

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: September 14, 2015

Open Public Meetings Statement by Mayor Suarez

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

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

Citizens Comment on Agenda:

Correspondence:

Approval of Minutes of May 26, 2015 Work Session, May 26, 2015 Public Session, and June 8, 2015 Public Session Meetings

ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION

	Adj. to Ex.		Public	
	Pres.	Abs.	Pres.	Abs.
Mayor Suarez				
Castelli				
Acosta				
Penabad				
Shim				
Todd				
Vincentz				

ROLL CALL-EXEC. SESSION

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mayor Suarez		
Castelli		
Acosta		
Penabad		
Shim		
Todd		
Vincentz		

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2284 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 70 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD AND FURTHER AMENDING THE BOROUGH’S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL ACCORDINGLY”

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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Public Hearing

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Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2287 entitled, "A CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$175,000.00 FOR ABBOTT AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS, SECTION 3, PROJECT BY THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD FOR AND TO APPROPRIATE \$149,000.00 FROM A NJDOT FISCAL YEAR 2015 MUNICIPAL AID GRANT AND 26,000.00 FROM BERGEN COUNTY RIDGEFIELD BOROUGH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND"

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

PROPOSED CONSENT AGENDA:

216-2015	Councilman Penabad	Increase Bid Threshold
217-2015	Councilman Acosta	Liquor License Renewals
218-2015	Councilman Penabad	Audit Recommendation
219-2015	Councilman Penabad	Capital Budget Amendment
220-2015	Councilman Penabad	Salary Action
221-2015	Councilman Acosta	Dedication by Rider
222-2015	Councilman Acosta	Adjusted Assessment Block 1602, Lot 13-2012
223-2015	Councilman Acosta	Adjusted Assessment Block 1602, Lot 13-2013
224-2015	Councilman Acosta	Adjusted Assessment Block 1602, Lot 13-2014
225-2015	Councilman Acosta	Adjusted Assessment Block 1602, Lot 13-2015
226-2015	Councilman Acosta	Hire School Crossing Guard
227-2015	Mayor Suarez	Appointment to Anti-Bullying Committee
228-2015	Councilman Penabad	Return of Escrow
229-2015	Councilman Penabad	Performance Bond Release-Block 2905, Lots 4 & 5
230-2015	Councilman Castelli	Change Order-Professional Services
231-2015	Councilman Penabad	Adjusted Assessment Block 2303, Lot 13
232-2015	Councilman Penabad	Adjusted Assessment Block 2303, Lot 14
233-2015	Councilman Penabad	Rescue Truck Return
234-2015	Councilman Penabad	COAH Shared Services Agreement

COUNCIL VOTE

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

RESOLUTIONS:

235-2015	Councilman Penabad	Warrants
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COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

Coin Toss Request:

RMHS Boys Basketball
October 10, 2015

Recreation Football/Cheerleading
October 17, 2015 and November 14, 2015

RMHS Music Parents
September 26, 2015 and November 21, 2015

Slocum Skewes 8th Grade Class
October 24, 2015 and November 7, 2015

Application for Social Affair Permit:

Sts. Vartanantz Armenian Apostolic Church
461 Bergen Boulevard
November 6, 2015 – 4:00 pm-Midnight
November 7, 2015 – 4:00 pm-Midnight

Raffles License Application:

Friends of the Ridgefield Library
527 Morse Avenue
November 7, 2015 – 8:00 pm
50/50 and Basket Raffle

Sts. Vartanantz Armenian Apostolic Church
461 Bergen Boulevard
November 8, 2015 – 2:00 pm
Prize Raffle

Request to Hang Banner (Bergen Blvd. Location):

Sts. Vartanantz Armenian Apostolic Church
Annual Bazaar and Food Festival
November 6-November 8, 2015

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 September 14, 2015

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.

COUNCIL VOTE				
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Mayor Suarez				

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

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2284

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 70 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD AND FURTHER AMENDING THE BOROUGH’S POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL ACCORDINGLY”

introduced on the 17th day of August, 2015, 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

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting August 17, 2015

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2284

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II OF CHAPTER 70 OF THE CODE OF THE
BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD AND FURTHER AMENDING THE BOROUGH’S POLICIES
AND PROCEDURES MANUAL ACCORDINGLY”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Article II, entitled “Vacation Policy” of Chapter 70 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and hereby is amended as follows:

Section I:

Section 70-15. Schedule, Subpart B, be and hereby is amended by re-designating existing subsection (5) to be subsection (6); and by adding a new subsection 5 to read as follows:

(5) During and after an employee’s sixteenth (16th) year of service, the employee shall be entitled to five (5) weeks’ vacation.

