

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: May 11, 2009

Open Public Meetings Statement by Mayor Suarez

Public Session to Adjourn to Executive Session C.T.O.:

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

Invocation: Reverend Len Masquelier, English Neighborhood Reformed Church

Citizens Comment on Agenda:

Correspondence:

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2086 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 23 “DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES”, SECTION 23-7 “BOROUGH NOT TO BE LIABLE” TO REQUIRE ADEQUATE NOTICE TO THE GOVERNING BODY”

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

Public Hearing

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

ROLL CALL-EXEC. SESSION

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ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION

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Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2087 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 375, ARTICLE X "ALTERNATE SIDE OF STREET PARKING", SECTION 375-36 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD"

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

Public Hearing

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2088 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 375, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE II, "PARKING, STOPPING AND STANDING ON SPECIFIC STREETS" OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD"

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

Public Hearing

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Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2089 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 375 ARTICLE XVI OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, PARKING FOR MOBILITY HANDICAPPED PERSONS"

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

Public Hearing

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2090 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING DUMPSTERS AND OTHER REFUSE CONTAINERS THAT ARE OUTDOORS OR EXPOSED TO STORM WATER TO BE COVERED"

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

Public Hearing

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2091 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING PRIVATE STORM DRAIN INLET RETROFITTING"

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

Public Hearing

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2093 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 366 "TOW TRUCKS", SECTION 366-12 "ISSUANCE OR DENIAL OF LICENSE", TO CHANGE THE NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE TOW TRUCK COMPANIES FROM FOUR TO SIX"

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

Public Hearing

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2096 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD ETHICS IN AUTONOMOUS BOARDS ACT"

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

Public Hearing

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2097 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 375 "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC", ARTICLE XX "PERMIT PARKING", SECTION 375-61 "RESIDENT PERMIT PROGRAM" TO ADD STREETS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINDINGS OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE"

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2098 entitled, "A CAPITAL ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING CAPITAL ORDINANCE NO. 1919 ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 28, 2005, APPROPRIATING AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$20,000 FOR THE PREPARATION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE OVERPECK CREEK SECTION OF THE BOROUGH AND TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL \$20,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND"

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2099 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 92 "SALARIES AND COMPENSATION", SECTION 92-1 "SALARIES" TO REDUCE COMPENSATION FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS BY TEN PERCENT"

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2100 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1661 ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE FIXING FEES FOR PROGRAMS OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT"

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA:

	Motion:	Second:
194-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Correction of Overbilling-500 Edgewater Avenue
195-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Tax Court Refund-731 Bergen Boulevard
196-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Tax Court Refund -715 Bergen Boulevard
197-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Tax Court Refund -684 Bergen Boulevard
198-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Tax Court Refund -649 Bergen Boulevard
199-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Tax Court Refund -550 Broad Avenue
200-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Tax Court Refund -610 Broad Avenue
201-2009	Councilman Lonziserio	Appointment of Acting Deputy Municipal Court Administrator-S. Seyr
202-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Approval of Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund Notice of Tort Claim Form
203-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Exceed Bid Threshold-Stationary Supplies
204-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Accept Donation of Watercraft
205-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Cancellation of Outstanding Escrow Monies
206-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Affirm Borough's Civil Rights Policy
207-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Capital Budget Amendment
208-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Corrective Action Plan
209-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Hire 2009 Summer Playground Assistant Director – E. Catherina
210-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Salary Increase-R. Ramirez
211-2009	Councilman Vincentz	Authorize Payment Schedule for Owed Accumulated Time-R. Stoltenborg

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonziserio				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Severino				
Castelli				
Acosta				
Mayor Suarez				

RESOLUTIONS:

212-2009 Councilman Vincentz Warrants

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

COMMENTS BY COUNCILMEN:

COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATOR:

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,

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Mayor Anthony R. 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:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonziserio

ORDINANCE NO. 2086

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 23 “DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES”, SECTION 23-7 “BOROUGH NOT TO BE LIABLE” TO REQUIRE ADEQUATE NOTICE TO THE GOVERNING BODY”

introduced on the 27th day of April, 2009 do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and he 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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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2086

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 23 “DEFENSE AND INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES”, SECTION 23-7 “BOROUGH NOT TO BE LIABLE” TO REQUIRE ADEQUATE NOTICE TO THE GOVERNING BODY”

WHEREAS, the Governing Body was recently faced with a decision to indemnify a public official; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body lacked sufficient knowledge and information about the underlying legal proceeding for which indemnification was being sought; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body now seeks to amend the Borough code to require adequate notice of impending legal actions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, being the governing body thereof, that Chapter 23 “Defense and Indemnification of Officials and Employees”, Section 23-7 “Borough not to be Liable” of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

§ 23-7. Borough not to be liable.

The Borough will not provide a defense and indemnification of officials and employees in the following instances:

A. It is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, whether by final judgment in a civil suit or conviction of a criminal offense, that the act or omission of the Borough official constitutes a criminal offense, actual fraud, actual malice, willful misconduct or an intentional act or omission.

B. It is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, that the act or omission of the Borough official is outside the scope of the official's employment or official capacity.

C. The action or proceeding has been brought by the Borough itself against the Borough official.

D. The Borough official has failed to substantially cooperate with the Borough and its agents, servants and employees in connection with the potential claim, suit or proceeding and the defense thereof.

E. Defense and indemnification is not deemed appropriate by the Mayor and Council pursuant to the authority contained in N.J.S.A. 59:10-1 et seq.

F. In those instances where the Borough has elected to provide a defense or costs associated therewith for the Borough official and it is later determined that the payment of such costs for the official was improper, the Borough official shall promptly reimburse to the Borough the full amount of said payments by the Borough. In no event shall the Borough be liable to pay any punitive damage award against any official or employee for any reason.

