal dated November 20,2023 and be paid accordingly; 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 until the services are completed; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional services contract for Auditing Services is hereby awarded to Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, 17-17 Route 208, Fair Lawn, NJ 07410 in accordance with its proposal dated November 20,2023 at a fee not to exceed \$84,000 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, that no services and/or goods shall commence prior to issuance of a Purchase Order by the Finance Department; and

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

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

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

Awarded to:	Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP
Services:	Municipal Auditing Services for the fiscal year ending 12/31/23
Cost:	not to exceed \$84,000
Term:	Fiscal year 2023 – until completion

R632-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract to Totowa Primary Care Center for Medical Services - January 1, 2024 Thru December 31, 2024

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and failed on roll call vote to award professional services contract to Totowa Primary Care Center for Medical Services January 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024.

(2-4-0-1) Councilman Kolodziej and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilman Gibson, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino and Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay. Councilwoman Murphy was absent.

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
TO TOTOWA PRIMARY CARE CENTER FOR MEDICAL SERVICES
JANUARY 1, 2024 THRU DECEMBER 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires the professional medical services of a licensed medical facility in its proximity to perform certain medical services as required by the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, the proposals were solicited from Totowa Primary Care Center and Concentra; and

WHEREAS, Totowa Primary Care Center is a medical facility authorized by law to conduct various medical services such as, drug testing and employment physicals, practices of which are regulated by law and were lowest of both the proposals received; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Municipal Council desire to award a contract for the required professional medical services for the City of Clifton to Totowa Primary Care Center for 2024, under the terms of the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, in accordance with its proposal in an amount not to exceed \$50,000; and

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

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44-A-20.5; 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 Totowa Primary Care Center and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby, along with the Determination of Value; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional services contract for medical services is hereby awarded to Totowa Primary Care Center, 160 Union Blvd., Totowa, New Jersey 07512; and in accordance with its proposal for a total amount not to exceed \$50,000 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 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.

R633-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract for Psychological Evaluation Services to Institute for Forensic Psychology - (1/1/24-12/31/24)

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to award professional services contract for Psychological Evaluation Services Contract to Institute for Forensic Psychology January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024.

(5-1-0-1) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay and Councilwoman Murphy was absent.

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION SERVICES
TO INSTITUTE FOR FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGY
JANUARY 1, 2024 THRU MARCH 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires the professional psychological evaluation Services of a licensed medical facility in its proximity to perform certain psychological evaluation services as required by the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, Institute for Forensic Psychology is a medical facility authorized by law to conduct various psychological evaluation services, practices of which are regulated by law; and

WHEREAS, the required professional psychological evaluation services for the City of Clifton have been optimally provided by the Institute for Forensic Psychology, and the proposed fees for 2024 services contain increase in the fee schedule from the prior year's rates; and

WHEREAS, said services to be performed are professional services within the meaning of the local public contracts law N.J.S.A 40A:11-1 et seq., and accordingly, a contract may be awarded therefore without public advertising for bids and bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, this award is of a non-fair and open contract in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44-A-20.4 et seq; 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 Institute For Forensic Psychology and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby, along with the determination of value; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional services contract for Psychological Evaluation Services is hereby awarded to Institute for Forensic Psychology, 5 Fir Court, Oakland, New Jersey in an amount not to exceed a total of \$10,000, for the contract period of January 1, 2024 thru March 31, 2024; 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

R634-23 Resolution to Award Contract for Textile Recycling Concession Services at City of Clifton to Turnkey Enterprise LLC

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to award contract for Textile Recycling Concession Services at City of Clifton to Turnkey Enterprise LLC.

(5-1-0-1) Councilman Gibson, Councilman Kolodziej, Councilman Latona, Councilwoman Pino and Mayor Grabowski voted aye. Councilwoman Sadrakula voted nay and Councilwoman Murphy was absent.

**RESOLUTION TO AWARD CONTRACT FOR TEXTILE RECYCLING
CONCESSION SERVICES AT CITY OF CLIFTON TO TURNKEY ENTERPRISE
LLC.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to 5:34-9.4 (g) -Concessions N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq, on November 29,2023, the City of Clifton solicited proposals, through the process informal quotations, for Textile Recycling Program at City Hall; and

WHEREAS, three (3) informal quotations were received from Turnkey Enterprise LLC, Helpsy and Trans-America Textile Recycling Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the informal quotations were reviewed by DPW Director and Health Department and Turnkey Enterprise LLC was deemed most advantageous to the City; and

WHEREAS, after the quotations were fully evaluated, the Qualified Purchasing Agent, , recommended that a contract be awarded to Turnkey Enterprise LLC Alpha ,NJ based on the dollar amount paid to the City per pound of clothing; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract for Textile Recycling Concession Services be awarded to Turnkey Enterprise LLC located at 801 W. Vulcanite Ave Alpha NJ 08865, Clifton, NJ 07011;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that contract shall commence on January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025, with the option to renew for three one-year contract; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the clothing will be picked up from the City weekly and the fees payable to the City for the term of said contract is \$0.08 (per pound) payable every month to the City of Clifton; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be placed on file with the original contract and made available for the public inspection at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton.

RESOLUTIONS

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

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

R612-23 Resolution: Approve Claims List Resolution for the December 19, 2023, City Council Meeting

**RESOLUTION
TO APPROVE
Claims to be paid the
Meeting of December 19, 2023**

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

Current Fund	\$6,858,245.67
Grant Fund	\$137,084.80
General Capital Fund	\$503,332.62
Sewer Utility -Operating	\$119,802.13
Sewer Utility-Capital	\$12,976.47
Developers Escrow	\$34,017.91
Dog Trust	\$2,009.52
Revolving Loan Fund	
Police Extra Duty	\$201,177.50
Trust Other	\$134,537.35
Section 8 Public Housing	\$238,579.58
Reserve for Housing	\$-
Community Development	\$51,815.99
Payroll Agency	\$-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$-
Affordable Housing	\$-
Self Insurance	\$1,446,721.33
Fire Dedicated Penalties	\$-
Revolving Loan Fund	\$-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$-
Unemployment Trust Fund	\$-
Library	\$178,804.98
General Liability Trust	\$54,939.28
Workers Compensation Trust	\$25,351.30
Trust Escrow	\$-
Reserve for Housing	\$-
Federal DOJ Forfeiture	\$-
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$9,999,396.43

R613-23 Resolution - Sewer Utility - Closing and Canceling Outstanding Capital Account Balances

**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>	<u>Bond Ordinance</u>	<u>Cancel</u>
08-215-55-936-000 – 2012 Capital Projects	7036-12	\$ Close Out
08-215-55-939-202 – 2014 Capital Projects Lewis Place	7162-14	\$ 735,850.00
08-215-55-942-305 – 2015 Capital Projects Franklin Ave	7218-15	\$ 200,000.00
08-215-55-946-000 – 2016 Capital Projects	7312-16	\$ Close Out
08-215-55-947-000 – 2017 Capital Projects	7395-17	\$ Close Out
08-215-55-949-101 – 2017 Capital Projects Rutherford Blvd	7400-17	\$ 99,750.00
08-215-55-949-207 – 2017 Capital Projects Burgess & Gregory	7400-17	\$ 187,875.99
08-215-55-950-001 – 2018 Capital Projects Hook Lift Truck	7469-18	\$ 24.63
08-215-55-951-102 – 2018 Capital Projects Septic Replace	7472-18	\$ 350,000.00
08-215-55-951-103 – 2018 Capital Projects Greglawn/Rutherford	7472-18	\$ 73,215.80
08-215-55-953-103 – 2020 Capital Projects Silleck St	7605-20	\$ 394,753.70
08-215-55-953-401 – 2020 Capital Projects Emergency Repairs	7605-20	\$ -2,148.30
08-215-55-956-101 – 2022 Capital Projects Randolph Ave	7741-22	\$ 250,000.00

Total Sewer Utility Capital Improvement Projects To Be Canceled: \$2,289,321.82

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

R614-23 Resolution - Close and Cancel Outstanding Capital Account Balances in the General Capital Fund

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER
2023 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
CURRENT FUND #3**

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

WHEREAS, certain 2023 Municipal Budget Appropriations are expected to be insufficient to meet the expenditure requirements through the end of the fiscal year, and certain 2023 budget appropriations are expected to have funds available to offset these expenditure requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, (not less than two-thirds thereof affirmatively concurring (5)) that the transfers as listed between 2023 Municipal Budget Appropriations be made in the Current Fund:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Amount – From:</u>	<u>Amount – To:</u>
Construction Code S&W	01-201-22-195-101	\$ 40,000.00	
Construction Code OE	01-201-22-195-320		\$ 40,000.00
City Manager S&W	01-201-20-100-101	\$ 15,000.00	
Personnel S&W	01-201-20-105-101		\$ 10,000.00
Engineering S&W	01-201-20-165-101		\$ 5,000.00
Building & Roads S&W	01-201-26-290-101		\$ 25,000.00
Public Works Admin S&W	01-201-26-300-101		\$ 15,000.00
Recycling S&W	01-201-26-305-101		\$ 20,000.00
Shade Tree S&W	01-201-28-300-101		\$ 15,000.00
Roads S&W	01-201-26-292-101	\$ 30,000.00	
Maint. of Parks S&W	01-201-28-375-101	\$ 45,000.00	
Human Services OE	01-201-27-331-503		\$ 42,400.00
Personnel OE	01-201-20-105-263	\$ 42,400.00	
Total Transfer Amount:		<u>\$ 172,400.00</u>	<u>\$ 172,400.00</u>

R615-23 Resolution - 2023 Budget Appropriation Transfer in the Municipal Budget Number 3

**RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER
2023 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
CURRENT FUND #3**

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

WHEREAS, certain 2023 Municipal Budget Appropriations are expected to be insufficient to meet the expenditure requirements through the end of the fiscal year, and certain 2023 budget appropriations are expected to have funds available to offset these expenditure requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, (not less than two-thirds thereof affirmatively concurring (5)) that the transfers as listed between 2023 Municipal Budget Appropriations be made in the Current Fund:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Amount – From:</u>	<u>Amount – To:</u>
Construction Code S&W	01-201-22-195-101	\$ 40,000.00	
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City Manager S&W	01-201-20-100-101	\$ 15,000.00	
Personnel S&W	01-201-20-105-101		\$ 10,000.00
Engineering S&W	01-201-20-165-101		\$ 5,000.00
Building & Roads S&W	01-201-26-290-101		\$ 25,000.00
Public Works Admin S&W	01-201-26-300-101		\$ 15,000.00
Recycling S&W	01-201-26-305-101		\$ 20,000.00
Shade Tree S&W	01-201-28-300-101		\$ 15,000.00
Roads S&W	01-201-26-292-101	\$ 30,000.00	
Maint. of Parks S&W	01-201-28-375-101	\$ 45,000.00	
Human Services OE	01-201-27-331-503		\$ 42,400.00
Personnel OE	01-201-20-105-263	\$ 42,400.00	
Total Transfer Amount:		<u>\$ 172,400.00</u>	<u>\$ 172,400.00</u>

R616-23 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2023 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - Clifton's Quarantine Station

**CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2023 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 \$5,286.00 from the County of Passaic, Department of Cultural and Historical Affairs and wishes to amend the 2023 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 2023 in the sum of \$5,286.00, 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:

2024 Cultural & Historical Affairs Grant – Clifton’s Quarantine Station -
\$5,286.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$5,286.00 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:

2024 Cultural & Historical Affairs Grant – Clifton’s Quarantine Station -
\$5,286.00

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

R617-23 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2023 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - Quarantine Station City Match

**RESOLUTION AMENDING CITY BUDGET
CHANGE IN TITLE OR TEXT OF AN APPROPRIATION
CLIFTON’S QUARANTINE STATION CITY MATCH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-85 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may, at the request of, or with the consent of, the governing body of any county or municipality, make such correction of the title, text, or amount of any appropriation appearing in the budget as may be necessary to make said item of appropriation available for the purpose or purposes required for the needs of any such county of municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:4-85, the Governing Body of the City of Clifton, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to make the following corrections in the Budget Year 2023:

That the appropriation provided for in the approved budget entitled:
Operations Outside “CAPS” -
Grant Match – Miscellaneous Expense be decreased by \$2,643.00

And an appropriation in the like amount of \$2,643.00 be added to the budget entitled:
Operations Outside “CAPS” -
Clifton’s Quarantine Station Grant Match (2024) - \$2,643.00

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

The City provided for the possibility of receiving added grants after adoption of the 2023 Municipal Budget by providing a line item “Grant Match”. The amount of grant and related match requirement now becoming know after the passage of the Municipal Budget. In order to accept the Passaic County Cultural & Heritage Council Grant, legal provisions for the required match must be made. The City received our Passaic County Cultural & Heritage Council Grant. The grant received from Passaic County requires a 50% City Match. This Resolution is requesting permission for transfer funds from the generic Grant Match Budget Line to the Specific City Match for the Clifton’s Quarantine Station Grant. This above correction will provide for the said legal provision.

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

R618-23 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2023 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - Art Learning Programs & Forums

**CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2023 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 \$2,500.00 from the County of Passaic, Department of Cultural and Historical Affairs and wishes to amend the 2023 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 2023 in the sum of \$2,500.00,
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:

2024 Cultural & Historical Affairs Grant – Art Learning Programs & Forums -
\$2,500.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$2,500.00 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:

2024 Cultural & Historical Affairs Grant – Art Learning Program & Forums -
\$2,500.00

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

R619-23 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2023 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - City Match Art Learning Programs & Forums

**RESOLUTION AMENDING CITY BUDGET
CHANGE IN TITLE OR TEXT OF AN APPROPRIATION
ART LEARNING PROGRAMS & FORUMS CITY MATCH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-85 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may, at the request of, or with the consent of, the governing body of any county or municipality, make such correction of the title, text, or amount of any appropriation appearing in the budget as may be necessary to make said item of appropriation available for the purpose or purposes required for the needs of any such county of municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:4-85, the Governing Body of the City of Clifton, in the County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to make the following corrections in the Budget Year 2023:

That the appropriation provided for in the approved budget entitled:

Operations Outside “CAPS” -

Grant Match – Miscellaneous Expense be decreased by \$1,250.00

And an appropriation in the like amount of \$1,250.00 be added to the budget entitled:

Operations Outside “CAPS” -

Art Learning Programs & Forums Grant Match (2024) - \$ 1,250.00

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

The City provided for the possibility of receiving added grants after adoption of the 2023 Municipal Budget by providing a line item “Grant Match”. The amount of grant and related match requirement now becoming know after the passage of the Municipal Budget. In order to accept the Passaic County Cultural & Heritage Council Grant, legal provisions for the required match must be made. The City received our Passaic County Cultural & Heritage Council Grant. The grant received from Passaic County requires a 50% City Match. This Resolution is requesting permission for transfer funds from the generic Grant Match Budget Line to the Specific City Match for the Art Learning Program & Forums Grant. This above correction will provide for the said legal provision.

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

R620-23 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2023 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - Pedestrian Safety

**CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2023 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 \$30,000.00 from the State of New Jersey for the FY2024 Clifton Pedestrian Safety Grant for the Clifton Police Department and wishes to amend the 2023 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 2023 in the sum of \$30,000.00 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 FY2024 Clifton Pedestrian Safety Grant -
\$30,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$30,000.00 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 FY2024 Clifton Pedestrian Safety Grant -
\$30,000.00

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

R621-23 Resolution - Chapter 159 Resolution to Amend the 2023 Municipal Budget to Include Grant - Pedestrian Safety - Sustained Enforcement

**CHAPTER 159 RESOLUTION
AMENDING THE 2023 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 FY2024 Clifton Sustained Enforcement Grant for the Clifton Police Department and wishes to amend the 2023 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 2023 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 FY2024 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:

(b) Operations Excluded from CAPS
State and Federal Programs Off-set by
Revenues:

State of New Jersey FY2024 Clifton Sustained Enforcement Grant -
\$80,000.00

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

R622-23 Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Change Order No. 2 and Final 2021 Road Resurfacing Program (HUD-CD) - Smith Sonyd Asphalt Construction Co.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF
CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 AND FINAL
2021 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM (HUD-CD)
SMITH SONDY ASPHALT CONSTRUCTION CO.**

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2021, the City of Clifton adopted Resolution R-487-21 awarding a contract to SMITH SONDY ASPHALT CONSTRUCTION CO. of WALLINGTON, NEW JERSEY, for the performance of certain public work and the furnishing of material, labor and equipment for the 2021 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM (HUD-CD) in the amount of \$4,288,018.60; and

WHEREAS, regulations, adopted by the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, and dealing with “Contract Change Order” open-end contracts, etc., became effective on April 15, 1977; and

WHEREAS, on February 21, 2023, the City of Clifton adopted Resolution R107-23 authorizing a Change Order be made to the contract awarded to **SMITH SONDY ASPHALT CONSTRUCTION CO.**, in the amount of \$506,290.41 an 11.81% Increase; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has requested that a second and final Change Order be made to the contract awarded to **SMITH SONDY ASPHALT CONSTRUCTION CO.**, in the amount of \$44,640.08 a 1.04% Decrease as authorized by Resolution said being necessary for the proper completion of the project job; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton desires to comply with said regulations, and to the end herewith files with the Governing Body a report of the Engineering Department stating the facts involved and indicating that the proposed contract Change Order is necessary and should be approved and allowed; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer is not required to certify the availability of sufficient funds for the amendatory change for which authorization is requested in the amount of \$44,640.08 a 1.04% DECREASE;

WHEREAS, the total contract amount is now \$4,749,668.93.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton that the said amendatory Change Order be and the same is hereby ratified and payment therefore is hereby approved.

R623-23 Resolution Authorizing Final Payment - 2021 Road Resurfacing Program (HUD-CD) - Smith SONDY Asphalt Construction Co.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT
2021 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM (HUD-CD)
SMITH SONDY ASPHALT CONSTRUCTION CO.**

WHEREAS, **SMITH SONDY ASPHALT CONSTRUCTION CO.** of Wallington, New Jersey, did complete **2021 ROAD RESURFACING PROGRAM (HUD-CD)** project in and for the City of Clifton for the total amount of.....\$4,749,668.93

And previous payments on account of said total have been paid in the amount of.
.....\$4,654,675.55

Leaving this FINAL PAYMENT of..... \$ 94,993.38

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

WHEREAS, the Contractor has posted a Maintenance Bond, for a period of two years, in the amount of **\$474,966.90**; and

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

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

NOW BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is authorized and directed to include the said claim totaling **\$94,993.38** on the claim list.

R624-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Engineering and Land Surveying Services Contract for As-Built and Replacement of Stormwater Infrastructure Services to Najarian Associates for Athenia Storm Sewer Rehabilitation (ARPA)

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING AND LAND
SURVEYING SERVICES CONTRACT FOR AS-BUILT AND REPLACEMENT OF
STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES TO NAJARIAN ASSOCIATES FOR
ATHENIA STORM SEWER REHABILITATION (ARPA)**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires professional engineering services in connection with Athenia Storm Sewer Rehabilitation (ARPA); and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer recommends that a contract for engineering services be awarded to Najarian Associates in accordance with its submitted proposal, dated December 7, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$45,000.00; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the proposal and upon the recommendation of the City Engineer, the Municipal Council wishes to award a contract to Najarian Associates for the provision of said services, in the amount not to exceed \$45,000.00; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to be not to exceed \$45,000.00, and the duration of the contract is until completion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional engineering and land surveying services contract for as-built and replacement of stormwater infrastructure services in connection with Athenia Relief Storm Sewer Rehabilitation (ARPA) hereby is awarded to **NAJARIAN ASSOCIATES**, in accordance with its proposal dated December 7, 2023, in the amount not to exceed \$45,000.00 and shall not exceed that amount except upon the adoption of a supplemental resolution authorizing additional funding; and

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

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

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

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

Awarded to: Najarian Associates, Eatontown, New Jersey
Services: Engineering Services
Project: Professional Engineering & Land Surveying Services for As-built and Replacement of Stormwater Infrastructure in connection with Athenia Relief Storm Sewer Rehabilitation (ARPA)
Cost: Not to exceed \$45,000.00
Term: Until completion

R626-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Engineering Services Contract to Remington & Vernick Engineers for Construction Management and Inspection Services for the 2023 Road Resurfacing Program (HUD-CD)

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES
CONTRACT TO REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS FOR CONSTRUCTION
MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR THE 2023 ROAD
RESURFACING PROGRAM (HUD-CD)**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires professional engineering services for construction management and inspection services in connection with the 2023 Road Resurfacing Program (HUD-CD); and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer recommends that a contract for engineering services be awarded to Remington & Vernick Engineers in accordance with its submitted proposal, dated December 13, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the proposal and upon the recommendation of the City Engineer, the Municipal Council wishes to award a contract to Remington & Vernick Engineers for the provision of said services, in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to be not to exceed \$150,000.00, and the duration of the contract is until completion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional engineering services contract in connection with construction management and inspection services for the 2023 Road Resurfacing Program is hereby awarded to **REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS** in accordance with its proposal dated December 13, 2023, in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 and shall not exceed that amount except upon the adoption of a supplemental resolution authorizing additional funding; and

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

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

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

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

Awarded to: Remington & Vernick Engineers
Services: Engineering Services
Project: Construction Management and Inspection Services for the 2023 Road Resurfacing Program (HUD-CD)
Cost: Not to exceed \$150,000.00
Term: Until completion

R627-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Bond Counsel Services Contract to Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer for 2024

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL BOND COUNSEL
SERVICES CONTRACT TO WILENTZ, GOLDMAN & SPITZER FOR 2024**

WHEREAS, under direction of the Chief Financial Officer, the Office the Purchasing Agent received one (1) proposal from Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer for the provision of said services; and,

WHEREAS, after reviewing the proposals, the Chief Financial Officer wishes to award a contract to Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer for the provision of said services, in accordance with its proposal dated November 28, 2023; and,

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

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

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is expected to be in excess of \$17,500.00 and the term of the contract is for calendar year 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from the contractor and is incorporated in the contract hereby, along with the determination of the value; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed fees from Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer are as follows:

- Fee Per Bond Ordinance Preparation \$300.00 for single purpose issue or \$400.00 for Multipurpose issue
- Fee Per Bond Sale \$2,000.00 plus \$1.00 per \$1,000.00 Issued
- Fee Per BAN Sale \$0.60 per \$1,000.00 Issued, with \$600 minimum.
- Hourly Rate for the Services \$100.00 to \$150.00 per hour
- All Fee structures remain consistent with 2019 through 2023

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional services contract for bond counsel services is hereby awarded to Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, 90 Woodbridge Center Drive, P.O. Box 110, Suite 900, Woodbridge, NJ 07095 in accordance with its proposal dated November 28, 2023; 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 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 issuance of a Purchase Order by the Finance Department; and,

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

R629-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract for Provision of Medical Director Services to Timothy Kowal, MD - January 1, 2024 Through December 31, 2024

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT
FOR PROVISION OF MEDICAL DIRECTOR SERVICES TO TIMOTHY
KOWAL, MD-JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires performance of professional services in connection with Clifton's Medical Clinic for calendar year 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Health Director recommends Timothy Kowal, M.D.'s services in connection with Clifton's Medical Clinic at the rate \$150.00 per hour when such services are required, at a total cost not to exceed \$20,000.00 for the term of the agreement, 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 value of the contract is determined to exceed \$17,500.00 and the term of the contract is for calendar year 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from counsel and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that an agreement between the City of Clifton and Timothy Kowal, MD of Clifton, NJ, for performance of professional services in connection with Clifton's Medical Clinic, at the rate of \$150.00 per hour, at a total cost not to exceed \$20,000.00 for the term of the agreement, be and the same is hereby approved by the Municipal Council; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution and the agreement be made available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton

R630-23 Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Spatial Data Logic Licenses and Related Services Shi International Via Bergen County Cooperative (CK04) Contract

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF SPATIAL DATA LOGIC
LICENSES AND RELATED SERVICES SHI INTERNATIONAL VIA
BERGEN COUNTY COOPERATIVE (CKO4) CONTRACT**

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

WHEREAS, the MIS Coordinator has requested the City purchase fifty (50) licenses for Spatial Data Logic software services for Building Department and Code Enforcement,

WHEREAS, the MIS Coordinator received a quote from SHI International for a total amount of \$63,249.34 off the Bergen County Cooperative for the above licenses and related services; and

WHEREAS, Bergen County contract #22-24 for Computer Equipment and Peripherals, which includes Spatial Data Logic as a licensed solution offering, was awarded to SHI International Corp., 290 Davidson Ave, Somerset, NJ 08873; and

WHEREAS, the current contract term for the Bergen County contract #22-24 for Computer Equipment and Peripherals expires on June 4, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent is satisfied with the procurement process conducted by Bergen County, and the contract, which was awarded to SHI International Corp., 290 Davidson Ave, Somerset, NJ 08873; and

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

1. The award to SHI International Corp for the fifty additional Spatial Data Logic licenses and related services is hereby authorized; and
2. The proposal submitted by SHI International Corp, for the procurement of the above licenses, for a total not to exceed amount of \$63,249.34 is hereby awarded; and
3. Regarding Fund Certification, funds are available under the following account number:
01-201-22-195-503 – Construction Code

R631-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Financial Advisory Services Contract to Phoenix Advisors for Year 2024

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES
CONTRACT TO PHOENIX ADVISORS FOR YEAR 2024**

WHEREAS, under direction of the Chief Financial Officer, the Office the Purchasing Agent obtained proposals for Professional Financial Advisory Services for calendar year 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent received four (4) proposals from 1) Phoenix Advisors, LLC, 2) NW Financial Group 3) Echo Valley Advisors 4) Acacia Financial Group for the provision of said services; and

WHEREAS, after reviewing the proposals, the Chief Financial Officer wishes to award a contract to Phoenix Advisors LLCs of Bordentown, New Jersey for the provision of said services, based on their fee proposal of November 30, 2023, and proven track record with the City; and

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

WHEREAS, this award of a fair and open contract is in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44-A-20.5, and N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; 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 until the services are completed; and

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

WHEREAS, for all transactional services relating to the sale of Bonds or Notes (Option 1), Phoenix Advisors proposes fees based on the par amount of Bonds or Notes issued according to the following schedule (unchanged from the prior year):

- a) Fee per Bond Sale: \$9,500.00 plus \$0.50 per \$1,000 issued
- b) Fee per BAN Sale: \$1,000.00 plus \$0.25 per \$1,000 issued
Fee to include Preliminary Official Statement -\$2000 per BAN
Hourly rates for Chief Executive Officer, Managing Director and Associates vary
from \$115 to o\$195 per hour
Term of the contract is for calendar year 2024; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional services contract for financial advisory services is hereby awarded to Phoenix Advisors, LLC, 625 Farnsworth Avenue, Bordentown, NJ 08505, in accordance with their proposal dated November 30, 2023 in the amount as listed above; 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 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 issuance of a Purchase Order by the Finance Department; and

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

R635-23 Resolution to Loan Surplus Vehicles to Clifton High School for Education Purposes

RESOLUTION TO LOAN SURPLUS VEHICLES TO CLIFTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR EDUCATION PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton is the owner of certain surplus property which is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education for the City of Clifton has requested vehicles for Clifton High School Auto shop for student’s training purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has determined that, due to the condition of the automobiles, they can be loaned to Clifton High School for education purposes; and

WHEREAS, the identification of the two (2) vehicles are as follows:

- 2006 Dodge Magnum VIN 2D4FV47TX6H467095
- 2015 Ford Police Utility VIN 1FM5K8AR2FGA04509

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

1. The two automobiles constitute surplus property and are no longer necessary to be retained for the uses or purposes of the City, and are not anticipated to become necessary to the City in the future; and
2. Authorization is hereby given to loan this surplus property to Clifton Board of Education for Student Training in an “as is” condition without express or implied warranties, subject to said vehicles remaining inoperable and unregistered at all times and subject to execution of an acceptable Hold Harmless agreement.

R636-23 Resolution Authorizing Provision of Various Public Entity Insurance Coverages Including General Liability, Property, Equipment and Boilers, General, Employment Practices Liability, Auto Liability and Physical Damage, Commercial Crime, Flood, Earthquake, Terrorism, Excess Workers' Compensation, Environmental Impairment

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PROVISION OF VARIOUS PUBLIC ENTITY INSURANCE COVERAGES INCLUDING GENERAL LIABILITY, PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND BOILERS, GENERAL, EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES LIABILITY, AUTO LIABILITY AND PHYSICAL DAMAGE, COMMERCIAL CRIME, FLOOD, EARTHQUAKE, TERRORISM, EXCESS WORKERS’ COMPENSATION, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPAIRMENT

BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the recommendation of the Clifton Insurance Committee, 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, the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton hereby authorize the provision of insurance coverage for the City of Clifton with the Safety National Insurance Corp., Selective Insurance Company, Chubb Insurance Co., as negotiated by the City’s Broker of Record, Polaris Galaxy Insurance, LLC, for the period beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024; 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

The City of Clifton has authorized the provision of insurance coverage without competitive bidding as an extraordinary unspecifiable service pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40:11-5(1)(a)(ii) and (m) and *N.J.A.C.* 5:34-2.3(B). The contract and authorizing resolution are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.

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Awarded to: Safety National Insurance Corp.
Services: Various Liability Insurance Coverages
Cost: \$625,172.00
SIR: \$500,000.00
Corridor: \$850,000.00
Term: 1/1/24 - 12/31/24

Awarded to: Safety National Insurance Corp.
Services: Terrorist Risk Insurance (TRI) & Excess TRI
Cost: \$13,177.00
Term: 1/1/24 - 12/31/24

Awarded to: Safety National Casualty Corporation
Services: Excess Workers' Compensation Insurance
Cost: \$172,653.00 (\$750,000 retention)
Term: 1/1/24 - 12/31/24

Awarded to: Chubb Insurance Co.
Services: Environmental Impairment Insurance
Cost: \$42,612.00
Term: 1/1/24- 12/31/24

Awarded to: Selective Insurance Company
Services: Property, Auto Physical Damage & Inland Marine Insurance Coverages
Cost: \$631,168.00
Term: 1/1/24 - 12/31/24

Awarded to: General Star Indemnity
Services: Excess Liability \$5M over \$5M
Cost: \$411,650.00
Term: 1/1/24 - 12/31/24

R637-23 Resolution Authorizing Tax Appeal Settlement - Block 64.04, Lot 2 - 1135 Broad Street

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT – 1135 BROAD STREET

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton have been advised of the proposed settlement of a property tax appeal filed by Karl W. Huelsenbeck, Jr. (hereinafter the “Tax Appeal”), under Docket Numbers 005944-2020, 007713-2021 and 003878-2022; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Tax Appeal involves a commercial property located at Block 64.04 Lot 2, and more commonly known as 1135 Broad Street (hereinafter the “Subject Property”); and

WHEREAS, the said Governing Body has been advised as to the merits of the subject Tax Appeal by legal counsel, the City Appraiser and the City Tax Assessor; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Tax Appeal settlement components are set forth in the Schedule “A” attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to settle the subject Tax Appeal in accordance with the settlement proposal set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, that the settlement of the aforesaid Tax Appeal be finalized in accordance with the enclosed Schedule “A”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that with respect to same, the Mayor, City Administrator, City Tax Attorney and/or any other appropriate City official is hereby authorized to perform any act necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth in this Resolution.

R638-23 Resolution Authorizing Tax Appeal Settlement - Block 83.01, Lot 1.02

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX APPEAL SETTLEMENT
Block 83.01, Lot 1.02**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton have been advised of the proposed settlement of a property tax appeal filed by Target Corp. T-1822 (hereinafter the “Tax Appeal”), under Docket Numbers 007629-2020, 006736-2021, 004320-2022, and 003551-2023; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Tax Appeal involves a commercial property located at Block 83.01, Lot 1.02, (hereinafter the “Subject Property”); and

WHEREAS, the said Governing Body has been advised as to the merits of the subject Tax Appeal by legal counsel, the City Appraiser and the City Tax Assessor; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Tax Appeal settlement components are set forth in the Schedule “A” attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to settle the subject Tax Appeal in accordance with the settlement proposal set forth herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, that the settlement of the aforesaid Tax Appeal be finalized in accordance with the enclosed Schedule “A”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that with respect to same, the Mayor, City Administrator, City Tax Attorney and/or any other appropriate City official is hereby authorized to perform any act necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth in this Resolution.

R639-23 Resolution Authorizing Health Benefit Rates to be Charged to Retired Employees Commencing January 1, 2024

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HEALTH BENEFIT RATES TO BE BILLED TO
RETIRED EMPLOYEES THAT HAVE EXHAUSTED THEIR HEALTH BENEFITS
COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2024**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton do hereby authorize the following monthly rates for health benefits and monthly administrative charges to be billed to retired employees, effective January 1, 2024:

BILLED RETIREES

	Single	Family	Husb/Wife	Parent/Child
PPO/Direct Access Under 65	1,024.20	2,614.38	1,933.92	1,962.92
PPO/Direct Access One 65	515.19	2,143.84	1,285.03	1,304.30

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PPO/Direct Access				
Both 65	515.19	1,993.95	1,024.20	1,304.30
Prescription	391.44	937.75	858.19	689.52
Dental	43.25	43.25	43.25	43.25
Administrative Fee	4.95	4.95	4.95	4.95

R640-23 Resolution Approving Developer Agreement Between the City of Clifton and the 580 Group, LLC

**RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPER AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF CLIFTON AND THE 580 GROUP, LLC**

BE IT RESOLVED, that a Developer Agreement between the City of Clifton and The 580 Group, LLC, the developer of Block 56.07, Lots 15, 15.01-15.06 and 23.01, 790 Bloomfield 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.

R641-23 Resolution Authorizing Agreement Between the City of Clifton and Power of One Christian Coaching and Outreach Ministries, Inc. for Food Distribution Services

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CLIFTON
AND POWER OF ONE CHRISTIAN COACHING AND OUTREACH MINISTRIES,
INC. FOR FOOD DISTRIBUTION SERVICES**

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Clifton agrees to provide Power of One Christian Coaching and Outreach Ministries, Inc., \$42,400.00 in funding for the purpose of reimbursing staff for salaries and fringe benefits for food distribution services performed in 2023 only; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the parties’ agreement shall be memorialized in a form as approved by the Law Department, which shall be and the same is hereby approved by the Municipal Council, and the Mayor and City Clerk be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute the same on behalf of the City of Clifton; and

R642-23 Resolution Approving Developer Agreement Between the City of Clifton and DHF Realty, LLC

**RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPER AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF CLIFTON AND DHF REALTY, LLC**

BE IT RESOLVED, that a Developer Agreement between the City of Clifton and DHF Realty, Inc., the developer of Block 24.05, Lot 1, 618-630 Route 46, 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.

R643-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract to McNerney & Associates, Inc. for Appraising Services in Connection with Tax Appeals for 2024

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO
MC NERNEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR APPRAISING SERVICES IN
CONNECTION WITH TAX APPEALS FOR 2024**

WHEREAS, McNerney & Associates, Inc. has been providing appraisal services for Tax Court and other miscellaneous required appraisal work satisfactory to the City and the City requires renewal of the contract for 2024; and

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from McNerney and Associates, Inc. and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional services contract for appraising services in connection with tax appeals and other miscellaneous purposes for 2024 is hereby awarded to McNerney & Associates, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 without prior approval from the Mayor and Municipal Council in accordance with the same terms originally set forth in the proposal dated December 3, 2021;

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 on 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.

R644-23 Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract to Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC for General Appraisal Services Including Appraisals in Connection with Tax Appeals for 2024

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO
HENDRICKS APPRAISAL COMPANY, LLC FOR GENERAL APPRAISAL
SERVICES INCLUDING APPRAISALS IN CONNECTION WITH TAX APPEALS
FOR 2024**

WHEREAS, Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC has been providing appraisal services for Tax Court and other miscellaneous required appraisal work satisfactory to the City and the City requires renewal of the contract for 2024; and

WHEREAS, the services to be performed are professional services, within the meaning of those terms as used in the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 *et seq.*, and, accordingly, a

contract may be awarded therefore without public advertising for bids and bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5; and

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

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WHEREAS, the estimated combined value of this vendor’s contracts may be in excess of \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Business Entity Disclosure Certification has been received from Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the professional services contract for general appraisal services in connection with tax appeals and miscellaneous required appraisal work with Hendricks Appraisal Company, LLC of West Orange, New Jersey, is renewed for the year 2024, on the same terms and conditions, not to exceed \$30,000 without the adoption of a supplemental resolution; 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 on 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.

R645-23 Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Contract for Hearing of Disciplinary Matters Against Employees of the City of Clifton - 1/1/24 - 12/31/24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF CONTRACT FOR HEARING OFFICERS FOR DISCIPLINARY MATTERS AGAINST EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF CLIFTON JANUARY 1, 2024 – DECEMBER 31, 2024

WHEREAS, the Council has previously authorized the renewal of a contract to the attorney listed below to have him available to assist on an as-needed basis with the hearing of disciplinary matters against employees of the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, this contract has again expired and needs to be renewed January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 at the fee as set forth below:

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Fees</u>
Hon. Phillip Mizzone, J.S.C. (Ret)	\$175 per hour
Hon. Thomas F. Brogan, P.J.S.C. (Ret)	\$175 per hour

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City to continue to have the aforesaid attorney available to act as Hearing Officers in connection with disciplinary charges; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the renewal 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 contact shall be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the City Clerk’s Office of the City of Clifton.

R646-23 Resolution Authorizing Contracts/Renewals of Contracts for Special Tax Appeal
Counsel Services - 1/1/24-3/31/24

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS/RENEWALS OF CONTRACTS FOR
SPECIAL TAX APPEAL COUNSEL SERVICES (1/1/24 - 12/31/24)
JANUARY 1, 2024 - MARCH 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, the Council previously awarded contracts to have attorneys available to assist on an as-needed basis with the complex tax appeal litigation in the Tax Court of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, contracts/renewals of contracts are required from January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 at the fees as set forth below:

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Fees</u>
DeCotiis, FitzPatrick Cole & Giblin, LLP	\$150 per hour
Douglas M. Standriff	\$150 per hour
Bittiger, Elias & Triolo, PC	\$150 per hour
William Betesh, Esq. Boggia, Boggia, Betesh & Voytus, LLC	\$150 per hour

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City to have the aforesaid attorneys available to assist the City as needed according to their differing areas of expertise and the complexity of various pending appeals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a list of the aforesaid professionals be maintained to assist the City with tax appeals according to their respective areas of expertise, on an as-needed basis; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that aforesaid fees for services for each of the aforesaid professionals shall not exceed \$5,000 without the approval of the Municipal Attorney and the fees for all of the aforesaid professionals shall not exceed \$20,000 in the aggregate, 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 any contracts on behalf of the City of Clifton; and

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

R647-23 Resolution Appointing Legal Counsel to Handle Independent Investigation
Services in Connection with Complaints Brought Under the City's Policy Prohibiting Sexual
Harassment and Discrimination Involving Employees of the City of Clifton - 1/1/24 - 3/31/24

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING LEGAL COUNSEL TO HANDLE INDEPENDENT
INVESTIGATION SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH COMPLAINTS BROUGHT
UNDER THE CITY’S POLICY PROHIBITING SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND
DISCRIMINATION INVOLVING EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF CLIFTON -
JANUARY 1, 2024 - MARCH 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires the services of outside legal counsel to represent the City of Clifton in complaints brought under the City’s policy prohibiting sexual harassment and discrimination involving employees of the City of Clifton; and

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WHEREAS, Gina Mendola Longarzo, Esq. and Richard Gantner, Esq. have providing legal services for the City of Clifton in the past in a satisfactory manner, and the Municipal Attorney recommends the continuation of her appointment as independent investigation counsel for the year 2024 when such services are required, at the rate of \$125.00 per hour, not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the term of the contract; 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 may be in excess of \$17,500.00, for the calendar year of 2024 and may be continued through the conclusion of each claim 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 conduct independent investigations for complaints brought under the City’s policy prohibiting sexual harassment and discrimination involving employees of the City of Clifton, effective January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024, the rate to be paid for said services is \$125.00 per hour, not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the term of the contract be and hereby is authorized.

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 Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute a contact 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.

R648-23 Resolution Authorizing Renewal of Contract for Prosecution of Disciplinary Matters Against Employees of the City of Clifton - 1/1/24-3/31/24

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF CONTRACT FOR PROSECUTION
OF DISCIPLINARY MATTERS AGAINST EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF
CLIFTON
JANUARY 1, 2024 - MARCH 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, the Council has previously authorized the renewal of a contract to the attorney listed below to have him available to assist on an as-needed basis with the hearing of disciplinary matters against employees of the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, this contract has again expired and needs to be renewed from January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 at the fee as set forth below:

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Fees</u>
Michael Montanari, Esq., Montanari Law Group	\$175 per hour
Charles C. Festa, III, Esq., Law Offices of Charles C. Festa	\$175 per hour
Richard Gantner, Esq., Cleary, Giacobbe	\$175 per hour

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of the City to continue to have the aforesaid attorney available to prosecute the disciplinary charges against City employees; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the renewal 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 professionals shall not exceed \$10,000.00 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 contact shall be placed on file and made available for public inspection in the City Clerk’s Office of the City of Clifton.

R649-23 Resolution Appointing Legal Counsel to Handle Employment Litigation Claims Against the City of Clifton - 1/1/24-3/31/24

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING LEGAL COUNSEL TO HANDLE EMPLOYMENT
LITIGATION CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF CLIFTON
JANUARY 1, 2024 - MARCH 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires the services of outside legal counsel to represent the City of Clifton in employment litigation claims filed against the City; and

WHEREAS, Dominick Carmagnola, Esq. of the firm Carmagnola & Ritardi, LLC of Morristown, NJ, have been providing legal services for the City of Clifton in the past in a satisfactory manner, and the City would like to continue the firm’s appointment as employment litigation counsel for the from January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024, when such services are required, at the rate of \$175.00 per hour for partners, and \$135.00 per hour for associates; 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 for the calendar year 2024 and may be continued through the conclusion of each 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 in employment litigations claims filed against the City is awarded to Carmagnola & Ritardi, LLC, effective January 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024, the rate to be paid for said services is \$175.00 per hour for partners and \$135.00 per hour for associates.

The aforesaid fee for services shall not exceed \$10,000.00 without the adoption of a supplemental resolution by the Municipal Council.

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The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute a contact 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.

R650-23 Resolution Awarding Contract to DeCotiis, FitzPatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP for General Environmental Counsel Services - 1/1/24-3/31/24

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO DE COTIIS, FITZPATRICK, COLE & GIBLIN, LLP, FOR GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL COUNSEL SERVICES
JANUARY 1, 2024 - MARCH 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton requires the services of environmental counsel to perform certain legal services for the City of Clifton in connection with various matters to assist the City’s Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP); and

WHEREAS, De Cotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP of Paramus, NJ, have been providing legal services for the City of Clifton in a satisfactory manner.

WHEREAS, the De Cotiis firm is agreeable to providing said general environmental counsel services for 2024 at the rate of \$175.00 per hour, not to exceed \$5,000.00 for the term of the contract, without a supplemental resolution; 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 (in combination with other matters) is expected to be in excess of \$17,500.00 for the calendar year of 2024; 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:

A contract for professional general environmental counsel services, in the form as approved by the Clifton Law Department, is awarded to De Cotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP, effective January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024, the rate to be paid for said services is \$175.00 per hour, not to exceed \$5,000.00 for the term of the contract without the express approval of the Municipal Council and adoption of a supplementary resolution.

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 Mayor and City Clerk are authorized and directed to execute a contact 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:

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**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.

R652-23 Resolution for Reappointment of Special Police - 2024

**RESOLUTION FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF
SPECIAL POLICE**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that the following Special Police be and are hereby reappointed for a term, commencing on January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024:

Jose Diaz	Eduardo Dehais
Alan Berkenbush	Christian Vassoler
Pasquale Castaldo	Michael Humenik
David Ervolino	Frank Dara III
John Lyons	Thomas Chichi
Victor Flaz	Marc Bergman
Todd Lyness	Stephen Aggi
Harold Van Winkle	Michael McLaughlin
James Janisheski	Joel Smith

R653-23 Resolution for Appointment to Action Clifton Committee (Botany Section)

**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 Ed Mathews to become an Alternate Member of the Action Clifton Committee (Botany 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 Ed Mathews is hereby appointed as an Alternate Member of the Action Clifton Committee commencing this day.

R654-23 Resolution Authorizing Reappointment of Members to Traffic Safety Council

**RESOLUTION FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF
MEMBERS TO THE TRAFFIC SAFETY COUNCIL**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey are in receipt of a reappointment form from the secretary of the Traffic Safety Council recommending reappointment of Kelly Eckert, Matthew Ward and Lou DeStefano; and

WHEREAS, said members' term will expire on December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, said members are being reappointed to said committee for a term of three years commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that the above-mentioned members of the Traffic Safety Council be and are hereby reappointed for a three-year term, commencing on January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

R655-23 Resolution of Congratulations Upon Retirement - Fire Captain - Kevin Danielson

**RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS UPON RETIREMENT –
FIRE CAPTAIN – KEVIN DANIELSON**

WHEREAS, December 1, 2023, Fire Captain – Kevin Danielson, officially retired from his position with the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, he was appointed as a Fire Prevention Specialist on December 1, 1997, and his retirement will conclude a twenty-six-year career in service to the public and the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, he has always displayed an attitude of professionalism and dedication to duty; and

WHEREAS, he has been a credit to the City of Clifton during all this time, and this Governing Body wishes to acknowledge his long-time service to the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Members of the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton do hereby extend to

**FIRE CAPTAIN
KEVIN DANIELSON**

their sincere congratulations and thanks for a job well done, as well as their best wishes for continued good health, peace and happiness in his retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy thereof presented to **KEVIN DANIELSON**.

R656-23 Resolution of Congratulations Upon Retirement - Fire Captain - Michael S. Montague

**RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS UPON RETIREMENT –
FIRE CAPTAIN – MICHAEL S. MONTAGUE**

WHEREAS, December 1, 2023, Fire Captain – Michael S. Montague, officially retired from his position with the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, he was appointed as a Firefighter on October 23, 1995, and his retirement will conclude a twenty-eight-year career in service to the public and the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, he has always displayed an attitude of professionalism and dedication to duty; and

WHEREAS, he has been a credit to the City of Clifton during all this time, and this Governing Body wishes to acknowledge his long-time service to the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Members of the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton do hereby extend to

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**FIRE CAPTAIN
MICHAEL S. MONTAGUE**

their sincere congratulations and thanks for a job well done, as well as their best wishes for continued good health, peace and happiness in his retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy thereof presented to **MICHAEL S. MONTAGUE**.

R657-23 Resolution of Thanks and Appreciation to Vivian Semeraro for Service on the Clifton Beautification Committee

**RESOLUTION OF THANKS AND APPRECIATION TO VIVIAN SEMERARO FOR
SERVICE ON THE CLIFTON BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Members of the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, New Jersey, on behalf of the City and all its citizens, do hereby formally and officially extend to

VIVIAN SEMERARO

their sincere thanks and appreciation for her contribution of time and talent to the good and welfare of the City of Clifton through her years of dedicated service on the **BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy thereof presented to **VIVIAN SEMERARO**.

R658-23 Resolution of Thanks and Appreciation to Laure Barrett for Service at the Clifton Public Library

**RESOLUTION OF THANKS AND APPRECIATION TO LAURE BARRETT FOR
SERVICE AT THE CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Members of the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, New Jersey, on behalf of the City and all its citizens, do hereby formally and officially extend to

LAURE BARRETT

their sincere thanks and appreciation for her contribution of time and talent to the good and welfare of the City of Clifton through her years of dedicated service to the **CLIFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY**; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting, and a copy thereof presented to **LAURE BARRETT**.

R659-23 Resolution Authorizing the Award to and the Execution of a Contract with Giampaolo & Associates For the Rendering of Accounting and Financial Services For the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program For the Clifton Public Housing Agency for the Year January 1, 2024 Through December 31, 2024

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD TO AND THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH GIAMPAOLO & ASSOCIATES FOR THE RENDERING OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR THE SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM FOR THE CLIFTON PUBLIC HOUSING AGENCY FOR THE YEAR JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024

WHEREAS, the Clifton Public Housing Agency requires certain specialized accounting and financial services of an expert in connection with its operations, and further is required by Federal Law, Rules and Regulations to have such services (auditing, etc.) in order to obtain federal funds necessary for its 2024 operations; and

WHEREAS, such services constitute “Professional Services” within the ambit of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is \$15,900.00, and the duration of the contract is one year, January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Clerk be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract (and the required copies) for the rendering of such services by Giampaolo & Associates for a fee of \$15,900.00 payable in quarterly installments of \$3,975.00, a copy of which contract is made a part hereof by reference; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the original of this resolution and the contract above referred to be placed on file and made available for the public inspection at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton and that the City Clerk shall forward an executed copy of the said contract to the Clifton Housing Agency.

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

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

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

Awarded to: Giampaolo & Associates, 467 Middletown Lincroft Rd., Lincroft, NJ 07738
Services: Accounting Services for Clifton Public Housing Agency – Housing Choice Voucher Program
Cost: \$15,900.00
Term: January 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024

R660-23 Resolution Authorizing the Award to and the Execution of a Contract With Kotulak & Company PC for the Rendering of Accounting and Financial Services for the City of Clifton Community Development Block Grant Program from January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2024

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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD TO AND THE EXECUTION OF A
CONTRACT WITH KOTULAK & COMPANY, PC FOR THE RENDERING OF
ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CLIFTON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FROM JANUARY 1,
2024– DECEMBER 31, 2024**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Community Development Department requires certain specialized accounting and financial services of an expert in connection with its operations, and further is required by Federal Law, Rules and Regulations to have such services (auditing, etc.) in order to obtain federal funds necessary for its 2024 operations; and

WHEREAS, such services constitute “Professional Services” within the ambit of 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. 19:44A-20-5; and

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is \$23,372.00, and the duration of the contract is one year, January 1, 2024 to December 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, 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;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a contract for auditing services for the Community Development Block Grant Program from January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024 is hereby awarded to Kotulak & Company, PC of Clifton, NJ, at a cost not to exceed \$23,372.00 and that the Mayor and the City Clerk be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract and the required copies in the form as approved by the Clifton Law Department; 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 contract above referred to be placed on file and made available for the public inspection at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton and that the City Clerk shall forward an executed copy of the said contract to the Clifton Community Development Department; 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 following short notice be printed once in a legal newspaper of the City of Clifton.

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

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

Awarded to: Kotulak & Company, PC, Clifton, NJ
Services: Accounting Services for Community Development Block Grant Program
Cost: \$23,372.00
Term: January 1, 2024 thru December 31, 2024

**RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE
2024 BUDGET FOR CLIFTON’S HISTORIC BOTANY DISTRICT, INC.
SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached statements of revenues and appropriations attached hereto constitute the Budget for the Clifton’s Historic Botany District, Inc. Special Improvement District for the Fiscal Year 2024, as introduced by the Mayor and Municipal Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following notice was published in the Herald News on October 25, 2023, and that a hearing on the budget be held on December 5, 2023 at the City of Clifton Municipal Building.

**FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR CLIFTON’S
HISTORIC BOTANY DISTRICT, INC.
SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

Income		
	SID Assessments – Collections	\$104,500
	SID Assessments – CDBG	\$ 30,000
	City of Clifton – Supplemental Funding	\$ -----
	Flea Markets & Events	<u>\$ 5,000</u>
	Fund Raisers	\$ 5,000
	Concerts	\$ 5,000
	Total Income	\$149,500
Expenses:		
	Cleaning Services – Full Time	\$ 54,080
	Cleaning Services – Part Time	\$ 38,090
	Independent Exec. Director	\$ 7,200
	Events	\$ 10,980
	SID Financial Expenses	\$ 9,150
	Security Patrol (CDBG Contribution)	<u>\$30,000</u>
	Total Expenses	\$149,500

Notice is hereby given that the 2024 Budget for Clifton’s Historic Botany District, Inc., Special Improvement District was approved by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic on October 3, 2023. A hearing on the 2024 Budget for Clifton’s Historic Botany District, Inc. Special Improvement District was be held at Clifton City Hall, 900 Clifton Avenue, Clifton, NJ on December 5, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. at which place and time objections to said 2024 Budget for Clifton’s Historic Botany District, Inc. Special Improvement District may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons. Copies of the budget are available in the office of the City Clerk at business hours of 8:15 a.m. through 4:15 p.m.

R662-23 Resolution to Introduce 2024 Budget for Downtown Clifton Economic Development Group, Inc. Special Improvement District

**RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE
2024 BUDGET FOR DOWNTOWN
CLIFTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP, INC.
SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

BE IT RESOLVED that the statements of revenues and appropriations attached hereto constitute the Budget for the Downtown Clifton Economic Development Group, Inc. Special Improvement District for the Fiscal Year 2024, as introduced by the Mayor and Municipal Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following notice was published in the Herald and News on October 25, 2023, and that a public hearing on the budget was held on December 5, 2023 at the City of Clifton Municipal Building.

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**FISCAL YEAR 2024 BUDGET FOR THE
DOWNTOWN CLIFTON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP, INC.
SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

Sponsorships	\$7,000.00
SID Assessments:	\$ 116,400.00
Total Work Plan Budget:	\$ 123,400.00

Notice is hereby given that the 2024 Budget for Downtown Clifton Economic Development Group, Inc., Special Improvement District was approved by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic on October 3, 2023. A hearing on the 2024 Budget for Downtown Clifton Economic Development Group Special Improvement District was held at Clifton City Hall, 900 Clifton Avenue, Clifton, NJ on December 5, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. at which place and time objections to said 2024 Budget for Downtown Clifton Economic Development Group Special Improvement District may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons. Copies of the budget are available by email request at: DSidoti@Cliftonnj.org

R663-23 Resolution Authorizing Sale of Abandoned Motor Vehicles - January, 2024
Auction

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF
ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLES
JANUARY, 2024 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

2020 MMDI E510H TRAILER	5631F 1720L M0014 60
2011 FORD EXPLORER	1FMHK 7F88B GA244 43
2010 FORD TAURUS	1FAHP 2HW3A G1199 06
2013 NISSAN JUKE	JN8AF 5MV9D T2246 39

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

2011 SUBARU IMPREZA	JF1GE 6B63B H5013 51
2018 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE	1C4RJ FAG8J C2212 52
2007 VW JETTA	3VWEF 71K37 M0645 52
2014 JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE	1C4RJ FBG2E C2899 41
2011 BMW 750	WBAKC 8C57B C4328 33
2023 FENGYUAN TANK	H0DTA EG17P X0481 78
2005 JEEP CHEROKEE	1J4GR 48K75 C6188 06

NICOLETTE TOWING 618 LEXINGTON AVE 973-253-0025

1984 CHEVROLET CORVETTE	1G1AY 078XE 51271 86
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RESOLUTION FIXING FEES FOR DELINQUENT TAXES
OR ASSESSMENTS FOR 2024

WHEREAS, Chapter 45 of the Laws of 1970 authorizes a municipality to establish the rate of interest to be charged for delinquent taxes or assessments in the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 54:4-67*, permits the governing body to fix the rate of interest to be charged for the non-payment of taxes, assessments, or other municipal liens or charges on or before the date on which they would become delinquent as follows: not to exceed eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500.00 and eighteen percent (18%) percent per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 54:4-67* also permits the governing body to fix the rate of discount, in an amount not to exceed six percent (6%) per annum on delinquencies in excess of \$10,000, which have not been paid prior to the end of a fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 40A:5:17-1* allows the governing body of the municipality to authorize the Clifton Tax Collector to process the refund and/or cancel property taxes, delinquency of charges and fees less than \$10.00 without further action on the part of the governing body; and.