In all other respects, the terms and conditions of Article II of Chapter 70 are hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section II:

The Borough’s Policies and Procedures Manual, at Section 3, Paid and Unpaid Time Off Policies, be and hereby is amended to be consistent with the above, as reflected in the attached Schedule A.

Section III. Repealer.

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

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

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

SECTION THREE

Paid and Unpaid Time Off Policies:

Scope:

These policies cover non-union employees. They also cover union employees to the extent that their collective bargaining agreements do not cover these issues.

Paid Holiday Policy:

Employees are entitled to paid holidays as set forth at the annual reorganization meeting of the Mayor and Council.

Vacation Leave Policy:

Each employee of the Borough of Ridgefield, including appointed officials and all other employees shall be entitled to vacation time as follows:

A. All employees of the Borough who are included in or covered by any employment contract or collective bargaining agreement with the Borough shall be entitled to vacation according to the terms and provisions of their contract or collective bargaining agreement.

B. As to those employees not included in or covered by any contract or collective agency agreement with the Borough, only full-time employees of the Borough shall be entitled to vacation time. For purposes of this policy, "full-time employees" are defined as those working at least 35 hours per week. These employees shall accumulate vacation time as follows:

(1) During an employee's first year of service with the Borough, the employee shall earn and accumulate vacation time at the rate of one day for each 30 days of service, subject to a maximum of one week during the first year of employment. No vacation may be used by an employee until that employee shall be in Borough service for 180 days.

(2) During an employee's second through fifth year of service, the employee shall be entitled to two weeks' vacation.

(3) During an employee's sixth through tenth year of service, the employee shall be entitled to three weeks' vacation.

(4) During an employee's eleventh through fifteenth year of service, the employee shall be entitled to four weeks' vacation.

(5) During and after an employee's 16th year of service, the employee shall be entitled to five weeks' vacation.

Accumulation of vacation time shall be measured and computed by using each employee's starting employment date with the Borough and not against a calendar year.

Employees who do not use all of their vacation allowance may carry over five (5) days to the following year. However, if these days are not used within the first quarter of the following year, they will be forfeited.

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2285

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 \$144,500.00 FOR RIDGEFIELD NATURE CENTER FENCE IMPROVEMENTS BY THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD AND TO APPROPRIATE \$72,250.00 FROM A BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE GRANT AND \$72,250.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND”

introduced on the 17th day of August, 2015, 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

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting August 17, 2015

Presented by Councilman Castelli

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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 \$72,250.00 from a Bergen County Open Space Grant and \$72,250 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:

Ridgefield Nature Center Fence Improvements including all labor, material costs and appurtenances necessary and related thereto	<u>\$144,500.00</u>
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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.

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 a Bergen County Open Space Grant in the amount of \$72,250.00 and from the Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$72,250.

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 \$144,500.00 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

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2286

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COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting August 17, 2015

Presented by Councilman Vincentz

ORDINANCE NO. 2286

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 206 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
RIDGEFIELD, GARAGE SALES”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Chapter 206 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield entitled “Garage Sales” be and hereby is amended as follows:

Section I:

Section 206-3. Application for license, be and hereby is amended to read as follows:

Application for a license shall be made, in writing, on a form provided by the Borough Clerk at least three days prior to the date of the commencement of such sale.

Section II:

In all other respects, the terms and conditions of Chapter 206 are hereby ratified and affirmed.

Section III. Repealer.

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

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

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

ORDINANCE NO. 2287

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 \$175,000.00 FOR ABBOTT AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS, SECTION 3, PROJECT BY THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD FOR AND TO APPROPRIATE \$149,000.00 FROM A NJDOT FISCAL YEAR 2015 MUNICIPAL AID GRANT AND 26,000.00 FROM BERGEN COUNTY RIDGEFIELD BOROUGH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND”

introduced on the 14th day of September, 2015 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 28th day of September, 2015 at 7:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at the regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Ridgefield Public Library, 527 Morse 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 she 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

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

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

Abbott Avenue Improvements, Section 3	
Including all labor, material costs and	
Appurtenances necessary and related thereto	<u>\$175,00.00</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 assessed on properties specifically benefited.

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 a NJDOT Fiscal Year 2015 Municipal Aid Grant in the amount of \$149,000.00 and from the Capital Improvement Fund in the amount of \$26,000.00.

