

REORGANIZATION MEETING MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL January 4, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

City Clerk Samuelson, acting as Temporary Chairman, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the 2019 Reorganization Meeting of the Mayor and City Council.

Open Public Meetings Act

The Temporary Chairman announced pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided. Agenda for this meeting has been provided to two local newspapers and posted in the City Clerk's Office.

Oath of Office

Newly re-elected Councilman Ron Meischker was then called forward to be sworn in by Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr. as City Councilman, Ward One, with his wife Jayne holding the Bible.

Newly re-elected Councilman Howard Dill was then called forward to be sworn in by Clerk Samuelson as City Councilman, Ward Two, with his grandson, Trevor Dill, holding the Bible.

They each received a round of applause from the audience.

Roll Call: D'Adamo, Dill, Gerety, McGuigan, Meischker, Tapp, Toto,

Also Present: Mayor Glasser, Administrator Swain, Clerk Samuelson, Deputy Clerk Heath

Nomination and Election of a President of Council

Temporary Chairman Samuelson called for the nomination and election of President of Council for the year 2019. Councilman McGuigan was nominated by motion of Councilman Gerety, seconded by Councilman Tapp. There being no further nominations, the nominations were declared closed. Councilman McGuigan was then elected President of City Council by a unanimous roll call vote of those present. Councilman McGuigan was then called forward to receive the gavel with a round of applause. Council President McGuigan thanked everyone for their vote of confidence.

Nomination and Election of a President Pro-Tempore

Council President McGuigan then called for the nomination and election of a President Pro-Tempore for the year 2019. Councilman Meischker nominated Councilman Tapp, seconded by Councilman Dill and carried. Councilman Tapp was then elected President Pro-Tempore for the year 2019 by a unanimous vote of those present. Council President McGuigan offered his congratulations to Councilman Tapp.

Flag Salute and Roll Call

City Council President McGuigan led the audience in the salute to the Flag.

Poet Laureate

Poet Laureate, Maria Provenzano, recited a poem to the Governing Body and the public. Council President McGuigan thank Ms. Provenzano.

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Members of City Council Address the Public

City Councilman Meischker stated that 2019 is going to be a great year for Somers Point. He stated that the City has excellent volunteer fire departments and office of emergency management department. He gave kudos to all the volunteers of the boards and commissions. He mentioned that he looks forward to working with everyone and encouraged residents to call him with any questions or comments.

City Councilman D'Adamo congratulated Councilmen Meischker and Dill for their re-election to City Council. Additionally, he congratulated Council President McGuigan and City Council President Pro Tempore Tapp. He indicated that he looks forward to working with City Council to accomplish the tasks at hand for the City. He extended his appreciation to all the volunteers that keep the City running.

City Councilman Tapp congratulated the candidates that were re-elected to City Council. He stated that it is the volunteers that make the City great. He expressed his thankfulness to the volunteer fire departments, the police department and employees for all their efforts.

City Councilman Dill extended his thanks to all the residents and taxpayers that voted for him, which is his fourth term serving on City Council. He stated that he will try his best to instill the confidence that the voters offered him. Additionally, he is looking forward to working with City Council. He thanked City Administrator Swain, the City Clerk's Office and all the employees. He expressed his appreciation to the police department, office of emergency management and the administration staff. He thanked the many volunteers sitting on boards and commissions in this town. He expressed his appreciation and thanks to the fire departments for protecting the residents and keeping the town safe. Councilman Dill stated that most importantly he thanked his wife of 46 years. He proudly recognized their five grandchildren and their two sons and one daughter whom have chosen to follow service to community and to the State of New Jersey for the betterment of the citizens. He congratulated Councilmen Meischker along with Council President McGuigan and knows they will do a good job as leaders of this town.

Councilman Toto thanked all the volunteers that make the wheels turn in the City, and he extended his gratefulness for them all.

Councilman Gerety thanked everyone for coming out tonight and allowing him to help people in the community, which shows we are one big family.

Council President McGuigan stated that he is just as proud at this twelfth Reorganization Meeting as he was at his first. He fondly reminisced of Neil Regina, who passed away last year, and was always a big part of the reorganization meetings. He recognized his wife, Peggy, in the audience and offered his heartfelt sentiments of missing Neil Regina. Additionally, Council President McGuigan mentioned that everyone sitting on City Council has their heart in the right place when making decisions for the town. Council President McGuigan expressed his gratitude

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to the volunteer fire departments, all employees and particularly the police department that protect our families and homes and put their lives on the line every day.

Mayor Glasser noted the dignitaries that were in attendance and invited everyone to a celebration party at Fire Company No. 2 House. Additionally, Mayor Glasser thanked Fire Chief Somers for his hospitality. Mayor Glasser congratulated Councilmen Dill and Meischker and is looking forward to working with them and all of City Council. He wished everyone a happy and prosperous New Year. Mayor Glasser thanked all the volunteers and employees and stated that it's all about everyone working together for the betterment of Somers Point. He mentioned that he could not be prouder of starting his twelfth year for the City. Mayor Glasser offered God's blessings to all and to watch over Somers Point.

Public Portion

Hearing nothing from the public, it was duly closed.

Proclamations:

The following Mayor's proclamations were read by the City Clerk.

No. 1 of 2019

Subject: Appointing Historic Preservation Commission

WHEREAS, the City Council by Ordinance has established a Historic Preservation Commission in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-107 et seq. as more specifically set forth in Section 114-202 in Article XXVIII of Chapter 114 of the Somers Point Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, the Somers Point Historical Commission currently consists of seven regular members and two alternate members; and

WHEREAS, it is the jurisdiction of the Mayor to make said appointments to the Commission; and

WHEREAS, it has also been determined that for a seven-member Commission, at least one member shall be a Class A member, one member shall be a Class B member and a third member shall be either a Class A or a Class B member so that a total of at least one less than a majority shall be of Classes A and B; and

WHEREAS, Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., wishes to reappoint Donna Mohr to a full two-year term as a Class B member, said term expiring December 31, 2020; and

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WHEREAS, Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., wishes to reappoint Levi Fox as a Class B member said term expiring December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., wishes to reappoint William Reinert as Class C member, said term expiring December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., wishes to reappoint Marian McVeigh as a Class C member, said term expiring December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., wishes to reappoint Patricia Pierson as a Class C member, said term expiring December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., wishes to reaffirm the following appointments with the term expiration dates designated below

BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT the Historic Preservation Commission consists of the following members with their terms of office noted:

CLASS A	EXPIRATION OF TERM
Tara McGinnis - Regular Member	December 31, 2019
CLASS B	
Donna Mohr - Regular Member	December 31, 2020
Levi Fox – Regular Member	December 31, 2020
CLASS C	
William Reinert - Regular Member	December 31, 2020
Marian McVeigh - Regular Member	December 31, 2020
Greg DiSabatino – Reg. Member	December 31, 2019
Patricia Pierson – Regular Member	December 31, 2020
ALTERNATES	
Lois Gregory (Alt. No. 1)	December 31, 2019
Natalie Bailey (Alt. No. 2)	December 31, 2019

No. 2 of 2019

Subject: Appointing Planning Board Members

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the Class IV category of the Somers Point Planning Board due to the expiration of the term of Greg Sykora, said term expiring December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with NJSA 40:55D-23-1, Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., hereby appoints John Conover in the Class IV category with a term expiring December 31, 2022; and

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WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the Class IV category of the Somers Point Planning Board for the term of John Conover, Alternate No. 1, with a term expiring December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with NJSA 40:55D-23-1, Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., hereby appoints David Sharp to the Alternate No. 1 position in the Class IV category with term expiring December 31, 2020; and

BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT the Planning Board as of this date consists of the following members with the expiration of terms noted:

CLASS I	EXPIRATION OF TERM
Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr.	Term of Office
CLASS II	
Michael R. Sweeney	One (1) Year Term 12/31/19
CLASS III	
Howard Dill	One (1) Year Term 12/31/19
CLASS IV	
Robert Green	December 31, 2019
Brian Cotton	December 31, 2020
John Conover	December 31, 2022
Paul Striefsky	December 31, 2019
David Sharp (Alt. No. 1)	December 31, 2020
Al Becker (Alt. No. 2)	December 31, 2022

No. 3 of 2019

Subject: Environmental Commission Appointments

WHEREAS, vacancies exist on the Somers Point Environmental Commission due to the expiration of the terms of certain members; and

WHEREAS, vacancies exist due to the expiration of the terms of Bill Reinert, and Elizabeth “Lisa” Bender, said term expiring December 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mayor John L. Glasser hereby reappoints Bill Reinert and Elizabeth “Lisa” Bender to a full three- year term, said term expiring December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Ordinance No. 7 of 1980 and the New Jersey State Statute the Mayor shall designate the Chairperson, I hereby proclaim

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THE SOMERS POINT ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION shall consist of the following members with the expiration of terms noted:

Dale Portnoy	December 31, 2019
Linda Keyser	December 31, 2019
Robert Bender	December 31, 2020
Paul Ludgate	December 31, 2020
Robert Green	December 31, 2020
Bill Reinert	December 31, 2021
Elizabeth “Lisa” Bender, Chairperson	December 31, 2021

Resolutions:

Councilman Dill motioned to open Public Portion, seconded Councilman Gerety and carried. Hearing nothing from the public, the Public Portion was duly closed.

No. 1-2018

M/S – Dill/Tapp

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

Councilman Tapp thanked her for efforts. Council President McGuigan expressed his appreciation for her special words and poems that reflected well on the City.

No. 34 of 2019

Recognizing and Honoring Maria Provenzano Poet Laureate of Somers Point – 2014 – 2018

Whereas, the Governing Body of Somers Point recognizes the importance of the literary arts and did create the position of Poet Laureate of Somers Point by adoption of Resolution No. 162 of 2014; and

Whereas, poetry enhances and enriches the lives of all; and, as an essential part of the arts and humanities, affects every aspect of life in America today, including education, the economy, and community pride and development; and

Whereas, Maria Provenzano was selected as the Poet Laureate in 2014 and has served in the position for the last four years; and

Whereas, she demonstrated her vitality, enthusiasm, love of poetry and the written word while serving as the city and its citizens as the Poet Laureate; and

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Whereas, Unfortunately, Maria is relocating her residence outside of the city and will not be eligible to serve as the Poet Laureate; and

Now therefore, be it resolved that the Mayor and City Council of Somers Point commend Maria Provenzano for her dedicated service to our City as the Poet Laureate; and

Be it further resolved that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Somers Point recognizes and honors the efforts of Maria Provenzano during her service as the Poet Laureate. Her efforts reflected well upon the city.

Also, be it resolved, that The Mayor and City Council conveys their gratitude and the gratitude of the citizens of Somers Point to Maria Provenzano and their best wishes to her in all her future endeavors.

No. 2-2019

M/S – Dill/Toto

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

City Council President McGuigan thanked them exceedingly for all their efforts.

No. 2 of 2019

Subject: Fire Department Officers

Introduced by: Mayor Glasser, Councilmen McGuigan and Dill

WHEREAS, the members of the Somers Point Volunteer Fire Department have recommended the following officers; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Somers Point wishes to confirm said recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the officers of the Somers Point Volunteer Fire Department are as follows, with their terms noted hereon:

CITY FIRE CHIEF (3 Yr. Term – Exp. 12/31/19)	Michael R. Sweeney
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DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF (3 Yr. Term – Exp. 12/31/19)	James Somers
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Asst. Chief (1 year) Exp. 12/31/19	Michael Corbo
Asst. Chief (1 year) Exp. 12/31/19	Jay Loder
Captain (1 year) Exp. 12/31/19	Robert Fehn

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Captain (1 year) Exp. 12/31/19
Lieutenant (1 year) Exp. 12/31/19
Lieutenant (1 year) Exp. 12/31/19
Fire Marshall (3 years) Exp. 12/31/19
Asst. Fire Marshall (1 year) Exp. 12/31/19
Safety Officer (1 year) Exp. 12/31/19
Safety Officer (1 year) Exp. 12/31/19

Patrick Winkler
Timothy Welsch
Robert Blaine
Robert Blumberg
Graeme Ayers
Kimball Feinstein
Michael Iannace

No. 1-2019

M/S – Geretyl/Tapp

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 1 of 2019

Subject: Appointment of Municipal Solicitor
Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point has identified a need for a Municipal Solicitor for 2018; and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.

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

1. Randolph C. Lafferty, Esq., be and hereby is appointed as Municipal Solicitor for the City of Somers Point for the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, inclusive.
2. This agreement is awarded without competitive bidding as a “Professional Service” under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Randolph C. Lafferty, Esq., in connection with these services, and, upon execution, the contract will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
4. As indicated in the Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a fair and open process, further public notice per N.J.S. 40A:11-5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

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No. 3-2019

M/S – Dill/Toto

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

Councilman Dill expressed his gratitude for the long hours they work protecting the citizens during true emergencies.

No. 3 of 2019

**Subject: Appointments/Harbor Master and
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinators**
Introduced by: Mayor Glasser, Councilmen McGuigan and Dill

WHEREAS, it is the duty of Mayor John L. Glasser, Jr., to make certain appointments to various offices in the City of Somers Point as their terms expire.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following list of appointments made by Mayor Glasser on the fourth day of January 2019, be confirmed at this time by the City Council.

HARBOR MASTER

1 Year Term (Expires 12/31/19)

Ronald Meischker

**MUNICIPAL COORDINATOR, OFFICE
OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

3 Year Term (Expires 12/31/20)

Philip Gaffney

**DEP. MUNICIPAL COORDINATORS, OFFICE
OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

1 Year Terms (Expire 12/31/19)

Peggy Regina
Rob Cozen

No. 8-2019

M/S – Gerety/Toto

The Temporary Budget was adopted by a unanimous roll call vote of those present.

Please see Resolution No. 8 of 2019 (Temporary Budget) attached to the end of this document.

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No. 9-2019

M/S – Gerety/Toto

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

City Council President McGuigan appreciates the volunteers for their diligent efforts.

No. 9 of 2019

Subject: Zoning Board Appointments
Introduced by: Councilman Tapp

WHEREAS, Council wishes to appoint Guy Salani with a term expiring December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Council wishes to appoint Mike Kedziora with said term expiring December 31, 2019.

WHEREAS, Council wishes to appoint Robert Marshall to the Alternate No 1. position with said term expiring December 31, 2019; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, New Jersey that the Somers Point Zoning Board of Adjustment is constituted as follows

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MEMBER

EXPIRATION OF TERM

David Robbins	Dec. 31, 2020
Joseph Craddock	Dec. 31, 2020
Shawn Rowan	Dec. 31, 2021
Guy Salani	Dec. 31, 2022
Vacant	Dec. 31, 2022
Mike Kedziora	Dec. 31, 2019
Paul Huber	Dec. 31, 2019

Alternates:

Robert Marshall	Dec. 31, 2019
Vacant	Dec. 31, 2020

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No. 14-2019

M/S – Gerety/Toto

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 14 of 2019

Subject: CLASS III PLANNING BOARD APPOINTMENT
Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in Class III category of the Somers Point Planning Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council appoints Councilman Howard Dill to the Class III category of the Somers Point Planning Board for a one-year term expiring December 31, 2019.

No. 16-2019

M/S – Gerety/Toto

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

City Council President McGuigan offered his gratitude for their volunteerism.

No. 16 of 2019

Subject: Recreation Commission Appointments
Introduced By: Councilmen McGuigan and Toto

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1 of 1975 authorized the establishment of a Board of Recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Somers Point may appoint not less than three (3) nor more than seven (7) members as Commissioners to said Board of Recreation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the above appointment is hereby confirmed by the City Council.

THE RECREATION COMMISSION, as of this date, consists of the following members with their expiration dates noted:

MEMBER
Charles “Skip” Broomall

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Paul Huber, Jr.	December 31, 2020
Brandon Adams	December 31, 2021
Vacant	December 31, 2019
Mike Owen	December 31, 2022
Matt Endicott	December 31, 2023
Michael Stewart	December 31, 2023

No. 24-2019

M/S – Gerety/Toto

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

Council President McGuigan extended his appreciation to these volunteers.

No. 24 of 2019

Resolution Appointing Members to the Economic Development Advisory Commission

Introduced by: Councilman Dennis Tapp and Councilman Ron Meischker

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1 of 2006 authorized the establishment of an Economic Development Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, Ordinances No. 31 of 2007 and Ordinance 5 of 2014 amended said Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Somers Point City Council ratified in Chapter 20-3 of the City Code that the Economic Development Advisory Commission shall consist of not less than nine nor more than 12 regular members, all appointed by City Council, and all members shall have a term of office of three calendar years, or such lesser period of time as may be caused by the date of appointment, with terms expiring at 11:59 p.m., December 31 of each calendar year. Appointments shall be staggered such that not less than three appointments expire each year, and each year at least three members are to be appointed to full three-year terms.

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to appoint Bob Marshall and Janice Johnston with a term expiring December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to appoint Mario Suarez with a term expiring December 31, 2021

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Economic Development Advisory Commission consists of the following members:

<u>Regular Members</u>	<u>Expiration of Term</u>
Mary Jane Bolden	December 31, 2021
Glenn Monroe	December 31, 2020
Greg Sykora	December 31, 2020
Bob Marshall	December 31, 2020

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Brenda Klock	December 31, 2019
Sue Seckinger	December 31, 2019
Ron Ralston	December 31, 2019
Levi Fox	December 31, 2019
Anthony Guldin	December 31, 2021
Janice Johnston	December 31, 2020

<u>Advisory ExOfficio Member(s)</u>	<u>Expiration of Term</u>
Jann E. Mevoli	December 31, 2021
Mario Suarez	December 31, 2021

No. 27-2019

M/S – Gerety/Dill

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

City Councilman Dill thanked the Veterans' organizations for their efforts and the services that they provide and thanked all active military personnel for their dedication and sacrifice. Council President McGuigan complimented Mayor Glasser along with Councilmen Dill and Toto for serving on this committee. Mayor Glasser stated that he was proud to be in the presence of Veteran Marco Polo this evening who earned two Purple Hearts. Mr. Polo thanked the Mayor and City Council for recognizing him and stated it was an honor to serve the United States.

No. 27 of 2019

Subject: Sponsoring Various Memorial/Remembrance Services
Introduced By: Councilmen Dill and Toto

WHEREAS, various Memorial and Remembrance Services are held in the City of Somers Point on property owned by the City; and

WHEREAS, these events are not for profit activities, are not for the purpose of raising or soliciting funds and are solely for the purpose of honoring our veterans who gave of themselves for the good of our Country; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Somers Point believes it to be in the best interest of our citizens to sponsor these Memorial Events held on City owned property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the following Memorial and Remembrance Services held in the City of Somers Point to the extent held on property owned by the City of Somers Point shall be sponsored, endorsed and approved by the City:

Monday - May 27, 2019	Memorial Day Parade - Shore Road to Patriots Park with ceremony at Patriots Park. - 11:00 am
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Wednesday - Sept.11, 2019 911 Remembrance Day, Patriots Day at Patriots Park 8:30 am
Friday - Sept.20, 2019 POW-MIA Recognition Day at Patriots Park - 6:00 pm
Monday - Nov. 11, 2019 Veterans Day - 11 am at Patriots Park
Saturday - Dec. 7, 2019 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day - 1:00 pm at Somers Point Beach

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Administrator is directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

No. 31-2019

M/S – Gerety/Tapp

Adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

City Council President McGuigan thanked all the volunteers for the efforts.

No. 31 of 2019

Subject: Somers Point Arts Commission
Introduced by: Councilman Gerety

WHEREAS, the Somers Point Arts Commission was established by Ordinance No. 13 of 2006; and

WHEREAS, vacancies exist on the Somers Point Arts Commission due to the expiration of the terms of the members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following members are hereby appointed with their terms expiring December 31, 2019:

Kathleen Arleth
Karen Sutherland
Dan Meyers
Donna J. Mohr
Christine Toland Ulrich

Kimberly Bray
Lois Hirschman Gregory
Karen Cleighton
Vacancy

No. 32-2019

M/S – Toto/Gerety

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Council President McGuigan extended his appreciation to all the volunteers.

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Green Team Advisory Committee

Introduced by: Councilman Toto

WHEREAS, The City of Somers Point strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, and improve working and living environments as steps to building a sustainable community that will thrive well into the new century; and

WHEREAS, The City of Somers Point hereby acknowledges that the residents of Somers Point desire a stable, sustainable future for themselves and future generations; and

WHEREAS, by endorsing a sustainable path, the City of Somers Point is pledging to educate itself and community members further about sustainable activities and to develop initiatives supporting sustainable local government practices; and

WHEREAS, The City of Somers Point desires to focus attention on “Green” issues, so the City Council established a Green Team Advisory Committee pursuant to Ordinance No.21 of 2009; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, by the City Council of Somers Point that the following persons are hereby appointed to Green Team Advisory Committee:

<i>1 Year Term Expires on:</i>	<i>Name</i>
December 31, 2019	Robert Green
December 31, 2019	Dale Portnoy
December 31, 2019	Linda M. Keyser
December 31, 2019	William Reinert
December 31, 2019	Robert Bender
December 31, 2019	Elizabeth “Lisa” Bender
December 31, 2019	Paul Ludgate

Consent Agenda:

On the motion of Councilman Dill, seconded of Councilman Gerety and carried to approve the Consent Agenda regarding the following resolutions.

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No. 4 of 2019

Subject: DESIGNATING COUNCIL MEETING DATES

Introduced by: Councilman Sean McGuigan

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Somers Point that the dates listed below be designated as the time for regular Council Meetings for the year 2019 and said meetings shall be held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Services Building and convene at 7:00 p.m., prevailing time, except January 10 the time will be 8:00 p.m.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Somers Point that the dates listed below be designated as the time for Work Sessions and Executive Session as needed for the year 2019 and said work sessions and Executive Sessions shall be held immediately subsequent to the completion of the regularly scheduled Council meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the above meetings are scheduled in conjunction with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975 and the City Clerk is hereby directed to post a copy of this Resolution on the appropriate Bulletin Boards in the Municipal Buildings for the public's information, and to the City's website, as well as to furnish local newspapers with a copy of this Resolution not later than January 10, 2019.

Meeting Dates

		June 13, 2019	Regular Mtg.
January 10, 2019	Regular Mtg.	June 27, 2019	Regular Mtg.
January 24, 2019	Regular Mtg.	July 25, 2019	Regular Mtg.
February 14, 2019	Regular Mtg.	August 22, 2019	Regular Mtg.
February 28, 2019	Regular Mtg.	September 12, 2019	Regular Mtg.
March 14, 2019	Regular Mtg.	September 26, 2019	Regular Mtg.
March 28, 2019	Regular Mtg.	October 10, 2019	Regular Mtg.
April 4, 2019	Regular Mtg.	October 24, 2019	Regular Mtg.
April 18, 2019	Regular Mtg.	November 14, 2019	Regular Mtg.
May 9, 2019	Regular Mtg.	December 5, 2019	Regular Mtg.
May 23, 2019	Regular Mtg.	December 19, 2019	Regular Mtg.

Mainland Journal
The Press of Atlantic City
The Current

Ocean City Sentinel
Municipal Services Building
somerspointgov.org

Asbury Park Press

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Subject: Designating Official Newspapers

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

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BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the Mainland Journal, Ocean City Sentinel, The Press of Atlantic City, The Asbury Park Press and The Current be and are hereby designated as the legal newspapers for the City of Somers Point for a period of one year commencing January 1, 2019.

No. 6 of 2018

Subject: Financial Depositories
Introduced by: Councilmen McGuigan, Dill and Gerety

WHEREAS, the following financial institutions are enumerated as depositories of City funds:

Ocean First Bank, Linwood, NJ

New Jersey Cash Management Fund, Jersey City, NJ

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

1. That funds of the City of Somers Point which may be on deposit at any of the above enumerated financial institutions may be withdrawn on checks, drafts, advises of debit, notes or other orders for the payment of monies bearing any two signatures of the following individuals: John L. Glasser, Jr., Mayor; Lucy R. Samuels, City Clerk; William Swain, City Administrator/ Chief Financial Officer; Jason Frost, Assistant City Administrator and the financial institution shall be and is authorized to honor and pay the same whether or not they are payable to bearer or to the individual order of any of the approved signatories.
2. That the financial institution is hereby directed to accept and pay without further inquiry any item drawn against any of the City's accounts with the financial institution bearing the signature or signatures as authorized above or otherwise, even though drawn or endorsed to the order of any signatory signing or tendered by such signatory for cashing or in payment of the individual obligation of such signatory or for deposit to the signatory's personal account and the financial institution shall not be required or be under any obligation to inquire as to the circumstances of the issue or use of any item signed in accordance with the resolutions contained herein, or the application or disposition of such item or the proceeds of such item.
3. That any one of such signatories is authorized to endorse all checks, drafts, notes and other items payable to or owned by the City for deposit with the financial institution, or for collection or discount by the financial institution; and to accept drafts and other items payable at the financial institution.
4. That the above named signatories are authorized and empowered to execute such other agreements, including, but not limited to, special depository agreements and

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arrangements regarding the manner, conditions, or purposes for which funds, checks, or items of the City may be deposited, collected, or withdrawn and to perform such other acts as they deem reasonably necessary to carry out the provisions of these resolutions.

5. That the authorities hereby conferred upon the above-named signatory shall be and remain in full force and effect until written notice of the revocation thereof

shall have been delivered to and received by that financial institution at each location where an account is maintained. Any such notice shall not affect any items in process at the time notice is given.

6. That the City Administrator and Chief Financial Officer be and are hereby empowered to establish and maintain the accounts they deem necessary at any of the above enumerated depositories.

No. 7 of 2019

Subject: Appointing Certifying Agent
Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations of the Civil Service Commission require that the City of Somers Point designate a certifying agent for payroll reports and other matters.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council that Lucy R. Samuelsen is hereby designated as said certifying agent to the Civil Service Commission.

No. 10 of 2019

**Subject: AUTHORIZING THE SOMERS POINT TAX ASSESSOR IN
CONJUNCTION WITH SOMERS POINT SPECIAL TAX
COUNSEL TO SETTLE AND COMPROMISE CERTAIN REAL
PROPERTY TAX APPEALS PENDING BEFORE THE ATLANTIC
COUNTY BOARD OF TAXATION OR THE NEW JERSEY TAX
COURT**

Introduced By: Councilman Sean McGuigan

WHEREAS, from time to time the Tax Assessor is presented with an opportunity to compromise, settle or otherwise dispose of certain tax appeals pending before the Atlantic County Board of Taxation or the New Jersey Tax Court; and

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WHEREAS, for reasons of efficiency this Governing Body has determined that the Tax Assessor should not be required to present each such settlement to this body for approval; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to authorize the Tax Assessor in conjunction with Special Tax Counsel to enter into and consummate such settlements,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Taxing District of Somers Point that the Tax Assessor, in consultation with the Somers Point Special Tax Counsel is hereby authorized to settle or otherwise dispose of matters pending before the Atlantic County Board of Taxation or the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey without the prior authorization of this Governing Body when the amount of the settlement results in an assessed value which will not reduce the amount of the property tax payment due to the City of Somers Point by more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for any such property in any single tax year.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that any settlement in excess of that threshold shall require the prior approval of this Governing Body.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Assessor in combination with the Special Tax Counsel shall render a quarterly written report to Council and the City Administrator, or on such more frequent basis as the Administrator or Council liaison may from time to time request, identifying those cases settled, all agreed upon assessment reductions, and the aggregate impact upon the property tax revenues to be derived by the City as a result of such settlements.

No. 11 of 2019

Subject: **Appointment of Municipal Prosecutor**

Introduced by: **Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker**

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point desires to appoint Thomas Smith, Esq. as Municipal Prosecutor, effective January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.

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

1. Thomas Smith, Esq. be and is hereby appointed as Municipal Prosecutor for the City of Somers Point for the period of January 1, 2019, to December 31, 2019.
2. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Thomas Smith, Esq. for the calendar year 2019. Upon execution, a copy of the contract will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.

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3. This agreement is awarded without competitive bidding as a “Professional Service” under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
4. As indicated in the Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a Fair and Open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

I hereby certify that funds are available for this purpose for the liability to be incurred during the temporary budget period and that funds will become available for the remaining balance upon adoption of the 2019 budget in the account: Municipal Prosecutor, Other Expenses, 9-01-25-275-200. No amount shall be chargeable or certified until such times as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for.

No. 12 of 2019

Subject: Appointment of Public Defender

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp and Toto

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point wishes to appoint Darrin Lord, Esq. as Municipal Public Defender, effective January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.

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

1. Darrin Lord, Esq. be and hereby is appointed as Municipal Public Defender for the City of Somers Point for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.
2. This appointment is awarded without competitive bidding as a “Professional Service” under the provisions of the Local Public Contract Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Darrin Lord, Esq. for the calendar year 2019. Upon execution, a copy of the contract will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
4. As indicated in the Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a Fair and Open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

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No. 13 of 2019

Subject: Contracting with Municipal Accountant

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires an annual audit to be conducted by a registered municipal accountant; and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.

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

1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Leon Costello, RMC, of Ford, Scott & Associates for the calendar year 2019 to conduct the 2018 annual audit and assist with the preparation of the 2019 Financial Statement, 2019 Debt Statement and 2019 Budget. Upon execution, a copy of the contract will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
2. This agreement is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
3. As indicated in the Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a Fair and Open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

I hereby certify that funds are available for this purpose for the liability to be incurred during the temporary budget period and that funds will become available for the remaining balance upon adoption of the 2019 budget in the accounts: Annual Audit, Other Expense, 9-01-20-135-200 and Sewer Utility, Operating Other Expense, 9-07-55-502-013. No amount shall be chargeable or certified until such times as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for.

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**Subject: Authorizing Chief Financial Officer and
City Administrator to Pay Required Bills**

Introduced by: Councilmen McGuigan, Dill and Gerety

WHEREAS, it is recognized that the operational needs of the City may require certain bills to be paid prior to the opportunity for individual review and approval by City Council during the calendar year 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the City Administrator and Chief Financial Officer are hereby empowered to pay those bills which they deem necessary, on an as-needed basis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said authorization is expressly conditioned upon the availability of sufficient funds, and all bills so paid will be presented to City Council by separate listing at the first meeting subsequent to payment.

No. 17 of 2019

Subject: Adopting Cash Management Plan

Introduced by: Councilman McGuigan, Dill and Gerety

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey Local Fiscal Affairs Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:5, et seq. requires that municipalities adopt a Cash Management Plan which is designed to assure, to the extent practical, investment of local funds in interest bearing accounts and other permitted investments; and

WHEREAS, the Cash Management Plan must include:

- 1) The designation of a public depository or depositories
- 2) The authorization for investments as permitted by various applicable laws
- 3) The annual submission of the Cash Management Plan to the governing body, which must be approved by a majority vote.
- 4) An annual audit of the Cash Management Plan
- 5) That when an investment is in bonds which mature in more than one year, a determination that the maturity approximates the prospective time when such funds are needed

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that the Cash Management Plan attached hereto and made a part hereof is hereby adopted for the year 2019.

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**Subject: Appointing Risk Management Consultant for Atlantic County
Municipal Joint Insurance Fund & Municipal Excess Liability JIF**

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Somers Point has resolved to join the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund, each a self insurance pooling fund, following a detailed analysis; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of said Funds require that each Municipality appoint a **RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT** to perform various professional services as detailed in the Bylaws; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws indicate a fee not to exceed six percent (6%) of the Municipal Assessment which expenditure represents reasonable compensation for the services required and was included in the cost considered by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the governing body has determined to secure these services as an exception to a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.5; and

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

1. Glenn Insurance of Absecon, New Jersey be and is hereby appointed Risk Management Consultant for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019; and
2. This appointment is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Glenn Insurance in connection with these services, and, upon execution, the contract will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
4. As indicated in the Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a Fair and open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

No. 19 of 2019

Subject: Appointment of Tax Appeal Attorney

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Introduced by: Councilman Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point has identified a need for an attorney for Tax Appeal Matters for 2019; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.

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

Thomas G. Smith, Esq., be and hereby is appointed as Tax Appeal Attorney for the City of Somers Point for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.

1. This appointment is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
2. This appointment is not exclusive during the term of this contract, and that the City Council reserves the right to award work of the exact or similar nature as the work described herein to any other qualified professional, at its sole discretion.
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement in connection with these services, and, upon execution, the agreement will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
4. As indicated in the Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a Fair and Open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

No. 20 of 2019

Subject: Appointing Fund Commissioner

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point is a member of the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund, hereinafter referred to as the FUND; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the FUND require that in the manner generally prescribed by law, each member shall appoint one (1) Fund commissioner to the Fund. Each Fund commissioner shall be either a member of the local unit's governing body or one of its employees and that no individual may serve as Fund Commissioner for more than one (1) member; and

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WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 11:15-2.6 states that a Fund Commissioner who is a member of the appointing local unit's governing body, shall hold office for two years or for the remainder of his/her term of office as a member of the local unit's governing body, whichever shall be less; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 11:15-2.6 states that a Fund Commissioner who is an employee of the appointing member shall hold office at the pleasure of the member and can be removed by the member at any time without cause; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Somers Point recommends the appointment of Lucy Samuelsen to serve as Fund Commissioner and Shelby R. Heath as Alternate Fund Commissioner in accordance with the FUND Bylaws.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point that it does hereby appoint Lucy R. Samuelsen as Fund Commissioner and Shelby R. Heath as Alternate Fund Commissioner to the Atlantic County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund.

No. 21 of 2019

Subject: **Appointing City Engineer**

Introduced by: **Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker**

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the position of City Engineer; and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.

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

1. Greg Schneider of the firm of Mott Associates of Egg Harbor Township hereby is re-appointed as Municipal Engineer for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019; and
2. This appointment is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service", under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Greg Schneider of Mott Associates in connection with these services, and, upon execution, the contract will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
4. As indicated in the Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a fair and open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

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Subject: Contracting with Polistina & Associates for Engineering Services Regarding Somers Point Sewer Utility

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, there exists a need for engineering services in connection with the City of Somers Point Sewer Utility; and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.

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

- 1) Vincent Polistina of Polistina & Associates hereby is re-appointed to provide the engineering services necessary in connection with the City of Somers Point Sewer Utility for the year 2019.
- 2) The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Vincent Polistina in connection with these services, and, upon execution, the agreement will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
- 3) This appointment is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
- 4) As indicated in the Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a Fair and Open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

No. 23 of 2019

Subject: Appointment of Bond Counsel

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point has identified a need for Bond Counsel for 2019 and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S. 19:44A-20.4 et. seq.

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

1. Fleishman Daniels Law Offices LLC. hereby is re-appointed as Bond Counsel for the City of Somers Point for the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019, inclusive.

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2. This agreement is awarded without competitive bidding as a “Professional Service” under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Fleishman Daniels Law Offices LLC. in connection with these services, and, upon execution, the agreement will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
4. As indicated in the Division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a fair and open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

No. 25 of 2019

Subject: Appointing Labor Attorney

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point has identified a need for a Labor Attorney for the year 2019: and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S.19:44A-20.4 et. Seq.

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

1. Stephen D. Barse, Esq., is hereby appointed as Labor Attorney for the City of Somers Point for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.
2. This appointment is awarded without competitive bidding as a “Professional Service” under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Stephen D. Barse, Esq. in connection with these services and upon execution, the agreement will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
4. As indicated in the division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a Fair and Open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

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Subject: Appointing Attorney to Represent the City of Somers Point in Matters Involving New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing and Fair Housing Act Matters, Regulations and Compliance

Introduced by: Councilmen D'Adamo, McGuigan and Toto

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point has identified a need for an attorney to provide advice, counsel and representation to the City of Somers Point on matters involving New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing and Fair Housing Act matters, regulations and compliance including but not limited to certain matters pending before the Superior Court of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Somers Point to appoint counsel to undertake and perform such services and provide such advice, counsel and representation as the City Council shall from time to time direct, but in any event not for a period to exceed calendar year 2019; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S.19:44A-20.4 et. Seq.

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

1. James E. Franklin II, Esq., and other attorneys within the designated Special COAH Counsel law firm of Youngblood, Franklin, Sampoli & Coombs, P.A., is hereby appointed as an attorney to represent, advice and counsel the City of Somers Point on certain matters involving New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing and Fair Housing Act matters, regulations and compliance including but not limited to certain matters pending before the Superior Court of the State of New Jersey; and
2. This appointment is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" under the provisions of the Local Public contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
3. This appointment is not exclusive during the term of this contract, and that City Council reserves the right to award work of the exact or similar nature as the work described herein to any other qualified professional, at its sole discretion.

The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with James E. Franklin II, Esq., of Youngblood, Franklin, Sampoli & Coombs, P.A., to undertake and perform such services and provide such advice, counsel and representation as the City Council shall from time to time direct, but in any event not for a period to exceed calendar year 2019. The agreement will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.

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As indicated in the division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a Fair and Open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

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Subject: Re-appointing Public Agency Compliance Officer

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, the State Affirmative Action Office, Department of the Treasury, requires that an official person be designated as a liaison and to serve as a Public Agency Compliance Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby re-appoints Municipal Clerk, Lucy R. Samuelsen, to act in this capacity for the City of Somers Point.

No. 29 of 2019

Subject: SETTING INTEREST RATES FOR DELINQUENT TAXES

Introduced by: Councilman McGuigan

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-67 permits the governing body of a municipality to fix the rate of interest to be charged for the nonpayment of taxes or assessments and sewer charges;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that:

1. In the event that payments of taxes or assessments and sewer charges are not paid on the due date, but are paid within a period of ten (10) days in the case of taxes, or thirty (30) days in the case of assessments and sewer charges, the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to charge no interest on all such delinquent payments.

2. In the event that payments of taxes or assessments and sewer charges are not paid within ten (10) days in the case of taxes, or thirty (30) days in the case of assessments and sewer charges, the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to charge interest at the rate of eight percent per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency and 18 percent per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00 to be calculated from the date the tax or assessment was payable until the date of actual payment.

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3. N.J.S.A. 54:6-67 specifically provides that a governing body may fix a penalty to be charged to a taxpayer where there is a tax and/or other municipal charge delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 at the end of any calendar year on a given parcel of real estate; and

4. That a penalty equal to six percent of the amount of any delinquency in taxes and other municipal charges on a given parcel of real property shall be and is hereby imposed where the delinquency exceeds \$10,000.00 at the end of each calendar year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a true copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Tax Collector.

No. 30 of 2019

**Subject: Authorizing the Mayor of the City of Somers Point to Sign Certain
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Permit
Applications and Other Routine Project Documents on behalf of the
Sewer Utility for Projects Approved and Authorized by The
Governing Body of the City of Somers Point**

Introduced by: Councilmen Dill and Toto

WHEREAS, from time to time it is necessary for the Sewer Utility Engineer and the City Engineer to submit permit applications and other routine project documents to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) on behalf of the City for Sewer Utility Projects approved by City Council; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Mayor of the City of Somers Point to sign such routine applications and documents on behalf of the City, and

WHEREAS, in submitting such applications and documents to the NJDEP it is necessary to reference the enabling resolution granting such signing authority to the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, it has been brought to the attention of City Council that such an enabling resolution must be adopted:

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby **RESOLVED** by the Somers Point City Council that John L. Glasser, Jr., in his capacity as Mayor of the City of Somers Point is hereby authorized to execute such applications and documents as may from time to time be prepared by the City or Sewer Utility Engineer as necessary to be submitted to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection associated with any and all permits and permit applications required for approved City projects without necessity of any further approval from this governing body.

It is further RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be provided to the City Engineer, the Sewer Utility Engineer and the Code Enforcement Office Secretary.

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Subject: Appointing Planner and Grant Consultant

Introduced by: Councilmen Tapp, Toto and Meischker

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point has identified a need for a Planner and Grant Consultant to provide advice, counsel and representation to the City of Somers Point on matters involving planning and grant opportunities; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Somers Point to appoint a Planner and Grant Consultant to undertake and perform such services and provide such advice, counsel and representation as the City Council shall from time to time direct, but in any event not for a period to exceed calendar year 2019; and

WHEREAS, this contract is awarded through a fair and open process pursuant to N.J.S.19:44A-20.4 et. Seq.

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

1. James M. Rutala Associates, LLC is hereby appointed as a planner to represent, advise and counsel the City of Somers Point on certain matters involving planning, grant opportunities and grant writing; and
2. This appointment is awarded without competitive bidding as a “Professional Service” under the provisions of the Local Public contracts Law because public bidding is not required for said service.
3. This appointment is not exclusive during the term of this contract, and that City Council reserves the right to award work of the exact or similar nature as the work described herein to any other qualified professional, at its sole discretion.
4. The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with James M. Rutala Associates, LLC to undertake and perform such services and provide such advice, counsel and representation as the City Council shall from time to time direct, but in any event not for a period to exceed calendar year 2019. The agreement will be attached to this resolution and become a part hereof.
5. As indicated in the division of Local Government Services Local Finance Notice 2006-7, because this is awarded through a Fair and Open process, further public notice per N.J.S.A. 40A:11.5.(1)(a)(i) is not required.

Committee Assignments

The committee assignments will remain the same.

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Public Portion

The meeting was opened to the public and hearing nothing from the public, the Public Portion was duly closed.

Council President McGuigan reminded everyone to stop by the Fire House No. 2 for a celebration.

Adjournment

Having no other business, on the motion of Councilman Dill, seconded by Councilman Gerety and carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy R. Samuelsen, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Approved: 2/28/19