

June 6, 2013
Special Meeting

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Special Meeting will be held by the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, New Jersey, on Thursday, June 6, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. (No Work Session) in the Court Chambers, Municipal Building, 428 – 60th Street, West New York, New Jersey, for the purpose of considering the following business:

1. Resolution – Re: Introduction of additional amendments to Calendar Year 2013 Budget
2. Resolution – Re: Shared Services Agreement between the Town of West New York and the West New York Parking Authority for cellular telephone, internet and telephone services

AND ANY OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME UP BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

"ACTION MAY OR MAY NOT BE TAKEN ON THE FOREGOING"

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of due notice of the above special meeting and other or further notice thereof is hereby waived as unnecessary.

Commissioner FiorD'Aliza Frias
Commissioner Caridad Rodriguez
Commissioner Ruben Vargas
Commissioner Count J. Wiley
Mayor Felix E. Roque
Board of Commissioners

Attest: Carmela Riccie, RMC
Town Clerk

Present: Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Wiley, Vargas and Mayor Roque
Absent: None
Also Present: Town Clerk Carmela Riccie and Town Administrator Joseph DeMarco

Meeting commenced at 12:10 p.m.

Town Clerk Carmela Riccie made the following announcement:

As presiding officer of this meeting I do hereby certify that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act pertaining to this meeting scheduled to be held this: Thursday, June 6, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. (No Work Session) in the Court Chambers, Municipal Building have been satisfied by the delivery of the 48 hour notice to each of the newspapers circulating in the Town of West New York (The Jersey Journal and the Bergen Record); by posting in the Municipal Building on the Municipal Bulletin Board; and by filing with the Clerk of the Municipality with copies to all persons desiring the same.

Copies are available to the public in accordance with the law.

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RESOLUTION
Re: Resolution to Amend the 2013 Municipal Budget

WHEREAS, the Budget for the year 2013 was approved on the 20th of March 2013, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget has been held as advertised, and

WHEREAS, it was desired to amend said approved budget on April 17, 2013, and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on said budget amendment will be held as advertised, and

WHEREAS, it is desired to include a second amendment on said approved budget and approved first amendment, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, that the following amendments to the approved budget of 2013 be made:

Recorded vote
(Insert last names)

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Ayes (Nays ((
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	<u><i>From</i></u>	<u><i>To</i></u>
1. Surplus Anticipated	7,000,000.00	7,280,000.00
Subtotal General Revenues	<u>38,758,398.25</u>	<u>39,038,398.25</u>
Total General Revenues	<u>72,729,926.25</u>	<u>73,009,926.25</u> #
(A)Operations: within "CAPS" - incl. contingent		
Police - Salaries and Wages	12,326,522.00	12,426,522.00
Public Buildings and Grounds Maintenance - Salaries and Wages	116,582.00	176,582.00
General Liability Insurance	815,000.00	965,000.00
Workers Compensation Insurance	620,000.00	770,000.00
Employee Group Health	10,587,100.00	10,090,500.00
(A) Total Operations (Item 8(A) within "CAPS"	<u>43,658,557.00</u>	<u>43,621,957.00</u>
Detail		
Salaries and Wages	21,623,642.00	21,783,642.00
Other Expenses	<u>22,034,915.00</u>	<u>21,838,315.00</u>
	<u>43,658,557.00</u>	<u>43,621,957.00</u>

	<u><i>From</i></u>	<u><i>To</i></u>
(H-1) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes within CAPS	<u>48,111,414</u>	<u>48,074,814</u>
(B) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"		
Employee Group Health - Outside Cap	<u>-</u>	<u>496,600.00</u>
Total Other Operations Excluded from "CAPS"	<u>760,028.00</u>	<u>1,256,628.00</u>
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues		
Federal Highway Traffic		<u>15,000.00</u>
Total Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues	<u>364,518.00</u>	<u>364,518.00</u>
Total Operations- Excluded from Caps	<u>14,483,515.00</u>	<u>14,980,115.00</u>
(H-2) Total General Appropriations for Municipal Purposes Excluded from "CAPS"	<u>23,203,796.00</u>	<u>22,707,196.00</u>
(M) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	1,302,466.25	1,122,466.25
Total General Appropriations	<u>72,729,926.25</u>	<u>73,009,926.25</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these amendments in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-9 be published in the Jersey Journal which is an official newspaper of the Town on June 13, 2013 and that said publication contain notice that the hearing on the attached amendments will be held on June 19, 2013 at Town Hall, 428 60th Street, New Jersey in Municipal Chambers at 12:00 PM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-9 these amendments shall not be effective until after the public hearing thereon.

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Vargas, that the foregoing Resolution be adopted, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas and Mayor Roque
NAYS - Commissioner Wiley
ABSENT - None

Note: Prior to the vote, Town Clerk Carmela Riccie announced that the above Resolution #R-1 is an introduction of additional amendments to the Budget and that the hearing on said amendments is scheduled for June 19, 2013 at 12:00 noon.

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RESOLUTION
RE: SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK AND
THE WEST NEW YORK PARKING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, The Town of West New York (“Town”) a municipal corporation established and operating pursuant to the laws of the State of New Jersey, with offices located at 428 60th Street, West New York, New Jersey wishes to enter into a shared services agreement with the West New York Parking Authority (“Authority”) a parking authority established and operating pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:11-1 et. seq. and Section 71-1G of the Town’s Local Ordinance;

WHEREAS, sharing services between the Authority and the Town will achieve a mutual financial and operational advantage in having the Authority link its cellular, internet and telephone systems to the Town's cellular, internet and telephone systems;

WHEREAS, the Town and the Authority may legally enter into a shared services agreement for the sharing of cellular, internet and telephone services, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et. seq.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, as follows:

1. The Town shall provide the Authority with cellular, internet, and telephone service to the same extent provided to the town departments and personnel. The Town shall supply, install and program all hardware software necessary to link the Authority to the Town's cellular telephone, internet, and telephone service(s).
2. The Authority shall pay to the Town the sum of \$398.00 per month, which sum represents the actual costs incurred by the Town for the shared services provided to the Authority.
3. In the event that the costs to the Town change, as a result of the Authority's use of internet, cellular, or telephone services, then the Town may charge the Authority for any sum that exceeds \$398.00 per month, and the Authority agrees to pay said sum after a review of the bill.

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Comm. Vargas, that the foregoing Resolution be adopted, was carried by the following vote:

YEAS	- Commissioners Rodriguez, Vargas and Mayor Roque
NAYS	- Commissioner Wiley
ABSENT	- None
ABSTAIN	- Commissioner Frias

Mayor Roque opened the Public Portion.

Public Portion:

1. **Rich Rivera (Executive Director of WNY Parking Authority) 224 – 60th Street, WNY:**
Mr. Rivera explained some of the details of the purpose of the Shared Service Agreement between the Town and the WNY Parking Authority (Resolution R-1) and stated that he attempted to meet with all of the Commissioners to explain same, some were cooperative and some were not. He explained “push to talk radios” and how they will benefit not only the Town but the Parking Authority employees inasmuch as said employees will be able to communicate with emergency services providers i.e. police dept. and Parking Authority Office as they currently cannot do so. He commented that it is for their safety. He further commented that the new technology will also increase revenue and that if the Parking Authority cannot pay their bills, the Town is obligated to pay them. He briefly explained the SIM card/mobile device technology and how the “E ticket system”, all of which are

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Public Portion (Cont.):

1. Rich Rivera (Cont.):

planned for the future, will save thousands of dollars. He thanked the Governing Body for adopting the Resolution. He further explained how the Police Dept. will also benefit from the mobile device technology and how a person can remotely put money in parking meter from their smart phone without physically having to insert money in the meter. He explained that in the future, there will be a terminal placed in the municipal court which will show a picture of the summons and which will also save time and money. Mayor Roque thanked Comm. Frias and Mr. Rivera for their work in “taking the Parking Authority into a new era of technology”. He advised that other States and even other Countries use this technology. He commented that the past Administration left the Town in a deficit. Mr. Rivera commented that it will not only generate revenue and reduce costs but will also improve customer service. Comm. Wiley inquired as to how much this will cost. Mr. Rivera responded “\$400 for push to talk” as a result of this Shared Services agreement with the Town. Comm. Wiley responded “That was not my question.” Discussion ensued about the entire cost of technology referred to above and not just the initial cost of push to talk. Comm. Wiley disagreed about costs and Mr. Rivera commented that he (Comm. Wiley) did not show up to meet with Mr. Rivera to become acquainted with issue. Comm. Wiley disagreed and said he was not approached about same and that Mr. Rivera was not present at the last Commission Meeting to explain. Mr. Rivera responded that he (Comm. Wiley) had filed criminal charges against him and that was the reason he could not attend the last Commission Meeting.

2. Janice Zorovich, 1407 – 43rd Street, North Bergen:

Ms. Zorovich inquired “How much will this cost? Not \$400 as Rich Rivera says. What is the total cost?” Mayor Roque advised her that Mr. Rivera will meet with her to explain the details and that it will benefit the Town as it has in Florida, Rhode Island, etc. Comm. Frias commented that the cost is \$398 per month which the Parking Authority will reimburse the Town and that the Town gives the Parking Authority the benefit of the discounted rates. She further advised that the E ticket technology is a separate issue. Discussion ensued between Ms. Zorovich and Comm. Frias about all of the technology and the costs of said technology. Comm. Frias also briefly explained Sim Card technology. Ms. Zorovich inquired “Why can’t they afford it?” Comm. Frias explained that pursuant to the Shared Services Agreement, the Parking Authority will reimburse the Town and explained that the Town is providing a discounted rate to the Parking Authority which reduces costs. Ms. Zorovich complained that the Parking Authority meetings are held at 8:00 a.m. and that people are unable to attend at the hour. Mayor Roque requested that Rich Rivera change the hours of the meeting in order to accommodate the public. Discussion ensued between the Mayor and Ms. Zorovich regarding Parking Authority being a separate entity. She disagreed and commented “everything is shady”.

3. Linda Kellerman, 6600 Blvd. East, WNY:

Ms. Kellerman commented that “push to talk radios” are a safety issue and cost should not be deciding factor when it comes to a person’s safety. She advised that she had attended the Parking Authority meeting and that there is no cost for upgrade and that the vendor/company will absorb the cost of same; not the Town. Comm. Frias reiterated that the Parking Authority is paying for it, not the Town. The Commissioner again explained the concept, cost and who will pay and that the person pays a “convenience fee”, not the Town. Mayor commented that it is beneficial to the Town and the taxpayers. Ms. Kellerman agreed.

4. Doug Borden, 6600 Blvd. East, WNY:

Mr. Borden thanked Town Administrator DeMarco for delivering donuts to the board workers on Election Day and commented that the wraps delivered by Comm. Wiley were “awesome”. He advised that he has attended Parking Authority meetings in the past and encourages the services proposed as it will bring revenue to the Town. He further commented that the 8:00 a.m. Parking Authority meetings “breeds distrust and cynicism” and that the hours should be changed to allow for citizen participation. He expressed that he feels that the Parking Authority is going in the right direction. Comm. Frias advised that there would be a cost of \$500 per meter in order to upgrade each meter and that option has

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Public Portion (Cont.):

4. Doug Borden (Cont.):

been excluded. She further commented that the mobile device technology is the better way to go. Mayor Roque encouraged Rich Rivera and Comm. Frias to consider changing the Parking Authority meeting time from 8:00 a.m.

5. Danny Parrales, 556 – 59th Street, WNY:

Mr. Parrales commented about other Towns which have “pay stations” instead of individual meters and inquired as to why West New York is not doing the same. Comm. Frias advised that the pay stations cost \$11,000 each and the one would have to be placed on every block which would not be cost effective. She further advised that it could be done in the parking lots but not on the streets. Mr. Parrales commented that no one would have to collect the quarters so it may save money. Discussion ensued between Comm. Frias and Mr. Parrales about the cost to upgrade the meters, etc.

6. Former Mayor Sal Vega, 6600 Blvd. East, WNY:

Former Mayor requested a copy of Additional amendment resolution. Town Clerk Riccie advised him to come to the Town Clerk’s Office after the meeting and same would be provided to him.

It was regularly moved by Mayor Roque, seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez, **to close public portion and adjourn** the meeting at 12:35 p.m., was carried by the following vote:

YEAS - Commissioners Frias, Rodriguez, Vargas, Wiley and Mayor Roque
NAYS - None
ABSENT - None

Commissioner FiorD’Aliza Frias

Commissioner Caridad Rodriguez

Commissioner Ruben Vargas

Commissioner Count J. Wiley

Mayor Felix E. Roque
Board of Commissioners

Attest: _____

Carmela Riccie, RMC
Town Clerk