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 54:5-61* provides that the holder of tax title is entitled to penalties at redemption of two percent (2%) if certificate is more than \$200 up to \$5,000, an additional sum equal to four percent (4%) at redemption if certificate is more than \$5,000 up to \$10,000; and additional sum equal to six percent (6%) at redemption if certificate is more than \$10,000; and

THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, as follows for 2024:

- I. The Tax Collector of the City of Clifton is hereby authorized and directed to charge eight percent (8%) per annum on the first \$1,500 of the delinquency and eighteen percent (18%) per annum in excess of \$1,500, and no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made within a grace period of ten (10) calendar days following the date which same became payable; and
- II. A six percent (6%) penalty shall be assessed on delinquent taxes, assessments or municipal charges in excess of \$10,000, which has not been paid prior to the end of a fiscal year; and
- III. With respect to tax certificates held by the municipality the following additional penalties are charged: two percent (2%) on the amount due over \$200 up to \$5,000; four percent (4%) of the amount due over \$5,000 up to \$10,000; and six percent (6%) on the amount in excess of \$10,000; and
- IV. The Tax Collector of the City of Clifton is hereby authorized to process the cancellation of any property tax refund or delinquency of less than \$10.00 without further action of the governing body.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Clifton City Council, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector of the City of Clifton is hereby authorized to conduct a tax sale for all prior years' delinquent taxes pursuant to New Jersey Law Chapter 99.

December 19, 2023

R665-23 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Cancellation of Mortgage Between City of Clifton and Lynne M. Lonison; Gloria Nalewajko; Gloria Tomcho and Earl C. and Mary H. Jones (Clifton Home Improvement Program)

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CANCELLATION OF
MORTGAGE BETWEEN CITY OF CLIFTON AND LYNNE M. LONISON; GLORIA
NALEWAJKO; GLORIA TOMCHO; AND EARL C. AND MARY H. JONES
(CLIFTON HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM)**

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2017, in conjunction with a CHIP grant to Lynne M. Lonison, a mortgage in the amount of \$10,000.00 was given by the City of Clifton for property situated at 74 Marlboro Road, Clifton, New Jersey (Block 67.09, Lot 26); and

WHEREAS, on April 5, 2017, in conjunction with a CHIP grant to Gloria Nalewajko, a mortgage in the amount of \$5,771.25 was given by the City of Clifton for property situated at 8 Grunwald Street, Clifton, New Jersey (Block 37.02, Lot 6); and

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2017, in conjunction with a CHIP grant to Gloria Tomcho, a mortgage in the amount of \$6,550.00 was given by the City of Clifton for property situated at 8 Wickers Street, Clifton, New Jersey (Block 73.05, Lot 18); and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2017, in conjunction with a CHIP grant to Earl C. & Mary H. Jones, a mortgage in the amount of \$10,000.00 was given by the City of Clifton for property situated at 272 Getty Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey (Block 11.03, Lot 11); and

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

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

R666-23 Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation and Refund of a Portion of the 2023 2nd Quarter Taxes, the 2023 3rd Quarter Taxes and the 2023 4th Quarter Taxes on Property Known as Block 12.24, Lot 26, 172 Sylvan Avenue, Owned by a Disable Veteran

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION AND REFUND OF A
PORTION OF THE 2023 2nd QUARTER TAXES, THE 2023 3rd QUARTER TAXES
AND THE 2023 4th QUARTER TAXES ON PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 12.24
LOT 26, 172 SYLVAN AVENUE, OWNED BY A DISABLED VETERAN**

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has confirmed that Henry M. Hacker is the owner of property known as Block 12.24, Lot 26, 172 Sylvan Avenue and has been declared 100% disabled by the US Department of Veteran Affairs as of June 15, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Henry M. Hacker has made application to the Tax Assessor of the City of Clifton for a property tax exemption in accordance with the law; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of his disabled veteran exemption, Henry M. Hacker is entitled to the cancellation and partial refund of the 2023 second quarter property taxes, the 2023 third quarter property taxes, and the 2023 fourth quarter property taxes on the subject property; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council, having reviewed the facts and circumstances of the application, wishes to grant the application and hereby approved the tax exemption on the subject property as of June 15, 2023, and hereby authorizes the cancellation and partial refund of the 2023 second quarter property taxes in the amount of \$279.60, the 2023 third quarter property

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taxes in the amount of \$1,750.76, and 2023 fourth quarter property taxes on the subject property in the amount of \$1,728.82 for a total refund of \$3,759.18;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector and/or City Treasurer are hereby authorized and directed:

1. To cancel and refund the pro-rated portion of the 2023 second quarter property taxes in the amount of \$279.60, the 2023 third quarter property taxes in the amount of \$1,750.76, and 2023 fourth quarter property taxes in the amount of \$1,728.82 for a total refund in the amount of \$3,759.18; and;
2. To keep said subject property tax exempt for the totally disabled veteran for as long as he shall qualify for the exemption and for so long as the exemption is authorized by law based upon the facts and circumstances of this matter.

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to direct Administration to obtain the total of funds from the County was granted to each Municipality in Passaic County.

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

R667-23 Executive Session

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

CON-1 Developer Agreement - The 580 Group, LLC
CON-2 Developer Agreement - DHF Realty, LLC - 618-630 Route 46
CON-3 Stipend - Deputy City Clerk - Personnel Matter
CON-4 Legal Opinion Regarding Soliciting Political Contributions on City Property
CON-5 IBEW On Call Proposal - Contract Negotiations
CON-6 PBA - Successor Contract Negotiations
CON-7 Order to Implement a Municipal Wide Revaluation - Potential Litigation

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the public shall be excused and excluded from that portion of the Council's meeting to be held on December 19, 2023 at which time, said subject(s) shall be discussed; and

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

LICENSES

L-1 Claire's #6764

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF STEVEN VELEZ
T/A WELL CONNECTED SMOKE SHOP
for permission to conduct a: GROCERY-NEW
for a period ending January 31, 2024 on the premises known as:
245 LAKEVIEW 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.

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L-2 We Bake Fresh

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF NOEL PEREZ
T/A RAZOR SHARP CUTS
for permission to conduct a: GROCERY - NEW
for a period ending January 31, 2024 on the premises known as:
1066 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-3 Hookah Engineer

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF KRIOLLO RESTAURANTE LLC
T/A KRIOLLO RESTAURANTE
for permission to conduct a: RESTAURANT-CONTINUED USE
for a period ending January 31, 2024 on the premises known as:
1159 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 Wahizza

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR L GROUP ITO LLC
T/A WAHIZZA
ADDRESS 150 7TH ST CLIFTON, NJ 07011
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED RESTAURANT-CONTINUED USE
FORMERLY OR NEW SLICE CITY LLC
ZONE B-D
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-5 Nazarco

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF NAZARCO INC.
T/A NAZARCO
for permission to conduct a: GROCERY
for a period ending January 31, 2024 on the premises known as:
85 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.

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A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to return to Executive Session.

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

Upon roll call, the following were noted present:

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

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

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Councilman Latona, seconded by Councilman Gibson to adjourn the meeting at 10:36 p.m.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Ferrigno
City Clerk

Raymond Grabowski, Mayor