

CLIFTON, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES APRIL 16, 2024

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

8:10 P.M. CALL OF ROLL

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

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the Annual Notice of regularly scheduled meetings of the Municipal Council for the year 2024 which was published as legal advertisements in the Herald News on December 10, 2023, and was additionally advertised in the Record on December 10, 2023. Further notice of this meeting was given on Friday prior to the meeting to The Herald News and by posting of said notice on the bulletin board at City Hall and on the Clifton Website which notice stated that formal action may or may not be taken on matters to come before the Municipal Council.

Upon roll call, the following were noted present:

Councilman Gibson	(BG) Via Zoom
Councilman Kolodziej	(JK)
Councilman Latona	(AL)
Councilman D’Amato	(CD)
Councilwoman Pino	(RP)
Councilwoman Sadrakula	(MS)
Mayor Grabowski	(RG)

Also present were City 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

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PRESENTATION

A Motion was made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Kolodziej and passed on roll call vote to suspend the regular order of business.

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

Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamation

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej seconded by Councilman Latona and passed on roll call vote to approve the Workshop Session, Executive Session and Regular Session Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2024, and the Special Budget Meeting and Executive Session of April 9, 2024.

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

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

- C-1 Virginia Matas, Regulatory Affairs, Keyboarding Clerk 1, hired effective April 1, 2024, at \$32,500.00 annually.
- C-2 Zachary Moore, Public Works, Laborer 1, hired effective April 1, 2024, at \$32,500.00 annually.
- C-3 Catherine Castillo, Finance Department resigned position of Accounting Assistant, effective April 1, 2024.
- C-4 Christina Thomas, Human Services Art Center resigned position of Clerk 1, effective April 2, 2024.
- C-5 Thomas Fantozzi, Public Works, resigned position of Heavy Equipment Operator, effective April 9, 2024.
- C-6 Terrance Williams, Public Works, Promoted to Heavy Equipment Operator , effective April 1, 2024, at \$64,500.00 annually.
- C-7 Frank Martorano, Public Works, Promoted to Heavy Equipment Operator , effective April 1, 2024, at \$64,500.00 annually.
- C-8 Keith Huntley, Public Works, Promoted to Heavy Equipment Operator , effective April 1, 2024, at \$64,500.00 annually.

COMMUNICATIONS MEETING MINUTES

- C-9 Minutes of North Jersey District Water Supply Commission of February 28, 2024
- C-10 Minutes of Senior Citizens Advisory Committee of February 22, 2024
- C-11 Minutes of Passaic Valley Water Commission of February 28, 2024
- C-12 Minutes of Beautification Committee of April 1, 2024

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

A. Adoption of Ordinance 7903-24

B. Public Hearing on Ordinance 7903-24

Mayor Grabowski opened the floor to the public regarding Ordinance 7903-24.

With no one wishing to be heard, a Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman D'Amato to close the public hearing 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 439-18 Entitled "Loading Zones" (Adds Location on Columbia Street)

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

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

A. Introduction of Ordinance 7904-24

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman D'Amato, and passed on roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" More Particularly Section 439-10 Thereof, Entitled "Stopping or Standing Prohibited During Certain Hours on Certain Streets" (Adds No Stopping or Standing Zone on Van Houten Avenue)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

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

B. Introduction of Ordinance 7905-24

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman D'Amato and passed on roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-37 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets" (Deletes 13 Handicapped Spaces)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

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

C. Introduction of Ordinance 7906-24

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman D'Amato, and passed 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 7 Restricted Handicapped Spaces)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

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

D. Introduction of Ordinance 7907-24

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman D'Amato, and passed on roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 439 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", More Particularly Section 439-38 Thereof, Entitled "Handicapped Parking on Streets for Private Residences" (Deletes 5 Handicapped Spaces)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

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

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E. Introduction of Ordinance 7908-24

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, passed upon motion made by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman D’Amato, and passed 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)

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that the ordinance now pending be further considered for final passage after public hearing at the regular meeting of the Municipal Council to be held Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 8:00 p.m. and that the City Clerk be authorized to publish said ordinance together with statutory notice as required by law.

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

F. Introduction of Ordinance 7909-24

The entitled ordinance was introduced and read by the City Clerk, as first reading, which reading was by title, and tabled upon motion made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman D’Amato, and passed on roll call vote.

An Ordinance to Amend, Revise and Supplement Chapter 349 of the Code of the City of Clifton, Entitled "Parking on Residential Streets", More Particularly Section 349-2 Thereof, Entitled "Restricted Streets" (Amends Hours of Restricted Parking on Van Breeman Drive)

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

FLOOR TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Roland Minaya, 31 Lawrence Court, discussed the quality-of-life issues effecting the residents around Pershing Road due to the number of people visiting the Mosque. He asked why it has been 20 months since the area residents asking for permit parking on Lawrence Court has not been approved.

Donna Popowich, 57 Dalewood Rd., invited, anyone who would like to attend, to the Clifton Democrats Club Breakfast. She spoke about the process of submitting grants, companies that search for grants for a cost, adding Zoom for the public to call into Council meetings and the quality-of-life issues in the Pershing Road area near the Mosque.

Sal Brancato, Starmond Ave., spoke about the quality-of-life issues around the Mosque on Pershing Road.

Gary Perino, 491 Mt. Prospect Ave., discussed the post office being closed for lunch, saving the Allwood Theater from being razed, insisting that Congressman Pascrell attend a Council Meeting, unclaimed funds that benefit the City and contacting the Attorney General to help with electric bikes running erratically on public roads.

Bart Ciervo, 306 Delawanna Ave., commented on the parking and traffic issues around the Mosque on Pershing Road and RLUIPA laws. He asked if anyone on the Council would meet him in Dunney Park to see the poor condition it is in. Mr. Ciervo spoke about litter on highway ramps.

