

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: June 13, 2022

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: 7:00 P.M. C.T.O.: Adjourn:

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Citizens Comment on Agenda:

Correspondence:

ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION

	Adj. to Ex.		Public	
	Pres.	Abs.	Pres.	Abs.
Mayor Suarez				
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				

ROLL CALL-EXEC. SESSION

	PRESENT	ABSENT
	Mayor Suarez	
Castelli		
Penabad		
Jimenez		
Kontolios		
Larkin		
Dorsett		

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2434 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 92-1, SALARIES, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2435 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 190-34 OF ARTICLE V OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

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Introduction of Ordinance No. 2436 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 375-52 DESIGNATING HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

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Introduction of Ordinance No. 2437 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-12.1 AND 35-13 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

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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.

150-2022	Councilman Dorsett	Appointment to Environmental Commission-Binetti
151-2022	Councilman Kontolios	Hire School Crossing Guards
152-2022	Councilman Jimenez	Redemption of Tax Title Lien #21-007
153-2022	Councilwoman Larkin	Hire Additional Swim Pool Personnel
154-2022	Councilman Castelli	Authorize to Advertise-Bryant Place Road Improvements
155-2022	Councilman Castelli	Hire Part-Time DPW/Sanitation Employee-Amato
156-2022	Councilman Jimenez	Chapter 159-Clean Communities Grant
157-2022	Councilman Castelli	Award Bid-CBDG FY2020 Linden Avenue Improvement Project
158-2022	Councilman Castelli	Award Bid-NJDOT FY2021 Various Streets Improvement Project (Slocum Avenue)
159-2022	Mayor Suarez	Proclamation LGBTQ+ Pride Month
160-2022	Councilwoman Larkin	Hire 2022 Summer Playground Personnel
161-2022	Councilman Castelli	Authorize 2023 NJDOT Grant Application -Stewart Street and Hillcrest Avenue Improvement Project
162-2022	Councilman Castelli	Appoint Property Maintenance Official-Hoffman
163-2022	Mayor Suarez	Support of School Safety

164-2022 Councilman Jimenez Hire Seasonal Finance Intern-Abreu  
165-2022 Councilman Castelli Amend Hire Date for D. Swartz

Coin Toss Request:

Ridgefield FC Soccer Club

Saturday, June 25, 2022

Rain Date: Sunday, June 26, 2022

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

**RESOLUTIONS:**

166-2022 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 June 13, 2022

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				
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
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:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

ORDINANCE NO. 2434

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 92-1, SALARIES, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

introduced on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage a regular meeting to be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at a regular meeting of the Borough Council to be held at the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue 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

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

ORDINANCE NO. 2434

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 92-1, SALARIES, OF  
THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

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

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

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>MINIMUM</u>	<u>MAXIMUM</u>
Mayor		\$6,750
Councilpersons		\$4,500
Borough Clerk	\$45,000	\$95,000
Assistant to Borough Clerk (stipend)	\$5,000	\$7,500
Municipal Administrator	\$20,000	\$185,000
Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer	\$15,000	\$120,000
Assistant Treasurer	\$15,000	\$40,000
Purchasing Agent	\$10,000	\$30,000
Assessor of Taxes	\$10,000	\$30,000
Assistant to Tax Assessor (stipend)		\$1,500
Tax Searcher (stipend)		\$1,000
Collector of Taxes	\$10,000	\$30,000
Human Resources/Payroll Officer	\$35,000	\$64,000
Board Secretaries:		
Rent Leveling Commission	\$6,000	\$6,500
Planning Board	\$7,200	\$12,800

Construction Official, Building Subcode Official and Building Inspector	\$10,000	\$60,000
Building Subcode Official and Building Inspector	\$7,000	\$30,000
Electrical Subcode Official	\$7,000	\$15,000
Elevator Subcode Official	\$7,000	\$15,000
Fire Subcode Official	\$7,000	\$15,000
Plumbing Subcode Official	\$7,000	\$15,000
Building Technical Assistant	\$25,000	\$85,000
Zoning Officer	\$7,000	\$20,000
Housing Inspector(s)	\$5,000	\$15,000
Property Maintenance Official	\$5,000	\$15,000
Property Maintenance Inspectors (per hour)	\$23	\$30
Clerks, Secretaries, Administrative Assistants	\$25,000	\$65,000
Magistrate	\$8,000	\$21,300
Municipal Court Administrator	\$50,000	\$90,000
Deputy Municipal Court Administrator	\$35,000	\$50,000
Interpreter (voucher) (per hour)	\$20	\$75
Travel fee		\$35
Court Recorder (per hour)	\$14	\$20
Prosecutor	\$7,500	\$19,000
Patrol officers	\$44,278	\$151,184
Sergeants	\$143,589	\$155,426
Lieutenants	\$149,353	\$161,665
Captain	\$154,867	\$167,634
Detectives (stipend)		\$1,000
Police Records Clerk (stipend)		\$5,000
Deputy Chief of Police	\$125,000	\$189,000
Chief of Police	\$135,000	\$199,000
Emergency Management Coordinator	\$5,000	\$25,000
Community Service Officers	\$18,000	\$46,000
Fire (Prevention Bureau) Official	\$15,000	\$50,950
Fire Inspectors (per hour)	\$20	\$40
Relocation Officer	\$1,000	\$3,500
Superintendent of Public Works	\$40,000	\$130,000
Deputy Superintendent of Public Works	\$30,000	\$50,000

Recycling Coordinator	\$3,000	\$15,000
Heavy Equipment Operator	\$30,000	\$100,000
Specialized Heavy Equipment Operator	\$30,000	\$84,900
Sweeper Operator, DPW	\$30,000	\$74,285
General Equipment Operator, DPW	\$30,000	\$50,938
Special Skills, DPW	\$30,000	\$105,000
Custodians, DPW	\$30,000	\$40,000
Foreman, DPW	\$33,000	\$85,000
Assistant Foreman, DPW	\$30,000	\$67,918
Shop Foreman, DPW	\$30,000	\$78,530
Mechanics, DPW	\$30,000	\$70,000
Chief Mechanic, DPW	\$30,000	\$85,958
Road Foreman	\$45,000	\$105,000
Collection System Official	\$4,500	\$6,000
Sanitation/Recycling Foreman	\$30,000	\$62,000
Sanitation Driver	\$30,000	\$50,000
Sanitation Lifter	\$30,000	\$48,816
Lifter serving as Driver for day	1/2 hour overtime per day	
Recycling Monitors (per hour)	\$14	\$20
Assistant Recreation Director	\$5,000	\$30,000
Recreation Director	\$50,000	\$100,000
Pool Director	\$5,000	\$16,500
Pool Manager	\$8,000	\$25,000
Assistant Pool Manager	\$8,000	\$12,000
Pool Maintenance Supervisor	\$5,000	\$10,000
Program Director	\$25,000	\$45,000
Tenant Advocate Attorney	\$4,000	\$7,000
Youth Center Attendant (Per 3 Hour Shift)	\$45	\$60
Part-time help, all departments (per hour)	Minimum wage	\$35



Section II: In all other respects, the terms, conditions and provisions of Chapter 92 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield are hereby ratified and affirmed.

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

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

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Penabad

ORDINANCE NO. 2435

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 190-34 OF ARTICLE V OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

introduced on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage a regular meeting to be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at a regular meeting of the Borough Council to be held at the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue 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

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Penabad

ORDINANCE NO. 2435

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 190-34 OF ARTICLE V 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:

Section 190-34 Subpart A of Article V entitled “When Required; Fee” be and hereby is amended as follows:

The existing language of Subsection A of Article V is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

Subsection A: In all publicly owned buildings and publicly owned property, (including Municipal and Board of Education properties), a Fire Marshall is required to stand by for all public and private events when the occupancy exceeds 100 people.

Section II:

In all other respects, the terms, provisions and conditions of Article V of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and hereby are ratified and affirmed.

Section III:

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and 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:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

ORDINANCE NO. 2436

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 375-52 DESIGNATING HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES”

introduced on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage a regular meeting to be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at a regular meeting of the Borough Council to be held at the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue 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

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

ORDINANCE NO. 2436

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 375-52 DESIGNATING  
HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES”

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

Section I: Section 375-52 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield, entitled “Designated Areas” subpart B, be and hereby is amended by the following:

1. Adding a single handicapped parking space in front of 396 Oak Street (on the eastern curb line of Oak Street) beginning at a point 83 feet south of the southeast corner of Sketch Place South and continuing for a distance of 18 feet.

Section II: In all other respects, the terms, conditions and provisions of Section 375-52 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield are hereby ratified and affirmed.

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

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

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Penabad

ORDINANCE NO. 2437

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-12.1 AND 35-13 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

introduced on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022, do now pass a first reading and that said Ordinance be further considered for final passage a regular meeting to be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022 at 7:00 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at a regular meeting of the Borough Council to be held at the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue 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

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Penabad

ORDINANCE NO. 2437

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 35-12.1 AND 35-13 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:

The existing language of Section 35-12.1 “Clothing Allowance” is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

- A. Qualified members of the Ridgefield Fire Department shall receive annual clothing allowances in accord with the below schedule. Qualification for clothing allowances shall be calculated on the period from November 1 to October 31 of each year. The full amount of the stipend for each category of firefighter is as follows:

Firefighter	\$750 per year
2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant	\$875 per year
1 <sup>st</sup> Lieutenant	\$900 per year
Captain	\$1,000 per year
Battalion Chief	\$2,700 per year
Deputy Chief	\$3,000 per year
Chief	\$3,804 per year

Members of the fire department shall receive a percentage of the full year’s allowance based on the number of calls made as follows:

30% or higher	100%
25% to 29%	75%
21% to 24%	50%
15% to 20%	25%
0 to 14%	0%



B. In addition, fire department members shall also receive a monthly clothing allowance, paid quarterly, in the amount of \$366.67 per month. A firefighter will receive a monthly allowance if he or she makes 35% of the calls for that month, or will receive a full quarterly clothing allowance (three months) if he or she makes 35% of the calls for the entire quarter. The following rules will apply:

(1) Each firefighter will receive credits for two calls for each emergency call that commences after 12:00 midnight and prior to 6:00 AM.

(2) Firefighters will receive credit for missed calls while attending an accredited fire class; Mutual Aid events and meetings; stand-by duties in Mutual Aid towns.

(3) Attendance at one monthly meeting, one monthly drill, Memorial Day Services and Fireworks detail will each be considered a call. Members will not receive credit for any additional drills or meetings unless it is a Departmental Drill.

(4) Any firefighter serving as a County Fire Coordinator will receive credit for missed calls while deployed in this function.

(5) Firefighters may be required to attend special Borough events as directed by the Chief of the Department with the approval of the Borough Administrator. Firefighters will receive a credit for each such event attended.

(6) During Emergency Standbys, whether directed by the State, County or Local Officials, firefighters will receive credit for all calls dispatched during this time.

(7) Firefighters may qualify on a monthly or quarterly basis, as set forth in Subsection B(1) above. A firefighter who qualifies for only one or two months of the quarter shall be paid a clothing allowance only for those months in which the firefighter qualifies. Any firefighter who does not meet either of the criteria set forth in Subsection B(1), above, will not receive a check for the quarter.

(8) All three chiefs will receive full quarterly checks to cover chiefs' alarms, various meetings and responses to other company calls.

C. Eligibility for the annual and monthly clothing allowances will be reviewed and approved by the Fire Chief and the Borough's Chief Financial Officer on an annual and quarterly basis respectively.

The existing language of Section 35-13 "Requirements for active membership" is hereby amended by adding the following:

I. Employees of the Borough's Fire Prevention Bureau that possess a minimum of a Firefighter One certification in the State of New Jersey shall be appointed to the Ridgefield Volunteer Fire Department as active members.

Section II:

In all other respects, the terms, provisions and conditions of Section 35 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and hereby are ratified and affirmed.

Section III:

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and 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:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Dorsett

RESOLUTION NO. 150-2022

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

JOHN BINETTI

be appointed to the Environmental Commission to fill the unexpired term of Craig Dorsett through December 31, 2023.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
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Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

RESOLUTION NO. 151-2022

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

DAVID MARTIN

and

MARY KUDUFIA AGBEMAVI

be appointed as School Crossing Guards for the remainder of the 2021/2022 School Year at the hourly rate of \$13.15 effective June 1, 2022.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 152-2022

WHEREAS, Edith Gutierrez, have deposited a check in the amount of \$32,004.51 into the Suspense Account for the redemption and subsequent taxes of Tax Lien # 21-007, Block 2703 Lot 3.01, further known as 487 Shaler Boulevard, sold to ROTHMAN REALTY CORP PROFIT SHARING and whereas \$87,100.00 was deposited into the Trust Account for the premium at the time of tax sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue and sign a check in the amount of \$32,004.51 from the Suspense Account and a check for \$87,100.00 from the Trust Account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the check in the amount of \$32,004.51 be drawn on the Borough of Ridgefield Suspense Account 01-2999 and the check in the amount of \$87,100.00 be drawn on the Borough of Ridgefield Trust Account 03-2950 and be made payable to: ROTHMAN REALTY CORP PROFIT SHARING and be mailed to 411 Grand Ave., Englewood, NJ 07631.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilwoman Larkin

RESOLUTION NO. 153-2022

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the following personnel be hired as Pool employees for the 2022 pool season:

Frank Elenio Jr.	\$15.00 per hour
Emma Rush	\$15.00 per hour
Deborah Gibaldi	\$13.75 per hour

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 154-2022

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to advertise for bids for:

“FISCAL YEAR 2021 CDBG ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS – BRYANT PLACE  
(NORTHERN INTERSECTION OF PROSPECT AVENUE TO SOUTHERN INTERSECTION  
OF PROSPECT AVENUE)”

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 155-2022

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

FRANK AMATO

be hired as a Part-Time DPW/Sanitation employee at the hourly rate of \$16.00 effective June 20, 2022.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk



BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 156-2022

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the Budget of any Municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield has been awarded grants, and wishes to amend its 2022 Calendar Year Budget to include this amount as a item of revenue; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Mayor and Council hereby requests the Director of Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the Calendar Year Budget of 2022 in the sum of \$18,651.67 which is now available as a revenue item from:

Miscellaneous Revenues

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local Government Services:

Public and Private Revenue Off-set with Appropriations:

2022 Clean Communities Grant	\$18,651.67
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$18,651.67 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption:

General Appropriations

Operations excluded from CAPS

Public and Private Revenues Off-set by Appropriations:

2022 Clean Communities Grant	\$18,651.67
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer file an electronic copy of this resolution with the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 157-2022

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield received a Fiscal Year 2020 CDBG (“Community Development Block Grant”) Roadway Improvement Grant for Linden Avenue in the amount of \$206,000.00; and

WHEREAS, bids were solicited and duly advertised by the Borough of Ridgefield on June 1, 2022 for the Fiscal Year 2020 CDBG Roadway Improvement Grant for resurfacing of Linden Avenue; and

WHEREAS, bids were received on June 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. and reviewed by a bid committee consisting of Carl O’Brien, of Colliers Engineering & Design and Frank Elenio, Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, the results from the bid opening were as follows:

	Base Bid	Alternate Bid ‘A’	Base Bid plus Alternate Bid ‘A’
4 Clean Up Inc.	\$119,585.67	\$6,734.75	\$126,320.42
DLS Contracting Inc.	\$117,087.80	\$19,867.50	\$136,955.30
American Asphalt & Trucking	\$114,799.46	\$25,814.45	\$140,613.91
AJM Contracting Inc.	\$131,364.00	\$21,310.00	\$152,674.00
Frank Macchione Construction	\$139,868.23	\$23,540.00	\$163,408.23
D & L Paving Contractors	\$166,077.39	\$28,850.00	\$194,927.39

WHEREAS, after careful review and analysis, the Bid Committee recommends that a contract be awarded to 4 Clean Up Inc., PO Box 5098, North Bergen, NJ 07047 as the lowest responsible bidder for the base bid plus alternate bid A; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available in Account Number 04-2150-55-2433-002 in an amount not to exceed \$126,320.42, as certified by the Chief Finance Officer; and

WHEREAS, Colliers Engineering & Design, in a letter dated June 6, 2022 recommends that a contract be awarded to 4 Clean Up Inc.; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that a contract for the Fiscal Year 2020 CDBG Roadway Improvement in an amount not to exceed \$126,320.42 be awarded to 4 Clean Up Inc., PO Box 5098, North Bergen, NJ 07047; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said bidder be required to execute and deliver the contract bond and other documents as set forth in the specification under with the bid was made within the time period therein specified, and thereupon the Mayor and Borough Council are hereby authorized to execute such a contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a duly executed copy of the contract be filed with the office of the Borough Clerk.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
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Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 158-2022

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield received a Fiscal Year 2021 NJDOT Various Streets Improvement Project for Slocum Avenue in the amount of \$203,525.00; and

WHEREAS, bids were solicited and duly advertised by the Borough of Ridgefield on June 1, 2022 for the Fiscal Year 2021 NJDOT Various Streets Improvement Project for resurfacing of Slocum Avenue; and

WHEREAS, bids were received on June 1, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. and reviewed by a bid committee consisting of Carl O'Brien, of Colliers Engineering & Design and Frank Elenio, Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, the results from the bid opening were as follows:

	Base Bid
4 Clean Up Inc.	\$158,338.20
DLS Contracting Inc.	\$184,171.85
American Asphalt & Trucking	\$188,334.03
D & L Paving Contractors	\$192,670.69
AJM Contracting Inc.	\$201,722.80
Frank Macchione Construction	\$207,230.32

WHEREAS, after careful review and analysis, the Bid Committee recommends that a contract be awarded to 4 Clean Up Inc., PO Box 5098, North Bergen, NJ 07047 as the lowest responsible bidder for the base bid; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available in Account Number 04-2150-55-2433-001 in an amount not to exceed \$158,338.20, as certified by the Chief Finance Officer; and

WHEREAS, Colliers Engineering & Design, in a letter dated June 6, 2022 recommends that a contract be awarded to 4 Clean Up Inc.; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that a contract for the 2021 NJDOT Various Streets Improvement Project in an amount not to exceed \$158,338.20 be awarded to 4 Clean Up Inc., PO Box 5098, North Bergen, NJ 07047; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said bidder be required to execute and deliver the contract bond and other documents as set forth in the specification under with the bid was made within the time period therein specified, and thereupon the Mayor and Borough Council are hereby authorized to execute such a contract; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a duly executed copy of the contract be filed with the office of the Borough Clerk.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 159-2022

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield cherishes the value and dignity of each person and appreciates the importance of equality and freedom; and

WHEREAS, all are welcome in the Borough of Ridgefield to live, work, play and every family, in any shape, deserves a place to call home where they are safe, happy, and supported by friends and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield denounces prejudice and discrimination based on age, gender identity, gender expression, race, color, religion, marital status, national origin, sexual orientation, or physical attributes as an affront to our fundamental principles; and

WHEREAS, Pride month began in June of 1969 on the one-year anniversary of the Stonewall uprising in New York City after LGBTQ+ and allied friends rose and fought against the constant police harassment and discriminatory laws that have since been declared unconstitutional; and

WHEREAS, we will continue our work to build a society where every child grows up knowing that their community supports them, is proud of them, and has a place for them exactly as they are.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield hereby proclaims June 2022 as Pride Month in support of the LGBTQ+ community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the rainbow flag will be raised on June 13, 2022, recognizing all LGBTQ residents whose influential and lasting contributions to our neighborhoods make Ridgefield a vibrant community in which to live, work, and visit.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we urge residents to recognize the contributions made by members of the LGBTQ+ community and to actively promote the principles of equality, liberty, and justice.

Approved:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

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Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE				
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

**BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD**  
 Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilwoman Larkin

**RESOLUTION NO. 160-2022**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the following personnel be hired as Summer Playground personnel for the 2022 camp season:

Alvarado, Trishayla	12.00	Orbegozo, Ethan	12.00
Andreu, Kimberly	12.25	Panuccio, Serafina	12.00
Balabat, Brandon HeadCounselor	15.00	Pereira, Glauco	12.00
Choe, Brandon	12.00	Puleo, Mark	12.00
De Stefano, Dylan	12.00	Ramirez, Aiden	12.00
Kirk, John	13.00	Rendon, Santiago	12.00
Landa, Lazaro	12.00	Savianeso, Christopher	12.00
Marasciulo, Jason	12.00	Savianeso, Alyssa	12.25
Marasciulo, Joseph	12.00	Schaefer, Edward	12.00
Martin, Christian	12.00	Sutoj, Arely Esmeralda	12.00
Mendez, Ashley	12.00	Torres, Aimee	12.00
Montoya, Emmanuel	12.00	Tuero, Louis	12.00
Montoya, Isabella	12.00	Valdivia, Sebastian	12.00
Orbegozo, Valerie	12.00	Vega, Gavin	12.00

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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 Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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 Linda M. Silvestri,  
 Borough Clerk



BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 161-2022

Resolution: Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Stewart Street and Hillcrest Avenue Improvement Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield formally approve the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as *MA-2023-Stewart Street and Hillcrest Avenue-00247* to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Ridgefield.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Ridgefield and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

Certified as a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Council on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2022

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Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 162-2022

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

JOHN HOFFMAN

be appointed as Property Maintenance Official at the annual salary of \$7,500.00 effective immediately.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 163-2022

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield is dedicated to the principle that schools are a sacred space dedicated to the education, development and growth of its students; and

WHEREAS, every day, more than 110 Americans are killed by gun violence, alongside more than 200 who are shot and wounded, and on average there are nearly 16,000 gun homicides every year; and

WHEREAS, firearms are the leading cause of death for children and teens in America; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 4.6 million American children live in households with at least one loaded, unlocked firearm; and

WHEREAS, in incidents of gun violence on school grounds, 75 percent of active shooters were current students or recent graduates; and

WHEREAS, in all incidents of targeted school violence -100percent-there were warning signs that caused others to be concerned, and in 77 percent of incidents other people were aware of the attacker's plans in advance;and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Secret Service National Threat Assessment Center recommends the importance of appropriate storage of weapons because 76 percent of school shooters used firearms acquired from the homes of parents or close relatives; and

WHEREAS, it is critically important to monitor and evaluate how school safety policies are impacting school discipline practices, students of color, and students with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, proposals to arm teachers or staff present risks to both students and teachers and are ineffective; and

WHEREAS, keeping students, teachers and staff safe from the threat of gun violence should be the responsibility of all adult stakeholders across the Borough; and

WHEREAS, in order to continue with preventative measures to increase student and school safety we must act now;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Ridgefield, calls on the United States Senate to act now on gun safety by requiring background checks on all

gun sales, regulating the sale of assault weapons, raising the age to purchase firearms, enacting an Extreme Risk Protection Orders law, and removing liability protections for the gun industry

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Ridgefield declares its commitment to keeping leaders to do more to keep guns out of the hands of those who should not have them.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
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Jimenez				
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Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 164-2022

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

ISRAEL ABREU

be hired as a seasonal intern for the Finance Department at the hourly rate of \$16.00 effective June 15, 2022.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 165-2022

WHEREAS, Dominick Swartz was appointed Superintendent of Department of Public Works on May 23, 2022 by Resolution No. 149-2022; and

WHEREAS, the start date in the resolution was June 3, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the start date for Dominick Swartz be amended to read June 1, 2022.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

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

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Francis J. Elenio,  
Chief Financial Officer

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting June 13, 2022

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 166-2022

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling **\$4,205,906.98**  
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$2,623,318.83
TRUST	\$111,926.59
CAPITAL	\$1,449,574.59
POOL	\$21,086.97
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,205,906.98</b>

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Dorsett				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk