

DRAFT MINUTES

*These are the Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the North Plainfield Borough Council held on Tuesday, 14 February 2017.*

*Every attempt has been made to make these as comprehensive
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MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on Tuesday, **February 14, 2017** at 8:12 p.m. at the North Plainfield Borough Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey.

PRESENT:

Council Members: Everett Merrill (absent – excused)
Keiona R. Miller
Frank Righetti (absent – excused)
Wendy Schaefer (absent – excused)
Douglas M. Singleterry
Frank “Skip” Stabile
Lawrence La Ronde, Council President

Also Present: Michael Giordano, Jr., Mayor
Dominic DiYanni, Esq., Associate Borough Attorney
Richard K. Phoenix, RMC, Borough Clerk

Council President La Ronde read the following Notice of Compliance:

"This is a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, scheduled by resolution of the Council adopted on November 28, 2016. Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.* by transmitting said notice to the *Courier News*, *The Star-Ledger*, *The Alternative Press* and *WKMB* Radio on November 29, 2016, by publication of the announcement in the *Courier News* on December 1, 2016 and by posting a copy of this notice on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building and Memorial Library reserved for such purpose."

The Clerk had submitted copies of the minutes of the Agenda Conference and the Regular Meeting of January 23, 2017.

Council President La Ronde called for a Roll Call on the minutes of the Agenda Conference and the Regular Meeting of January 23, 2017: All in favor.

The Council President recognized the following appointment:

APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR NOT REQUIRING COUNCIL CONFIRMATION:

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE:

Mark Kelly

Two-year unexpired term

Mr. Stabile presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-01 BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 17-01 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing March 27, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, as the time and the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey as the place for hearing and final adoption.

Seconded by Mr. Singleterry and on Roll Call carried all four voting aye.

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 17-01 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD, MOST NOTABLY CHAPTER 22, ENTITLED "LAND DEVELOPMENT" BY ESTABLISHING A PROFESSIONAL OFFICE OVERLAY ZONE ("O"), CONSISTENT WITH THE MASTER PLAN ADOPTED ON APRIL 9, 2014

Mr. Singleterry presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-02 BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 17-02 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing February 27, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, as the time and the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey as the place for hearing and final adoption.

Seconded by Mr. Stabile and on Roll Call carried all four voting aye.

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 17-02 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD, CHAPTER XIII ENTITLED, "WATER AND SEWER," ARTICLE II ENTITLED "SEWER," SECTION 13-4.3, ENTITLED "METHOD OF CALCULATION," MOST NOTABLY, THE APPENDIX ENTITLED "SCHEDULE OF RATES (SUBSECTION 13-4.3)"

Ms. Miller presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-03 BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 17-03 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first

reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing February 27, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, as the time and the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey as the place for hearing and final adoption.

Seconded by Mr. Singleterry and on Roll Call carried all four voting aye.

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 17-03 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, REVISING AND SUPPLEMENTING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH CODE BY ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH CODE AS TO CHAPTER 3, "POLICE REGULATIONS", MOST NOTABLY CREATING A NEW SECTION 17, ENTITLED "DO NOT KNOCK LIST"

Ms. Miller presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-04 BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 17-04 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing February 27, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, as the time and the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey as the place for hearing and final adoption.

Seconded by Mr. Singleterry and on Roll Call carried all four voting aye.

The Clerk read the ordinance by its title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 17-04 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING, REVISING AND SUPPLEMENTING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH CODE BY AMENDING SECTIONS OF THE NORTH PLAINFIELD BOROUGH CODE AS TO CHAPTER 4, "GENERAL LICENSING," MOST NOTABLY AMENDING SECTION 4-6.1, ENTITLED "LICENSE REQUIRED"

CONSENT AGENDA

Council President La Ronde stated that all matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Mr. Stabile presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05 BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that resolutions numbered

02-14-17-05a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j and k

having been placed on the Consent Agenda and there having been no objection thereto, the same are hereby approved.

Seconded by Mr. Singleterry and on Roll Call carried all four voting aye.

APPROVED RESOLUTIONS:

**RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05a SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM
RESOLUTION OF PARTICIPATION**

A RESOLUTION APPROVING PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY.