G. The Borough official has failed, for any reason, to provide the governing body with an original copy of any document giving initial notice to the official of any claim or potential claim within ten (10) calendar days from the official's receipt of such notice of claim or potential claim. These documents may include but are not limited to, a summons, complaint, process, notice, demand or pleading, or such other document which would give the official reason to believe they may be the subject to a potential claim.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2087

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 375, ARTICLE X “ALTERNATE SIDE OF STREET PARKING”, SECTION 375-36 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

introduced on the 27th day of April, 2009 do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and he 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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Approved:

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Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2087

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 375, ARTICLE X “ALTERNATE SIDE OF STREET PARKING”, SECTION 375-36 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

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

SECTION I: Portions of Section 375-36 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield are hereby amended to read as follows:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time & Day</u>
Columbia Avenue	North	Bergen Boulevard to Stewart Street	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday
Columbia Avenue	North	Bergen Boulevard to Cliffside Park border	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday
Columbia Avenue	South	Bergen Boulevard to Stewart Street	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday
Columbia Avenue	South	Bergen Boulevard to Cliffside Park border	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday
Greenmount Avenue	North	Westview Avenue to Bergen Boulevard	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday
Greenmount Avenue	South	Bergen Boulevard to Westview Avenue	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday
Lafayette Avenue	South	Bergen Boulevard to Cliffside Park border	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday
Oakdene Avenue	North	Bergen Boulevard to Chestnut Street	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday

Oakdene Avenue	North	Bergen Boulevard to Cliffside Park border	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday
Oakdene Avenue	South	Bergen Boulevard to Chestnut Street	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday
Oakdene Avenue	South	Bergen Boulevard to Cliffside Park border	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday
Washington Avenue	North	Cliffside Park border to Bergen Boulevard	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Tuesday
Washington Avenue	South	Bergen Boulevard to Cliffside Park border	9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday

SECTION II: All remaining provisions of Section 375-36 will remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III: This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2088

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 375, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE II
“PARKING, STOPPING, AND STANDING ON SPECIFIC STREETS”, OF THE CODE OF
THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

introduced on the 27th day of April, 2009 do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and he 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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Acosta				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2088

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 375-5 OF ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 375, ENTITLED NO PARKING AREAS, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

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

Section I: Section 375-5 of Article II of Chapter 375 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield, entitled “No Parking Areas”, be and hereby is amended by adding to the existing language of said ordinance the new subsections (numbers to be determined by the Borough’s Code Publisher) as follows:

On the southerly side of Columbia Avenue beginning at a point 180 feet east from the point where said southern curb line of Columbia Avenue intersects with the eastern curb line of Bergen Boulevard and continuing in an easterly direction along Columbia Avenue a distance of 12 feet to 192 feet, between addresses commonly known as 506 and 500 Columbia Avenue.

On the westerly side of Monroe Place beginning at a point 150 feet south from the point where side western curb line of Monroe Place intersects with the southern curb line of Art Lane and continuing in a southerly direction along Monroe Place a distance of 13 feet to 163 feet, directly in front of the address commonly known as 565 Monroe Place.

On the westerly side of Monroe Place beginning at a point 193 feet south from the point where side western curb line of Monroe Place intersects with the southern curb line of Art Lane and continuing in an southerly direction along Monroe Place a distance of 10 feet to 203 feet, directly in front of the address commonly known as 563 Monroe Place.

Section II: Section 375-5 of Article II of Chapter 375 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield, entitled “No Parking Areas”, be and hereby is amended by deleting (61) of the existing language of said ordinance.

Section III: Chapter 375-6 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield, entitled "Limited Duration Parking Areas" be, and hereby is amended by adding to the existing language subpart C the following language:

Parking is hereby prohibited on the following streets or parts thereof in the Borough of Ridgefield between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. for a period

longer than 30 minutes: on the northerly side of Edgewater Avenue beginning at a point 25 feet west from the point where said northern curb line of Edgewater Avenue intersects with the western curb line of Oritan Avenue and continuing in a westerly direction along Edgewater Avenue a distance of 82 feet to 107 feet.

Section IV: In all other respects, the terms and provisions of Chapter 375 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield are hereby ratified and affirmed.

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

Section VI: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2089

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 375 ARTICLE XVI OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, PARKING FOR MOBILITY HANDICAPPED PERSONS”

introduced on the 27th day of April, 2009 do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and he 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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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2089

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 375 ARTICLE XVI OF THE CODE OF THE
BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, PARKING FOR MOBILITY HANDICAPPED PERSONS”

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

Section I: Article XVI, “Parking for Mobility Handicapped Persons”, forming a part of
Chapter 375 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield, be and hereby is amended.

Section II. Section 375-52B be, and hereby is, amended by adding to the existing provisions
of said subpart the following:

(The sub-section number in the Borough’s Code Book to be determined by the
Borough’s Code Publisher) On the northerly side of Carpenter Place beginning at
a point 129 feet west from the point where said northerly side of Carpenter Place
intersects with the western curb line of Martling Place and continuing in a
westerly direction along Carpenter Place a distance of 22 feet to 151 feet, in front
of the address commonly known as 581 Carpenter Place.

Section III. In all other respects, the terms and provisions of Chapter 375 of the Code of the
Borough of Ridgefield are hereby ratified and affirmed.

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Severino

ORDINANCE NO. 2090

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

“AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING DUMPSTERS AND OTHER REFUSE CONTAINERS THAT ARE OUTDOORS OR EXPOSED TO STORM WATER TO BE COVERED”

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Approved:

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
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Presented by Councilman Severino

ORDINANCE NO. 2090

“AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING DUMPSTERS AND OTHER REFUSE CONTAINERS
THAT ARE OUTDOORS OR EXPOSED TO STORM WATER TO BE COVERED”

SECTION I. Purpose:

An ordinance requiring dumpsters and other refuse containers that are outdoors or exposed to stormwater to be covered at all times and prohibits the spilling, dumping, leaking, or otherwise discharge of liquids, semi-liquids or solids from the containers to the municipal separate storm sewer system(s) operated by the Borough of Ridgefield and/or the waters of the State so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

SECTION II. Definitions:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) – a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels, or storm drains) that is owned or operated by the Borough of Ridgefield or other public body, and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater.
- b. Person – any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Refuse container – any waste container that a person controls whether owned, leased, or operated, including dumpsters, trash cans, garbage pails, and plastic trash bags.
- d. Stormwater – means water resulting from precipitation (including rain and snow) that runs off the land’s surface, is transmitted to the subsurface, is captured by separate storm sewers or other sewerage or drainage facilities, or is conveyed by snow removal equipment.

e. Waters of the State – means the ocean and its estuaries, all springs, streams and bodies of surface or ground water, whether natural or artificial, within the boundaries of the State of New Jersey or subject to its jurisdiction.

SECTION III. Prohibited Conduct:

Any person who controls, whether owned, leased, or operated, a refuse container or dumpster must ensure that such container or dumpster is covered at all times and shall prevent refuse from spilling out or overflowing.

Any person who owns, leases or otherwise uses a refuse container or dumpster must ensure that such container or dumpster does not leak or otherwise discharge liquids, semi-liquids or solids to the municipal separate storm sewer system(s) operated by the Borough of Ridgefield.

SECTION IV. Exceptions to Prohibition:

- a. Permitted temporary demolition containers
- b. Litter receptacles (other than dumpsters or other bulk containers)
- c. Individual homeowner trash and recycling containers
- d. Refuse containers at facilities authorized to discharge stormwater under a valid NJPDES permit
- e. Large bulky items (e.g., furniture, bound carpet and padding, white goods placed curbside for pickup)

SECTION V. Enforcement:

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department and/or other Municipal Officials of the Borough of Ridgefield.

SECTION VI. Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$200.00.

SECTION VII. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION VIII. Effective date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Severino

ORDINANCE NO. 2091

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

“AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING PRIVATE STORM DRAIN INLET RETROFITTING”

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Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2009

Presented by Councilman Severino

ORDINANCE NO. 2091

“AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING PRIVATE STORM DRAIN INLET RETROFITTING”

SECTION I. Purpose:

An ordinance requiring the retrofitting of existing storm drain inlets which are in direct contact with repaving, repairing, reconstruction, or resurfacing or alterations of facilities on private property, to prevent the discharge of solids and floatables (such as plastic bottles, cans, food wrappers and other litter) to the municipal separate storm sewer system(s) operated by the Borough of Ridgefield so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

SECTION II. Definitions:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4)– a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels, or storm drains) that is owned or operated by the Borough of Ridgefield or other public body, and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater.
- b. Person – any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Storm drain inlet- an opening in a storm drain used to collect stormwater runoff and includes, but is not limited to, a grate inlet, curb-opening inlet, slotted inlet, and combination inlet.
- d. Waters of the State – means the ocean and its estuaries, all springs, streams and bodies of surface or ground water, whether natural or artificial, within the boundaries of the State of New Jersey or subject to its jurisdiction.

SECTION III. Prohibited Conduct:

No person in control of private property (except a residential lot with one single family house) shall authorize the repaving, repairing (excluding the repair of individual potholes), resurfacing (including top coating or chip sealing with asphalt emulsion or a thin base of hot bitumen), reconstructing or altering any surface that is in direct contact with an existing storm drain inlet on that property unless the storm drain inlet either:

1. Already meets the design standard below to control passage of solid and floatable materials; or
2. Is retrofitted or replaced to meet the standard in Section V below prior to the completion of the project.

SECTION V. Design Standard:

Storm drain inlets identified in Section IV above shall comply with the following standard to control passage of solid and floatable materials through storm drain inlets. For purposes of this paragraph, "solid and floatable materials" means sediment, debris, trash, and other floating, suspended, or settleable solids. For exemptions to this standard see Section V.3 below.

1. Design engineers shall use either of the following grates whenever they use a grate in pavement or another ground surface to collect stormwater from that surface into a storm drain or surface water body under that grate:
 - a. The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) bicycle safe grate, which is described in Chapter 2.4 of the NJDOT Bicycle Compatible Roadways and Bikeways Planning and Design Guidelines (April 1996); or
 - b. A different grate, if each individual clear space in that grate has an area of no more than seven (7.0) square inches, or is no greater than 0.5 inches across the smallest dimension.

Examples of grates subject to this standard include grates in grate inlets, the grate portion (non-curb-opening portion) of combination inlets, grates on storm sewer manholes, ditch grates, trench grates, and grates of spacer bars in slotted drains. Examples of ground surfaces include surfaces of roads (including bridges), driveways, parking areas, bikeways, plazas, sidewalks, lawns, fields, open channels, and stormwater basin floors.

2. Whenever design engineers use a curb-opening inlet, the clear space in that curb opening (or each individual clear space, if the curb opening has two or more clear spaces) shall have an area of no more than seven (7.0) square inches, or be no greater than two (2.0) inches across the smallest dimension.
3. This standard does not apply:
 - a. Where the municipal engineer agrees that this standard would cause inadequate hydraulic performance that could not practicably be overcome by using additional or larger storm drain inlets that meet these standards;

b. Where flows are conveyed through any device (e.g., end of pipe netting facility, manufactured treatment device, or a catch basin hood) that is designed, at a minimum, to prevent delivery of all solid and floatable materials that could not pass through one of the following:

i. A rectangular space four and five-eighths inches long and one and one-half inches wide (this option does not apply for outfall netting facilities); or

ii. A bar screen having a bar spacing of 0.5 inches.

c. Where flows are conveyed through a trash rack that has parallel bars with one-inch (1”) spacing between the bars; or

d. Where the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection determines, pursuant to the New Jersey Register of Historic Places Rules at N.J.A.C. 7:4-7.2(c), that action to meet this standard is an undertaking that constitutes an encroachment or will damage or destroy the New Jersey Register listed historic property.

SECTION V. Enforcement:

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department and/or other Municipal Officials of the Borough of Ridgefield.

SECTION VI. Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$1,000.00 for each storm drain inlet that is not retrofitted to meet the design standard. Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall also be responsible for the cost associated with correcting the violation.

SECTION VII. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION VIII. Effective date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2093

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 366 “TOW TRUCKS”, SECTION 366-12 “ISSUANCE OR DENIAL OF LICENSE”, TO CHANGE THE NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE TOW TRUCK COMPANIES FROM FOUR TO SIX”

introduced on the 27th day of April, 2009 do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and he 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

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Severino				
Castelli				
Acosta				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2093

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 366 “TOW TRUCKS”, SECTION 366-12 “ISSUANCE OR DENIAL OF LICENSE”, TO CHANGE THE NUMBER OF ALLOWABLE TOW TRUCK COMPANIES FROM FOUR TO SIX”

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, being the governing body thereof, that Chapter 366 Tow Trucks Section 366-12 Issuance or Denial of License of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and is hereby amended and supplemented to increase number of tow truck companies selected by the Mayor and Council as follows:

§ 366-12. Issuance or denial of license.

The Mayor and Council shall, once every two years, select up to six towing companies to perform towing work pursuant to this chapter and to be licensed pursuant to this chapter for a term to commence on January 1 of the year of licensing to the last day of December of the second year following the grant of a license. The Mayor and Council, or its designated committee, may interview representatives of each applicant. The Mayor and Council shall award the license based on the following criteria, after reviewing the applications, criminal background checks, driver's license abstract reports and reports from the Chief of Police and other Borough agencies.

