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BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: September 13, 2021

Open Public Meetings Statement by Mayor Suarez

Public Session to Adjourn to Executive Session: C.T.O.: Adjourn:

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

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

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation

Citizens Comment on Agenda:

Correspondence:

ROLL CALL-PUBLIC SESSION

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

ROLL CALL-EXEC. SESSION

	PRESENT	ABSENT
	Mayor Suarez	
Castelli		
Penabad		
Shim		
Jimenez		
Kontolios		
Larkin		

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2420 entitled, “BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, BY AND IN THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$70,003 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$66,503 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF”

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

Public Hearing

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

225-2021	Councilman Jimenez	Overpayment of Taxes-526 Russell Avenue
226-2021	Councilman Kontolios	Appoint SLEO III for 2021/2022 School Year
227-2021	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Lien Redemption #21-006-450 Chestnut Street
228-2021	Councilman Kontolios	Approve 12.18 and 12.39 Special Ruling 2020-2021 License Term-Kwon
229-2021	Councilman Kontolios	Approve 12.39 Special Ruling 2021-2022 License Term-Kwon
230-2021	Councilman Kontolios	Hire Roberts & Associates, LLC
231-2021	Councilman Castelli	Authorize CDBG Grant Agreement for Linden Avenue Roadway Improvements
232-2021	Councilman Castelli	Award Bid-NJDOT FY2019 Various Streets-Virgil Avenue & Ray Avenue
233-2021	Councilman Castelli	Authorize Participation in BCUA Solid Waste Cooperative
234-2021	Councilman Castelli	Waive Dumpster Fees
235-2021	Councilman Jimenez	Increase P/T Clerical Employee Salary
236-2021	Councilman Castelli	Sanzari Emergency Agreement-Hurricane Ida
237-2021	Councilman Castelli	Emergency Expenditures – Hurricane Ida

Coin Toss Request:

RMHS Class of 2022

Saturday, September 18, 2021

Rain Date: Sunday, September 19, 2021

COUNCIL VOTE

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

RESOLUTIONS:

238-2021 Councilman Jimenez Warrants

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL:

COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATOR:

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

Agenda subject to change as a result of matters not known at time of printing with the consent of the Mayor and Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

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				
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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 September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

ORDINANCE NO. 2420

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

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, BY AND IN THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$70,003 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$66,503 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF”

introduced on the 16th day of August, 2021, 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				
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Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting August 16, 2021

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

ORDINANCE NO. 2420

“BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, BY AND IN THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$70,003 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$66,503 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF”

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements or purposes to be undertaken by the Borough of Ridgefield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the “Borough”). For the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$70,003, which sum includes \$3,500 as the amount of down payment for said improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 etseq. (the “Local Bond Law”). Said down payment is now available therefor by virtue of a provision or provisions in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Borough for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and to meet the part of said \$70,003 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment, negotiable bonds of the Borough are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$66,503 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Borough in a principal amount not exceeding \$66,503 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said bonds or notes are to be issued consist of the acquisition of equipment for the Fire Department including, but not limited to, turnout gear and self-contained breathing apparatus.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said improvements or purposes is \$66,503.

(c) The estimated cost of said improvements or purposes is \$70,003, the excess thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, being the amount of \$3,500 is comprised of the down payment for said improvements or purposes.

SECTION 4. In the event the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Bergen and/or a private entity make a contribution or grant in aid to the Borough, for the improvements and purposes authorized hereby and the same shall be received by the Borough prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then the amount of such bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount so received from the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Bergen and/or a private entity. In the event, however, that any amount so contributed or granted by the United States of America, the State of New Jersey, the County of Bergen and/or a private entity, shall be received by the Borough after the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then such funds shall be applied to the payment of the bonds or notes so issued and shall be used for no other purposes. This Section 4 shall not apply, however, with respect to any contribution or grant in aid received by the Borough as a result of using funds from this bond ordinance as “matching local funds” to receive such contribution or grant in aid.

SECTION 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date unless such bond anticipation notes are permitted to mature at such later date in accordance with applicable law. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer. The Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate, and the maturity schedule of the notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 6. The Capital Budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. In the event of any such inconsistency, a resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended Capital Budget and capital programs as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs will be on file in the office of the Clerk and will be available for public inspection.