Whereas, the Borough of North Plainfield wishes to apply for funding of approximately \$90,000 with a match of \$386,301 for an approximate project total cost of \$476,301 for a project under the State of New Jersey Safe and Secure Neighborhoods Grant Program, and

Whereas, the North Plainfield Borough Council has reviewed the accompanying application and has approved said request, and

Whereas, the project is a joint effort between the Department of Law and Public Safety and the Borough of North Plainfield for the purpose described in the application;

Therefore, be it resolved by the North Plainfield Borough Council that

1. As a matter of public policy, the Borough of North Plainfield wishes to participate to the fullest extent possible with the Department of Law and Public Safety.
2. The Attorney General will receive funds on behalf of the applicant.
3. The Division of Criminal Justice shall be responsible for the receipt and review of the application for said funds.
4. The Division of Criminal Justice shall initiate allocations to each applicant as authorized.

**RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05b RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH
PLAINFIELD AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH BUSINESS & GOVERNMENT INSURANCE
AGENCY FOR PROFESSIONAL RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the bylaws of the Garden State Municipal Joint Insurance Fund require professional risk management consulting services to be performed; and

WHEREAS, the Business & Government Insurance Agency has offered its professional risk management consulting services to the Borough of North Plainfield for the Fund Year January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Business & Government Insurance Agency has proposed compensation for its services in the amount of seven percent (7%) of the Borough's annual assessment as promulgated by the Garden State Municipal JIF.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that Business & Government Insurance Agency be and is hereby appointed to provide professional risk management consulting services as referenced herein and that the Fund Commissioner and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute all documents relevant to this service.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05c RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVING PAYMENT NO. 2 (FINAL) AND CHANGE WORK ORDER NO. 1 TO S. BROTHERS INC. AND THE CLOSING OUT OF THE CONTRACT AND RELEASE OF RETAINAGE FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS GROVE STREET ROAD IMPROVEMENTS – NJDOT 2015.

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield previously awarded a contract for certain road improvements with regard to a project known as "Grove Street Road Improvements – NJDOT 2015" (hereinafter referred to as the "Project"), with said contract having been awarded to S. Brothers, Inc., with an address of 16 Sobechko Road, Manalapan, New Jersey 07724 (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"); and,

WHEREAS, David J. Testa, P.E., C.M.E., C.P.W.M., of Grotto Engineering Associates, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Engineer"), on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's submission for Payment No. 2 (Final) in the total amount of Eight Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$8,166.70) and for the total closeout of the Project, which includes the release of any of the Contractor's retained funds held by the Borough for the Project; and,

WHEREAS, the Engineer, on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's request for Change Work Order No. 1, reducing the net amount of the completed project in the total amount of Eight Thousand One Hundred Ten Dollars and Forty-Nine Cents (\$8,110.49), reducing the total contract price from Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars and Thirty-Two Cents (\$280,468.32) to Two Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars and Eighty-Three Cents (\$272,357.83); and,

WHEREAS, Director of Law/Borough Attorney Eric M. Bernstein, Esq., and the offices of Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, L.L.C. has reviewed the Engineer's and the Contractor's submissions and accepts same based on the recommendations of the Engineer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the request for Payment No. 2 (Final), dated January 10, 2017, and Closeout of the Project known as Grove Street Road Improvements – NJDOT 2015, is approved in the total amount of Eight Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars and Seventy Cents

(\$8,166.70), which Final Payment Request and Closeout request is incorporated herein by reference as if same was fully set forth within, and payment for same is authorized to be made to the Contractor, without the need for any further action of this Borough Council; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, Change Work Order Request No. 1, dated January 10, 2017, with S. Brothers, Inc. is approved reducing the net amount of the completed project in the total amount of Eight Thousand One Hundred Ten Dollars and Forty-Nine Cents (\$8,110.49), reducing the total contract price from Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Eight Dollars and Thirty-Two Cents (\$280,468.32) to Two Hundred Seventy-Two Thousand Three Hundred Fifty-Seven Dollars and Eighty-Three Cents (\$272,357.83), which Change Work Order Request is incorporated herein by reference as if same was fully set forth within, without the need for any further action of this Borough Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be subject to the Certification of the Borough's Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute all necessary documents to close out the Project, issue Payment No. 2 (Final) and approve Change Work Order No. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05d RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TREATMENT WORKS APPROVAL PERMIT APPLICATION BY THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD FOR THE AROOGA'S RESTAURANT PROJECT

WHEREAS, Urban Edge Properties is planning to install a new sanitary sewer service lateral to construct an Arooga's Restaurant (the "Project"); and,

WHEREAS, Urban Edge Properties must apply for a Treatment Works Approval Permit from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the Project; and,

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection requires a Statement of Consent from the municipality in which the Project is located as part of the Treatment Works Approval Permit process; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield must give its consent to obtain a Treatment Works Approval Permit and the Project to go forward because the Project is located in the Borough of North Plainfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the Borough of North Plainfield hereby grants its consent to submit a Treatment Works Approval Permit application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the Project and hereby authorizes the Mayor and Borough Clerk to execute the Statement of Consent form and any and all necessary documents to complete said application.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05e RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH

JOHN GARCIA CONSTRUCTION CO., INC. FOR THE DAHLIA TERRACE SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of certain improvements to the sanitary sewer system, specifically the sanitary sewer system running along Dahlia Terrace (hereinafter referred to as the “Project”); and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield solicited bids for the Project and twelve (12) bids were received. The following three (3) bids were the lowest bids received:

| <u>Bidding Entity</u> | <u>Total Amount</u> |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| John Garcia Construction Co., Inc. | \$139,575.79 |
| JTG Construction, Inc. | \$150,468.00 |
| Jo-Med Contracting Corp. | \$152,684.00 |

WHEREAS, Mott MacDonald reviewed all the bid submissions, recommends the award of the bid and contract for the Project to the lowest responsible bidder, John Garcia Construction Co., Inc., whose main offices are located at 183 Friar Lane, Clifton, New Jersey 07013 (hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”); and,

WHEREAS, Director of Law/Borough Attorney Eric M. Bernstein, Esq. and the offices of Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC have reviewed the bid submissions and find no material defect with the bid proposal for the Contractor; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of obtaining the services of the Contractor to perform all those services contemplated in the Borough’s bid documents and the bid proposal submitted by the Contractor; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield finds that the Contractor is the lowest responsible bidder for the Project pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough Council hereby awards the following Bid and Contract:

Project: Dahlia Terrace Sanitary Sewer Improvements
 Successful Bidder: John Garcia Construction Co., Inc.
 Total Bid: In the Amount of One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars and Seventy-Nine Cents (\$139,575.79).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute the contract and all necessary documents to engage the construction services of John Garcia Construction Co., Inc. for the Project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this contract shall be subject to the certification of the Borough's Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award and the contract and its performance shall be consistent with all applicable laws, the Borough's bid documents and the bid proposal of John Garcia Construction Co., Inc. for the Project known as the Dahlia Terrace Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05f RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVING PAYMENTS NO. SEVEN AND EIGHT (FINAL) AND CHANGE WORK ORDER NO. ONE THROUGH CHANGE WORK ORDER NO. SIX TO SIMPSON AND BROWN INC. AND THE CLOSING OUT OF THE CONTRACT AND RELEASE OF RETAINAGE FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS YARD SALT STORAGE BUILDING AT 25-33 DUPONT STREET

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield previously awarded a contract for certain improvements with regard to a project known as the "The Department of Public Works Yard Salt Storage Building at 25-33 Dupont Street" (hereinafter referred to as the "Project"), with said contract having been awarded to Simpson & Brown Inc., with an address of 119 North Avenue West, Cranford, New Jersey; (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor"); and,

WHEREAS, Mark Lescavage, P.E., of Suburban Consulting Engineers, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as the "Engineer"), on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's submission for Payment No. 7 in the total amount of Ninety-Four Thousand One Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars and Eighty-Nine Cents (\$94,164.89); and,

WHEREAS, the Engineer, on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's submission for Payment No. 8 (final) in the total amount of Sixteen Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars and Ninety-One Cents (\$16,780.91) and for the total closeout of the Project, with a combined total for Payment No. 7 and Payment No. 8 (final) in the total amount of One Hundred Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$110,945.80), which includes the release of any of the Contractor's retained funds held by the Borough for the Project; and,

WHEREAS, the Engineer, on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's request for Change Work Order No. 1, for the replacement of a six foot (6') high, chain link fence with a barbed wire fence, increasing the cost of the Project by Twenty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars and Zero Cents (\$24,783.00); and,

WHEREAS, the Engineer, on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's request for Change Work Order No. 2, for the furnishing and installation of a new twelve foot (12") RCP and new inlet and casting, increasing the cost of the Project by Nine Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$9,528.30); and,

WHEREAS, the Engineer, on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's request for Change Work Order No. 3, for the removal of one thousand (1,000) tons of contaminated soil increasing the cost of the Project by Fifty Thousand Thirty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$50,030.00); and,

WHEREAS, the Engineer, on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's request for Change Work Order No. 4, for the removal of a two thousand (2,000) gallon underground storage tank increasing the cost of the Project by Two Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars and Zero Cents (\$2,875.00); and,

WHEREAS, the Engineer, on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's request for Change Work Order No. 5, for: (1) the addition of two (2) chain link fence gates, increasing the cost of the Project by Four Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars and Zero Cents (\$4,485.00); (2) waste classification analysis of Super Storm Sandy Material in underground storage tank, increasing the cost of the Project by Three Hundred Eighty-Five Dollars and Zero Cents (\$385.00); (3) additional soil removal, increasing the cost of the Project by Seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Dollars and Eighty-One Cents (\$7,330.81); and, labor required for an underground gas pipe line in lieu of the above ground gas connection as was proposed, increasing the cost of the Project by Three Thousand Four Hundred Seven Dollars and Thirty-Two Cents (\$3,407.32), for a total increase in the cost of the Project of Fifteen Thousand Six Hundred Eight Dollars and Thirteen Cents (\$15,608.13) for Change Work Order Number 5; and,

WHEREAS, the Engineer, on behalf of the Borough, has reviewed the Contractor's request for Change Work Order No. 6, for additional labor required for the removal of the underground storage tank debris, increasing the cost of the Project by Two Thousand Nine Hundred Four Dollars and Zero Cents (\$2,904.00), for a total of all Change Work Orders No. 1 through No. 6, amounting to a total of One Hundred Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$105,728.43); and,

WHEREAS, Director of Law/Borough Attorney Eric M. Bernstein, Esq., and the offices of Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, L.L.C. has reviewed the Engineer's and the Contractor's submissions and accepts same based on the recommendations of the Engineer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the request for Payment No. 7 and Payment No. 8 (Final), dated February 7, 2017, with and the Closeout of the Project known as The Department of Public Works Yard Salt Storage Building at 25-33 Dupont Street, is approved with Simpson & Brown, Inc. in the total amount of One Hundred Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$110,945.80), which includes the release of any of the Contractor's retained funds held by the Borough for the Project, which Final Payment Request and Closeout request is incorporated herein by reference as if same was fully set forth within, and payment for same is authorized to be made to the Contractor, without the need for any further action of this Borough Council; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that Change Work Order Request No. 1, dated September 15, 2016, Change Work Order Request No. 2, undated, Change Work Order Request No. 3, dated October 19, 2016, Change Work Order Request No. 4, dated October 19, 2016, Change Work Order Request No. 5, dated January 12, 2017, and Change Work Order No. 6, dated January 31, 2017 with Simpson & Brown Inc. are approved, in the total amount of One Hundred Five Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$105,728.43), increasing the total contract price from Seven Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and Zero Cents (\$733,333.00) to Eight Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Sixty-One Dollars and Forty-Three Cents (\$839,061.43), which Change Work Order Requests are

incorporated herein by reference as if same were fully set forth within, and payment for same is authorized to be made to the Contractor, without the need for any further action of this Borough Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be subject to the Certification of the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute all necessary documents to close out the Project, issue Payment No. 7 and Payment No. 8 (Final) and approve Change Work Order No. 1, Change Work Order No. 2, Change Work Order No. 3, Change Work Order No. 4, Change Work Order No. 5 and Change Work Order No. 6 and issue payment for the same.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05g BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that it does hereby authorize the issuance of a license to drive a taxicab for two years, pursuant to N.P.R.G.O. 4-1 et seq., to the following in accordance with the applications heretofore submitted:

Eddyrolan F. Marmolejo
203 Grove Street
North Plainfield, NJ 07060

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05h WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17 allows for the cancellation of property tax and sewer overpayments or delinquent amounts +/- \$10.00; and

WHEREAS, the governing body may authorize a municipal employee chosen by said body to process, without further action on their part, any cancellation of property tax and sewer overpayments or delinquencies +/- \$10.00 and transfer said credits and/or balances to surplus and the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to make the necessary corresponding entries.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield of Somerset County, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel said tax amounts as deemed necessary.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05i BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to create duplicate tax sale certificates as follows:

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| Block 32, Lot 11 | 156 Westervelt Avenue | Cert. # 10-00029 | Issued 08/25/10 |
| Block 43, Lot 12 | 62-66 Pearl Street | Cert. # 12-00072 | Issued 10/23/13 |

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05j BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the attached bills of the accounts named and for the amounts stated, having been duly audited and found to be correct as of this 14th day of February, 2017 the same be paid; and that the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to sign and deliver warrants for the same.

RESOLUTION NO. 02-14-17-05k RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL DECLARING THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD A STIGMA FREE ZONE IN ORDER TO REDUCE THE STIGMA ASSOCIATED WITH MENTAL ILLNESS, RAISING AWARENESS OF THE DISEASE OF MENTAL ILLNESS AND CREATE A CULTURE WHEREIN RESIDENTS WHO HAVE THE DISEASE FEEL SUPPORTED BY THEIR COMMUNITY AND NEIGHBORS AND FEEL FREE TO SEEK TREATMENT FOR THE DISEASE WITHOUT FEAR OF STIGMA

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Mental Health reports that one (1) in four (4) adults experiences mental illness in a given year and one (1) in seventeen (17) adults live with a serious mental illness such as schizophrenia, major depression or bipolar disorder. Approximately twenty percent (20%) of youth ages thirteen (13) to eighteen (18) and thirteen percent (13%) of youth ages eight (8) to fifteen (15) experience severe mental disorders in a given year; and,

WHEREAS, the stigma associated with the disease of mental illness is identified as the primary reason individuals fail to seek the help they need to recover from the disease; and,

WHEREAS, Stigma-Free Zones aim to inspire public interest and open dialogues about stigma, raise awareness of the disease of mental illness and create a culture wherein residents who have the disease of mental illness feel supported by their community and neighbors and feel free to seek treatment for the disease without fear of stigma; and,

WHEREAS, promoting awareness that there can be no “health” without mental health will break down barriers and encourage residents of all ages to be mindful of their mental health and ask for help when needed; and,

WHEREAS, local resources are available to treat the disease of mental illness so no one (1) resident needs to suffer alone or feel hopeless; and,

WHEREAS, establishing Stigma-Free Zones will raise awareness of resources and encourage residents to engage in care as soon as the need is identified so recovery can begin, hope is inspired and tragedies are avoided; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield believes that the County of Somerset and the Board of Chosen Freeholders, along with the Somerset County Department of Human Services, should support the designation of Stigma-Free Zones in every municipality within the County of Somerset.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey recognizes the community’s needs and designates the Borough of North Plainfield as a Stigma-Free Zone.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield hereby encourages the County of Somerset and the Board of Chosen Freeholders, along with the Somerset County Department of Human Services, to support the designation of Stigma-Free Zones in every municipality and launch a campaign pursuant thereto.

COMMUNICATIONS:

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| <p>Somerset County Office of Public Information Somerville, NJ Richard K. Phoenix, RMC – Borough Clerk & Chief Operator, WPQJ970 – 1630-AM Radio Tri-County Chamber of Commerce South Plainfield, NJ NJ State League of Municipalities Trenton, NJ NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection Trenton, NJ Division of Taxation, State of New Jersey Trenton, NJ Betsy G. Ramos, Esq., Capehart & Scatchard, P.C. Mount Laurel, NJ Sustainable Raritan River, Rutgers University New Brunswick, NJ Plainfield Area Regional Sewerage Authority Middlesex, NJ Information Station Specialists Zeeland, Michigan</p> | <p>Various Communications, Advisories and News Releases Calendar Updates and Advisories; Time-Sensitive Radio Scripts Newsletters and Advisories Newsletters and Advisories Various Newsletters and Advisories Municipal Hotel and Motel Occupancy Tax Distribution NJ Public Entity Law Monthly Call for Raritan Award Nominations Agenda and minutes The Source Newsletter</p> |
| <p>Frank N. D’Amore, Sr. North Plainfield North Plainfield Concerned Citizens North Plainfield NJ Conservation Foundation New Brunswick, NJ Land Conservancy of NJ Boonton, NJ NJ DEP Trenton, NJ PSE&G, Newark, NJ The Radio Source, Zeeland, Michigan Election Law Enforcement Commission Trenton, NJ NJ State Treasurer, Trenton, NJ Comcast, Union, NJ Tina Totten, North Plainfield</p> | <p>Property Maintenance Report Green Brook EMS Annual Land Conservation Rally March Funding Opportunities Wetlands Preservation Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program E-Newsletter Request Forms for Compliance Manuals Contract Updates Annual Franchise Fee Green Brook Flood Control Commission Meeting</p> |

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Giordano addressed Mr. Weber’s comments, stating that this is more of a neighborly dispute.

Ms. Miller announced that there will be a celebration of Black History month at the Community Center on Sunday, February 19, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stabile and carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President