Henry Cholewczynski, 37 Phyllis Pl., commented on uprooted sidewalks and the Budget. He remarked that the City Manager should have an assistant to help him with his workload.

Judy Bassford, 92 Mountainview Dr., asked if Main Memorial Park ever received Green Acre Funding, which forbids political events once funds are granted. She asked if all City parks are ADA compliant. She asked Councilwoman Pino to meet with her to talk about what Ms. Bassford feels is a conflict of interest involving Councilwoman Pino. Ms. Bassford spoke about the need to update the City's Zoning Laws.

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

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

CITY MANAGER PRIVILEGE/RESPONSE TO RESIDENTS

City Manager, Dominick Villano, replied to questions regarding the Mosque on Pershing Road. He remarked that the capacity is 825 people. Mr. Villano commented that the Fire Department visited the site, and everything is compliant. He announced that the leaders of the Mosque are preparing a plan to alleviate parking and traffic in the area. Mr. Villano stated that loud sounds can be enforced if the sound is over certain decibels. He spoke about the pending parking permit application for Lawrence Court and stated that numerous summonses were issued for illegal parking.

Donna Popowich – City Manager, Dominick Villano, commented that the City has a Grant Writer that searches for grants and that the City does not qualify for every grant offered. He stated that mandatory parallel parking has been suspended on certain cul-de-sacs off Pershing Road to provide more parking.

Sal Brancato – City Manager, Dominick Villano, deferred the use of the easement to the Legal Department.

Gary Perino – City Manager, Dominick Villano, told Mr. Perino that he has contacted the Post Office regarding closing the office for lunch. He stated that the Alwood Theater is privately owned and not directed by the City. Mr. Villano thanked the resident who urged the City to claim monies that are due to them through the State Unclaimed Funds website.

Bart Ciervo – City Manager, Dominick Villano, replied that the Police do enforce illegal parking where there is a problem on Pershing Road. He stated that cars cannot be ticketed or towed if they are parked legally. Mr. Villano offered to meet Mr. Ciervo in Dunney Park to see the conditions that Mr. Ciervo is concerned about. Mr. Villano explained that any money from the Federal Government that is granted for a project, must use a percentage of the funding toward a minority or women owned business.

Henry Cholewczynski – City Manager, Dominick Villano, thanked Mr. Cholewczynski for suggesting an assistant for the City Manager. He remarked that Mr. Cholewczynski's idea of using DPW Employees for tree root sewer issues would be advantageous.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

Councilman D'Amato gave an update on the Historical Commission. He stated they spoke about the need for a museum and planning events for celebrating the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.

Councilwoman Pino gave an update on the Botany SID Meeting. She spoke about the Committee's desire to raise funding for a new streetscape. Councilwoman Pino announced that since the Satellite office was open in Botany, the number of quality-of-life calls have been reduced dramatically. She asked to have a discussion regarding parking issues in Botany Village at the next Council meeting.

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COUNCIL PRIVILEGE

Councilwoman Sadrakula

Councilwoman Sadrakula spoke about having Congressman Pascrell attend a Council meeting, obtaining grants, enforcement of noise at the Mosque on Pershing Road and she asked for an update on the DEP applications for the Third River flooding issue. Councilwoman Sadrakula spoke about the need to have more frequent Budget meetings, the use of speed tables to deter speeding, the condition of Dunney Park, updating the Zoning Ordinances and uprooted sidewalks. She discussed the decision to add a Zoom option to the Council meetings for the public and suggested changing the meeting format to allow back and forth dialogue between the Council and the public. Councilwoman Sadrakula asked that an item be put on the next Council meeting to discuss ADA Parks.

Councilman Gibson

Councilman Gibson thanked everyone for the well wishes during his recovery. He spoke about the value of the PRAISE program (Parents Requiring Assistance in Special Education). Councilman Gibson discussed the allowed capacity of the Mosque on Pershing Road and an easement on Starmond Ave. He agreed that keeping the Allwood Theater as a Community Arts Center would be a nice addition to the City. Councilman Gibson asked why Congressman Pascrell is refusing to attend a City Council meeting. He discussed the decision to offer a Zoom platform for the public during Council meetings and tree roots damaging sidewalks. Councilman Gibson discussed the need for Council meetings to be more productive.

Councilman Kolodziej

Councilman Kolodziej announced the upcoming Shred Day and Rabies Clinic. He read Recreation Department news. Councilman Kolodziej commented that the way traffic and parking situations will improve is through enforcement of traffic and parking laws. Councilman Kolodziej explained the procedure for obtaining Grants and discussed the lack of representation in Trenton for our City. He spoke about the bickering and lack of production at the Budget meetings. Councilman Kolodziej remarked on the need for more DPW staff and police officers which will improve value for taxpayers.

Councilman Latona

Councilman Latona announced local news and events. He inquired if the City does exit interviews with employees. Councilman Latona spoke about using ARPA funds to improve infrastructure. He spoke about the Third River flooding issue and the parking and traffic problems near the Mosque on Pershing Road. Councilman Latona announced that he plans to make cuts for employees at the top and give more to the employees on the bottom. He commented on having all City parks ADA accessible. Councilman Latona remarked on an upcoming ROTC awards night, the budget, sidewalks and updating Zoning ordinances.

Councilman D'Amato

Councilman D'Amato expressed his condolences to the Law family on the passing of their daughter Serenity. He welcomed Councilman Gibson back and wished him a speedy recovery. Councilman D'Amato spoke about the Third River flooding issues. He announced that Clifton was listed as Film Ready Community. He announced that the film industry is hosting a seminar and asked that a representative from the City attend the seminar. He spoke about the need for the budget process to move forward and the quality-of-life issues on Pershing Road to be addressed. Councilman D'Amato discussed RLUIPA laws and the poor condition of Dunney Park. He thanked the resident who suggested the City Manager search the unclaimed funds website. Councilman D'Amato remarked that he provided information at a previous meeting that was incorrect. He stated at the meeting that New Jersey is not a Castle Doctrine State when in fact, it is. He discussed the recent rash of car thefts.

Councilwoman Pino

Councilwoman Pino welcomed Councilman Gibson back. She accepted an invitation from Ms. Judy Bassford to meet in private to discuss what Ms. Bassford feels are conflict issues.

Mayor Grabowski

Mayor Grabowski stated that Zoning ordinances are in the process of being looked at and updated. He stated that changing the sidewalks and tree ordinances are being looked at carefully. Mayor Grabowski commented that the motor bike problem of the riders disobeying traffic rules and creating dangerous situations has been documented with video and sent to the State Government and Attorney General for help in resolving these issues. He announced that the next Budget meeting will be held on April 30, 2024.

RESOLUTIONS VOTED ON SEPERATELY

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman D’Amato and passed on roll call vote to approve the purchase of office furniture for Housing and Zoning Departments off the NJ State Contract Purchasing Program

R196-24 Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Office Furniture for Housing and Zoning Departments off the NJ State Contract Purchasing Program Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF OFFICE FURNITURE FOR
HOUSING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT OFF THE NJ STATE CONTRACT
PURCHASING PROGRAM PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Zoning and Housing Department has a requested to purchase Office Furniture to remodel the office according to Office requirements; and

WHEREAS, The Hon Company c/o Tanner NJ, 200 Oak Street, Muscatine, IA 52761, has been assigned NJ State Contract No. 19-FOOD-00927 - Furniture, Office, Lounge and Systems - Statewide; and,

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned purchase above from The Hon Company c/o Tanner NJ, 200 Oak Street, Muscatine, IA 52761, off the New Jersey State Contract No. 19-FOOD-00927, at a cost not to exceed \$49,385.59.

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

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Sadrakula, seconded by Councilman D’Amato and failed on roll call vote to table Resolution R199-24.

R199-24 Resolution Authorizing Contract for Automated License Plate Readers Licenses to Gold Type Business Machines for Clifton Police Department

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE
READERS LICENSES TO GOLD TYPE BUSINES MACHINES FOR CLIFTON
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Police Department has a requested renewal of the Automated License Plate Reader licenses mounted at fixed locations throughout the City and on mobile units; and

WHEREAS, this investigative tool is used to solve numerous crash investigations as well as criminal investigations; and

WHEREAS, a quote was obtained from Gold Type Business Machines Inc contracted by Motorola located at 350 Paterson Ave, East Rutherford NJ 07073 in the amount not to exceed \$6,875 (\$275 for 25 cameras) for the term of November 2023, to October 2024 ; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned purchase above from Gold Type Business Machines Inc. located at 350 Paterson Ave, East Rutherford NJ 07073 in the amount not to exceed \$6,875.00.

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

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilwoman Pino and passed on roll call vote to approve contract for Automated License Plate Readers to Gold Type Business Machines for the Police Department.

R199-24 Resolution Authorizing Contract for Automated License Plate Readers Licenses to Gold Type Business Machines for Clifton Police Department

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned purchase above from Gold Type Business Machines Inc. located at 350 Paterson Ave, East Rutherford NJ 07073 in the amount not to exceed \$6,875.00.

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

R200-24 Resolution Authorizing Contract Award for Emergency Medical Billing and Collection Services - Fire Department

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilwoman Pino and passed on roll call vote to approve contract award for Emergency Medical Billing and Collection Services for the Fire Department.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT AWARD FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL BILLING AND COLLECTION SERVICES – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton solicited proposals through competitive contracting process for Emergency Medical Billing and Collection Services in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4.1 et seq;

WHEREAS, one (1) proposal was received and opened on April 2,2024; and

WHEREAS, a Committee was formed to evaluate the proposals; and

WHEREAS, the proposal was received in accordance with the methodology described in the Request for Proposals; and

WHEREAS, after the proposal was fully evaluated and scored, the Qualified Purchasing Agent, on behalf of the Committee, has recommended that a contract be awarded to Coronis Health RCM LLC dba Revenue Guard located at 5963 Exchange Drive Suite 114, Sykesville, MD 21784. Term of the contract shall be for three (3) years with two (2) one (1) year extensions (3) that may be awarded solely at the City of Clifton’s discretion, in accordance with the terms of the original specifications; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the contract for Emergency Medical Billing and Collection Services be awarded to Coronis Health RCM LLC dba Revenue Guard located at. 5963 Exchange Drive Suite 114, Sykesville, MD 21784 as follows:
Coronis Health RCM LLC’s fee is 9.5 percent of the gross amount collected on behalf of the City of Clifton; and
Coronis Health RCM LLC guarantees a minimum monthly net revenue of \$135,000; 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 this resolution and contract be kept on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Finance Office be authorized to fund this contract a Temporary Appropriation (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20) prior to the adoption of the 2024 Municipal Budget;

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARD**

The City of Clifton has awarded a contract pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:11-4.1 et seq, Competitive Contracting. The contract and resolution authorizing it are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.