SECTION 7. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses and are improvements which the Borough may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of said improvements or purposes within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 5 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Borough and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds or notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$66,503 and the said bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$5,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under section 20 of the Local Bond Law is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes or improvements hereinbefore described.

SECTION 8. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance. The bonds or notes shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the bonds or notes and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 9. The Borough hereby declares the intent of the Borough to issue the bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 9 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

SECTION 10. The Borough Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Borough and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Borough. The Borough Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Borough pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Borough and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Borough fails to comply with its undertaking, the Borough shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

SECTION 11. The Borough covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under section 103(a) of the Code of the interest on all bonds and notes issued under this ordinance.

SECTION 12. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 225-2021

WHEREAS, an overpayment of taxes in the Borough of Ridgefield was received for the fourth quarter of 2021 due to the Veterans Exempt Status of Block 2902 Lot 9, also known as 526 Russell Avenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that a refund in the amount of \$1,829.00 for the fourth quarter be issued to Anthony Gagliostro;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue a check in the total amount of \$1,829.00.00 from account 01-1062 and made payable to: Anthony Gagliostro and mailed to 526 Russell Avenue, Ridgefield, NJ 07657.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

RESOLUTION NO. 226-2021

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

DAVID HILL

be appointed as SLEO III for the 2021-2022 School Year.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Larkin				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 227-2021

WHEREAS, Christian Chavez of Chestnut Alexia, LLC, have deposited a check and cash in the amount of \$29,185.40 into the Suspense Account for the redemption and subsequent taxes of Tax Lien # 21-006, Block 2606 Lot 16, further known as 450 Chestnut Street, sold to Rothman Realty Corp. Profit Sharing and whereas \$92,000.00 was deposited into the Trust Account for the premium at the time of tax sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Chief Financial Officer be and he is hereby authorized to issue and sign a check in the amount of \$29,185.40 from the Suspense Account and a check for \$92,000.00 from the Trust Account.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the check in the amount of \$29,185.40 be drawn on the Borough of Ridgefield Suspense Account 01-2999 and the check in the amount of \$92,000.00 be drawn on the Borough of Ridgefield Trust Account 03-2950 and be made payable to: Rothman Realty Corp. Prof Sharing and be mailed to 411 Grand Ave., Englewood, New Jersey 07631.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

RESOLUTION NO. 228-2021

WHEREAS, licensee has received a special ruling from the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33.1-12.18 and N.J.S.A. 33.1-12.39 for license term 2020-2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0249-33-007-0008 be issued to Jinny Jinouk Kwon, pursuant to an Act of Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled "AN ACT CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" passed December 6, 1953 and amendments thereto, and the Borough Ordinance 498 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" adopted July 2, 1946, and amendments thereto. Said license to expire June 30, 2021.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

RESOLUTION NO. 229-2021

WHEREAS, a Special Ruling to Permit Renewal of Inactive Liquor License was applied for by Jinny Jinouk Kwon; and

WHEREAS, the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control has granted said Permit for the 2021-2022 License Term pursuant to N.J.S.A. 33.1-12.39;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Plenary Retail Consumption License No. 0249-33-007-0008 be issued to Jinny Jinouk Kwon, pursuant to an Act of Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled "AN ACT CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" passed December 6, 1953 and amendments thereto, and the Borough Ordinance 498 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" adopted July 2, 1946, and amendments thereto. Said license to expire June 30, 2022.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Kontolios

RESOLUTION NO. 230-2021

WHEREAS, the Ridgefield Police Department is updating their policies and procedures;
and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wishes to hire Roberts & Associates, LLC to assist the Ridgefield Police Department in updating said policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, fees will be billed on an hourly basis of \$100 with a cap of \$8,000; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wishes to award this contract as a professional services contract without a fair and open process;

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

1. Roberts & Associates, LLC be and hereby is engaged to assist the Ridgefield Police Department in updating their policies and procedures.
2. This award is subject to appropriate proof that Roberts & Associates, LLC are not disqualified pursuant to state and local pay to play regulations.
3. Funding for the payment herein authorized shall be paid from the Account No. 01-2010-25-2402-009 in an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00 and are available in the 2021 Budget as certified by the Chief Finance Officer

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE				
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Mayor Suarez				

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 231-2021

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield wishes to enter into a Grant Agreement with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using \$88,500 in 2020 Community Development Block Grant for Linden Avenue Roadway Improvements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorizes Anthony R. Suarez to be a signatory to aforesaid Grant Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorizes Frank Elenio to sign all county vouchers submitted in connection with the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council recognizes that the Borough of Ridgefield is liable for any funds not spent in accordance with the Grant Agreement and that the liability of the Mayor and Council is in accordance with HUD requirements.

Approved:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

COUNCIL VOTE

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Larkin				
Mayor Suarez				

CERTIFICATION

Certified to be a true copy of the resolution passed at the Mayor and Council meeting of the Borough of Ridgefield held on September 13, 2021.

Signed and Sealed

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 232-2021

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield received a Fiscal Year 2019 NJDOT Roadway Improvement Grant for Virgil Avenue and Ray Avenue in the amount of \$222,000.00 and

WHEREAS, bids were solicited and duly advertised by the Borough of Ridgefield on August 17, 2021 for the Fiscal Year 2019 NJDOT Various Streets - Virgil Avenue and Ray Avenue (Broad Avenue (US 1) to Abbott); and

WHEREAS, bids were received on September 8, 2021 at 10:15 a.m. and reviewed by a bid committee consisting of Carl O'Brien, of Colliers Engineering & Design and Frank Elenio, Purchasing Agent; and

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

American Asphalt	\$158,314.09
4 Clean Up	\$176,652.72
DLS Contracting	\$176,137.00
D & L Paving	\$170,916.08
Reivax Contracting	\$197,588.00
AJM Contractors Inc.	\$199,669.70

WHEREAS, after careful review and analysis, the Bid Committee recommends that a contract be awarded to American Asphalt., 96 Midland Avenue, Kearny, NJ 07032 as the lowest responsible bidder for the base bid; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available the Capital Fund Account Number 04-2150-55-2411 in an amount not to exceed \$158,314.09, as certified by the Chief Finance Officer; and

WHEREAS, Colliers Engineering & Design, in a letter dated September 9, 2021 recommends that a contract be awarded to American Asphalt; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that a contract for the Fiscal Year 2019 NJDOT Roadway Improvement in an amount not to exceed \$158,314.09 be awarded to American Asphalt., 96 Midland Avenue, Kearny, NJ 07032; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said bidder be required to execute and deliver the contract bond and other documents as set forth in the specification under with the bid was made

within the time period therein specified, and thereupon the Mayor and Borough Council are hereby authorized to execute such a contract; and

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

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Larkin				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 233-2021

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Utilities Authority operates a Solid Waste Cooperative by which municipalities may be part of a cooperative that arranges for the dumping of solid waste; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield wishes to join said cooperative as being in the best interests of the Borough;

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

1. The Borough of Ridgefield be and hereby is authorized to participate in the Solid Waste Cooperative operated by the Bergen County Utilities Authority.
2. The Borough's Chief Financial Officer be and hereby is authorized to request the Borough's participation in same.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 234-2021

WHEREAS, beginning on September 1, 2021, Hurricane Ida struck the State of New Jersey with torrential rains; and

WHEREAS, FEMA designated Bergen County as a “Major Disaster” area on September 5, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ida produced unprecedented severe weather conditions, including devastating flooding; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ida has caused severe property damage in the Borough of Ridgefield; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body believe that it is necessary to take action to help the citizens of the Borough from the devastation of Hurricane Ida; and

WHEREAS, many property owners in the Borough of Ridgefield have experienced substantial damage as a result of Hurricane Ida; and

WHEREAS, many property owners will need to obtain permits for Dumpsters in order to dispose of the debris caused by Hurricane Ida; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body believes that it is in the best interests of property owners in the Borough of Ridgefield to waive the municipal permit fees the placement of dumpsters in order to dispose of debris caused by Hurricane Ida; and

WHEREAS, the waiver of fees would only apply until September 30, 2021;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield shall waive permit fees related to the placement of dumpsters for the disposal of debris caused by Hurricane Ida through September 30, 2021.

