

Approved, January 25, 2022
Municipal Building
Park Ridge, NJ
January 4, 2022 – 6:25 P.M.

A Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge was called to order at the above time, place and date.

Mayor Misciagna led those attending in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Councilmember Epstein and Mayor Misciagna

Also Present: Julie Falkenstern, Borough Administrator
Connie Carpenter, Chief Financial Officer
Magdalena Giandomenico, Borough Clerk

COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

Mayor Misciagna reads the Compliance Statement as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231.

INVOCATION

Mayor Misciagna calls on Reverend Robert Ulak of Our Lady of Mercy Church for the Invocation

Father Bob Ulak - Calls for a Blessing on the people that are called to lead this community. Grant them the wisdom and the courage in order to do what to do is right, good and true. May they be blessed and guided by the spirit of community, justice and love.

Mayor Misciagna calls Councilman Capilli and his family to the podium to be sworn in by Congressman Josh Gottheimer

Honorable Congressman Josh Gottheimer: Good Evening & Happy New Year! Thank you for inviting me here tonight. I want to thank the Mayor, the Council and the community, I am grateful and honored to be here. I want to thank Mayor Misciagna for your leadership along with that of Councilmembers Capilli, Cozzi, Epstein, Ferguson, Fenwick and Metzdorf. I am looking forward to the swearing in of both Councilman Capilli and Councilman Ferguson.

I do also want to thank all of the families of our those just elected, as well as all of the Governing Body of Park Ridge. It is not easy, you do have to put up with a lot and being part of a family is all part of this. So, I just want to say thank you very much, as well, to all of you. I love Park Ridge and I get to come here a lot and I am very lucky. It is a wonderful community and I want to thank our First Responders who are here ~ thank you very much for your service and for your work. And, also to our Veterans who we have with us tonight ~ thank you so much for your service. It has been a tough couple of years, we have lost a lot of friends and family members so I know we are thinking of them especially during this holiday season. But, there is nothing more important than looking out for our community and our Mayor and Council do a phenomenal job! Councilman Capilli and Councilman Ferguson ~ I am looking forward to swearing them in because they do such a phenomenal job looking out for Park Ridge - making North Jersey and even better place to live every year because of their work. And Park Ridge has a wonderful and long history of innovation - installing a hydro-generator back in the brook in 1904. This community has always been on the cutting edge in every way. I always find the citizens in Park Ridge to be very welcoming and people are so involved and engaged. You have a wonderful downtown community with wonderful small businesses. It's just the kind of place that feels like Jersey through and through. The Police Department, Fire Department and EMT's all look out for the people, the teacher's do a wonderful job with great schools – it's a great place to raise a family. So, I am just so honored to be here and be a part of it. The oath that these Councilmembers will take today goes back and is very similar to the oath in the First Congress in 1789. It is all about commitment to preserving and protecting our democracy and to fighting for the people that you represent. Which is the job of an elected official – to look out for people, to defend our community but protect people and to make sure that everyone is safe, life is affordable, water is clean to drink, roads are paved, all these basic ideas. But, it all comes down to the citizens standing up and voting for people and doing their job in electing people to the council. President Kennedy said about communities like these, “things just don't happen”, and he's right. Making a community work is a lot of hard work. The Mayor here does a phenomenal job, the Council here does a phenomenal job and the community does. They all just come together – the people in Park Ridge look out for each other. Especially during Covid, it was amazing to me how much everyone just looked out for each other and did the right thing. It didn't matter about party, politics and partisanship, it was really about governing and making sure things worked.

Honorable Congressman Josh Gottheimer highlights Councilman Matt Capilli: Matt was first elected to the Council in 2015. He served his first two terms in office with a driving commitment to his community and to First Responders that helps to make a difference every day and I know that he is going to bring exactly that same energy here in his third term. He is married 16 years to his wife, Lauren, and they have 2 wonderful children, Matthew and Gianna. Matt grew up in Ridgefield and moved here, graduating from Northern Valley/Old Tappan High School where he played baseball as the third baseman. He went on to the College of New Jersey for undergraduate and graduate school. His commitment to New Jersey shows no bounds. On top of his responsibilities as a Councilman, he was a Baseball Coach for fifteen years for the Old Tappan High School, was a Supervisor of Personnel for the Fairview Public School District where he helped hire teachers and balance the budget. He even helped minimize the effect of the COVID Pandemic on our children by helping secure hotspots and tablets for students without them and even provided the tablets for the spray and Spanish for the Spanish-speaking students.

Matt has proven his unwavering commitment to the community time and again. For all he has done as Councilman, it is clear he takes his responsibilities very seriously with a passion to make a difference. From fighting for a new turf football field and upgraded basketball courts which he helped to make it happen without raising taxes by clawing back resources through the Open-Space Fund, through time serving on the Green Team Committee where through grants, he helped the town purchase a new electric vehicle for the Utility Department. As Liaison with the Police Department, Matt successfully advocated for and helped add both a Sergeant and Lieutenant position to the current staff, which is very important; helping to result in a Supervisor being present on every shift ultimately making sure the community is safer. He also serves on the Board of Education Committee where he is Liaison between the Council and the Board and works to help repave parking lots and share fields and courts, and save the town even more money. And, even in his free time, he fights to make a difference in our children's lives coaching for Park Ridge Athletic Association; baseball, softball and basketball teams. He does it all on his time, gives back, coaching and does it all - making sure Park Ridge is a beautiful and affordable place to live. I am grateful and I know you will do a phenomenal job as you continue to serve and I am so honored to be swearing you in!

COUNCILMAN MATTHEW J. CAPILLI SWORN IN

Mayor Misciagna advises receipt from the County Board of Elections of a certificate of election for **Councilman Matthew J. Capilli**, said term expiring 12/31/2024.

Honorable Congressman Josh Gottheimer **administers the Oath of Office and Councilman Capilli he takes his seat on the Dais.**

(Councilman Capilli is joined at the podium by his wife and children)

Mayor Misciagna: I would like to start by saying a few words about Congressman Josh Gottheimer and publicly thank him. I have personally thanked you many times. Park Ridge has never had a friend on the federal government level as good as you are! And, that's from day one. From the moment you got into office you have been reaching out, your staff is incredible – they have been helping us every step of the way. But, where it really made a difference in my life was when COVID happened. I didn't really know where to go and we had issues here and nobody gives you a playbook for how to deal with it. We had some issues about trying to make sure some of our seniors were safe and I don't think I could have done it without your intervention. So, I want everybody to understand how important it is when there is a crisis, let alone when everything is good, you were on the phone with me at least a couple times a day through many, many weeks. I don't think anyone here knows that because I don't really talk about it because you and I were just trying to do the job and get things done and help the residents. But I want people to know how much I appreciate that and I thank you for your friendship and for all that you do for the people of Park Ridge.

Mayor calls Councilman Ferguson to the podium to be sworn in. He is joined by his father.

Honorable Congressman Josh Gottheimer highlights Councilman John Ferguson:

I am going to speak about John because he deserves it. Just as the Mayor said a few minutes ago, it takes everybody through tough times, great leadership happens – unfortunately, in those tough times – it’s that when people come together! John was first elected to the Council in 2018, only after Councilman Capilli consistently calling him and encouraging him to run. He served his first term with a never-ending desire to provide the support that Park Ridge needs. He stepped up and has led remarkably! He is married to Marlena, for 19 years, and together they have 3 children. They are unable to be here but John’s father, Harry, is here tonight. John grew up in Paramus and moved here to Park Ridge and has been a resident for the last 17 years. He went to Paramus High School and was a Volunteer Firefighter for the Paramus Fire Department, and we are very grateful for that! He attended Local #1 Elevator Apprentice School where he graduated in 2003. To this day, on top of his responsibilities as a Councilman, John is a Local #1 Elevator Mechanic and helps support mechanics across Manhattan with troubleshooting repairs and more; talk about phenomenal service and having our backs. He also helps out as a Trustee to the Park Ridge Athletic Association where he is a softball coach and assists with planning the season. His passion for athletics followed him into his duties as Councilman, where he is actively supported with turfing Memorial Field, now set up to accommodate baseball, football, soccer and other activities for our children. John always looks into grants to save the taxpayers’ hard-earned dollars – fighting to make life more affordable. He has been awarded Open Air grants to help invest and house our basketball court and to get a playground replaced. On the Council, he continues to show his dedication and love for Park Ridge. On top of everything we have discussed, he is the Borough’s Fire Commissioner and is responsible for staying in touch with the Chief. He is also the town’s Pool Commissioner and he is the Liaison to the Park Ridge Utility Board Liaison where he helps with the Department of Works Electric and Water Department. John makes sure he spends as much time as possible with his daughters and his wife and is an avid Yankees and Giants fan. I can’t thank John enough for all the hard work he puts in supporting Park Ridge’s ongoing development and making sure the community runs and works and makes sure he is always physically responsible and takes care of those who take care of us – our First Responders – I am so grateful to them. I am so honored to swear in Councilman Ferguson!

COUNCILMAN JOHN P. FERGUSON SWORN IN

Mayor Misciagna advises receipt from the County Board of Elections of a certificate of election for **Councilman John P. Ferguson**, said term expiring 12/31/2024.

Honorable Congressman Josh Gottheimer administers **the Oath of Office and Councilman Ferguson and he takes his seat on the Dais.**

(Councilman Ferguson is joined at the podium by his father)

ROLL CALL

The Clerk calls the roll as follows:

Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf, Councilmember Epstein and Mayor Misciagna

Mayor Misciagna calls for the Fire Chief and Officers of the Volunteer Fire Department to the podium:

Mayor Misciagna: I would like to thank Chief Tom Lepore as well as all of the firefighters for all that you have done this past year. You have not missed a beat in the middle of all this chaos, and you have always been there whenever we needed all of you! Tom, and a special thanks to you, as the Chief and the head of the Department.

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

Mayor Misciagna administers the Oath of Office to the **Fire Department Chief** for the year 2022.

FIRE DEPT. CHIEF Thomas Lepore

Mayor Misciagna administers the oaths of office jointly to the following **Officers of the Fire Department** for the year 2022:

Deputy Chief, Mark Durst
Captain, Richard Bosi
Captain, Peter Mauro
Lieutenant, Kyle Ladewig
Lieutenant, Brad Moser

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mayor Misciagna asks for nominations for **President of the Council** for the year 2022.

Councilmember Capilli nominates Councilmember Epstein.
Seconded by Councilmember Ferguson to confirm.

Mayor Misciagna asks if there are any further nominations.

Councilmember Fenwick nominates Councilmember Metzdorf
Seconded by Councilmember Cozzi to confirm.

Borough Clerk Magdalena Giandomenico asks for a Roll Call vote for nomination of Councilmember Epstein for Council President:

A motion is made by Councilmember Capilli and seconded by Councilmember Metzdorf

AYES: Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Epstein

NAYS: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Metzdorf

Borough Clerk Magdalena Giandomenico asks for a Roll Call vote for nomination of Councilmember Metzdorf for Council President

A motion is made by Councilmember Fenwick and seconded by Councilmember Cozzi

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Metzdorf

NAYS: Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Epstein

Borough Clerk Magdalena Giandomenico advises that there is a tie between Councilmember Epstein and Councilmember Metzdorf and the Mayor has to cast a vote.

Mayor Misciagna votes nay on Councilmember Epstein and aye on Councilmember Metzdorf. The motion to make Councilmember Metzdorf the Council President passes.

Mayor Misciagna declares Councilmember Robert Metzdorf the Council President for the year 2022.

MAYOR'S 2022 ADDRESS

I would like to start out with congratulating Councilman Capilli and Councilman Ferguson on your reelection. I have worked with you guys for a long time now and I look forward to doing the residents business with you for this year. I would like to also congratulate our new Council President on his new appointment. I have known him know for over twenty years and he is one of the best people. He has raised his two sons Dylan and Wyatt right in the same neighborhood as me and he has done a great job as a father. His wife Janet is also a good friend and I welcome his assistance this year. The appointment as Council President is well earned, you have now put in two terms on the council, and you have my full support.

Like I said, it has been a long tough year. I would like to start with taking a moment of silence for the 77 residents who have perished from COVID over this past year. Thank you. At the beginning of the pandemic was one of the toughest things I ever did with all of the council members, it was fighting start to the pandemic. The first park Ridge resident to pass away was a 35-year-old mother of a one-year-old, it scared me and everyone. I don't know if I could have gone through it without the assistance of everyone in the Borough., it was an incredible group effort.

I would like to start with thanking our first responders and our police department led by Chief Joe Madden, they did an incredible job and did not skip a beat. I would also like to thank our Fire Chief, Chief Lepore, and our firefighters who is volunteer and they go out of duty. They make our community great; they never skipped a beat as well as our Triboro ambulance. Our Triboro ambulance was probably the most frightening of our groups because ethe go to those who are ill. No one can force all these groups to do anything, and they kept us safe. I would like to tip my hat to all of the first responders. The next person I would like to thank is Sergeant Babcock of the Park Ridge Police Department who is the OEM coordinator, without his assistance of dealing with the county on a daily basis it would have been a lot more difficult for us. I would like to thank him form the bottom of my heart. I would like to thank our new Director of Operations,

Paul Longo, you and your crew are the best of the best across the board. You took on some big shoes this year but year are more than capable and surrounded by the best: Chris O’Leary our Water Department Supervisor, Jimmy Leichtnam our Electric Supervisor and Pete Wayne our Roads and Building and Grounds Supervisor. Three of the best guys you can ever have on your team and their staff. Christmas Eve last year our lines were down and out linemen were out getting people up and ready for the Holiday, you are the best, thank you.

I would next like to thank our office staff lead by our Borough Administrator Julie Falkenstern and our Clerk Maggie Giandomenico who went over and beyond everyday during the pandemic. They were taking elderly to get their prescription drugs and dropping off groceries to people’s homes, this was not part of their job description and I thank them. I would like to thank all of the office staff.

I would also like to thank all our volunteers in our community, who are the best in the community. There are so many to thank Janelle Larghi, is the director of the Tri-Boro food pantry who worked during the pandemic. People lost their jobs and needed help, Jennine is an angle and drove all over wherever she can find food. I also want to think of the CJ Baker American Legion led by Dick Bazzone and the new Commander Bob Oppelt, I want to thank them for keeping our traditions alive and services for our veterans. I would also like to thank PKRG led by Howard and Lori Fredricks and their whole team filming all our events we had. They are out there to make sure people have some normalcy and town events to watch.

We have a new committee, Diversity and Inclusion Committee and I welcome them aboard and look forward to having events with them. Liz Falkenstern who heads our Recreation Department who has kept traditions going, it was refreshing to actually have events to go.

We have a lot to look forward to in 2022. We are not out of the wood yet, but I am optimistic that we are heading in the right direction. We have a new downtown with new businesses for residents to enjoy and restaurants. Here’s to 2022, God Bless everyone.

POLICE RESERVE OFFICERS

Mayor Misciagna would like to announce the **Officers of the Police Reserves** for the year 2022:

Chief, Paul Witte
Captain, Christopher Brown
Lieutenant, George Harcher
Sergeant, Vincent Lemba
Sergeant, Jason Vradenburg

FIRE INSPECTORS

Mayor Misciagna would like to announce the Park Ridge Fire Inspectors (three-year term exp. 12/31/2024)

John Hansen	Thomas Lepore	John Sigillito
William I. Diedtrich, Sr.	Tom Derienzo (term exp. 12/31/23)	

Mayor Misciagna administers the Oath of Office to John Hansen and Thomas Lepore.

BOROUGH OFFICIALS

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to appoint the **Borough Officials** listed herein for the year 2022

A motion is made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Fenwick to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

Police Surgeon	Dr. John LoCurto	1 Year term
Fire Surgeon	Dr. Lester Levine	1 Year term
Police Matron	Lucille Bosco	1 Year term
Police Matron	Fran Smith	1 Year term
Zoning Officer	Tonya Tardibuno	1 Year term
Tax Search Officer	Jessica Mazzarella	1 Year term
Assessment Search Officer	Magdalena Giandomenico	1 Year term
Custodian of Petty Cash	Consuelo Carpenter	1 Year term

BOROUGH HISTORIAN

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to appoint **Ralph Donnell** as **Borough Historian** for the year 2022.

A motion is made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Fenwick to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

SCHOOL TRAFFIC GUARDS

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to appoint the **School Traffic Guards** named below for the year 2022.

A motion is made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Fenwick to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

Joseph Felice	Don Eckbak	James Tonner
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Gerald Alexander	Joseph Harris	Tom Hoskins
Linda Strabone	Charles Trojan	Kim DiGregorio

Relief Guards

Caryl Yaiser BJ Quackenbush Charles Sappah Bruce Goldsmith

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT TO OFFICAL BOARDS WITH THE ADVICE & CONSENT OF COUNCIL

Mayor reads Boards and Appointees as follows:

BOARD OF HEALTH (three-year term, two-year term alternate)

Leigh Weiss	12/31/2024
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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS (three-year term)

Jeff Rutowski	12/31/2024
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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES (five-year term member, one-year term alternate)

Lynn Beer	12/31/2026
Dr. Robert Gamper, School Superintendent	12/31/2026
John M. Cozzi (Mayor's Alternate)	12/31/2022

LOCAL ASSISTANCE BOARD (two-year term)

Kathy Bowen *(stipend)	12/31/2023
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MUNICIPAL SWIM POOL COMMISSION (three-year term)

Kenneth Christensen	12/31/2024
Michael Mintz	12/31/2024

ZONING BOARD ADJUSTMENT (four-year term member, two-year term alternate)

Michael Brickman	12/31/2022
Michael Mintz	12/31/2023
Jake Flaherty	12/31/2025
Dr. Gregory Perez	12/31/2025
Lynda Carraher Alternate #1	12/31/2022
Jeff Rutowski Alternate #2	12/31/2023

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to accept the said Appointees to the Official Boards.

A motion is made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Fenwick to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

PLANNING BOARD

(Mayor's appointments, no council confirmation needed)

Mayor Misciagna appoints **Don Schwamb, Class IV** member of the **Planning Board**, to fill a vacancy of a four - year term, said term expiring December 31, 2025.

Mayor Misciagna appoints **Julie Falkenstern, Municipal Official, Class II** member of the **Planning Board** to a one-year term expiring December 31, 2022.

Mayor Misciagna advises that there is a **Class III** member of the **Planning Board** (a member of the Governing Body) to be chosen by the Governing Body.

Council President Metzdorf nominates Councilmember Metzdorf.

Mayor Misciagna asks if there are any further nominations. **There was None.**

A motion is made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Cozzi to close the nominations.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

Mayor Misciagna declares **Council President Metzdorf, Class III** member of the **Planning Board** for the year 2022.

In accordance with the terms of the Planning Board Ordinance, **Mayor Misciagna** notes that he automatically becomes and remains a **Member (Class I)** of the **Planning Board** for the year 2022.

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS ARE FOR ONE YEAR, THEY ARE THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS WITHOUT COUNCIL CONFIRMATION

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to appoint the residents enumerated below to the various **Volunteer Committees** listed for the year 2022.

A motion is made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Cozzi to close the nominations.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

CABLE TV COMMITTEE (PKRG)

Howard Fredrics (Chair)	Lori Fredrics (Vice-Chair)
Jamie Lewis (Program Director)	Venkat Shanmugam
Tom Bauer	Sue Tudisco
Trevor Dublin	John Johnson
Will O'Toole	Joanne Caccioli
Brian Quinn	Chuck Caccioli
Daniel Simpson	

D.A.R.E. COMMITTEE

PO Scott Malloy	Francis Smith
Lt. Peter Mauro	PO Dan Hoffman
Jean Joyce	Tammy Levinson
Liz Falkenstern	PO Santangelo
PO Dutcher	Kristen Newton
Rosemarie Malloy	Frank Izzo
Ken Helman	Kelly Gaccione

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE

Judi Youngman	
Jorge Becerra	Joyce Bruno
Barbara Dell'Armo	Paul Higgins
Andy Yaeger	Melanie Nagel
Tammy Levinson	
Troy Lederman, Principal PRHS	
Christopher Kirkby, Principal West Ridge	
Kevin Stokes, Principal East Brook	
Laraine Meehan, Principal OLM	
Phil Langer, Park Ridge Elks	

HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Penny Peed	Betty Jean Quackenbush
Barbara Martine	John Thomsen, Sr.
Marilyn Miller	Anthony Fiorenza
Joe Bruno	Joan Valas

TRAIN STATION PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

June Bertini	Ken Koury
Barbara Martine	
Joseph Bruno	Anthony Morgan

RECREATION & CULTURAL COMMITTEE

Regina Deutch	Jason Roth	Michael Raia
Rob Nicolich	Paul Wharton	Laurie Wharton
Paul Scarduffa	Tom Hoskins	Greg Perez
Lyn Beer	Bob La Rubbio	Bob Fornatale
Ray Mital	Doug Salvi	Marissa Ekback
Tom Mitchell	Ira Rosen	Bob Gebhardt
Gregory Santangelo	Carolee Chirico	Claudia Beljean
Maureen Howell	Mel Beer	Liz Falkenstern
Kelly Epstein	Steve Masson	Jessica Loscalzo
Jonathan Shein	Rosemary Happ	

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE

Jamie DeMartino (co-Chair)	Shenai Jensen (co-Chair)
Kevin Loo (Vice Chair)	Jeanne McVerry (Secretary)
Gail Burton	Lynda Carraher
Pedro Castelli	Lisa Clifford
Mark Suriano,	Joan Valas
Carolyn Wagner	Sofia Wahdat
Kelly Epstein	Julie Falkenstern (Borough Advisor)

SHADE TREE COMMITTEE/GARDEN CLUB

Jim Hespe	Peter Jacobson	Donald Schwamb
Joann Schwamb	Gil Santos	Gwen Pardi
<u>Garden Club Members</u>		
Gwen Pardi	Gabriel Smith	Bill Koenig
Peter Jacobsen	Barbara Martine	

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

Jerry Brunetto	Bill Koenig
Barbara Martine	Donald Schwamb
Gwen Pardi	Richard Henning
Ralph Donnell	
Pete Jacobson	
Chairmen of the Planning and Zoning Boards	

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Josh Arak	Dan Browne, BOE
Kirk Brouwer	Paul Wharton
Lynn Beer	Scott Kreisler
Carmine Lizza	Technology Coordinator, PRHS
Michael Mintz	

ACCESS FOR ALL COMMITTEE

Lisa Bernardo (represents Park Ridge schools)
Liz Falkenstern (represents Rec Committee)
Julie Falkenstern (Borough Administrator)
Ed Pittarelli (member of community-at-large); serves as Chair
Chad Spies (represents Board of Health)
Brittany Vozza (represents the Chamber of Commerce)
Charles Ward (member of community-at-large; lives in Lehmann Gardens)
Sgt. Michael Babcock (OEM/Police)

GREEN TEAM COMMITTEE

Bob Bogert
Danielle Cawood - Public
Barbara Coleman – Public
Roseann Crisafi – Public
Vinny Lemba – Public
James McDermott- Public
Diana Rosner – Public
Frank Murphy – Public
Sergio Gil – Public
Natalie Rehak – Public
Don Schwamb – Planning Board
Keith Misciagna – Mayor - Advisor
Julie Falkenstern, Borough Administrator - Advisor

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Don Schwamb	Eric Wagner
Dave Vozza	Keith Misciagna
William Fenwick	

MAYOR'S WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Keri Cooper	Donna Fiorenza
Barbara Hennig	William Hennig
Shelby Klein	Marilyn Miller
Harold Katz	Joan Valas
Joelle Kuron	Teri Ann Christopher
Cathy Ferrero	Board of Health Secretary (Advisor)

HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE

Ron Romano	William Diedtrich, Jr.
Bob Howell	Greg Perez
Keith Misciagna	Robert Metzdorf

MAYOR'S HOUSING TASK FORCE

Borough Attorney
John Hansen, Fire Official
Capt. Joseph Rampolla
Marjorie Vanacore, Inspector, Bergen County Department of Health Services
Tonya Tardibuono, Zoning Officer
Julie Falkenstern, Borough Administrator
Elena Rega, Property Maintenance Officer

SEATING ON DAIS: 2022 (from Mayor's left to right)

Fenwick, Ferguson, Epstein, MAYOR, Metzdorf, Capilli, Cozzi

2022 STANDING COMMITTEES AND LIAISONS:

Mayor Misciagna announces the Standing Committees and Liaisons for 2022:

STANDING COMMITTEES – 2022

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION	Fenwick & Metzdorf
FIRE	Ferguson
INSURANCE	Cozzi
NEGOTIATIONS	Misciagna & Epstein
OPERATIONS/BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS	Ferguson
PERSONNEL	Epstein & Misciagna
PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE	Epstein
PUBLIC SAFETY/TRI BORO PUBLIC SAFETY	Metzdorf
SHARED SERVICES	Epstein & Metzdorf

BOARDS & COMMITTEES LIAISONS FOR 2022

ACCESS FOR ALL	Metzdorf
AMERICAN LEGION	Metzdorf
ATRIUM LIASON	Cozzi
BERGEN COUNTY 9-1-1	Police
BOARD OF EDUCATION	Capilli
BOARD OF HEALTH/Local Assistance & Pascack Mental Health	Epstein
BUSINESS COMMUNITY/CHAMBER	Metzdorf
CABLE TV/PKRG-TV	Ferguson
D.A.R.E COMMITTEE	Metzdorf
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE	Fenwick & Misciagna
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL	Epstein
GREEN TEAM	Capilli

HALL OF FAME COMMITTEE	Metzdorf
HANDICAP AWARENESS ADVISORY	Metzdorf & Administrator
HISTORICAL ADVISORY	Fenwick
LIBRARY BOARD	Cozzi
MAYOR'S WELLNESS	Epstein
MUNICIPAL POOL	Ferguson
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE	Misciagna
OPEN SPACE	Metzdorf
P.R.A.A.	Ferguson
RECREATION & CULTURAL	Epstein
FIELD COORDINATOR	Rosanna Monteleone
SAFETY COMMITTEE	Metzdorf
SENIOR CITIZEN ADVISORY	Cozzi
SHADE TREE/GARDEN CLUB	Capilli
TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE	Epstein
TRAIN STATION PRESERVATION COMMITTEE	Metzdorf
UTILITY BOARD LIASON	Metzdorf

PUBLIC PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Mayor Misciagna asks if anyone present wishes to be heard on any matter.

Upon recognition by the Mayor, the person shall proceed to the floor and give his/her name and address in an audible tone of voice for the records. Unless further time is granted by the Council, he/she shall limit his/her statement to five (5) minutes. Statements shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any member thereof. No person, other than the person having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into any discussion, without recognition by the Mayor.

Speaker: There was no one.

ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 2022-001**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION
FOR CERTAIN OFFICIALS, APPOINTEES AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH
OF PARK RIDGE, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY FOR THE YEAR 2022**

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to introduce on first reading Ordinance No. 2022-001, An Ordinance Establishing Official, Appointees and Employees of the Borough of Park Ridge for the Year 2022

A motion was made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Cozzi to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

Mayor Misciagna asks the **Borough Clerk** to read the Ordinance by title.

Borough Clerk: Ordinance No. 2022-001, An Ordinance Establishing Official, Appointees and Employees of the Borough of Park Ridge, Bergen County, New Jersey for the Year 2022

Mayor Misciagna asks the **Borough Administrator** to give a brief description of this Ordinance.

Borough Administrator: This is the yearly salary ordinance that sets the parameters of salaries for the calendar year 2022.

Mayor Misciagna asks if anyone wishes to be heard concerning the introduction of this Ordinance.

Speaker: There was no one.

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to pass this Ordinance on the first reading by title and it be published in full in The Bergen Record with Notice of Public Hearing to be held on January 25, 2022.

A motion was made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Fenwick to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Misciagna asks if any Councilmember would like to have any resolution removed from the Consent Agenda and placed under New Business.

Speaker: Councilmember Capilli asked to have the following resolutions removed from the Consent Agenda:

- Res. No. 022-036 – Authorizing Issuance of RFQ for Professional Services - Borough Counsel - CY2022
- Res. No. 022-041 – Appointment of Borough Rate Counsel

Speaker: Councilmember Fenwick asked to have the following resolutions removed from the Consent Agenda:

- Res. No. 022-036 – Authorizing Issuance of RFQ for Professional Services - Borough Counsel - CY2022

Councilmember Fenwick asked to have the following resolutions Tabled from the Consent Agenda:

- Res. No. 022-041 – Appointment of Borough Rate Counsel

The Borough Clerk advised there is a motion to table Res. No. 022-041 – Appointment of Borough Rate Counsel to the January 25, 2022, public meeting, a motion was made by Councilmember Fenwick and seconded by Councilmember Capilli to confirm.

Roll Call:

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

Mayor Misciagna asks if any Councilmember would like to abstain from voting on any resolution on the Consent Agenda.

Speaker: *There was no one.*

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to accept the Consent Agenda (with the abstentions so noted).

A motion was made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Fenwick to confirm.

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli and Council President Metzdorf

RESOLUTIONS:

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE RESOLUTION NO. 022-001

ADOPTING BY-LAWS FOR 2022

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following shall be adopted and are hereby approved as By-Laws regulating the conduct of meetings; order of business; appointment and duties of committees; and other matters more specifically referred to.

ARTICLE 1

These By-Laws shall regulate the conduct of the meetings of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge and shall remain effective until the next reorganization meeting or until repealed, supplemented or amended at a regular meeting by the majority vote of the whole council. Any specific portion of the By-Laws may be suspended temporarily at any regular meeting for that meeting for that meeting only, upon the unanimous vote of the members present.

ARTICLE 2 MEETINGS

1. Ordinances and Resolutions may only be acted upon at formal meetings which are advertised pursuant to NJSA 10:4-6 et seq.
2. The meetings of the Mayor and Council shall be held in the Borough Hall Council Chambers in accordance with the Resolution adopted at the Reorganization meeting each year setting forth the times and dates. Additional special meetings at which formal action may be taken will be scheduled as needed and in the manner provided by law.
3. The agenda for regularly scheduled formal meetings shall be set and distributed no later than the Friday preceding the formal meeting. Notwithstanding, the Borough Clerk may amend said agenda after distribution as necessary to include all pending business, and all agenda changes will be announced as part of the regular order of business.
4. The regular order of business at each formal council meeting shall be:
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call

Compliance Statement
Agenda Changes
Public Privilege of the Floor
Ordinance Introduction
Ordinance Public Hearing
Consent Agenda
Communications
New Business
Reports of Governing Body
Approval of Minutes
Optional Additional Public Privilege of the Floor
Adjournment

5. The Council may, by resolution duly passed at a meeting, dispense with a future meeting or designate a different date for any regular meeting.
6. Seating and Voting Roll Call shall be determined by the Mayor.
7. All formal meetings shall end no later than 11:00 pm.
8. The Public Privilege of the Floor at a formal meeting shall be limited to a 5-minute maximum per speaker. Nevertheless, at a meeting where more than 20 members of the public are present, the Mayor and Council may decide to shorten the allotted time for speaking in order to accommodate as many speakers as possible.
9. The public shall be permitted to speak at a work session as provided by law for a maximum of 5 minutes per speaker. The Mayor shall announce within a reasonable time from the opening of the meeting that the floor is open to the public for comments and will notify speakers of the 5-minute limitation.
10. Executive Sessions, commonly known as closed sessions, will be conducted as necessary in the manner prescribed by law to discuss only those matter allowed by law.
11. Pursuant to the New Jersey's Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-7, any member of the Mayor & Council may participate in any closed session or public meeting by telephone communication device provided that the device being used is free from being intercepted and not be overheard by anyone. Participation by telephone communication shall not count for quorum purposes.
12. Only the Mayor and/or Acting Mayor (in the absence of the Mayor) can call for a vote in the public meeting for something not on the Agenda.

13. Mayor and Council will set aside the first Tuesday of December each year for a Special Meeting dedicated to Reorganization. At that time the Mayor and Council will invite any elected candidates that will be sworn in at the January Reorganization Meeting to this Special Meeting to discuss liaison and committee assignments.
14. Except as herein specified, Robert's Rules of Order Shall be used.

ARTICLE 3 COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL

1. The regular standing committees shall be as follows:

- Finance & Administration
- Fire
- Insurance
- Negotiations
- Operations
- Personnel
- Policy
- Public Buildings & Grounds
- Public Health & Welfare
- Public Safety

2. Each committee shall consist of at least one member of the Council and appointment to each Committee shall be made by the Mayor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Finance & Administration Committee shall have two members of the Council who shall be chosen from each political party, if applicable. If a subsequent vacancy exists for any Committee or Board Liaison appointment, then in such event, the Mayor shall make the appointment to fill said vacancy. -The Mayor, in his/her sole determination, shall make changes to Committee/Board Liaison assignments at any time during the year.
3. The Mayor, or the Council by a majority vote, shall have the power to appoint special committees for purposes other than those embraced in the duties of the standing committees. The Mayor, or the Council, shall have the power to appoint members from the Council or other citizens of Park Ridge as he determines necessary.
4. The Mayor shall be a member of all Committees, both special and standing.

5. All committees shall make a report to the Council either in writing or orally of their activities as necessary.

**ARTICLE 4
PAYMENT OF BILLS**

All bills or claims against the Borough shall be processed and paid in accordance with the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge, Chapter 6, entitled "Claims Approval and Payment."

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-002**

DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that The Ridgewood News, a Gannett Company, McLean Virginia is hereby designated as the official newspaper of the Borough of Park Ridge for the publication of advertisements and notices as required by law to be published for the year 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The Bergen Record, Community Life and Pascack Press, New Jersey be used for advertisement on an as needed basis.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-003**

DESIGNATION OF LEGAL DEPOSITORIES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge finds and declares that N.J.S.A. 40a:5-14 requires that the Borough designate a deposit for its monies a bank or trust company having its place of business in the State and organized under the laws of the United States or this State; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following listed banks and associations are hereby designated as depositories for the Borough of Park Ridge:

Valley Bank
Chase Bank
New Jersey Cash Management

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that prior to the deposit of any municipal funds in any of the above listed depositories, said depository shall file with the Chief Financial Officer a certification indicating their compliance with the New Jersey Division of banking requirements for participation in the Government Unit Protection Act pursuant to R.S. 17:9-41.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-004**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW
FUND PETTY CASH - DPW**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, to establish such a fund for the DPW in the amount of \$500; and

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Pete Wayne, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes such action and that two copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approval.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-005**

**2022 CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN
BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14, Local Fiscal Affairs Law, requires that each municipality adopt a Cash Management Plan designed to assure the deposit, investment, and proper disbursement of local funds;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge does hereby adopt the following Cash Management Plan.

A. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES

The following institutions are designated as permissible depositories for the deposit of Borough funds:

Valley Bank
Chase Bank
New Jersey Cash Management

All depositories must conform to the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act (GUDPA) and shall provide a Notification of Eligibility from the State of New Jersey, Department of Banking, on a semi-annual basis. In addition, designated depositories shall maintain maximum FDIC or FSLIC coverage of all Borough funds on deposit.

B. DEPOSIT OF FUNDS

All funds shall be deposited within forty-eight (48) hours of receipt, in accordance with NJSA 40A:5-15 into appropriate fund operating accounts. Non-interest bearing operating and capital accounts shall be regularly monitored for the availability of funds for investment. Debt Service and Trust accounts shall be maintained in accordance with Federal and State statutes regulating such funds. Payroll, Developers' Escrow deposits and other agency funds, which represent funds of individuals and other organizations held by the Borough shall be deposited in regular, non-interest-bearing checking accounts unless applicable State statutes direct otherwise. Grant funds shall be deposited in accordance with regulations of the granting government or agency.

Where compensating balances are required by any designated depository to offset the cost of services provided, an agreement between the Borough and the depository shall be executed, specifying the charge for each service and the balance required to offset each charge.

C. INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS AND PROCEDURES

The Borough may purchase those investments permitted in N.J.S.A. 40A:5-15.1, which include:

United States Treasury Bonds, Notes, and Bills
United States Government Agency and Instrumentality Obligations
Bonds and other obligation of the Borough of Park Ridge
Bonds and other obligations of the Park Ridge Board of Education
Commercial Bank Deposits and Certificates of Deposit
New Jersey Arbitrage Rebate Management Fund
Savings Bank Deposits and Certificates of Deposit
State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund

The Borough may purchase other obligations approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of Treasury for investment by local units.

Investments shall be limited to a maturity of not more than one year unless a longer term is permitted by applicable Federal or State regulations. Allowable investments with maturities which extend beyond the end of the Borough's fiscal year shall be permitted only if interest accrued on the investment is credited to the Borough at the end of the fiscal year for the purpose of realizing budgetary revenue.

The purchase of Certificates of Deposit shall be made based on the availability of funds for investment and the analysis of projected cash flows. Bids for Certificates of Deposit will be solicited of at least three designated depositories only if the amount available for investment is \$100,000 or greater. Telephone bids will be solicited by the Chief Financial Officer, or designated staff member. Bidders shall specify the principal amount, interest rate, and maturity of the investment. A check or wire transfer will be made available to the winning bidder on the same business day the bid is awarded. Where the return on a proposed investment does not exceed the cost of making such investment, the Chief Financial Officer will not make the investment. The Chief Financial Officer shall have the discretion to award an investment to the depository wherein the funds reside, should that institution's quoted interest rate be less than other quoted rates, and the differential in interest rates is not more than twenty-five (25) basis points (0.25%), providing that the term of the investment is thirty (30) days or less. The Chief Financial Officer shall have discretion to reject all bids.

D. DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

All funds shall be disbursed as authorized and directed by the Mayor and Council, except that the Chief Financial Officer shall have the authority to make disbursements prior to receiving the approval of the Borough Council in extreme emergencies where the safety of the public is jeopardized. In addition, the following disbursements may be made prior to receiving approval of the Mayor and Council:

County Taxes	Petty Cash Reimbursements
County Open Space Taxes	Postage
Debt Service	Purchase of Investments
Insurance Premiums	Salaries and Wages
Interfunds	School Taxes
Public Library Tax Levy	Self-Insurance Payments
Payroll Withholding Amounts	Special Improvement District Taxes
Bergen County Utility Authority	State of New Jersey Pension Obligations
And manual checks as approved in writing by the Borough Administrator	

For disbursements relative to payroll tax withholding, the Mayor and Council may authorize the use of a servicer to take possession of the local unit funds and execute the disbursements of the Borough to the taxing authorities. Tasks to be performed by the servicer may include report preparation, calculation of withholding and direct deposit of payroll disbursements.

The Chief Financial Officer is designated the "approval officer" responsible for authorizing and supervising the activities of the servicer. In cases where the servicer

takes possession of local unit funds for payments of payroll claims, the approval officer is charged with ensuring that payments are made on a timely basis by regularly securing third party confirmation of such.

Disbursements shall be executed via electronic wire transfer of funds by the Chief Financial Officer, or designated staff member, when that method of payment will result in a financial benefit to the Borough in the form of increased investment income.

E. AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES

Chapter 6 of the Code for the Borough of Park Ridge designates the Mayor, Borough Clerk, Deputy Borough Clerk, Borough Treasurer, and Assistant Borough Treasurer as the authorized signers of checks. All warrants or checks for the disbursement of money shall be made by three (3) of the authorized signers and facsimile signatures may be used. Payroll and Agency checks related to Salary and Wages shall be signed by the Borough Treasurer and facsimile signature may be used.

F. PETTY CASH FUND

Reimbursement for expenditures through the Petty Cash Fund shall be made within the limits approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services. The Petty Cash Fund shall be maintained in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21. Individual reimbursements from the Petty Cash Fund shall not exceed \$75 per item. The following Petty Cash Funds shall be maintained:

Current Fund	\$750.00
Electric & Water Utility	\$500.00
Swim Pool Utility	\$250.00
Golden Age Club	\$750.00

G. BONDING

The following officials shall be covered by surety bonds; said surety bonds to be examined by the independent auditor to insure their proper execution:

Chief Financial Officer	Assistant Chief Financial Officer
Borough Treasurer	Assistant Borough Treasurer
Tax Collector	Borough Clerk
Borough Administrator	

Staff members of the Department of Finance and Tax Collection not covered by separate surety bonds shall be covered by a Public Employee's Faithful Performance Bond.

H. COMPLIANCE

The Cash Management Plan of the Borough of Park Ridge shall be subject to the approval of the Borough's Legal Counsel, and shall be subject to the annual audit conducted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4

As stated in N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14, the official(s) charged with the custody of Borough funds shall deposit them as instructed in the Cash Management Plan and shall thereafter be relieved of any liability or loss due to the insolvency or closing of any designated depository.

If at any time this Cash Management Plan conflicts with any regulations of the State of New Jersey, or any department thereof, the applicable State regulations shall apply.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-006**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND CHANGE
OF BOROUGH OFFICE PETTY CASH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution; and

WHEREAS, a Current Fund Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$250 has previously been approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash; and

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Consuelo Carpenter, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue a Current Fund check in the amount of \$250 payable to the order of Consuelo Carpenter, Custodian of Petty Cash.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-007**

PETTY CASH POLICY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution, and,

WHEREAS, the Borough currently has the following existing petty cash funds:

Office Staff	\$250
Police Department	\$500 (Chief Joe Madden)
DPW	\$500 (Pete Wayne)
Electric & Water Utility	\$500
Swim Pool Utility	\$250
Golden Age Club	\$750

Which, were previously approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash, and,

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Mayor and Council to formally establish guidelines for use of such funds as follows:

1. Petty Cash is to be used for business related cash expenditures or reimbursement of \$75 or less.
2. A Petty Cash slip indicating the name, purpose, date, amount, and line-item to charge must be completed and signed by the individual receiving the funds. Additionally, a receipt must be attached. The slip must also be signed by the Petty Cash Custodian.
3. The Petty Cash fund will be replenished periodically. All receipts will be attached and included on the payment of bills.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that Petty Cash disbursements be limited to \$75 or less and must include proper documentation as outlined above.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-008**

DESIGNATING OFFICIAL TAX SEARCH OFFICER 2022

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, that Jessica Mazzearella, Tax Collector, being a duly bonded Official of the Municipality, be and she is hereby designated as Official Tax Search Officer (N.J.S.A. 54:5-11 of the Borough of Park Ridge for the year 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there shall be no additional compensation for this appointment.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-009**

APPOINT FUND COMMISSIONERS 2022

BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Park Ridge does hereby appoint the following fund commissioners for the year 2022:

Bergen County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund:
Borough Administrator Julie Falkenstern as Fund Commissioner
Chief Financial Officer Consuelo Carpenter as Alternate

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-010**

DESIGNATION OF ASSESSMENT SEARCH OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that Magdalena Giandomenico, Municipal Clerk being a bonded official of the Municipality be, hereby is, designated as the person for searching improvements pursuant to the provisions of Article 3A of Title 54, Chapter 5, of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all lawful fees collected by the said Magdalena Giandomenico, Municipal Clerk in her official capacity as the person to make and issue certificates as to the liability for assessments for municipal improvements, be received and retained by the Borough of Park Ridge.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-011**

**APPOINT PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER
2022**

BE IT RESOVLED that the Borough Administrator, Julie Falkenstern, be appointed as the public agency compliance officer for the calendar year 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be provided to the:

Public Agency Unit
State of New Jersey
Department of the Treasury
Division of Public Contracts
Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance
PO Box 209
Trenton, NJ 08625-0209

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-012**

**MUTUAL AID - PASCACK VALLEY
FIRE DEPARTMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge recognizes the necessity for the sharing of the emergency services, aka mutual aid, to communities or districts inside and outside of the presently established Pascack Valley and Tri-Boro Mutual Aid groups, for the purpose of providing of personnel and fire rescue equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge's Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designated representative will be making decisions to provide mutual aid to area communities with brief notice; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge's Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's designated representative will ensure that arrangements are made, prior to providing such mutual aid to other communities, for appropriate emergency protection for the Borough of Park Ridge and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge understands that the community or region requiring mutual aid may not be adjacent to or part of the existing Pascack Valley or Tri-Boro Mutual Aid groups already established in the Pascack Valley of Bergen County; and

WHEREAS, Worker's Compensation will be provided by the Borough of Park Ridge (employer), General Liability is assumed by the recipient of the service and Automobile Liability/Physical Damage and Property Insurance stays with the owner of the property (Borough of Park Ridge).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park that it authorizes the Borough of Park Ridge's Fire Chief and or the Fire Chief's designated representative to provide mutual aid services to any community or district the Fire Chief or his designated representative deems necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Park Ridge will provide its insurance carriers and its insurance agents with copies of this

resolution to ensure that insurance coverage, in the same manner as provided on an everyday basis, is provided to the Borough of Park Ridge and its representatives during the time period mutual aid is provided to another community or district.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Governing Body of Emerson, Hillsdale, Montvale, Old Tappan, River Vale, Township of Washington, Westwood, Woodcliff Lake and to the Park Ridge Fire Department.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-013**

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING MUTUAL AID PLAN
AND RAPID DEPLOYMENT FORCE**

WHEREAS, the police departments in Bergen County have a day to day responsibility to provide for the security of lives and property, for the maintenance and preservation of the public peace and order, and

WHEREAS, Law Enforcement Officials also have a responsibility to provide for preparedness against natural emergencies, such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, major storms, etc., man-made causes, civil unrest, and civil disobedience such as riot, strikes, jail or prison riots, train wrecks, aircraft crashes, major fires, ethnic disorders, riots, terrorist incidents and bombings, state and national emergencies, and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Police Chief's Association has proposed a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force to deal with these emergencies, and

WHEREAS, this Plan is adopted in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.4 and N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.6, and

WHEREAS, this Plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of law enforcement personnel and equipment whenever a local law enforcement agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of an emergency, riot or disorder, in order to protect life and property, and

WHEREAS, it is also recognized that the Park Ridge Chief of Police, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and under the authority of the Bergen County Prosecutor, has the authority to assign officers to a Task Force, Rapid Deployment Team, or Regional SWAT Team operated in conjunction with the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge to participate in a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force in accordance with the Plan as submitted by the Bergen County Police Chief's Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the police Department of the Borough of Park Ridge, under the direction of the Chief of Police, cooperate with the Bergen County Police Chief's Association to create an Interlocal Services Agreement with all municipalities in the County of Bergen in order to put into place the Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Board of Chosen Freeholders, the County Prosecutor, and all municipalities in the County of Bergen.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-014**

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S
"Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in
Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit's hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual's criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Body of the Borough of Park Ridge, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183, by certifying that the local unit's hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for

inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to show evidence of said compliance.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-015**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE, NJ
THROUGH THE PARK RIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE, 1033
PROGRAM TO ENABLE THE PARK RIDGE POLICE TO REQUEST AND ACQUIRE
EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, the United States Congress authorized the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program to make use of excess Department of Defense personal property by making that personal property available to municipal, county and State law enforcement agencies (LEAs); and

WHEREAS, DLA rules mandate that all equipment acquired through the 1033 Program remain under the control of the requesting LEA; and

WHEREAS, participation in the 1033 Program allows municipal and county LEAs to obtain property they might not otherwise be able to afford in order to enhance community preparedness, response, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, although property is provided through the 1033 Program at no cost to municipal and county LEAs, these entities are responsible for the costs associated with delivery, maintenance, fueling, and upkeep of the property, and for specialized training on the operation of any acquired property; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-30.2 requires that the governing body of the municipality or county approve, by a majority of the full membership, both enrollment in, and the acquisition of any property through, the 1033 Program; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the Park Ridge Police Department is hereby authorized to enroll in the 1033 Program for no more than a one-year period, with authorization to participate terminating on December 31 of the current calendar year from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Park Ridge Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire items of non-controlled property designated “DEMIL A,” which may include office supplies, office furniture, computers, electronic equipment, generators, field packs, non-military vehicles, clothing, traffic and transit signal systems, exercise equipment, farming and moving equipment, storage devices and containers, tools,

medical and first aid equipment and supplies, personal protection equipment and supplies, construction materials, lighting supplies, beds and sleeping mats, wet and cold weather equipment and supplies, respirators, binoculars, and any other supplies or equipment of a non-military nature identified by the LEA, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes, based on the needs of the Park Ridge Police Department without restriction; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Park Ridge Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire the following “DEMIL B through Q” property, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes controlled property items authorized for acquisition, including quantity, e.g., (1) utility truck, (12) 5.56 millimeter rifles, or (1) MRAP, etc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Park Ridge Police Department shall develop and implement a full training plan and policy for the maintenance and use of the acquired property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Park Ridge Police Department shall provide a quarterly accounting of all property obtained through the 1033 Program which shall be available to the public upon request; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately and shall be valid to authorize requests to acquire “DEMIL A” property and “DEMIL B through Q” property that may be made available through the 1033 Program during the period of time for which this resolution authorizes; with Program participation and all property request authorization terminating on December 31st of the current calendar year from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Council authorize the Park Ridge Police Department to submit an application for participation in the aforementioned "1033 Program" and hereby expresses its approval of any such application by a majority of the full membership of the Council.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-016**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND CHANGE OF
ELECTRIC AND WATER FUND PETTY CASH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution, and,

WHEREAS, an Electric and Water Fund Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$500 has previously been approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash, and,

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Nancy Russell, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue an Electric & Water Fund check in the amount of \$500 payable to the order of Nancy Russell, Custodian of Petty Cash.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-017**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND CHANGE
OF MUNICIPAL POOL FUND PETTY CASH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution, and,

WHEREAS, a Municipal Pool Fund Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$250 has previously been approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash, and,

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Thomas Baer, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue a Municipal Pool Fund check in the amount of \$250 payable to the order of Thomas Baer, Custodian of Petty Cash.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-018**

2022 TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-19 provides that where any contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2022 Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is within the first thirty days of January, 2022; and

WHEREAS, said total appropriations are limited to 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2021 Budget exclusive of any appropriations made for debt service, capital improvements and public assistance in the said 2021 Budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the following appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for the Borough's records.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-019**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF INTEREST RATES ON DELINQUENT TAXES &
ASSESSMENTS UNDER R.S. 54:4-67**

WHEREAS, R.S. 54:4-67 et seq., permits the Governing Body to fix the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes, assessments, or other municipal charges; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the rate of interest on unpaid taxes shall be eight percent per annum on the first One Thousand Five Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars of delinquency and 18 percent per annum on any amount in excess of One Thousand Five Hundred (\$1,500.00) Dollars to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date of actual payment, provided that no interest shall be charged if payment of any installment is made on or before the tenth calendar day following the date upon which the same became payable; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in addition to the interest provided above, on all delinquencies in excess of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars and which are not paid prior to the end of the fiscal year, the Tax Collector shall also collect a penalty of six (6) percent of the amount of the delinquency in excess of Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk provide a certified copy of this resolution to the Tax Collector; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with Chapter 99, the Tax Collector is hereby permitted to conduct the yearly tax sale.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-020**

**ESTABLISHMENT AND CHANGE OF
GOLDEN AGE FUND PETTY CASH**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution; and

WHEREAS, a Golden Age Fund Petty Cash Fund in the amount of \$750 has previously been approved by the Division of Local Government Services naming the Chief Financial Officer as the Custodian of Petty Cash; and

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, William Hennig, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes the Treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$750 payable to the order of Golden Age Petty Cash Fund, an approved Class II quasi-entity.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-021**

**AUTHORIZE ANNUAL CDL RANDOM ALCOHOL AND DRUG TESTING
PROGRAM – 2022**

WHEREAS, the Federal law (Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act, Title V of P. L. 102-143) requires all transportation-related employers to perform mandatory drug and alcohol testing. Employees affected are those holding a valid CDL and who drive, as part of their work, certain sized vehicles; and

WHEREAS, States and municipalities are considered employers under the Federal law and drivers that meet these criteria are subject to the testing requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Federal policy for CDL holders requires pre-employment, post-accident, reasonable suspicion, random, and return-to-work drug testing; and

WHEREAS, Valley Health System, 1400MacArthur Blvd., Mahwah, NJ 07430 has submitted a proposal dated October 13, 2021 for the provision of said services for the calendar year 2022 including the State mandated Business Registration Certificate copy attached to the original of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the total cost for said services is not anticipated to exceed either the Pay-to-Play (P.L. 2005 c. 271) threshold and/or the State Bid threshold during calendar year 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Operations has recommended the Borough of Park Ridge enter into a contract for the calendar year 2022 with Valley Medical Group by memo dated

October 14, 2021 for the provision of these services and additional related services, as may be needed and the Borough Administrator concurs; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified to the availability of funds, in 2022 Budget Account Nos: 01-2010-26-2902-029, 07-2010-55-5022-083 and 05-2010-55-5022-025 (shared proportionally by department – Electric, Water and Roads).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the Borough of Park Ridge does authorize the Mayor and Borough Clerk to authorize a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-022**

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW
FUND PETTY CASH – POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-21 authorizes the establishment of a Petty Cash Fund in any county or municipality by application and resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, to establish such a fund for the Police Department in the amount of \$500; and

WHEREAS, the custodian for this fund is, Chief Joe Madden, who is bonded for the amount of \$1,000,000; such custodian shall maintain records for this fund in a manner conducive to proper accounting and auditing procedures; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorizes such action and that two copies of this resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approval.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-023**

APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge Office of Emergency Management is required by the State of New Jersey to appoint a Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge wish to appoint the following individuals; as per attached schedule, to serve as members of the LEPC; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the individuals named be and are hereby appointed as members of the Local Emergency Planning Committee from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-024**

APPOINTMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING PLANNER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an planner to serve as Affordable Housing Planner; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Burgis Associates, Inc. with a mailing address of 25 Westwood Avenue, Westwood, NJ 07675 as Affordable Housing Planner for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022- 025**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH AUDITOR

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a professional to serve as Borough Auditor; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Lerch, Vinci & Higgins, LLP with a mailing address of 17-17 Route 208, Fairlawn, NJ 07410 as Borough Auditor for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-026**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH BOND COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an attorney to serve as Borough Bond Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Rogut McCarthy, LLC with a mailing address of 37 Alden Street, Cranford, NJ 07016 as Borough Bond Counsel for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-027**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ENGINEER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an engineer to serve as Borough Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Neglia Engineer Associates with a mailing address of 34 Park Avenue, PO Box 426, Lyndhurst, NJ 07071 as Borough Engineer for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointments and the contracts are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award these contracts as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of these contracts is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contracts and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into these contracts and shall be incorporated in full in the said contracts,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute contracts on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contracts to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Engineers shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022- 028**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH FINANCIAL ADVISOR

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a financial advisor to serve as Borough Financial Advisor; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Phoenix Advisors, LLC with a mailing address of 4 West Park Street, Bordentown, NJ 08505 as Borough Financial Advisor for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-029**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH GRANT CONSULTANT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a professional to serve as Borough Grant Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Bruno Associates, Inc. with a mailing address of 1373 Broad Street, Suite #304, Clifton, NJ 07013 as Borough Grant Consultant for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-030**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH LABOR COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an attorney to serve as Borough Labor Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Dario Metz & Albert Eyerman, LLC with a mailing address of 345 Union St., Hackensack, NJ 07601 as Borough Labor Counsel for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-031**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH PLANNER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an planner to serve as Borough Planner; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Colliers Engineering with a mailing address of 331 Newman Spring Road, Suite 203, Red Bank, NJ 07701 as Borough Planner for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE

RESOLUTION NO. 022-032

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH RISK MANAGER - MEDICAL

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a professional to serve as Borough Risk Manager - Medical; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint The Vozza Agency with a mailing address of One Depot Square, PO Box 100, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 as Borough Risk Manager - Medical for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as "Professional Services," pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-033**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH RISK MANAGER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of a professional to serve as Borough Risk Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint The Vozza Agency with a mailing address of One Depot Square, PO Box 100, Park Ridge, NJ 07656 as Borough Risk Manager for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-034**

**APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY
1 Sony Drive**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an attorney to serve as Borough Special Tax Appeal Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint William F. Rupp, Esq. of MARC Law at 210 Park Ave, Suite 301, Florham Park, NJ 07932 as Borough Special Tax Appeal Attorney for the year 2022 as it pertains to ongoing litigation specific to 1 Sony Drive; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2022 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-035**

APPOINTMENT OF SPECIAL TAX APPEAL ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an attorney to serve as Borough Special Tax Appeal Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Cleary-Giacobbe-Alfieri-Jacobs at 169 Ramapo Valley Rd., Oakland, NJ 07436 as Borough Special Tax Appeal Attorney for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2022 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-037**

APPOINTMENT OF WATER DEPARTMENT RATE ENGINEER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an engineer to serve as Borough Water Department Rate Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Colliers Engineering & Design with a mailing address of 331 Newman Springs Rd., Suite 203, Red Bank, NJ 07701 as Borough Water Department Rate Engineer for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-038**

APPOINTMENT OF ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT RATE ENGINEER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an engineer to serve as Borough Electric Department Rate Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint Colliers Engineering & Design with a mailing address of 331 Newman Springs Rd., Suite 203, Red Bank, NJ 07701 as Borough Electric Department Rate Engineer for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that the above appointment is hereby ratified and confirmed and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Borough of Park Ridge, said contract to be in the form as approved by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-039**

APPOINTMENT OF BOROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an engineer to serve as Borough Environmental Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint WSP with a mailing address of 412 Mount Kemble Ave., PO BOX 1946, Morristown, NJ 07960 as Borough Environmental Engineer for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-040**

APPOINTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATORY COMPLIANCE ENGINEER

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge requires the professional service of an engineer to serve as Borough Environmental Regulatory Compliance Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wish to appoint H2M Associates, Inc. with a mailing of 119 Cherry Hill Road, Suite 110, Parsippany, NJ 07054 as the Environmental Regulatory Compliance Engineer for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the appointment and the contract are exempted from the competitive bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, (NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq.) as “Professional Services,” pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-5 (1)(a); and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have chosen to award this contract as a fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the term of this contract is one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has approved appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget for such services as described in the contract and the CFO has certified the availability of funds in the 2022 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, the MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., N.J.A.C. 17:27 (Exhibit A) is hereby incorporated into this contract and shall be incorporated in full in the said contract.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the vendor shall supply the Borough of Park Ridge with Federal Affirmative Action Plan Approval or State Certificate of Employee Information Report within the time period specified by NJAC 17:27; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Notice of this action shall be published in the newspaper, The Bergen Record, within ten (10) days of adoption.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-042**

AUTHORIZING STANDSTILL AGREEMENT WITH HANDY AND HARMAN

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge entered into a Settlement Agreement dated August 24, 1999 which provided for indemnification and defense by Park Ridge in paragraph five of the agreement if the State of New Jersey took certain action on the collection of unpaid spill fund monies; and

WHEREAS, the parties seek to avoid litigation on this issue pending resolution of the overall claim asserted by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection against Handy & Harman in a certain lawsuit filed in the Superior Court Bergen County NJDEP v. Handy & Harman et al docket number BER-L- 8605-19; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Environmental Protection and Handy Harman and other Defendants entered into a Consent Order in which the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection withdrew without prejudice its claim for on the unpaid balance spill fund funds; and

WHEREAS, since this claim is withdrawn without prejudice the parties believe it's in their best interest to further extend the standstill agreement until June 9, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Public Works recommends to the Mayor and Council of Park Ridge to authorize a new extension of this agreement until June 9, 2022; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Park Ridge hereby authorize a standstill agreement with Handy & Harmon; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Agreement may be extended for an additional term upon the Agreement is that term by the parties.

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-043**

**RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING
COLLECTION/DISPOSAL SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF
CONTRACT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Park Ridge did advertise for bids for the Residential Collection/Disposal of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials for the Borough of Park Ridge, the receipt of which bids were duly advertised in accordance with law and were accepted and opened on December 22, 2021 at

10:00 a.m. in Borough Hall; and

WHEREAS, the sole and low bid was received by Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc. of Teaneck, New Jersey in the amount of:

\$751,569.00 for pickup services and \$78.00 per disposal rate per ton for year one,
\$766,600.88 for pickup services and \$78.00 per disposal rate per ton for year two,
\$781,932.00 for pickup services and \$79.56 per disposal rate per ton for year three,
\$821,029.54 for pickup services and \$83.54 per disposal rate per ton for year four,
\$862,081.02 for pickup services and \$87.72 per disposal rate per ton for year five,

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc. has been evaluated and recommended for acceptance by the Borough Attorney, Borough Administrator and the Borough Chief Financial Officer exercising the advertised five (5) year contract; and

WHEREAS, the term of agreement shall commence on and expire pursuant to the terms of the bidding specifications; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey accepts and awards as the sole and lowest responsible bidder the contract enumerated in the advertisement for Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials Collection/Disposal services to Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc. of Teaneck, New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, Borough Administrator and/or Borough Chief Financial Officer be hereby authorized and directed to execute, and the Borough Clerk, is directed to attest to any documents necessary to accept the bid and contract with Interstate Waste Services of New Jersey, Inc. of Teaneck New Jersey for a five (5) year contract in the amount of \$3,983,212.44 for collection plus the per ton cost of bulk disposal over the life of the contract for the Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials Collection/Disposal Services pursuant to the terms of bid specifications and submitted bid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Chief Financial Officer certifies that the funds for such contract are available.

Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to adopt Res. No. 022-036 – Authorizing Issuance of RFQ for Professional Services - Borough Counsel - CY2022

A motion was made by Council President Metzdorf and seconded by Councilmember Ferguson to confirm.

AYES: Council President Metzdorf

NAYS: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Epstein, Councilmember Cozzi and Councilmember Capilli

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
RESOLUTION NO. 022-036**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF REQUEST FOR
QUALIFICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR
BOROUGH COUNSEL THE 2022 CALENDAR YEAR**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a) contracts for the provision of professional services are not subject to the bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, however, they are subject to the requirements of the New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq., for contracts in excess of \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Pay to Play Law a municipality may not award a contract with a value in excess of \$17,500.00 to a business entity that has made any contribution within one year of the date the contract is to be awarded that is reportable by the recipient under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 et seq. to a municipal political party or candidate unless the contract is awarded under a “fair and open process” as defined pursuant to said statute; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to award contracts for various professionals pursuant to the fair and open process defined by the aforementioned statute and explained in suggest procedures issued by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge that Requests for Qualifications be issued for the Borough Professional position of Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said notice shall indicate that responses to the Request for Qualifications shall be provided on or before January 20, 2022.

COUNCILMEMBERS REMARKS:

Councilmember Fenwick: We will be drafting a new budget in the coming months and there will be budget meetings to that effect. There have been no meetings of the redevelopment committee. Again, I wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Councilmember Ferguson: I want to wish everyone a healthy and happy New Year. I want o to thank all our first responders and our police. I would like to thank Chief Lepore of the Fire Department for all of his hard work. Stay safe everyone.

Councilmember Cozzi: I would like to echo everyone's sentiments and wish everyone a happy New Year. I hope 2022 is a rereview mirror year, where we look back and see COVID leaving us. Let's have a great year.

Councilmember Capilli: I would like to wish everyone a happy New Year. I would like to thank Councilwoman Epstein for her work as Council President and for bringing transparency to different aspects of the process and keeping us informed and shedding light on topics.

Councilmember Epstein: I like to thank everyone for letting me serve as their Council President over the past year and I look forward to working with Councilmember Metzdorf in this new position this upcoming year. Happy New Year everyone.

Council President Metzdorf: I want to wish everyone a happy New Year. I echo the sentiments of Councilman Capilli of the fabulous job that was done by Councilwoman Epstein as Council President. I am looking forward to this year and let's get this horrible disease in our rereview mirror.

BENEDICTION & CLOSING:

Mayor Misciagna calls on Father Robert Ulak of Our Lady of Mercy Church for the Benediction.

There being no further business, Mayor Misciagna asks for a motion to close the Reorganizational meeting.

A motion is made by Councilmember Fenwick and seconded by Councilmember Capilli to confirm

AYES: Councilmember Fenwick, Councilmember Ferguson, Councilmember Cozzi, Councilmember Capilli, Councilmember Metzdorf and Council President Epstein

Mayor Misciagna: To everybody, here's to a great 2022, I am looking forward to a much better year! God Bless everyone and Happy New Year!

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Magdalena Giandomenico
Borough Clerk