Awarded to : Coronis Health RCM LLC
Nature: Medical Emergency Billing and Collection Services
Cost: 9.5 percent fee of the gross amount collected on behalf of the City and a minimum monthly net revenue of \$135,000
Duration: Three (3) years with two (2) one-year extensions

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

R205-24 Resolution Authorizing Execution of Right-Of-Way Agreement Between the City of Clifton and Public Service Enterprise Group, Inc. to Permit the Installation, Use and Maintenance of Electrical Equipment Within Public Rights-Of-Way

A Motion was made by Councilman Kolodziej, seconded by Councilman Latona, and failed on roll call vote to authorize to execute a Right-of-Way agreement between the City of Clifton and Public Service Enterprise Group, Inc. to permit the installation, use and maintenance of electrical equipment within public right-of-way.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF CLIFTON AND PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE GROUP INC. TO PERMIT THE INSTALLATION, USE AND MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT WITHIN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY

WHEREAS, Public Service Enterprise Group “(PSEG)”, with offices at 80 Park Place, Newark, New Jersey 07102 is authorized to provide electrical and natural gas service in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, PSEG has requested the consent of the City of Clifton to occupy the public right-of-way located at 125 Clifton Blvd. in the City of Clifton for the purpose of owning, constructing, installing, operating, repairing, maintaining and replacing electrical equipment; and

WHEREAS, the granting of such consent is and shall be conditioned upon PSEG's continued compliance with all existing and future ordinances of the City of Clifton, and its entering into a written agreement with the City of Clifton to, *inter alia*, indemnify and hold the City of Clifton harmless as to all claims and liability resulting from any injury or damage which may arise from the construction, installation, operation, repair, maintenance, disconnect, replacement and removal of its electrical equipment within certain public rights-of-way and provide liability insurance coverage for personal injury and property damage;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that:

1. Non-exclusive consent is hereby granted to PSEG to occupy the public right-of-way located at 125 Clifton Blvd. in the City of Clifton for the purpose of construction, installation, operation, repair, maintenance and replacement of electrical equipment.
2. The within granted permission is subject to and conditioned upon PSEG entering into and complying with an Agreement with the City of Clifton approved by the Law Department and providing liability insurance coverage.
3. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City of Clifton.
4. A copy of this Resolution and the executed Agreement shall be filed in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Clifton.

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

RESOLUTIONS

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

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

R193-24 Resolution: Approve Claims List Resolution for the April 16, 2024, City Council Meeting

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

Current Fund	\$	4,852,572.94
Grant Fund	\$	239,772.87
General Capital Fund	\$	1,406,779.58
Sewer Utility -Operating	\$	29,589.09
Sewer Utility-Capital	\$	31,311.90
Developers Escrow	\$	36,131.08
Dog Trust	\$	1,668.03
Revolving Loan Fund		
Police Extra Duty	\$	54,890.00
Trust Other	\$	866,213.39
Section 8 Public Housing	\$	258,003.59
Reserve for Housing	\$	-
Community Development	\$	12,171.37
Payroll Agency	\$	-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$	-
Affordable Housing	\$	-
	\$	-
Self-Insurance	\$	1,153,867.08
	\$	
Fire Dedicated Penalties	-	
Revolving Loan Fund	\$	-
Tax Title Lien Redemption	\$	-
Unemployment Trust Fund	\$	54,060.32
Library	\$	91,784.36
General Liability Trust	\$	66,055.46
Workers Compensation Trust	\$	89,002.90
Trust Escrow	\$	-
Reserve for Housing	\$	-
Federal DOJ Forfeiture	\$	
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$	9,243,873.96

R194-24 Resolution Authorizing Permission to Bid for Stefan Tatarenko Memorial Park Tennis Court Rehabilitation

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMISSION TO BID FOR
STEFAN TATARENKO MEMORIAL PARK TENNIS COURT REHABILITATION**

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,

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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 rehabilitation of tennis courts at Stefan Tatarenko Memorial Park; 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.*

R195-24 Resolution Awarding Contract to Electronic System Solutions for the Annual Maintenance and Support for Mobile Radios for Police Vehicles for Clifton Police Department

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT TO ELECTRONIC SYSTEM SOLUTIONS FOR THE ANNUAL MAINTENNACE AND SUPPORT FOR MOBILE RADIOS FOR POLICE VEHICLES FROM FOR CLIFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Police Department has a requested to annual maintenance and support for Mobile Radios for Vehicles of Police Department; and

WHEREAS, service agreement is obtained from Electronic System Solutions Inc located at P O Box 3051, West Caldwell NJ 07007 in the amount not to exceed \$7,986.00 (monthly \$665.50) for the term of April 1, 2024, to March 31 ,2025 and is an agreement for the existing Mobile Radios in the Police department with New Jersey State Contract 83905 ; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned purchase above from Electronic System Solutions Inc located at P O Box 3051, West Caldwell NJ 07007 in the amount not to exceed \$7,986.00.

R197-24 Resolution Authorizing Payment of Radio Subscriber Fees for State Radio System to NJ State Police Fiscal Control Bureau for Clifton Police Department

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF RADIO SUBSCRIBER FEES FOR STATE RADIO SYSTEM TO NJ STATE POLICE FISCAL CONTROL BUREAU FOR CLIFTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Police Department has a requested to pay radio subscription fees to NJ Sate Police Fiscal Control Bureau for 700/800 MHz Radio System for fiscal year 2024; and

WHEREAS, this payment is considered intergovernmental payment of \$65.00 for 349 radios; and

WHEREAS, invoices are obtained from NJ Sate Police Fiscal Control Bureau located at Accounting and Revenue Unit PO Box 7068 West Trenton NJ 08628 in the amount not to exceed \$22,685.00 (349 radios for \$65.00 each) for the term of year 2024; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the Municipal Council wishes to authorize the aforementioned purchases and delegate the power to make the same to the following named official: Amisha J. Jariwala, Purchasing Agent upon the terms and conditions hereafter stated; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned payment above to NJ Sate Police Fiscal Control Bureau located at Accounting and Revenue Unit PO Box 7068 West Trenton NJ 08628 in the amount not to exceed \$22,685.00.

