

**REGULAR MEETING
MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
February 24, 2022**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Johnston with a salute to the flag. Roll call was recorded as follows:

Present: Bruno, McCarrie, McGuigan, Owen, Johnston

Also Present: Mayor Glasser, City Administrator Frost, City Clerk Samuelson, Deputy Clerk Heath, City Solicitor Thomas Smith, and City Engineer Greg Schneider

Absent: Dill

Open Public Meetings Act:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to two local newspapers. The agenda has been posted at City Hall and on the City's website, somerspointgov.org.

Council President Johnston announced Nominations for Council Member Ward 1 for an Unexpired Term ending 12/31/2023 have been received from Lisa Bender, Richard L. DePamphilis III, Robert Hopkins and Joseph W. Keyes. She asked for further nominations from City Council. No further nominations were offered.

Council President Johnston opened to the public to receive nominations. Hearing nothing further, public nominations were closed.

Council President Johnston asked the nominees if they would like to address City Council.

Lisa Bender of 1304 Atkinson Avenue stated her interest and provided her qualifications for the open seat on City Council.

Richard L. DePamphilis, III, mentioned his previous local government experience and his interest in serving on City Council.

Resolutions:

Clerk Samuelson read by title only the list of resolutions.

Public Portion:

Council President Johnston duly opened the meeting to the public.

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Kathleen Artleth of 829 Bay Avenue requested clarification on the appointment process.

Carol Zerbe of 1414 Massachusetts Avenue gave her strong support of Lisa Bender for the vacant City Council seat.

Ann Marie Gibbs of 549 Sunny Avenue stated her strong support of Lisa Bender for the vacant seat on City Council.

Theresa Dougherty of 26 Dogwood Drive read a petition with signatures supporting Lisa Bender to be appointed to the vacant City Council seat.

Dan Myers of 429 Shore Road mentioned his support of Lisa Bender and read a letter from Kim O'Brien, President of the Somers Point Democratic Club also giving her support to Lisa Bender.

Levi Fox of 90 Broadway stated his support for Lisa Bender for the open seat on City Council.

Hearing nothing further from the public, the public portion was duly closed.

Resolution No. 55 of 2022

M/S- Owen/McCarrie

This resolution was adopted by a roll call vote of those present. The votes recorded as follows:

Council Member Bruno: Lisa Bender

Council Member McCarrie: Richard L. DePamphilis III

Council Member McGuigan: Richard L. DePamphilis III

Council Member Owen: Richard L. DePamphilis III

Council President Johnston: Richard L. DePamphilis III

No. 55 of 2022

**Subject: A Resolution Appointing a Replacement to the Position of
Councilperson First Ward for the City of Somers Point**

Introduced by: Council President Johnston

WHEREAS, Kenneth Adams was sworn into the office of Councilperson, First Ward for the City of Somers Point on January 27, 2021, so as to fill the unexpired term of Councilwoman Stacy L. Ferreri; and

WHEREAS, Councilman Kenneth Adams has now tendered his resignation from the position as Councilperson, First Ward by sending to the City Clerk an email of February 3, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, the City Clerk duly advised Somers Point’s City Council of said vacancy;
and

WHEREAS, as a result of Councilman Adams not being elected to said position, City Council, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:16-12, may appoint a successor within 30 days of said resignation; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to fill said position, and has requested and considered submissions from the public relative to said appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Somers Point that Richard L. DePamphilis III is hereby appointed to fill the vacancy for the position of City Councilperson, First Ward, effective immediately.

Newly Appointed Council Member DePamphilis was sworn in by Mayor Glasser, with his wife Sally holding the Bible.

Roll Call:

Present: Bruno, DePamphilis, McCarrie, McGuigan, Owen, Johnston
Absent: Dill

Resolution No. 56 of 2022

M/S- Owen/McGuigan

This resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

Council Member McGuigan offered his condolences to Eric’s family and his brothers and sisters on the Fire Department. He also mentioned that Eric was always happy and cheerful with a smile on his face.

Mayor Glasser stated he will miss his friend dearly and gave condolences to his family.

Mayor Glasser presented Eric’s family and the members of Volunteer Fire Company No. 1 with a copy of the resolution.

With great sorrow, Eric’s family graciously presented his ashes to Volunteer Fire Company No. 1.

Council President Johnston also extended her condolences.

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**Honoring the Life of Eric Jones
Member of Somers Point Volunteer Fire Company #1**

WHEREAS, the all-volunteer fire department of Somers Point is a part of the fabric of the City and a great source of pride for the members of the community; and

WHEREAS, Eric Jones served this community as an active member of Somers Point Fire Volunteer Fire Company #1 for 28 years; and

WHEREAS, Eric lost a leg to cancer as a young boy, yet Eric remain undeterred by that challenge; and

WHEREAS, Eric performed all his duties as a firefighter with perseverance, courage, and heroism while maintaining a kind smile and very friendly demeanor; and

WHEREAS, Eric Jones departed from this earth on January 21, 2022, leaving behind family, friends, and his brothers and sisters of the Fire Department to mourn the loss of a good friend and a great man; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that we honor the memory of Eric Jones and officially mourn the passing of the man whose dedication and perseverance was inspirational to many; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council on behalf of a grateful City offer their sincere condolences to Eric Jones’s family and friends.

Council President Johnston called a brief five-minute recess before reconvening in open session.

Communications:

None

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Mayor's Report:

Mayor Glasser reported a scheduled event at the VFW on April 22 celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Eddie and the Cruisers movie. He also mentioned Keith Cooper, Executive Director of the Gateway Playhouse will be retiring, and he wished him the best.

Administrator's Report:

None

Solicitors Report:

None

Engineers Report:

Engineer Schneider reported there is a preconstruction meeting scheduled for the 2021 Stormwater Repairs and the West Atlantic Phase I and Drainage Improvement contracts, and these projects should be starting soon. He also mentioned bids for the dog park and 2021 Road Program will be going out next week. He then gave an update on the Neighborhood Preservation Program Plan.

Committee Reports:

Council Member Owen reported Request For Proposals for Marina Operations were received, and the Marina Committee will meet to review them.

Approval of Minutes:

On the motion of Council Member McCarrie, seconded of Council Member Bruno and carried to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of 2/10/2022 and the Executive Session Meeting Minutes of 8/20/2021.

Ordinances:

Ordinance No. 2 of 2022

M/S- Owen/Bruno

The ordinance was adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

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(Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)

Council President Johnston duly opened the meeting to the public.

Kathleen Arleth of 829 Bay Avenue asked for clarification regarding this ordinance.

Hearing nothing further from the public, the public hearing was duly closed.

No. 2 of 2022

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 44, ARTICLE II, SECTION 44-4, TO ALLOW FOR THE EXEMPTION OF QUALIFIED ENTRY LAW ENFORCEMENT APPLICANTS FROM CIVIL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS.

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2021, Governor Murphy signed into law P.L. 2021, c.7, which legislation allowed the Civil Service Commission to exempt entry law enforcement position applicants who have successfully completed a full basic course for police officers from the civil service law enforcement requirements;

WHEREAS, said legislation calls for a municipality to adopt an ordinance authorizing the hiring of such applicants, as well as a conflict of interest and nepotism policy before permitting such a hire by the police department; and

WHEREAS, said the City Council of Somers Point recognizes both the difficulty of hiring qualified personnel to the position of Police Officer, as well as the cost savings in not having to hire and then pay for an officer to attend the necessary courses to meet the qualifications of being a police officer.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Somers Point, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Chapter 44, Article II, § 44-4 shall be amended to reflect that the first paragraph of same shall be identified as subsection (A), and a new paragraph identified as subsection (B) shall be added which states as follows:

“The City may hire as a police officer for an entry level law enforcement position an individual who has not taken a civil service examination, provided said individual has already successfully completed a full Basic Course for Police Officers training at a school approved and authorized by the New Jersey Police Training Commission. Nothing in this Section 44-4(B) shall be interpreted or construed to require the City to fill an entry level law enforcement position with a candidate that has not completed a civil service examination.

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2. Any article, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the City of Somers Point Code inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

3. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

4. This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage and publication as required by law.

Ordinance No. 6 of 2022

M/S- McCarrie/Bruno

The ordinance was adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

(First Reading/Introduction)

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WHEREAS, said legislation calls for a municipality to adopt an ordinance authorizing the hiring of such applicants, as well as a conflict of interest and nepotism policy before permitting such a hire by the police department; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of Somers Point has passed Ordinance No. 2 of 2022 which allows the hiring such applicants; and

WHEREAS, City Council now wishes to adopt an ordinance setting forth a conflict of interest and nepotism policy for those situations when such an applicant would be considered for the entry level position of a police officer.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council of the City of Somers Point, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

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1. Chapter 44, Article II, § 44-4 shall be amended to reflect the addition of a new paragraph which shall be identified as subsection (C), which states as follows:

“An individual who otherwise would be eligible for hire as set forth in subsection (B), shall be precluded from being hired for said position if they are either a child, step-child, sibling or step-sibling of a City Council member, or if their parent, step-parent, sibling or step-sibling is employed in any capacity by a City Council member or a business entity in which a City Council member holds an ownership interest of greater than 25% interest.”
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Ordinance No. 7 of 2022

M/S- McCarrie/Bruno

The ordinance was adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

(First Reading/Introduction)

No. 7 of 2022

**CALENDAR YEAR 2022 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

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WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Somers Point in the County of Atlantic finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2022 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$326,381.60 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, in the County of Atlantic, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2022 budget year, the final appropriations of the City of Somers Point shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$456,934.24, and that the CY 2022 municipal budget for the City of Somers Point be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Resolutions:

Clerk Samuelson read by title only the list of resolutions.

Public Portion Resolutions:

Council President Johnston duly opened the meeting to the public.

Kathleen Arleth of 829 Bay Avenue requested the meetings and conclusion of the Neighborhood Preservation Plan be advertised for the public. She also requested clarification on Resolution No. 60.

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John Helbig requested redevelopment plans discussed in Resolution No 61 be made transparent to the public before approval.

Hearing nothing further from the public, the public portion was duly closed.

Resolution No. 57 of 2022

M/S- Owen/McCarrie

This resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present with Council Member McGuigan recusing himself.

No. 57 of 2022

**Subject: Memorandum of Agreement – Police Benevolent Association
Somers Point Sergeant’s Unit**

Proposed By: Mayor John L. Glasser

**Introduced By: Council President Johnston and Council Members McCarrie and
Owen**

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point and the Mainland PBA, Local 77, Somers Point Sergeant’s Unit was parties to a Collective Bargaining Agreement (“Agreement”) which term was set from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point and the Mainland PBA, Local 77, Somers Point Sergeant’s Unit entered into negotiations for purposes of entering into a successor agreement; and

WHEREAS, those negotiations have concluded and the terms and conditions have been memorialized in a Memorandum of Agreement which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the term of the successor agreement shall be from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, that Memorandum of Agreement is hereby agreed to by this governing body.

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

1. Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr. is hereby authorized to sign off on the attached Memorandum of Agreement on behalf of the City which will then be incorporated into the full, formal written agreement.
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3. Once the formal written agreement is prepared in conformance with the Memorandum of Agreement, Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr. is hereby authorized to sign the agreement between the City of Somers Point and the Mainland PBA, Local 77, Somers Point Sergeant's Unit on behalf of the City and a copy thereof will be attached hereto.

Resolution No. 58 of 2022

M/S: Owen/McCarrie

This resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present with Council Member McGuigan recusing himself.

Mayor Glasser invited City Council Members to the swearing for Captain Sementa on February 25 at 4:00 P.M. in City Council Chambers.

No. 58 of 2022

Subject: Police Promotion to the Rank of Captain

Introduced by: Council President Johnston and Council Members McCarrie and Owen

WHEREAS, there is an opening in the Somers Point Police Department for the position of Captain of Police; and

WHEREAS, Chief Robert Somers has recommended that Lieutenant Jack Sementa be elevated to the rank of Captain of Police; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have concurred with said recommendation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE City Council of the City of Somers Point that the above individual is hereby promoted, effective March 1, 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to process the necessary paperwork with the Civil Service Commission.

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Resolution No. 59 of 2022

M/S: McCarrie/Owen

This resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

Council President Johnston stated the Committee was very thorough and took the public survey very seriously. She also mentioned the report will be published on the City's website.

No. 59 of 2022

Subject: A Resolution Adopting a Neighborhood Preservation Plan for Submission by the City of Somers Point to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs

Introduced by: Council President Johnston and Councilmen Dill and McCarrie

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Points seeks to participate in the state Department of Community Affairs's "Neighborhood Preservation Program," a statewide program that provides funding for the preservation and improvement of specific neighborhoods in New Jersey municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the targeted neighborhood is bounded by East New York Avenue, Great Egg Harbor Bay Ship Canal, Route 52, and Centre Street, which fully satisfies the state's criteria for participation in the Neighborhood Preservation Program; and

WHEREAS, the City, with the assistance of its planning consultant Rutala Associates, has developed a Neighborhood Preservation Implementation Plan, which is attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Somers Point City Council, having reviewed this plan, wishes to adopt it and to submit it to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, to serve as an application for the City to participate in the state's Neighborhood Preservation Program, including qualifying the City's designated district for monetary and other assistance as a qualified neighborhood,

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

1. The Somers Point City Council hereby adopts the attached Neighborhood Preservation Implementation Plan and directs the appropriate City officials and consultants to take all steps necessary to submit it to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and to take all other steps necessary to qualify the City's designated neighborhood for participation in the New Jersey Neighborhood Preservation Program.
2. This resolution shall take effect immediately, according to law.

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Resolution No. 60 of 2022

M/S: McCarrie/Owen

This resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

Ms. Cannuscio thanked City Council for the opportunity and stated she is looking forward to working for the City and serving the residents.

No. 60 of 2022

Subject: Full Time Hiring of Confidential Assistant to the City Clerk; namely Julianne Cannuscio

Introduced By: Council Members Dill, McGuigan and McCarrie

WHEREAS, due to a transfer it is necessary for the City of Somers Point to consider the hiring of a Confidential Assistant to the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Somers Point to hire employees according to their individual merits and in accordance with the New Jersey Civil Service Policies and Procedures; and

WHEREAS, the position was advertised and applications received; and

WHEREAS, a review of the applications was completed and an interview of job applicants was conducted by the City Administrator, City Clerk and Deputy City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the City Administrator and the City Clerk recommend the hiring of Julianne Cannuscio to the full time position of Confidential Assistant to the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available within the City Clerk's Department operations in the 2022 temporary budget for this full time hiring.

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

- 1.) The hiring of Julianne Cannuscio to the full-time position of Confidential Assistant to the City Clerk, an Unclassified position within New Jersey Civil Service (Local Government Job Specification 06977), is hereby approved February 24, 2022, with a retroactive hiring date of February 23rd, 2022.
- 2.) The terms of her employment are as contained in an offer of employment letter dated February 23, 2022, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 3.) This is an "at will" employment and is subject to the personnel policies and procedures of the City of Somers Point.

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Resolution No. 61 of 2022

M/S: Owen/Bruno

This resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

Subject: AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Introduced By: Council President Johnston

WHEREAS, while the Sen. Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) requires all meetings of the Somers Point City Council to be held in public, and N.J.S.A.10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in “Executive Session,” i.e. without the public being permitted to attend, and

WHEREAS, the Somers Point City Council has determined that there is one (1) topic which requires the advice and counsel of the Special COAH Counsel and is a matter permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) as an exception to open public meeting requirements; and is necessary to be discussed without the public in attendance during an Executive Session to be held on February 24, 2022, during a public meeting to be held commencing at 7:00 P.M, and

WHEREAS there are nine (9) exceptions to public meetings set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b). Listed below, is the exception relied upon; and after the exception is a space within which the number of issues to be privately discussed that fall within that exception shall be written and within which additional information that will disclose as much information about the discussion as possible without undermining the purpose of the exception shall be written.

4 “(7) Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.”

The nature of the matters to be discussed, described as fully as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality:

1. Advice of Counsel and attorney client communication regarding the status of legal and procedural issues pertaining to redevelopment of Block 719, Lots 15, 16, and 17, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions of a Redevelopment Plan, a Redevelopment Agreement, and affordable housing obligations in compliance with Somers Point Municipal Code Chapter 69, and the April 26, 2018, Court approved Settlement Agreement between the City and Fair Share Housing Center.

2. Advice of Counsel and attorney client communication regarding the legal and procedural issues pertaining to the redevelopment of Block 1214, Lots 9, 10, 11, 12, and 16, including the negotiation of a redevelopment agreement.

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3. Advice of Counsel and attorney client communication regarding the legal and procedural issues pertaining to the redevelopment of Block 1211, Lot 2, and the negotiation of a Redevelopment Agreement.

4. Advice of Counsel and attorney client communication regarding the legal and procedural issues pertaining to the redevelopment of Block 1815, Lots 3 & 8, a portion of Block 1815, Lot 4, and a portion of Block 1716, Lot 3 and the negotiation of a Memorandum of Understanding, an Escrow Agreement, a Redevelopment Plan and a Redevelopment Agreement, and affordable housing obligations in compliance with Somers Point Municipal Code Chapter 69, and the April 26, 2018, Court approved Settlement Agreement between the City and Fair Share Housing Center.

WHEREAS the length of the Executive Session is estimated to be approximately 40 – 60 minutes after which the public meeting of the City Council shall reconvene;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Somers Point will go into Executive Session for **only** the above stated reason;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council directs the City Clerk to make ten (10) photocopies of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the blank spaces within this form of resolution are to be filled out in conformity with a Consent Judgment and Memorandum of Understanding dated June 8, 2009, that arose that the City Council hereby declares that its discussion of the aforementioned subject(s) will be made public at a time when the public’s interest in disclosure is greater than any privacy or governmental interest being protected from disclosure. For each of the above items, the estimated date by which such disclosure can be made and/or the occurrence that needs to take place before disclosure can be made are listed below (attach separate sheet if necessary)

Subject of Discussion	Estimated Date	Necessary Occurrence
See Exception 7	Unknown at this time	Action by City Council.

Old Business:

None

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New Business:

- N.J. State Firemen’s Association Applications for memberships for Dylan T. Hoffman and Christos Economopoulos were anonymously approved by City Council.

Discussion of Bills:

Administrator Frost reported a record of Payments dated 2/11/2022 in the amount of \$4,500.00 and a Bill List dated 2/22/2022 in the amount of \$1,797,087.16.

Public Portion:

The meeting was duly opened to the public.

Natalie Bailey of 825 Bay Avenue requested an update on flashing stop signs at the corner of Bay and New York Avenues. She also mentioned she would like communication between the City and its citizens to be expanded.

Theresa Dougherty of 26 Dogwood Drive thanked City Council for the public survey regarding the Neighborhood Preservation Plan. She also mentioned her disappointment in the nomination to the vacant City Council seat.

Hearing nothing further from the public, the public hearing was duly closed.

Recess:

The Governing Body recessed briefly before going into Executive Session at 8:35 p.m.

Reconvene:

Council President Johnston reconvened the Governing Body to Open Session at 9:39 p.m.

Payment of Bills:

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The Bill List was approved by a unanimous vote of those present. A complete list of the bills is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before City Council, Council Member Owen moved, Council Member Bruno seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting at 9:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy R. Samuelsen, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Approved: 3/10/2022