***Town of West New York***

***Hudson County, New Jersey***

***Minutes of Regular Meeting***

***(Regular Session)***

***August 9, 2023***

***Commissioner Marcos A. Arroyo***

***Commissioner Victor M. Barrera***

***Commissioner Marielka A. Diaz***

***Commissioner Adam W. Parkinson***

***Mayor Albio Sires***

***Board of Commissioners***

***ATTEST: Adelinny plaza, rmc***

 ***town clerk***

**August 9, 2023**

***Regular Meeting***

Minutes of a regular stated meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, held via Teleconference, on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. (No Work Session)**:**

Present: Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

Absent: None

Also Present: Town Clerk Adelinny Plaza, Town Administrator Luis Baez, Deputy Town Administrator Jonathan Castaneda, and Samantha Blake, Esq. (Scarinci Hollenbeck)

Meeting commenced at 6:31 P.M.

 Town Clerk Adelinny Plaza made the following announcement:

As presiding officer of this **Regular Meeting** of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, held on **August 9, 2023 at 6:30 P.M (No Work Session)**, I do hereby publicly announce, and I direct that this announcement shall be placed in the minutes of this meeting, and that the Notice requirements provided for in the “Open Public Meetings Act” have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given by the Board of Commissioners in the **Resolution** dated and adopted on **June 28, 2022.** Said Resolution was transmitted by the Town Clerk to the Jersey Journal and the Bergen Record and publicly posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board, Town Hall, and filed with the Town Clerk. Notice of this meeting by the **August 2, 2023** Sunshine Notice was transmitted to the aforementioned newspapers**,** posted on the municipal bulletin board in Town Hall, and on the Town Website.

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

**Note:** **Minutes were taken and transcribed by Town Clerk Adelinny Plaza and Cassandra Bonilla.**

**Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

It was regularly moved by **Commissioner Diaz**, seconded by **Commissioner Arroyo** that the Minutes of Regular Meeting: **July 19, 2023 (*Regular Meeting*)** be approved. The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES - Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

NAYS - None

ABSENT **-** None

**Payment of Claims: (Claims are available for public inspection in the Town Clerk’s Office)**

It was regularly moved by **Commissioner Parkinson**, seconded by **Commissioner Arroyo** that the Payment of Claims of: **August 9, 2023** be approved. The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES - Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

NAYS - None

ABSENT **-** None

**Note:** **Commissioner Diaz abstained on Purchase Order #39424, 39582, 39651. Commissioner Barrera abstained on Purchase Order #39544, 39545, 39546, 39547, 39548, 39549.**

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***Regular Meeting***

**Consent Agenda:**

It was regularly moved by **Commissioner Barrera**, seconded by **Commissioner Diaz** that the following Consent Agenda Items **Nos. R23-223 through R23-244** be adopted. The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES - Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

NAYS - None

ABSENT - None

**RESOLUTION #R23-223**

**RE:** **AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK TO SEEK FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PAY TO PLAY STATUTES FOR THE RETENTION OF RFP’S FOR VARIOUS SERVICES RETURNABLE FRIDAY,**

**AUGUST 25TH, 2023**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. mandates a municipality to comply with Pay to Play requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of West New York (“Town”) wish to receive and consider proposals for services as may be needed by the Town, including but not limited to legal/professional services as follows:

Webmaster/Website Maintainer (3rd Occasion) August 25, 2023 at 11:00 a.m.

Accelerated Online Tax Sale Services (3rd Occasion) August 25, 2023 at 11:15 a.m.

Tenant Advocacy Attorney (3rd Occasion) August 25, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.

 WHEREAS, the Town has previously committed itself to utilizing a Fair and Open Process for the solicitation and review of proposals and qualifications for legal/professional services.

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

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length;
2. The Town Clerk is authorized and directed to publish and advertise a Request for Proposals for the various legal/professional services as may be needed by the Town, for each separate board or entity requiring separate legal/professional services, including but not limited to:

Webmaster/Website Maintainer (3rd Occasion)

 Accelerated Online Tax Sale Services (3rd Occasion)

 Tenant Advocacy Attorney (3rd Occasion)

1. Such Request for Proposals (s) shall be published and advertised in accordance with a Fair and Open Process at least ten (10) days in advance, of the opening of the responses to the Requests for Proposals received such opening to take place on or before the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council, on or before which time all Statements of Proposals must be submitted by interested parties, for consideration by the Review Committee herein established; and
2. The Procurement Committee, and Town Attorney all in an advisory capacity, will review all Statements of Proposals and to make recommendations to the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York prior to its next regularly scheduled meeting.

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***Regular Meeting***

**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**RESOLUTION #R23-224**

**RE:** **ESTABLISHING NO PARKING LOADING ZONE FOR KID’S PLACE BY THE PARK - 5701 JACKSON STREET, WEST NEW YORK, NJ**

WHEREAS, there exists in the vicinity of 5701 Jackson Street a condition relating to traffic congestion and difficulty of receiving, loading and discharging merchandise and supplies caused by the location of establishment in the building located, 5701 Jackson Street; and

WHEREAS, the congestion in this area not only prevents the loading and unloading of necessary merchandise and supplies from trailer trucks and vehicles during business hours, but, in addition present hazards to safety and traffic by the impeding of the safe and regular flow of traffic through the said street areas during the loading and unloading operation and good cause appearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, N.J., pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-197 (3) (b) that a "No Parking-Loading Zone" be and same is hereby authorized and established, at the said location, more particularly described hereafter, during business hours from Monday through Friday from 6:45AM to 6:15PM said area or zone to be used as a "No Parking-Loading Zone": during said hours so as to promote traffic and passage of vehicular traffic in the area, and to allow the prompt and safe loading and unloading of merchandise and supplies as aforesaid, and:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said "No Parking-Loading Zone" shall be

 located and is hereby established and approved as follows:

BEGIN AT A POINT ALONG THE WEST SIDE OF JACKSON STREET, 31 FEET FROM THE NORTH WEST CORNER OF 57TH STREET AND JACKSON STREET; THEN 43 FEET NORTH THERE FROM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that appropriate markings and sign shall be located at said "No Parking-Loading Zone" area according to law.

**RESOLUTION #R23-225**

**RE: ESTABLISHING NO PARKING LOADING ZONE FOR THE CHILDREN’S GARDEN SCHOOL & DAYCARE, 446 – 65th STREET, WEST NEW YORK, NJ**

WHEREAS, there exists in the vicinity of 446 – 65th Street a condition relating to traffic congestion and difficulty of receiving, loading and discharging merchandise and supplies caused by the location of establishment in the building located, 446 – 65th Street; and

WHEREAS, the congestion in this area not only prevents the loading and unloading of necessary merchandise and supplies from trailer trucks and vehicles during business hours, but, in addition present hazards to safety and traffic by the impeding of the safe and regular flow of traffic through the said street areas during the loading and unloading operation and good cause appearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, N.J., pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-197 (3) (b) that a "No Parking-Loading Zone" be and same is hereby authorized and established, at the said location, more particularly described hereafter, during business hours from Monday through Friday from 7:00AM to 10:00AM and 3:00PM to 5:00PM said area or zone to be used as a "No Parking-Loading Zone": during said hours so as to promote traffic and passage of vehicular traffic in the area, and to allow the prompt and safe loading and unloading of merchandise and supplies as aforesaid, and:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said "No Parking-Loading Zone" shall be

 located and is hereby established and approved as follows:

BEGIN AT A POINT ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF 65TH STREET, 86 FEET FROM THE NORTH EAST CORNER OF 65TH AND BERGENLINE AVENUE; THEN 79 FEET WEST THERE FROM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that appropriate markings and sign shall be located at said "No Parking-Loading Zone" area according to law.

**RESOLUTION #R23-226**

**RE:** **CONCERNING PAYMENT OF CLAIMS FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION AND GENERAL LIABILITY FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2023**

WHEREAS the Town of West New York has claims for bills to be paid under workers compensation and general liability; and

WHEREAS the Town of West New York is self-insured and participates with other communities in the Public Entity Joint Insurance Fund; and

WHEREAS the PE JIF, and Claims Administrator and the Town Administrator have reviewed all claims and recommend payment, and

WHEREAS the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available for payment of these claims in account 21-75012 for Workers Compensation claims and account 21-75022 for General Liability claims, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners must approve payment of these claims; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of West New York do hereby approve of the payment of the following claims:

**Workers Compensation: $ 134,381.54**

**General Liability: $ 60,782.42**

**RESOLUTION #R23-227**

**RE:** **AUTHORIZING ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OPTION TO CONTRACT WITH NEW JERSEY HUMANE SOCIETY, LLC FOR ANIMAL SHELTER SERVICES FOR 2023-2024**

WHEREAS, by prior Resolution dated September 15, 2021, the Town of West New York (the “Town”) awarded a contract to the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC, located at 6412 Dewey Avenue, West New York, NJ, 07093, for the provision of animal shelter services as required by the Town for the term beginning October 1, 2021 and expiring on September 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town’s contract with the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC allows these services to be extended for up to four (4) additional one (1) year extensions pursuant to the same terms and provisions set forth in the original contract dated November 19, 2021; and

WHEREAS, by prior Resolution #R22-276, the Town authorized the first one (1) year extension option to the contract with the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC for the provision of animal shelter services in the amount of $3,333.33 per month, for a total annual contract amount not to exceed $40,000.00 for the term commencing on October 1, 2022 and expiring on September 30, 2023.

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

WHEREAS, the Town now seeks to authorize the second of four total one (1) year extension options to the contract with the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC for the provision of animal shelter services in the amount of $3,333.33 per month, for a total annual contract amount not to exceed $40,000.00 for the term commencing on October 1, 2023 and expiring on September 30, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey do hereby authorize the second of four total one-year extension options to the Contract with the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC for the provision of animal shelter services in the amount of $3,333.33 per month, for a total contract amount not to exceed $40,000.00, for a contract term to commencing October 1, 2023 and terminating September 30, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other applicable terms and conditions of the extension shall be the same as the underlying contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Purchasing Agent, Mayor, Town Clerk, or other appropriate officials, are authorized to execute a one-year extension to the contract for animal shelter services and such other documents as may be necessary in order to effectuate the purposes as set forth in this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer certifies that the necessary funds are available for these payments from account 01-201-21-706-020-99.

**RESOLUTION #R23-228**

**RE:** **AUTHORIZING ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OPTION TO CONTRACT WITH NEW JERSEY HUMANE SOCIETY, LLC FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES FOR 2023-2024**

WHEREAS, by prior Resolution dated September 15, 2021, the Town of West New York (the “Town”) awarded a contract to the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC, located at 6412 Dewey Avenue, West New York, NJ, 07093, for the provision of animal control services as required by the Town for the term beginning October 1, 2021 and expiring on September 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town’s contract with the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC allows these services to be extended for up to four (4) additional one (1) year extensions pursuant to the same terms and provisions set forth in the original contract dated November 19, 2021; and

WHEREAS, by prior Resolution #R22-278, the Town authorized the first one (1) year extension option to the contract with the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC for the provision of animal control services in the amount of $3,333.33 per month, for a total annual contract amount not to exceed $40,000.00 for the term commencing on October 1, 2022 and expiring on September 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Town now seeks to authorize the second of four (4) total one (1) year extension options to the contract with the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC for the provision of animal control services in the amount of $3,333.33 per month, for a total annual contract amount not to exceed $40,000.00 for the term commencing on October 1, 2023 and expiring on September 30, 2024.

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey do hereby authorize the second of four total one-year extension options to the Contract with the New Jersey Humane Society, LLC for the provision of animal control services in the amount of $3,333.33 per month, for a total contract amount not to exceed $40,000.00, for a contract term to commencing October 1, 2023 and terminating September 30, 2024.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other applicable terms and conditions of the extension shall be the same as the underlying contract.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Purchasing Agent, Mayor, Town Clerk, or other appropriate officials, are authorized to execute a one-year extension to the contract for animal control services and such other documents as may be necessary in order to effectuate the purposes as set forth in this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer certifies that the necessary funds are available for these payments from account 01-201-21-706-020-99.

**RESOLUTION #R23-229**

**RE: AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX LIEN REDEMPTIONS AND TAX LIEN PREMIUMS**

WHEREAS, the investors named below have previously purchased Tax Sale Certificates from the Town of West New York; and

 WHEREAS, the Tax Collector for the said Tax Sale Certificates has received the full amount for redemption pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:5-60; and

 WHEREAS, the Certificates have now been redeemed and the investor is entitled to a refund of said redemption amounts and premium amounts pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:5-33 and N.J.S.A 54:5-33; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the below listed redemption and premium amounts be paid to the investors in the following amounts, and the Department of Revenue and Finance is

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **LIEN HOLDER**  |  |  |  | **TAX** |  **REDEMPTION**  |  **PREMIUM**  |
| **AUG** | **BLK** | **LOT** | **QUAL** | **CERTIFICATE**  |  |  |
| **EVOLVE BANK & TRUST**  | **96** | **4** |  | **22-0170** |  **$ 2,079.70**  |  **$ 48,200.00**  |
| **EVOLVE BANK & TRUST**  | **94** | **11** |  |  **22-0169**  |  **$ 3,235.16**  |  **$ 58,700.00**  |
| **EVOLVE BANK & TRUST**  | **74** | **3** |  | **22-0141** |  **$ 666.30**  |  **$ 35,900.00**  |
| **EVOLVE BANK & TRUST**  | **67** | **12** |  | **22-0130** |  **$ 4,472.61**  |  **$ 19,000.00**  |
| **FIG 20, LLC FBO SEC PTY** | **3** | **1** |  | **22-0002** |  **$ 3,450.45**  |  **$ 3,100.00**  |
| **FIG 20, LLC FBO SEC PTY** | **31** | **15** |  | **22-0055** |  **$ 2,779.06**  |  **$ 3,000.00**  |
| **FNA DZ, LLC FBO WSFS** | **5** | **32** | **C1008** | **20-0019** |  **$ 9,179.08**  |  **$ 6,400.00**  |
| **PRO CAP 8 FBO FIRSTRUST BANK** | **70** | **14** |  | **21-0171** |  **$ 1,192.06**  |  **$ 1,800.00**  |
| **SUBTOTAL :** |  |  |  |  |  **$ 27,054.42**  |  **$ 176,100.00**  |
| **TOTAL:** |  |  |  |  |  **$ 203,154.42**  |

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**RESOLUTION #R23-230**

RE: EXTENSION OF GRACE PERIOD FOR PAYMENT OF TAX BILLS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 54:4-64 provides that an extension of the grace period for receipt of payments of tax bills may be granted by the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town will be mailing the 3rd quarter 2023 property tax bills on or before August 21, 2023;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to extend the grace period on the August 1st installment to September 15, 2023.

**RESOLUTION #R23-231**

**RE:** **AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR CASE NO. 2:18-CV-16472**

WHEREAS, the Town of West New York (“Town”) is a party involved in pending Federal Action under Docket No. 2:18-CV-16472; and

WHEREAS, Counsel for the Town of West New York has presented a proposed settlement for the purpose of resolving Federal Action No. 02:18-CV-16472; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff and/or Plaintiff’s authorized representative has agreed to accept the aforementioned settlement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey do hereby authorize the settlement of Federal Action under Docket No. 2:18-CV-16472 as recommended by Counsel for the Town of West New York.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York authorize the Town's third-party administrator to make the settlement payment as set forth pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreement within the time period prescribed by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Plaintiff has provided or shall provide to Counsel for the Town of West New York a satisfactory release, closing documents and/or other appropriate documentation.

**RESOLUTION #R23-232**

**RE:** **AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF PORTABLE RADIO EQUIPMENT FROM MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC. FOR THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT**

 WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners for the Town of West New York (“Town”) have determined that portable radio equipment and accessories are required for the Town of West New York Police Department (“WNYPD”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), the Town may, by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program pursuant to any State Contract entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

WHEREAS, Motorola Solutions, Inc., located at 123 Tices Boulevard, Woodcliff Lake, NJ 07677, is an authorized provider of radio communications equipment under New Jersey State Contract #83909, valid between May 1, 2013 and April 30, 2024, and as such, any purchase by the Town of the required portables radios and equipment for the WNYPD is exempt from public bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5; and

WHEREAS, Motorola Solutions Inc. has provided the Town with a proposal for the purchase of the required portable radio equipment and accessories for the WNYPD, pursuant to NJ State Contract #83909 in the total amount of $59,801.90; and

WHEREAS, the Town seeks to utilize funding provided pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act to purchase the required portable radio equipment for the WNYPD in the amount of $59,801.90; and

WHEREAS, the Temporary Qualified Purchasing Agent has recommended the Town authorize the purchase of the required portable radio equipment and accessories for the WNYPD from Motorola Solutions, Inc. pursuant to NJ State Contract #83909, in an amount not to exceed $59,801.90.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, do hereby approve the purchase of the required portable radio equipment and accessories for the WNYPD under NJ State Contract #83909 pursuant to the proposal provided by Motorola Solutions Inc., located at 123 Tices Boulevard, Woodcliff Lake, NJ 07677, for a total amount not to exceed $59,801.90.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Temporary Purchasing Agent shall take all necessary steps to execute the documents to approve this purchase from Motorola Solutions, Inc. as set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer certifies that the necessary funds are available for this payment from account #01-201-22-762-020-99.

**RESOLUTION #R23-233**

**RE:** **AMENDING RESOLUTION #R23-028 APPROVING OPTION YEAR EXTENSION TO CONTRACT FOR MUNICIPAL POOL & SPRAY PARK MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR THE 2023 SWIM-POOL SEASON**

WHEREAS, by prior Resolution #R23-028, the Town of West New York (the “Town”) authorized the second one-year extension to the contract with Treatment Specialties for the provision of pool opening, closing, and maintenance services for the period between January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, for a total contract amount not to exceed $49,160.00; and

 WHEREAS, the Town seeks to amend Resolution #R23-028 to reflect the name change by the vendor, formerly Treatment Specialties, to NAF Aquatics LLC for the Town’s contract for municipal pool and spray park maintenance services for the 2023 swim-pool season; and

 WHEREAS, all other provisions of Resolution #R23-028 shall remain in full force and effect unless specifically amended as set forth herein.

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York do hereby authorize Resolution #R23-028 to be amended to update the name of the vendor to NAF Aquatics LLC (formerly Treatment Specialties) for the Town’s contract for the provision of pool opening, closing, and maintenance services for the period between January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, for a total contract amount not to exceed $49,160.00.

 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, the Municipal Administrator and the Town Clerk are authorized to take such other steps as are necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth herein, including executing an amended Contract as set forth in this Resolution.

**RESOLUTION** **#R23-234**

**RE: AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
FOR CIVIL ACTION ENTITLED, DANTE JOA V. TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK, ET ALS.**

WHEREAS, the Town of West New York (“Town”) is a party involved in pending Civil Action entitled, *Dante Joa v. Town of West New York* and individually named Defendants Stephania Jiminez, individually and in her capacity as West New York Police Officer, P.O. Andres Osvaldo Garcia individually and in his capacity as West New York Police Officer, P.O. Andrew Ramos, individually and in his capacity as West New York Police Officer Sergeant Johnny A. Lara, individually and in his capacity as West New York Police Officer (Civil Action No. 02-21-CV-01614); and

WHEREAS, Counsel for the Town of West New York has presented a proposed settlement for the purpose of resolving Civil Action No. 02-21-CV-01614 and municipal court summonses (S-2019-000266); and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff and/or Plaintiff’s authorized representative has agreed to accept the aforementioned settlement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey do hereby authorize the settlement of the workers compensation matter, entitled *Dante Joa v. Town of West New York* and individually named Defendants Stephania Jiminez, individually and in her capacity as West New York Police Officer, P.O. Andres Osvaldo Garcia individually and in his capacity as West New York Police Officer, P.O. Andrew Ramos, individually and in his capacity as West New York Police Officer Sergeant Johnny A. Lara, individually and in his capacity as West New York Police Officer (Civil Action No. 02-21-CV-01614) as recommended by Counsel for the Town of West New York.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York authorize the Town's third-party administrator to make the settlement payment pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreement within the time period prescribed by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Plaintiff has provided or shall provide to Counsel for the Town of West New York a satisfactory release, closing documents and/or other appropriate documentation.

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**RESOLUTION #R23-235**

**RE: AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF NINE (9) SHARED SERVICES**

**AGREEMENTS WITH THE WEST NEW YORK BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**FOR VARIOUS SERVICES FOR 2023-2024**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et. seq. allows the Town of West New York (“Town”) to enter into shared services agreements with the West New York Board of Education (“Board”); and

WHEREAS, the Town and Board presently share various services which are economically beneficial and efficient for both entities; and

WHEREAS, the Town and Board now seek to renew those agreements as follows:

1. Blackboard Connect System (Town to Pay Board $2,001.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024);
2. Bus Garage at 417 53rd Street (Town to Pay Board $14,001.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024);
3. Transportation Services (Town to Pay Board $62,850.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024);
4. Maintenance/Utilities of Fields and Parks (Board to Pay Town $64,100.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024);
5. Fuel (Board to Pay Town $100,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024);
6. Use of Facilities (Board to Pay Town $607,584.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024);
7. Waste Disposal (Board to Pay Town $195,416.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024);
8. Use of Middle School (Town to Pay Board $14,001.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024); and
9. Police Services (Board to Pay Town $40.00 per hour for police officers and $42.00 per hour for police superiors for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, do hereby authorize the Mayor, and Town Administrator to enter into shared services agreements with the West New York Board of Education for 2023-2024 for the aforementioned services.

 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York that the Board and Town agree to reimburse the other for these services in the amounts as follows:

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

1. As set forth above in items four, five, six, seven and nine, for a total payment of $1,635,060.00 from the Board to the Town.
2. As set forth above in items one, two, three and eight, for a total payment of $92,855.00 from the Town to the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer certifies that the funds necessary for payments covering the contracts as set forth above in items one, two, three and eight above as follows:

$62,852.00 are available in account number 01-201-24-717-020-99 and/or 01-201-20-715-020-99 and/or 01-201-22-789-010-11for payment of Transportation Services; and

$14,001.00 are available in account number 01-201-20-708-020-99 for payment of Use of the Board of Education Facilities (Middle School); and

$14,001.00 are available in account number 01-201-20-708-020-99 for payment of the Use of the Bus Garage; and

$2,001.00 are available in account number 01-201-20-708-020-99 for payment of the Use of the Black Board Connect System.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution and the shared services agreements listed above shall be provided to the Board of Education and the Division of Local Government Services.

**RESOLUTION #R23-236**

**RE:** **SUPPORTING THE LOCATION AND OPERATION OF A**

**CLASS 5 RETAIL CANNABIS FACILITY OPERATED BY**

**BACKPACK BOYZ WEST NEW YORK LLC**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Cannabis Regulatory, Enforcement Assistance, and Marketplace Modernization Act (the “Act”), enacted in February, 2021, established the New Jersey Personal-Use Cannabis Program, which includes a process for the licensure of “Cannabis Business Establishments,” as defined by the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West New York (the “Town”) has expressly authorized the operation of one cannabis retailer in a specified zoning district and subject to certain restrictions pursuant to Ordinance No. 15/21; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West New York has enacted a new section to Chapter 414 of the Code of the Town of West New York, entitled “Cannabis Retail Overlay Zone” (“CROZ”); and

WHEREAS, Backpack Boyz West New York, LLC has submitted a proposal to operate a retail cannabis dispensary at 5410 Bergenline Avenue in the Town of West New York and has provided payment of the application fee in the amount of $6,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the proposed location is within the Town’s Cannabis Retail Overlay Zone (CROZ); and

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

WHEREAS, Backpack Boyz West New York, LLC will meet the conditions of Ordinance No. 15/21 and will comply with the Act and with any regulations established and enforced by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission of New Jersey as well as any other lawful authority.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners for Town of West New Jersey in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey do hereby issue this resolution supporting the application of Backpack Boyz West New York, LLC to operate a Class 5 Retail Cannabis facility at the premises located on 5410 Bergenline Avenue in the Town of West New York.

**RESOLUTION #R23-237**

**RE:** **AUTHORIZING SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF KEARNY FOR THE PROVISION OF HEALTH OFFICER SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Town of Kearny employs a Health Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West New York (the “Town”) needs Health Officer services; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et. seq., the Town of Kearny and the Town can share the services of a Health Officer; and

WHEREAS, by prior resolution the Town and the Town of Kearny entered into a shared services agreement for the provision of Health Officer services; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to authorize a Shared Service Agreement by and between the Town of Kearny and the Town of West New York (the “Agreement”) for the use of the Town of Kearny’s Health Officer to provide the required Health Officer Services to the Town of West New York pursuant to N.J.S.A. 26:3A2-1 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq.: and

WHEREAS, the term for the Shared Services Agreement for Health Officer Services between the Town of Kearny and the Town of West New York shall be for one year; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to this Agreement, the Town agrees to pay the Town of Kearny a total amount of $40,000.00 annually, at a rate of $3,333.00 per month for the one-year term.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners for the Town of West New York, do hereby authorize the Shared Services Agreement by and between the Town of Kearny and the Town of West New York for the use of the Town of Kearny’s Health Officer, for a one-year term, for the total annual amount of $40,000.00 or $3,333.00 per month paid by the Town of West New York to the Town of Kearny for the contract period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the contract term may be extended by the Parties for a successive one (1) year period unless renegotiated or terminated by either Party.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, the Town Administrator, and the Town Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into the Agreement in a form acceptable to the Town as evidenced by the signature on this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, the Town Administrator and the Town Clerk, and other appropriate Town officials are further authorized to take any such other steps to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer certifies that the funds for this Contract of this Agreement are available from account 01-201-21-706-020-99.

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**RESOLUTION #R23-238**

**RE: AWARDING CONTRACT WITH HARTMANN DOHERTY ROSA BERMAN & BULBULIA, LLC FOR ZONING BOARD ATTORNEY FOR 2023**

WHEREAS, the Town West New York (“Town”) solicited proposals through a fair and open process, via a Request for Proposals (“RFP”) to procure a contract for Zoning Board of Adjustment counsel services for the remainder of the 2023 contract period; and

WHEREAS, on August 8, 2023, the Town received one (1) proposal for the provision of the required Zoning Board of Adjustment counsel services for the period ending December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Town evaluated the proposal submitted by Hartmann, Doherty, Rosa, Berman & Bulbulia, LLC, located at 433 Hackensack Ave, Suite 1002, Hackensack, NJ 07601, and determined that the proposal is legally-sufficient and the required Zoning Board of Adjustment counsel services will be provided in a professional and cost-effective manner for the 2023 period; and

WHEREAS, the Town seeks to award the contract for the provision of the required Zoning Board of Adjustment counsel services to Hartmann, Doherty, Rosa, Berman & Bulbulia, LLC, at the rates set forth in the proposal, for a total contract amount not to exceed $20,000.00 for the remainder of the 2023 contract term, expiring on December 31, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York do hereby award a contract to Hartmann, Doherty, Rosa, Berman & Bulbulia, LLC, located at 433 Hackensack Ave, Suite 1002, Hackensack, NJ 07601 for the provision of Zoning Board of Adjustment counsel services at the rates set forth in the proposal, for a total annual contract amount not to exceed $20,000.00 excluding fees paid from escrow accounts from applicants to the Board of Adjustment, expiring on December 31, 2023.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and/or Municipal Administrator are hereby authorized to execute and deliver this contract on behalf of the Town, and Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest to the execution of this contract and to affix the corporate seal of the Town thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of the Contract shall be published and maintained in the Office of the Town Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer certifies that the necessary funds are available for the contract from account 01-201-20-721-020-99.

**RESOLUTION** **#R23-239**

**RE: AUTHORIZING TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2022**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 provides that the governing body of every local municipality to maintain an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the Town of West New York for the year ending December 31, 2022 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been provided to each member of the governing body; and

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, the governing body of every municipality is required by the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to certify, by resolution, that all members of the governing body have reviewed, at a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled: “Comments and Recommendations”; and

WHEREAS, the R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body of the Town of West New York have reviewed the Annual Report of Audit for the year ending December 31, 2022, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled “Comments and Recommendations”, as evidenced by the group affidavit form attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York have reviewed the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey and have subscribed to the affidavit, as required by the Local Finance Board, and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations promulgated by the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: "A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey do hereby submit a certified copy of this Resolution and the required affidavit to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey certifying the Town’s compliance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5.

RESOLUTION #R23-240

RE: APPOINTING JUNIOR FERNANDEZ TO SERVE AS ALTERNATE NO. I MEMBER OF THE WEST NEW YORK ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York (“Town”) is responsible for the appointment of members to the Town’s Zoning Board of Adjustment (“Zoning Board”), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-69; and

WHEREAS, there is a vacant position for an Alternate No. I member of the Zoning Board; and

WHEREAS, Junior Fernandez is qualified and eligible for appointment as an Alternate No. I member of the Zoning Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners seek to appoint Junior Fernandez as an Alternate No. I member of the Zoning Board to fill the vacant position.

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

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

1. Junior Fernandez, residing at 6128 Park Avenue, Apt 1, West New York, New Jersey, is appointed as an Alternate No. I member of the Zoning Board for a two-year term commencing as of January 26, 2023 and expiring January 25, 2025.

RESOLUTION #R23-241

RE: APPOINTING XAVIER MURILLO TO SERVE AS THE ALTERNATE NO. II MEMBER OF THE WEST NEW YORK ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York (“Town”) is responsible for the appointment of members to the Town’s Zoning Board of Adjustment (“Zoning Board”), pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-69; and

WHEREAS, there is a vacant position for an Alternate No. II member of the Zoning Board; and

WHEREAS, Xavier Murillo is qualified and eligible for appointment as an Alternate No. II member of the Zoning Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners seek to appoint Xavier Murillo as an Alternate No. II member of the Zoning Board to fill the vacant position.

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

1. Xavier Murrillo, residing at 5101 Park Avenue, Apt 8G, West New York, NJ 07093, New Jersey, is appointed as an Alternate No. II member of the Zoning Board for a two-year term commencing as of June 8, 2023 and expiring June 7, 2025.

**RESOLUTION #R23-242**

**RE: AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION MATTER, GENESIS ZAPATA V. WEST NEW YORK**

WHEREAS, the Town of West New York (“Town”) is a party involved in pending Division of Workers' Compensation matter entitled, *Genesis Zapata v. Town of West New York* (Claim No. 314-003134); and

WHEREAS, Counsel for the Town of West New York has presented a proposed settlement in this matter; and

WHEREAS, Plaintiff and/or Plaintiff’s authorized representative has agreed to accept the aforementioned settlement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey do hereby authorize the settlement of the workers compensation matter, entitled *Genesis Zapata v. Town of West New York* (Claim No. 314-003134) as recommended by Counsel for the Town of West New York.

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York authorize the Town's third-party administrator to make the settlement payment as set forth pursuant to the terms of the settlement agreement within the time period prescribed by law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Plaintiff has provided or shall provide to Counsel for the Town of West New York a satisfactory release, closing documents and/or other appropriate documentation.

**RESOLUTION #R23-243**

**RE: AMENDING RESOLUTION #R21-125 TO RESCIND THE APPOINTMENT OF RUBEN RIVERA AS DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR FOR OEM**

WHEREAS, by prior Resolution #R21-125, the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York appointed Ruben Rivera to serve as a Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator for OEM for a three-year term, between March 3, 2021 and March 2, 2024.

 WHEREAS, the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners seek to amend Resolution #R21-125 to rescind the appointment of Ruben Rivera as a Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator for OEM for a three-year term beginning March 3, 2021 and expiring March 2, 2024.

 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York do hereby authorize as follows:

1. Resolution #R21-125 is hereby amended to rescind the appointment of Ruben Rivera as Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator for OEM, for a term of three years, beginning March 3, 2021 and expiring March 2, 2024.
2. All other provisions and clauses set forth in Resolution #R21-125 shall remain in full force and effect unless specifically amended as set forth in this Resolution.

**RESOLUTION #R23-244**

**RE: AUTHORIZING HUDSON COUNTY TAX APPEALS**

WHEREAS, the following property owners have appealed to the Hudson County Board of Taxation for a reduction in Tax Assessment levied upon their respective properties in the Town of West New York (“Town”); and

 WHEREAS, the Hudson County Board of Taxation by their judgment has reduced the said assessments levied upon the said properties; and

 WHEREAS, said judgment of reduction in the Tax Assessment has caused an overpayment of taxes collected by the Town, relating to said respective properties.

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**Consent Agenda (Cont.):**

**Resolution (Cont.):**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that said overpayments of taxes be and the same are hereby to be paid and refunded to the said property owners in the following amounts:

**NAME BLOCK-LOT AMOUNT YEAR**

KATES, NUSSMAN 168.01/8.03 C0408 $7,926.72 2022

TRUST ACCOUNT $3,963.36 2023

FAIRCHILD AND IPPOLITO

190 MOORE STREET, SUITE 306

HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

 GRAND TOTAL $11,890.08

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**ORDINANCE #7/23**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 80 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK ENTITLED “POLICE DEPARTMENT”**

**Note: Town Clerk Plaza read the title of the foregoing Ordinance aloud.**

It was regularly moved by **Commissioner Arroyo**, seconded by **Commissioner Diaz**, to **open the public hearing** on this Ordinance. The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES - Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

NAYS - None

ABSENT - None

It was regularly moved by **Commissioner Parkinson**, seconded by **Commissioner Barrera**, **to close the public hearing and** **adopt** this Ordinance. The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES - Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

NAYS - None

ABSENT - None

**ORDINANCE #8/23**

**AN ORDINANCE TO BAN SMOKE SHOPS AND VAPE SHOPS AS A PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USE IN ANY ZONE DISTRICT IN THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK**

**Note: Town Clerk Adelinny Plaza read the title of the foregoing Ordinance aloud.**

It was regularly moved by **Mayor Sires**, seconded by **Commissioner Barrera**, to

**Adopt the introduction** of the foregoing Ordinance. The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES - Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

NAYS - None

ABSENT - None

**NOTICE**

**ORDINANCE #8/23**

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**Note: Town Clerk Adelinny Plaza read notice of the foregoing Ordinance aloud.**

The foregoing Ordinance was adopted for first reading by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, New Jersey, on **August 9, 2023** and ordered published, for consideration before final passage at a public hearing on **August 30, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.** held remotely or in person. Instructions regarding attendance and participation in the meeting will be posted on the Town’s website: <http://www.westnewyorknj.org/> . A copy of this Ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted on in the Town Hall of the Town of West New York, and a copy (at no charge) is available up to and including the time of such meeting to the members of the public of the Town who shall request such copies, at the Office of the Town Clerk in said Town Hall in West New York, N.J.

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**Ordinance (Cont.):**

**ORDINANCE #9/23**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE A LOAN TO THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK HOUSING AUTHORITY AND SET FORTH LOAN TERMS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-41**

**Note: Town Clerk Adelinny Plaza read the title of the foregoing Ordinance aloud.**

It was regularly moved by **Mayor Sires**, seconded by **Commissioner Arroyo**, to

**Adopt the introduction** of the foregoing Ordinance. The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES - Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

NAYS - None

ABSENT - None

**NOTICE**

**ORDINANCE #9/23**

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**Note: Town Clerk Adelinny Plaza read notice of the foregoing Ordinance aloud.**

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**Public Portion:**

It was regularly moved by **Commissioner Diaz** and seconded by **Mayor Sires**,

**To open Public Portion of meeting at 6:39 p.m.** The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES - Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

NAYS - None

ABSENT - None

1. **Manuel Aguirre, 6218 Madison Street, West New York, NJ:**

Mr. Aguirre urged the governing body to install speed bump because drivers speed down the street by the daycare on Madison. Mayor sires assured that this matter would be addressed. There’s a possibility of installing a speed sign or cobble stone to slow drivers down.

1. **Michelle Allen, 41-64th Street, West New York, NJ:**

Mrs. Allen requested having her street repaved, sidewalks repaired, garbage bin installed, and dog bags refilled. She stated that 64th Street has a high foot traffic, which results in excess garbage and dog feces. She mentioned that there is only one tree planted unlike other areas. She urged the governing body to beautify her streets to provide safety and welcoming to residents. Mayor Sires advised Mrs. Allen that he will be looking into matter and addressing the issues she referenced.

It was regularly moved by **Mayor Sires** and seconded by **Commissioner Parkinson**, **to close the Public Portion of the meeting and Adjourn at 6:46 p.m.** The motion was carried by the following vote:

AYES - Commissioners Arroyo, Barrera, Diaz, Parkinson, and Mayor Sires

NAYS - None

ABSENT - None

Commissioner Marcos A. Arroyo

Commissioner Victor M. Barrera

Commissioner Marielka A. Diaz

Commissioner Adam W. Parkinson

Mayor Albio Sires

Board of Commissioners

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Adelinny Plaza, RMC

 Town Clerk