

**BOROUGH OF OAKLAND**  
**Borough Council Meeting**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

Municipal Court/Council Chambers  
10 Lawlor Drive  
Oakland, N.J. 07436

**May 24, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.**

**MOVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

On motion of Councilman Slasinski, seconded by Councilman Talamini, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on roll call vote:

**WHEREAS**, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, (N.J.S.A. 10:4-12) permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from discussion of action upon the herein after specified subject matter.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
  - a. Inter Local Sewerage Agreement;
  - b. Personnel;
  - c. Merging of Planning and Zoning Boards;
  - d. Negotiations.
3. The Mayor and Council shall release and disclose to the general public the discussion and actions taken on the subject matter of the above-mentioned closed session once the Mayor and Council has arrived at a final decision on the specified subject matter.

**ROLL CALL:** Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.

Meeting of the Borough of Oakland Mayor and Borough Council opened on the above date at 7:00 p.m. in the Oakland Municipal Court/Council Chambers, 10 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. 07436.

Mayor Linda H. Schwager presiding.

Mayor Linda H. Schwager announced that proper notice of this meeting was made as to time, date, place, and agenda.

**ROLL CALL: Present: Mayor Linda H. Schwager, Councilmembers Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.**

**Also Present: Borough Administrator Richard Kunze, Borough Clerk Michael Carelli, Borough Attorney Matthew Gilson, Chief Borough Engineer John Yakimik.**

**Absent: Councilmembers McCann, Pignatelli.**

On motion of Councilman Saliani, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, Councilman Pignatelli and McCann be excused from the meeting.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Schwager thanked Girl Scout Troop 97346 for attending the tour of the Borough Hall. Mayor Schwager invited the Troop to a future Borough Council Meeting to present their Silver Award project. Mayor Schwager announced Jonathan Calabrese as the finalist in the State League of Municipalities Louis Bay 2<sup>nd</sup> Future Annual Scholarship Program. Mayor Schwager provided an update on the condition of the Patriot's Way Bridge and the PFAS Treatment Systems Project. Mayor Schwager announced that Kevin Boswell will attend the June 28, 2023 Borough Council Meeting to present an update on the Patriot's Way Bridge. The Borough will have answers on the bridge funding. The bridge remains safe. The bid specifications and permits have been approved by the New Jersey Department of Transportation. Mayor Schwager expressed frustrations with the roadwork. Mayor Schwager announced the Bergen County Mobile Job Fair for May 25, 2023 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Oakland Public Library, 2 Municipal Plaza. The Borough Shredding Collection is scheduled for May 27, 2023 at 9 a.m. at the Borough Hall, 1 Municipal Plaza. The Annual Memorial Day Parade is scheduled for May 29, 2023 at 1 p.m. along Ramapo Valley Road, with a service following in Veterans Park. The Softball and Baseball Parade is scheduled for June 3, 2023 at the Recreation Complex. Mayor Schwager thanked Dan Logatto for the softball clinic. Mayor Schwager announced the Bergen County Elder Abuse Walk on June 3, 2023. The Mayor announced the Bergen County LGBTQ+ Scholarship Program for students.

Borough Engineer John Yakimik provided an update on the road conditions. Mr. Yakimik referenced an email distributed to the Governing Body. PSE&G is scheduled to mill and pave roadways in the coming weeks. Mr. Yakimik announced that the County is scheduled to pave Franklin Avenue in 2024. Councilman Kulmala asked on the status of the interim repairs on the Patriot's Way Bridge. Mr. Yakimik is awaiting quotations for the work, and will follow up with the contractors. The intent is to get the load postings higher after the completion of the repairs.

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Councilman Saliani set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, to open for public comment.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Michael Guadagnino of 34 Hopper Street, Oakland, N.J. 07436, thanked the Mayor for mentioning the Baseball and Softball Parade. Mr. Guadagnino offered to sit down with the Girl Scouts to discuss their issues with the sports. Mr. Guadagnino commented on the volunteers of the Borough and the hard work that they put in.

Ann Cedar of 33 Winding Ridge, Oakland, N.J. 07436, commented on the detours on the Patriot's Way Bridge. Ms. Cedar commented on specific changes on Ordinances 23-Code-905 and 23-Code-906. Ms. Cedar also expressed concerns with speeding vehicles in the Ramapo River Reserve.

Mame Schwarzfischer of 187 West Oakland Avenue, Oakland, N.J. 07436, asked about giving away compost mulch to residents. Mr. Kunze commented that it is expensive to double grind mulch and that the program was stopped during the great recession.

William Sisti of 12 Eagle Crest Place, Oakland, N.J. 07436, commented on the short term rentals ordinances.

Councilman Kulmala set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Talamini, to close public comment.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

**PUBLIC HEARING ON FY 2023 BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND GRANT APPLICATION:**

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Talamini, the meeting be open for public comment.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

No public comment.



On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Saliani, the public comment session be closed.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

May 10, 2023

Councilman Talamini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, to approve the above listed minutes.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       None.  
                  (3 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)

May 10, 2023 Executive Session

Councilman Talamini set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, to approve the above listed minutes.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       Saliani.  
                  (3 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)

**PRESENTATION FROM CLICK CLACK FRONT AND BACK INDIAN HILLS HIGH SCHOOL GROUP:**

A presentation was given by students of the Indian Hills High School on legislation introduced by Assemblyman Auth.

**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS/APPOINTMENTS/RAFFLES/REQUESTS:**

**APPOINTMENT(S) TO BOARD OF HEALTH**

On motion of Councilman Slasinski, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, Jodi Goffredo be appointed to a three (3) year unexpired term, with a term expiration date of December 31, 2023, and Matthew Goodrich be appointed to a three (3) year unexpired term, with a term expiration date of December 31, 2023.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       None.  
                  (3 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)



#### **APPOINTMENT(S) TO ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT:**

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Saliani, Joseph Zingone, Jr. be appointed as a Board Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a four (4) year term, with a term expiration date of December 31, 2025.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       None.  
                  (4 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Saliani, William Eilert be appointed as an Alternate I Board Member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a two (2) year unexpired term, with a term expiration date of December 31, 2024.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       None.  
                  (4 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)

#### **APPOINTMENT TO ARTS COMMITTEE**

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Slasinski, Joyce D'Alessandro be appointed as a Committee Member to the Arts Committee for a one (1) year term, with a term expiration date of December 31, 2023.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       None.  
                  (4 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)

#### **APPROVE SOCIAL AFFAIRS PERMIT FOR FATHER'S CLUB OF OAKLAND**

On motion of Councilman Slasinski, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, the Social Affairs Permit for the Father's Club of Oakland be approved.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       Saliani.  
                  (3 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)

**AUTHORIZE RAFFLE LICENSE #RL1456 FOR MOTHER'S CLUB OF OAKLAND TO  
CONDUCT CARNIVAL GAMES ON JUNE 21, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 24, 2023 AT 24  
LAWLOR DRIVE, OAKLAND, N.J. 07436**

Councilman Saliani set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, to approve Raffle License #RL1456.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

**REQUEST TO INSTALL BANNER AT BUSH PLAZA FROM JUNE 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE  
17, 2023 FOR POND'S REFORMED CHURCH PRIDE CONCERT ON JUNE 17, 2023**

Councilman Saliani set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, to approve the request to install a banner at Bush Plaza for Pond's Reformed Church Outdoor Pride Concert from June 1, 2023 through June 17, 2023.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

**RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:**

On motion of Councilman Saliani, seconded by Councilman Slasinski, the following resolutions be introduced, adopted, and duly passed by a roll call vote:

**23-166:            AUTHORIZE GRANT SUBMITTAL TO STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS LEAD GRANT ASSISTANCE  
PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, effective July 22, 2022, the Legislature enacted P.L. 2021, c. 182, "An Act concerning certain lead-based paint hazard, and residential rental property, and establishing lead-based paint hazard programs, supplementing P.L. 2003, c. 311 (C. 52:27D-437.1 et al.) amending various parts of the statutory law, and making an appropriation;" and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-437.16(b)(1), a municipality that maintains a permanent local agency for the purpose of conducting inspections and enforcing laws, ordinances, and regulations concerning buildings and structures, is required to inspect for lead-based paint hazards in certain specified single-family, two-family, and multiple rental dwellings, at the time periods set forth in the statute; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-437.16(b)(2) a municipality that does not maintain such a permanent local agency must hire a lead evaluation contractor, certified to provide lead paint inspection services by DCA, or enter a shared services agreement as permitted by law, for the purpose of conducting the inspections for lead-based paint hazards; and

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Section 9 of P.L. 2021, c. 182, the State of New Jersey has allocated the sum of \$3,900,000 to effectuate the purposes of P.L. 2021, c. 182 (C. 52:27D-437.16). Further, pursuant to



the FY 2023 Appropriations Act (P.L. 2022, Chapter 49), DCA received a grant-in-aid amount of \$3,900,000 for P.L. 2021, c. 182, for a total of \$7,800,000 in appropriations to effectuate the purpose of the Act.

**WHEREAS**, DCA has allocated \$7,000,000 of this appropriation to the development of the Lead Grant Assistance Program ("LGAP") for the issuance of grant funds to municipalities for the purpose of assisting in municipal compliance with P.L. 2021, c. 182.

**WHEREAS**, the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS), within DCA, administers the LGAP; and

**WHEREAS**, the LGAP exists to provide funding to help off-set the costs to municipalities to provide the required inspections at stipulated times of certain single-family, two-family, and multiple rental dwelling units for lead-based paint hazards, pursuant to P.L. 2021, c. 182; and

**WHEREAS**, an authorized municipal officer must execute the attached grant agreement in order to receive LGAP funding.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Governing Body of, Borough of Oakland, does hereby authorize Mayor Linda H. Schwager to sign the attached grant agreement, and thus bind the Borough of Oakland to the grant agreement's terms in order to receive the \$9,300.00 grant from the DLGS;

**CERTIFICATION:**

I, Michael E. Carelli, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Oakland in the County of Bergen, and the State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution is a true copy of the Original Resolution duly passed and adopted by a majority of the full membership of the Borough Council at its meeting of May 24, 2023.

**23-167:        AWARD CONTRACT TO BOSWELL ENGINEERING FOR ENGINEERING  
SERVICES FOR WELL #9 ELECTRICAL IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for Engineering Services for Well #9 Pumping Station Improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, Boswell Engineering has submitted a revised proposal dated April 18, 2023 for services required at a total cost not to exceed cost of \$20,000.00, broken down as follows:

**TASK #1** – Field Investigation: \$2,500.00

**TASK #2** – Design: \$17,500.00

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified funds are available in Account # C-06-56-903-201 in the amount of \$20,000.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Boswell Engineering has complied with the Borough of Oakland's Pay to Play



requirements as outlined in Ordinance 12-CODE-669 adopted on July 11, 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, the award of the contract is for a professional service for which no public bidding is required;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, hereby authorize Boswell Engineering to perform the engineering services for the Well #9 Pumping Station Improvements Project at a cost not to exceed \$20,000.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the Borough.

**23-169: AUTHORIZE THE RETURN OF FOUND MONIES FOR BARBARA GOWOREK**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland has received a request (attached) for a return of found monies in the amount of \$100.00; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-17 requires Governing Body approval for said purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has verified that the amount is due and that funds are available in account #CF-01-25-240-101 Return of Found Monies;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, do hereby authorize a payment to be made in the amount of \$100.00 to:

Barbara Goworek	Block: N/A
186 Hiawatha Boulevard	Lot: N/A
Oakland, N.J. 07436	

**23-170: AUTHORIZE REFUND OF OTHER FEES AND PERMITS FOR MARYAM KASSAI**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland has received a request (attached) for a refund of other fees and permits in the amount of \$75.00; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-17 requires Governing Body approval for said purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has verified that the amount is due and that funds are available in account #CF-01-55-998-006 Miscellaneous Revenue Refund;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, do hereby authorize a payment to be made in the amount of \$75.00 to:

Maryam Kassai  
189 Franklin Avenue  
Oakland, N.J. 07436

Block: N/A  
Lot: N/A

**23-171: HIRE SUMMER RECREATION CAMP COUNSELORS**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the hiring of Summer Camp staff at their respective rates as per the attached list effective Monday June 26, 2023.

**23-172: RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE BERGEN COUNTY FIRE MUTUAL AID PLAN IN THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland provides fire protection resources for ordinary emergency response requirements within its jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Departments in Bergen County have a day-to-day responsibility to provide for the safety and security of lives and property;

**WHEREAS**, local resources can become exhausted during a small percentage of large magnitude fire or disaster occurrences; and

**WHEREAS**, mutual aid is the most cost effective method of providing sufficient resources to a local jurisdiction for those extraordinary occurrences; and

**WHEREAS**, it is of mutual benefit for fire departments located within the County of Bergen to provide supplemental resources to each other in the event of a local emergency or disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, this plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of fire department personnel and equipment whenever a local fire department requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of a fire or emergency; and

**WHEREAS**, a County area mutual aid plan is encouraged by, and is compatible with the State of New Jersey Resource Deployment Act; and

**WHEREAS**, participation in a County mutual aid plan will not impose liability on the local entity; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Governing Body of the Borough of Oakland to participate in the fire mutual aid plan;



**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, does hereby agree to authorize their Fire Department to provide mutual aid assistance to each participating municipality, district, state, or federal organization, as identified in the Bergen County Fire Mutual Aid Plan (ESF4) and may be amended from time to time by participating units and ratified by this body; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Bergen County Office of Emergency Management for filing.

**23-174: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCLUSION IN THE BERGEN COUNTY  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, certain Federal funds are potentially available to the County of Bergen under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; the HOME Investment Partnership Act of 1990, as amended; and the Emergency Solutions Grant of 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, the current Interlocal Services Cooperative Agreement contains an automatic renewal clause to expedite the notification of the inclusion process; and

**WHEREAS**, each Municipality must notify the Bergen County Division of Community Development of its intent to continue as a participant in the Urban County entitlement programs noted above; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Oakland and its residents to participate in said Programs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, hereby notifies the Bergen County Division of Community Development of its decision to be included as a participant Municipality in the Urban County entitlement programs being the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG) for the Fiscal Years 2024, 2025, and 2026 covering the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that an original copy of this resolution be made available to the Director of the Bergen County Division of Community Development as soon as possible and no later than Monday June 26, 2023.

**23-175: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH  
THE COUNTY OF BERGEN TO SUPERSEDE THE COOPERATIVE  
AGREEMENT DATED JULY 1, 2021 AND AMENDMENTS THERETO  
ESTABLISHING THE BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, certain federal funds are potentially available to the County of Bergen under Title 1 of



the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; the HOME Investment Partnership Act of 1990, as amended; and the Emergency Solutions Grant of 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to supersede the existing Interlocal Services Cooperative Agreement for the County and its people to benefit from these programs; and

**WHEREAS**, an agreement has been proposed under which the Borough of Oakland and the County of Bergen in cooperation with other municipalities, will modify an Interlocal Services Program pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et. seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Oakland to enter into such an agreement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, that the Agreement entitled "Three Year Cooperative Agreement" (an Agreement superseding the Cooperative Agreement dated July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024) to clarify the planning and implementation procedures and to enable the municipality to make a three year irrevocable commitment to participate in the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME), and the Emergency Solutions Grant Program (ESG) for Fiscal Years 2024, 2025, and 2026 covering the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027, be executed by the Mayor and Municipal Clerk in accordance with the provisions of the law;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution shall take effect immediately in accordance with the law and that an original copy be made available to the Director of the Bergen County Division of Community Development as soon as possible, and no later than Monday June 26, 2023.

**23-176:        AUTHORIZE APPOINTMENTS OF MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVES TO  
BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REGIONAL  
COMMITTEES FY 2023 COVERING PERIOD JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JULY  
30, 2024**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland has entered into a three-year cooperative agreement with the County of Bergen as provided under the Inter Local Services Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et. seq. and Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, said agreement requires that the Borough Council appoint a representative and alternate and that the Mayor appoint a representative and an alternate for the FY 2023-2024 term starting July 1, 2023, and ending on June 30, 2024;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, hereby appoints Eric Kulmala as its representative and John McCann as the alternate and that the Mayor hereby appoints Richard S. Kunze as her representative and Michael E. Carelli as the alternate to serve on the Community Development Regional Committee for FY 2023-2024.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that an original, certified copy of this resolution be immediately emailed and sent via postage to Robert G. Esposito, Director; Bergen County Division of Community Development, One Bergen County Plaza, Fourth Floor, Hackensack, N.J. 07601-7076, [resposito@co.bergen.nj.us](mailto:resposito@co.bergen.nj.us), as soon as possible and no later than Monday June 26, 2023.

**23-177: AUTHORIZE CHAPTER 159 FOR SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR SLEO III OFFICERS**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland has entered into a shared services agreement with the Board of Education of the Borough of Oakland for the provision of four (4) Special Law Enforcement Officer III's, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education of the Borough of Oakland will be reimbursing the Borough of Oakland for the hiring, salary and operating costs associated with the provision of the shared service in the amount of \$145,000.00 and wishes to amend its 2023 budget to include this amount as a revenue,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:  
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written  
Consent of Director of Local Government Services -  
Shared Service Agreements Offset with Appropriations:  
OBE – Special Law Enforcement Officer III's

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$145,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:  
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"  
Shared Service Agreements:  
OBE – Special Law Enforcement Officer III's  
Salary & Wages - \$100,000.00  
Other Expenses - \$45,000.00



**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk forward an electronic copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

**23-178:            AUTHORIZE CHAPTER 159 FOR NJDCA LOCAL RECREATION  
IMPROVEMENT GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland has received a grant in the amount of \$75,000.00 from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for the purpose of providing public access to quality outdoor space and recreational facilities in the Borough, and wishes to amend its 2023 budget to include this amount as a revenue,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:  
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written  
Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and  
Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:  
Local Recreation Improvement Grant – Field Rehab

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$75,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:  
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"  
Public and Private Appropriations Offset by Revenues:  
Local Recreation Improvement Grant – Field Rehab  
Other Expenses - \$75,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk forward an electronic copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

**23-179:            AUTHORIZE CHAPTER 159 FOR BERGEN COUNTY MINI CLEAN  
COMMUNITIES GRANT**



**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland has received a grant in the amount of \$300.00 from the County of Bergen for the purpose of purchasing of Litter Clean-up here in the Borough, and wishes to amend its 2023 budget to include this amount as a revenue,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:  
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written  
Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and  
Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:  
Clean Community Mini – Litter

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$300.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:  
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"  
Public and Private Appropriations Offset by Revenues:  
Clean Community Mini - Litter  
Other Expenses - \$300.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk forward an electronic copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

**23-180: AUTHORIZE CHAPTER 159 FOR MONSANTO PCB SETTLEMENT FOR  
STORMWATER**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland has received a Monsanto PCB Clean Water settlement in the amount of \$17,414.03 to be utilized for the purpose of improving stormwater management here in the Borough, and wishes to amend its 2023 budget to include this amount as a revenue,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:  
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written  
Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and  
Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:  
Monsanto PCB Settlement – Stormwater

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$17,414.03 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:  
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"  
Public and Private Appropriations Offset by Revenues:  
Monsanto PCB Settlement - Stormwater  
Other Expenses - \$17,414.03

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk forward an electronic copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

**23-181: AUTHORIZE CHAPTER 159 FOR STORMWATER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland has received a grant in the amount of \$25,000.00 from the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for the purpose of improving stormwater management here in the Borough, and wishes to amend its 2023 budget to include this amount as a revenue,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue from:



Miscellaneous Revenues:  
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written  
Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and  
Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:  
Stormwater Assistance Program

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$25,000.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:  
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"  
Public and Private Appropriations Offset by Revenues:  
Stormwater Assistance Program  
Other Expenses - \$25,000.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk forward an electronic copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

**23-182: AUTHORIZE CHAPTER 159 FOR BODY ARMOR GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland has received a grant in the amount of \$1,950.37 from the State of New Jersey for the purpose of purchasing Police Body Armor for Police Officers here in the Borough, and wishes to amend its 2023 budget to include this amount as a revenue,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:  
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written  
Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and  
Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:  
Body Armor Grant

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of \$1,950.37 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:



General Appropriations:  
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"  
Public and Private Appropriations Offset by Revenues:  
    Body Armor Grant  
        Other Expenses - \$1,950.37

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Borough Clerk forward an electronic copy of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

**23-183: CANCEL GRANT BALANCES**

**WHEREAS**, there exist certain Grant Receivables and Grant Appropriated Reserves on the Balance Sheet that were adopted into previous Budgets for the Borough of Oakland; and

**WHEREAS**, the balances are no longer necessary for the purpose originally created; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to formally cancel the receivable balances and their offsetting appropriation balances from the balance sheet;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, that the following grant receivables and appropriation balances be cancelled:

**GRANT FUND:**

<b><u>ACCOUNT:</u></b>	<b><u>DESCRIPTION:</u></b>	<b><u>BALANCE TO CANCEL:</u></b>
G-02-21-776-002	Senior Center Upgrade Rcvbl	\$0.38
G-02-21-778-001	Senior Center Upgrade	\$0.38

**23-184: AUTHORIZE HIRE OF TEMPORARY PT CLERK FOR MUNICIPAL COURT**

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to hire a temporary part-time Clerk for the Municipal Court; and

**WHEREAS**, the Court Administrator has recommended the hiring of Sarah Bua for the temporary position;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the hire of Sarah Bua to the temporary Clerk position for the Municipal Court at a salary of \$18.00 per hour with a maximum of 24 hours per week, for the period May 15, 2023 through August 25, 2023.

**23-185: AUTHORIZE SUBMITTAL OF LETTER OF SUPPORT TO NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR GRANT APPLICATION TO UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR CHARGING AND FUELING INFRASTRUCTURE DISCRETIONARY GRANT PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Transportation is offering the Charging and Fuel Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program to strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging and alternative fuel infrastructure in the places people live and work; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is applying for said grant program with a focus on installing charging infrastructure in public places across the State of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection seeks the Borough of Oakland's support as a sub-grantee of said program; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign a letter of support to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for their application to the United States Department of Transportation Charging and Fuel Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution be provided to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Bureau of Mobile Sources.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       None.  
                  (4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

**RESOLUTIONS:**

On motion of Councilman Talamini, seconded by Councilman Slasinski, the following resolution be introduced, adopted, and duly passed by a roll call vote:

**23-168:       RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT A5163 REPEALING LAW PROVIDING THAT  
                  VIOLATION OF REAR SEAT BELT LAW BE TREATED AS SECONDARY  
                  OFFENSE**

**WHEREAS**, in 2020, traffic fatalities in New Jersey rose five percent and 585 lost their lives on State roads according to the New Jersey State Police; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2019, lack of seat belt use was a factor in 43 percent of passenger vehicle fatalities when restraint use was known according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA); and

**WHEREAS**, motor vehicle crashes cost New Jersey nearly \$13 billion annually according to the NHTSA and crash costs are 55 percent higher for unbelted crash victims who incur medical bills compared with belted victims; and



**WHEREAS**, unbelted rear passengers can be thrown about the passenger compartment of a vehicle in a crash, posing a serious threat to the driver and other vehicle occupants as the odds of death for a belted driver seated directly in front of an unrestrained passenger in a serious head-on crash is 2.27 times higher than if the driver is seated in front of a restrained passenger; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intent of the New Jersey legislature to increase the survival rates of individuals involved with vehicular crashes on New Jersey's roads and highways, reduce the severity of vehicular crash injuries, and curb the escalating costs of health care, workers' compensation, and other insurance related expenditures associated with motor vehicle crashes; and

**WHEREAS**, under current law, the failure to wear a seatbelt in the rear seat of a motor vehicle constitutes a secondary offense, which means a law enforcement officer cannot stop and issue a ticket solely for a violation of the rear seat belt law, but only when a driver of a passenger automobile has been stopped for some other suspected violation of Title 39 of the Revised Statutes or other law; and

**WHEREAS**, by making a failure to wear a seatbelt in the rear seat of a motor vehicle a primary offense, the Legislature intends to strengthen the State's seat belt law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, extend its full support of Assembly Bill No. 5163, introduced on February 6, 2023 by Assemblyman Robert Auth, which repeals the law providing that violation of rear seat belt law be treated as secondary offense.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Phil Murphy, Senator Holly Schepisi, Assemblyman Robert Auth, Assemblywoman DeAnne DeFuccio, and the State League of Municipalities.

**ROLL CALL:**    **Ayes:**                **Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.**  
                     **Nays:**                **None.**  
                     **Abstain:**            **None.**  
                     **(4 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)**

On motion of Councilman Talamini, seconded by Councilman Slasinski, the following resolution be introduced, adopted, and duly passed by a roll call vote:

**23-173:                RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF TAX APPEALS ENTITLED  
PSE&G SERVICES CORP. V. BOROUGH OF OAKLAND**

**WHEREAS**, PSE&G Services Corp. is the owner and/or taxpayer of real property designated as Block 3601, Lot 41 on the official Tax Map of the Borough of Oakland and located at 20 Van Vooren Drive for tax years 2016 through 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, the taxpayer has filed property tax appeals against the Borough of Oakland for tax years 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023, in matters entitled PSEG Services Corp. v. Borough of Oakland, which are presently pending in the Tax Court of New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Assessor and Tax Appeal Attorney have recommended a settlement of the litigation, which is in the best interests of the Borough; and

**WHEREAS**, the total refund for the proposed settlement is \$32,946.91; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Oakland wishes to accept the proposed settlement offer of Counsel for the taxpayer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Oakland, in the County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, that Borough of Oakland is hereby authorized to accept the proposed settlement offer for the matter entitled PSEG Services Corp. v. Borough of Oakland, so that for the tax year 2016, the total assessment of \$6,000,000 will be reduced to \$5,659,800; and so that for the tax year 2017, the total assessment of \$6,000,000 will be reduced to \$5,604,800; and so that for the tax year 2018, the total assessment of \$6,000,000 will be reduced to \$5,553,700; and so that for the tax years 2019, 2020 and 2021, the total assessment of \$6,000,000 will remain; and so that for the tax year 2022, the assessment of \$8,866,300 will remain; and so that for the tax year 2023, the assessment of \$8,700,000 will remain; resulting in a total refund to the taxpayer of \$32,946.91.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor, Borough Clerk, and Borough's Tax Appeal Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to execute any other documents necessary to effectuate the purpose of this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the refund will be made without any interest to the taxpayer, as long as payment is made within 60 days of the date of Judgment.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       None.  
                  (4 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)

**ORDINANCES:**

**ORDINANCE 23-CODE-904**

**“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, SECTION 16 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND RELATED TO PERMIT PARKING”**

The Borough Clerk was directed to take from the table Ordinance No. 23-Code-904 and read by title for its final hearing.

The Borough Clerk then read by title an Ordinance entitled **“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, SECTION 16 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND RELATED TO PERMIT PARKING.”**



**OPENED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Saliani, this portion of the meeting be opened for public comment.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

No public comment.

**CLOSED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:**

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Saliani, this portion of the meeting be closed to public comment.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

On motion of Councilman Pignatelli, seconded by Councilman Talamini, Ordinance 23-Code-904, entitled **"AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, SECTION 16 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND RELATED TO PERMIT PARKING"**, be adopted.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:           Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:           None.  
                  Abstain:       None.  
                  (4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

**ORDINANCE 23-CODE-905**

**"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT, AND REVISE THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, "LAND USE AND ZONING", CHAPTER 59, BY ADDING NEW ARTICLE, "SHORT TERM RENTALS.""**

The Borough Clerk was directed to take from table Ordinance No. 23-CODE-905 and read by title for its first reading.

The Borough Clerk then read by title Ordinance No. 23-CODE-905 entitled, **"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT, AND REVISE THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, "LAND USE AND ZONING", CHAPTER 59, BY ADDING NEW ARTICLE, "SHORT TERM RENTALS"**

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Slasinski, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on roll call vote.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that an Ordinance entitled, **"AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT, AND REVISE THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, "LAND USE AND ZONING", CHAPTER 59, BY ADDING NEW ARTICLE, "SHORT TERM RENTALS"**, be introduced;

That said Ordinance be considered for final adoption at a Borough Council Meeting on Wednesday June 14, 2023 at the Municipal Court/Council Chambers, 10 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. at 7:00 p.m.

That said Ordinance be published in full in The Record on or before together with notice of this introduction and of the time and place for further consideration for final passage, and that the Borough Clerk post a copy of said Ordinance in the Municipal Building and make copies available to the public.

**ROLL CALL:**   **Ayes:**           **Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.**  
                  **Nays:**           **None**  
                  **Abstain:**       **None**  
                  **(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)**

**ORDINANCE 23-CODE-906**

**“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT, AND REVISE THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, “LAND USE AND ZONING”, CHAPTER 59, BY AMENDING ARTICLE VII, “ZONING””**

The Borough Clerk was directed to take from table Ordinance No. 23-CODE-906 and read by title for its first reading.

The Borough Clerk then read by title Ordinance No. 23-CODE-906 entitled, **“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT, AND REVISE THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, “LAND USE AND ZONING”, CHAPTER 59, BY AMENDING ARTICLE VII, “ZONING””**

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Slasinski, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on roll call vote.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that an Ordinance entitled, **“AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, SUPPLEMENT, AND REVISE THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, “LAND USE AND ZONING”, CHAPTER 59, BY AMENDING ARTICLE VII, “ZONING””**, be introduced;

That said Ordinance be considered for final adoption at a Borough Council Meeting on Wednesday June 14, 2023 at the Municipal Court/Council Chambers, 10 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. at 7:00 p.m.

That said Ordinance be published in full in The Record on or before together with notice of this introduction and of the time and place for further consideration for final passage, and that the Borough Clerk post a copy of said Ordinance in the Municipal Building and make copies available to the public.

**ROLL CALL:**   **Ayes:**           **Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.**  
                  **Nays:**           **None**  
                  **Abstain:**       **None**  
                  **(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)**



**ORDINANCE 23-CAPITAL-907**

**“CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$1,056,450 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE BOROUGH”**

The Borough Clerk was directed to take from table Ordinance No. 23-CAPITAL-907 and read by title for its first reading.

The Borough Clerk then read by title Ordinance No. 23-CAPITAL-907 entitled, **“CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$1,056,450 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE BOROUGH”**

On motion of Councilman Saliani, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on roll call vote.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that an Ordinance entitled, **“CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND ACQUISITIONS IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$1,056,450 AND PROVIDING THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE RAISED FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE BOROUGH”**, be introduced;

That said Ordinance be considered for final adoption at a Borough Council Meeting on Wednesday June 14, 2023 at the Municipal Court/Council Chambers, 10 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. at 7:00 p.m.

That said Ordinance be published in full in The Record on or before together with notice of this introduction and of the time and place for further consideration for final passage, and that the Borough Clerk post a copy of said Ordinance in the Municipal Building and make copies available to the public.

**ROLL CALL:**    **Ayes:**                Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                     **Nays:**                None  
                     **Abstain:**            None  
                     **(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)**

**ORDINANCE 23-CODE-908**

**“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, SECTION 17 OF THE OAKLAND CODE  
RELATED TO VEHICLES EXCEEDING THREE (3) TONS”**

The Borough Clerk was directed to take from table Ordinance No. 23-CODE-908 and read by title for its first reading.

The Borough Clerk then read by title Ordinance No. 23-CODE-908 entitled, **“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, SECTION 17 OF THE OAKLAND CODE RELATED TO VEHICLES EXCEEDING THREE (3) TONS”**

On motion of Councilman Kulmala, seconded by Councilman Slasinski, the following resolution be introduced, adopted and duly passed on roll call vote.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that an Ordinance entitled, **“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7, SECTION 17 OF THE OAKLAND CODE RELATED TO VEHICLES EXCEEDING THREE (3) TONS”**, be introduced;

That said Ordinance be considered for final adoption at a Borough Council Meeting on Wednesday June 14, 2023 at the Municipal Court/Council Chambers, 10 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. at 7:00 p.m.

That said Ordinance be published in full in The Record on or before together with notice of this introduction and of the time and place for further consideration for final passage, and that the Borough Clerk post a copy of said Ordinance in the Municipal Building and make copies available to the public.

**ROLL CALL:**    **Ayes:**                **Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.**  
                     **Nays:**                **None**  
                     **Abstain:**            **None**  
                     **(4 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)**

**WORK SESSION:**

**SUPPORT S3739/A5402 DELAYING IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FOURTH ROUND OF  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS:**

Legislation was provided to the Borough by the Northwest Bergen Mayors Association, which would delay the fourth round of affordable housing obligations. The Mayor brought forth for an endorsing resolution. Councilman Saliani asked if there are any negative consequences of adopting the resolution. The Borough Council consented to bring forth for an endorsing resolution at the June 14, 2023 Borough Council Meeting.



## **PROPSAL FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR LAKESIDE BOULEVARD WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT:**

Mr. Kunze distributed a proposal from Boswell Engineering for engineering services for the Lakeside Boulevard Water Main Improvements Project. Mr. Kunze advised that the water main is brittle and in bad condition. Mr. Kunze added that the road would be paved after the installation. Mayor Schwager encouraged the contractor to do a better job with cleanup every day should this project move forward. Mr. Kunze anticipates going out to bid this Fall, with a repaving next year. Mayor Schwager expressed frustrations with waiting another year. Mr. Kunze added that the trench would have a final pave over. Councilman Talamini expressed concerns with the trench conditions. Mr. Yakimik responded that he would reach out to the current contractor to express the Governing Body's frustrations. Mr. Yakimik suggested adding this topic as a resolution for the June 14, 2023 Borough Council Meeting, while at the same time checking on whether the project schedule could be fast tracked for a final repave in 2023.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

No new business reported.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Councilman Saliani asked for a status update on the PFAS Treatment Systems Project. Mr. Yakimik responded that the NJDEP Land Use Permits for Well #9 is subject to a 20-day extension. Well #10 is expected within the next 14 days. Mr. Yakimik added that the project remains on schedule. If the permit process is subject to further delays, the anticipated completion date may need to be extended.

### **COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS:**

**Councilman Talamini:** Councilman Talamini announced the Memorial Day Parade for Sunday May 28, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. along Ramapo Valley Road. The Public Events Committee is seeking volunteers. Councilman Talamini announced the Baseball and Softball Parade for June 3, 2023. The Oakland Carnival is scheduled for June 21, 2023 through June 24, 2023. Tickets are available online.

**Councilman Kulmala:** The Sustainable Oakland Green Team's FLOW Green Film Festival is scheduled for Saturday June 3, 2023 in Veterans Park. There will be educational opportunities such as bee keeping and EV car showcase. The Arts in Oakland Festival is from June 9, 2023 through June 11, 2023 in Veterans Park.

**Councilman Pignatelli:** No report.

**Councilman McCann:** No report.

**Councilman Slasinski:** Councilman Slasinski reported that the Communications Commission is seeking volunteers for its Committees. The Oakland Department of Public Works is continuing their

hydrant-flushing program on May 25, 2023. Residents should expected a temporary water pressure loss and/or discoloration. The Oakland Public Library is working on new summer programs.

**Councilman Saliani:** Councilman Saliani reported that the Department of Public Works is out inspecting storm drains. Football signups are ongoing and available on the Borough website. The Shade Tree Commission is seeking an additional volunteer. Councilman Saliani read aloud the tree removal permit statistics. Councilman Saliani visited Allerman Brook to view the damage. Councilman Saliani read aloud police statistics for the month of May 2023.

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Councilman Kulmala set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Saliani, to open for public comment.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

No public comment.

Councilman Kulmala set forth the motion, seconded by Councilman Saliani, the public comment session be closed.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

**BILLS TO BE PAID:**

On motion of Councilman Talamini, seconded by Councilman Kulmala, the following bills be submitted for payment:

**(See following pages)**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the foregoing bills be paid and charged to their respective accounts when the funds are available.

**ROLL CALL:**   Ayes:               Kulmala, Saliani, Slasinski, Talamini.  
                  Nays:             None.  
                  Abstain:       None.  
                  (4 ayes – 0 nays –motion carried)



**ADJOURNMENT:**

On motion of Councilman Talamini, seconded by Councilman Saliani, the meeting be adjourned.

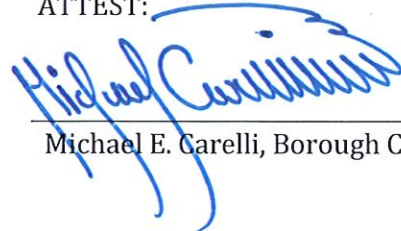
**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Adjourned: 8:29 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

  
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Linda H. Schwager, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Michael E. Carelli, Borough Clerk