

TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE

Office of the Municipal Manager

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Township Council

FROM: Richard S. Krawczun, Municipal Manager

DATE: March 31, 2017

UPCOMING MEETING

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Special Presentation

Mr. Harry J. Delgado Accreditation Program Manager for the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police will present the certificate of accreditation to the Lawrence Township Police Department.

Awarding, Amending and/or Rejecting of Bids

There is one bid amendment.

Resolution 9-A amends the bid award made to Banc3 for the providing of miscellaneous engineering inspections for Township capital improvement projects. The amount of the increase is \$30,000. The new contract maximum is \$70,000. Funding is available from various capital improvement ordinances.

Introduction of Ordinances

There is one ordinance for introduction.

Ordinance 10-A will authorize a handicapped parking space on Lanning Avenue. The space will be for an eligible resident residing at 1279 Brunswick Avenue. The property fronts on Brunswick with parking on Lanning Avenue.

Adoption of Ordinances

There are two ordinances for adoption.

Ordinance 11-A authorizes various capital improvements with an aggregate cost of \$1,845,000 and the ordinance further authorizes the issuance of debt to finance said improvements in the amount of \$1,722,000.

Ordinance 11-B authorizes the establishment of an “appropriation CAP Bank”. The municipal budget law permits a governing body to adopt a CAP bank ordinance up to 3.5% in order to retain authorization to increase appropriations in the current budget year or either of the two subsequent budget years. The CAP rate for 2017 is .5%. The statute limits appropriation increases to 2.5 % or the Cost of Living Adjustment whichever is less. The additional authorization does not impact the current tax rate or require actual cash reserves it is simply retained authority for future use.

Resolutions

The agenda includes routine administrative authorizations as well as resolutions providing for refunds, bond releases and acceptances.

Resolution 18-A authorizes the sale of a Township owned affordable housing unit at 301 Talon Court to Mr. Rodouan Abderrahim in the amount of \$90,000.

Resolution 18-B authorizes the reconfirmation and revisions of bus stops on US Route 206.

Resolution 18-D expresses support of Assembly Bill Number A-4532 which would amend the New Jersey Open Public Records Act in order to remove from required disclosure specific information that currently is available. Said information makes the private information of individuals vulnerable to possible harm.

Resolution 18-F authorizes submission of a grant application to the New Jersey Association of City and County Health Officials in the amount of \$1,500. The grant proceeds would be applied to salaries for the updating of the risk communication and continuity of operations emergency plans.

Resolution 18-G authorizes the public sale of a municipally held Tax Sale Certificate Number 13-89 for a property located at 235 Eldridge Avenue. The sale date is April 27 at 10:00 A.M.

Resolution 18-H expresses support of the “2017 UDrive UText UPay Distracted Driver Crackdown” for the period of April 1 through April 21.

Resolution 18-J amends the 2017 professional service contract of Jeffrey R. Surenian, Esquire as Special Counsel representing Lawrence Township in matter of Affordable Housing Declaratory Judgment methodology trial. The amount of the amendment is \$25,000. The new contract maximum is \$37,000 Funding is available from the 2017 appropriation for Legal Services, Other Expenses.

Resolution 18-K amends the 2017 professional services contract of Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott, LLC represented by David M. Roskos, Esquire for the providing of legal representation in matter of the Affordable Housing Declaratory Judgment methodology trial. The amount of the increase is \$25,000. The new contract maximum is \$105,000. Funding is available from the 2017 appropriation for Legal Services, Other Expenses.

Resolution 18-M amends the 2017 professional service contract of Elizabeth C. McKenzie, P.P., P.A. as Court Master on the matter of Affordable Housing Declaratory Judgment methodology trial. The amount of the amendment is \$5,000. The new contract maximum is \$6,500. Funding is available from the 2017 appropriation for Legal Services, Other Expenses.

Resolution 18-N authorizes a professional service contract with Econsult Solutions for data analysis on behalf of Lawrence Township for the Affordable Housing Declaratory Judgment methodology trial. The amount of the amendment is \$10,000. The new contract maximum is \$30,783.78. Funding is available from the 2017 appropriation for Legal Services, Other Expenses.

Resolution 18-P authorizes a payment to Richard B. Reading in the amount of \$5,200 for services as Special Regional Master for the municipal consortium in the matter of the Affordable Housing Declaratory Judgment methodology trial. Funding is available from the 2017 appropriation for Legal Services, Other Expenses.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions about the agenda.