

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: August 28, 2024

Special Meeting Notice Statement by Mayor Jimenez

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

Roll Call:

Pledge of Allegiance

Citizen’s Comments on Agenda:

RESOLUTIONS:

- 226-2024 Councilman Said Appropriation of Funds for Repair and Stabilization of Wolfs Creek Concrete Masonry Unit
- 227-2024 Councilman Kontolios Award Contract for Repair and Stabilization of Wolfs Creek Concrete Masonry Unit

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL:

COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATOR:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Mayor Jimenez		
Kontolios		
Ryu		
Congalton-Hali		
Kim		
Ramundo		
Said		

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting August 28, 2024

Presented by Councilman Said

RESOLUTION NO. 226-2024

WHEREAS, it has been found necessary to make an Emergency Appropriation to meet certain extraordinary expenses to be incurred, by the collapse of a concrete masonry unit (“CMU”) wall along Wolfs Creek, located just south of Clark Avenue; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A-55.1 provides that it shall be lawful to make such appropriation, which appropriation and/or the “special emergency notes” issued to finance the same shall be provided for in succeeding annual budgets by the inclusion of an appropriation of at least one-fifth or one-third of the amount authorized pursuant to this act.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, (by not less than two-thirds of all governing body members affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of NJS 40A:4-55:

1. An emergency appropriation is hereby made for the temporary stabilization and subsequent emergency repairs to the CMU wall along Wolf Creek, located just south of Clark Avenue in the total amount of \$100,000.
2. The emergency appropriation shall be provided for in the budgets of the next three succeeding years by the inclusion of \$33,333.33.
3. The emergency appropriation will be funded through the Borough’s surplus over the next three succeeding years.
4. Two (2) certified copies of this resolution will be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; however, no approval is required by the Division.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kontolios				
Ryu				
Congalton-Hali				
Kim				
Ramundo				
Said				
Mayor Jimenez				

Approved:

Attest:

Hugo Jimenez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

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Presented by Councilman Kontolios

RESOLUTION NO. 227-2024

WHEREAS, a concrete masonry unit (“CMU”) located along Wolfs Creek, just south of Clark Avenue with the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey collapsed as a result of recent storms, including the remnants of Tropical Storm Debby on August 9, 2024 ; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer, Colliers Engineering & Design, has inspected the CMU and has identified an area of the wall that is in need of reconstruction and repair. Colliers Engineering and Design also determined the need for immediate temporary stabilization of the CMU to prevent further damage and erosion to property surrounding the CMU, as well as flooding of Wolfs Creek; and

WHEREAS, the collapse of the CMU wall located on Wolfs Creek, south of Clark Avenue has created a dangerous situation affecting the health, safety and welfare of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the need to repair and temporarily stabilize the CMU wall could not have been reasonably foreseen notwithstanding a good faith effort on the part of the Borough of Ridgefield to maintain and repair the CMU wall located on Wolfs Creek, south of Clark Avenue; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 permits a contract to be negotiated or awarded without public advertisement for bids and bidding therefor, notwithstanding the contract price will exceed the bid threshold when and emergency affecting the public health, safety or welfare requires the immediate delivery of goods or the performance of services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.12, contracts awarded under such circumstances are excepted from Pay-to-Play due to public exigency; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Sanzari, Inc. has confirmed that it can temporarily stabilize the CMU wall located on Wolfs Creek, south of Clark Avenue after the contract is executed with the Borough in an amount not to exceed \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Ridgefield certified, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.4, that the funds, which are required to stabilize the CMU wall located on Wolfs Creek, south of Clark Avenue for the purposes set forth herein, are available to the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received the Business Registration Certificate and the Affirmative Action Compliance Statement from Joseph Sanzari, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that it shall award a contract to Joseph Sanzari, Inc. to temporarily stabilize the CMU wall located on Wolfs Creek, south of Clark Avenue, for an amount not to exceed \$100,000, which is set forth in the attached proposal.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said contract is being awarded without competitive bidding, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 of the Local Public Contracts Law, in order to address and emergent situation affecting the public health, safety and welfare; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor of Ridgefield, and/or his designee, be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute, on behalf of the Borough, the agreement for such services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED a copy of this executed resolution will be printed in a newspaper of general circulation within the County, as required by law within ten (10) days of the adoption of this Resolution.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Kontolios				
Ryu				
Congalton-Hali				
Kim				
Ramundo				
Said				
Mayor Jimenez				

Approved:

Attest:

Hugo Jimenez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough on this date.

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk