

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

A G E N D A

Executive Session and Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council

Date: September 14, 2020

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		

Discussion with Tenant Advocate

As advertised, hearing will be held on Ordinance No. 2389 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 322, RENT CONTROL, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

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

Public Hearing

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

Final Reading of Ordinance

Roll Call

Introduction of Ordinance No. 2390 entitled, “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 375 “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” SECTION 375-52 “DESIGNATED AREAS” TO REMOVE CERTAIN HANDICAPPED SPOTS”

First 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.

193-2020	Mayor Suarez	Appointment to Anti-Bullying Committee
194-2020	Mayor Suarez	Appoint Senior Citizens Liaison
195-2020	Councilman Jimenez	Tax Appeal Settlement-745 Bergen Boulevard
196-2020	Mayor Suarez	Appoint CDBG Regional Committee Municipal Representatives
197-2020	Councilman Castelli	Hire Part-Time DPW/Sanitation Employee-Jimenez
198-2020	Mayor Suarez	Appointment to Recreation and Parks Commission
199-2020	Councilman Castelli	Appoint Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers
200-2020	Councilman Castelli	Interlocal Services Agreement with Board of Education

Coin Toss Request:

RMHS Class of 2021

Date Change to Saturday, September 26

Rain Date Sunday, September 27

COUNCIL VOTE

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

RESOLUTIONS:

201-2020 Councilman Jimenez Warrants

COMMENTS BY MAYOR:

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL:

COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATOR:

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2020

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
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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 August 17, 2020

Presented by Councilwoman Larkin

ORDINANCE NO. 2389

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 322, RENT CONTROL, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

introduced on the 17th day of August, 2020, do now pass a final reading and be adopted, and that the Borough Clerk be and she is authorized and directed to publish once, the aforesaid title, together with a notice of the date of its passage on final reading and approval thereof in The Record, a newspaper circulating in the Borough of Ridgefield.

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 August 17, 2020

Presented by Councilwoman Larkin

ORDINANCE NO. 2389

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 322, RENT CONTROL, OF THE CODE OF
THE BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD”

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield wishes to adopt the changes to Chapter 322 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield entitled “Rent Control”;

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

Section I. Chapter 332 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield be and hereby is amended as follows:

A. Section 322-1, Definitions, be and hereby is amended by modifying the following definition as follows:

Dwelling: Any building, structure, trailer or land used as a trailer park rented or offered for rent for residential purposes, excluding owner occupied one and two family dwellings.

Section II. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and 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.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2020

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2390

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

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 375 “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” SECTION 375-52 “DESIGNATED AREAS” TO REMOVE CERTAIN HANDICAPPED SPOTS”

introduced on the 14th day of September, 2020, 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 28th day of September, 2020 at 7:00 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

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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 14, 2020

Presented by Councilman Castelli

ORDINANCE NO. 2390

“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 375 “VEHICLES
AND TRAFFIC” SECTION 375-52 “DESIGNATED AREAS” TO REMOVE CERTAIN
HANDICAPPED SPOTS”

WHEREAS, there is no longer a need in the Borough for the following handicapped parking spaces contained in Section 375-52 of the Borough Code:

- (29) A single handicapped parking space at 574 Carpenter Place, Ridgefield, New Jersey;
- (30) A single handicapped parking space at 581 Carpenter Place, Ridgefield, New Jersey

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD
Bergen County, New Jersey

Meeting September 14, 2020

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 193-2020

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

ROSEMARY HUZOVIC

be appointed Chairperson of the Anti-Bullying Committee; and

SCOTT RUSSO

be appointed to the Anti-Bullying Committee to fill the unexpired term of Sarah Kim through December 31, 2020; and

JIWON CHA

be appointed to the Anti-Bullying Committee as an Alternate to fill the unexpired term of Luis Ortega through December 31, 2020.

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 14, 2020

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 194-2020

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

LAUREN LARKIN

be appointed Senior Citizen Liaison.

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 14, 2020

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 195-2020

WHEREAS, Robert M. Jacobs, Esq., representing 745 Bergen, LLC. filed a tax appeal challenging the assessment at 745 Bergen Blvd., Block 703, Lot 1, for tax years 2019 & 2020; and

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

LAND:	\$ 545,000
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$ 699,500
TOTAL:	\$ 1,244,500

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 2019, the assessment shall be affirmed at:

LAND:	\$ 545,000
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$ 699,500
TOTAL:	\$ 1,244,500

For 2020, the assessment shall be adjusted to:

LAND:	\$ 545,000
IMPROVEMENTS:	\$ 355,000
TOTAL:	\$ 900,000

2. 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

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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 14, 2020

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 196-2020

WHEREAS, the Borough of Ridgefield has entered into a three year Cooperative Agreement with the County of Bergen as provided under the Interlocal Services Act N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. and Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and

WHEREAS, said Agreement requires that the Borough Council to appoint a representative and alternate and that the Mayor appoint a representative and alternate for the FY 2020-2021 term starting July 1, 2020 and ending on June 30, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby appoints Russell Castelli as its representative and Ray Penabad as its alternate and that the Mayor hereby appoints Hugo Jimenez as his representative and James Kontolios as his alternate to serve on the Community Development Regional Committee for FY 2020-2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an original, certified copy of this resolution be immediately emailed and sent via postage to Robert G. Esposito, Director; Bergen County Division of Community Development; One Bergen County Plaza, Fourth Floor; Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 | resposito@co.bergen.nj.us as soon as practicable and no later than Friday, October 9, 2020.

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 14, 2020

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 197-2020

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

JONATHAN JIMENEZ

be hired as a part-time DPW/Sanitation employee at the rate of \$11.00 per hour 30 hours per week effective immediately.

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 14, 2020

Presented by Mayor Suarez

RESOLUTION NO. 198-2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council appoints

JIWON CHA

and

LYNN RUSSO

to the Recreation and Parks Commission for the remainder of calendar year 2020.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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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 14, 2020

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 199-2020

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:14-146.14 permits municipalities to appoint special law enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey statutes permit the hiring of Class Three Special Law Enforcement Officers under certain conditions and

WHEREAS, Section 75-19 of the Code of the Borough of Ridgefield permits the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield to appoint, from time to time, special police officers in accordance with New Jersey statutes for terms not exceeding one year; and

WHEREAS, on account of COVID-19, the parties recognize that Ridgefield schools may not have live sessions for all or part of the school year, and also may have reduced sessions as well; and

WHEREAS, Richard Gaito, a former police officer retired from service with the Cliffside Park Police Department, and Alfonso Locarno, a former police officer retired from service with the Ridgefield Park Police Department, meet the criteria of a Class Three Special Law Enforcement Officer, subject to completion of certain training as specified by *N.J.S.A.* 40A:14-146.10(g); and

WHEREAS, the Borough anticipates entering into an interlocal services agreement with the Ridgefield Board of Education for the employment of Officer Gaito and Officer Locarno as security officers in the Ridgefield schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that Richard Gaito and Alfonso Locarno be, and they hereby are, appointed as Class Three Special Law Enforcement Officers in the Borough of Ridgefield for a term of one year, commencing on July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, and to be assigned to the Ridgefield schools pursuant to an Interlocal Services Agreement with the Ridgefield Board of Education, and to be compensated at the rate of \$30 per hour, with no benefits, for actual hours worked in the Ridgefield schools and/or in training, subject to Officer Gaito and Officer Locarno qualifying according to New Jersey statutes, to serve in a part-time capacity as more completely determined by the Mayor and Council from time to time. There are no guaranteed hours for these appointments, which are conditioned upon the Borough and the Board of Education executing and adopting an appropriate Shared Services Agreement for the placement of the Class Three Special Law Enforcement Officers in the Ridgefield schools.

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 14, 2020

Presented by Councilman Castelli

RESOLUTION NO. 200-2020

WHEREAS, the Ridgefield Board of Education has a need for the services of a Class Three Special Law Enforcement Officer to work in the school district; and

WHEREAS, Class Three Special Law Enforcement Officers must be qualified and employed by the local police department; and

WHEREAS, the parties have negotiated the terms and provisions of a certain Interlocal Services Agreement by which the Borough would hire and employ a Class Three Special Law Enforcement Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Class Three Special Law Enforcement Officer would be deployed in the Ridgefield School District, and the costs of same would be allocated by and between the parties as set forth in the attached agreement; and

WHEREAS, such an agreement would be in the best interests of both the Borough of Ridgefield and the Board of Education;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Ridgefield that the Mayor and the Borough Clerk be, and they hereby are, authorized and directed to enter into an Interlocal Services Agreement with the Ridgefield Board of Education in the form as attached hereto, and further that a copy of the agreement be forwarded to the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs for informational purposes once it has been fully executed by both parties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the approval of this Interlocal Services Agreement is contingent upon its acceptance and execution by the Ridgefield Board of Education within thirty (30) days of the date of adoption of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution once adopted, to the Secretary of the Ridgefield Board of Education.

COUNCIL VOTE

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
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Larkin				
Mayor Suarez				

Approved:

Attest:

Anthony R. Suarez, Mayor

Linda M. Silvestri,
Borough Clerk

INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT

This INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) date this ____ day of _____ 2020 by and between the RIDGEFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION, a duly authorized New Jersey School District (hereinafter referred to as “Ridgefield School District”) and the BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD, a duly authorized New Jersey municipality (hereinafter referred to as (“Borough”).

1. **Statutory Authorization:** *N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1, et seq.*, the “Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act,” authorizes interlocal shared service agreements.
2. **Background of Agreement and Term:** The Ridgefield Board of Education operates the public schools within the Borough of Ridgefield, Bergen County, New Jersey (the “Schools”). The Ridgefield School District and the Borough of Ridgefield have agreed to have up to two (2) part-time special police officers employed by the Borough of Ridgefield (as defined in paragraph 5 below) assigned to the Schools between the period of September 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021.
3. **Assignment of Officer:** The Borough will assign up to two (2) part-time, Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers (“SLEO III”) to the Ridgefield School District during the Term of this Agreement, with each such officer being assigned security duties for not less than 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the pupils’ school day in the school building to which s/he is assigned and continuing for not less than 15 minutes following the conclusion of the pupils’ school day in the school building to which s/he is assigned. All reasonable efforts will be made by the Borough to ensure that coverage will be provided on a daily basis, when schools are in session, during such hours. If the Board elects, and the Borough solely hires one (1) SLEO III, the parties understand that if that officer is sick or otherwise unable to come to work, there will most likely be no replacement. If the

post will remain vacant during a school day, the Chief of Police shall notify the Superintendent of Schools prior to the commencement of the school day.

4. **Selection of Officer:** Any officer to be assigned must be certified by a New Jersey Police Training Commission and meet other requirements specified by the Job Description on file with the Borough of Ridgefield and the Board of Education entitled “Class III/School Resource Officer.”
5. **Borough of Ridgefield’s Responsibilities:** The Borough of Ridgefield will hire and/or maintain sufficient staff (defined for purposes of this Agreement as at least one (1) part-time SLEO III) to provide the Ridgefield School District with school security services for the duration of this agreement. If a SLEO III is not available, then the Borough may provide the services of a properly-trained and certified, part-time School Resource Officer whose hours shall not exceed 29 per week, and who shall not be eligible for or entitled to health benefits by the Board of Education. Any School Resource Officer provided by the Borough shall provide services in accordance with this Agreement and shall be compensated in accordance with Paragraph 8. The parties acknowledge and agree that the SLEO III will be an employee of the Borough of Ridgefield and not the Ridgefield Board of Education. The SLEO III shall perform his or her services consistent with Section 7 of the June 20, 2018 General Order Directive issued by Chief Thomas J. Gallagher, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein. The Borough of Ridgefield will provide one (1) 800 MHz radio and any other necessary equipment for communication between each SLEO/School Resource Officer and the Borough of Ridgefield Police Department.
6. **Duties, Chain of Command and Authority of the Special Police Officer:** The duties, chain of command and authority of the Special Police Officer shall be in accordance with state law and in accordance with the Ridgefield Police departmental directive entitled “Special Law Enforcement Officer Class III dated June 20, 2018” and as may be amended and supplemented from time to time. The document is incorporated herein by reference.

7. **Employee Compensation and Insurance:** The Borough of Ridgefield shall be solely responsible for all liability insurance, worker's compensation insurance, disability insurance, payroll, unemployment, social security, withholding and any and all other expenses related to employee compensation, as well as the training, hiring, firing and discipline, including all expenses and costs associated therewith.
8. **Payment:**The Ridgefield School District shall pay to the Borough the sum of \$40,000 for each SLEO III/School Resource Officer as the estimated salary of the officer for the 2020-2021 school year for such services based on a school year beginning September 1, 2020 and ending on the last day of school in June 2021. To the extent the SLEOIII/School Resource Officer(s) begin work subsequent to September 1, the payment of \$40,000 will be prorated to reflect the late start. Payment shall be made in monthly installments by or before the first day of each month beginning November 1, 2020.
9. **Term and Renewal:** The term of this Agreement shall be for ten (10) months, commencing on September 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, subject to the adoption of Resolutions by the Borough of Ridgefield and the Ridgefield Board of Education approving the execution of this Agreement.

The parties may, but are not required, to renew this Agreement upon the expiration of the initial term, upon the agreement by both parties. The terms of this Agreement, including payment terms, may be renegotiated for any renewal term. The Ridgefield Board of Education shall notify the Borough of Ridgefield if it desires to renew this Agreement in writing on or before January 31, 2021.

10. **Termination:** This Agreement may be terminated at any time during the term of the Agreement or any renewal term, upon mutual agreement of the Parties. Absent mutual agreement of the parties, the Agreement may only be terminated for just cause. For purposes of this Agreement, termination by the Ridgefield School District for cause will be permitted if the Borough fails to staff the position for a continued and significant period of time, or if the assigned officer

shall substantially fail to perform the security duties assigned to him under this Agreement.

11. **Insurance and Indemnification:** The Ridgefield Board of Education shall not be liable for any negligent, careless, reckless and/or intentional acts or omissions of the Borough of Ridgefield, its officers, agents, servants, employee and/or representatives. All demands, claims, suits, actions, damages or costs of any nature whatsoever, whether for personal injury, property damage or other liability, on account of the rendering of any and all services provided pursuant to this Agreement by the Borough of Ridgefield, its officers, agents, servants, employees and/or representatives shall be the responsibility of the Borough.

It is recognized and understood that the Borough of Ridgefield and the Ridgefield Board of Education are members of and participate in the Joint Insurance Fund and that this agreement is subject to each party naming the other as an additional insured on any appropriate insurance policy each may separately maintain. Specifically, the Borough agrees to name the Ridgefield Board of Education as an additional insured for General Liability, and the Ridgefield Board of Education will name the Borough of Ridgefield as an additional insured for General Liability. Upon execution of this Agreement, each party shall provide the other with a Certificate of Insurance evidencing the above coverage and naming the other as an additional insured.

12. **Authorization:** Both the Borough of Ridgefield and the Ridgefield Board of Education represent that the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement has been authorized by its respective governing body, that it does not require any consent, approval or referendum of the voters, and that it does not violate any judgment, order, law or regulation applicable to either party.

13. **NOTICES.** All notices, demands and other communications to be given by either party to the other pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly delivered (a) on the date of service if given personally to the party to whom notice is to be given, (b) on the date four (4) days after

mailing if mailed to the party to whom notice is to be given by regular first class mail, (c) on the date of receipt as evidenced by the signed return receipt card if the notice is given by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid; or (d) on the following business day if given by a nationally recognized overnight delivery service. All notices, demands and other communications given hereunder shall be properly addressed as follows:

If to the Borough of Ridgefield:

Township Clerk
Municipal Building
604 Broad Avenue
Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657

If to the Ridgefield School District

School Business Administrator
555 Chestnut Street
Ridgefield, New Jersey 07657

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seal the day and year written below.

RIDGEFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

By: _____
President

Date: _____

ATTEST: _____
Board Secretary

BOROUGH OF RIDGEFIELD

By: _____
Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST: _____
Municipal 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 14, 2020

Presented by Councilman Jimenez

RESOLUTION NO. 201-2020

BE IT RESOLVED, that warrants totaling **\$2,321,803.10**
be drawn on the following accounts:

CURRENT	\$2,219,277.34
TRUST	\$18,857.10
CAPITAL	\$46,833.75
POOL	\$36,643.51
DOG LICENSE	\$191.40
TOTAL	\$2,321,803.10

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