- A. Experience in field.
- B. Number, quality and capacity of tow trucks and ability to respond to various towing situations.
- C. Criminal history.
- D. Prior problems in the towing business related to applicants towing company.
- E. Ability to provide safe, prompt and efficient towing service pursuant to the terms and provisions of this chapter.
- F. Locations of offices and yards in relation to the Borough of Ridgefield.
- G. Recommendations of the Police Department.
- H. Compliance with the terms of the chapter.
- I. Completeness and accuracy of the application.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2096

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

“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD ETHICS
IN AUTOMOUS BOARDS ACT”

introduced on the 27th day of April, 2009 do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and he 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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Acosta				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2096

“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD ETHICS
IN AUTONOMOUS BOARDS ACT”

WHEREAS, this ordinance shall be known as the Borough of Ridgefield ethics in autonomous boards act; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Borough of Ridgefield’s Board of Adjustment, Planning Board and Rent Leveling Board (the “Boards”) are engaged in an extremely important purpose effecting the members of our community and our quality of life in every way; and

WHEREAS, it is important for members of the Ridgefield community to have complete confidence in the members of the Boards as these Boards effect the way we live and involve a variety of applications from out of town developers and/or interests;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that any application before the Boards, require that all applicants or professionals appearing before either Board to set forth any contribution of money, or pledge of a contribution, including in-kind contributions, to any member of the Board or anyone having ultimate responsibility for the decision affecting the applicant, or campaign committee supporting such candidate or officeholder, or to any Borough of Ridgefield or Bergen County political party committee, or to any political action committee (PAC) that regularly engages in, or who's primary purpose is the support of municipal elections and/or municipal parties, in excess of the threshold of three hundred (\$300.00), within the past three (3) years, indicate said contribution on a separate page appended to the appropriate Board’s application, which shall be provided by the secretary to the respective Board with the said application, and shall state at the top of said page,

“Please list all contributions by you or your professionals pertaining to this matter, if any, in excess of \$300.00 to any Ridgefield political organization and/or candidate and/or candidate committee, within the past three (3) years.”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any member of the Boards, of the Borough of Ridgefield, who was a candidate for election during the year of any political donation listed on said form to his/her political party, committee, and/or him/her as a candidate, shall be recused from the specific application at issue, and shall reveal and seek the determination of the respective board attorney in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-23(b), N.J.S.A. 40A:55D-69 and N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22/1.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2097

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 375 “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, ARTICLE XX “PERMIT PARKING”, SECTION 375-61 “RESIDENT PERMIT PROGRAM” TO ADD STREETS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINDINGS OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE”

introduced on the 11th day of May, 2009, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a regular meeting to be held on the 26th day of May, 2009 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at the regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, in the Borough of Ridgefield, and that at such time and place, all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, that the Borough Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to publish in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield said Ordinance according to law, with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading, and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Acosta				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

ORDINANCE NO. 2097

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 375 “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, ARTICLE XX “PERMIT PARKING”, SECTION 375-61 “RESIDENT PERMIT PROGRAM” TO ADD STREETS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FINDINGS OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE”

WHEREAS, the Ridgefield Police Department engaged in a study of certain streets to evaluate traffic; and

WHEREAS, the study revealed that parking becomes heavily congested on these streets at various times; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body now seeks to amend the Borough code to require resident parking permits for the entire length of Monroe Place, Art Lane from Bergen Boulevard to Monroe Place, and Oakdene Avenue from Bergen Boulevard to the Cliffside Park, N.J. border;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, being the governing body thereof, that Chapter 375 “Vehicles and Traffic”, Article XX “Permit Parking”, Section 375-61 “Resident Permit Program” of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

§ 375-61. Resident parking program.

A. No person shall park a vehicle upon any of the streets within the Borough of Ridgefield designated below during the applicable days and hours of restrictions set forth herein unless a resident of that named street properly displays a valid residential parking permit:

- (1) On any of the following listed streets between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 a.m., Monday through Sunday:
 - (a) Maple Avenue from Grand Avenue to Shaler Boulevard.
 - (b) Sunset Terrace.
 - (c) Ridgefield Terrace.
 - (d) Fairview Terrace.
 - (e) Monroe Place.
 - (f) Art Lane from Bergen Boulevard to Monroe Place.
 - (g) Oakdene Avenue from Bergen Boulevard to the Cliffside Park, N.J. border.

- (h) The exception to the above named street is 855 Broad Avenue whose residents will be able to park on Maple Avenue.
 - (2) The Borough shall erect signs on those streets informing persons that on-street parking without a permit is limited to one hour. This provision shall not apply to a resident of the Borough properly displaying a valid parking permit issued in accordance with Subsection D herein.
- B. All street cleaning ordinances, either currently or subsequently adopted by the Borough, shall remain in full force and effect.
- C. This article shall be enforced by the Police Department of the Borough of Ridgefield.
- D. Rules and regulations. The following rules and regulations shall apply to the Borough of Ridgefield resident permit parking program:
- (1) A resident parking permit of a design specified by the Chief of the Police Department of the Borough of Ridgefield (the Police Department) will be issued to the resident owner of a vehicle. The vehicle must be owned by a person residing in the Borough of Ridgefield on the named streets.
 - (2) Proof of residency of the owner of a vehicle must be presented when applying for a permit. The following is acceptable proof of residency:
 - (a) A copy of a valid New Jersey driver's license reflecting their address in the Borough of Ridgefield; and
 - (b) A copy of a valid New Jersey motor vehicle registration for the vehicle for which the permit is sought, showing their address on the named street in the Borough of Ridgefield. In the case of a vehicle claimed to be leased and used by a Ridgefield resident, a copy of a valid motor vehicle registration and a copy of the automobile lease shall be presented to the Police Department in lieu of the New Jersey motor vehicle registration.
 - (3) The resident's sticker is to be placed on the rear window, driver's side, lower left-hand corner of the registered vehicle.
 - (4) The Police Department shall have the authority to issue temporary resident permit parking stickers to persons claiming to be residents of the Borough but who have not yet changed their license or their motor vehicle registration to reflect the Ridgefield address and to any resident holding a current resident permit but whose car has been stolen or incapacitated and who is driving a temporary vehicle. The temporary sticker shall be valid for a period not to exceed 90 days, at which time the resident must obtain a permanent sticker by presentation of the proofs of residency set forth in Subsection D(2) above, in the case of new residents, and the temporary permit shall expire in the case of a temporary vehicle.
 - (5) Contractors, service and delivery vehicles bearing the name and address of a commercial business may park without a permit during the time they are rendering service to a residence within the permit parking area.
 - (6) Emergency vehicles and public service, telephone and other public utility vehicles may park within the permit parking area during the time they are rendering service or repairs within the area.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2098

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

“A CAPITAL ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING CAPITAL ORDINANCE NO. 1919 ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 28, 2005, APPROPRIATING AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$20,000 FOR THE PREPARATION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE OVERPECK CREEK SECTION OF THE BOROUGH AND TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL \$20,000 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND”

introduced on the 11th day of May, 2009, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a regular meeting to be held on the 26th day of May, 2009 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at the regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, in the Borough of Ridgefield, and that at such time and place, all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, that the Borough Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to publish in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield said Ordinance according to law, with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading, and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero				
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Vincentz				
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Acosta				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

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BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Ridgefield in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

SECTION 1. The improvement described in Section 2 of this Ordinance is hereby respectively authorized as a general improvement to be made by the Borough of Ridgefield, New Jersey, for the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 2, there are hereby appropriated the sum of money therein stated as the appropriation made for said improvement or purpose, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations herefore made thereof and amounting in the aggregate to \$20,000 which is now available in the Capital Improvement Fund.

SECTION 2. The Borough of Ridgefield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, is hereby authorized to provide for the following:

Preparing a Redevelopment Plan	
For the Overpeck Creek	
Section of the Borough	<u>\$20,000</u>

SECTION 3. It is hereby determined and stated:

- (a) That said purpose is not a current expense. That the same is an improvement which the municipality may lawfully make and that no part of the cost of said improvement has been or shall be specifically be assessed on properties specifically benefited.
- (b) It is not necessary to finance said appropriation by the issuance of obligations by the Borough of Ridgefield pursuant to the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, for the reason that monies sufficient to cover the appropriation thereof shall be available from the Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$20,000.

SECTION 4. The Capital Budget of the Borough of Ridgefield is hereby amended or established to conform with the provisions of this Ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing all detail of the amended or temporary Capital Budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Clerk and is available for public inspection.

SECTION 5. The sum of \$20,000 is hereby appropriated for the aforementioned purpose.

SECTION 6. It is hereby determined and stated that no supplemental debt statement is required to be made and signed in connection with said appropriation, since the gross debt of the municipality, as defined under the Local Bond Law, is not increased by this Ordinance and no obligations in the matter of notes or bonds are authorized by this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall take effect after publication thereof and final passage as required by law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Mayor Suarez

ORDINANCE NO. 2099

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 92 “SALARIES AND COMPENSATION”, SECTION 92-1 “SALARIES” TO REDUCE COMPENSATION FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS BY TEN PERCENT”

introduced on the 11th day of May, 2009, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a regular meeting to be held on the 26th day of May, 2009 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at the regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, in the Borough of Ridgefield, and that at such time and place, all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, that the Borough Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to publish in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield said Ordinance according to law, with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading, and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Mayor Suarez

ORDINANCE NO. 2099

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 92 “SALARIES AND COMPENSATION”, SECTION 92-1 “SALARIES” TO REDUCE COMPENSATION FOR THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS BY TEN PERCENT”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, being the governing body thereof, that Chapter 92 “Salaries and Compensation”, Section 92-1 “Salaries” of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

§ 92-1 Salaries.

(A) The rate of compensation of each of the following officers and employees shall be in the amounts as hereinafter set forth as follows. Where a salary range is indicated, the standards to be evaluated in fixing a specific salary for a specific individual shall include education, training, professional certifications, experience, management skills as well as work and salary history and recommendations from other employers.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Range</u>
Mayor	\$6750
Councilmen	\$4500

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2100

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1661 ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE FIXING FEES FOR PROGRAMS OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT”

introduced on the 11th day of May, 2009, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage at a regular meeting to be held on the 26th day of May, 2009 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at the regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, in the Borough of Ridgefield, and that at such time and place, all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, that the Borough Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to publish in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield said Ordinance according to law, with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading, and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2100

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1661 ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE
FIXING FEES FOR PROGRAMS OF THE RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that fees for
the following programs by and within the Borough be amended as follows:

Boys and Girls In Town Basketball (K-8 th grade)	\$40.00
Travel Basketball (3 rd -8 th grade)	\$30.00
Indoor Travel Soccer (3 rd -12 th grade)	\$75.00

Section II. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to
law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 194-2009

WHEREAS, Block 3105 Lot 11, also known as 500 Edgewater Avenue, assessed to Serifi Kochar, was erroneously overbilled for the year 2007 causing a refund due for the third and fourth quarters 2007;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that a refund in the amount of \$125.84 for third quarter 2007 and \$125.84 for fourth quarter 2007 be issued to Serifi Kochar.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$251.68 made payable to Serifi Kochar and mailed to 500 Edgewater Avenue, Fairview New Jersey 07022.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 195-2009

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 708 Lot 6, also known as 731 Bergen Boulevard for the years 2007 and 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Lonziserio & Son, Inc be issued a refund in the amount of \$2,256.39 for the year 2007 and \$2,455.67 for the year 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$4,712.06 made payable to Lonziserio & Son, Inc and Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq. as attorneys and mailed to Arthur Pajonk Esq, c/o Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq., 684 Bergen Blvd, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Vincentz				
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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 196-2009

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 708 Lot 7, also known as 715 Bergen Boulevard for the year 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Lonzisero & Son, Inc be issued a refund in the amount of \$418.98 for the year 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$418.98 made payable to Lonzisero & Son, Inc and Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq. as attorneys and mailed to Arthur Pajonk Esq, c/o Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq., 684 Bergen Blvd, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 197-2009

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 711 Lot 15, also known as 684 Bergen Boulevard for the year 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Lonziserio & Son, Inc be issued a refund in the amount of \$1,781.75 for the year 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$1,781.75 made payable to Lonziserio & Son, Inc and Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq. as attorneys and mailed to Arthur Pajonk Esq, c/o Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq., 684 Bergen Blvd, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Approved:

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Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 198-2009

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 1307 Lot 5, also known as 649 Bergen Boulevard for the years 2007 and 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Lonziserio & Son, Inc be issued a refund in the amount of \$2,593.41 for the year 2007 and \$2,822.47 for the year 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$5,415.88 made payable to Lonziserio & Son, Inc and Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq. as attorneys and mailed to Arthur Pajonk Esq, c/o Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq., 684 Bergen Blvd, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 199-2009

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 2804 Lot 21, also known as 550 Broad Avenue for the years 2007 and 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Lonziserio & Son, Inc be issued a refund in the amount of \$3,257.86 for the year 2007 and \$3,545.60 for the year 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$6,803.46 made payable to Lonziserio & Son, Inc and Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq. as attorneys and mailed to Arthur Pajonk Esq, c/o Pajonk and Pajonk, Esq., 684 Bergen Blvd, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 200-2009

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 2203 Lot 18, also known as 610 Broad Avenue for the year 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Dragomir and Koviljka Zivkovic be issued a refund in the amount of \$5,937.17 for the year 2008.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$5,937.17 made payable to Daniel G. Keough, Trustee for Zivkovic and mailed to 783 Springfield Avenue, Summit New Jersey, 07901.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Lonzisero

RESOLUTION NO. 201-2009

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that

STEPHANIE SEYR

be appointed as Acting Deputy Municipal Court Administrator for the remainder of calendar year 2009 at the hourly rate of \$25.00 not to exceed \$15,000.00 per year.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 202-2009

WHEREAS, the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund is authorized by statute to provide insurance coverage for local units of government who are desirous of same;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield is a member of the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund;

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 59:8-6 authorized public entities to require information in addition to that specified in N.J.S.A. 59:8-4 for the proper investigation and/or resolution of such claims; and

WHEREAS, the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund has recommended that each of the participating public entities adopt and approve a Notice of Tort Claim form in the form attached to this resolution;

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

1. The Borough of Ridgefield hereby adopts and approves the attached Notice of Claim form pursuant to N.J.S.A. 58:8-6;
2. Nothing in this resolution shall be construed as invalidating any Notice of Claim form authorized by the Borough of Ridgefield and/or the Public Alliance Insurance Coverage Fund prior to the implementation of this resolution.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 203-2009

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield has entered into a Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Purchase and Property; and

WHEREAS, W.B. Mason, Inc. was awarded a State contract Number A59767 for Stationary Supplies for the period January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2) contains a bid threshold of \$21,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this threshold may be exceeded by Resolution for municipalities that are members of Cooperative Purchasing Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield will exceed \$21,000.00 for the purchase of Stationary Supplies for FY 2008/2009.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to contract for the purchase of Stationary Supplies from W.B. Mason, Inc. through the NJ State contract in excess of \$21,000.00 without public bidding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds for said purchase are certified from various departmental line item accounts in the FY 2008/2009 budget.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 204-2009

WHEREAS, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey has donated a 1996 Boston Whaler watercraft to the Ridgefield Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the DPW mechanic has thoroughly inspected said watercraft and issued a satisfactory report; and

WHEREAS, said watercraft will be used for water rescues by the Ridgefield Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, maintenance and outfitting of said watercraft is to be paid from funds from Account #03-5000.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 205-2009

WHEREAS, the following applicants have legal and engineering escrow monies deposited with the Borough for payment to Borough professionals in conjunction with said development; and

WHEREAS, said escrow funds not already encumbered have been released by the Borough professionals; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer have exhausted all alternatives in contacting said applicants for the return of unused escrows; and

WHEREAS, they are recommending that these escrow deposits be cleared of record and be remanded to the Borough:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to clear the following escrow accounts of record.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these funds be transferred to the Borough's operating account.

BLOCK	LOT	NAME	AMOUNT
1903	2	Jose S. Pla	\$ 93.75
2301	1&1.01	D. Fanesi	80.20
1306	1	Gary Chartoff	11.00
3305	11	John Lembo	162.50
3805	13	B & P Realty	516.25
0110	9	Antonio Pietropaolo	13.00
3303	19	Premier Builders	55.00
3702	12	Premier Builders	300.00

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Martin A. Gobbo, Borough Clerk

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 206-2009

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Borough of Ridgefield to treat the public, employees, prospective employees, appointees, volunteers and contractors in a manner consistent with all applicable civil rights laws and regulations including, but not limited to the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 as subsequently amended, the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination, the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Conscientious Employee Protection Act; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Borough of Ridgefield has determined that certain procedures need to be established to accomplish this policy.

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

Section 1: No official, employee, appointee or volunteer of the Borough of Ridgefield by whatever title known, or any entity that is in any way a part of the Borough of Ridgefield shall engage, either directly or indirectly in any act including the failure to act that constitutes discrimination, harassment or a violation of any person's constitutional rights while such official, employee, appointee, volunteer, or entity is engaged in or acting on behalf of the Borough of Ridgefield's business or using the facilities or property of the Borough of Ridgefield.

Section 2: The prohibitions and requirements of this resolution shall extend to any person or entity, including but not limited to any volunteer organization or inter-local organization, whether structured as a governmental entity or a private entity, that receives authorization or support in any way from the Borough of Ridgefield to provide services that otherwise could be performed by the Borough of Ridgefield.

Section 3: Discrimination, harassment and civil rights shall be defined for purposes of this resolution using the latest definitions contained in the applicable Federal and State laws concerning discrimination, harassment and civil rights.

Section 4: The Borough Administrator shall establish written procedures for any person to report alleged discrimination, harassment and violations of civil rights prohibited by this resolution. Such procedures shall include alternate ways to report a complaint so that the person making the complaint need not communicate with the alleged violator in the event the alleged violator would be the normal contact for such complaints.

Section 5: No person shall retaliate against any person who reports any alleged discrimination, harassment or violation of civil rights, provided however, that any person who reports alleged violations in bad faith shall be subject to appropriate discipline.

Section 6: The Borough Administrator shall establish written procedures that require all official, employees, appointees and volunteers of the Borough of Ridgefield as well as all other entities subject to this resolution to periodically complete training concerning their duties, responsibilities and rights pursuant to this resolution.

Section 7: The Borough Administrator shall establish a system to monitor compliance and shall report at least annually to the governing body the results of the monitoring.

Section 8: At least annually, the Borough Administrator shall cause a summary of this resolution and the procedures established pursuant to this resolution to be communicated within the Borough of Ridgefield. This communication shall include a statement from the governing body expressing its unequivocal commitment to enforce this resolution. This summary shall also be posted on the Borough of Ridgefield's website.

Section 9: This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Section 10: A copy of this resolution shall be published in the official newspaper of the Borough of Ridgefield in order for the public to be made aware of this policy and the Borough of Ridgefield's commitment to the implementation and enforcement of this policy.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 208-2009

WHEREAS, the annual audit of the books, accounts and financial transactions of the Borough of Ridgefield for Fiscal Year 2008 has been completed; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board requires that the Chief Financial Officer of the local unit promulgates a Corrective Action Plan based on the Recommendations of the Registered Municipal Accountant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Mayor and Council hereby approves the Corrective Action Plan formulated by Joseph Luppino, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Ridgefield, which plan is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

Borough of Ridgefield
Bergen County
604 Broad Ave.
Ridgefield, NJ 07657

Audit Report Year 2008

Joseph Luppino, CFO

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

SCHEDULE OF AUDIT FINDINGS

Prior Year Finding Unresolved

FINDING 2008-1

Current Fund general ledger account balances were not in agreement with subsidiary ledgers and supporting documentation.

Recommendation:

Reconcile the Current Fund general ledger accounts to their respective subsidiary ledgers and supporting documentation on a monthly basis.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The accounting department lacked adequate manpower to reconcile the tax account status reports, revenue and budget status reports and bank reconciliations to the general ledger. In April of 2008, the borough hired an assistant treasurer to assist the CFO and the accounting staff in the reconciliation of the bank reconciliations. Subsequent to the June 30, 2008 year-end, the hours of the assistant treasurer were increased in order to maintain and reconcile the general ledger on a monthly basis. June 1, 2009 is the target date for all funds to be reconciled on a monthly basis by the Assistant Treasurer.

FINDING 2008-2

General ledgers are not maintained for the Trust Funds, General Capital Fund, Swim Pool Utility Funds and Public Assistance Fund.

Recommendation:

Implement and maintain a general ledger accounting system for all funds.

FINDING 2008-2 (Continued)

Explanation and Corrective Action:

General Ledgers for General Capital Fund, Swim Pool Utility Fund and certain Trust Funds (Dog, Payroll Agency, Unemployment and Outside Police Services are complete. For remaining “other trust funds” general ledger will be implemented by June 1, 2009. Public Assistance Fund general ledger will be implemented at a later date. Assistant Treasurer is working with the Public Assistance Director on implementing a system that assures that all privacy issues are incorporated.

FINDING 2008-3

The Borough incurred an over expenditures of \$1,500 in the FY 08 budget and approximately \$53,000 in the FY 07 reserve budget.

Recommendation:

Implement and enhance internal control procedures to ensure sufficient appropriations are made available in budgetary line accounts prior to expenditures of Funds.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

\$53,000 over-expenditure in the 2007 reserve budget occurred in October of 2007. General ledgers and subsidiary ledgers were not properly maintained or reconciled to Budget reports, which resulted in over expenditures. The assistant treasurer and CFO will review and ensure that proper internal control procedures are in place to prevent over expenditures.

FINDING 2008-4

Current, General Capital Fund and Swim Pool Utility Operating Funds revealed liabilities of approximately \$152,000, \$215,000 and \$8,000 respectively that were not recorded in the Borough’s Financial records at June 30, 2008.

Recommendation:

Review Borough internal control procedures regarding the encumbering of funds for monthly recurring expenditures, the ordering of goods or services, and the awarding of contracts to ensure approved purchase orders are issued prior to the commitment of Borough funds.

FINDING 2008-4 (continued)

Explanation and Corrective Action:

Prior to April 2008, Contracts awarded by the Governing Body were not being encumbered and approved purchase orders were not issued for monthly recurring expenditures or prior to the ordering of the goods and services. The CFO and Assistant Treasurer subsequent to April have incorporated a proper "Encumbrance Accounting" system is improved to ensure proper internal controls are in place to record liabilities. Contracts will be encumbered when awarded.

FINDING 2008-5

Minutes of the Mayor and Council meetings were not transcribed, approved by the governing body and permanently bound in a timely manner.

Recommendation:

Prepare minutes of all Mayor and Council meetings and submit to the governing body for their approval in a timely manner. Furthermore, permanently bind approved minutes and have available for review.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The Borough Clerk's office will be responsible for preparation of minutes of the Mayor and Council meetings and submission to the governing body for approval in a timely manner. The Borough is investigating increasing manpower in the Borough Clerk's office to transcribe the minutes from previous meetings.

FINDING 2008-6

Vendors were paid in excess of the bid threshold. Cumulative purchases of certain items exceeded the bid threshold and were not publicly advertised for bid. Purchases for auto parts, pools chemicals, security camera system, gasoline and diesel fuel were not publicly advertised for bids.

Recommendation:

Publicly advertise purchases that exceed the bidding threshold.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

Lack of personnel and a decentralized purchasing resulted in cumulative purchases exceeding the bid threshold. CFO and Assistant Treasurer have implemented vendor review procedures to

prevent vendors from exceeding the bid threshold without public bidding. In addition, the borough is also making increase use of state and local cooperative purchase agreements

PRIOR YEARS GENERAL COMMENTS -UNRESOLVED

GENERAL COMMENTS

General Comment: 1

The Borough does not maintain a payroll deduction ledger.

Recommendation:

Maintain and reconcile the payroll agency ledger by deduction to the payroll agency bank account on a monthly basis.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The payroll department will maintain a payroll agency ledger and reconcile it to the bank reconciliation.

General Comment: 2

General Capital Fund revealed a vendor account receivable of \$78,461.

Recommendation:

Borough takes action to clear vendor receivable.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

It has been determined that additional sewer work was completed by the vendor in prior years. The receivable will be charged to a capital ordinance for SY 2009.

General Comment: 3

The Borough's General Capital Fund improvement authorization ledger was not in agreement with audited balances.

Recommendation:

Adjust the Borough's improvement authorization ledger to agree with the audited balances and any inactive accounts be reviewed and cleared of record.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The CFO and Assistant Treasurer will adjust improvement authorization balances to agree with the audited balances and cancel out inactive accounts.

General Comment: 4

Borough Escrow deposits were not reconciled with cash balances and audit balances. In addition, there exists old and in inactive deposits and reserve accounts.

Recommendation:

Reconcile and review all escrow accounting and reporting and cancel old and inactive deposits and reserves.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The Assistant Treasurer will reconcile and review all escrow accounts to the audit report and cancel to Current Fund any old inactive accounts.

General Comment: 5

Certain municipal departments do not issue prenumbered receipts for monies collected and certain application, licenses and permits are not prenumbered. Department monthly reports were not always filed.

Recommendation:

Review and enhance internal control over department financial recordkeeping to ensure a Standardized revenue accounting and reporting system.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

CFO and Assistant Treasurer will meet with department heads to implement a standardized revenue accounting and reporting system.

General Comment 6:

The support documentation of the daily cash receipt entries in the Swim Pool Utility Operating Fund was inadequate.

General Comment: 6 (continued)

Recommendation:

Maintain detailed accounting to support daily cash receipt entries and deposits in the Swim Pool Utility Operating Fund.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The CFO will instruct the Swim Pool Director to keep detail accounting records to support the accounting records of the Swim Pool Utility Operating Fund.

General Comment 7:

The Municipal Court has not consistently remitted funds to the respective agencies by the 15th day of the subsequent month.

Recommendation:

The Municipal Court must remit funds to the proper agencies by the 15th day of the subsequent month.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The CFO will advise Municipal Court to remit funds to proper agencies by the 15th day of the subsequent month. According to Court Administrator a delay in the State's online payment system has caused a delay in the Borough's remittance system.

General Comment: 8

293 Municipal Court tickets and 838 special complaints were assigned and not issued are outstanding over six months and not recalled.

Recommendation:

Recall and reassign outstanding tickets over six months old.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

Municipal Court Administrator will recall and reassign old outstanding tickets.

General Comment: 9

Borough Clerk's office did not record several entries in the cash receipt ledger.

Recommendation:

Record all cash receipts in the Borough Clerk's ledger utilizing prenumbered receipt tickets,

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The Borough Clerk's office will record all cash receipts in the cash receipt ledger using prenumbered receipt.

General Comment: 10

Recreation late fees were not consistently charged.

Recommendation:

Retain and make available for audit all registration forms and rosters. Late fees should be assessed consistently.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The Recreation department will be instructed to retain all registration forms and rosters and late fees assessed consistently.

General Comment: 11

Youth Commission maintains a separate bank account for fundraising deposits and expenses related to Youth Center activities. Disbursements were not made through the Borough's purchasing procedures.

Recommendation:

CFO maintain the Youth Commission bank account and all Borough purchasing and payroll procedures and payment procedures be followed and adhered to.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

Youth Commission is in the process filling the proper tax and administrative paperwork to be independent of the Borough of Ridgefield. Therefore not be subject to Borough oversight and regulations.

CURRENT FINDINGS:

Current Finding –2008-1

Unexpended appropriated grant reserve balances totaling in excess of \$174,000 at year-end.

Recommendation:

Review the unexpended appropriated grant reserve balance in the Current Fund and appropriate action is taken to clear them.

The Assistant treasurer will charge the expenditures to the appropriate grant reserves.

Current Finding –2008-2

Annual salary calculations are performed by the payroll accountant and are not reviewed or approved by a responsible Borough official.

Recommendation:

A responsible borough official should review and approve annual salary calculations.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

Assistant Treasurer will review annual salary calculations and CFO will approve annual Calculations.

Current Finding: 2008-3

\$40,000 overdraft in the Swim Pool Utility Capital Fund

Recommendation:

Greater care is exercised to ensure cash overdrafts do not occur in the Swim Pool Utility Capital Fund.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

ADA reimbursable grant required payment to Vendor prior to reimbursement. The Pool Fund did not have enough funds to cover the payment. An inter-fund was created to cover cash outlay in the Swim Pool Utility Fund. CFO and assistant treasurer have enhanced the inter-fund procedures to assure funds in bank be available prior to proceeding of vendor payments

Current Finding: 2008-4

The Borough's salary ordinance revealed that police's salaries are not included as part of approved salary and compensation ordinance.

Recommendation:

Amend the Borough's salary and compensation ordinance to include all police officers' salary levels.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

The Borough will amend the salary and compensation ordinance to include all police officers' salary levels.

Current Finding: 2008-5

Building Department fees charges for boilers, water heaters and house bids) were not in accordance with the Borough fee ordinance.

Recommendation:

Fees charges are the Building Department is to calculate in accordance with the Borough fee ordinance.

Explanation and Corrective Action:

CFO will instruct the Building Department to charge the correct fees as per the Borough fee ordinance.

Current Finding: 2008-6

Municipal Court issued 200 tickets and 889 special complaints were issued but not assigned.

Recommendation:

Assign all tickets and special complaints be assigned prior to their release from the Municipal Court.

Explanation and Corrective Action

Court Administrator will assign all tickets and special complaints prior to their release.

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 209-2009

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that

ED CATHERINA

be hired as Summer Playground Assistant Director for the 2009 Summer Camp Season at the hourly rate of \$15.50.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Lonzisero				
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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 210-2009

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Ray Ramirez, Director of Parks and Recreation, receive a salary increase of 3.5% retroactive to January 1, 2009.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 211-2009

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police, Richard J. Stoltenborg, is owed return time that was accumulated prior to becoming Chief; and

WHEREAS, per the terms of his Memorandum of Understanding approved December 10, 2007 Chief Stoltenborg is entitled to compensation for said time; and

WHEREAS, said time owed computes to 394.25 return time hours at the 2008 hourly rate of \$74.56 for a total amount of \$29,395.28; and

WHEREAS, Chief Stoltenborg has agreed to receive said amount in three increments as follows:

\$10,000.00 payable May, 2009
\$9,697.64 payable January, 2010
\$9,697.64 payable July, 2010

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the above payment and schedule be approved;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized and directed to take the necessary steps to effectuate this agreement.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Martin A. Gobbo,
Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE				
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Lonzisero				
Todd				
Vincentz				
Severino				
Castelli				
Acosta				
Mayor Suarez				

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.

Joseph Luppino,
Chief Financial Officer

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 11, 2009

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

RESOLUTION NO. 212-2009

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling \$3,267,413.88
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$3,212,610.92
TRUST	\$13,334.31
CAPITAL	\$13,522.46
POOL	\$11,981.19
DOG LICENSE	\$15.00
UNEMPLOYMENT FUND	\$15,950.00
TOTAL	\$3,267,413.88

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Martin A. Gobbo,
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