R198-24 Resolution Authorizing Award of Contract to Waterway Mid-Atlantic, LLC for the Annual Hose Testing for Clifton Fire Department

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO WATERWAY MID-ATLANTIC LLC
FOR THE ANNUAL HOSE TESTING FOR CLIFTON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Fire Department has requested to award a contract to Waterway Mid-Atlantic LLC for annual hose testing to comply with the National Fire Protection (NFPA) standards 1962 for service testing of fire hoses including couplings and nozzles; and

WHEREAS, a quote was obtained from Waterway Mid Atlantic LLC located at 304 Thames Street, New Port, RI 02840 in an amount not to exceed \$6,483.93 for the term May 1, 2024, to April 30, 2025, and is below the quote threshold; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the Municipal Council wishes to authorize the aforementioned purchases and delegate the power, to make the same, to the following named official: Amisha J. Jariwala, Purchasing Agent upon the terms and conditions hereafter stated; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned purchase from Waterway Mid Atlantic LLC located at 304 Thames Street, New Port, RI 02840 in the amount not to exceed \$6,483.93.

R199-24 Resolution Authorizing Contract for Automated License Plate Readers Licenses to Gold Type Business Machines for Clifton Police Department

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT FOR AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE
READERS LICENSES TO GOLD TYPE BUSINES MACHINES FOR CLIFTON
POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton Police Department has a requested renewal of the Automated License Plate Reader licenses mounted at fixed locations throughout the City and on mobile units; and

WHEREAS, this investigative tool is used to solve numerous crash investigations as well as criminal investigations; and

WHEREAS, a quote was obtained from Gold Type Business Machines Inc contracted by Motorola located at 350 Paterson Ave, East Rutherford NJ 07073 in the amount not to exceed \$6,875 (\$275 for 25 cameras) for the term of November 2023, to October 2024 ; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the Municipal Council wishes to authorize the aforesaid mentioned purchases and delegate the power

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to make the same to the following named official: Amisha J. Jariwala, Purchasing Agent upon the terms and conditions hereafter stated; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council do hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned purchase above from Gold Type Business Machines Inc. located at 350 Paterson Ave, East Rutherford NJ 07073 in the amount not to exceed \$6,875.00.

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

R201-24 Resolution Amending Resolution R066-24 Entitled "Awarding Software Maintenance Contract for City of Clifton 9-1-1 Purvis Fire Station Alerting System" (Fire Department)

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION R066-24 ENTITLED “AWARDING SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR CITY OF CLIFTON 9-1-1 PURVIS FIRE STATION ALERTING SYSTEM”(FIRE DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, on February 6, 2024, the Mayor and Council approved R066-23 entitled “Resolution Awarding Software Maintenance Contract for City of Clifton 9-1-1 Purvis Fire Station Alerting System” in an amount not to exceed \$108,338.60; and

WHEREAS, one inadvertent error was found with account number;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby approve Contract to Purvis System Incorporated for Software Maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$108,338.60 with the correct account number 01-201-25-265-405, thereby amending Resolution.

R202-24 Resolution Awarding Contract to FDP Mold Remediation for Dry Wall Replacement with Flooring and Mold Remediation in Zalenka Park Field House

**RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO
FDP MOLD REMEDIATION FOR DRY WALL REPLACEMENT WITH
FLOORING AND MOLD REMEDIATION IN ZALENKA PARK FIELD HOUSE**

WHEREAS, the Recreation Supervisor has requested that the City procure services for replacement of mold affected flooring and drywall along with the mold remediation services in Zalenka Field House in order to provide sanitary cleaning in sufficient response to any bacterial or viral spread prevention; and,

WHEREAS, quotations were solicited for the purpose of providing environmentally safe mold remediation and flooring services. The following three vendors submitted the quotes:

Servpro of Clifton	\$8,570.81 (does not include installation of new dry wall)
FDP Mold Remediation	\$8,870.15 (includes installation of dry wall)
Tomahawk Services	\$15,570.42(does not include installation of new dry wall)

WHEREAS, the estimated value of the contract is expected to be in excess of \$5000.00; and

WHEREAS, upon the review of the submitted quotes, it is recommended the contract be awarded to FDP Mold Remediation located at 10 Carol Street, Clifton NJ 07014; and,

WHEREAS, the Recreation Supervisor has made the above request pursuant to the onset of COVID-19 to ensure that floors are kept clean and sanitary in an optimal manner; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et. seq., the

Municipal Council wishes to authorize the aforesaid mentioned purchase and delegate the power to make the same to the following named official: **Amisha J. Jariwala, Purchasing Agent**; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council to hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned award of contract to FDP Mold Remediation located at 10 Carol Street, Clifton NJ 07014, in an amount not to exceed \$\$8,870.15 for replacement mold affected flooring and drywall along with the mold remediation services in Zalenka Field House; and,

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

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

R203-24 Resolution Awarding Professional Services Contract to Connolly & Hickey Historical Architects, LLC for Design and Contract Administration for the Former City Hall Flag Barn (Building S-2, U.S. Animal Quarantine) in Accordance with the State Historic Preservation Office Grant

**RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO
CONNOLLY & HICKEY HISTORICAL ARCHITECTS, LLC, FOR DESIGN AND
CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION FOR THE FORMER CITY HALL FLAG BARN
(BUILDING S-2, U.S. ANIMAL QUARANTINE) IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE
STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE GRANT**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton is in need of the professional services of a professional architect in connection with its design and contract administration in accordance with grant of Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund; and

WHEREAS, Connolly & Hickey Historical Architects, LLC of Cranford, NJ, have been providing architectural services for the City of Clifton in a satisfactory manner; and

WHEREAS, Connolly & Hickey Historical Architects, LLC, of Cranford, NJ, has provided its proposal for design and contract administration; and

WHEREAS, the City recommends the award of a contract to Connolly & Hickey Historical Architects, LLC who is experienced in this field, for the professional architectural services required, as set forth in the proposal dated March 26, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$75,100.00 without the adoption of a supplemental resolution; 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 exceed \$17,500, and the duration of the contract is until completion

WHEREAS, this Governing Body wishes to award a professional services contract as aforesaid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a professional architectural services contract is hereby awarded to Connolly & Hickey Historical Architects, LLC, of Cranford, NJ for design and contract administration for the former City Hall Flag Barn (Building S-2) of the U.S. Animal Quarantine Station in accordance with grant of Preserve New Jersey Historic Preservation Fund; and

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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 this resolution and the contract be kept on file and available for public inspection in the City Clerk’s Office.

R204-24 Resolution Authorizing and Ratifying Filing of Cross Petition Before the Passaic County Board of Taxation and Counterclaim Before the Tax Court of New Jersey for Year 2024

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING FILING OF CROSS PETITION
BEFORE THE PASSAIC COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION AND COUNTERCLAIM
BEFORE THE TAX COURT OF NEW JERSEY FOR YEAR 2024**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, that cross-petitions be and are hereby authorized to be filed with the Passaic County Board of Taxation and counterclaims with the Tax Court of New Jersey in connection with the following properties for 2024:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Address</u>
41.04	14	1 Kowal Street

R206-24 Resolution for Appointment to the Board of Recreation

**RESOLUTION FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE
BOARD OF RECREATION**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey are in receipt of an application from Matthew Wright to become a Member of the Board of Recreation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton, County of Passaic, State of New Jersey that Matthew Wright is hereby appointed as a Member of the Board of Recreation for a three-year term commencing this date through December 31, 2026.

R207-24 Resolution Supporting April as Child Abuse Prevention Month

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING APRIL AS
CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH**

WHEREAS, children are vital to our City’s future success, prosperity and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, child abuse and neglect is a community responsibility affecting both the current and future quality of life of a community; and

WHEREAS, all members of our community have a role to play in strengthening families to ensure children grow up in a safe, nurturing environment free from fear, abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, all children deserve to have safe, stable, nurturing and healthy homes that foster their well-being; and

WHEREAS, there are close to 300 children in Passaic County who enter the child welfare system due to abuse and/or neglect; and

WHEREAS, some of those children reside in the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, for the last 17 years, Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) has provided court-appointed volunteer advocates for children throughout Passaic County, including in the City of Clifton, who have been removed from home due to abuse and/or neglect; and

WHEREAS, due to an unmet need, the CASA organization has expanded its operations to support the close to 300 abused and neglected children living in foster care in Union County; and

WHEREAS, CASA of Passaic and Union Counties, needs additional advocates for all the

WHEREAS, we call upon all residents, community agencies, faith groups, medical facilities, elected officials, schools and business owners to join forces to promote public awareness around child wellbeing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton hereby proclaim the month of April as

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

and encourage all citizens to join the campaign and become concerned about child abuse.

R208-24 Resolution Authorizing Submission of Grant Application from the City of Clifton Health Department and the New Jersey Department of Health for the Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity 2024-2025

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION FROM
THE CITY OF CLIFTON HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE STRENGTHENING LOCAL PUBLIC
HEALTH CAPACITY 2024-2025**

WHEREAS, the City of Clifton wishes to apply through the Health Department, for the Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity 2024 Grant from the New Jersey Department of Health for a grant of \$66,642 for the funding period July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, any funds received will be used to strengthen outbreak preparedness/response capacity by reimbursing eligible COVID-19 and other infectious disease-related expenses not covered by any other funding source.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Municipal Council have reviewed the proposal from the City of Clifton Health Officer and have approved said request;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton hereby authorizes the application for such a grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Health Officer are hereby authorized and directed to execute said application and any associated documentation on behalf of the City of Clifton.

R209-24 Resolution Authorizing Sale of Abandoned Motor Vehicles - May 2024

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF
ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLES
MAY 2024 AUCTION**

WHEREAS, the following motor vehicles have been abandoned; and

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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

2004 FORD F250	1FDNF 20L04 ED300 39
2018 NISSAN ROGUE	KNMAT 2MV8J P5505 36

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

2008 FORD TAURUS	1FMDK 05WX8 GA457 45
2016 NISSAN ALTIMA	1N4AL 3AP2G N3553 58

TELEP MOTORS 574 VAN HOUTEN AVE 973-779-0283

2012 HARLEY DAVIDSON STC	1HD1B WV19C B0380 76
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R210-24 Resolution Establishing Minimum Statutory Limits on Uninsured Motorists and Underinsured Motorists Coverage for City of Clifton Vehicles

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING MINIMUM STATUTORY LIMITS ON UNINSURED MOTORISTS AND UNDERINSURED MOTORISTS' COVERAGE FOR CITY OF CLIFTON VEHICLES

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State Statutes call for a minimum coverage amount for Uninsured Motorists (UM) and Underinsured Motorists (UIM) coverage in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) per person involved in an automobile accident, and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) per accident in total for all claims relating to the accident effective January 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, effective January 1, 2026, the New Jersey State Statutes call for a minimum coverage amount for Uninsured Motorists (UM) and Underinsured Motorists (UIM) coverage in the amount of Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) per person involved in an automobile accident, and Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00) per accident in total for all claims relating to the accident; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the City of Clifton is desirous of setting the minimum statutory limits for Uninsured Motorist and Underinsured Motorist claims relating to City of Clifton vehicles;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the limits for Uninsured Motorists (UM) and Underinsured Motorists (UIM) coverage for City of Clifton vehicles be established at \$25,000.00 per person and \$50,000.00 per accident effective January 1, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, effective January 1, 2026, that the limits for Uninsured Motorists (UM) and Underinsured Motorists (UIM) coverage for City of Clifton Vehicles be established at \$35,000.00 per person and \$70,000.00 per accident.

R211-24 Resolution Amending Prior Resolution Authorizing the Renewal Appointment of Polaris Galaxy Insurance, LLC an Acrisure Agency Partner, as the Insurance Broker of Record for the City of Clifton (Insurance Brokerage Services - Including Property, Equipment and Boilers, General Liability, Employment Practices Liability, Auto Liability and Physical Damage,

Commercial Crime, Flood, Earthquake, Terrorism, Umbrella Excess Liability, Excess Workers' Compensation and Environmental Impairment)

RESOLUTION AMENDING PRIOR RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL APPOINTMENT OF POLARIS GALAXY INSURANCE, LLC, AN ACRISURE AGENCY PARTNER, AS THE INSURANCE BROKER OF RECORD FOR THE CITY OF CLIFTON (INSURANCE BROKERAGE SERVICES - INCLUDING PROPERTY, EQUIPMENT AND BOILERS, GENERAL LIABILITY, EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES LIABILITY, AUTO LIABILITY AND PHYSICAL DAMAGE, COMMERCIAL CRIME, FLOOD, EARTHQUAKE, TERRORISM, UMBRELLA EXCESS LIABILITY, EXCESS WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPAIRMENT)

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton renewed a contract with Polaris Galaxy Insurance, LLC, an Acrisure Agency Partner ("Polaris Galaxy"), of Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey for the term of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 as the insurance broker of record for the City regarding the Administration of Self-Insurance Program for Property, Equipment and Boilers, General Liability, Employment Practices Liability, Auto Liability and Physical Damage, Commercial Crime, Flood, Earthquake, Terrorism, Umbrella Excess Liability, Excess Workers' Compensation and Environmental Impairment; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to amend this resolution to clarify that this contract includes the management of the City's Self-Insurance Program for Property, Equipment and Boilers, General Liability, Employment Practices Liability, Auto Liability and Physical Damage, Commercial Crime, Flood, Earthquake, Terrorism, Umbrella Excess Liability, Excess Workers' Compensation and Environmental Impairment through December 31, 2024; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the appointment of Polaris Galaxy Insurance, LLC, an Acrisure Agency Partner, of Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey as the insurance broker of record for the City regarding the Administration of Self-Insurance Program for Property, Equipment and Boilers, General Liability, Employment Practices Liability, Auto Liability and Physical Damage, Commercial Crime, Flood, Earthquake, Terrorism, Umbrella Excess Liability, Excess Workers' Compensation and Environmental Impairment is hereby renewed through December 31, 2024 to include the management services during 2024; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all required documents in connection with this appointment on behalf of the City of Clifton.

R212-24 Resolution Amending Prior Resolution Awarding Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service Contract to Acrisure, LLC d/b/a IMAC Insurance Agency for Health Insurance Broker Services

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

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council of the City of Clifton awarded a contract to Acrisure, LLC D/B/A IMAC Insurance agency for Health Insurance Broker Services for the term of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wishes to amend the term of this contract to run through December 31, 2024, to include the management of the City of Clifton's Health Insurance programs during 2024 at no additional cost to the City of Clifton; and

WHEREAS, the initial contract, pursuant to the recommendation of the City Manager and based upon the Standard Certification Declaration for an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service of the

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City Manager, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, both price and other factors considered, and upon review of the two proposals received, the Mayor and Municipal Council of the City of Clifton wish to authorize the following Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service contract for the period beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2024, to Acrisure, LLC d/b/a IMAC Insurance Agency for the reason that this provider has offered the best and most cost effective services for the City of Clifton; and

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

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

WHEREAS, the value of the contract is determined to exceed \$17,500,00 to be paid by the providers in accordance with the proposal dated December 7, 2022, and the duration of the contract is through December 31, 2024, as amended;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service contract for health insurance broker services is hereby awarded to **ACRISURE, LLC d/b/a IMAC INSURANCE AGENCY**, in accordance with its proposal dated December 7, 2022, in the amount of \$65,000.00 to be paid by Horizon for Medical plus standard ancillary line commissions to be paid by the providers (Prescription 3%, Dental 10% of the first \$5,000, 4% of the next \$95,000 and 2% thereafter, Stop Loss 12%); and

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

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

**CITY OF CLIFTON
NOTICE OF CONTRACT AWARDED**

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

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

R213-24 Late - Resolution Awarding Contract to Siteone Landscape Supply for Purchase of Trees for the City of Clifton

**RESOLUTION AWARDED CONTRACT TO
SITEONE LANDSCAPE SUPPLY FOR PURCHASE OF TREES FOR THE
CITY OF CLIFTON**

WHEREAS, the DPW Director/Recycling Co-Ordinator has requested to procure Trees for the City of Clifton based on the grant agreement between the City of Clifton and State of New Jersey By and For the Department of Environmental Protection; and

WHEREAS, trees provide many benefits to the City, including energy conservation through shade, helps to keep up with soil wellbeing, wildlife habitat, decreased stormwater runoff, cleaner air, and increased property values; and

WHEREAS, quotations were solicited from three nurseries for the purpose of Purchasing the trees. The following three vendors submitted the quotes:-

Site One Landscaping Supply	\$39,482.00 (include all the species of the trees and qty 200 trees)
Pine Creek	\$21,495.00 (Missing 79 trees out of 200-missing 11 species)
Fernbrook Farms	\$17,145.00(Missing 103 trees out of 200- missing 6 species)

