The public is invited to participate in the work session meeting at 6:00 pm and the public session meeting at 7:30 pm by calling 1-862-799-9892. No access code is required.

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

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

Date: May 26, 2020

Open Public Meetings Statement by Mayor Suarez

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

- Borough Programs Going Forward

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:

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2386 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XVI, PLANNING BOARD, PART 2 OF CHAPTER 390, ZONING, DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”
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

CONSENT AGENDA:

All items listed are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the Borough Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a Council member(s) so request it, in which case the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. The one motion signifies the adoption of all resolutions and approval of applications and minutes.

144-2020 Councilman Kontolios Rights of Way Agreement-Cross River Fiber
145-2020 Councilman Jimenez Settlement Stipulation-676 Shaler Boulevard
146-2020 Councilman Jimenez Settlement Stipulation-600 Prospect Avenue
147-2020 Councilman Jimenez Authorize Issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes
148-2020 Councilman Castelli Maser Professional Engineering Services - Additional

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RESOLUTIONS:

149-2020 Councilman Jimenez Warrants

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:
COMMENTS BY COUNCIL:

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,

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk
BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey  
Meeting May 26, 2020  

Presented by Councilman Jimenez  

ORDINANCE NO. 2386  

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 XVI, PLANNING BOARD, PART 2 OF CHAPTER 390, ZONING, DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”  

introduced on the 27th day of April, 2020, do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and she is authorized and directed to publish once, the aforesaid title, together with a notice of the date of its passage on final reading and approval thereof in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield.  

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor  Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk  Borough Clerk
BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting April 27, 2020

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

ORDINANCE NO. 2386

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XVI, PLANNING BOARD, PART 2 OF CHAPTER 390, ZONING, DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

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

Section I:

Article XVI, Planning Board, Part 2 of Chapter 390 entitled Zoning, Development and Construction of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield, be and hereby is amended by adding to the existing provisions of said Article a new Section 390-67 to be entitled “Appeal to Governing Body” as follows:

§390-67 Appeal to Governing Body

A. Any interested party may appeal to the governing body any final decision of the Planning Board, acting in its Board of Adjustment capacity, approving an application for development pursuant to subsection d of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70. Such appeal shall be made within 10 days of the date of publication of such final decision pursuant to subsection i of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-10. The appeal to the governing body shall be made by serving the municipal clerk in person or by certified mail with a notice of appeal, specifying the grounds thereof and the name and address of the appellant and name and address of his attorney, if represented. Such appeal shall be decided by the governing body only upon the record established before the Planning Board.

B. Notice of the meeting to review the record below shall be given by the governing body by personal service or certified mail to the appellant, to those entitled to notice of a decision pursuant to subsection h of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-10 and to the Planning Board from which the appeal is taken, at least 10 days prior to the date of the meeting. The parties may submit oral and written argument on the record at such meeting, and the governing body shall provide for verbatim recording and transcripts of such meeting pursuant to subsection f of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-10.

C. The appellant shall, (1) within five days of service of the notice of the appeal pursuant to subsection A hereof, arrange for a transcript pursuant to subsection f of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-10 for use by the governing body and pay a deposit of $50.00 or the
estimated cost of such transcript, whichever is less, or (2) within 35 days of service of the notice of appeal, submit a transcript as otherwise arranged to the municipal clerk; otherwise, the appeal may be dismissed for failure to prosecute. The governing body shall conclude a review of the record below not later than 95 days from the date of publication of notice of the decision below pursuant to subsection i of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-10, unless the applicant consents in writing to an extension of such period. Failure of the governing body to hold a hearing and conclude a review of the record below and to render a decision within such specified period shall constitute a decision affirming the action of the board.

D. The governing body may reverse, remand, or affirm, with or without the imposition of conditions, the final decision of the Planning Board approving a variance pursuant to subsection d of N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70. The review shall be made on the record made before the Planning Board.

E. The affirmative vote of a majority of the full authorized membership of the governing body shall be necessary to reverse or remand to the Planning Board or to impose conditions on or alter conditions to any final action of the Planning Board. Otherwise the final action of the Planning Board shall be deemed to be affirmed; a tie vote of the governing body shall constitute affirmance of the decision of Planning Board.

F. An appeal to the governing body shall stay all proceedings in furtherance of the action in respect to which the decision appealed from was made, unless the board from whose action the appeal is taken certifies to the governing body, after the notice of appeal shall have been filed with such board, that by reason of facts stated in the certificate, a stay would, in its opinion, cause imminent peril to life or property. In such case, proceedings shall not be stayed other than by an order of the Superior Court on application upon notice to the board from whom the appeal is taken and on good cause shown.

G. The governing body shall mail a copy of the decision to the appellant or, if represented, then to his attorney, without separate charge, and for a reasonable charge to any interested party who has requested it, not later than 10 days after the date of the decision. A brief notice of the decision shall be published in the official newspaper of the municipality, if there be one, or in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipality. Such publication shall be arranged by the applicant unless a particular municipal officer is so designed by ordinance; provided that nothing contained herein shall be construed as preventing the applicant from arranging such publication if he so desires. The governing body may make a reasonable charge for its publication. The period of time in which an appeal to a court of competent jurisdiction may be made shall run from the first publication, whether arranged by the municipality or the applicant.

H. Nothing in this act shall be construed to restrict the right of any party to obtain a review by any court of competent jurisdiction, according to law.

Section II:
The Borough Clerk shall forward a copy of this Ordinance to the Bergen County Planning Board following its adoption.

Section III

This ordinance shall take effect upon final publication according to law.

Section IV:

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

Section V.

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.

Approved: __________________________________ Attest: __________________________________

__________________________________ _______________________________
Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk
Presented by Councilman Kontolios

RESOLUTION NO. 144-2020

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber, LLC, (hereinafter “Cross River Fiber”), has been approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities to provide local exchange and interchange telecommunication services throughout the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber may locate, place, attach, install, operate and maintain facilities within municipal rights of way for purposes of providing telecommunication services; and

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber has asked the Borough to grant it a rights of way license agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Borough previously granted Cross River Fiber a rights of way license agreement in December 2015; and

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber has requested that the routes on that agreement be expanded; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has reviewed and approved the new routes, provided that these constitute aerial installations; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has negotiated the terms of a new rights of way license agreement, which will expand the routes; and

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber has agreed to reimburse the Borough the reasonable costs of its legal and engineering services in connection with this agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Borough of Ridgefield that the rights of way license agreement be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the rights of way license agreement attached hereto be and hereby is approved, and the Mayor and Borough Clerk be and hereby are authorized and directed to execute same on behalf of the Borough.
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Approved: Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor
Attest: Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk
RIGHTS-OF-WAY LICENSE AGREEMENT

THIS RIGHTS-OF-WAY LICENSE AGREEMENT ("License Agreement") is dated May 2020 (the "Effective Date"), and entered into by and between the Borough of Ridgefield ("Municipality"), a New Jersey municipal corporation, having its address at 604 Broad Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey, 07657, and Cross River Fiber, LLC ("Cross River Fiber"), having offices located at 461 Headquarters Plaza, Morristown, New Jersey 07960.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber was approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities to provide local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services throughout the State of New Jersey by Order of Approval in Docket No. TE11050320 on July 14, 2011, Docket No. TE12040297 on June 18, 2012 and Docket No. TM14080906 and intends to provide telecommunications services in accordance with that Order and the rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to such authority granted by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, Cross River Fiber may locate, place, attach, install, operate and maintain facilities within Public Rights-of-Way for purposes of providing telecommunications services; and

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber proposes to place its telecommunications facilities aerially on existing utility poles or in underground conduit in the Public Rights-of-Way within the Borough for the purpose of owning, constructing, installing, operating, repairing and maintaining a telecommunications system; and
WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Borough and its citizenry for the Borough to grant consent to Cross River Fiber to occupy said Public Rights-of-Way within the Borough for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, the consent granted herein is for the non-exclusive use of the Public Rights-of-Way within the Borough for the purpose of owning, constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining a telecommunications system; and

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber and the Borough previously entered into a Rights-Of-Way License Agreement dated December 15, 2015; and

WHEREAS, Cross River Fiber now wishes to add to the previous routes and, therefore, enter into a new agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and obligations hereinafter set forth, the Municipality and Cross River Fiber hereby agree to and with each other as follows:

Section 1. Definitions.

a. "Cross River Fiber" is the grantee of rights under this License Agreement and is known as Cross River Fiber LLC, its successors and assigns.

b. "NJBPU" is the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.


d. "Rights-of-Way" means the areas lying alongside existing paved roadways which has been reserved for the expansion of said roadways, and are now devoted to passing under, over, on or through lands with public utility facilities.
e. "Municipality" is the grantor of rights under this License Agreement and is known as the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey.

f. "Utility Pole" means, in addition to its commonly accepted meaning, any wires or cable connected thereto and any replacement thereof which are similar in construction and use.

Section 2. Grant of Consent.

The Municipality hereby grants Cross River Fiber its municipal consent for a license for the non-exclusive use of the public rights-of-way for the purpose of owning, constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining a telecommunications system in accordance with the terms of this License Agreement. The consent granted herein shall be for the performance of work within the rights-of-way of the Municipality only and limited specifically to (a) the route depicted on the ROW Map attached hereto as Exhibit A; and (b) the route depicted in the Rights of Way License Agreement executed by and between the parties and dated December 15, 2015 and incorporated herein. This consent, and the consent granted in the agreement of December 15, 2015, are limited to aerial installation of fiber optic cable and the associated suspension strand on utility poles.

Section 3. Engineering Review.

The Borough’s Engineer has reviewed the proposed routes and has approved same as aerial installations.

Section 4. Public Purpose.

It is deemed to be in the best interests of the Municipality and its citizenry, particularly including commercial and industrial citizens, for the Municipality to grant
consent to Cross River Fiber to occupy said public rights-of-way within the Municipality for this purpose. Cross River Fiber agrees that it will make its services reasonably available to property and business owners by and within the Municipality, at rates and upon conditions which are similar to those offered by Cross River Fiber to other property and business owners in surrounding municipalities.

Section 5. Construction.

Any construction to be undertaken for the purposes described herein shall require prior notice by Cross River Fiber to the Municipality. Cross River Fiber shall fully describe the construction to be undertaken and shall coordinate and work with the appropriate Municipal departments(s) before scheduling and commencing any construction. Cross River Fiber shall be required to obtain any and all approvals, licenses, permits or other similar forms of approval as required by law. Prior to commencing any excavation work, Cross River Fiber or its authorized contractor shall obtain a road opening permit from the Municipality. The initial project under this License Agreement shall apply to the rights of way described in Schedule A hereto. Should Cross River Fiber in the future wish to initiate other projects, Cross River Fiber will give the Municipality advance written notice, describing the proposed route, to the Mayor and Council of the Municipality, with a copy to the Municipal Attorney and a copy to the Municipal Engineer, at least thirty (30) days before it wishes to initiate the new project. The Municipality agrees to allow Cross River Fiber to undertake the new projects subject to the reasonable and lawful approval of the Municipal’s Engineer.
Section 6. Scope of License Agreement.

Any and all rights expressly granted to Cross River Fiber under this License Agreement, which shall be exercised at Cross River Fiber’s sole cost and expense, shall be subject to the prior and continuing right of the Municipality under applicable laws to use any and all parts of the municipal rights-of-way exclusively or concurrently with any other person or persons, and shall by further subject to all deeds, easements, dedications, conditions, covenants, restrictions, encumbrances, and claims of title of record which may affect such Municipal rights-of-way. Nothing in this License Agreement shall be deemed to grant, convey, create or vest in Cross River Fiber a real property interest in land, including any fee, leasehold interest, easement, or any other form of interest or ownership.

Subject to obtaining the permission of the owner(s) of existing Utility Poles, which shall be the sole responsibility of Cross River Fiber to undertake and obtain, the Municipality hereby authorizes and permits Cross River Fiber to enter upon the Municipality’s rights-of-way and to attach, install, operate, maintain, remove, reattach, reinstall, relocate and replace its telecommunications facilities, in or on Utility Poles or other structures owned by public utility companies or to be constructed by Cross River Fiber located within the Municipality’s rights-of-way as may be permitted by the public utility company or property owner, as the case may be.

Section 7. Compliance with Ordinances.

Cross River Fiber shall comply with all existing ordinances of the Municipality as may be amended from time to time and with all future ordinances as may be enacted.
Section 8. Municipal Costs.

Cross River Fiber agrees to pay reasonable costs incurred by the Municipality by reason of Cross River Fiber telecommunications system, including, but not limited to, Municipality's attorney's fees for the negotiation and preparation of this License Agreement and accompanying resolution authorizing its execution, and the Municipality's engineering fees in connection with the review of the route and intended construction activities of Cross River Fiber. In lieu of payment of actual costs, the parties agree that Cross River Fiber will pay the Borough the sum of Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.00) on account of those costs, and the Borough shall accept same as a fair and reasonable amount for same. The parties acknowledge that Cross River Fiber has previously deposited that sum which may, upon execution of this License Agreement, be released to the Municipality's general fund.

Section 9. Duration of Consent.

The non-exclusive municipal consent for a license as granted herein shall expire fifty (50) years from the Effective Date of this License Agreement. Upon expiration of such consent, or at such earlier date that Cross River Fiber ceases to maintain its facilities, it shall remove the facilities at its cost and expense.

Section 10. Withdrawal of Consent and Termination of License.

In the event that during the term of this License Agreement the Municipality shall (1) require the use of, and/or access to or through, the rights of way to which this agreement applies, for municipal purposes, and (2) such required use and/or access by the Municipality is incompatible with the rights granted to Cross River Fiber by this License Agreement, then the Municipality shall have the right, in its sole and exclusive discretion,
to terminate the License Agreement granted herein upon six (6) months written notice to Cross River Fiber at the address set forth herein. In the event of such notice, Cross River Fiber shall, on or before the expiration of the six (6) month anniversary date from the date of the written notice, remove its facilities at its sole cost and expense, and restore the municipal rights of way to the condition existing prior to the grant of the License Agreement. In the event the Municipality exercises its right pursuant to this paragraph of the License Agreement, the Municipality agrees that it will reasonably cooperate with Cross River Fiber in exploring the grant of other and further licenses to Cross River Fiber through municipal rights of way as an alternative to the license being terminated.

Section 11. Indemnification.

Cross River Fiber, its successors, assigns, sub-contractors, agents, servants, officers, employees, designees, guests and invitees, hereby indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Municipality, its successors and assigns, elected officials, officers, employees, servants, contractors, designees and invitees from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions at law or equity or otherwise, judgments, arbitration determinations, damages, liabilities, decrees of any person(s) or entities claiming to be or being harmed as a result of Cross River Fiber’s actions under this License Agreement and costs in connection therewith. This indemnification shall specifically include, but not be limited to, any and all costs, reasonable attorney’s fees, court costs and any other expenses that may be incurred by the Municipality in connection with any and all claims, demands, suits, actions at law or equity or otherwise and/or arbitration proceedings which may arise in connections with Cross River Fiber activities pursuant to the rights granted in this License Agreement.
Section 12. Notices.

All notices or other correspondence required or permitted to be given in connection with this License Agreement shall be in writing and delivered personally, by telecopy, by overnight carrier service or by registered or certified mail to the parties at the following addresses:

To Cross River at: Cross River Fiber LLC
461 Headquarters Plaza
Morristown, NJ 07960
Attn: Robert Sokota, Chief Administrative Officer and General Counsel

To the Municipality: Borough of Ridgefield
604 Broad Avenue
Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657
Attention: Municipal Clerk

Section 13. Liability Insurance.

Cross River Fiber shall at all times maintain a comprehensive liability insurance policy with a single amount of at least One Million Dollars ($1,000,000.00) covering liability for any death, personal injury, property damage or other liability arising out of the construction and operation contemplated herein, and as excess liability policy (or "umbrella") policy amount in the amount of Five Million Dollars ($5,000,000.00).

Prior to the commencement of any work pursuant to this License Agreement, Cross River Fiber shall file with the Municipality Certificates of Insurance with endorsements evidencing the coverage provided by said liability and excess liability policies.

The Municipality shall notify Cross River Fiber within fifteen (15) days after the presentation of any claim or demand to the Municipality, either by suit or otherwise, made against the Municipality on account of any of Cross River Fiber’s or its sub-contractors,
agents, employees, officers, servants, designees, guests and invitees, activities pursuant to the rights granted in this License Agreement.

Section 14. Assignment.

Cross River Fiber may not assign this License Agreement without the written consent of the Municipality, except that Cross River Fiber shall have the right, upon notice to the Municipality, to assign this License Agreement without the Municipality’s consent, provided, however, that such assignment is approved by the NJBPU, and the Assignee shall sign an assumption agreement in a form reasonably acceptable to the Borough of Ridgefield.

Section 15. Successors and Assigns.

The terms and conditions herein contained shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the parties hereto.


This License Agreement shall be governed by, construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

Section 17. Incorporation of Prior Agreements.

This License Agreement incorporates the routes previously approved in a certain Rights of Way License Agreement between the parties dated December 15, 2015.

Section 18. Modification of Agreement.

This License Agreement may not be amended or modified, nor may any obligation hereunder be waived orally, and no such amendment, modifications or waiver shall be effective for any purpose unless it is in writing and signed by the party against whom enforcement thereof is sought.
Section 19. Invalidity.

If any provision hereof shall be declared invalid by any court or in any administrative proceedings, then the provisions of this License Agreement shall be construed in such manner so as to preserve the validity hereof and the substance of the transaction herein contemplated to the extent possible. The headings are provided for purposes of convenience of reference only and are not intended to limit, define the scope of or aid in interpretation of any of the provisions hereof.

Section 20. Counterparts.

This License Agreement may be executed and delivered in several counterparts, each of which, when so executed and delivered, shall constitute an original, fully enforceable counterpart for all purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this License Agreement has been executed as of the date set forth below.

CROSS RIVER FIBER LLC

ROBERT SOKOTA
Chief Administrative Officer and General Counsel

Print Name: ______________________

Dated: ________________________

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

MAYOR ANTHONY R. SUAREZ

Dated: ________________________

Witness

LINDA SILVESTRI, Borough Clerk

Dated: ________________________
EXHIBIT A
RESOLUTION NO. 145-2020

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 907 Lot 1; also known as 676 Shaler Boulevard for the tax year 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Spiotti & Esposito, P.C. - Attorney Trust Account representing Dekk Realty, LLC. be issued a refund in the amount of $2,020.61 for the year 2018.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of $2,021.61 from Account 01-2010-30-4262-001 made payable to Spiotti & Esposito, P.C. and mailed to 271 U.S. Highway 46, Suite F105-106, Fairfield, New Jersey 07004-2471.

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor  Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk  Borough Clerk
BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting May 26, 2020

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 146-2020

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 1502 Lot 8; also known as 600 Prospect Avenue for the tax year 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Spiotti & Esposito, P.C. - Attorney Trust Account representing Magriples, George E. & Denise V., be issued a refund in the amount of $836.64 for the year 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of $836.64 from Account 01-2010-30-4262-001 made payable to Spiotti & Esposito, P.C. and mailed to 271 U.S. Highway 46, Suite F105-106, Fairfield, New Jersey 07004-2471.

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Attest: ____________________________

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk
RESOLUTION NO. 147-2020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED $14,335,369 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES OF 2020 OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Ridgefield (the “Borough”), in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1: It is hereby determined and declared that the Chief Financial Officer made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk a certificate pursuant to the provisions of Section 66 of the Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1 etseq., certifying as follows:

(A) The gross borrowing power of the Borough in respect to tax anticipation notes of the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2020, being thirty percent (30%) of the tax levy for all purposes of the next preceding fiscal year, which ended December 31, 2019, for all purposes, plus thirty percent (30%) of the amount of miscellaneous revenues realized in cash during such next preceding fiscal year, is $14,335,369.43.

(B) There are no notes of the Borough outstanding in anticipation of the collection of taxes of such fiscal year beginning January 1, 2020.

(C) The net borrowing power of the Borough is $14,335,369.43.

Section 2: Pursuant to the Local Budget Law, the Borough shall borrow not to exceed $14,335,369 in anticipation of the collection of taxes levied in and for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2020, and in anticipation of other revenues for such fiscal year.

Section 3: The notes issued pursuant to this Resolution shall be negotiable notes issued in registered form or payable to bearer, shall be issued in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed $14,335,369 (with the final principal amount of each note to be determined by the Chief Financial Officer and may be issued in more than one series) and shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law, and shall be payable at maturity, all as shall be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough in accordance with the provisions of Section Five (5) below. Any instrument issued pursuant to this resolution shall be a general obligation of the Borough, and the full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations.
Section 4: The Chief Financial Officer is hereby designated as the financial officer to sign said notes, and the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized and directed to execute said notes, and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to affix the seal of said Borough to each of such notes and to attest such seal and said notes, and said officers, notwithstanding any resolution theretofore adopted by the Borough Council, are hereby authorized to issue said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law and to recite therein that all requirements and conditions of law have been complied with in the issuance of said notes and that said notes are within every debt and other limit prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of New Jersey.

Section 5: The power to determine any matter with respect to said notes not determined by this Resolution and also the power to sell said notes from time to time as funds are granted is hereby granted to the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough, who is authorized to sell said notes at not less than par and accrued interest and to deliver said notes upon receiving the purchase price to be paid therefor. After the sale of the notes, the Chief Financial Officer shall make a report of such sale to the Borough Council pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-72.

Section 6: All sums borrowed by the issuance of said notes shall be applied only to purposes provided for in either (a) the budget adopted for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2020, or (b) the purposes for which taxes are levied or are to be levied for such fiscal year.

Section 7: Said notes may be renewed from time to time but such notes and any renewals thereof shall mature not later than April 30, 2021.

Section 8. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Borough and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Borough. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Borough pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the “Rule”) for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Borough and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Borough fails to comply with its undertaking, the Borough shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 9. The Borough covenants to comply with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, necessary to maintain the exclusion from interest of the notes for Federal income tax purposes.

Section 10. This resolution shall take effect immediately.
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Attest: _________________________________

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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

Meeting May 26, 2020

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 148-2020

WHEREAS, there is a need for Civil Engineering Services for professional engineering design services for a proposed municipal complex within the Borough of Ridgefield; and

WHEREAS, Maser Consulting P.A., 400 Valley Road, Suite 304, Mount Arlington, NJ 07856 was awarded the contract as Borough Engineer Resolution 6-2020; and

WHEREAS, Maser Consulting has submitted a proposal dated May 22, 2020 for additional design Civil Engineering Services at a lump sum cost not to exceed $27,375.00; and

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

1. The Mayor and the Borough Clerk be and hereby are authorized and directed to execute the Professional Services Agreement with Maser Consulting P.A. as required by law.

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

3. A notice of this action shall be printed in The Record/ridgefieldnj.gov.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funding is available in account number 04-2150-55-2353 in an amount not to exceed $27,375.00 as certified by the Chief Financial Officer; and that a duly executed copy of this resolution will be filed in the Office of the Borough Clerk.

Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

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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.

Francis J. Elenio,
Chief Financial Officer
Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 149-2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling $2,302,324.27 be drawn on the following accounts:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor  Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk