

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Executive Session and Public Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: November 7, 2018

Open Public Meetings Statement by Mayor Suarez

Public Session to Adjourn to C.T.O.: 6:35 P.M.
Executive Session: Adjourn: 6:37 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.: 6:37 P.M.
Adjourn: 7:30 P.M.

Public Session: 7:30 P.M. C.T.O.: 7:34 P.M.
Adjourn: 8:12 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Citizens Comment on Agenda: NONE

Correspondence:

ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION

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

ROLL CALL-EXEC. SESSION

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

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2348 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 29 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD ENTITLED ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION”

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

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2349 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XX, PERMIT PARKING, CHAPTER 375 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

First Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

CONSENT AGENDA:

270-2018	Councilman Castelli	Appoint Per-Diem Community Service Officer-Han
271-2018	Councilman Castelli	Call for Legislature to Amend OPRA to Permit Municipalities to Rely on GRC as a Defense to Attorney’s Fees or Abolish GRC Altogether
272-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Appeal Settlement-Block 4014, Lot 18
273-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Appeal Settlement-Block 404, Lots 1 & 17
274-2018	Councilman Castelli	Snow Plowing Agreement with Bergen County
275-2018	Councilman Castelli	Authorize to Advertise for RFQs – 2019 Professionals
276-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Chapter 159-Municipal Alliance
277-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Change of Text
278-2018	Mayor Suarez	2019 RFQ Evaluation Committee
279-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Fully Exempt Veteran Deduction-Block 2602, Lot 7
280-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Court Judgment-Block 505, Lot3
281-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Court Judgment-Block 2906, Lot 5
282-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Lien Redemption Certificate 15-09
283-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Court Judgment-Block 2303, Lot 12
284-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Court Judgment-Block 2906, Lot 13
285-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Municipal Charges-Yard Maintenance
286-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Court Judgment-Block 2304, Lot 2
287-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Court Judgment-Block 504, Lot 8
288-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Court Judgment-Block 2801, Lot 6
289-2018	Councilman Castelli	Hire Municipal Court Personnel
290-2018	Councilman Castelli	Clarify Hours-R. McLoughlin
291-2018	Councilman Castelli	Endorse CDBG Grant-Senior Citizen Trips
292-2018	Councilman Castelli	Endorse CDBG Grant-Studio Road Improvement Project

COUNCIL VOTE

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

RESOLUTIONS:

293-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Transfer of Appropriations
294-2018	Councilman Jimenez	Warrants

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

N.J. State Firemen's Association Membership Application:

Ashraf A. Ghayeb
818 Edgewater Avenue
Company #1

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 7, 2018

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				
Shim				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Mayor Suarez				

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that as soon as practicable discussion concerning

- _____ Personnel matters
- _____ Potential real estate transactions shall be disclosed to the public.
- _____ And that discussions with the Borough Attorney concerning litigation shall be disclosed when said litigation is terminated.

Adjournment to Closed Session. The Mayor and Council reserve the right to reconvene into Public Session, if necessary, to take action on Closed Session items.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

ORDINANCE NO. 2348

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 29 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
RIDGEFIELD ENTITLED ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION”

introduced on the 17th day of October, 2018, 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			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Larkin	X			
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting October 17, 2018

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

ORDINANCE NO. 2348

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 29 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
RIDGEFIELD ENTITLED ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION”

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

Section I: Chapter 29 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield entitled Environmental Commission be and hereby is amended by amending Chapter 29, subsection 9, entitled 29-9 Municipal Shade Tree Management, as follows:

A. The Environmental Commission shall also be charged with the planning and administration of Ridgefield’s Community Forestry Management Plan. Disbursements from the Borough’s Shade Tree Fund shall be subject to the approval of the Environmental Commission or Superintendent of Department of Public Works. The Environmental Commission or Superintendent of Department of Public Works shall have authority to accept or reject incoming plant material to the Borough; to make recommendations concerning the pruning of public trees; to make recommendations for the choosing of planting sites and species to be used on all Borough replanting; and for approving disbursements from the Shade Tree Fund. In exercising these powers, the Environmental Commission shall nominate and appoint from amongst its members a shade tree supervisor. In the absence of said action by the Environmental Commission, that position shall be filled by the chairperson of the Environmental Commission who may delegate the powers and responsibilities to other members. The Environmental Commission may also create an executive committee consisting of no less than three (3) regular members, including the chairperson, and one alternate member, which committee may be authorized to act on behalf of the Environmental Commission when, because of time constraints, decisions must be made before the Commission can address the issue at a regular meeting.

Section II. In all other respects, the terms and provisions of Chapters 29 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield are hereby ratified and affirmed.

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2349

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

"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XX, PERMIT PARKING, CHAPTER 375 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD"

introduced on the 7th day of November, 2018, 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 19th day of December, 2018 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			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Larkin	X			
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2349

"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE XX, PERMIT PARKING, CHAPTER 375 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 375-61 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield, entitled "Resident Parking Program", be and hereby is amended by deleting the existing language of Subsection D (2)(d) and replacing it with the following:

In lieu of the above required documents, the Borough Administrator or the Chief of Police may, in their reasonable discretion, accept such other form of documentary proof that the Administrator or Chief determines provides reasonable proof of the residency of the owner of the vehicle.

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:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 270-2018

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

JAMES HAN

be appointed as a per-diem Community Service Officer for the remainder of 2018 at the hourly rate of \$15.00 effective immediately.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 271-2018

WHEREAS, the Open Public Records Act (“OPRA”) creates an administrative agency called the Government Records Council (“GRC”); and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the GRC is to issue “advisory opinions” to municipalities on compliance with OPRA; and

WHEREAS, the normal purpose of an administrative agency like the GRC is to provide guidance for regulated community on the subject matter of the agency; and

WHEREAS, a requestor challenging a denial of access under OPRA has the choice of whether to file in Superior Court or with the GRC; and

WHEREAS, OPRA states that GRC opinions are not precedential in complaints filed in Superior Court challenging a denial of access under OPRA; and

WHEREAS, the current structure of OPRA allows a requestor to take advantage of the GRC when it has issued opinions favorable to the requestor’s case but to disregard the GRC altogether when it is more favorable for the requestor; and

WHEREAS, municipalities routinely rely of the GRC for guidance and the GRC even has a “hotline” for custodians of records to call for guidance; and

WHEREAS, under OPRA municipalities must pay attorney’s fees to a requestor who prevails in a challenge to a denial of access; and

WHEREAS, OPRA does not give the GRC or the Superior Court any discretion on whether to award attorney’s fees, even when a municipality relies on a GRC opinion that is ultimately held to be wrong; and

WHEREAS, for example, in Scheeler v. Ad. Cnty. Mun. Joint. Ins. Fund, N.J. Super. (App Div. May 16, 2018), the Appellate Division rejected a GRC opinion that OPRA contained a citizenship requirement; and

WHEREAS, several municipalities, including Paramus, had relied upon that GRC opinion and had to pay attorneys’ fees in denial of access complaints even though they relied on that opinion; and

WHEREAS, if the regulated community cannot rely on the GRC then the GRC should not issue opinion;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Ridgefield requests that the legislature amend OPRA to provide either that good faith reliance on a GRC opinion is a defense to the award of attorneys' fees in a denial of access complaint or that the GRC simply be abolished.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 272-2018

WHEREAS, Michael A. Hazen, Esq., representing Ridgefield Industrial, LLC c/o Cosmetic Essence, Inc. filed a tax appeal challenging assessments at 1135 Pleasantville Terrace, Block 4014, Lot 18 for tax year 2017 and 2018; and

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

LAND:	\$ 5,046,100
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$ 13,132,400
TOTAL:	\$ 18,178,500

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 2017, the assessment shall be adjusted to:

LAND	\$ 5,046,100
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$ 12,453,900
TOTAL:	\$ 17,500,000
2. For 2018, the assessment shall be adjusted to:

LAND	\$ 5,046,100
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$ 12,453,900
TOTAL:	\$ 17,500,000
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

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 273-2018

WHEREAS, Michael J. Donnelly, Esq., representing Valley National Bank filed a tax appeal challenging assessments at 868 & 872 Broad Ave., Block 404, Lots 1 & 17 for tax years 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018; and

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

Block 404, Lot 1

LAND:	\$	199,000
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$	9,800
TOTAL:	\$	208,800

Block 404, Lot 17

LAND:	\$	620,000
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$	533,200
TOTAL:	\$	1,173,200

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 2015, 2016, 2017 & 2018, the assessment, for Block 404, Lot 1, shall be adjusted to:

LAND	\$	199,000
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$	9,800
TOTAL:	\$	208,800

2. For 2015 & 2016, for Block 404, Lot 17, the assessment shall be adjusted to:

LAND \$ 620,000
IMPROVEMENTS: \$ 533,200
TOTAL: \$ 1,173,200

3. For 2017 & 2018, for Block 404, Lot 17, the assessment shall be adjusted to:

LAND \$ 620,000
IMPROVEMENTS: \$ 421,200
TOTAL: \$ 1,041,200

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. 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

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 274-2018

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen wishes to contract with the Borough of Ridgefield to have the Borough plow certain county roads during times of snow fall; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has previously participated in the same arrangements for prior years; and

WHEREAS, the agreement is for a two-year duration, commencing the snow season for 2018-2020; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Borough to enter into the agreement with the County in the form annexed hereto;

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

1. The Mayor and Council do hereby approve the attached agreement with the County of Bergen for snowplowing services.
2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to execute the agreement on behalf of the Borough of Ridgefield.
3. The Borough Clerk be, and she hereby is, authorized and directed to forward the agreement to the appropriate county official for signature once it has been signed by the Mayor.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE				
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Larkin	X			
Mayor Suarez				

COUNTY OF BERGEN – SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT – SNOW PLOWING/SALTING

THIS AGREEMENT made on the _____ day of _____, 2018 by and between the COUNTY OF BERGEN, a body politic and corporate of the STATE OF NEW JERSEY, acting by and through the Director of Public Works, hereinafter referred to as the "County" and _____, a municipal corporation of the STATE OF NEW JERSEY, herein referred to as the "MUNICIPALITY."

WHEREAS, The Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Bergen is authorized by N.J.S.A. 27:16-33, to cause snow to be plowed from the County owned or County controlled roads; and

WHEREAS, it is the desired plan of the County to employ the services of the Municipality for snow plow operations and salting on county roads located within the Municipality for a **period of two snow seasons.**

NOW, THEREFORE, for the consideration hereinafter stated, the parties hereto agree as follows:

(1) The Municipality agrees that it will furnish the necessary equipment and personnel required to perform snow plowing operations on County roads located within the Municipality for the two winter seasons commencing October 1, 2018, and ending April 30, 2020.

(2) The Municipality, through the Superintendent of Public Works or other designated official, will have complete supervision of snow plow operations. The Municipality agrees it will commence plowing of County roads simultaneously with operation on municipal streets once snow reaches a minimum depth of two (2) inches, and it appears that snowfall will continue. The Municipality agrees to keep the County Snow Control informed of the progress of the snow plowing operations.

(3) The Municipality agrees that it shall defend and save the County of Bergen harmless from any and all claims that may be filed either in equity or law, arising from the performance of this Agreement, and that it shall secure and maintain throughout the duration of this Contract, comprehensive Automobile Liability insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 CSL (combined single limit) and general liability insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and Umbrella Excess Liability Insurance in an amount not less than \$4,000,000 per occurrence. The Municipality further agrees that the County of Bergen shall be provided a Certificate of Insurance naming the County of Bergen as an additional insured with respect to services performed under this Contract, and evidencing the minimum limits of insurance coverage set forth in this Agreement.

(4) The County will compensate the Municipality for conducting said snow plow operations at a rate of one hundred and ten dollars (\$110) per hour of active plowing. The County will not be required to pay for standby time. To receive prompt payment, Municipality agrees to submit County of Bergen Direct Vouchers within five (5) days after completion of snow plowing of each storm. Municipality understands and agrees that the County will not pay vouchers submitted more than thirty days after the storm. The County may audit the Municipality's records to confirm the information set forth in the Voucher and the payment due to Municipality for each storm.

(5) The County will, during the term of this agreement, continue to provide the Municipality with salt consistent with the past practice, sufficient to allow the Municipality to salt the County roads in the same manner and whenever weather conditions are such that the Municipality salts its municipal streets.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto executed this Agreement in the manner provided by law, the day and year after above written.

(Name of Municipality)

BY: _____

(signature)

Title: _____

Date: _____

Attest: _____

COUNTY OF BERGEN

BY: _____

James J. Tedesco, III, County Executive, or
Julien X. Neals, Acting County Administrator

Date: _____

Attest: _____

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 275-2018

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 Qualifications (“RFQ”) 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 RFQs 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) Borough Prosecutor
- 11) Public Defender
- 12) Planning Board Attorney
- 13) Planning Board Engineer
- 14) Labor Attorney
- 15) Special Counsel
- 16) Waste Water Monitoring Services by a Qualified Engineer
- 17) Special Projects Engineer
- 18) Grant Writer
- 19) Redevelopment Attorney
- 20) Environmental Consultant
- 21) 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 RFQs 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, 2018 the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of the RFQs 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 RFQs shall include the following:

- 1) A description of the requested professional or extraordinary unspecifiable service for which the RFQ is made;
- 2) A statement that Qualification Statements must be submitted by 11:00 AM on December 14, 2018
- 3) A statement that the RFQs 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 RFQ document from the Purchasing Agent's office if they cannot obtain the RFQ documents from the Borough's website;
- 5) A statement that the RFQ 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 Purchasing Agent is authorized and directed, in consultation with the members of the Finance Committee of the Mayor and Council, to effectuate the drafting of the RFQs, 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 RFQs, including the name of the applicant and any other pertinent information on December 14, 2018, at 11:00 AM in 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 2019. 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

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 276-2018

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 will receive \$9,876.00 from the Municipal Alliance, and wishes to amend its 2018 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 2018 in the sum of \$13,078.64 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:	
Municipal Alliance 2018-2019	\$9,876.00
DDEF	3,202.64

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of \$13,078.64 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption:

General Appropriations

Operations excluded from CAPS

Public and Private Revenues Off-set by Appropriations:	
Municipal Alliance 2018-2019	\$9,876.00
DDEF	3,202.64

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

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 277-2018

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-85 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may, at the request of, or with the consent of, the governing body of any county or municipality, make such correction of the title, text or amount of any appropriation appearing in the budget as may be necessary to make said item of appropriation available for the purpose or purposes required for the needs of any such county or municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-85, the Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, in the County of Jersey, State of New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to make the following corrections in the budget year 2018:

That the appropriation provided for in the approved budget entitled:

Operations Excluded from CAPS:
State and Federal Programs, Matching Funds
be reduced by the sum of \$2,469.00

and an appropriation in the like amount of \$2,496.00 be added to the budget entitled:

Operations Excluded from CAPS:
State and Federal Programs, Municipal Alliance Grant – Match

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the foregoing correction is, in the opinion of the governing body, warranted and authorized by the statute above referred to, and is necessary for the orderly operation of the Borough for the reasons hereinafter set forth:

The Borough provided for the possibility of receiving an added grant after adoption of the 2018 budget by providing a line item “Matching Funds.” The amount of grant and the related match requirement now becoming known after passage of the budget. In order to accept the Municipal Alliance Grant, legal provision for the required match must be made. The above correction will provide for the said legal provision.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer electronically submit a copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 278-2018

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the 2019 RFQ Evaluation Committee shall consist of

MAYOR ANTHONY SUAREZ
COUNCILMAN HUGO JIMENEZ
COUNCILMAN JAMES KONTOLIOS

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 279-2018

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has been notified by the Department of Veteran Affairs that Caonabo Reyes, residing at 489 Oak Street, also known as Block 2602 Lot 7 has been declared 100% totally disabled and has been approved for 100% tax exemption on their dwelling in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 et. seq.;L. 1948, c259 as amended.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel 100% of said taxes beginning with the 4th Quarter 2018.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 280-2018

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 505 Lot 3, also known as 1060 Elm Avenue for the year 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that TJL Properties be issued a refund in the amount of \$1,636.10 for the year 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$1,636.10 from Account 01-2010-30-4262-001 made payable to TJL Properties, LLC and mailed to 776 Grand Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 281-2018

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 2906 Lot 5, also known as 515 Broad Avenue for the year 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that BHP Kohlsaas be issued a refund in the amount of \$1,503.63 for the year 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$1,503.63 from Account 01-2010-30-4262-001 made payable to BHP Kohlsaas and mailed to 776 Grand Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 282-2018

WHEREAS, Legend Title, LLC has deposited a check on behalf of Colette Lacandia in the amount of \$32,711.57 into the Suspense Account for the redemption and subsequent taxes of Tax Lien # 15-09, Block 3803 Lot 14, further known as 839 Pleasantview Terrace, sold to John Finan and whereas \$16,200.00 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 she is hereby authorized to issue and sign a check in the amount of \$32,711.57 from the Suspense Account and a check for \$16,200.00 from the Trust Account;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the check in the amount of \$32,711.57 be drawn on the Borough of Ridgefield Suspense Account 01-2999 and the check in the amount of \$16,200.00 be drawn on the Borough of Ridgefield Trust Account 03-2950 and be made payable to John Finan and be mailed to 55 Macarthur Avenue, Closter, New Jersey, 07624

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 283-2018

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 2303 Lot 12, also known as 1037 Alexander Avenue for the year 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Kohlsaats Reinecke, LLC be issued a refund in the amount of \$1,034.18 for the year 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$1,034.18 from Account 01-2010-30-4262-001 made payable to Kohlsaats Reinecke, LLC and mailed to 776 Grand Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 284-2018

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 2906 Lot 13, also known as 518 Oritan Avenue for the year 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that BHP Kohlsaas be issued a refund in the amount of \$3,248.95 for the year 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$3248.95 from Account 01-2010-30-4262-001 made payable to BHP Kohlsaas and mailed to 776 Grand Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 285-2018

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield received numerous complaints in regard to the disrepair and/or abandonment of certain properties; and

WHEREAS, the aforesated facts were confirmed upon inspection by the Property Maintenance Department; and

WHEREAS, Property Maintenance notified the owners that the properties needed to be cleaned up and maintained and the owners did not respond; and

WHEREAS, in order to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the adjacent neighbors and all municipal residents the Borough of Ridgefield hired vendors for emergency cleanup of said properties; and

WHEREAS, the owners of these properties were given ample time to respond and pay the clean up fees and have not done so;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council directs Tax Collector Frank Berardo to place Municipal Charges upon the said property for the clean-up costs incurred by the Borough of Ridgefield according to the following schedule:

586 Prospect Avenue Block 2101 Lot 21 \$250.00

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE				
	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Larkin	X			
Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 286-2018

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 2304 Lot 2, also known as 1036 Alexander Avenue for the year 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Kohlsaats Reinecke, LLC be issued a refund in the amount of \$1,533.84 for the year 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$1,533.84 from Account 01-2010-30-4262-001 made payable to Kohlsaats Reinecke, LLC and mailed to 776 Grand Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 287-2018

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 504 Lot 8, also known as 782 Grand Avenue for the year 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Kohlsaas Reinecke, LLC be issued a refund in the amount of \$915.66 for the year 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$915.66 from Account 01-2010-30-4262-001 made payable to Kohlsaas Reinecke, LLC and mailed to 776 Grand Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 288-2018

WHEREAS, the Tax Court of New Jersey has approved the settlement stipulation for an adjusted assessment on Block 2906 Lot 13, also known as 518 Oritan Avenue for the year 2017.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that BHP Kohlsaas be issued a refund in the amount of \$3,248.95 for the year 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and she is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$3,248.95 from Account 01-2010-30-4262-001 made payable to BHP Kohlsaas and mailed to 776 Grand Avenue, Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 289-2018

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that following personnel be hired for Municipal Court sessions:

June Kellen	Substitute Court Administrator	\$25.00 per hour
Jon Lema	Sound Recording Operator	\$11.00 per hour

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 290-2018

WHEREAS, Regina McLoughlin was hired at the October 17, 2018 Mayor and Council meeting as a part-time clerical employee for Fire Prevention/Property Maintenance not to exceed 25 hours per week; and

WHEREAS, Regina McLoughlin is also a per-diem Community Center Attendant;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council wish to clarify that the hours worked are not to exceed 30 hours per week for all departments combined.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 291-2018

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 Inter local 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 residents 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

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 292-2018

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$129,830.80 has been proposed by the Borough of Ridgefield for the *Studio Road Improvement Project-Phase I* in the municipality of the Borough of Ridgefield; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Inter local 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 residents 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

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 293-2018

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 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 2018 budget appropriation transfers:

<u>CURRENT FUND</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Information Technology S&W	13,211.38	
UCC S &W	15,710.00	
Community Service Offices S &W	17,000.00	
Bergen County Utility Share	56,922.62	
Administration S&W		4,667.00
Information Technology O/E		17,000.00
Financial Administration S&W		4,000.00
UCC O/E		10,000.00
Liability Insurance O/E		6,173.00
Workers Compensation		754.00
Dispatching 911 O/E		4,000.00
Defined Contribution Retirement Plan		2,000.00
Fire Prevention		15,000.00
Fireman Burial Fund		1,250.00
Public Building Maintenance		30,000.00
Maintenance of Borough Vehicles Garage		8,000.00
	<u>102,844.00</u>	<u>102,844.00</u>

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli	X			
Penabad	X			
Shim	X			
Jimenez	X			
Kontolios	X			
Larkin	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.

Diane Sherry,
Chief Financial Officer

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting November 7, 2018

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 294-2018

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling **\$7,349,856.97**
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$2,060,203.19
TRUST	\$90,666.11
CAPITAL	\$5,194,755.90
POOL	\$354.01
UNEMPLOYMENT FUND	\$3,877.76
TOTAL	\$7,349,856.97

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Russell Castelli, Council President

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk