

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Council Members:

Aimee Corzo, Council Vice President Suezette Given Steven McIntyre Everett Merrill Keiona R. Miller Wendy Schaefer Frank "Skip" Stabile, Council President

Compliance Statement

07-24-23-03a RESOLUTION DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH – (K.R.M.)

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:

Agenda Conference & Regular Meeting for July 10, 2023

Roll Call

HEARING & FINAL PASSAGE OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-11 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 4 OF THE BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED "GENERAL LICENSING", MORE SPECIFICALLY SECTION 4-6, ENTITLED "CANVASSERS," BY REVISING SECTION 4-6 IN ITS ENTIRETY.

Reading of title by the Borough Acting Clerk

MOTION: Close public hearing

RESOLUTIONS: Mr. McIntyre: 07-24-23-01 Adoption and advertising of Ordinance No. 23-11

Roll Call

Roll Call

RESOLUTIONS: Ms. Given: Introduction of Ordinance No. 23-10 07-24-23-02

INTRODUCTION OF NEW ORDINANCE NO. 23-10 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 3 OF THE BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED "POLICE REGULATIONS", MORE SPECIFICALLY, § 3-7.10, ENTITLED "DISORDERLY CONDUCT" AND EVEN MORE PARTICULARLY BY ADDING A NEW § 3-7.10.1, ET SEQ., ENTITLED "BEGGING AND SOLICITING".

Reading of title by the Borough Acting Clerk Roll Call

CONSENT AGENDA

Statement by Council President

Ms. Schaefer:

| 07-24-23-03 | Approving Consent Agenda | Roll Call |
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| b. | Resolution for Refund Overpayment for Owner of 401 15D | US Highway 22, |
| c. | Resolution for Extending Grace Period for Taxes | |
| d. | Resolution for Refund of Construction Permit | |
| e. | Resolution to Cancel Taxes of 413 Tappan Avenue | |
| f. | Resolution for Consolidated Bill List | |

- g. Resolution for 2022 NJDOT Jackson Avenue Bid Award
- h. Resolution for Tax Court Refund

REPORTS: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE QUARTERLY REPORT

Roll Call

COMMUNICATIONS:

| Dynamic Earth Lake Como, NJ | New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Site Remediation Program |
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| New Jersey State League of Municipalities Trenton, NJ | Legislative Bulletin 2022-2023 |
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REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS

PUBLIC COMMENT

General public comments shall be limited to five minutes for each individual. (*Rule 29 of the Borough Council's Rules of Order*)

COMMENTS BY MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-23-03a

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 61,000,000 American adults have disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the United States Census Bureau reports that over 3,000,000 children have disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 was signed into law on July 26, 1990; and

WHEREAS, people with a disability remain at an increased risk of experiencing discrimination, isolation, and inequities; and

WHEREAS, people with disabilities are vital, and make meaningful contributions in the Nation's arts, science, healthcare, technology, sports, education, law, and many more sectors; and

WHEREAS, "DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH" IS CELEBRATED IN JULY BY PEOPLE ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield of Somerset County, State of New Jersey, expresses support for the designation of July 2023 as "Disability Pride Month" and calls on the residents of North Plainfield to observe "Disability Pride Month" with appropriate celebrations and activities; and take an active role in preventing the exclusion of, and discrimination against, individuals with disabilities.

Council President

Introduced: July 24, 2023 Adopted: July 24, 2023 Council Member

I, Michele Irby Garry, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting of the Borough Council held on July 24, 2023.

Date signed: _____

Michele Irby Garry Acting Borough Clerk Borough of North Plainfield

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 23-11

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 4 OF THE BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED "GENERAL LICENSING", MORE SPECIFICALLY SECTION 4-6, ENTITLED "CANVASSERS," BY REVISING SECTION 4-6 IN ITS ENTIRETY.

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40:48-1 and *N.J.S.A.* 40:48-2, the governing body of a municipality may make, amend, repeal and enforce such ordinances, regulations, rules and bylaws not contrary to the laws of this State and/or of the United States, as it may deem necessary and proper for the good of government, order, and protection of person and property and for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants and, as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed by this subtitle, or by any other law; and,

WHEREAS, this grant of authority includes the power to adopt reasonable ordinances for the regulation of canvassing and soliciting for money, credit, property, financial assistance or other thing of any kind or value by the initiation of person-to-person contacts in a specific district or area to make a sale; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Code regulates canvassing and soliciting for different purposes and the Borough Council has determined to strengthen and reinforce the permitting, canvassing and soliciting process for the free dissemination of information as well as the protection of its citizens from fraudulent representations; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds it necessary and appropriate to amend, revise and supplement § 4-6 of the Borough Code regarding canvassing and soliciting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough Code of the Borough of North Plainfield be amended, revised and supplemented as to Chapter 4 of the Borough Code, entitled "General Licensing", more specifically § 4-6, entitled "Canvassers," by revising § 4-6 in its entirety as follows:

§ 4-6 CANVASSERS.

§ 4-6.1 License Permit Required.

No person, except as in this Section provided, shall canvass, solicit or call from house to house in the Borough to sell goods or services by sample or taking orders for current and/or future delivery

of goods or services with or without accepting advance or current payments for the goods or services, without first having reported to and received a written permit from the Chief of Police or the officer in charge at Police Headquarters.

§ 4-6.2 Application.

Any person desiring a permit to canvass or solicit in the Borough shall fill out an application blank with the Chief of Police, or in his absence, the officer in charge at Police Headquarters, stating the name of the applicant, permanent home address, name and address of firm represented, place or places of residence of the applicant for the preceding three (3) years, the length of time for which the permit is desired, nature of the merchandise or services to be provided canvassed or solicited, the number of either arrests or convictions for misdemeanors, <u>disorderly persons offenses</u> or crimes, and the nature of the offenses for which arrested or convicted, which application shall be accompanied by a letter from the individual, partnership or corporation for which <u>he the applicant</u> purports to work, authorizing the applicant to act as <u>his their</u> representative.

§ 4-6.3 Fee, Duration and Display.

- a. After due investigation, in In accordance with the procedures and requirements of the North Plainfield Police Department, upon being satisfied the Chief of Police, or in his absence, the officer in charge at Police Headquarters, shall determine whether that the applicant is of good moral character has been arrested, charged and/or convicted of an offense involving fraud, theft or moral turpitude, and that he is they are canvassing or soliciting for a project free from fraud goods or services by sample or taking orders for current and/or future delivery of goods or services with or without accepting advance or current payments for the goods or services for which no complaint has been filed with any state agency or the Better Business Bureau, or for which no complaint has been made to the North Plainfield Police Department or the Borough of North Plainfield., the
- <u>b.</u> <u>The</u> Chief of Police, or in his absence, the officer in charge at Police Headquarters, shall have the power to grant a permit to canvass or solicit, upon the payment of the sum of \$10 \$25.00 by the applicant, which permit shall specify the number of hours and/or days the permit will be effective, provided however, that the permit will not be effective for a period in excess of 60 30 calendar days, and further provided that no canvassing or soliciting shall be done except between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 8:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Unless fingerprinted within the previous year, each applicant shall be fingerprinted and photographed before a permit shall be issued and copy of the photograph attached to the permit. Upon approval, each solicitor shall make a payment of a sum set by resolution for a permit either valid for no longer than 60 calendar days or for a permit which is valid no longer than one ealendar year. The permittee shall carry the permit and exhibit it to any police officer or other person upon request. A copy of the permit as issued to the permittee shall be provided to the Borough Clerk's office for verification and posting.
- c. No person to whom a permit has been issued under this Section shall represent to any person, entity or corporate representative that they represent any person, entity, company or

corporation other than that person, entity, company or corporation which appears on the letter of authorization presented to the Chief of Police or the Officer in Charge in order to obtain such permit under this Section. No person to whom a permit has been issued under this Section shall represent to any person, entity or corporate representative that they are providing a service or seeking an opinion or other information on behalf of any state agency or entity.

§ 4-6.4 Revocation.

Any permit granted as herein provided, may, in the discretion of the Chief of Police or in his absence the officer in charge at Police Headquarters, be revoked as the result of <u>a complaint which has been filed with any state agency or the Better Business Bureau</u>, or for which a complaint has been made to the North Plainfield Police Department or the Borough of North Plainfield concerning the permit holder or the entity, company or corporation for which the permit holder is canvassing or soliciting, further investigation in regard to the character of the applicant or for the failure or refusal on the part of the permittee to observe the provisions of this Section or any of the rules or regulations that may be hereinafter enacted governing the granting of permits.

§ 4-6.5 Expiration.

On the expiration of the permit, the holder thereof shall surrender it to <u>the Chief of Police or</u> the officer in charge at Police Headquarters or may apply for the renewal of the permit <u>for another 30</u> calendar day period under the provisions of §4-6.2 and §4-6.3 above.

§ 4-6.6 Persons Not Affected.

This Section shall not affect any person engaged in the providing of a service or in the delivery of goods, wares, merchandise or other articles or things in the regular course of business, to the premises of persons ordering or entitled to receive it. Nor shall it affect any established local business or local resident representing the same or any veteran exempt by any statute of the State of New Jersey from the provisions of this Section. The Police Chief, in conjunction and consultation with the Mayor, Borough Administrator and the Borough Attorney, is empowered to enact rules and regulations for carrying this Section into effect.

<u>§ 4-6.7 Penalties</u>

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Section shall, upon conviction of same, be subject to a penalty as established in Chapter 1, Section 1-5.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect, after final passage, twenty (20) days following action or inaction by the Mayor as provided by law or an override of a mayoral veto by the Council, whichever is applicable and publication in accordance with law, unless a resolution is adopted, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:69A-181(b), declaring an emergency and providing that this Ordinance shall take effect at an earlier date.

| INTRODUCED: PASSED: PUBLISHED: ADOPTED: ROLL CALL: | AYES: NAYS: ABSTAIN: ABSENT: | | | | |
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| APPROVED BY 1 | THE MAYOR: | Yes | No | | |
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| Michele Irby-Garry Acting Borough Cl Borough of North I | erk | | Frank A. "Skip | " Stabile, Jr., Co | ouncil President |
| Date signed: | | _, 2023 D | ate signed: | | , 2023 |
| Lawrence LaRondo | e, Mayor | | | | |
| Date signed: | | , 2023 | | | |

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-23-01

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that an ordinance numbered 23-11 be adopted and advertised as required by statute.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: July 24, 2023

Adopted: July 24, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-23-02

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield that an Ordinance numbered 23-10 be read by its title by the Borough Clerk and be passed on its first reading and advertised as required by statute, fixing August 14, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, as the time and the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey or Zoom as the place for hearing and final adoption.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: July 24, 2023

Adopted: July 24, 2023

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 23-10

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 3 OF THE BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED "POLICE REGULATIONS", MORE SPECIFICALLY, § 3-7.10, ENTITLED "DISORDERLY CONDUCT" AND EVEN MORE PARTICULARLY BY ADDING A NEW § 3-7.10.1, *ET SEQ.*, ENTITLED "BEGGING AND SOLICITING".

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40:48-1 and *N.J.S.A.* 40:48-2, the governing body of a municipality may make, amend, repeal and enforce such ordinances, regulations, rules and by-laws not contrary to the laws of this State and/or of the United States, as it may deem necessary and proper for the good of government, order, and protection of person and property and for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants and, as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed by this subtitle, or by any other law; and,

WHEREAS, this grant of authority includes the power to adopt reasonable ordinances for the regulation of begging, soliciting and "panhandling" for money and/or any other thing of any kind or value by the initiation of person-to-person contacts; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Code regulates currently regulates canvassing and soliciting for different charitable or mercantile purposes and regulates general disorderly conduct, but the Borough Council has determined to strengthen and reinforce the rights of all individuals to beg, solicit and/or "panhandle" as well as for the free and safe protection of its citizens, residents and business owners/operators from aggressive begging, soliciting and panhandling; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds it necessary and appropriate to amend, revise and supplement § 3-7.10 of the Borough Code regarding disorderly conduct to regulate begging and/or soliciting and/or "panhandling".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough Code of the Borough of North Plainfield be amended, revised and supplemented as to Chapter 3 of the Borough Code, entitled "Police Regulations", more specifically § 3-7.10, entitled "Disorderly Conduct," and even more particularly by adding a new § 3-7.10.1, *et seq.*, entitled "Begging and Soliciting," as follows:

§ 3-7.10 Disorderly Persons in Public.

A. No person shall be permitted to so occupy any place to which the public has access, which includes, but is not limited to, a public street, road, thoroughfare, sidewalk, bridge, alley, plaza, park, recreation and/or or shopping area, public transportation facility, vehicle used for public transportation, parking lot or any other public building, structure or area as to be likely to cause substantial harm to him or herself

and/or other persons and/or as to be likely to interfere with or interrupt the passage of other persons or of vehicles.

B. A law enforcement officer engaged in executing or enforcing the law may order the person to disperse. A person who refuses or knowingly fails to obey such an order commits a violation of the subsection.

§ 3-7.10.1 Begging and Soliciting

§ 3-7.10.2 Legislative findings.

A. <u>The Borough of North Plainfield recognizes a constitutional right to beg and/or solicit and/or</u> panhandle in a peaceful and nonthreatening manner. The Borough of North Plainfield finds that an aggressive solicitation throughout the Borough is disturbing and disruptive to residents and businesses and has contributed to the restriction of access to and enjoyment of public places, and can lead to a sense of fear and intimidation from aggressive begging and panhandling.

B. <u>Aggressive begging and panhandling may include, but is not limited to, approaching or following</u> pedestrians, the use of abusive language, unwanted physical contact or the intentional blocking of pedestrian and vehicular traffic. The Borough of North Plainfield further finds, for example, that the presence of individuals who solicit money from persons at or near banks or automated teller machines or laundromats can provoke a sense of fear or intimidation.

C. <u>This Article is not intended to limit any persons from exercising their constitutional right to solicit</u> funds, picket, protest and/or engage in other constitutionally protected activity.

§ 3-7.10.3 Definitions.

For the purposes of this Article, the following words shall have the meanings described herein:

AGGRESSIVE MANNER —

- A. <u>Approaching or speaking to a person or following a person before, during or after soliciting,</u> asking or begging, if that conduct is intended or is likely to cause a reasonable person to:
 - (1) Fear bodily harm to oneself or to another, damage to or loss of property or the commission of an offense under the New Jersey Code of Criminal Justice upon oneself or another;
 - (2) <u>Otherwise be intimidated into giving money or other thing of value; or,</u>
 - (3) <u>Suffer unreasonable inconvenience, annoyance or alarm.</u>
- B. Intentionally touching and/or causing physical contact with another person or with an occupied vehicle, without that person's consent, in the course of soliciting, asking or begging.
- C. Intentionally blocking or interfering with the safe or free passage of a pedestrian or vehicle by any means, including unreasonably causing a pedestrian or vehicle operator to take evasive action to avoid physical contact.
- D. Blocking and/or interfering with the safe and/or free passage of a customer or potential

customer and/or vendor or any other person seeking to enter or leave a commercial premises entrance at its intersecting location of a public sidewalk, pedestrian plaza and/or parking lot and/or driveway.

E. <u>Using violent and/or threatening gestures and/or language toward a person being so solicited.</u>

ASK — See "beg."

AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE — A device linked to a financial institution's account records which is able to carry out transactions, including, but not limited to, account transfers, deposits, cash withdrawals, balance inquiries and mortgage and loan payments.

<u>AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE FACILITY</u> — The area comprised of one or more automated teller machines and any adjacent space which is made available to banking customers after regular banking hours.

BANK — Any banking corporation as defined in the United States Code or the New Jersey statutes.

BEG — Using the spoken, written and/or printed word and/or bodily gestures, signs and/or other means with the purpose of obtaining an immediate donation of money and/or other thing of value and/or offering goods or services of unspecified price in return for an immediate donation of money and/or other thing of value.

<u>CHECK CASHING BUSINESS</u> — Any person or entity duly licensed by the New Jersey State Department of Banking to engage in the business of cashing checks, drafts and/or money orders for consideration, pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey banking laws.

<u>PUBLIC PLACE</u> — A place to which the public or a substantial group of persons has access and includes, but is not limited to, any street, highway, parking lot, plaza, transportation facility, school, place of amusement, park, playground, entrance to a commercial premises at its intersecting location with a public sidewalk, pedestrian plaza, driveway and/or parking lot, and any hallway, lobby and other portion of an apartment house or hotel not constituting a room or apartment designed for actual residence. Public places shall also include door- to-door begging in an aggressive manner as defined herein.

SOLICIT — See "beg."

§ 3-7.10.4. Prohibited acts.

No person shall:

A. <u>Solicit, ask or beg in an aggressive manner in any public place.</u>

B. <u>Solicit, ask or beg within twenty (20) feet of any entrance or exit of any bank or check cashing business during its business hours or within twenty (20) feet of any automated teller machine during any time it is available for customers' use; provided, however, that when an automated teller machine is located within an automated teller machine facility, such distance shall be measured from the entrance or exit of the automated teller machine facility; provided, further, that no person shall solicit, ask and/or beg within an automated teller machine facility where a reasonable person would or should know that (s)he</u>

does not have the permission to do so from the owner or other person lawfully in possession of such facility. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit the lawful vending of goods and services within such areas.

C. <u>Solicit, ask or beg within twenty (20) feet of any entrance or exit of a commercial premises entrance</u> at its intersecting location with a public sidewalk, pedestrian plaza and/or parking lot and/or driveway, and/or blocking or interfering with the safe or free passage of a customer, potential customer, vendor or any other person seeking to enter or leave such entrance, when the commercial premises are open for business.

D. <u>Approach an operator or other occupant of a motor vehicle while such vehicle is located on any</u> street for the purpose of either performing or offering to perform a service in connection with such vehicle or otherwise soliciting the sale of goods or services, if such approaching, performing, offering or soliciting is done in an aggressive manner as defined in § 3-7.10.3; provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to services rendered in connection with the lawful towing of such vehicle or in connection with emergency repairs requested by the operator or other occupant of such vehicle.</u>

§ 3-7.10.5. Violation and penalties.

Any violation of the provisions of this Article shall constitute a violation punishable, as provided in Chapter 1, § 1-5, General Penalty of the North Plainfield Borough Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect, after final passage, twenty (20) days following action or inaction by the Mayor as provided by law or an override of a mayoral veto by the Council, whichever is applicable and publication in accordance with law, unless a resolution is adopted, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40:69A-181(b), declaring an emergency and providing that this Ordinance shall take effect at an earlier date.

INTRODUCED: PASSED: PUBLISHED: ADOPTED: ROLL CALL: AYES: NAYS: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR: Yes _____ No _____

The above is a true copy of the Ordinance adopted by the Borough of North Plainfield on ______, 2023

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

| Michele Irby Garry | |
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| Acting Borough Clerk | |
| Borough of North Plainfield | |

Frank A. "Skip" Stabile, Jr., Council President

Date signed: _____, 2023

Date signed: _____, 2023

Lawrence LaRonde, Mayor

Date signed: _____, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-23-03

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that resolutions numbered

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having been placed on the Consent Agenda and there having been no objection thereto, the same are hereby approved.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: July 24, 2023

Adopted: July 24, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-23-03b

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO REFUND TAXES

WHEREAS, the owner of 401 US Highway 22, 15D, also known as Block 6.01 Lot 15 Qualifier -CONDO - -, paid the property taxes for 2022 $3^{rd} \& 4^{th}$ as well as 2023 1^{st} and 2^{nd} and;

WHEREAS, taxes were also paid by Corelogic on the same quarters:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield of Somerset County, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to refund overpayments on this parcel:

> Refund Overpayments to: Jayzelle C Roberts 401 US Highway 22, 15D North Plainfield, NJ 07060

\$2,874.90

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: July 24, 2023 Adopted: July 24, 2023

I, Michele Irby Garry, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting of the Borough Council held on July 24, 2023.

> Michele Irby Garry Acting Borough Clerk Borough of North Plainfield

Date signed: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-23-03c

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET

RESOLUTION EXTENDING GRACE PERIOD FOR PAYMENT OF 3RD QUARTER 2023 TAXES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-64 provides that third quarter tax bills were to be mailed at least 47 days prior to the due date of August 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, because of delays outside of the Township's control, the bills could not be mailed prior to this deadline; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.3d provides that when third quarter tax bills cannot be mailed by June 14, taxes shall not be subject to interest until at least 25 days after the tax bills are mailed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the interest charged as per Resolution No. 07-24-23-03c, shall be waived if payment of third quarter tax bills is received by August 18, 2023. Any payments not made within this time shall be charged interest from the State set due date of August 1, 2023.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: July 24, 2023 Adopted: July 24, 2023

I, Michele Irby Garry, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting of the Borough Council held on July 24, 2023.

> Michele Irby Garry Acting Borough Clerk Borough of North Plainfield

Date signed: _____

Resolution No. 07-24-23-03d

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund the following:

Refund of Construction Permit:

Vision Solar \$ 542.00 511 Route 168 Turnersville, NJ 08012

Property at: No Installation

198 Westervelt Avenue North Plainfield. New Jersey 07060

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: July 24, 2023 Adopted: July 24, 2023

I, Michele Irby Garry, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting of the Borough Council held on July 24, 2023.

> Michele Irby Garry Acting Borough Clerk Borough of North Plainfield

Date signed: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-23-03e

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TAX COLLECTOR TO CANCEL TAXES

WHEREAS, the owner of 413 Tappan Avenue, also known as Block 170.02 Lot 9 was deemed a 100% Disabled Veteran effective January 1, 2023 per the Assessor and;

WHEREAS, the property taxes were billed on the aforementioned parcel for 2023 $3^{rd} \& 4^{th}$ quarters as well as 2024 1^{st} and 2^{nd} .

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield of Somerset County, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel taxes on this parcel:

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: July 24, 2023 Adopted: July 24, 2023

I, Michele Irby Garry, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting of the Borough Council held on July 24, 2023.

> Michele Irby Garry Acting Borough Clerk Borough of North Plainfield

Date signed: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-23-03f

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the attached bills of the accounts named and for the amounts stated, having been duly audited and found to be correct as of this 24th day of July, 2023 the same be paid; and that the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to sign and deliver warrants for the same.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: July 24, 2023 Adopted: July 24, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I, Michele Irby Garry, Acting Municipal Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting of the Borough Council held on July 24, 2023.

Michele Irby Garry Acting Borough Clerk Borough of North Plainfield

Date signed:_____

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-23-03g

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF SOMERSET STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND ACTING BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH CROSSROADS PAVING CO. FOR THE FY2022 MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM - JACKSON AVENUE IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield (hereinafter referred to as the "Borough") is in need of certain road improvements for the FY2022 Municipal Aid Program - Jackson Avenue Improvements (hereinafter referred to as the "Project"); and,

WHERESAS, the Borough solicited bids for the Project, nine (9) bid packages were purchased and the following nine (9) bids were received:

| Bidding Entity | Base Bid |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Crossroads Paving Co. | \$579,490.90 |
| Cifelli & Son | \$606,462.00 |
| Relvax | \$626,197.31 |
| Black Rock Enterprises, L.L.C. | \$649,364.20 |
| Topline Construction Corp | \$663,189.12 |
| KM Construction Corp. | \$664,024.40 |
| S&L Contracting | \$672,441.97 |
| Your Way Construction | \$673,034.16 |
| Zuccaro, Inc. | \$820,494.00 |

WHEREAS, the estimate of Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C., the Borough's Engineer on the Project, was Six Hundred Thirty Thousand One Hundred and One Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$630,101.50) for the Project; and,

WHEREAS, the review of the bid of Crossroads Paving Co. was substantially lower than the Engineer's estimate, indicating that the low bid is favorable and that, upon review, the low bid price is reasonable, references were checked and responses were favorable from prior work in other municipalities; and,

WHEREAS, Director of Law/Borough Attorney Eric M. Bernstein, Esquire and the offices of Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, L.L.C., as well as Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C., the Borough's Engineer on the Project, have reviewed the bid submissions and recommend the award of the bid and contract for the Project to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Crossroads Paving Co., whose main offices are located at 386 South Street, #169, Newark, New Jersey 07105 (hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor") as there are no material defects with the bid proposal; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of obtaining the services of the Contractor to perform all those services contemplated in the Borough's bid documents and the bid proposal submitted by the Contractor; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield finds that the Contractor is the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the Project, pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-1 *et seq.*

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough Council hereby awards the following Bid and Contract:

| Project: | FY2022 Municipal Aid Program - Jackson Avenue Improvements |
|--------------------|--|
| Successful Bidder: | Crossroads Paving Co. |
| Base Bid: | In the Amount Not to Exceed Five Hundred Seventy Nine Thousand |
| | Four Hundred and Ninety Dollars and Ninety Cents |
| | (\$579,490.90) |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Acting Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute a contract and all other necessary documents to engage the construction services of Crossroads Paving Co. for the Project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this contract shall be subject to the certification of the Borough's Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award and the contract and its performance shall be consistent with all applicable laws, the Borough's bid documents and the bid proposal of Crossroads Paving Co. for the Project known as the FY2022 Municipal Aid Program - Jackson Avenue Improvements.

Frank A. "Skip" Stabile Council President

Council Member

Introduced: July 24, 2023 Adopted: July 24, 2023

I, Michele Irby Garry, Acting Borough Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting of the Borough Council held on July 24, 2023.

Michele Irby Garry Acting Borough Clerk Borough of North Plainfield

Date signed: _____

Memo

To: Dave Hollod

From: Ken Capobianco

Date: 7/7/2023

Ref: Property Maintenance Report 2nd Quarter 2023

Attached is a breakdown of violation notices, summons, Vacant House Fees Collected, signs removed, and MCC and RCO inspections conducted from April 1 thru June 30, 2023.

| Violations Observed | 694 |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| NOV Letters Sent | 389 |
| Summons Issued | 47 |
| Signs removed | 77 |
| MCC inspections | 51 |
| RCO Inspections | 87 |
| Vacant House Fees YTD | \$33,750.00 |