COUNCIL VOTE

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Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 235-2021

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the hourly salary for part-time clerical employees be increased to \$15.00 per hour effective September 23, 2021.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
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Kontolios				
Larkin				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 236-2021

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ida first impacted the Borough of Ridgefield on September 1, 2021 and September 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield experienced extensive damage to various streets, roadways and infrastructure related thereto throughout the municipality due to the flooding resulting from Hurricane Ida, including an accumulation of storm debris; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Borough of Ridgefield declared a local emergency on September 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, FEMA designated Bergen County as a "Major Disaster" area on September 5, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield experienced extensive damage throughout the municipality to sewers, roadways, and related infrastructure, resulting from the storm and flooding, which is affecting the public health, safety and welfare on an emergent basis and requires the immediate delivery of goods and the performance of services relating to sewer damage, roadway damage, and related infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, there exists an immediate need within the Borough of Ridgefield for services related to bulk trash pick-up from damages related to the storm; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 41A:11-6, permits for any contract to be negotiated or awarded for a contracting unit without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor, notwithstanding that the contract price will exceed the bid threshold, when an emergency affecting the public health, safety or welfare requires the immediate delivery of goods or the performance of services; and

WHEREAS, the total contract amount has yet to be determined but shall not exceed the amount of \$65,000.00,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. An award of contract for Hurricane Ida storm bulk trash pick-up is hereby made to Joseph Sanzari, Inc. on an emergency basis, in an amount to be determined, but not to exceed \$65,000.00,

2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk, are hereby authorized to execute a contract as written to suit the emergency needs of the Borough, as well as any non-substantive modifications thereto and related to such contract.

3. The Borough Clerk is directed to forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the Qualified Purchasing Agent, Chief Financial Officer, Borough Attorney, and Joseph Sanzari, Inc.

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

 Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

 Linda M. Silvestri,
 Borough Clerk

CERTIFICATION

Certified to be a true copy of the resolution passed at the Mayor and Council meeting of the Borough of Ridgefield held on September 13, 2021.

Signed and Sealed

 Linda M. Silvestri,
 Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 237-2021

WHEREAS, Hurricane Ida first impacted the Borough of Ridgefield on September 1, 2021 and September 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield experienced extensive damage to various streets, roadways and infrastructure related thereto throughout the municipality due to the flooding resulting from Hurricane Ida, including an accumulation of storm debris; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the Borough of Ridgefield declared a local emergency on September 2, 2021; and

WHEREAS, FEMA designated Bergen County as a "Major Disaster" area on September 5, 2021; and

WHEREAS, when an emergency has arisen with respect to the cleanup and emergency repairs of the roadways, thruways and related infrastructure and no adequate provisions were made in the current budget for the aforesaid purpose, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 provides for the creation of an emergency appropriation for the purpose above mentioned; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of an emergency appropriation shall be fully funded as a deferred charge in the succeeding fiscal year's budget, except if the appropriation is to be funded through the authorization of bonds pursuant to 40A:2-3; and

WHEREAS, if the emergency appropriation does not exceed 3% of the total of current and utility operating appropriations funded in the budget adopted for that year, the appropriation may be raised as a deferred charge outside CAP with Division approval, pursuant to 40A:4-48. If the emergency appropriation, together with all other emergency appropriations made during the year, exceeds the 3%, the governing body, in its resolution, must request permission from the Director to exceed the limitation. Should the Director approve the emergency, the amount exceeding the 3% shall be raised as a deferred charge inside CAP in the next year's budget; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of appropriation created by the emergency and created by this resolution is \$350,000.00 which does not exceed 3% of the total appropriations funded in the 2021 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Borough understands that this expenditure may qualify for FEMA reimbursement for up to 75% of the cost; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield (not less than two-third of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-49, that an emergency appropriation be and the same is hereby made for the Sewer Fund: in the amount of \$350,000.00.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Castelli				
Penabad				
Shim				
Jimenez				
Kontolios				
Larkin				
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.

Francis J. Elenio,
Chief Financial Officer

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 13, 2021

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 238-2021

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling **\$3,875,393.50**
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$3,145,057.94
TRUST	\$112,237.32
CAPITAL	\$585,331.65
POOL	\$32,257.79
DOG LICENSE	\$508.80
TOTAL	\$3,875,393.50

COUNCIL VOTE

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

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk