

MEETING OF MARCH 1, 2017

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, NEW JERSEY, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, HOBOKEN, NEW JERSEY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2017 AT 7:00 PM

Council President opened the meeting at 7:04 P.M. and stated, "I would like to advise all those present that notice of this meeting has been provided to the public in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, and that notice was published in the Jersey Journal and on the City website, copies were provided in the Hoboken Reporter, The Record, The Newark Star-Ledger and also placed on the bulletin board in the lobby of City Hall. If any Councilperson or member of the public believes that this meeting or any portion thereof, is in violation of the Open Public Meetings Act, they are requested to so advise the City Council and City Clerk at this time, or at the time of the believed violation, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-17. Written objections, if any shall be made in writing to the City Clerk."

Roll call: Council persons Bhalla, DeFusco, Doyle, Cunningham, Fisher, Giattino, Mello Ramos, Jr. Russo and President Giattino

ABSENT: None.

Council President comments that the 2nd readings will be heard at the March 15, 2017 meeting

ORDINANCES

2ND Readings and Final reading

1. ~~BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FOR THE REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF PIER "A" IN THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$4,000,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$3,800,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING (sponsored by Councilman Ramos and Councilwoman Fisher) (carried to March 15th council meeting)~~
2. ~~AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE HOBOKEN CITY CODE CHAPTER 190 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" TO AMEND TRAFFIC CIRCULATION REGULATIONS ON HARRISON STREET AND TWELFTH STREET AND CURBSIDE PARKING AND LOADING ON EIGHTH STREET (sponsored by Councilman Russo and Councilman Doyle) (carried to March 15th council meeting)~~

3. ~~AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE I, CHAPTER 46 OF THE HOBOKEN CITY CODE ENTITLED "LEASE AGREEMENTS" AT § 46-6 TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE WITH THE HOBOKEN CHARTER SCHOOL (sponsored by Councilman Mello and Councilman Ramos) (carried to March 15th council meeting)~~

SUB-COMMITTEE

Councilman Bhalla comments on the infrastructure committee met for the PSE & G lines are going a program to transfer the Madison substation and consolidate the energy lines and coordinate with the road resurfacing for the 5.5 M bond ordinance, the lines will be starting this summer, the water main break, according to the memo from Mayor Zimmer, she's going to start to look at a bigger investment like around \$1M to use that money to finance to get 19M for a renewal, nothing has not yet been presented yet but that's the next step. The Health and Human services met about Pier A, which consists of Port Authority and two developers but we were unable to meet an agreement for repairs which is an excess of \$6M and Director Pellegrini is meeting with the other stakeholders Councilman Cunningham comments that the North Community Development meeting, had a vibrant conversation with CBRE the hotel consultant in regards to Block 112 aka the Western Edge a mixed use space, and talked about the hotel component, we are still far away for a Redevelopment agreement, regarding last week's Post Office project, that was a productive conversation with the expectation with a plan from the Council for the March 15th meeting, there's a survey for the North End that will be released to the public shortly and appreciate the committee members for their input and it's been beneficial and the professionals have been very helpful Councilman Doyle comments about the The Zoning Master Plan regarding the business district expansion and follow-up on March 8th at 7 PM to meet and discuss more about this, there's progress, it's complicated but should have something soon Councilwoman Fisher comments that there will be budget hearings on Monday, March 27th and Wed., March 29th and April 3rd and start at 6:00 PM for the budget hearings and encourage to public to come in and ask questions, there was an affordable housing sub-committee meeting, hope to finalize the manuals for Affordable Housing (workforce) and get it finalized in the next couple of weeks and hope to give Hoboken residents have priority, we met with our tenant advisor and as well as Suzan Hetman who runs our rent control office, we talked about ways to provide better ways to provide information to the residents and also place it on the website for tenants and landlords

Council President comments on a moment of silence for Michele Russo

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The speakers who spoke: George Stafford representing NJ Highlands and Keep it Green comments and would like the Council to consider a few resolutions to consider, the NJ Water plan, Mary Ondrejka, Mary Kelly, James Vance, Michael Evers, Sharell Pollack, Karen Nassan, Patricia Waiters, Elizabeth Adams

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

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Miscellaneous Licenses

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0
---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino
---Nays: None.

Received and filed

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

No Reports for this meeting

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CLAIMS

Total for this agenda **\$1,228,518.43**

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0
---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino
---Nays: None.

Received and Filed

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PAYROLL

For the two week period starting January 26, 2017 – February 8, 2017

Regular Payroll	O/T Pay	Other Pay
\$1,729,407.68	\$80,077.60	\$149,799.51

Total
\$1,934,048.38

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RETRO PAYMENTS FOR EACH DEPARTMENTS ON FEB. 17, 2017

Other Pay
\$1,948,053.24

Total
\$1,948,053.24

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RETRO ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT, POLICE, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR AND FLEET ADJUSTMENTS ON FEB. 17, 2017

Other Pay
\$8,687.55

Total
\$8,687.55

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0
---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino
---Nays: None.

Received and filed

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

The speakers who spoke: John Curley, Dan Tumpson, Cheryl Fallick, Mary Ondrejka, Dev Nayar, Mary Kelly, James

CONSENT AGENDA A1-A2, A4 , CD1-CD2, TX1, TX2, TX3, TX4 , TS1, CL1

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0
---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino
---Nays: None.

Consent Agenda defined: All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine business by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a council member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

Pulled from the agenda for discussion: A3, CD3, CD4, CD5
Removed by Administration:

RESOLUTIONS

Administration

17-167

---By Councilwoman Fisher

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF UP TO OF \$4,840,150 OF BONDS OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN CONSISTING OF THE CITY'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2017B, AND THE CITY'S GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2017C; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE LOAN AGREEMENTS TO BE EXECUTED BY THE CITY AND EACH OF THE NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST AND STATE OF NEW , ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION; FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN ESCROW AGREEMENT, ALL PURSUANT TO THE 2017 NEW JERSEY ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE TRUST FINANCING PROGRAM; AND DETERMINING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

BACKGROUND

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken, County of Hudson, New Jersey ("City") has determined there exists a need for the Construction of Southwest Resiliency Park (Block 12) to address current flooding issues with green infrastructure and an underground retention system ("2017 Project"), as described in that certain Loan Agreement ("Trust Loan Agreement") to be entered into between the City and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust ("Trust") and that certain Loan Agreement ("Fund Loan Agreement"; together with the Trust Loan Agreement, the "Loan Agreements") to be entered into between the City and the State of New Jersey, acting by and through the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("State"), all pursuant to the 2017 New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust Financing Program ("Program"); and,

WHEREAS, the City has determined to use the proceeds of a loan to be made by each of the Trust ("Trust Loan") and the State ("Fund Loan"; together with the Trust Loan, the "Loans") pursuant to the Trust Loan Agreement and the Fund Loan Agreement, respectively, to permanently finance the 2017 Project; and,

WHEREAS, to evidence the Loans, each of the Trust and the State require the City to authorize, execute and deliver its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017B, to the Trust ("2017B Bonds") and its General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017C, to the State ("2017C Bonds"; together with the 2017B Bonds, the "2017 Bonds"), pursuant to the terms of applicable law and pursuant to the terms of the Loan Agreements; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Bond Law, constituting Chapter 169 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented ("Local Bond Law"), the City Council has, pursuant to Bond Ordinance No. Z-370, duly and finally adopted and published in accordance with the requirements of the Local Bond Law ("Bond Ordinance"), authorized

the issuance of general obligation bonds or bond anticipation notes of the City to finance the costs of the 2017 Project; and,

WHEREAS, the Trust and the State have expressed their desire to close in escrow the making of the Loans, the issuance of the 2017 Bonds and the execution and delivery of the Loan Agreements, all pursuant to the terms of an Escrow Agreement ("Escrow Agreement") to be entered into between the Trust, the State, the Escrow Agent and the City; and,

WHEREAS, to effectuate the financing plan described in the above mentioned paragraphs, it is necessary for the City to adopt this resolution and to authorize and approve the issuance and sale of the 2017 Bonds in a principal amount up to \$4,840,150; and,

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:2-27(a)(2) allows for the sale of the 2017B Bonds and the 2017C Bonds to the Trust and the State, respectively, without any public offering, and *N.J.S.A.* 58:11B-9(a) allows for the sale of the 2017 Bonds to the Trust, without any public offering, all under the terms and conditions set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY, PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL BOND LAW (NOT LESS THAN TWO-THIRDS OF ALL THE MEMBERS THEREOF AFFIRMATIVELY CONCURRING), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City hereby authorizes and approves the issuance of the 2017 Bonds in two (2) or more series in a total principal amount of up to \$4,840,150 to be designated, "City of Hoboken, County of Hudson, New Jersey, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017B" and "City of Hoboken, County of Hudson, New Jersey, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017C", respectively. The 2017 Bonds will be used to pay the costs of the 2017 Project. In accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 40A:2-27(a)(2) and *N.J.S.A.* 58:11B-9(a), the City hereby sells and awards the 2017B Bonds and the 2017C Bonds to the Trust and to the State in accordance with the provisions hereof.

Section 2. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to determine in accordance with the Local Bond Law and pursuant to the terms and conditions established by the Trust and the State under the Loan Agreements and the terms and conditions hereof, the following items with respect to the 2017B Bonds and the 2017C Bonds:

- (a) The aggregate principal amount of the 2017B Bonds and the 2017C Bonds to be issued;
- (b) The maturity and annual principal installments of the 2017B Bonds and 2017C Bonds, which maturity shall not exceed thirty (30) years;
- (c) The date of the 2017 Bonds;
- (d) The interest rates of the 2017 Bonds;
- (e) The purchase price for the 2017 Bonds; and
- (f) The terms and conditions under which the 2017 Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities.

Any determination made by the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to the terms hereof shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution and attestation of the 2017 Bonds by the

parties authorized under Section 3 hereof.

Section 3. The 2017 Bonds shall be in the form prescribed and permitted by the Local Bond Law, as Bond Counsel may advise, and as the City, the Trust and the State shall approve. The 2017 Bonds shall be issued in fully registered form and shall be payable to the registered owners thereof as to principal and interest in lawful money of the United States of America. The 2017 Bonds will be executed on behalf of the City by the manual signatures or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer, attested by the City Clerk (such execution shall constitute conclusive approval by the City of the form of the 2017 Bonds), and shall bear the affixed, imprinted or reproduced seal of the City thereon. The 2017B Bonds and the 2017C Bonds shall be substantially in the form set forth in the Trust Loan Agreement and the Fund Loan Agreement, respectively.

Section 4. The terms of the 2017 Bonds authorized to be set forth by the Chief Financial Officer in accordance with Section 2 hereof shall be ratified by the affirmative vote of 2/3 of the full members of the City Council.

Section 5. The full faith and credit of the City are irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the 2017 Bonds and, to the extent payment is not otherwise provided, the City shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all taxable real property within the City without limitation as to rate or amount for the payment thereof.

Section 6. Each of the Trust Loan Agreement, Fund Loan Agreement and the Escrow Agreement are hereby authorized to be executed and delivered on behalf of the City by the Mayor or Chief Financial Officer in substantially the forms on file in the offices of the City, with such changes as the Mayor, Administrator, Director of Finance or Chief Financial Officer in their respective sole discretion, after consultation with counsel and any advisors to the City and after further consultation with the Trust and the State and their representatives, agents, counsel and advisors, shall determine, such determination to be conclusively evidenced by the execution of each of such Trust Loan Agreement, Fund Loan Agreement and Escrow Agreement by an authorized officer as determined hereunder. The City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk are each hereby severally authorized to attest to the execution of the Trust Loan Agreement, Fund Loan Agreement and Escrow Agreement by an authorized officer of the City as determined hereunder and to affix the corporate seal of the City to such documents.

Section 7. All actions heretofore taken and documents prepared or executed by or on behalf of the City by the Mayor, Administrator, Director of Finance, Chief Financial Officer, City Clerk, other City officials or by the City's professional advisors, in connection with the issuance and sale of the 2017 Bonds or the 2017 Project are hereby ratified, confirmed, approved and adopted.

Section 8. The Mayor, Administrator, Director of Finance, Chief Financial Officer and City Clerk are each hereby authorized to determine all matters and execute all documents and instruments in connection with the 2017 Bonds or the 2017 Project not determined or otherwise directed to be executed by the Local Bond Law, the Bond Ordinance, or by this or any subsequent resolution, and the signature of the Mayor, Administrator, Director of Finance, Chief Financial Officer or City Clerk on such documents or instruments

shall be conclusive as to such determinations.

Section 9. All other resolutions, or parts thereof, inconsistent herewith are hereby rescinded and repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

Section 10. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption this 1st day of March, 2017.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Ramos

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

17-168

---By Councilwoman Fisher

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ADDENDUM WITH UNDERGROUND UTILITIES CORPORATION FOR THE WASHINGTON STREET REDESIGN PROJECT

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 16-677 (agenda item A4) dated October 19, 2016, the City awarded a contract to Underground Utilities Corporation (“Underground Utilities”) to perform construction services for the Washington Street Redesign Project (“Project”), as delineated in Bid No. 16-09; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. TS3 dated February 1, 2017, the City resolved to include an addendum to the contract and allow Underground Utilities to utilize 12,000 square feet of the northern satellite lot of the BASF site (Block 113, Lot 1), for staging during the construction project at a rate of \$2,000.00 per month, which is the Fair Rental Value of the property according to the analysis conducted by McGuire Associates, LLC; and,

WHEREAS, based on the need of Underground Utilities for a larger staging area, the City wishes to amend the addendum and allow Underground Utilities to utilize a larger space to stage its equipment and supplies; and,

WHEREAS, the City will allow Underground Utilities to move their staging operation to a portion of the southern satellite lot of the BASF site (Block 103 Lots 7-26), and increase their total square footage to approximately 30,000 square feet; and,

WHEREAS, in consideration for utilizing the aforementioned property during the Project, Underground Utilities will pay the City \$5,400.00 per month, which is based on the Fair Rental Value of the property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City is authorized to amend the addendum to the contract with Underground Utilities to allow Underground Utilities to utilize a portion of the southern satellite lot of the BASF site (Block 103 Lots 7-26), for staging purposes during the Washington Street Redesign Project at a rate of \$5,400.00 per month; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately, subject to the following conditions:

1. The award of this contract is subject to finalization of the contract terms.
2. Any change orders which shall become necessary shall be subject to the City's ability to appropriate sufficient funds, which appropriation shall be at the sole discretion of the City Council.
3. The Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, or her designee, to execute any and all documents and take any and all actions necessary to complete and realize the intent and purpose of this resolution.
4. The mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute an agreement as outlined herein with:

Underground Utilities Corp.
711 Commerce Road
Linden, New Jersey 07036

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Ramos

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

17-169

---By Councilman DeFusco

RESOLUTION URGING THE ADMINISTRATION TO PRESERVE THE INTERIOR OF THE STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 901-907 BLOOMFIELD, A BUILDING ON THE NATIONAL REGISTER

WHEREAS, the structure at 901-907 Bloomfield Street is a historic church, built in 1890 from a design by French, Dixon & DeSaldern, and added to the National Register in 2006; and,

WHEREAS, the Zoning Board of Adjustment has authorized multiple variances to permit a change of use to condos and to increase height; and,

WHEREAS, the owner of 901-907 Bloomfield has partial ownership of 83 Willow Ave -- a property in which the City has entered into an interim cost agreement with and

which is currently being reviewed by the Council's Southern Development Subcommittee; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council firmly believes that preserving historically relevant structures is essential to community development; and,

WHEREAS, rehabilitation within the context of the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for rehabilitation calls for the preservation of exterior and interior portions or features of the building that are significant to its historic, architectural and cultural values; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council believes there to be a finite window in which to negotiate offsetting bulk from 901-907 Bloomfield St to 83 Willow Ave, thus preserving the unique interior and exterior architecture of the church; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council knows that an adaptively reused historic structure can provide a dynamic community space for our young families, seniors and the performing and visual arts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of Hoboken that we would like to begin negotiations with the property owners at the subcommittee meeting of 6 March 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that should the property owner have already commenced work on 901-907 Bloomfield Street, that the governing body urges the administration to do everything in its power to incentivize the delay of construction at 901-907 Bloomfield Street, including, but not limited to, prioritizing 83 Willow Avenue.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Ramos
---Failed by the following vote: Yeas: 4 Nays: 5
---Yeas: Council persons DeFusco, Mello Ramos, Russo
---Nays: Bhalla, Cunningham, Doyle, Fisher and Giattino

17-170

---By Councilwoman Fisher

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO SIRREEL PRODUCTIONS LLC FOR AV AND WEB STREAMING SERVICES TO THE CITY OF HOBOKEN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,500.00

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken utilized a competitive contracting RFP to solicit proposals for AV and Web Streaming Services to the City, specifically, to stream the City Council meetings; and,

WHEREAS, the City received two responsive proposals from: Sirreel Productions LLC and Malka Media; and,

WHEREAS, the proposals were reviewed and evaluated by designated individuals, and Sirreel Productions LLC received the highest score from all evaluators, in accordance with the attached memorandum; and,

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends awarding a contract to Sirreel Productions LLC in accordance with their proposal which is attached hereto, in the amount of \$22,500.00 per year plus a \$1,000.00 equipment charge, for a period of one (1) year, with four (4) one (1) year options to renew at the sole discretion of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hoboken that a contract is awarded to Sirreel Productions LLC for AV and Web Streaming Services, in accordance with the attached proposal of Sirreel, in the amount of \$23,500.00 total, for a one (1) year term to expire on March 1, 2018, with four (4) one (1) year options to renew at the sole discretion of the City, as follows:

1. The above recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The terms of the RFP and Sirreel's responsive proposal shall govern the contract, and no changes may be made without the prior written consent of both parties.
3. Any change orders which shall become necessary shall be subject to the City's ability to appropriate sufficient funds, which appropriation shall be at the sole discretion of the City Council.
4. The Council hereby authorizes the Mayor, or her designee, to execute any and all documents and take any and all actions necessary to complete and realize the intent and purpose of this resolution.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Ramos

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

Community Development

17-171

---By Councilman Cunningham

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF
HOBOKEN AND 527 MONROE STREET LLC, OWNER OF BLOCK 67 LOTS 14-15
(a/k/a 527-531 Monroe Street), FOR USE AND MAINTENANCE OF A
PORTION OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY ADJACENT TO SAID PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken requires property owners to maintain the public right-of-way adjacent to their property, including but not limited to sidewalks, stairs, stoops, fences, areaways, trees and other landscaping; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken encourages property owners to landscape and otherwise improve said right-of-way to enhance the urban landscape; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken and the City Council, by resolution, provides for the issuance of license agreements for the aforementioned purpose; and

WHEREAS, the applicant desires to receive and the City of Hoboken agrees to grant to 527 Monroe Street LLC, owner of Block 67 Lots 14-15, more commonly known as 527-531 Monroe Street, Hoboken, represented by Mark Galorenzo, such a license.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hoboken, as follows:

- 1) Approval of the attached License Agreement between the City of Hoboken and 527 Monroe Street LLC, owner of Block 67 Lots 14-15, more commonly known as 527-531 Monroe Street, shall be subject and limited to the details and specifications included in the attached Application and Minervini Vandermark Architecture encroachment detail drawings (4 pages dated 01/10/2017);
- 2) The Mayor or her agent is hereby authorized to enter into the attached agreement; and
- 3) This resolution shall become effective immediately up adoption.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Mello

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

17-172

---By Councilman Cunningham

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HOBOKEN AND SMITH-GEORGE LLC, OWNER OF BLOCK 17 LOTS 13-14 (a/k/a 75-77 Madison Street), FOR USE AND MAINTENANCE OF A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY ADJACENT TO SAID PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken requires property owners to maintain the public right-of-way adjacent to their property, including but not limited to sidewalks, stairs, stoops, fences, areaways, trees and other landscaping; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken encourages property owners to landscape and otherwise improve said right-of-way to enhance the urban landscape; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken and the City Council, by resolution, provides for the issuance of license agreements for the aforementioned purpose; and

WHEREAS, the applicant desires to receive and the City of Hoboken agrees to grant to Smith-George LLC, owner of Block 17 Lots 13-14, more commonly known as 75-77 Madison Street, Hoboken, represented by Paraic Monaghan, such a license.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hoboken, as follows:

- 1) Approval of the attached License Agreement between the City of Hoboken and Smith-George LLC, owner of Block 17 Lots 13-14, more commonly known as 75-77 Madison Street, shall be subject and limited to the details and specifications included in the attached Application and Minervini Vandermark Architecture encroachment detail drawings (4 pages dated 01/12/2017);
- 2) The Mayor or her agent is hereby authorized to enter into the attached agreement; and
- 3) This resolution shall become effective immediately up adoption.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Mello

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

17-173

---By Councilman Cunningham

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT OF THE INTERIM COST AND CONDITIONAL REDEVELOPER DESIGNATION AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF HOBOKEN AND LCOR RAIL STATION HOBOKEN, LLC

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken (“City”) entered into an Interim Cost and Conditional Designation Agreement the (“Agreement”), on or about July 7, 2016 with LCOR Rail Station Hoboken, LLC, having its address at 1 Penn Plaza, New York, New York (“LCOR”); and,

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for LCOR to be conditionally designated as the Redeveloper for the site located at Block 229, Lots 1 and 2 and Block 139, Lots 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 3 and 4 on the Tax Map of the City of Hoboken (collectively, the “Project Site”) on the condition that the parties negotiate and execute an Overarching Redevelopment Agreement within the term of the Interim Cost and Conditional Redevelopment Designation Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the term of the Agreement was for a 195-day period, and is permitted to be extended by the City; and,

WHEREAS, the parties continue to negotiate the terms and conditions of an Overarching Redevelopment Agreement for the redevelopment of the Project Site; and,

WHEREAS, the City has determined that it is in the public interest to extend the Agreement until such time as an Overarching Redevelopment Agreement has been executed, or it has otherwise been determined that an Overarching Redevelopment Agreement cannot be successfully negotiated and executed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hoboken as follows:

1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an Amendment of the Interim Cost and Conditional Designation Agreement between the City and LCOR, in a form either the same or substantially similar to that attached hereto as “**Exhibit A.**”
2. Staff and consultants to the City are hereby authorized and directed to take all other administrative actions to implement this Resolution as are necessary and appropriate to accomplish its goals and intent.
3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Mello

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

17-174

---By Councilman Cunningham

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT OF THE INTERIM COST AND CONDITIONAL REDEVELOPER DESIGNATION AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF HOBOKEN AND 83 WILLOW AVE. APARTMENTS, LLC

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken (“City”) entered into an Interim Cost and Conditional Designation Agreement the (“Agreement”), on or about April 8, 2016 with 83 Willow Ave. Apartments, LLC, having its address at 931 Hudson Street #5, Hoboken, New Jersey 07030 (“83 Willow”); and,

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for 83 Willow to be conditionally designated as the Redeveloper for the site located at Block 1, Lots 11, 12, 13 and 14 on the Tax Map of the City of Hoboken (collectively, the “Project Site”) on the condition that the parties negotiate and execute a Redevelopment Agreement within the term of the Interim Cost and Conditional Redevelopment Designation Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the term of the Agreement was for a 90-day period and is permitted to be extended by the City; and,

WHEREAS, the parties continue to negotiate the terms and condition of a Redevelopment Agreement for the redevelopment of the Project Site; and,

WHEREAS, the City has determined that it is in the public interest to extend the Agreement until such time as a Redevelopment Agreement has been executed, or it has been determined that a Redevelopment Agreement cannot be successfully negotiated and executed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hoboken as follows:

1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an Amendment of the Interim Cost and Conditional Designation Agreement between the City and 83 Willow, in a form the same or substantially similar to that attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
2. Staff and consultants to the City are hereby authorized and directed to take all other administrative actions to implement this Resolution as are necessary and appropriate to accomplish its goals and intent.
3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Mello

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

17-175

---By Councilman Cunningham

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT OF THE INTERIM COST AND CONDITIONAL REDEVELOPER DESIGNATION AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF HOBOKEN AND JUST BLOCK 112, LLC

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken (“City”) entered into an Interim Cost and Conditional Designation Agreement the (“Agreement”), on or about July 6, 2016 with Just Block 112, LLC, having its address at 917 Castle Point Terrace, Hoboken, New Jersey 07030 (“Just Block 112”); and,

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for Just Block 112 to be conditionally designated as the Redeveloper for the site located at Block 112, Lots 1 - 32 on the Tax Map of the City of Hoboken (collectively, the “Project Site”) on the condition that the parties negotiate and execute a Redevelopment Agreement within the term of the Interim Cost and Conditional Redevelopment Designation Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the term of the Agreement was for a 90-day period, is permitted to be extended by the City; and,

WHEREAS, the parties continue to negotiate the terms and condition of a Redevelopment Agreement for the redevelopment of the Project Site; and,

WHEREAS, the City has determined that it is in the public interest to extend the Agreement until such time as a Redevelopment Agreement has been executed, or it has been determined that a Redevelopment Agreement cannot be successfully negotiated and executed.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved by the City Council of the City of Hoboken as follows:

1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an Amendment of the Interim Cost and Conditional Designation Agreement between the City and Just Block 112, in a form substantially similar as that attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
2. Staff and consultants to the City are hereby authorized and directed to take all other administrative actions to implement this Resolution as are necessary and appropriate to accomplish its goals and intent.
3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Mello
 ---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0
 ---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino
 ---Nays: None.

Tax Collector

17-176

---By Councilwoman Fisher

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS (PAYABLE TO THE INDIVIDUALS LISTED ON THE RESOLUTION FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$46,827.81)

WHEREAS, an overpayment of taxes has been made on the properties listed below; and,

WHEREAS, Sharon Curran, Collector of Revenue for the City of Hoboken, recommends that the following refunds be made in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-69.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a warrant be drawn on the City Treasury in the total amount of **\$46,827.81**, made payable to the following:

NAME	BL/LT/UNIT	PROPERTY	QTR/YEAR	AMOUNT
Sophie Loukou & Brou-Kangah 706 Willow Avenue #3R Hoboken, NJ 07030	159/21/ C003R	706 Willow Ave	3/16	\$1,453.73

Douglas & Nicola McG 2 Runnymede Road Chatham, NJ 07928	159/4/C002 C	711 Clinton St	4/16	\$2,002.23
Thomas Rausch 358 Sixth Street #2L Hoboken, NJ 07030	79/3/C002L	356-360 Sixth St	4/16	\$1,258.72
Leo Buonsanto 514 Park Avenue Hoboken, NJ 07030	261.04/1/ CP030	1025 Maxwell Lane	4/16	\$140.43
First American Title Com 1855 Gateway Blvd, Ste. Concord, CA 94520	186/8/ C004D	159 Newark St	4/16	\$2,381.82
Wells Fargo Home Mortg 1 Home Campus MAC X2302-04D Des Moines, IA 50238	38/24/C004 A	220 Jefferson St	4/16	\$2,194.43

NAME	BL/LT/UN IT	PROPERTY	QTR/YEA R	AMOUNT
Chase Attn: Refunds Department P.O. Box 961227 Ft. Worth, TX 76161-0227	2.01/5/ C005B	84 Willow Ave.	4/16	\$3,690.00
Chase Attn: Refunds Department P.O. Box 961227 Ft. Worth, TX 76161-0227	95/25/C004 D	904 Jefferson St	3/16	\$2,496.18
Corelogic Commercial Tax Attn: Refund Department P.O. Box 961009 Ft. Worth, TX 76161-0009	186/13	76 Bloomfield St	1/17	\$31,210.27

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Ramos

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

17-177

---By Councilwoman Fisher

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REFUND FROM A TAX APPEAL THAT WAS FILED IN THE STATE TAX COURT (PAYABLE TO THE INDIVIDUALS LISTED ON THE RESOLUTION FOR THE AMOUNT OF **\$6,204.00**)

WHEREAS, a tax appeal was filed in the State Tax Court regarding the property listed below; and,

WHEREAS, the Court entered judgment which reduced the assessed value of the property; and,

WHEREAS, as a result, Sharon Curran, Collector of Revenue for the City of Hoboken recommends that a refund be made in accordance with the judgement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a warrant be drawn on the City Treasury in the total amount of **\$6,204.00**, made payable to the following:

NAME	BL/LT/U NIT	PROPERTY	QTR/YEA R	AMOUNT
Beattie Padovano, LLC Trust 50 Chestnut Ridge Road, Ste 2 P.O. Box 244 Montvale, NJ 07645-0244	213/15.0 1	235 Washington St	2016	\$6,204.00

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Ramos

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

17-178

---By Councilwoman Fisher

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELATION OF OVER BILLED 1ST & 2ND QUARTERS OF 2017 FROM THE EXTENDED TAX DUPLICATE

WHEREAS, an overbill of taxes has been made on properties listed below; and,

WHEREAS, Sal Bonaccorsi, Tax Assessor, recommends that the over billed taxes be cancelled and removed from the 2017 Extended Tax Duplicate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following overbills shall be canceled and removed from the 2017 Extended Tax Duplicate:

NAME	BL/LT/UNIT	PROPERTY	QTR/YEAR	AMOUNT
84 Willow Ave. Condo Assoc.	2.01/5	84 Willow Ave	1&2/17	\$11,979.93
206 Adams St Condos	40/29	206 Adams St	1&2/17	\$12,446.78
213 Adams St LLC	41/7	213 Adams St	1&2/17	\$ 2,763.11
409 Jefferson St LLC	60/5	409 Jefferson St	1&2/17	\$ 3,577.38
411 Jefferson St LLC	60/6	411 Jefferson St	1&2/17	\$ 5,744.13
Kamm Development Gr. LLC	70/26	504 Grand St	1&2/17	\$ 4,051.99
612 Jefferson St LLC	76/28	612 Jefferson St	1&2/17	\$12,686.41
RB Holdings 3 Corp.	159/2	703 Clinton St	1&2/17	\$4,051.99
705 Clinton St Condo Assoc	159/3.01	705 Clinton St	1&2/17	\$4,924.43
1023 Wash LLC C/O Linda Goldberg	221/5	1023 Washington St	1&2/17	\$ 9,206.74
Caulfield, Robert A.	238/1	901-903 Hudson St	1&2/17	\$36,517.52
74 Madison St Condo Assoc.	16/32	74 Madison St	1&2/17	\$3,315.27
Adams 327 LLC	51/14/C001R	327 Adams St	1&2/17	\$1,250.11
Adams 327 LLC	51/14/C002L	327 Adams St	1&2/17	\$1,382.72
Adams 327 LLC	51/14/C002R	327 Adams St	1&2/17	\$2,688.66
Adams 327 LLC	51/14/C003L	327 Adams St	1&2/17	\$1,382.72
Adams 327 LLC	51/14/C003R	327 Adams St	1&2/17	\$1,382.72
Adams 327 LLC	51/14/C004L	327 Adams St	1&2/17	\$1,382.72
Adams 327 LLC	51/14/C004R	327 Adams St	1&2/17	\$1,382.72
Adams 327 LLC	51/14/C005L	327 Adams St	1&2/17	\$1,382.72
Hudson St Investment Re LLC	184/38/C0002	906 Garden St	1&2/17	\$2,742.17
Hudson St Investment Re LLC	184/38/C0003	906 Garden St	1&2/17	\$2,725.11
TDC URSA Hoboken Sales	104/17	1124-30 Adams St	1&2/17	\$3,315.27

FGAM LLC	85/15.05	726 Grand St	1&2/17	\$3,444.00
FGAM LLC	85/15.06	728 Grand St	1&2/17	\$3,444.00
FGAM LLC	85/15.07	730 Grand St	1&2/17	\$3,444.00
FGAM LLC	85/15.08	732 Grand St	1&2/17	\$3,444.00
Monroe St Management LLC	28/6	111 Monroe St	1&2/17	\$3,050.04
605 Jackson Hoboken LLC	74/13	625-627 Jackson St	1&2/17	\$8,979.52
605 Jackson Hoboken LLC	74/15	629-633 Jackson St	1&2/17	\$8,902.74
605 Jackson Hoboken LLC	74/18	628-632 Jackson St	1&2/17	\$9,066.37
1312 Adams Storage LLC	113/23	1312 Adams St	1&2/17	\$5,637.89
FIG Tree Development LLC	166/34.02	306 Park Ave.	1&2/17	\$9,631.71

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Ramos

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

17-179

---By Councilwoman Fisher

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN AN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE PILOT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to promulgated by the Director of the Division of Government Services; and,

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has promulgated rules and regulations to permit pilot programs relative to the electronic tax sale process; and,

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services has approved New Jersey Tax Lien Investors/RealAuction.com to conduct pilot programs for electronic tax sales; and,

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations referenced above authorize a municipality to submit an application for participation in the pilot program for an electronic tax sale; and,

WHEREAS, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more complete tax sale process; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Hoboken wishes to participate in the pilot program for an electronic tax sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hoboken, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to complete an application to participate in the electronic tax sale program and submit said application to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if selected, the City is authorized to participate in said pilot program; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Mayor or the Mayor's designee may take any steps necessary to complete the process to allow the City to participate in the pilot program.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Ramos

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

Transportation

17-180

---By Councilman Russo

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CHANGE ORDER AND CLOSE OUT TO THE CITY'S CONTRACT WITH REGGIO CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE MUNICIPAL RESURFACING & INTERSECTION SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM (PACKAGE A) IN THE DECREASED AMOUNT OF \$15,363.48

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to Reggio Construction, Inc. for the Municipal Resurfacing & Intersection Safety Improvements Program (Package A), in the original amount of \$1,295,677.93; and,

WHEREAS, Change Order #1 was approved by the City Council on July 8, 2015, in the increased amount of \$50,000.00, for a new total contract amount of \$1,345,677.93; and,

WHEREAS, the City subsequently received the attached request from Boswell Engineering to award Change Order #2 decreasing the contract amount by \$15,363.48, which equates to a decrease in the total contract amount by 1.14%, and then closing out the contract; and,

WHEREAS, in accordance with the direction of the Administration, the City Council therefore wishes to approve Change Order #2 decreasing the contract with Reggio Construction, Inc. by \$15,363.48 and closing out the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hoboken that Change Order #2 to the City's contract with Reggio Construction, Inc. for the Municipal Resurfacing & Intersection Safety Improvements Program (Package A) is granted, so that the contract amount is decreased by \$15,363.48 and closed out, for a final contract amount of \$1,330,314.45.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Doyle
---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0
---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino
---Nays: None.

Clerk

17-181

---By Councilman Doyle

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL DATED: REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 15, 2017

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Russo
---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0
---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino
---Nays: None.

ORDINANCES

Introduction and First Reading

17-182

Z-477

---By Council President Giattino

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE I, CHAPTER 46 OF THE HOBOKEN CITY CODE ENTITLED "LEASE AGREEMENTS" AT § 46-5 TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE WITH THE TRUSTEES OF THE HOBOKEN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

WHEREAS, Hoboken's free public library will be closed due to the Trustees' Lower Level Preservation and Rehabilitation Project ("Project"); and,

WHEREAS, in order to enable the Trustees of the Hoboken Free Public Library (“Trustees”) to continue to provide library services to the residents of Hoboken, the City intends to lease a portion of the Hoboken Multiservice Center to the Trustees for public library use while the library is closed; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14(b) which allows a municipality to lease property not needed for public use to a public body for nominal or other consideration.

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The following additions shall be made to Hoboken City Code Article I § 46-5 to read as follows:

§ 46-5 through § 46-9. (Reserved) Execution of Lease Agreement with the Board of Trustees of the Hoboken Public Library

The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into and execute the attached lease agreement (Exhibit A) and same shall become part of the Hoboken Administrative Code for the term of the lease.

Section 2: This Ordinance shall be a part of the Code of the City of Hoboken as though codified and fully set forth therein. The City Clerk shall have this Ordinance codified and incorporated in the official copies of the Code.

Section 3: The City Clerk and the Corporation Counsel are authorized and directed to change any Chapter, Article and/or Section number of the Code of the City of Hoboken in the event that the codification of this Ordinance reveals that there is a conflict between the numbers and the existing Code, and in order to avoid confusion and possible accidental repealers of existing provisions not intended to be repealed.

Section 4: This ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

Section 5: All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only however, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being the legislative intent that all ordinances or part of ordinances now existing or in effect unless the same being conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance shall remain in effect. This Ordinance shall also supersede any inconsistent provisions contained in any resolution or ordinance previously adopted by the Hoboken City Council.

Section 6: The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remaining in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

Section 7: This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

---Motion duly seconded by Councilman Doyle

---Adopted by the following vote: Yeas: 9 Nays: 0

---Yeas: Council persons Bhalla, Cunningham, DeFusco, Doyle, Fisher, Mello, Ramos, Russo and President Giattino

---Nays: None.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Ramos comments on March 9th the traffic light on Jackson Street bid and hopefully will be placed before August 2017 date, also the appraisal for Academy site, there should be some dates to meet and hopefully get some results, also in the 4th Ward, Monday, March 6th night 7-9 PM there will be a community dinner from Julia Cruz from Hoboken Grace Church, the boys and girls club, many kids would want a teen center, going to use the Boys and Girls Club and start it on Saturday, March 18th, there would be video games, music, fitness and basketball, make it for 13-19 for Hoboken residents and need volunteers and make it entertaining and want to make this a great event so they can come back and would like make two slots for the age appropriate groups, True Mentors, a lot of folks are engaged in this conversation and finalizing a program for it, the Housing Authority basketball court would be done

Councilman DeFusco comments on his resolution that he sponsored and hopefully in the future we can resolve it in a better way, Newark street pedestrian safety, the southern side of Newark Street, hopefully they will move forward, hard bump outs, lit striping to help the community in that section, the bump out on Newark St., there has been issues for large trucks or fire trucks turning and maybe consider alternative bump outs and placing them on opposite side of the streets and we have pedestrian safety, about business districts and hopefully expansion on Washington street and to 13th and 14th street to help local businesses out, if we can walk at some dog parts for the surfacing, there's some concerns of removing the dirt

Councilman Bhalla comments and likes the suggestion of the alternative bump outs, March 16th Thursday night at 6:30, there will be a record of decision for June or July toward a secure funding for a Rebuild by Design meeting, also note that PSE & G came to Hoboken to give a presentation at the Jubilee Center for the upgrades for the removal of the substation and transferring to north of Shop Rite and impressed with the level of infrastructure on consolidating into one substation, this is an example of a great investment benefiting the community and hats off to PSE & G

Councilwoman Fisher comments that this Thursday, there will be a meeting for the Maxwell Park, to install new toddler equipment which is donated to the city, its at 7:00 PM at the Hoboken Historical Museum, you should have gotten the CDBG Grant process are due at the end of March and the rewards will be made in July, there are two categories, 15% for more service type, also the gym side of YMCA, they are trying to revitalize the Y, a number of council members have seen it there's some appeal for some space there, we have a survey that was sent out, last week went to a joint state oversight meeting hosted by Bob from Bergen County and the topic was NJ Transit and was invited to attend, would like to highlight the idea of being strategic for linking all various sites, and as we plan on extending the Bergen Light rail, NJ Transit should want that station up there and they should link up with Bergen County and I wanted to include Hoboken in it

Councilman Mello comments that if Councilman Bhalla can keep him informed about the timeline living in our neighborhood and would like to know what's done on that property on Marshall and 2nd, I echo Councilman Ramos for the pleasure for the Administration to convert Patterson to two (2) lanes and have been supportive to Councilman Ramos and once that light is put in, this is absolutely delighted, talked to the Mayor about the Southwest and our first meeting will be next Monday and we are required to have two meetings in a month so there will be some interaction with the Transportation sub-committee and after speaking to Mr. Jarr, there would be some commitment for some Federal funding, and also connect Patterson Plank to connect to Jersey Ave and we need to take a leadership role and I would like to make that happen, and also the importance to finalize our plan for the South West Redevelopment Region

Councilman Russo comments that he plans to have Transportation sub-committee meeting next Tues., and Mr. Jarr said that greater than 60% of the traffic is passing through Hoboken to Jersey City and we would like to incorporate JC and the County to solve this plan and would like to see this happen as soon as possible, did the Mayor look into Pier A regarding binding Arbitration

Corp. Counsel comments

Councilman Russo commented on the memo from the Mayor from United Water and I am requesting all communications such as all water main breaks for some times, if you could just go back and look at it again and what bothered me is that a Council person would need to fill out an OPRA form to get information on this

Corp. Counsel comments that this is correct because if this may cause some more time Councilman Russo comments that he will be requesting it from the City Clerk's office, it's been hectic the last few weeks and missed the Affordable Housing sub-committee and I have gotten a lot of phone calls on where to apply for these 115 affordable housing units and who should they connect, regarding the water main breaks who do they contact in the city

Corporation Counsel comments that they would probably be requesting a Tort Claims Notice

Councilman Russo comments that he would like to thank everyone for all members of the public and a huge thank you to the Hoboken Police Dept. who sent my mother professionally and also with the help of the County, OEM, and the Township of Weehawken and one individual, one (1) officer, Leo who stood attention the whole time, thank you everyone.

Councilman Doyle comments that Councilwoman Fisher, the advertisement for the 115 spots, many of these spots are somewhat misleading, Council President is working on the process and it's different from Clock Towers and there is not 115 units available and Councilman DeFusco we will work together in beating up Mr. Curley, I had visited MOLA Iron Works, the owner John Roja, described some of his obstacles with his business Council President comments that she is very excited that the Post Office will be on the next agenda and that it should be primarily commercial.

At 9:48 PM meeting adjourned of the Governing Body on a motion by Council duly seconded by the Council members

Council President Giattino then adjourned the meeting at 9:48 PM

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CITY CLERK