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 \$175,000.00 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

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 216-2015

WHEREAS, a contracting unit with a qualified purchasing agent desiring to take advantage of the supplemental authority of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 shall have its governing body pass a resolution authorizing the amount of a higher bid threshold which shall not exceed the statutory maximum bid threshold, currently \$40,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Erik Lenander was appointed Purchasing Agent effective July 1, 2009 and he successfully met the requirements for the designation of Qualified Purchasing Agent by the NJ Department of Community Affairs on December 1, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield is desirous of increasing the bid threshold from \$36,000 to \$40,000 for the purposes of efficiency and reducing the need to formally bid goods and services; and

WHEREAS, two exceptions to the \$36,000 bid threshold are Road contracts under N.J.S.A.27:2-1 where the threshold is currently \$17,200 and the political contribution threshold (pay to play) remains at \$17,500.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the bid threshold for the Borough under the Local Public Contracts Law is and hereby increased to the statutory limit of \$40,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the quotation threshold be set at 10% of the bid threshold (\$40,000) or \$4,000, and not be increased to 15% (\$6,000) of the new bid threshold.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE				
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Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 217-2015

BE IT RESOLVED, that Liquor Licenses be issued to the following applicants pursuant to an Act of Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled, "AN ACT CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" passed December 6, 1953 and amendments thereto, and the Borough Ordinance 498 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" adopted July 2, 1946, and amendments thereto, such licenses to expire September 18, 2015 and paid to June 30, 2016.

<u>NAME OF LICENSEE</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>STATE LICENSE</u>
<i>PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION</i>		
The Stancato, Inc. D/B/A Café Tivoli	533 Shaler Boulevard Ridgefield, NJ	024933016004
Chan's Dragon Inn	630 Broad Avenue Ridgefield, NJ	024933002004
Jay Jala Bapa, Inc. D/B/A Ridgefield Liquors	520 Shaler Boulevard Ridgefield, NJ	024932012008
Texas Steak House, Inc.	441-445 Broad Avenue Ridgefield, NJ	024933001010
Waterfalls Associates, Inc.	550 Bergen Boulevard Ridgefield, NJ	024933011005
Pellit, Inc. D/B/A Colonial Bar & Liquors	719D Grand Avenue Ridgefield, NJ	024933014005
Blue Ocean Japanese Restaurant	518 Broad Avenue Ridgefield, NJ	024933008009
13 ½ Winners		024933009010
Heffernan Thomas M		024933005001
Tom Tim Pat		024933013001

Broderick Joan

024933007007

CLUB LICENSE

Ridgefield World War Veterans Assoc. 540 Shaler Boulevard
American Legion Post 221 Ridgefield, NJ

024931017001

PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSE

Best Wine & Liquor 321 Broad Avenue
Ridgefield, NJ

024944006005

COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 218-2015

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the calendar year ending December 31, 2014 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk as per the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey is authorized to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs, as per R.S. 52:27BB-34, and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled:

General Comments
Recommendations

and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled:

General Comments
Recommendations

as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body, and

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the promulgations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52 – to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52-“A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance fails or refuses to obey an order of the Director of Local Government Services, under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the Borough of Ridgefield hereby states that it has complied with the promulgation of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey dated July 30, 1968 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

 Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

 Linda M. Silvestri,
 Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

GROUP AFFIDAVIT FORM
RESOLUTION NO. 218-2015

STATE OF NEW JERSEY)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF BERGEN)

We, members of the governing body of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, of full age, being duly sworn according to law, upon our oath depose and say:

1. We are duly elected members of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield.
2. In the performance of our duties, and pursuant to the Local Finance Board Regulation, we have familiarized ourselves with the contents of the Annual Municipal Audit filed with the Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6 for the calendar year 2014.
3. We certify that we have personally reviewed and are familiar with, as a minimum, the sections of the Annual Report of Audit entitled:

GENERAL COMMENTS
RECOMMENDATIONS

(L.S.)
Anthony R. Suarez

(L.S.)
Russell Castelli

(L.S.)
Javier Acosta

(L.S.)
Ray Penabad

(L.S.)
Dennis Shim

(L.S.)
Angus Todd

(L.S.)
Warren Vincentz

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
_____ day of _____, 2015

CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the local capital budget for the year 2015 was amended on the 17th day of August, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, it is desired to amend said amended capital budget section,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, that the following amendment(s) to the amended capital budget section of the 2015 Budget be made:

RECORDED VOTE	((((
(Insert Last Names)	((((
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FROM
CAPITAL BUDGET (CURRENT YEAR ACTION)
2015

1 Project	2 Project Number	3 Estimated Total Cost	4 Amounts Reserved in Prior Years	5a 2015 Budget Appropriation	5b Capital Improvement Fund	5c Capital Surplus	5d Grants in Aid and other funds	5c Debt Authorized	6 To Be Funded in Future Years
		2,711,680			160,750		148,430	902,500	1,500,000
Total All Projects									

6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2015-2020
Anticipated Project Schedule
and Funding Requirement

1 Project	2 Project Number	3 Estimated Total Cost	4 Estimated Completion Time	5 Funding Amounts Per Year					
				Budget Year 2015	Budget Year 2016	Budget Year 2017	Budget Year 2018	Budget Year 2019	Budget Year 2020
		2,711,680		1,211,680	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
Total All Projects									

**6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2015-2020
SUMMARY OF ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES AND AMOUNTS**

1 Project	2 Estimated Total Cost	3 Current Year 2015	4 Future Years	4		5		6		
				Capital Improvement Fund	Capital Surplus	Grants in Aid and Other Funds	General	Liquidating	Assessment	School
Total All Projects										
	2,711,680			235,750		148,430	2,327,500			

**TO
CAPITAL BUDGET (CURRENT YEAR ACTION)**

1 Project	2 Project Number	3 Estimated Total Cost	4 Amounts Reserved in Prior Years	4		5c Capital Surplus	5d Grants in Aid and other funds	5e Debt Authorized	6 To Be Funded in Future Years
				5a 2015 Budget Appropriation	5b Capital Improvement Fund				
Abbott Avenue Improvements-Sec. 3									
	2015-6	175,000		26,000		149,000			
Total All Projects									
		2,886,680		186,750		297,430	902,500		1,500,000

**6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2015-2020
Anticipated Project Schedule
and Funding Requirement**

1 Project	2 Project Number	3 Estimated Total Cost	4 Estimated Completion Time	5					
				Funding Amounts Per Year		Budget Year			
				2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Abbott Avenue Improvements-Sec. 3									
	2015-6	175,000		175,000					
Total All Projects									
		2,886,680		1,386,680	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000

6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2015-2020
SUMMARY OF ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES AND AMOUNTS

1 Project 2015-6	2 Estimated Total Cost 175,000	3 Current Year 2014	4 Future Years	5 Capital Improvement Fund	6 Grants in Aid and Other Funds	BONDS AND NOTES		
						General	Liquidating	Assessment
				26,000	149,000			
Total All Projects							297,430	2,327,500

Be It Further Resolved that three certified copies of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services.

It is hereby certified that this is a true copy of a resolution amending the capital budget section adopted by the governing body on the 14th day of September 2015.

Certified by me

September 14, 2015

MUNICIPAL CLERK

TRENTON, NEW JERSEY

APPROVED _____, 2015

DIRECTOR OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 220-2015

WHEREAS, Diana Alvarez has been working as Technical Assistant at the Building and Zoning Department, Jennifer Kees has been working as Tax Clerk in the Tax Department and Angela Gramuglia has been working as an Accounts Payable Clerk in the Finance Department; and

WHEREAS, Article XXI of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Borough and the Ridgfield Employees Association reserves the right of the Borough, during the term of the contract, to award additional pay increases, at their sole discretion, to any department employee or employees who, in the judgment of the Mayor and Council, have earned such additional salary increases as a result of their productivity, performance and conduct; and

WHEREAS, the Finance & Administration Committee at their meeting of February 18, 2015 reviewed the work record of Diana Alvarez, Jennifer Kees, and Angela Gramuglia and recommends to the Mayor and Council that Diana Alvarez's annual base salary be increased from \$56,476.91 to \$58,976.91, Jennifer Kees's annual base salary be increased from \$33,419.18 to \$34,919.17, and Angela Gramuglia's annual base salary be increased from \$33,419.18 to \$35,919.18 effective September 10, 2015:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgfield that that annual base salary of Building & Zoning Department Technical Assistant Diana Alvarez be increased to \$58,976.91, the base salary of Tax Department Tax Clerk Jennifer Kees be increased to \$34,919.17, and the base salary of Accounts Payable Clerk Angela Gramuglia be increased to \$35,919.18 effective September 10, 2015.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that annual base salaries for the following positions be amended effective September 10, 2015 as follows:

DPW Assistant Foreman	53,139.98
Municipal Clerk	70,096.18
Fire Official	43,000.00
Fire Sub Code Official	7,600.00
Plumbing Sub Code Official	7,600.00
Electrical Sub Code Official	7,600.00
Zoning Officer	7,600.00
Elevator Sub Code Official	5,400.00
Housing Inspector	7,450.00

Property Maintenance Official
Special Police Officers

24.40 per hour
14.00 per hour

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Maria Dente, Police Administrative Secretary, will receive a \$2,500 annual stipend pro-rated to September 10, 2015 paid from Police Outside Trust Administrative fees.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 221-2015

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR THE DEDICATION BY RIDER FOR
“UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE ENFORCEMENT FEES” REQUIRED BY N.J.S.A.
52:27D-119 ET SEQ

WHEREAS, permission is required of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for approval as a dedication by rider of revenues received by a municipality when the revenue is not subject to reasonably accurate estimates in advance; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.52:27D-119 et seq provides for receipt of Uniform Construction Code Enforcement Fees by the municipality to provide for the operating costs to administer this act; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A.52:27D-119 et seq provides the dedicated revenues anticipated from the Uniform Construction Code Enforcement Fees are hereby anticipated as revenue and are hereby appropriated for the purpose to which said revenue is dedicated by statute or other legal requirement:

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

1. The Governing Body does hereby request permission of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to pay for expenditures of the Uniform Construction Code Enforcement Fees under N.J.S.A.52:27D-119 et seq.
2. The Clerk of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen is hereby directed to forward two certified copies to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 222-2015

WHEREAS, Michael I. Schneck, Esq., representing Paul and Patricia Schmidt filed a tax appeal challenging assessments at Broad Avenue., Block 1602, Lot 13 for 2012;

WHEREAS, the original assessment in issue is:

LAND: One Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$1,950,000.00) Dollars
IMPROVEMENTS: Four Million Six Hundred Eighty Thousand (\$4,680,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Six Million Six Hundred Thirty Thousand (\$6,630,000.00) Dollars

WHEREAS, the parties have exchanged discovery and appraisal reports and have entered into settlement discussions and proposed settlement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing body that it does hereby authorize and approve a proposed settlement as follows:

- Adjusted assessment for 2012 at:
LAND: One Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$1,950,000.00) Dollars
IMPROVEMENTS: Four Million Six Hundred Eighty Thousand (\$4,680,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Six Million Six Hundred Thirty Thousand (\$6,630,000.00) Dollars
- That the Special Tax Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Stipulation of Settlement for filing with the Tax Court;
- That the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed, upon receipt of the Tax Court Judgment, to calculate the amount of the refund and cause same to be paid to the taxpayer, without statutory interest, within sixty (60) days from the date of the Tax Court Judgment;
- That the within settlement is subject to review and approval thereof by the taxpayer.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 223-2015

WHEREAS, Michael I. Schneck, Esq., representing Paul and Patricia Schmidt filed a tax appeal challenging assessments at Broad Avenue., Block 1602, Lot 13 for 2013;

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing body that it does hereby authorize and approve a proposed settlement as follows:

- Adjusted assessment for 2013 at:
LAND: One Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$1,950,000.00) Dollars
IMPROVEMENTS: Four Million Four Hundred Thousand (\$4,400,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Six Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$6,350,000.00) Dollars
- That the Special Tax Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Stipulation of Settlement for filing with the Tax Court;
- That the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed, upon receipt of the Tax Court Judgment, to calculate the amount of the refund and cause same to be paid to the taxpayer, without statutory interest, within sixty (60) days from the date of the Tax Court Judgment;
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Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE

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Castelli				
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Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 224-2015

WHEREAS, Michael I. Schneck, Esq., representing Paul and Patricia Schmidt filed a tax appeal challenging assessments at Broad Avenue., Block 1602, Lot 13 for 2014;

WHEREAS, the original assessment in issue is:

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IMPROVEMENTS: Four Million Six Hundred Eighty Thousand (\$4,680,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Six Million Six Hundred Thirty Thousand (\$6,630,000.00) Dollars

WHEREAS, the parties have exchanged discovery and appraisal reports and have entered into settlement discussions and proposed settlement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing body that it does hereby authorize and approve a proposed settlement as follows:

- Adjusted assessment for 2014 at:
LAND: One Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$1,950,000.00) Dollars
IMPROVEMENTS: Four Million Four Hundred Thousand (\$4,400,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Six Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$6,350,000.00) Dollars
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Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 225-2015

WHEREAS, Richard A. Hubschman, Jr., Esq., representing Paul and Patricia Schmidt filed a tax appeal challenging assessments at Broad Avenue., Block 1602, Lot 13 for 2015;

WHEREAS, the original assessment in issue is:

LAND: One Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$1,950,000.00) Dollars
IMPROVEMENTS: Four Million Six Hundred Eighty Thousand (\$4,680,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Six Million Six Hundred Thirty Thousand (\$6,630,000.00) Dollars

WHEREAS, the parties have exchanged discovery and appraisal reports and have entered into settlement discussions and proposed settlement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing body that it does hereby authorize and approve a proposed settlement as follows:

- Adjusted assessment for 2015 at:
LAND: One Million Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$1,950,000.00) Dollars
IMPROVEMENTS: Four Million Four Hundred Thousand (\$4,400,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Six Million Three Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$6,350,000.00) Dollars
- That the Special Tax Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Stipulation of Settlement for filing with the Tax Court;
- That the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed, upon receipt of the Tax Court Judgment, to calculate the amount of the refund and cause same to be paid to the taxpayer, without statutory interest, within sixty (60) days from the date of the Tax Court Judgment;
- That the within settlement is subject to review and approval thereof by the taxpayer.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 226-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that

ANTHONY CAPECE

be hired as a School Crossing Guard for the 2015/2016 School Year.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Acosta				
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Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 227-2015

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council that appoints

CHRISTY PHILLIPS

as Alternate Member of the Anti-Bullying Committee to fill the unexpired term of Stephanie Addeo through December 31, 2015.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Acosta				
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Todd				
Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 228-2015

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

<u>Applicant</u>			<u>Amount</u>
DJJ, Inc.	500 Broad Ave	Blk 2801/L9	\$ 827.50
James Hascup	595 Broad Ave	Blk 2801/L9	28.50
Dennis Giro	767 Clark Ave	Blk 2706/L9	1,175.25
Rainbow School	501 Prospect Ave	Blk 2803/L9	550.00
Lord Jesus Church	1155 Hendricks Ca	Blk 3003/L1	435.00
Radoncic Fadilj	722 Hamilton Ave	Blk 3303/L1	220.00

WHEREAS, Borough professionals have determined that all required improvements have been satisfactorily completed and all fees due for services rendered have been received:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Borough Treasurer is and hereby authorized to return the balance of escrow monies to the applicant.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 229-2015

WHEREAS, the Planning Board Approval of December 11, 2011 for the Amended Site Plan and Minor Subdivision Application of James and Catherine Hascup for Block 2905, Lot 4 & 5, 1005-1013 Edgewater Avenue required a Performance Surety Bond in the amount of \$102,204.00 to insure certain improvements; and

WHEREAS, Bond # FP0020393 in the amount of \$102,204.00 from First Indemnity of America Insurance Company was posted on June 28, 2013 and found acceptable by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Project Engineer having been satisfied that the required improvements were satisfactorily completed in accordance with the Planning Board Resolution by letter of August 31, 2015 recommends release of said Performance Bond and waive the requirement for a Maintenance Bond at this time:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Borough Clerk is and hereby authorized to release the Performance Bond #FP0020393 in the amount of \$102,204.00 posted by James and Catherine Hascup with the Borough of Ridgefield.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the requirement for a Maintenance Bond is waived at this time.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 230-2015

WHEREAS, there is a need for Civil Engineering Services for design and construction inspection of the project known as Lloyd and Hillside Street Improvements within the Borough of Ridgefield; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has previously retained Special Projects Engineer, Remington, Vernick & Arango in connection with the above named project for \$11,500.00 by Resolution 121-2015; and

WHEREAS, recent events have required additional services to be performed; and

WHEREAS, Remington, Vernick, and Arango Engineers has made a proposal dated September 10, 2015 with a maximum amount of \$3,250.00 which is attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, these services can be awarded as a professional services contract without the need for public bidding:

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

1. Remington, Vernick & Arango Engineers be and hereby are engaged pursuant to terms of the attached proposal, and the Mayor and Borough Clerk be and they are hereby are authorized and directed to execute same on behalf of the Borough.
2. This contract is awarded for the following reasons: there is a need for Civil Engineering Services for design and construction inspection of the project known as Lloyd and Hillside Street Improvements within the Borough of Ridgefield; and services to be rendered constitute a professional service as defined by New Jersey law; and Remington, Vernick & Arango Engineers have expertise and credentials to perform the service.
3. The within contract has an anticipated value of less than \$17,500 and is, therefore, not subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A.19:44-20.4 ET.SEQ.
4. A copy of this resolution and a copy of the attached contract shall be made available for public inspection as required by law.

5. The award of this contract is conditioned on the certification of available funds by the Borough's Chief Financial Officer

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Penabad				
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Vincentz				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri
Borough Clerk

REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS AND AFFILIATES

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CRAIG F. REMINGTON, PLS, PP, Vice President

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September 10, 2015

Mayor & Borough Council
Borough of Ridgely
604 Broad Avenue
Ridgely, NJ 07657

**Re: Request for Additional Compensation
CDBG-2013 & 2014 Roadway Improvements
RVA Project No. 0249T015**

Dear Mayor Suarez and Council Members:

REMINGTON, VERNICK & ARANGO ENGINEERS respectfully requests additional compensation for out of scope professional services regarding the 2013 and 2014 CDBG Roadway Improvements. The following are out of scope work that was performed:

1. The original scope of services required us to prepare construction documents very quickly in order to adhere to the timeframe of CDBG. Our initial discussions with the Borough for Lloyd Street concluded that a Mill & Overlay would be appropriate. We completed our design for both Hillside and Lloyd and submitted to CDBG for approval. During the review process it was brought to our attention that the existing pavement was very thin. We cored through the asphalt on the street which revealed that there was at best about 2 inches of surface course on a stone base. The design was changed from a mill and overlay to a full depth reconstruction of the roadway.
2. At the pre-construction meeting, our office was informed that CDBG would not pay for spot repairs of curbing and sidewalk along and curb ramp improvements to meet ADA standards. With this new information, we had to calculate the money that the Borough would have to spend for the improvements to the curb ramps. This involved multiple site visits to make sure that the quantities for the curb ramp improvements did not exceed to spending amount for the Borough.
3. This office recalculated quantities and increased pavement thickness on Hillside Street to maximize the improvements for the grant amount since the contractors bid came in about \$25,000.00 under the \$175,000.00 grant allotment.
4. On Friday, July 17, 2015, we received a call that the roadway had been sinking in front of 534 Lloyd Street. We instructed the Contractor to excavate poor material and replace with Dense Graded Aggregate material (DGA).

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Request for Additional Compensation
CDBG-2013 & 2014 Roadway Improvements
RVA Project No. 0249T015
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We respectfully request an additional \$3,250.00 to cover these costs. Should you have any questions or need additional information please let us know.

Sincerely,
REMINGTON, VERNICK & ARANGO ENGINEERS, INC.



Richard G. Arango, P.E., C.M.E.
Executive Vice President

RGA/hs

cc: Linda Silvestri, RMC
Stephen F. Pellino, Esq.
Nicholas Gambardella, Superintendent of PW

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 231-2015

WHEREAS, Amber N. Heinze, Esq., representing Hoyt Avenue LLC, Et Al filed a tax appeal challenging assessments at 1038 Hoyt Avenue., Block 2303, Lot 13 for 2015;

WHEREAS, the original assessment in issue is:

LAND: Three Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$350,000.00) Dollars
IMPROVEMENTS: Three Hundred Thirteen Thousand (\$313,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Six Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand (\$663,000.00) Dollars

WHEREAS, the parties have exchanged discovery and appraisal reports and have entered into settlement discussions and proposed settlement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing body that it does hereby authorize and approve a proposed settlement as follows:

- Adjusted assessment for 2015 at:
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TOTAL: Six Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand (\$663,000.00) Dollars
- That the Special Tax Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Stipulation of Settlement for filing with the Tax Court;
- That the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed, upon receipt of the Tax Court Judgment, to calculate the amount of the refund and cause same to be paid to the taxpayer, without statutory interest, within sixty (60) days from the date of the Tax Court Judgment;
- That the within settlement is subject to review and approval thereof by the taxpayer.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Acosta				
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Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 232-2015

WHEREAS, Amber N. Heinze, Esq., representing Hoyt Avenue LLC, Et Al filed a tax appeal challenging assessments at 1038 Hoyt Avenue., Block 2303, Lot 14 for 2015;

WHEREAS, the original assessment in issue is:

LAND: Four Hundred Thousand (\$400,000.00) Dollars
IMPROVEMENTS: One Hundred Ten Thousand (\$110,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Five Hundred Ten Thousand (\$510,000.00) Dollars

WHEREAS, the parties have exchanged discovery and appraisal reports and have entered into settlement discussions and proposed settlement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing body that it does hereby authorize and approve a proposed settlement as follows:

- Adjusted assessment for 2015 at:
LAND: Four Hundred Thousand (\$400,000.00) Dollars
IMPROVEMENTS: One Hundred Ten Thousand (\$110,000.00) Dollars
TOTAL: Five Hundred Ten Thousand (\$510,000.00) Dollars
- That the Special Tax Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Stipulation of Settlement for filing with the Tax Court;
- That the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed, upon receipt of the Tax Court Judgment, to calculate the amount of the refund and cause same to be paid to the taxpayer, without statutory interest, within sixty (60) days from the date of the Tax Court Judgment;
- That the within settlement is subject to review and approval thereof by the taxpayer.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
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RESOLUTION NO. 233-2015

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield had previously donated a 1978 GMC rescue truck to the Bergen County Fire Academy; and

WHEREAS, it has recently come to the attention of the Borough that Bergen County is no longer in need of this rescue truck and is planning to discard same by way of auction; and

WHEREAS, it has been proposed that the Borough seek the County's cooperation in having the rescue truck donated back to the Borough for ultimate use by the Pink Heals Cancer Awareness Organization of Bergen County to raise awareness and money for the fight against cancer; and

WHEREAS, the plan for this truck is as more particularly set forth in the attached from Ridgefield firefighter and member of the Pink Heals Cancer Awareness Organization of Bergen County, John LaFalice, to Bergen County Public Safety Director Richard Blohm; and

WHEREAS, Bergen County has requested that, in order to consider the donation of the rescue truck, as set forth herein, it receive a resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield endorsing the plan and officially seeking the donation of the rescue truck; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Mayor and Council solicit this donation and endorse the plan for this rescue truck;

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

1. The Mayor and Council does respectfully request that the County of Bergen consider the donation of a certain 1978 GMC rescue truck, previously donated by the Borough to the Bergen County Fire Academy, back to the Borough of Ridgefield.
2. The Mayor and Council does formally endorse the plan for the rescue truck as set forth in the attached correspondence.

3. The Mayor and borough Clerk be and hereby are authorized and directed to execute such other and further documents as may be reasonably requested by the County to facilitate this transaction.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

Bergen County New Jersey Law & Public Safety

Director Richard Blohm

Director of Public Safety Institute

281 Campgaw Road

Mahwah, NJ 07430

Dear Richard Blohm:

Pink Heals Cancer Awareness Organization of Bergen County NJ is a group of firefighters, police officers, and leaders in the community, our purpose is to raise awareness and money for the fight against cancer. We believe that money raised in our communities should remain there. We support all types of cancer relief efforts and focus on women as a whole in whatever type of cancer they battle. We have taken the theme of Public Safety with pink fire trucks and police cars to serve our community by putting people first instead of causes.

You can help us by providing Ridgefields 1978 GMC rescue truck that was donated to the Bergen County Fire Academy and is now going to auction. It will be painted pink. The pink vehicles serve as a memorial for those lost in the battle against the disease, and as an inspiration to those still fighting. They enable us to aid a community holding a fundraiser and generate proceeds that will stay in that community to help with bills, co-pays, research and/or general financial help for families that may be struggling.

The Doidge family with over 80 years of service to the borough of Ridgefield Engine Company 2 & Rescue Co.2, have 2 daughters that lost their spouses at an early age. Debra Doidge was married to Ridgefield Fire Department, Rescue Company 2's Chief Victor Fugnitti who passed away unexpectedly at the early age of 48. Debra and Victor's son Danny is still active in company 2 along with his wife and is also a Ridgefield Police Officer. Barbara Doidge who also resides in the borough of Ridgefield lost her husband Thomas Lavelle to cancer at the early age of 57.

The Pink Heals Cancer Awareness Organization OF Bergen County NJ would like to thank you for your consideration of a most generous donation of our first vehicle. This rescue truck will be named Thomas. Your support will help promote awareness of all types of cancer and cancer related illness.

A few of our major accomplishments over the past few years include:

*Bingo for prizes which raised over \$4000.00 dollars and given to

resident suffering from cancer to help with daily expenses.

*Pasta dinner for Josephine's Garden at Hackensack Hospital which

Raised over \$6500.00 dollars. Josephine Rispoli was a seven year old

little girl who passed away after a yearlong battle with brain cancer.

She had a vision of a rooftop garden on the children's wing at Hackensack University Medical Center. We helped her wish come true.

*Dinner and comedy show raising over \$18,000.00 dollars for one of Ridgefield's own Company 3 members 21 year old firefighter battling Testicular cancer. HE WON!

*Participated in Ridgefield Memorial High School / Glenrock High School Coaches vs. Cancer awareness baseball game.

There is no one who can say that they DO NOT have a friend or family member who has battled this terrible disease called cancer.

www.pinkfiretrucks.org

Sincerely,

John Lafalce

Ridgefield Firefighter

Pink Heals Cancer Awareness Bergen County NJ

201 819-3251

Jlfc03@aol.com

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 234-2015

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council previously authorized the participation of the Borough of Ridgefield in the Municipal Shared Services Defense Agreement; and

WHEREAS, that agreement had as one of its objects the retention of Rutgers University and Dr. Robert Burchell to prepare a report regarding the fair share housing obligations of municipalities participating within the consortium; and

WHEREAS, circumstances have changed so that Rutgers University and Dr. Robert Burchell are no longer viable as parties to prepare such a report; and

WHEREAS, the consortium has determined to engage other qualified experts to perform the same function; and

WHEREAS, it will be necessary for municipalities who are participating in the Municipal Shared Services Defense Agreement to approve an amendment of the agreement in that regard on an expedited basis; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield wishes to authorize the Mayor and Borough Clerk to sign such an amendment to the agreement once approved by the Borough Attorney, subject to later ratification by the Mayor and Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Mayor and the Borough Clerk be and hereby are authorized and directed to sign an amendment to the Municipal Shared Services Defense Agreement which substitutes another qualified expert in place of Rutgers University and Dr. Robert Burchell, subject to the prior approval of the Borough Attorney, and subject to later ratification by the Mayor and Council.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

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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.

Frank Berardo,
Chief Financial Officer

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2015

Presented by Councilman Penabad

RESOLUTION NO. 235-2015

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling **\$3,709,860.88**
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$3,595,813.32
TRUST	\$46,255.57
CAPITAL	\$3,001.95
POOL	\$64,219.44
DOG LICENSE	\$570.60
TOTAL	\$3,709,860.88

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Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk