



BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
MONDAY, January 23, 2023
7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Council Members: Aimee Corzo, Council Vice President
Suzette Given
Steven McIntyre
Everett Merrill,
Keiona R. Miller
Wendy Schaefer
Frank “Skip” Stabile, Council President

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Moment of Silence for the Men and Women Serving in Our Armed Forces

NOTICE: An Executive Session on the topic of **Affordable Housing** is scheduled to be Convened at the close of regular business of this meeting.

Compliance Statement

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: January 9, 2023

APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR NOT REQUIRING COUNCIL CONFIRMATION:

Redactor, Michele Irby-Garry
Backup Redactor, Stephanie Sherwood

HEARING & FINAL PASSAGE ORDINANCE NO. 23-01 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 2 OF THE BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION,” MOST NOTABLY ARTICLE I, ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATIVE CODE,” SPECIFICALLY § 2-2, ENTITLED “OFFICE OF THE MAYOR” MORE SPECIFICALLY § 2-3, ENTITLED “COUNCIL,” MORE SPECIFICALLY § 2-3.12, ENTITLED “SALARY OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL MEMBERS.”

MOTION: Close public hearing

Roll Call

RESOLUTION:

Ms. Schaefer:

01-23-23-01 Adoption and advertising of Ordinance No. 23-01

Roll Call

HEARING & FINAL PASSAGE ORDINANCE NO. 23-02 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 4, "GENERAL LICENSING," MOST NOTABLY § 4-17, MORE SPECIFICALLY § 4-17.1, *ET SEQ.*, ENTITLED "RECREATIONAL CANNABIS TAX" BY ADDING NEW DEFINITIONS TO §4-17.1 "DEFINITIONS" AND ADDING A NEW SECTION §4-17.4, ENTITLED "MUNICIPAL CANNABIS LICENSE REQUIRED."

Reading of title by the Acting Clerk

MOTION: Close public hearing

Roll Call

RESOLUTION:

Mr. McIntyre:

01-23-23-02 Adoption and Advertising of Ordinance No. 23-02

CONSENT AGENDA

Statement by Council President

Ms. Given

01-23-23-03 Approving Consent Agenda

- a. Resolution Observing Black History Month
- b. Resolution to Establish Salaries for Exempt Employees for 2023-Mayor/Administration
- c. Resolution Authorizing Shared Services Agreement with Watchung Borough for Fire Services (Joint Purchase of Ladder Truck)
- d. Resolution Authorizing to apply for a Recreational Grant for the Rehabilitation of All Weather Court for Green Acres Park
- e. Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Somerset County to provide Recycling Services
- f. Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Somerset County to provide Transportation Services

- g. Resolution Appointing Sabrina Brison as Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer
- h. Resolution nominating Michele Garry to be appointed as Media representative to the Local Emergency Planning Council
- i. Aproving Consolidated Bill List for January 23, 2023
- j. Resolution to Establish Salaries for Exempt Employees for 2023 – Council/Clerk
- k. Resolution to Accept the Safe & Secure Grant

RESOLUTION:

Ms. Miller:

01-23-23-04 Convening Executive Session: (Attorney/Client Privilege)

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Affordable Housing - B.H.

RECONVENE

01-23-23-05 Affordable Housing Resolution as to Redevelopment - (S.M.)

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

Deletions shown by ~~deletion~~; additions shown by underline.

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE NO. 23-01

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 2 OF THE BOROUGH CODE, ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION,” MOST NOTABLY ARTICLE I, ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATIVE CODE,” SPECIFICALLY § 2-2, ENTITLED “OFFICE OF THE MAYOR,” MORE SPECIFICALLY § 2.2.3 ENTITLED “SALARY,” AND MORE SPECIFICALLY, § 2-3, ENTITLED “COUNCIL,” MORE SPECIFICALLY § 2.3.12, ENTITLED “SALARY OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL MEMBERS.)”

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 other ordinances, regulations, rules and bylaws not contrary to the laws of this state 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 law; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:69A-29*, each municipality governed by an optional form of government pursuant to the statute shall have full power to organize and regulate its internal affairs and to establish, alter and abolish offices, positions and employments and to define the functions, powers and duties thereof and fix their terms, tenure and compensation; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:69A-180(c)*, the Council shall fix the compensation of the Mayor, Council Members and department heads immediately after its organization at its organizational meeting; and,

WHEREAS, it is necessary, pursuant to said statutes, to enact such Ordinances and Resolutions which may be necessary and appropriate to set such salaries for the Mayor and Council at each reorganization; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds it necessary and appropriate to amend, revise and supplement Chapter 2 of the Borough Code, entitled “Administration”, most notably Article I, entitled “Administrative Code”, specifically § 2-2, entitled “Office of the Mayor,” and more specifically § 2-2.3, entitled “Salary,” and to amend, revise and supplement Chapter 2 of the Borough Code, entitled “Administration”, most notably Article I of the Borough Code, entitled “Administrative Code”, entitled “Council,” more specifically § 2-3.12, entitled “Salary of the Borough Council President and Council Members.”

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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 is hereby amended, revised and supplemented as to Chapter 2 of the Borough Code, entitled "Administration", most notably Article I, entitled "Administrative Code", specifically § 2-2, entitled "Office of the Mayor," more specifically § 2-2.3, entitled "Salary," and to amend, revise and supplement Chapter 2 of the Borough Code, entitled "Administration", most notably Article I of the Borough Code, entitled "Administrative Code", entitled "Council," more specifically § 2-3.12, entitled "Salary of the Borough Council President and Council Members" as follows:

§ 2-2.3 Salary Of The Mayor.

There is established a salary for the office of Mayor of the Borough of North Plainfield. The salary of the Mayor of the Borough of North Plainfield shall be set forth in the Ordinance adopted at the organizational meeting of the Council immediately after its organization in accordance with *N.J.S.A. 40:69A-180(c)*. The filing of the Ordinance with the Borough Clerk shall be in lieu of codification of same.

Mayor Salary Range:	Low	Mid	High
	\$7,500.00	\$12,000.00	\$15,000.00

The starting salary shall be \$12,000.00 annually until otherwise made and provided by the Council.

§ 2-3.12 Salary Of The Borough Council President and Council Members.

There is established a salary for the office of Council President of the Borough of North Plainfield, and for the Members of the Borough Council. The salary of the Council President and Council Members of the Borough of North Plainfield shall be set forth in the Ordinance adopted at the organizational meeting of the Council immediately after its organization in accordance with *N.J.S.A. 40:69A-180(c)*. The filing of the Ordinance with the Borough Clerk shall be in lieu of codification of same.

Council President Salary Range:	Low	Mid	High
	\$5,500.00	\$7,200.00	\$9,000.00

The starting salary shall be \$7,200.00 annually until otherwise made and provided by the Council.

Council Member Salary Range:	Low	Mid	High
	\$4,500.00	\$6,000.00	\$8,500.00

The starting salary shall be \$6,000.00 annually until otherwise made and provided by the Council.

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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

Richard K. Phoenix, RMC
Borough Clerk
Borough of North Plainfield

Council President

Date signed: _____, 2023

Date signed: _____, 2023

Lawrence LaRonde, Mayor

Date signed: _____, 2023

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**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE NO. 23-02

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 4, “GENERAL LICENSING,” MOST NOTABLY § 4-17, MORE SPECIFICALLY § 4-17-1, *ET SEQ.*, ENTITLED “RECREATIONAL CANNABIS TAX” BY ADDING NEW DEFINITIONS TO §4-17.1 “DEFINITIONS” AND ADDING A NEW SECTION §4-17.4, ENTITLED “MUNICIPAL CANNABIS LICENSE REQUIRED.”

WHEREAS, in 2020, New Jersey voters approved Public Question No. 1, which amended the New Jersey Constitution to allow for the legalization of a controlled form of marijuana, called “cannabis”, for adults at least twenty-one (21) years of age; and,

WHEREAS, on February 22, 2021, Governor Murphy signed into law P.L. 2021, c. 16, known as the “New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act” (hereinafter referred to as the “Act”), which legalizes the recreational use of cannabis by adults twenty one (21) years of age or older, and establishes a comprehensive regulatory and licensing scheme for commercial recreational adult use cannabis operations, use and possession; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield has introduced a new section of the Borough Code of the Borough of North Plainfield § 22-115.33, entitled “Commercial Recreational Adult Use Cannabis Operations”, to amend the Borough of North Plainfield’s zoning regulations to permit certain adult recreational cannabis-related uses to be licensed within the geographic boundaries of Borough of North Plainfield; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield wishes to insure that such licensed recreational adult use cannabis operations provide the maximum local licensing fees and municipal taxation as provided for in the “New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act”; and,

WHEREAS, the enabling legislation enacted by the New Jersey State Legislature included the enactment of *N.J.S.A. 40:48I-1*, which permits the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield to adopt transfer and user taxes for the growing, manufacturing, wholesale, distribution, retail sale and/or delivery of recreational cannabis; and,

WHEREAS, the enabling legislation enacted by the New Jersey State Legislature included the enactment of *N.J.S.A. 40:48I-1* and *N.J.S.A. 24:6I-31, et seq.*, which permit the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield to adopt reasonable licensing fees for the operation of establishments for the cultivation, manufacture, distribution, wholesaling, retailing and/or delivery of recreational cannabis:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that Borough Code Chapter 4, entitled “General Licensing,” more specifically § 4-17-1, *et seq.*, entitled “Recreational Cannabis Tax,” is hereby revised, amended and supplemented by the amendment to §4-17.1 regarding Definitions and the addition of a new § 4-17-4, entitled “Municipal Cannabis License,” as follows:

“§4-17 RECREATIONAL CANNABIS TAX

§ 4-17.1 Definitions

As used in this section:

1. “Cannabis” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).
2. “Cannabis cultivator” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).
3. “Cannabis establishment” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).
4. “Cannabis items” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).
5. “Conditional license” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).
6. “Cannabis manufacturer” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).
7. “Cannabis retailer” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).
8. “Cannabis wholesaler” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).
9. “Consumer” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).
10. “License” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33). The term includes a conditional license for a designated class, except when the context of the provisions of P.L.2021, c. 16 (C.24:6I-31 et al.)

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otherwise intend to only apply to a license and not a conditional license.

11. “Licensee” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33) except when the context of the provisions of P.L.2021, c. 16 (C.24:6I-31 et al.) otherwise intend to only apply to a person or entity that holds a license and not a conditional license.
12. “Premises” means the same as that term is defined in section 3 of P.L.2021, c. 16 (N.J.S.A. 24:6I-33).

§ 4-17.4 Municipal Certificate of Permitted Use; Municipal Cannabis License Required

- A. Every Licensee holding a Cannabis license for any Cannabis related business as set forth in § 4-17-1 shall apply for and will need to be issued a municipal Cannabis license prior to the commencement of any recreational Cannabis business.
- B. Every person, corporation, partnership or other entity seeking to locate a Cannabis establishment in the Borough of North Plainfield shall first obtain a certificate of permitted use from the North Plainfield Zoning Officer. The fee for each certificate of permitted use is One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).
- C. Every person, corporation, partnership or other entity shall obtain a municipal Cannabis license before commencing any business of a Cannabis establishment in the Borough of North Plainfield. Each such person, corporation, partnership or other entity shall apply for a municipal Cannabis License by a form as provided by the Borough of North Plainfield through the Borough Administrator. Each applicant for a municipal Cannabis License shall pay an application fee of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) upon submission of the application for a municipal Cannabis License, which application fee shall be nonrefundable.
- D. Every person, corporation, partnership or other entity shall annually renew the municipal Cannabis license to operate a business of a Cannabis establishment in the Borough of North Plainfield. Following the first year or part of year of operation of such business of a Cannabis establishment, each such person, corporation, partnership or other entity shall annually apply for a municipal Cannabis License on or before January 31 of each renewal year on a renewal form as provided by the Borough of North Plainfield through the Borough Administrator. Each renewal of a municipal Cannabis License shall be accompanied by a license renewal fee upon submission of the application for renewal of a municipal Cannabis License, which application fee shall be nonrefundable. The renewal fee is established at One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), which may be amended from time to time by Resolution of the Governing Body in December of any year for applications for renewal of a Cannabis license for the following year.

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[§4-17.4] § 4-17.5 Administration And Enforcement Of Transfer and User Tax

This Ordinance shall be interpreted, administered and enforced in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:48I-1, as the same may be amended, revised and/or supplemented from time to time. Failure to obtain a certificate of permitted use or a municipal Cannabis License prior to conducting business at any Cannabis establishment shall constitute a violation punishable under Borough Code § 1-5.1.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Borough Code of the Borough of North Plainfield inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and,

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

Richard K. Phoenix, RMC
Borough Clerk
Borough of North Plainfield

Council President

Date signed: _____, 2023

Date signed: _____, 2023

Lawrence La Ronde, Mayor

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RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3a

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, the United States honors the contributions and sacrifices of African Americans who have helped shape the Nation every February; and,

WHEREAS, Black History Month was first set out in 1926 by Carter G. Woodson, the “Father of Black History” as a time to enrich people’s understanding and appreciation of Black History and culture; and,

WHEREAS, what began as a week-long observance evolved into a month-long celebration officially recognized by President Gerald R. Ford during the American Bicentennial Year 1976 who called upon Americans to “seize the opportunity to honor the too-often neglected accomplishments of Black Americans in every area of endeavor throughout our history.”; and,

WHEREAS, Black History Month is a time to honor the contributions and legacy of African Americans across U.S. history and society - from activists and civil rights pioneers such as Harriet Tubman, Sojourner Truth, Marcus Garvey, Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X and Rosa Parks to leaders in industry, politics, science, culture and more.; and,

WHEREAS, February was chosen primarily because its second week coincides with the birthdays of President Abraham Lincoln who emancipated the slaves and Frederick Douglas, a prominent abolitionist; and,

WHEREAS, this year’s Black History Month theme is “Black Resistance” exploring how African Americans have resisted historic oppression from the nation’s earliest days; and,

WHEREAS, by resisting African Americans have achieved triumphs, successes, and progress such as the end of slavery, the dismantling of segregation, the increased political representation at all levels of government, the passage of Civil Rights Act of 1964, the opening of the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History in DC and the increased and diverse representation of Black experiences in media: now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that February, 2023 be recognized as Black History Month; and, be it further resolved that this Governing Body endorses this year’s theme intended to celebrate the fight and perseverance of our diverse Community.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: January 23, 2023

Adopted: January 23, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3b

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE YEAR 2023 FOR
EMPLOYEES NOT COVERED BY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, certain employees of the Borough of North Plainfield are not covered by the terms and conditions of a collective bargaining agreement and thus need to have their compensation established for calendar year 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following titles will receive the following compensation for calendar year 2023 as follows:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>2023</u>
Mayor	\$ 12,000
Administrative Assistant	\$ 56,307
Business Administrator/Assistant Borough Engineer	\$172,480
Chief Financial Officer	\$ 49,053
Construction Official	\$ 25,044
Court Administrator	\$ 94,973
Director of Public Works	N/A ¹
Municipal Prosecutor	\$ 31,836
Office of Emergency Management Coordinator	\$ 10,824
Recreation Director	\$ 66,300
Recreation Co-Director	\$ 61,200
Assistant Recreation Director	\$ 14,857
Recreation Administrative Assistant (vacant)	N/A
Deputy Registrar	\$ 1,229
Tax Assessor	\$ 79,903
Tax Collector	\$ 19,776
Treasurer/QPA/Deputy CFO	\$ 17,924
Code Enforcement Officer	\$ 59,092
Municipal Court Judge	N/A ²
Zoning Officer	N/A ¹

Introduced: January 23, 2023
Adopted: January 23, 2023

Council President

Council Member

¹ Contracted with Grotto Engineering

² Contracted with Watchung/Green Brook

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
RESOLUTION #01-23-23-3c**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT
WITH THE BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG FOR FIRE SERVICES**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A:65-1, et seq., known as the “Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act,” authorizes two or more local units to enter into an agreement for interlocal services known as a Shared Service Agreement for the provision of municipal services (“Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield and the Borough of Watchung wish to ensure the safety and welfare of its residents by jointly purchasing and sharing a fire service ladder truck; and

WHEREAS, the municipalities have determined it to be in their mutual best interests to jointly purchase and share this service between the two municipalities: and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Watchung and the Borough of North Plainfield have previously determined that a shared service agreement for joint-provision of a shared ladder truck between the two municipalities is in their mutual best interests: and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Watchung and the Borough of North Plainfield have prepared a Shared Service Agreement (*hereafter* “Agreement”) for the joint-provision of sharing a ladder truck; and

WHEREAS, the governing bodies of the Borough of North Plainfield and the Borough of Watchung have reviewed the Agreement and are in mutual recognition of its benefits to their respective residents as having the potential to increase efficiency, enhance safety, and/or provide cost savings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of *the Borough of North Plainfield* hereby endorses undertaking the aforementioned Agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the *Mayor and/or Business Administrator* is hereby authorized to take all necessary actions to allow for and support the *Borough of North Plainfield's* participation in this agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the Agreement be maintained in the Borough of North Plainfield's office and be available for public inspection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Division of Local Government Services pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4(b).

Borough of North Plainfield

Michele Garry - Acting Clerk

Mayor Larry La Ronde

RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3d

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD AND THE NORTH PLAINFIELD PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT TO FILE A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR LOCAL RECREATION FUNDING ASSISTANCE ON BEHALF OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

WHEREAS North Plainfield and the North Plainfield Department of Parks and Recreation desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$240,000.00 to carry out a project to repair extensive surface damage to the basketball courts at Green Acres Park that are in poor condition and that were further damaged by Hurricane Ida; and

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 does hereby authorize the Mayor and the Department of Parks and Recreation to file an application for such a grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that North Plainfield and Department of Parks and Recreation recognize and accept that the Department of Community Affairs may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between North Plainfield Department of Parks and Recreation and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the person whose name, title and signature appear below is authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successor in said title is authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

Lawrence La Ronde, Mayor

Introduced: January 23, 2023
Adopted: January 23, 2023

Council Vice President

Council Member

I, Michele Garry, Acting Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield do hereby certify that at a meeting of the Borough Council held on January 23, 2023, the above resolution was duly adopted.

Michele Garry, Acting Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3e

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND DEPUTY BOROUGH
CLERK TO EXECUTE A RECYCLING AGREEMENT
WITH SOMERSET COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS FOR THE
RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE PICKUP OF RECYCLABLE
MATERIALS.**

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of a mode and manner by which it can collect its residential recyclable material; *and*,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield, by ordinance, has enacted a recycling plan for all recyclable materials as designated by the Somerset County Solid Waste Management Plan and amendments thereto; *and*,

WHEREAS, the County of Somerset Department of Public Works is authorized to provide recycling collection and disposal services to municipalities within Somerset County, including the Borough of North Plainfield; *and*,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of retaining the services of the County of Somerset Department of Public Works for said recycling program *and*,

WHEREAS, by letter dated December 27, 2022, Melissa D. Harvey, Manager of the Somerset County Department of Public Works Solid Waste Management submitted a recycling agreement for the period commencing January 1, 2023 through and including December 31, 2023 engaging the County of Somerset Department of Public Works to be responsible for residential curbside pick-up for all recyclable materials from each residential household within the Borough; *and*,

WHEREAS, the award of this contract to the County, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-99.14 is an exception to the bidding requirements as set forth in the Local Public Contracts Law, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) and the Board of Public Utilities Somerset Waste Franchise for Somerset County.

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 authorizes the Mayor and the Deputy Borough Clerk or designee, on behalf of the Borough, to sign and/or execute the Agreement received from the County of Somerset Department of Public works via letter dated December 27, 2022, for a period commencing January 1, 2023 through and including December 31, 2023. Said Agreement is incorporated herein by reference as if same was fully set forth, without the need for any further action of this Borough Council.

By: _____
Frank A. "Skip" Stabile
Council President

Council Member

Introduced: January 23, 2023
Adopted: January 23, 2023

CERTIFICATION

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 North Plainfield Borough Council at a regular meeting of the Borough Council held on January 23, 2023.

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

By: _____
Michele Irby-Garry
Acting Borough Clerk

Date signed: January 23, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3f

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL
AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND DEPUTY
BOROUGH CLERK OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN
AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET,
DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION.**

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of a mode and manner to provide ambulatory and accessible transportation services to North Plainfield residents; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Somerset, Division of Transportation is authorized to provide ambulatory and accessible transportation services for the purposes of grocery shopping, chore services and recreation; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield and the County of Somerset, Division of Transportation desire to enter into a Transportation Service Agreement to provide ambulatory and accessible transportation services to North Plainfield residents; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Somerset, Division of Transportation will provide these services via an accessible bus, provided by the Somerset County Division of Transportation. The Division of Transportation will also provide the driver, necessary driver training, vehicle maintenance, liability insurance, workers compensation, fuel and other necessary items associated with the providing of the transportation services; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield agrees to pay a cost for each day of the provided service at the rate of One Hundred Eighty Dollars and Eighty Five Cents (\$180.85) per day; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Somerset, Division of Transportation shall provide a detailed report to the Borough of North Plainfield no later than the fifteenth (15th) day of each month. The report shall include the number of users, the number of service days, the number of trips and a description of the nature of the trips taken by North Plainfield residents. With the report, the County of Somerset, Division of Transportation shall provide a voucher and invoice for the services provided. Monthly payments shall be submitted by the Borough to the County by the tenth (10th) calendar day of the following month; and,

WHEREAS, the terms of the Agreement shall run from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield shall comply with the notice and cancellation requirements to the residents as set forth in the Agreement, which is attached hereto.

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 authorizes the Mayor and the Deputy Borough Clerk, on behalf of the Borough, to sign and/or execute the attached Agreement (as amended) with the Somerset County, Division of Transportation, for a period beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 for ambulatory and accessible transportation services, without the need for any further action of this Borough Council.

By: _____
Frank A. "Skip" Stabile
Council President

Council Member

Introduced: January 23, 2023
Adopted: January 23, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I, Michele Irby Garry, Deputy 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 North Plainfield Borough Council at a regular meeting of the Borough Council held on January 23, 2023.

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

By: _____
Michele Irby-Garry
Deputy Borough Clerk

Date signed: January 23, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3g

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL APPOINTING
SABRINA BRISON AS CLASS III
SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR A TERM
OF ONE (1) YEAR COMMENCING ON JANUARY 13, 2023
THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2023.**

WHEREAS, North Plainfield Chief of Police William Parenti finds it necessary to nominate for appointment Special Law Enforcement Officers to assist in the enforcement of the laws, regulations and ordinances of the Borough of North Plainfield for the safety and benefit of the residents of the Borough of North Plainfield; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Code §2-21 authorizes the appointment of Special Law Enforcement Officers upon the nomination of the Chief of Police to the Mayor, who shall recommend their appointment to the Borough Council for approval; and,

WHEREAS, North Plainfield Chief of Police William Parenti has nominated Sabrina Brison to serve as Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer for a term commencing on January 13, 2023 through August 31, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor has recommended to the Borough Council the appointment of Class II and Class III Special Law Enforcement Officers to the Borough Council to the North Plainfield Police Department appointment upon such terms:

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 appoints Sabrina Brison to serve as Class III Special Law Enforcement Officer for a term commencing on January 13, 2023 through August 31, 2023; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that a certified copy of the within Resolution be forwarded to the Mayor, Chief of Police, Police Captain, Borough Administrator, Personnel files, Payroll Department and Sabrina Brison.

By: _____
Frank A. "Skip" Stabile
Council President

Council Member

Introduced: January 23, 2023
Adopted: January 23, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I, Michele Irby-Garry, Deputy 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 North Plainfield Borough Council at a regular meeting of the Borough Council held on January 23, 2023.

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD

By: _____
Michele Irby-Garry
Deputy Borough Clerk

Date signed: 23 January 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3h

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, that upon nomination of the Mayor and with the advice and consent of this Council, that MICHELE GARRY be and hereby is appointed as Media representative to the LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COUNCIL to serve for the legal term commencing on January 23, 2023 and expiring on January 1, 2024 and until her successor shall have been appointed and qualified.

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: January 23, 2023
Adopted: January 23, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3i

**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 23rd day of January, 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: January 23, 2023
Adopted: January 23, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3j

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE YEAR 2023
FOR EMPLOYEES NOT COVERED BY THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, certain employees of the Borough of North Plainfield are not covered by the terms and conditions of a collective bargaining agreement and thus need to have their compensation established for calendar year 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the following titles will receive the following compensation for calendar year 2023 as follows:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>2023</u>
Borough Clerk (vacant)	
Deputy Borough Clerk	\$ 60,000
Borough Council President	\$ 7,200
Borough Council Member	\$ 6,000

Council President

Council Member

Introduced: January 23, 2023
Adopted: January 23, 2023

RESOLUTION NO. 01-23-23-3k

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
COUNTY OF SOMERSET
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
TO ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF
LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$48,600.00, UNDER THE FY2023 SAFE AND SECURE
COMMUNITIES PROGRAM, SUBAWARD GRANT NUMBER 23-1814,
AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CHIEF OF POLICE TO
EXECUTE AND THE BOROUGH CLERK TO ATTEST TO A SUBGRANT
AWARD AND ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH
THIS GRANT**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of North Plainfield in the County of Somerset, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Borough of North Plainfield is authorized to accept a subaward grant from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General, in the amount of \$48,600.00 under the Safe and Secure Communities Program, Grant No. 23-1814, with a Match-Fringe Benefits, for a total project cost of \$599,496.00.
2. The Mayor and Chief of Police are authorized to execute and the Borough Clerk to attest to a Subgrant Award in connection with this grant, and any and all documents in connection with this grant.
3. The Borough of North Plainfield is accepting this grant of funds for the purpose described in the application.
4. Subaward Period: March 1, 2023 to February 28, 2024.
5. A certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Office of the Borough Clerk to each of the following:
 - a. Mayor Lawrence LaRonde
 - b. Borough Council
 - c. Business Administrator
 - d. Borough Attorney
 - e. Chief Financial Officer
 - f. Police Department, Attention: Chief William Parenti
 - g. Police Department, Attention: Captain Alan McKay
 - h. Borough Grant Coordinator
 - i. State of New Jersey, Office of Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety, P.O. Box 080, Trenton, NJ 08625-0080

j. Office of the Attorney General, Department of Law and Public Safety,
P.O. Box 080, Trenton, NJ 08625-0080

Council Vice President

Council Member

Introduced: January 23, 2023
Adopted: January 23, 2023

CERTIFICATION

I, Michele 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 regular meeting of the Borough Council held on January 23, 2023.

Michele Garry, Acting Clerk