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 Site One Landscaping Supply and is incorporated in the contract awarded hereby; and

WHEREAS, upon the review of the submitted quotes, it is recommended the contract be awarded to Site One Landscaping Supply located at 100 Weyerhauser Rd Mahwah NJ 07430-2256 as all the species of the trees are fully available; and,

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Municipal Council to hereby approve and authorize the aforementioned award of contract to Site One Landscaping Supply located at 100 Weyerhauser Rd. Mahwah NJ 07430-2256, in an amount not to exceed \$39,482.00 for purchase of the trees for the City of Clifton; and

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

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

R214-24 Late - Resolution Recognizing April 2024 as "Autism Awareness Month"

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 2024 AS
“AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH**

WHEREAS, the symptoms of autism, also known as autism spectrum disorder (ASD), typically appear in children before the age of 3 and are often accompanied by abnormalities in cognitive functioning, learning, attention, and sensory processing; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has one of the highest rates of Autism in the nation. According to the most recent statistics released by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), approximately 1 in 35 children in the New Jersey is living with ASD; and

WHEREAS, the CDC reports that although ASD can affect anyone regardless of race, ethnicity, or other factors, it is four times more likely to occur in boys than in girls; and

WHEREAS, early intervention significantly improves outcomes and reduces the level of funding and services needed to treat an individual with ASD later in life; and

WHEREAS, parents and relatives of individuals with ASD dedicate endless hours in providing for the special needs of their loved ones; and

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WHEREAS, April 2024, is designated as National Autism Awareness Month in the City of Clifton to increase public awareness of the need to support individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Clifton hereby honors the parents, paraprofessionals, and other educators who possess the desire, caring, and skills necessary to teach, assist and respond to students with special needs, including those with Autism Spectrum Disorder, and who work tirelessly to educate and provide high-quality services for all students with special needs.

R215-24 Executive Session

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

- CON-1 CNA Provisions Regarding Terminal Leave Payouts – Legal Opinion
- CON-2 Parking Requirements for Houses of Worship and RLUIPA – Legal Opinion
- CON-3 Update of Liability Claims Filed Against City of Clifton - Litigation Privilege
- CON-4 Courtyard at Clifton LLC v. City of Clifton - Block 41.04, Lot 14
- CON-5 Former Roche Property Tax Appeal - Proposed Settlement
- CON-6 Official Towers - Pending Litigation
- CON-7 Genneken v. Clifton – Litigation
- CON-8 Passaic-Clifton Community Kollel Congregation v. City of Clifton and City of Clifton Zoning Board of Adjustment – Civil Action No. 2:23-cv-21191

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 April 16, 2024, at which time, said subject(s) shall be discussed; and

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

LICENSES

L-1 Rudy's Cafeteria

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR JOSE RODOLFO TEPALE MEJIA
T/A RUDY'S CAFETERIA
ADDRESS 93 RANDOLPH AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED CATERER/GROCERY/MILK-
CONTINUED USE
FORMERLY OR NEW RUDY'S CAFETERIA
ZONE PD1
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS

L-2 Food Brigade

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR THE FOOD BRIGADE, INC
T/A FOOD BRIGADE
ADDRESS 236 COLFAX AVE., CLIFTON, NJ 07013

TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT YEARLY ITINERANT - NEW
FORMERLY OR NEW - NEW
ZONE M-1
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS

L-3 Blaze Smoke Shop

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR F3 HOLDINGS GROUP LLC
T/A BLAZE SMOKE SHOP
ADDRESS 675 VAN HOUTEN AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07013
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED GROCERY-CONTINUED USE
FORMERLY OR NEW BLAZE SMOKE SHOP
ZONE B-C
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-4 Agua Planeta Azul

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR AGUA PLANETA AZUL LLC
T/A AGUA PLANETA AZUL
ADDRESS 208B LAKEVIEW AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED GROCERY
FORMERLY OR NEW - NEW
ZONE B-C
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-5 Edible Arrangements

RESOLUTION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

FOR MNN ENTERPRISES CLIFTON LLC
T/A EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS
ADDRESS 890 VAN HOUTEN AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07013
TYPE OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENT INTENDED CATERER-CONTINUED USE
FORMERLY OR NEW EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS
ZONE RB2
PERMITTED YES
VARIANCE REQUIRED NO
FINAL APPROVAL WILL BE ISSUED PENDING APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION.
FURTHER PROCESSING AND APPROVAL OF VARIOUS CITY DEPARTMENTS.

L-6 Enviamos

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF ENVIAMOS LLC
T/A ENVIAMOS
for permission to conduct a: GROCERY/MILK

April 16, 2024

for a period ending January 31, 2024, on the premises known as:
256 TRENTON 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-7 Village Stationary

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF SMART VILLAGE INC.
T/A VILLAGE STATIONARY

for permission to conduct a: GROCERY-CONTINUED USE
for a period ending January 31, 2024, on the premises known as:
385 VALLEY RD CLIFTON, NJ 07013

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

L-8 Mandi House

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF MANDI HOUSE INC.
T/A MANDI HOUSE

for permission to conduct a: RESTAURANT-CONTINUED USE
for a period ending January 31, 2024, on the premises known as:
248B 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.

L-9 Camp Fire Coffee Roasting

RESOLUTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE APPLICATION OF CAMP FIRE COFFEE ROASTING, LLC
T/A CAMP FIRE COFFEE ROASTING

for permission to conduct a: GROCERY-NEW
for a period ending January 31, 2024, on the premises known as:
1308 MAIN AVE CLIFTON, NJ 07011

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

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Councilman D'Amato, seconded by Councilman Latona to adjourn
the meeting at 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Ferrigno, City Clerk

Raymond Grabowski, Mayor