

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Work Session, Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: February 24, 2014

Open Public Meetings Statement by Mayor Suarez

Work Session: 6:00 P.M. C.T.O.: Adjourn:

- Dave Hollenbeck-PSE&G “Energy Strong”

Mayor Suarez – Adjournment into closed Executive Session in accordance with the “Open Public Meetings Act”

Executive Session: 6:30 P.M. C.T.O.: Adjourn:

Public Session: 7:30 P.M. C.T.O.: Adjourn:

Pledge of Allegiance

Citizens Comment on Agenda:

Correspondence:

**ROLL CALL-WORK SESSION**

	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Mayor Suarez		
Castelli		
Acosta		
Penabad		
Shim		
Todd		
Vincentz		

**ROLL CALL-EXEC. SESSION**

	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Mayor Suarez		
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**ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION**

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As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2248 entitled, “A CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$44,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2014 CHEVROLET TAHOE SSV 4 WD VEHICLE AND RELATED ACCESSORIES FOR THE RIDGEFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT”

Entertain motion to declare the time for the public hearing to be declared open

Public Hearing

Entertain motion to declare the time for the public hearing to be declared closed

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

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As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2249 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 35, FIRE DEPARTMENT, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION ENTITLED FALSE ALARMS"

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Public Hearing

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Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

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As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2250 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 350, ARTICLE IX ENTITLED REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE, WEEDS OR GRASS"

Entertain motion to declare the time for the public hearing to be declared open

Public Hearing

Entertain motion to declare the time for the public hearing to be declared closed

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

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**PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA:**

106-2014	Mayor Suarez	Support PSE&G "Energy Strong" Program
107-2014	Councilman Penabad	Support Northern Branch Light Rail Project
108-2014	Councilman Castelli	Approve Amendment to Short Form Agreement with Hudson Transmission Partners, LLC
109-2014	Councilman Castelli	Professional Service Agreement-Insurance Agent/ Risk Manager

110-2014	Councilman Castelli	Professional Service Agreement-Special Counsel for Waste Water Litigation
111-2014	Councilman Acosta	Award for Services Rendered-M. Dente
112-2014	Councilman Acosta	Temporary Capital Budget
113-2014	Councilman Acosta	Salary Increase – Crossing Guards
114-2014	Mayor Suarez	Authorize Borough Clerk to Solicit Quotes for Engineering Support Services
115-2014	Councilman Acosta	Authorize Mayor to Sign Municipal Alliance Grant Letter of Agreement

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

RESOLUTIONS:

116-2014      Councilman Acosta                      Warrants

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

**Application for Social Affair:**

Ridgefield Fire Department  
March 8, 2014 – 6:30-11:00 p.m.  
725 Slocum Avenue

**Application for Raffles License:**

RMHS PTA  
May 9, 2014 – 6:00 p.m.  
555 Walnut Street

**Coin Toss Request:**

RMHS Girls Softball  
Sunday, March 23, 2014

COMMENTS BY COUNCILMEN:

COMMENTS BY CITIZENS: (All speakers are limited to five minutes maximum per meeting)

Agenda subject to change as a result of matters not known at time of printing with the consent of the Mayor and Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Mayor Suarez

BE IT RESOLVED, that the regular public meeting be adjourned, and that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield shall meet in a closed Executive Session following a five minute recess at the termination of this meeting. The purpose of the Executive Session shall be to discuss the following matters:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Personnel matters in various departments of the Borough.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pending and Potential Litigation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Court Litigation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Potential real estate transactions in which the Borough may engage.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as soon as practicable discussion concerning

- \_\_\_\_\_ Personnel matters
- \_\_\_\_\_ Potential real estate transactions shall be disclosed to the public.
- \_\_\_\_\_ And that discussions with the Borough Attorney concerning litigation shall be disclosed when said litigation is terminated.

Adjournment to Closed Session. The Mayor and Council reserve the right to reconvene into Public Session, if necessary, to take action on Closed Session items.

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Acosta

ORDINANCE NO. 2248

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that an Ordinance entitled

“A CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$44,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2014 CHEVROLET TAHOE SSV 4WD VEHICLE AND RELATED ACCESSORIES FOR THE RIDGEFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT”

introduced on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014, do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and she is authorized and directed to publish once, the aforesaid title, together with a notice of the date of its passage on final reading and approval thereof in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 10, 2014

Presented by Councilman Acosta

ORDINANCE NO. 2248

“A CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$44,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE 2014 CHEVROLET TAHOE SSV 4WD VEHICLE AND RELATED ACCESSORIES FOR THE RIDGEFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT”

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

Section1. The Borough of Ridgefield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, authorizes the purchase of one 2014 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV 4WD vehicle and related accessories for the Ridgefield Fire Department to be funded from the source specified in Section 2 of the Ordinance.

Section2. The amount of \$44,000 is hereby appropriated for the purposes stated in Section 1 of the Ordinance and which amount was funded from the Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$44,000.

Section3. In connection with the purpose and the amount authorized in Sections 1 and 2 hereof, the Borough determines the purpose described in Section 1 hereof is not a Current Expense and is an improvement which the Borough of Ridgefield may lawfully make as a general improvement.

Section4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

Section5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon due passage and publication according to law.

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2249

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that an Ordinance entitled

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 35, FIRE DEPARTMENT, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION ENTITLED FALSE ALARMS”

introduced on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014, do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and she is authorized and directed to publish once, the aforesaid title, together with a notice of the date of its passage on final reading and approval thereof in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield.

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Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 10, 2014

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THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD BY ADDING A NEW SUBSECTION ENTITLED  
FALSE ALARMS”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of  
Ridgefield as follows:

Section I:

Chapter 35 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield entitled “Fire Department” be and  
hereby is amended by adding a new subsection entitled “False Alarms”:

FALSE ALARMS

Definitions.

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

ALARM SYSTEM – The equipment and device designed to signal the presence of an emergency  
or hazard requiring urgent attention to or in a structure in the Borough of Ridgefield and to  
which the Police and/or Fire Department may be expected to respond. An alarm system shall not  
include what are commonly known as “car alarms”.

FALSE ALARM – Any alarm actuated by inadvertence, negligence or unintentional act of  
anyone, including alarms caused by the malfunctioning of the alarm device or other equipment  
as determined by an investigation by the Fire Department on scene.

Enforcement.

The provisions of this article shall be enforced by the Ridgefield Fire Department, Fire  
Chief’s or his designee and monitored by the Fire Official.

Violations and Penalties.

Any person or entity who owns or controls an alarm system which has been actuated by a  
false alarm as determined by the Fire Department, shall be subject to the following penalties:

- A. Residential, per calendar year (one and two family dwellings)
  - 1. First occurrence: \$0
  - 2. Second occurrence: \$0
  - 3. Third occurrence: \$0
  - 4. Fourth occurrence: \$50
  - 5. Fifth occurrence: \$50
  - 6. Sixth occurrence: \$150
  - 7. Any subsequence occurrence: \$300
  
- B. Commercial/industrial/multi-family dwelling, per calendar year (three or more independent dwelling units)
  - 1. First occurrence: \$0
  - 2. Second occurrence: \$0
  - 3. Third occurrence: \$100
  - 4. Fourth occurrence: \$250
  - 5. Fifth occurrence: \$500
  - 6. Any subsequent occurrence: \$1,000

C. The property owner shall be given written notice of the false alarm and the imposition of the penalty. The property owner shall pay the false alarm penalty no later than thirty (30) days from the receipt of the notice of the false alarm penalty. Any person who believes that the penalty has been imposed against that person in violation of this chapter may file a written request for a hearing on that issue before the Fire Chief or his designee, but must do so within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the notice of the false alarm penalty. The time in which to pay the penalty shall be tolled by the filing of a written request for a hearing, and shall remain tolled until the decision of the Fire Chief or his designee on the appeal.

D. Collected penalties shall be split between the Fire Department and the Fire Prevention Bureau and placed in the appropriate penalty trust accounts.

#### Failure to Pay.

- A. Failure to pay the penalty within the thirty (30) day period will result in a court summons being issued.

#### Section II. Repealer.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to said inconsistencies and conflicts.

Section III. Severability.

If any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, and each section and subsection thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of the subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section IV. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

Section V: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Acosta

ORDINANCE NO. 2250

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that an Ordinance entitled

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 350, ARTICLE IX ENTITLED REMOVAL OF SNOW AND ICE, WEEDS OR GRASS”

introduced on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014, do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and she is authorized and directed to publish once, the aforesaid title, together with a notice of the date of its passage on final reading and approval thereof in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Approved:

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 10, 2014

Presented by Councilman Acosta

ORDINANCE NO. 2250

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 350, ARTICLE IX ENTITLED REMOVAL OF  
SNOW AND ICE, WEEDS OR GRASS”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of  
Ridgefield as follows:

Section I:

Chapter 350, Article IX of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield entitled “Removal of  
Snow and Ice, Weeds or Grass” be and hereby is amended by deleting subsections 350-55  
through 350-57 in their entirety and replacing same with the following:

350-55. Failure to comply: removal by Borough.

In case the owner or owners, tenant or tenants, of lands abutting or bordering upon the  
sidewalks and gutters, public streets, avenues, highways and public places, shall refuse or neglect  
to remove all snow and ice from the same within 12 hours of daylight after the same shall be  
formed or fall thereon or all grass and weeds and other impediments therefrom after three days'  
notice, it shall be the duty of the Property Maintenance Inspector to cause such work to be done  
under his direction by utilizing a private contractor and he shall certify the cost thereof to the  
Council.

350-56. Cost to become lien.

The cost of such removal as certified by the Property Maintenance Inspector, if found  
correct by the Council, shall forthwith become a lien upon the lands abutting or bordering any  
such sidewalk and gutter and shall be added to and become and form a part of the taxes to be  
assessed and levied upon such lands and shall bear the same interest as taxes.

350-57. Collection of cost with taxes.

The Council shall, upon receiving a certificate of cost as aforesaid from the Property  
Maintenance Inspector, examine the same and if found correct, shall adopt a resolution to that  
effect, directing that a certified copy thereof be delivered to the Collector of Taxes, who shall  
thereupon collect such charges at the time of collection of the taxes next to be assessed and  
levied upon such lands and as a part thereof.

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Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 106-2014

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield of the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey as follows:

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has experienced a series of extreme weather events over the last two years, including but not limited to: Hurricane Irene, the October 2011 snowstorm, Superstorm Sandy and an accompanying Nor'easter;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield was impacted by said extreme weather events, including but not limited to power outages and fallen trees;

WHEREAS, Public Service Electric and Gas Company ("PSE&G") provides the Borough of Ridgefield electric and/or gas service;

WHEREAS, said extreme weather events severely damaged PSE&G infrastructure, including but not limited to: flooded electrical substations due to storm surges, downed power lines and poles due to high winds and fallen trees, and the destruction of gas meters due to contact with water.

WHEREAS, said damages to PSE&G infrastructure contributed to the Borough of Ridgefield's said impacts;

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities ("BPU") issued an order on January 23, 2013 directing the State's electric and gas utilities, including PSE&G, to implement certain recommendations in the areas of: "Preparedness efforts", "Communications", "Restoration and response", "Post event", and "Underlying infrastructure issues";

WHEREAS, PSE&G submitted an infrastructure filing on February 20, 2013 entitled "Energy Strong";

WHEREAS, "Energy Strong" proposes an investment of \$3.9B worth of infrastructure projects over a 10-year period to enhance PSE&G's electrical and gas system, including but not limited to: fortifying electrical stations, replacing and modernizing cast iron gas mains, deploying smart grid technologies, improving pole distribution systems, creating more redundancies, undergrounding of electricity lines, and protecting gas metering stations;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield would benefit from the proposed investments in the "Energy Strong" filing;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Ridgefield formally declares its support for PSE&G's "Energy Strong" program.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
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Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 107-2014

WHEREAS, the Northern Branch Light Rail Project will extend the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail from the current Tonnelle Avenue terminus to a terminus located at Englewood Hospital and Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Branch Light Rail Project was repetitively studied and has undergone years of planning; and

WHEREAS, the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail does not have a station in Bergen County; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Branch Light Rail Project will provide more mass transit options for residents; and

WHEREAS, the Northern Branch Light Rail Project will reduce traffic and provide economic benefits for our region; and

WHEREAS, building the Northern Branch Light Rail Corridor will take considerable effort and coordination from all levels of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Ridgefield supports the construction of the Northern Branch Light Rail Corridor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our representatives in the New Jersey State Legislature and New Jersey Transit.

Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

**COUNCIL VOTE**

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 108-2014

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council previously approved a short form agreement with Hudson Transmission Partners, LLC, which contained an amended description for the easement previously granted to Hudson Transmission Partners, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Hudson Transmission Partners, LLC has requested an amendment to the description in the short form agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney and Borough Engineer have reviewed same and find it to be acceptable; and

WHEREAS, completing the short form agreement with Hudson Transmission Partners, LLC is in the best interests of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Mayor and Council hereby approve the Final Route Description, Exhibit D, to be appended and form a part of the short form agreement, which was previously approved.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

**EXHIBIT D**  
**Final Route Description**

All that certain easement situate, lying and being in the Borough of Ridgefield, in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey and being a ~~Proposed~~ Electric Cable Easement along Railroad Avenue as shown on a certain map entitled "~~Exhibit of Proposed~~ 6' Wide Electric Cable Easement, Hudson Transmission Project, Parcel 7, Borough of Ridgefield, Bergen County, New Jersey", prepared by Partner Engineering and Science, Inc., Eatontown, New Jersey, dated September 17, 2013, and being further described as follows:

**BEGINNING** at the intersection of the existing westerly right-of-way line of the Railroad Avenue (ROW Width Varies) with the centerline line of the ~~proposed~~ electric cable easement, said point having New Jersey State Plane Coordinates of N 727956.9522, E 627164.6989; and from said beginning point running, thence:

1. Along the centerline of the ~~proposed~~ electric cable easement, on a curve to the right, having a radius of one hundred-eighteen and zero hundredths feet (118.00') and an arc distance of sixty-eight and twenty-seven hundredths feet (68.27') with a chord bearing south twelve degrees forty-nine minutes twelve seconds east (S 12°49'12" E) and a chord length of sixty-seven and thirty-two hundredths feet (67.32'), to a point of tangency, thence;
2. South three degrees forty-five minutes thirteen seconds West (S 03°45'13" W), along said ~~proposed~~ centerline, a distance of one hundred twenty-three and ~~forty~~forty-five nine hundredths feet (~~123.49~~123.59') to an angle point, thence;
3. South three degrees forty-eight minutes fifty-six seconds West (S 03°48'56" W), along the same line, a distance of two hundred thirty-one and eighty hundredths feet (231.80') to an angle point, thence;
4. South two degrees fifty-two minutes eighteen seconds West (S 02°52'18" W), along the same line, a distance of eight hundred one and seventy-two hundredths feet (801.72') to an angle point, thence;
5. South two degrees fifty-three minutes ten seconds West (S 02°53'10" W), along the same line, a distance of four hundred ninety-seven and sixty-five hundredths feet (497.65') to an angle point, thence;
6. South two degrees fifty-nine minutes fifty-one seconds West (S 02°59'51" W), along the same line, a distance of five hundred one and seventy-three hundredths feet (501.73') and passing through a ~~proposed~~ Splice Manhole at approximate construction baseline station 31+25 to a point of curvature, thence;

N.B.: Along course 6, from station 30+75 to station 31+~~50~~50, the easement becomes thirteen and zero hundredths feet (13.00') wide, six and fifty hundredths feet (6.50') on either side of the easement centerline.

7. Along the same line, on a curve to the left, having a radius of seventy and zero hundredths feet (70.00') and an arc distance of twenty-nine and fourteen hundredths feet (29.14') to a point of tangency, thence;

8. South twenty degrees fifty-one minutes twenty-three seconds East (S 20°51'23" E), along the same line, a distance of sixteen and ninety-seven hundredths feet (16.97') to a point of curvature, thence;
9. Along the same line, on a curve to the right, having a radius of seventy and zero hundredths feet (70.00') and an arc distance of twenty-seven and seventy hundredths feet (27.70') to a point of tangency, thence;
10. South one degree forty-eight minutes forty-five seconds West (S 01°48'45" W), along the same line, a distance of three hundred thirty-three and ninety-seven hundredths feet (333.97') to the terminus of said easement centerline in the existing easterly right-of-way line of Railroad Avenue.

It being the intention to describe the centerline of a ~~Proposed~~ Final 6' Wide Electric Cable Easement, said easement lines being parallel with and distant 3.00' on either side of the herein described easement centerline, except where noted;

**Together with** the permanent right to enter upon the existing right-of-way of Railroad Avenue with personnel, equipment and materials for the purpose of constructing, reconstructing and maintaining a 345 kV electric cable line and appurtenances along the width of the ~~proposed~~ easement.

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 109-2014

WHEREAS, there is a need in the Borough of Ridgefield for a Borough Insurance Agent/Risk Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield previously published a Request for Qualifications for the position of Borough Insurance Agent/Risk Manager; and

WHEREAS, a duly constituted evaluation committee recommended that Alamo Insurance Group, Inc. be awarded the professional services contract to serve as the Insurance Agent/Risk Manager for calendar year 2014; and

WHEREAS, Alamo Insurance Group, Inc. was previously appointed Insurance Agent/Risk Manager to the Borough of Ridgefield for calendar year 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Borough now wishes to enter into a professional services agreement with Alamo Insurance Group, Inc. as required by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield as follows:

1. The Mayor and the Borough Clerk be and hereby are authorized and directed to execute the attached Professional Services Agreement with Alamo Insurance Group, Inc. as required by law.

2. This contract is awarded for the following reasons: There is a need for an Insurance Agent/Risk Manager within the Borough of Ridgefield; the service to be rendered constitutes a professional service as defined by New Jersey law; the Borough did publish a request for qualifications to which the contract recipient responded; and the contract recipient was recommended by the Evaluation Committee of the Mayor and Council to be awarded the professional services agreement as Insurance Agent/Risk Manager.

3. The within contract has been awarded pursuant to a "fair and open process" pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et. seq.*

4. A notice of this action shall be printed in *The Record*.

5. The award of this contract is subject to the certification of availability of funds by the Borough's Financial Officer.

6. A copy of this Resolution and a copy of the attached contract shall be made available for public inspection as required by law.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH  
BOROUGH INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER

THIS IS A CONTRACT for professional services made by and between the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereinafter called the "BOROUGH", and Alamo Insurance Group, Inc., 8419 Bergenline Avenue, North Bergen, New Jersey, hereinafter called the "INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER".

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield previously appointed Alamo Insurance Group, Inc. for calendar year 2014; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, the Mayor and Council have authorized the Mayor and Borough Clerk to enter into an agreement with the INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER for professional services as Borough Insurance Agent/Risk Manager without competitive bid; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and appropriate that the parties enter into a formal contract to memorialize the rights, duties and obligations of the parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED by and between the parties, in consideration for the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, as follows:

1.     **ENGAGEMENT:** The BOROUGH hereby engages the INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER to serve as Borough Insurance Agent/Risk Manager for calendar year 2014, or until her/his successor qualifies. The INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER hereby accepts such engagement and agrees to provide the services required under this agreement.
  
2.     **SCOPE OF SERVICES:** The INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER shall perform all appropriate insurance related services for the BOROUGH, including the following:
  - A.     Placing all necessary insurance coverage for the BOROUGH.
  - B.     Acting, where required, as liaison between the BOROUGH and the individual carriers.
  - C.     Assisting in the referral, processing and resolution of all claims by or against the BOROUGH.
  - D.     Evaluating coverages and policies and making appropriate recommendations to the BOROUGH.
  - E.     Consulting with, and making recommendations to the Mayor and Council on insurance related matters.
  - F.     Performing such other insurance related services as may be reasonably required by the Mayor and Council from time to time.
  
3.     **PAYMENT FOR SERVICES:** The BOROUGH and INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER agree that no direct payment shall be made by the

BOROUGH to the INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER for services rendered pursuant to this agreement. Rather, the INSURANCE AGENT/ RISK MANAGER shall be compensated under this agreement by earned premiums, paid by the individual carriers, on account of the policies placed on behalf of the BOROUGH.

4. **ENGAGING OTHERS:** Nothing in this agreement shall prohibit the BOROUGH or the INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER from engaging special insurance agents or risk managers for specific matters if in the opinion of the Mayor and Council and the INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER such is necessary.
5. **FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS:** This contract is awarded pursuant to a fair and open process pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, et. seq.
6. **INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS:**
  - A. The parties to this agreement agree to incorporate into same the mandatory language of subsection 3.4(a) of the Regulations promulgated by the Department of the Treasury, pursuant to P.L. 1975, c.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time, and the INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER agrees to fully comply with the terms, provisions and obligations of said regulation, provided that said subsection shall be applied subject to the terms of subsection 3.4(d) of said regulations.
  - B. The parties to this agreement agree to incorporate into same the mandatory language of section 5.3 of the Regulations promulgated by the Department of the Treasury pursuant to P.L. 1975, c.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time and the INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER agrees to comply fully with the terms, provisions and obligations of said regulation.
7. **RIGHT TO RESCIND:** The award of this contract is subject to the BOROUGH'S right to rescind same within thirty (30) days of its issuance should the Mayor and Council determine that the INSURANCE AGENT/RISK MANAGER'S services are not performed satisfactorily in accordance with this contract.
8. **COUNTERPARTS:** The parties agree that this contract may be signed in separate counterparts, the effect of which will be the same as if one original were signed by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands and seals on the day and year affixed next to their respective signatures.

DATE:

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

ALAMO INSURANCE GROUP, INC.

WITNESS:

DATE:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Luis Alamo, President

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 110-2014

WHEREAS, there is a need in the Borough of Ridgefield for a Special Counsel for Waste Water Litigation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield previously published a Request for Qualifications for the position of Special Counsel for Waste Water Litigation; and

WHEREAS, a duly constituted evaluation committee recommended that Weiner Lesniak, LLP be awarded the professional services contract to serve as the Special Counsel for Waste Water Litigation for calendar year 2014; and

WHEREAS, Weiner Lesniak, LLP was previously appointed Special Counsel for Waste Water Litigation to the Borough of Ridgefield for calendar year 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Borough now wishes to enter into a professional services agreement with Weiner Lesniak, LLP as required by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield as follows:

1. The Mayor and the Borough Clerk be and hereby are authorized and directed to execute the attached Professional Services Agreement with Weiner Lesniak, LLP as required by law.
2. This contract is awarded for the following reasons: There is a need for a Special Counsel for Waste Water Litigation within the Borough of Ridgefield; the service to be rendered constitutes a professional service as defined by New Jersey law; the Borough did publish a request for qualifications to which the contract recipient responded; and the contract recipient was recommended by the Evaluation Committee of the Mayor and Council to be awarded the professional services agreement as Special Counsel for Waste Water Litigation.
3. The within contract has been awarded pursuant to a "fair and open process" pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et. seq.*
4. A notice of this action shall be printed in *The Record*.

5. The award of this contract is subject to the certification of availability of funds by the Borough's Financial Officer.

6. A copy of this Resolution and a copy of the attached contract shall be made available for public inspection as required by law.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
Acosta				
Penabad				
Shim				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH  
SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR WASTE WATER LITIGATION

THIS IS A CONTRACT for professional services made by and between the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, hereinafter called the "BOROUGH", and Weiner Lesniak, LLP, having offices at 629 Parsippany Road, Parsippany, New Jersey, hereinafter called the "SPECIAL COUNSEL".

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield previously appointed Weiner Lesniak, LLP as Special Counsel for Waste Water Litigation for calendar year 2014; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law, the Mayor and Council have authorized the Mayor and Borough Clerk to enter into an agreement with the SPECIAL COUNSEL for professional services as Special Counsel without competitive bid; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and appropriate that the parties enter into a formal contract to memorialize the rights, duties and obligations of the parties;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED by and between the parties, in consideration for the mutual promises and covenants contained herein, as follows:

1.     **ENGAGEMENT:** The BOROUGH hereby engages the SPECIAL COUNSEL to serve as Borough SPECIAL COUNSEL for calendar year 2014, or until her/his successor qualifies. The SPECIAL COUNSEL hereby accepts such engagement and agrees to provide the services required under this agreement.
2.     **SCOPE OF SERVICES:** The SPECIAL COUNSEL shall perform all appropriate legal services in connection with BOROUGH matters as shall be assigned to SPECIAL COUNSEL by the Mayor and Council.
3.     **PAYMENT FOR SERVICES:** The SPECIAL COUNSEL shall be paid at an hourly rate of \$110.00 for all legal work as assigned to it by the Mayor and Council. The SPECIAL COUNSEL shall submit periodic vouchers with detailed specifications of services performed.
4.     **ENGAGING OTHERS:** Nothing in this agreement shall prohibit the BOROUGH from engaging other attorneys for specific matters if in the opinion of the Mayor and Council such is necessary.
5.     **FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS:** This contract is awarded pursuant to a fair and open process pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, et. seq.
6.     **INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS:**
  - A.     The parties to this agreement agree to incorporate into same the mandatory language of subsection 3.4(a) of the Regulations promulgated by the

Department of the Treasury, pursuant to P.L. 1975, c.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time, and the SPECIAL COUNSEL agrees to fully comply with the terms, provisions and obligations of said regulation, provided that said subsection shall be applied subject to the terms of subsection 3.4(d) of said regulations.

B. The parties to this agreement agree to incorporate into same the mandatory language of section 5.3 of the Regulations promulgated by the Department of the Treasury pursuant to P.L. 1975, c.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time and the SPECIAL COUNSEL agrees to comply fully with the terms, provisions and obligations of said regulation.

7. RIGHT TO RESCIND: The award of this contract is subject to the BOROUGH'S right to rescind same within thirty (30) days of its issuance should the Mayor and Council determine that the SPECIAL COUNSEL'S services are not performed satisfactorily in accordance with this contract.

8. COUNTERPARTS: The parties agree that this contract may be signed in separate counterparts, the effect of which will be the same as if one original were signed by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands and seals on the day and year affixed next to their respective signatures.

DATE:

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

WEINER LESNIAK, LLP

WITNESS:

DATE:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Brian M. Hak, Esq., Partner

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 111-2014

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Maria Dente be granted a \$2,000.00 one time award for services rendered as administrative secretary for Police Private Duty Services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds for this award are certified by the CFO from Police Private Duty Services Admin Fees Trust Account, not from the 2014 Budget.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Acosta				
Penabad				
Shim				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 112-2014

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield desires to establish the 2014 Temporary Capital Budget of said municipality by inserting therein the following project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Ridgefield as follows:

Section 1. The 2014 Temporary Capital Budget of the Borough of Ridgefield is hereby established by the adoption of the schedule to read as follows:

Temporary Capital Budget of the  
Borough of Ridgefield  
County of Bergen, New Jersey  
Projects Scheduled for 2014  
Method of Financing

<u>Project</u>	<u>Est. Costs</u>	<u>Grants</u>	<u>Budget Appr. Fund</u>	<u>Capital Imp. Fund</u>	<u>Bonds</u>	<u>Self-Liquidating Bonds</u>
2014 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV 4WD	44,000			44,000		

Section 2. The Clerk be and is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Division of Local Government Services Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey, within three days after the adoption of this project for 2014 Temporary Capital Budget, to be included in the 2014 Permanent Capital Budget as adopted.

Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

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Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

**COUNCIL VOTE**

YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli			
Acosta			
Penabad			
Shim			
Todd			
Vincentz			
Mayor Suarez			

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 113-2014

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the hourly rate of our current school crossing guards be increased by \$0.25 per hour effective the first pay period in March, 2014.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Acosta				
Penabad				
Shim				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 114-2014

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to solicit quotes for engineering support services from the previously appointed special projects engineers for the following projects:

ADA Bathroom and Field House at Meadowlands Field

and

Community Center Restrooms and other engineering work  
that may be required at the Community Center

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Acosta				
Penabad				
Shim				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 115-2014

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to sign the Municipal Alliance Grant Letter of Agreement with the County of Bergen.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Acosta				
Penabad				
Shim				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

The undersigned, being the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, New Jersey, and the person charged with the responsibility of maintaining financial records of said Borough in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:4-57 and the rules of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey adopted thereunder, does hereby certify that there are adequate funds available for the payment of the attached list of invoices, duly adopted by said Borough, and which said list indicates the specific line item of said budget to which expenditures shall be charged.

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Frank Berardo,  
Chief Financial Officer

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting February 24, 2014

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 116-2014

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling \$924,379.07  
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$899,013.04
TRUST	\$20,900.50
CAPITAL	\$768.60
POOL	\$3,696.93
TOTAL	\$924,379.07

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Acosta				
Penabad				
Shim				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk