

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: November 1, 2017

Open Public Meetings Statement by Mayor Suarez

Public Session to Adjourn to C.T.O.: 6:32 P.M.  
Executive Session: Adjourn: 6:33 P.M.

Mayor Suarez – Adjournment into closed Executive Session in accordance with the “Open Public Meetings Act”

Executive Session: 6:30 P.M. C.T.O.: 6:34 P.M.  
Adjourn: 6:55 P.M.

Public Session: 7:30 P.M. C.T.O.: 7:34 P.M.  
Adjourn: 8:27 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Citizens Comment on Agenda: NONE

Correspondence:

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Presentation of Proclamation-International WeLoveU Foundation

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Anti-Bullying Committee Random Acts of Kindness Challenge Certificates

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As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2330 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN BOROUGH PROPERTY, NAMELY LOTS 10 AND 11 IN BLOCK 2902”

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

Public Hearing

**ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION**

	Adj. to Ex.		Public	
	Pres.	Abs.	Pres.	Abs.
Mayor Suarez	X		X	
Castelli	X		X	
Acosta	X		X	
Penabad	X		X	
Shim	X		X	
Jimenez	X		X	
Kontolios		X	X	

**ROLL CALL-EXEC. SESSION**

	PRESENT	ABSENT
	Mayor Suarez	X
Castelli	X	
Acosta	X	
Penabad	X	
Shim	X	
Jimenez	X	
Kontolios		X

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

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As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2331 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 375-5 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD ENTITLED NO PARKING AREAS"

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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Introduction of Ordinance No. 2332 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN AMENDED COMMUNITY FORESTRY PLAN"

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

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CONSENT AGENDA:

236-2017	Councilman Jimenez	Stigma-Free Zone
237-2017	Councilman Acosta	Hire Part Time DPW/Sanitation Employee
238-2017	Councilman Castelli	Hire Part Time Parks and Recreation Employee
239-2017	Councilman Jimenez	Chapter 159-Body Armor
240-2017	Councilman Jimenez	Stipulation of Settlement-676 Shaler Boulevard
241-2017	Councilman Jimenez	Authorize to Advertise-RFPs for 2018 Professionals
242-2017	Councilman Acosta	Change Order- DLS Contracting
243-2017	Councilman Castelli	Endorse Community Development Project-Senior Citizen Trips
244-2017	Councilman Castelli	Endorse Community Development Project-Ray Avenue Improvement Project
245-2017	Councilman Jimenez	Professional Service Contract-Lafferty
246-2017	Councilman Jimenez	Santander Bank N.A. Agreement

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Mayor Suarez				

**RESOLUTIONS:**

247-2017	Mayor Suarez	Alzheimer's Awareness Month
248-2017	Councilman Jimenez	Transfer of Appropriations
249-2017	Councilman Jimenez	Warrants

**COMMENTS BY MAYOR:**

**Coin Toss Request:**

RMHS Baseball May 19, 2018	APPROVED
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RMHS Prom Committee March 3, 2018	APPROVED
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**Application for Raffles License:**

Knights of Columbus January 12, 2018, 7:00 -9:00 pm	APPROVED
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**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 November 1, 2017

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				
Acosta				
Penabad				
Shim				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2330

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

“AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN BOROUGH PROPERTY,  
NAMELY LOTS 10 AND 11 IN BLOCK 2902”

introduced on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017, 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	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 October 18, 2017

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2330

“AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN BOROUGH PROPERTY,  
NAMESLY LOTS 10 AND 11 IN BLOCK 2902”

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2017, the Mayor and Council authorized the advertising for bids for the sale of Lots 10 and 11, Block 2902 as property no longer needed for public purposes; and

WHEREAS, sealed bids were received; and

WHEREAS, on October 4, 2017, the Mayor and Council did adopt Resolution No. 231-2017 awarding the bid to Angelo Severino (Severino Construction Co. Inc.) in the amount of \$226,500; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council now wishes to by Ordinance authorize the conveyance of these lands to the successor bidder;

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

Section I.

Pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(a)* the Mayor and Council does hereby authorize the conveyance of lands owned by the Borough of Ridgefield known as Lots 10 and 11 in Block 2902 to Severino Construction Co. Inc. as per the provisions of Resolution No. 231-2017; and the Mayor and Council does hereby ratify and confirm that the two lots are not needed for public use, that the Mayor and Council has elected a sealed bid process to offer the lots for sale; and that the process and bids submitted by Severino Construction Co. Inc. meet the requirements of the statute and all other legal requirements; and further that the Mayor and Borough Clerk be, and hereby are, authorized and directed to execute a deed as prepared by the Borough Attorney conveying said lands to Severino Construction Co. Inc.

Section II:

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

Section III.

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 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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Acosta

ORDINANCE NO. 2331

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 375-5 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD ENTITLED NO PARKING AREAS”

introduced on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017, 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	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting October 18, 2017

Presented by Councilman Acosta

ORDINANCE NO. 2331

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

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 375 “Vehicles and Traffic”, Section 375-5 “No Parking Areas” of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

Section I:

§ 375-5 No parking areas.

A. Parking is hereby prohibited on streets or parts thereof in the Borough of Ridgefield as follows:

(109) On the easterly side of Russell Avenue beginning at the intersection point where said easterly side of Russell Avenue intersects with the southerly side of River Street at the southeasterly corner of that intersection, and continues in a southerly direction along Russell Avenue from that point a distance of 100 feet.

(110) On the westerly side of Russell Avenue beginning at the intersection point where said westerly side of Russell Avenue intersects with the southerly side of River Street at the southwesterly corner of that intersection, and continues in a southerly direction along Russell Avenue from that point a distance of 112 feet.

(111) On the westerly side of Russell Avenue beginning at the intersection point where said westerly side of Russell Avenue intersects with the northerly side of Edgewater Avenue at the northwesterly corner of that intersection, and continues in a northerly direction along Russell Avenue from that point a distance of 91 feet.

(112) On the easterly side of Russell Avenue beginning at the intersection point where said easterly side of Russell Avenue intersects with the northerly side of Edgewater Avenue at the northeasterly corner of that intersection, and continues in a northerly direction along Russell Avenue from that point a distance of 88 feet.

Section II: In all other respects, the terms, conditions and provisions of Section 375-5 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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

ORDINANCE NO. 2332

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

“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN AMENDED COMMUNITY FORESTRY  
MANAGEMENT PLAN”

introduced on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of November, 2017, 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017 at 7:30 PM or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached at the regular meeting of the Borough Council in the Community Center, 725 Slocum Avenue, in the Borough of Ridgefield, and that at such time and place, all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, that the Borough Clerk be and 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	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

ORDINANCE NO. 2332

“AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN AMENDED COMMUNITY FORESTRY  
MANAGEMENT PLAN”

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey has adopted the New Jersey Shade Tree and Community Forestry Assistance Act, *N.J.S.A. 13:1L-17.1*, et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that act, local communities are encouraged to develop a community forestry management plan; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of said plan will enable the Borough of Ridgefield to limit its liability in connection with certain tree related incidents and losses; and

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2017 the Mayor and Council adopted Ordinance No. 2326 approving a community forestry management plan; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the community forestry management plan;

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

Section I:

The Borough of Ridgefield hereby adopts the amended community forestry management plan in the form as annexed hereto and incorporated into this ordinance, with the understanding that the plan hereby sets forth the goals, intentions and plans going forward of the Borough of Ridgefield as it relates to tree preservation and forestry, and will be implemented by the adoption of specific ordinances and resolutions related thereto.

Section II.

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

Section III:

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

Section IV.

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.

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk



**3<sup>rd</sup> Five Year Community Forestry Management Plan  
2017-2021**



**RIDGEFIELD BOROUGH,  
BERGEN COUNTY  
NEW JERSEY**

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- **Russell Castelli** (*Council President*)
- **Hugo Jimenez** (*Councilman*)
- **Javier Acosta** (*Councilman*)
- **James Kontolios** (*Councilman*)
- **Ray Penabad** (*Councilman*)
- **Dennis Shim** (*Councilman*)

**Prepared By:  
RICHARD WOLOWICZ, CTE**

**Submitted on: January, 2017**

Revisions: June 2017, October 29, 2017

## 1. MUNICIPAL INFORMATION FORM

Municipality: Ridgefield Borough  
County: Bergen County  
Address: 604 Broad St, Ridgefield, NJ 07657  
Contact Name and Title: Deborah Fugnitti, EC Chairperson  
Phone: 201-577-4040  
Email: environmentalcomm@ridgefieldboro.com  
Organization's Name: Ridgefield Borough Environmental Comm.  
Mayor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Suarez, Mayor

Date of Management Plan Submission: June 2017  
Period Covered in Management Plan: 2017 through 2021

*Please check off the Community Stewardship Incentive Program (CSIP) practices identified in your management plan.*

- CSIP #1 Training
- CSIP #2 Community Forestry Ordinance Establishment
- CSIP #3 Public Education and Awareness
- CSIP #4 Arbor Day Activities
- CSIP #5 Tree Inventory
- CSIP #6 Tree Hazard Assessment
- CSIP #7 Storm Damage Assessment
- CSIP #8 Tree Maintenance
- CSIP #9 Insect and Disease Management
- CSIP #10 Wildfire Protection
- CSIP #11 Tree Planting
- CSIP #12 Tree Recycling
- CSIP #13 Sidewalk Maintenance Program
- CSIP #14 Storm Water Management
- CSIP #15 Other

Official Use Only  
Certification

The above-named community has made formal application to the New Jersey Forest Service. I am pleased to advise you that after our review, the NJ Forest Service has concluded that this plan meets the standards set forth by the State and NJ Community Forestry Council and is approved for the period covered.

Signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
State Forester

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Approved date

# Borough of Ridgefield: 3<sup>rd</sup> Five-Year Community Forestry Management Plan 2017-2021



## 2. Introduction

This document and its attachments will be, after approval by the Borough and by the Community Forestry Council of the NJ State Department of Environmental Protection, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Five Year Community Forestry Management Plan for Ridgefield. It is hereinafter referred to as the Management Plan and is intended to aid as a reference guide in the administration of the Management Plan.

In all instances where there are goals and/or requirements for continuing education and training for Borough employees specifically, employees of the Department of Public Works, said education and training will necessarily be limited by the availability of the personnel for same given exigencies of scheduling and performing other town work, and by budgetary constraints, to be ultimately determined by the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works.

### Mission Statement

The mission is to provide a sustainable tree cover within the community by continuing to maintain, upgrade and expand the forestry resources of Ridgefield.



### Goals and Objectives

For this third Community Forestry Management Plan, the following goals have been established.

#### **Goal 1: Tree Planting (CSIP # 11 – Tree Planting)**

- A) Prepare a diverse list of species that would be appropriate for the Borough of Ridgefield including street tree planting and site plan planting/tree replacements by developers.
- B) Included in that list is a breakdown of utility friendly trees.
- C) Species shall be listed as appropriate for size of planting area.
- D) Utilize *'Trees for NJ Streets'* and talk to other communities which have similar growing conditions to the Borough to build a resource of appropriate plant material for Ridgefield.
- E) Establish a tree canopy goal for the Borough.

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**Goal 2: Review the Borough of Ridgefield's Tree Ordinance #1679 (CSIP # 2 Community forestry Ordinance Establishment)**

- A) Review should be done to enhance the current tree ordinance.
- B) Consider adding the following subjects to ordinance to include, but not limited to
  - Tree topping
  - Construction near trees
  - Landmark trees (species and size confirmation would be required).

**Goal 3: Update Tree Evaluation Form (CSIP # 8 – Tree Maintenance and Removal)**

- A) Include a comment section for field notes.
- B) Include a section for Borough Arborist's findings.

**Goal 4: Improve Education for the Environmental Commissioners and members of the Department of Public Works (CSIP # 1- Training)**

- A) Encourage CORE Training, and training to obtain 8 CEUs per year requirements by both volunteer and Borough employees, subject to the availability of those employees and budgetary constraints as determined by the DPW Superintendent. DPW employees not required to be CORE trained.
- B) Encourage pertinent employees to attend seminars on Tree Risk Assessment.
- C) Borough Arborist to train DPW Tree Crew(s), specifically the employee who is designated to perform pruning, following the pruning standards set forth by the ANSI. Said training to be "on the job" and on an as-needed basis and as employees are available for same.
- D) Promulgate educational opportunities to the respective groups.
- E) Ongoing education as needed and permitted by budget and personnel availability.

**Goal 5: Continue to Celebrate Arbor Day (CSIP # 4 – Arbor Day Activities)**

- A) Continue to build on Educational Outreach.
- B) Continue the NJ Department of Environmental Protection's (NJDEP) Tree Team Program.
- C) Maintain the Annual Earth Day Poster Contest with the public school's classes.
- D) Maintain Tree City USA - Growth Award status.

**Goal 6: Develop municipal sidewalk policy affected by tree roots (CSIP # 13 – Sidewalk Maintenance Program)**

- A) Standardize a procedure incorporating the use of the Borough Arborist, Borough Engineer, and key DPW personnel, as integral players in all decisions.
- B) The Superintendent of Public Works will, however, have final authority to determine the issuance of sidewalk permits and how some are to be implemented.
- C) Develop a tree inspection/solution procedure for all sidewalk repairs.
- D) Create an information/guidance form to provide to residents for sidewalk repair issues while maintaining tree health.

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### Goal 7: Municipal Tree Section on Borough Website (CSIP # 3 - Public Education and Awareness)

- A) Utilize the Borough website to have an Environmental Commission section.
- B) Incorporate a public relations component regarding trees on the town's web site.
- C) Provide educational information for residents.

### Goal 8: Continue to manage Ridgefield's Nature Center and Community Garden areas (CSIP # 3 – Public Education and Awareness)

- A) Perform seasonal clean-ups if required. Accommodate educational sessions upon request.
- B) Evaluate use and additional tools to educate the public.
- C) Install tree/plant identification tags.
- D) Enhance, improve and restore public areas.
- E) Remove invasive species.
- F) Plant appropriate species.
- G) Conduct ongoing tree risk assessment.
- H) Continue to perform tree maintenance as needed.



### Goal 9: Tree Inventory (CSIP #5 – Tree Inventory)

- A) Continue to perform data collection on the remainder of the town. Data collection shall be performed by the Environmental Commission and the collected shall be shared.
- B) Determine how the data will be stored and utilized.
- C) Identify trees which may be structurally compromised (CSIP # 6 – Hazard Tree Assessment).

### Goal 10: Insect & Disease Management (CSIP #9 – Insect & Disease Management)

- A) While there aren't any known ash trees located in the Borough, the Environmental Commission and DPW will note of any ash trees in the Community.
- B) Public information regarding the Emerald Ash Borer will be disseminated to the citizens in an efficient manner. This will be a source of information that any citizens may use should they have EAB questions.
- C) Stay up to date with any other issues involving Insect and Disease issues that may impact the Borough's tree population.

## **Liability Statement**

Although street trees are an asset to the community, as with any asset, they age and usually continue aging to full maturity when, as they reach the end of their useful life, they might become a hazard. They are subject to numerous external forces. A few of these can be: storm effects, vehicle collisions, disease and insect attacks and construction

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damage to roots, trunk and canopy. Ridgefield acknowledges that it is not possible to foresee all these events, nor to be able to deal on a timely basis with all hazardous conditions. One of the purposes of the Management Plan is to develop an ongoing system to identify tree hazard situations and to take timely on-site action to correct them, thereby minimizing the risk to public safety. Under the Management Plan, Ridgefield also intends to establish an outreach program whereby the public can easily pass along identification of hazardous situations. One of the focuses of this Management Plan is tree hazard situations. Following the Management Plan will demonstrate that Ridgefield devotes reasonable levels of resources in a planned manner to reduce exposure to liabilities and risk to public safety. Nothing in this Liability Statement, nor in the Management Plan, is intended to mandate that the Borough establish a certain level of funding for these programs, nor will it expand the Borough's liability for responsibility for loss or damage from tree hazard conditions beyond what presently exists under state law.

### **3. Community Overview – Five Years of Progress**

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Outlined below is the status of Goals and Objectives from the previous Community Forestry Management Plan. The goals have been achieved except for two still in progress and noted as such.

#### Goal A.

Review the existing Borough Tree Ordinance #1679 by preparing recommendations for additions to Ordinance # 1679.

- Town was divided into separate management districts based on the five voting districts for use in its hazard tree survey and inventory work.
- The Ridgefield Shade Tree Fund is functioning to use as a tool in the Shade Tree Program.
- Ridgefield's Environmental Commission was formalized as the operating agency for the Community Forestry Management Plan, Ridgefield Nature Center and the 'Patty Pfaff Ridgefield Community Garden'.

#### Goal B.

Manage tree risk situations by following up on each location within 48 hours.

- Borough volunteers were trained to identify hazards; additional volunteers need to be trained.
- Borough employees still need to be trained, subject to availability and budgetary constraints as determined by the DPW Superintendent.
- An awareness to, and procedure to follow, was published and in effect to report hazardous situations.
- Municipal crews perform maintenance work in instances that it is determined they are capable of handling. Other work is contracted to outside vendors. The selection of outside vendors, in emergency situations, is a determination to be made by the Superintendent of Public Works and, in non-emergency situations, by the Public bidding process.
- An annual tree risk assessment survey has been conducted to address all street trees, parks and Board of Education facilities.
- Maintenance work is done by municipal crews for situations up to 30 feet high. Other work is contracted to outside vendors. Volume of contract work is determined by fiscal limitations and prioritized by emergency tree matters.

#### Goal C.

Conduct a tree inventory and tree population potential survey of the Borough.

- 50 volunteer hours have been invested in this project.

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- It is estimated that 30 – 35% of the town is complete.
- This will continue to be carried out during the next Community Forestry Management Plan.

### Goal D.

Increase awareness of the value of the Community Forest.

- Landmark Tree Program was established.
- Species are identified for potential listing and the locations are verified by the Consulting Arborist. This portion of the goal still needs to be established as standard operating procedures.
- Locations are being included on tax maps. This portion of the goal is still being worked on.
- Arbor Day celebrations were held and will continue to be held with various civic group/school involvement.
- Tree related educational articles were distributed at the annual health fair.

## 4. Community Forestry Program Administration

In Ridgefield, the Community Forestry Program is administered by the Environmental Commission Chairperson. This commission was formed by Ordinance # 1174. Should a Shade Tree Commission be established the administration of the Shade Tree Program and Management Plan would fall under that Commission's administration. The members of the Environmental Commission are:

Debbie Fugnitti – Chair  
Rob Gilles – Vice-Chair  
Mihail Kalymnios – Recording Secretary  
William Pych  
Lisa Bicocchi  
Laurie Griffin  
Harry Pfaff  
Brandy Mariah – Alternate #1  
Neisha Cedeno – Alternate #2  
James Kontolios – Borough of Ridgefield Council Liaison

The Mayor, Anthony R. Suarez was re-elected by the residents in 2015.

### Work Flow Process

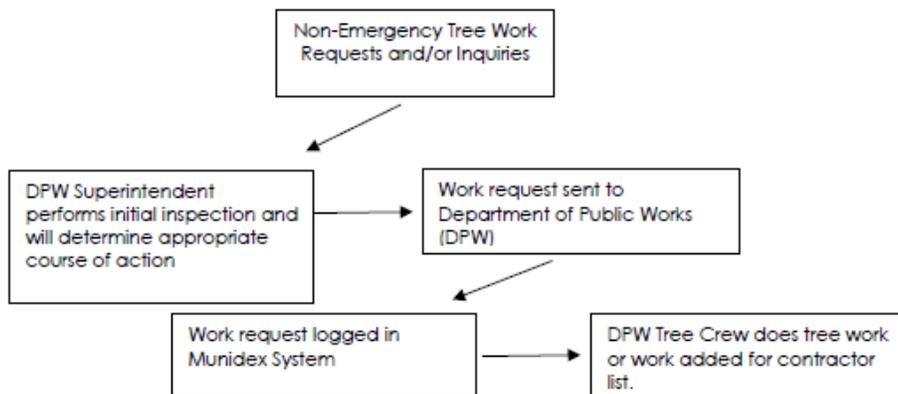
All tree inquiries/complaints/requests are received by many different entities, but should be forwarded to the DPW Superintendent for initial inspection and appropriate course of action which may include working with the Borough Arborist and/or the Environmental Commission to determine the best course of action.

Smaller jobs would be done by the DPW tree crew. Larger size work would be done by a contractor hired by the Borough. The Borough of Ridgefield's Tree Evaluation Form is in use but as noted earlier, will be revised to include a comments section and section for the Borough Arborist's findings. The Environmental Commission's Tree Notification door hanger is in use when the tree inspection is made and the resident who requested the inspection is not home.

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In the near future, utility contractors will be required to obtain a permit from the Ridgefield Building Department and comply with all aspects of ordinance number 390-240.1 *Work by utility companies prior to non-emergency work.*

### WORK FLOW CHART



This may include working with the Borough Arborist and/or the Environmental Commission to determine best course of action.

### TREE REMOVALS AND MAINTENANCE (CSIP # 8 – Tree Maintenance and Removal)

The DPW does some tree maintenance and removal. In order to extend the life of Ridgefield's trees, the DPW is being asked to give a higher level of priority to tree maintenance, correcting earlier work where stubs have been left and various other activities to promote the general health of the public tree population. Tree removals will be primarily done by contracted outside firms. The DPW has one dedicated medium size tree truck with a workstation bucket reaching about 30 feet high. A second vehicle is coupled with a chipper unit. The DPW is seeking tree technology training for the staff. Ridgefield Borough Council should adopt *Pruning Standards for Shade Trees* as its official resource for this work.

### DECISION FOR TREE REMOVAL VS. PRUNING AND REMEDIATION PHILOSOPHY

Every tree in place and growing provides: at least some degree of shade, some degree of carbon dioxide absorption and some degree of oxygen production, some degree of pollution absorption and some degree of soil stabilization. Large trees do more of these things than small or young ones. When a tree is removed, these positive environmental factors are diminished. Trees should be retained as long as they are not a hazard and/or near death. Many tree concerns can be resolved by careful pruning, repeated wound care, feeding and other non-lethal treatments. The choice to prune and

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treat wounds generates a relatively small amount of debris (wood chips). Removal means lots of wood chips and an unsightly trunk/stump awaiting removal followed at some future time by stump grindings.

It is hoped that the existing tree service request system should be expanded to include a formal data collection procedure, computer logging, updating and retrieval procedure and an automatic referral for appraisal when required.

### **6. Training Plan**

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The Borough of Ridgefield is eager to continue the training of various volunteers and key personnel over the course of this 5-year plan. The town intends to make use of the various programs available throughout the state as the primary education source. These include, but are not limited to, the New Jersey Shade Tree Federation's Annual Meeting, NJ Arborists Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture's Meeting and Rutgers' Office of Continuing Education seminars.

Additionally, we plan on having the Borough Arborist train the town's Department of Public Works' Tree Crew in proper pruning and final cuts, subject to availability of personnel and budgetary constraints as determined by the Superintendent of Public Works.

Ongoing education will be sought on an as needed basis, with an emphasis on tree risk tree identification.

### **7. Public Education/Awareness/Outreach**

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The Municipality and the Environmental Commission have an ongoing positive relationship with:

- The Ridgefield Senior Citizens
- The Boy and Girl Scouts of Ridgefield
- Ridgefield School System
- Church Groups
- Civic Groups

The continued contact with these groups helps to spread the positive news of the Community Forestry Plan and the importance to maintaining a viable tree canopy for the Borough's residents.

The continued emphasis will be on building the 'trees only' section of the Borough of Ridgefield's website. It is expected that new information generated on, but not limited to, sidewalk information sheets and recommended tree planting species selection will be made available through this portal.

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### 8. Statement of Tree Budget

The shade tree expenses over the past two years are itemized in the chart below. The 2017 budget is estimated to be in a similar range to the 2016 Budget expenditures. Tree work is budgeted within the DPW budget.

Categories	2015 budget	2016 Budget	2017 Budget
Tree Seedings	\$ 75.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Disposal Costs	\$ 22,036.00	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 23,000.00
Training/Education Expense	\$ 540.00	\$ 585.00	\$ 585.00
Arbor Day		\$ 480.00	\$ 500.00
DPW Tree Crew	\$ 35,800.00	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Tree Removals & Trimming	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Volunteer Time		\$ 3,169.00	\$ 3,000.00
Prof Services: Arborist	\$ 550.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.00
Tree Planting			
Total	\$ 66,801.00	\$ 70,934.00	\$ 70,485.00

### 9. Statement of Plan Implementation

The Borough of Ridgefield's Environmental Commission continues to make strides and progress in actively managing its shade tree resources for the benefit of the citizens and visitors of the town. The anticipated time frame for implementing the goals is found in the timeline.

#### Year 1, 2017

- Develop data form to provide to residents re: sidewalk repair impacted by tree roots.
- Investigate and prepare a diverse list of trees for future planting. This list will identify trees by growth habit and note which trees would be appropriate to plant where underneath overhead conductors. It is anticipated that the tree list will feature information for tree selection based on available planting strip dimensions. This list would be the source material for any site plan plantings by developers. Data will be gathered from "Trees for NJ Streets" and interviewing other communities similar to the Borough of Ridgefield.
- The Borough's Tree Ordinance #1679 will be reviewed to enhance any shortcomings.
- Update the Borough's Tree Evaluation form which is used as a data source and paper trail to follow-up on property owner requests.
- Continue to take advantage of the educational opportunities throughout the state by having more Environmental Commission members CORE trained.
- Borough Arborist to provide in house training to DPW personnel/tree crew.
- Continue Tree Team Program.
- Maintain Annual Earth Day Poster Contest.
- Maintain Tree City USA Status and Pursue Growth Award.

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- Continue to manage the Nature Center and Community Garden Areas and provide educational opportunities annually.
- Continue to collect data for the town's tree inventory.
- Develop policy for Borough Arborist to be informed on sidewalk issues involving tree roots with the final determination to be made by the Superintendent of Public Works.
- Finalize recommended list of tree species for the Borough of Ridgefield.
- After using trial copy, finalize any changes to the Borough's Tree Evaluation Form.
- Monitor any insect and tree disease issues which may have an impact on the Borough's trees.

### Year 2, 2018

- Continue working on the Tree Ordinance #1679. Consideration will be given to see if the following topics will be included in any revised ordinance: Tree topping, construction near trees and/or landmark trees. The latter would require species and size confirmation to be designated as such.
- To provide ongoing training to key municipal personnel.
- Identify any personnel who should be CORE Trained and take the training.
- Borough Arborist to continue to provide in-house training to DPW personnel/tree crew as per budgetary consideration.
- Continue Tree Team Program.
- Maintain Annual Earth Day Poster Contest.
- Maintain Tree City USA Status and Pursue Growth Award.
- Continue to manage the Ridgefield Nature Center and Patty Pfaff Community Garden and provide educational opportunities annually.
- Continue to collect data for the town's tree inventory.
- Monitor any insect and tree disease issues which may have an impact on the Borough's trees.
- Post EAB information on Town's Website or make paper copies available at Borough Hall.

### Year 3, 2019

- Finish any additions to Borough's Tree Ordinance #1679.
- Borough Arborist to provide in-house training to DPW personnel/tree crew, if needed.
- Continue working on the Borough's Tree Ordinance #1679. Consideration will be given to see if the following topics will be included in any revised ordinance: Tree Topping, Construction near Trees and/or Landmark Trees. The latter would require species and size confirmation to be designated as such.
- Take additional continuing education courses as needed for volunteers/municipal personnel.
- Continue Tree Team Program.
- Maintain Annual Earth Day Poster Contest.
- Maintain Tree City USA Status and Pursue Growth Award.
- Continue to manage the Nature Center and Patty Pfaff Community Garden areas and provide educational opportunities annually.
- Continue to collect data for the town's tree inventory.

### Year 4, 2020

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- Utilize Borough's web site to incorporate an Environmental Commission section and educational forums.
- Borough Arborist to provide in house training to DPW personnel/tree crew, if needed as per budgetary consideration.
- Take additional continuing education courses as needed to volunteers/municipal personnel.
- Continue Tree Team Program.
- Maintain Annual Earth Day Poster Contest.
- Maintain Tree City USA Status and Pursue Growth Award.
- Continue to manage the Nature Center and Community Garden Areas and provide educational opportunities annually.
- Continue to collect data for the town's tree inventory.
- Monitor any insect and tree disease issues which may have an impact on the Borough's trees.

### Year 5, 2021

- Utilize Borough's web site to incorporate an Environmental Commission section and educational forum.
- Investigate the use of the Borough's web site for citizens to use to report public tree issues/problems.
- Borough Arborist to provide in house training to DPW personnel/tree crew, if needed as per budgetary consideration.
- Take additional continuing education courses as needed to volunteers/municipal personnel.
- Continue Tree Team Program.
- Maintain Annual Earth Day Poster Contest.
- Maintain Tree City USA Status and Pursue Growth Award.
- Continue to manage the Nature Center and Community Garden Areas and provide educational opportunities annually.
- Incorporate data from inventory system into a record retention system.
- Monitor any insect and tree disease issues which may have an impact on the Borough's trees.

## **10. Community Stewardship Incentive Program**

CSIP # 1: Training  
Goals and Objectives, page 4

CSIP # 2: Community Forestry Ordinance Establishment  
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CSIP # 3: Public Education and Awareness  
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- CSIP # 5: Tree Inventory
  - Goals and Objectives, page 5
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- CSIP # 6: Hazard Tree Assessment
  - Goals and Objectives, page 5
- CSIP # 7: Storm Damage Assessment
  - Goals and Objectives, page 5
- CSIP # 8: Tree Maintenance and Removal
  - Goals and Objectives, page 4
  - Tree Removals and Maintenance, page 5
- CSIP # 9: Insect and Disease Management
  - Goals and Objectives, page 5
- CSIP # 10: Wildfire Protection
  - This is not addressed at this time
- CSIP # 11: Tree Planting
  - Goals and Objectives, page 3
- CSIP # 12: Tree Recycling
  - Not addressed at this time
- CSIP # 13: Sidewalk Maintenance Program
  - Goal and Objectives, page 4
- CSIP # 14: Storm Water Management
  - Not addressed at this time
- CSIP # 15: Other
  - Not addressed at this time

## APPENDIX

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**BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Utility Company Pruning Permit**

<u>For Office Use Only</u>					
Permit Number: _____	Approved: <input type="checkbox"/>	Denied: <input type="checkbox"/>			
Permit Date: _____	Signature: _____				
<b>DPW</b>	Approved	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Environ. Commission</b>	Approved	<input type="checkbox"/>
By: _____	Denied	<input type="checkbox"/>	By: _____	Denied	<input type="checkbox"/>
Date: _____	Date: _____				

Please Print or Type All information	
<b>Permit Application must be submitted no less than 3 business days before work is to commence.</b>	
Name of Utility Company:	_____
Authorized Representative:	_____
Address:	_____
Telephone:	_____ Fax: _____
Date Application filed:	_____
Name of Company performing pruning:	_____
Person in charge:	_____
Address:	_____
Telephone:	_____
Estimated Start Date:	_____
Estimated Completed Date:	_____
Reason for pruning:	_____
Location(s) to be pruned (complete addresses required)	
1.	_____
2.	_____
3.	_____
4.	_____
5.	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Or detailed map and schedule attached instead of above (2 copies required)	

**NOTE:** All pruning will be done in accordance with the pruning standards for Shade Trees as established by the "Best Management Practices- Utility Pruning of Trees" by Geoffrey P. Kempter and "Pruning Standards for Shade Trees" by NJ Board of Tree Experts.

After approval is obtained, a signed copy of this permit will be returned to the applicant and is valid for 30 days. Work may not start until permit is returned to applicant and meeting with tree crew supervisor is conducted

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 236-2017

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Executive and the Board of Chosen Freeholders, along with the Bergen County Department of Health Services, supports the designation of Stigma-Free Zones in every municipality; and

WHEREAS, at the June 2013 meeting of the Bergen County Mental Health Board, members of the Board learned from Care Plus NJ staff that the agency was working collaboratively to establish a Stigma Free Zone in Paramus; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Mental Health Board supported the initiative and recognized that the initiative was aligned with the Board's mission to raise awareness of the disease of mental illness; and

WHEREAS, the National Institute of Mental Health reports that 1 in 4 adults experiences mental illness in a given year and 1 in 17 adults live with a serious mental illness such as schizophrenia, major depression, or bipolar disorder; approximately 20% of youth ages 13 to 18 and 13% of youth ages 8 to 15 experience severe mental disorders in a given year; and

WHEREAS, the stigma associated with the disease of mental illness is identified as the primary reason individuals fail to seek the help they need to recover from the disease; and

WHEREAS, Stigma-Free Zones aim to inspire public interest and open dialogues about stigma, raise awareness of the disease of mental illness and create a culture wherein residents who have the disease of mental illness feel supported by their community and neighbors and feel free to seek treatment for the disease without fear of stigma; and

WHEREAS promoting awareness that there can be no "health" without mental health will break down barriers and encourage residents of all ages to be mindful of their mental health and ask for help when needed; and

WHEREAS, local resources are available to treat the disease of mental illness so no one resident needs to suffer alone or feel hopeless; and

WHEREAS, establishing Stigma-Free Zones will raise awareness of resources and encourage residents to engage in care as soon as the need is identified so recovery can begin, hope is inspired and tragedies are avoided;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Ridgefield recognizes the community needs and supports the efforts of the County of Bergen in designating the Borough of Ridgefield as a Stigma-Free Zone.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 237-2017

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

JASON RADZIKOWSKI

be hired as a part-time DPW/Sanitation employee at the rate of \$11.00 per hour effective immediately.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 238-2017

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

CHRISTINA CANCIAN

be hired as a part-time Parks and Recreation employee at the rate of \$11.00 per hour effective September 5, 2017.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 239-2017

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 received \$5,927.51 from the Armor Replacement Funds, and wishes to amend its 2017 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 2017 in the sum of \$5,927.51 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:

State Body Armor Replacement Fund	\$2,830.01
Federal Body Armor	\$3,097.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$5,927.51 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption:

General Appropriations

Operations excluded from CAPS

Public and Private Revenues Off-set by Appropriations:

State Body Armor Replacement Fund	\$2,830.01
Federal Body Armor	\$3,097.50

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	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 240-2017

WHEREAS, James L. Esposito, Esq., representing Dekk Realty LLC filed a tax appeal challenging assessments at 676 Shaler Blvd., Block 907, Lot 1 for tax years 2016-2017; and

WHEREAS, the original assessment in issue for the tax years under appeal was:

LAND:	\$ 307,500
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$ 726,100
TOTAL:	\$1,033,600

WHEREAS, the parties having exchanged discovery have entered into settlement discussions resulting in a proposed settlement to which taxpayer has agreed; and

WHEREAS, in light of the inherent risk and expense of Tax Court litigation, it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Borough to enter into a settlement of the pending tax appeal on the terms set forth below;

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

1. For 2016, the assessment shall be adjusted to:

LAND	\$ 307,500
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$ 642,500
TOTAL:	\$ 950,000
2. For 2017, the assessment shall be adjusted to:

LAND	\$ 307,500
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$ 642,500
TOTAL:	\$ 950,000
3. Taxpayer agrees to waive statutory interest on the refunds due as a consequence of the settlement provided refunds are paid within sixty (60) days of the entry of Tax Court Judgment.
4. Special Tax Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to execute a Stipulation of Settlement for filing with the Tax Court conforming with the terms set forth above.

5. 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.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 241-2017

WHEREAS, as of January 1, 2006, N.J.S.A. 1944A-20.1 et seq., commonly known as the “State Pay to Play Law, enacted by the New Jersey State Legislature became effective; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq., a municipality may not award a contract with a value in excess of \$17,500.00 to a business entity that has made a contribution within one year of the date the contract is to be awarded that is reportable by the recipient under P.L. 1973, c.83 (C.19.44A-1 et seq.) to a municipal political party committee in that municipality if a member of that party is serving in elective public office when such contract is awarded or to any candidate committee of any person who is serving in an elective public office of the municipality when such contract is awarded, unless the contract is awarded under a “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, a “fair and open process” constitutes the following: (1) public advertisement of a Request for Proposals (“RFP”) with twenty (20) days notice prior to the receipt of responses to the RFP; (2) award of contract under a process that provides for public solicitation of qualifications; (3) award of contract under publicly disclosed criteria established, in writing, by the municipality prior to the solicitation of qualifications; and (4) the municipality shall publicly open and announce the qualifications when awarded; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary for the Borough of Ridgefield (“the Borough”) to engage legal, financial, and engineering professionals and to engage the services of other individuals for extraordinary unspecifiable services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to appoint such professionals and services by a “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that RFPs for professional services for the following professional services for the Borough are hereby authorized:

- 1) Borough Attorney
- 2) Rent Leveling Attorney
- 3) Bond Counsel
- 4) Tax Appeal Attorney
- 5) Borough Engineer
- 6) Borough Planner and/or Planning Board Planner
- 7) Borough Auditor

- 8) Insurance Agent/Risk Manager
- 9) Independent Professional Real Estate Appraiser
- 10) Public Defender
- 11) Planning Board Attorney
- 12) Planning Board Engineer
- 13) Labor Attorney
- 14) Special Counsel
- 15) Waste Water Monitoring Services by a Qualified Engineer
- 16) Special Projects Engineer
- 17) Grant Writer
- 18) Redevelopment Attorney
- 19) Environmental Consultant
- 20) Other professional services and extraordinary unspecifiable services as the Council may deem appropriate to award pursuant to a fair and open process.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all of the RFPs for the professional services and extraordinary unspecifiable services as set forth hereinabove shall be prepared and published in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq. and all submissions in response shall be evaluated on the basis of the most advantageous submission, all factors considered, including, but not limited to:

- 1) Experience and reputation in the field
- 2) Knowledge of the Borough and the subject matter to be addressed under the contract
- 3) Availability to accommodate any required meetings of the Borough or Borough Agency
- 4) Compensation proposal
- 5) Any other factors demonstrated to be in the best interest of the Borough or Borough Agency.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that on or before November 15, 2017 the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of the RFPs for the professional services and extraordinary unspecifiable services enumerated above by the following means:

(1) on the Borough's internet web site. (The Borough Clerk is also authorized to publish the RFQ documents themselves on the Borough Website.); (2) on the Borough's bulletin Board at Town Hall; and (3) in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield. The notice of RFPs shall include the following:

- 1) A description of the requested professional or extraordinary unspecifiable service for which the RFP is made;
- 2) A statement that Proposals must be submitted by 10:00 AM on December 15, 2017
- 3) A statement that the RFPs are being made by the Borough
- 4) The address and phone number of the Borough Purchasing Agent's office and a statement that applicants may obtain the RFP document from the Purchasing Agent's office if they cannot obtain the RFP documents from the Borough's website;
- 5) A statement that the RFP is being made through a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Attorney is authorized and directed, in consultation with the members of the Finance Committee of the Mayor and Council, to effectuate the drafting of the RFPs, which shall include the evaluation criteria hereinabove stated.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Purchasing Agent or her designee shall publicly open and read aloud the submissions responding to the RFPs, including the name of the applicant and any other pertinent information on December 15, 2017, at 10:00 AM in the Council Chambers at Borough Hall.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that those positions included hereinabove are those which the Borough of Ridgefield reasonably believes will be subject to appointment for the year 2018. However, all such appointments are subject to the availability of funds and the continuing needs of the Borough. Accordingly, inclusion of a position in this resolution is not a representation or warranty that such position will be filled, or that if filled, it will be subject to the process contained herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Council has determined that the terms of this Resolution constitute a fair and open process as to all positions included herein.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Acosta

RESOLUTION NO. 242-2017

WHEREAS, the project known as 2015 Roadway Improvements for Oak Street was awarded to D.L.S. Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$266,588.25 by Resolution 127-2017; and

WHEREAS, certain amendments to time and materials have resulted in field changes necessary for the efficient completion of this project in the increased amount of \$1,581.55; and

WHEREAS, said changes are prudent as it would be detrimental to the Borough of Ridgefield to halt and rebid the project, causing delays in its completion:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield in the County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that Change Order No. 1 in the amount of One Thousand Five hundred eighty-One and 55 cents for D.L.S. Contracting, Inc., on the project known as 2015 Roadway Improvements for Oat Street s is and hereby approved, amending the contract to \$262,806.40.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer certifies that funds required for the purpose of this Change Order come from Capital Ordinance number 2318, capital account number 04-2150-55-2218.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Attorney is hereby authorized to amend the contract to reflect changes in the project.

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	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 243-2017

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$10,000 has been proposed by the Borough of Ridgefield for *Senior Citizen Trips* in the municipality of the Borough of Ridgefield; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and,

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Borough of Ridgefield; and,

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 244-2017

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$153,492.90 has been proposed by the Borough of Ridgefield for the *Ray Avenue (Phase I) Improvement Project* in the municipality of the Borough of Ridgefield; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and,

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the Borough of Ridgefield; and,

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 245-2017

WHEREAS, James Jensen and Karen Jensen were formerly the owners of property commonly known as 1016 Elm Avenue, Block 1103, Lot 5 in the Borough of Ridgefield; and

WHEREAS, James Jensen and Karen Jensen have presented a claim against the Borough of Ridgefield requesting that the Mayor and Council take certain action, *viz a viz*, the above-described property; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has a conflict of interest inasmuch as the law office of the Borough Attorney represented James Jensen and Karen Jensen in connection with the sale of their property; and

WHEREAS, David Lafferty, Esq. of the firm Huntington Bailey LLP was previously approved as a Special Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council now wishes to award David Lafferty, Esq. of the firm Huntington Bailey LLP a professional services contract;

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

1. David Lafferty, Esq. of the firm Huntington Bailey LLP be and hereby is engaged as Special Counsel to represent the Borough of Ridgefield regarding this controversy, to analyze same, and to give the Borough advice as to how to proceed, and to draft any and all necessary documents for same, for services to be rendered set forth in the contract in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 and to be paid under line item 01-2010-20-1562-048.

2. The Borough Attorney be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to draft a professional services contract consistent with the appointment of Huntington Bailey LLP as Special Counsel with the approving Resolution and the within Resolution.

3. The Mayor and Borough Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute same on behalf of the Borough of Ridgefield.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 246-2017

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield is in need of banking services; and

WHEREAS, such services are rendered at no cost to the Borough; and

WHEREAS, these services are not subject to public bidding requirements, as the cost and/or benefit of same is below the bid threshold; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Chief Financial Officer previously solicited proposals from various banking institutions; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has reviewed those proposals and recommends that Santander Bank, N.A. be designated as the Borough's banking depository and the institution to render banking services, as offering the best proposal to the Borough, all things considered;

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

1. Santander Bank, N.A. be and hereby is designated as the Borough's depository, and the institution to render banking services to the Borough as per their proposal to the Borough.
2. As a condition of said award, the Borough must adopt the attached "Universal Resolution" sponsored by Santander Bank, N.A., which has been reviewed and negotiated by the Borough Attorney.
3. The Mayor, Borough Clerk, Chief Financial Officer and other Borough Officials be and they hereby are authorized to complete and execute the Universal Resolution in the form attached hereto.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk



## UNIVERSAL RESOLUTION

Legal Name of Business ("Depositor"):	Borough of Ridgefield
Principal Business Street Address:	
Business Type ( <i>Check One</i> ):	<input type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Partnership General Partnership Other specify): <input type="checkbox"/> Member-managed LLC <input type="checkbox"/> Manager-managed LLC Unincorporated organization or association

### CHECK ONE:

Certification of Resolutions: (Must be selected for a Depositor controlled by a governing body) The undersigned is authorized by the Depositor to certify, and hereby does certify, that the Resolutions set forth below were properly adopted on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ by the Depositor in accordance and conformity with the Depositor's governing documents, all agreements with third parties, and all laws applicable to the Depositor, have not been modified or rescinded, and are in full force and effect and binding on the Depositor.

Adoption of Resolutions: The undersigned does hereby adopt the Resolutions set forth the below, and certify that such Resolutions are in accordance and conformity with the Depositor's governing documents, all agreements with third parties, and all laws applicable to the Depositor.

## Resolutions

RESOLVED: That Santander Bank, N.A. (the "Bank") be, and hereby is, designated a depository of funds of the Depositor subject to the terms and conditions of the Business Deposit Account Agreement, with authority to accept at any time for the credit of the Depositor deposits in checking, savings, money market savings, term or any other account, by whomsoever made in whatever manner endorsed; and

RESOLVED: That the Bank shall not be liable in connection with the collection of such items that are handled by the Bank without negligence; and

RESOLVED: That the Depositor acknowledges and assumes its full responsibility for losses, liabilities and claims resulting from payments, withdrawals or orders made in accordance with, or from actions taken in good faith and in reliance upon, these Resolutions and in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code as adopted in the State of New Jersey as codified in *N.J.S.A. 12A:1-101* (2013), et. seq.; and

### Payment Orders

RESOLVED: That the Bank be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to certify, pay or otherwise honor all checks, drafts, notes, bills of exchanges, acceptances, undertakings and other instruments or orders for the payment, transfer or withdrawal of money for whatever purpose and to whomsoever payable when such instruments and orders are properly made, signed, or endorsed by the signature, the actual or purported facsimile signature or the oral direction of any two of the authorized signers below; provided, however, that any check, draft, note, bill of exchange, acceptance, undertaking or other instrument for the payment, transfer or withdrawal must bear the actual or purported facsimile signature of any two of the authorized



signers below; and



RESOLVED: That any two of the authorized signers below are hereby authorized on behalf of the Depositor to endorse, negotiate and collect any and all checks, drafts, notes, bills of exchange, acceptances, undertakings and other instruments and to open and close and update information on any account of the Depositor at the Bank; and

Funds Transfers

RESOLVED: That any two of the authorized signers below are hereby authorized on behalf of the Depositor to instruct, orally or by such other means as the Bank may make available to Depositor, the Bank to initiate the transfer of funds by wire, telex, automated clearinghouse, book entry, computer or such other means, and to execute agreements with the Bank for the transfer of funds from any of Depositor's accounts and to delegate from time to time to other persons the authority to initiate the transfer of funds from any such account; and

Additional Resolutions

RESOLVED: That any two of the authorized signers below are hereby authorized on behalf of the Depositor to enter into a written lease for the purpose of renting, maintaining and accessing a safe deposit box and any two of the authorized signers are authorized to terminate the lease; and

RESOLVED: That the Bank may rely on the signatures, endorsements or order and any facsimile signatures or oral instructions reasonably believed by the Bank to be made by the two authorized signers, and the Bank may act on any direction of the two authorized signers without inquiry and without regard to the application of the proceeds thereof, provided that the Bank acts in good faith; and

RESOLVED: The Bank may rely on this document and on any certificate by an authorized representative of the Depositor as to the names and signatures of the authorized signers of the Depositor until the Bank has actually received written notice of a change and has had a reasonable period of time to act on such notice; and

RESOLVED: That the Depositor agrees to notify the Bank promptly and in writing of any change in (a) these Resolutions, (b) the identity of persons authorized to sign, endorse or otherwise authorize payments, transfers or withdrawals, (c) ownership of the Depositor or the Depositor's legal structure or status, including the Depositor's dissolution or bankruptcy; and

RESOLVED: That any of the following named persons, or persons from time to time holding the following offices of the Depositor be, and hereby are, designated as the authorized signers to act on behalf of the Depositor in accordance with the above resolutions (fill in names of authorized individuals or titles of officers, or both):

Name and/or Title	Signature
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____



Incumbency Certification

(Required only if any authorized signer is described solely by title in the previous section)

The undersigned is authorized by the Depositor to certify, and hereby does certify, that the Depositor is duly organized and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which it is organized and that the signatures below represent the true and accurate

Name	Title	Signature
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

If the Depositor is controlled by a governing body, each individual executing this document certifies and warrants that s/he is duly authorized to act on behalf of the Depositor in all matters pertaining to its rights, responsibilities and activities in connection with the foregoing, including but not limited to executing this document on behalf of the Depositor. If the Depositor is a limited liability company or partnership, each individual executing this document certifies and warrants that the undersigned are all of its members, managers or general partners, as the case may be.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I/we have signed this certificate on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

- \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature and Title)

NOTE: If only one person signs the above certification and that person is authorized to act by the above resolutions, this certificate must be confirmed by another authorized representative of the Depositor. (Not applicable if the Depositor is a sole proprietorship or a member-managed limited liability company with a single member and the sole proprietor or single member, as applicable, signs the document.)

CONFIRMED By: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature and Title) Date

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 1, 2017

Presented by Mayor Suarez

**Proclamation**

RESOLUTION NO. 247-2017

WHEREAS, the health and safety of all residents is important to the happiness, prosperity, and well-being of our nation's families and communities; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's Disease is an irreversible, progressive brain disorder that slowly deteriorates brain cells, affecting one's reasoning skills and abilities to perform simple tasks, ultimately leading to memory loss; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's is the only leading cause of death among the top ten causes in the United States that cannot be prevented, cured, or even slowed; and

WHEREAS, family members and caregivers are crucial in maintaining a healthy quality of life for those battling Alzheimer's; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that Alzheimer's patients have access to quality, affordable care, and that further research of this disease continues; and

WHEREAS, Alzheimer's Awareness Month is an opportunity to raise awareness about this growing public concern, its symptoms, and the importance of early detection;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Anthony R. Suarez, do hereby proclaim November 2017 as

**ALZHEIMER'S AWARENESS MONTH**

in the Borough of Ridgefield and encourage all residents to become educated about Alzheimer's Disease, to personally engage in healthy behaviors to promote brain health, and to support those with the disease and their loved ones who care for them.

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
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 November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 248-2017

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 allows appropriation transfers during the last two months of the calendar year should it become necessary to expend for any of the purposes specified in the budget an amount in excess of the respective sums appropriated therefor and there shall be an excess in any appropriations over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation, the governing body may, by resolution setting forth the facts, adopted by not less than two thirds vote of the full membership thereof, transfer the amount of such excess to those appropriations deemed to be insufficient; no transfers may be made to appropriations for contingent expenses or deferred charges.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield are desirous of executing such transfers:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Chief Financial Officer is herewith directed to execute the following Calendar Year 2017 budget appropriation transfers:

<u>CURRENT FUND</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Information Technology	\$5,000.00	
Legal Services and costs	20,000.00	
Telephone	10,000.00	
Gasoline	30,000.00	
Workers Compensation	10,000.00	
Fire Hydrant Services	10,000.00	
Construction Code Official S &W	22,000.00	
Unemployment Insurance	60,000.00	
Police Dispatching – 911 Agreement	4,000.00	
Municipal Clerk S & W		\$11,000.00
Planning Board S & W		2,500.00
Finance O/E		16,000.00
Engineering and Other Costs		17,000.00
Property Maintenance S&W		2,000.00
Public Building Maintenance		2,500.00
Health Insurance		42,000.00
Liability Insurance O/E		63,000.00

Electric and Gas		15,000.00
	<u>\$171,000.00</u>	<u>\$171,000.00</u>
Outside Cap		
Interest on Bonds	\$ 5,634.00	
Interest on Notes		\$ 5,634.00

**COUNCIL VOTE**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

\_\_\_\_\_  
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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Diane Sherry,  
Chief Financial Officer

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD  
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 1, 2017

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 249-2017

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling **\$4,446,991.04**  
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$764,273.69
TRUST	\$31,654.12
CAPITAL	\$3,649,883.55
POOL	\$1,179.68
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,446,991.04</b>

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli	X			
Acosta	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

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Russell Castelli, Council President

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Linda M. Silvestri,  
Borough Clerk