

REORGANIZATION MEETING

MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Thursday, January 6, 2022 @ 6:00 P.M.

Due to the current situation involving the COVID-19 pandemic, the reorganization meeting of the Mayor and Council was held remotely. The meeting was accessible by telephone, by dialing one of the numbers listed below and entering the meeting ID number 872 3911 8279 .

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PRESENT: Mayor Sokolich, Council Members Sohmer, Yoon (Via Telephone Conference), Suh, Sargenti, Kasofsky, Cervieri

ALSO PRESENT: Alfred Restaino, Borough Administrator
Evelyn Rosario, Borough Clerk
Brian Chewcaskie, Borough Attorney

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Let the minutes reflect that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in the following manner:

In accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 adequate notice informing the public of the time and place of this meeting was duly published in the Record, Jersey Journal and Star Ledger issues of November 12, 2021. Said notice was also posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board, and on the outside door of Borough Hall and the Borough website.

A remote meeting notice was emailed to the Record and Jersey Journal on January 4, 2022, notifying the public that this meeting would be held remotely, same was posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board and Borough website.

OATHS OF OFFICE

Joseph Cervieri was sworn in as Councilman by Mayor Mark Sokolich, his brother Gregory held the Bible as he took his Oath of Office.

Harvey Sohmer was sworn in as Councilman by Mayor Mark Sokolich, his wife Roberta held the Bible as he took his Oath of Office.

PRESENTATION

Peter DeSheplo came forward along with his children Leonard and Madeline to thank the Mayor and Council and Police Department for paying tribute to his father Judge John DSheplo.

Mayor Sokolich - He spoke of Judge DeSheplo being an icon in the Borough of Fort Lee who served as a judge for over 40 years and will be greatly missed. He presented Peter with a street sign "DeSheplo Court" and named the court room "The Judge DeSheplo Courtroom"

MAYOR'S STATE OF THE BOROUGH ADDRESS

“It is at the point of reorganization where the mayor gets to talk about the year in review. If you've noticed, now this is 15 years for me, which I find incomprehensibly hard to believe considering I told my wife I was going to do this for one term. And here we are, 15 years later. The good news for the Council is that this speech has gotten shorter and shorter as the years have gone on. I remember the first year the Councilmembers had an office pool of how long it would be; this year it is going to be pretty short. And you are going to notice that in the course of my words, it is more of a thank you than it is even a report because there are a lot of thank you's that are due and owing. I told everybody back in early 2021 about the preceding year and I am going to say it again for 2022 and the preceding year we are about to experience, about how we conducted ourselves over the course of this pandemic. The way we behave as leaders, the ideas we come up with, the things we implement, the way we help protect people and communicate with people in the climate and setting of a global pandemic in my view and in my opinion will impact us and define us as human beings for the rest of our lives. There's never been a more critical point, not only politically, but also from health-wise that this country has ever been in many respects, never been more vulnerable, and there has never been a greater need for leadership. I am proud to tell you that that leadership has come in many different forms here in the borough of Fort Lee and not just from this dais, but from the many people that work here. I am going to try to avoid using specific names because once I name one, I am going to have to name hundreds, but I just wanted to make sure right from the outset that the public knew that there are a lot of people that rose to the occasion. There were people in this borough that we know them to be heroes. We always knew that they would do the right thing, but there are other folks that I barely even knew their name, that rose to the occasion, spending 10's and 10's of volunteer hours. Whether it is getting meals to senior citizens or joining our Fort Lee Friends Talk where they're chatting with somebody that is lonely or feeling a bit despondent or whether it is volunteering at the center, whatever it might be. All these people show that the crane has risen to the top and I tell you, as the mayor of this community, I never ever had more of a proud moment. It all culminates to Fort Lee being designated by multiple sources and multiple authorities as one of the leading municipalities in Northeast United States of America as a model community on how to deal with a pandemic, and particularly, COVID. And that, my friends, is a great accomplishment and that was done not only as a result of leadership, but the many, many people that work here and the many, many volunteers that we are blessed with. You will remember that on March 4th, 2020, the first COVID case was here in the borough of Fort Lee, and I will never forget that day. There were a hundred members of the press. There must have been fifty officials from local, county, state, federal officials. What to do, what not to do, what to say, what not to say, HIPPA rights, press conferences. It was just this mass, I don't want to say hysteria, but it was attention beyond attention. It was amazing we now find ourselves just under two years later, where unfortunately, the projection is that by spring of 2022 over a million Americans will have lost their lives as a result of COVID or COVID related deaths. If anyone does not think this is serious, keep those statistics in mind. There has been a lot of people that have lost a lot of friends and at this point in my life, I am 58 years old and have never had more folks pass around me than now, some COVID related and some not, but it is serious, and it is important that we all protect ourselves. It is also important that if you're not vaccinated to please reconsider that position. If you are vaccinated and boosted, we thank you for your efforts. In 2021, we introduced a full-time videographer and the reason we did that was because the messaging was effective. Here in Fort Lee, when we want to get the message out, we use all the conventional methods of social media, of course, but we also do a lot of videos which we are very proud of, and I would venture a guess that we've done sixty, seventy to eighty videos during the course of the year. During our drive-through testing we tested over 3000 people and I'm happy to report that almost 90% of Fort Lee has been tested at this point, but during the course of the year, thousands of folks went through our drive-through facility and we created and continue to utilize our very own mobile testing unit and as I said last year, I'm pretty sure we're the only municipality of our size that has such a device. We also held a drive through flu clinic. Don't forget Fort Lee, that COVID is not the only disease you could catch. There are flus and there are colds and please make sure you protect yourself from those illnesses as well. We converted our senior citizen center into a hub for Meals on Wheels, our grab and go program, to make sure that folks who don't have meals or don't have the ability to cook for themselves now have a meal on a regular basis. We delivered just under 8000 meals at this point, all powered by volunteers. We created a vaccination distribution point at

our Fort Lee Community Center. I don't think anything ever made me prouder than walking into our Fort Lee Community Center, which is usually humming with boys and girls, basketball and Zumba class and all that stuff. And now it's been converted to a state-of-the-art vaccination site. It is very difficult to have that approved by the state of New Jersey because you need to qualify. I venture a guess and say that Fort Lee probably had the most well-run vaccination distribution point in the state of New Jersey. We would get 100, 200, 300 vaccines and we would get them into arms within 24 to 48 hours of receiving them. Quite frankly, if we got 1,000 vaccinations, we would have been able to deliver them, and it is all thanks to Jill Scarpa and the Health Department. She is the heart of our health department. As a result of this pandemic, our health department has become our fifth emergency service agency. I think now when we talk about police, fire, OEM and Ambulance, we also have to mention the Health Department because they've become as much an emergency service agency in this climate as anyone else and I think you would all agree. We got through the vaccinations or at least pushing in the high 80 percentile of having everyone vaccinated and now we are holding Booster Days. As I said, we created Friends of Fort Lee, which was a free phone in service for folks that wanted to chat with their neighbors, we had town wide teleconference calls to update the public on what was going on, multiple video announcements and the effectiveness was so great that we ultimately hired our full-time videographer, Linda McCue. Our residents had to deal with tragedy during 2021. We had Hurricane Ida, which saw rainfall and flooding that Fort Lee, which in its 130 plus year history, has never ever seen before. We saw emergency service agencies in full action during that period. Of course, the Knightsbridge fire that displaced tens and tens of families all their belongings, their assets, their valuables, their apartments completely destroyed, but we got through it. I was proud to report that once again the charitable arm of the borough of Fort Lee raised in excess of \$200,000 to distribute to many of these families. Whether it was food, whether it was for lodging, whether it was for a security deposit for a replacement home, and we are proud of that. I do not think that happens everywhere. We are grateful to the countless groups that exist here in Fort Lee, just by way of example, the Korean Youth Council of Fort Lee reportedly always in action whether it is having Recycle Days or Earth Days or raising money with and in conjunction with LG Electronics to donate recycle bins. This is a group of young men and women here in Fort Lee that just know about community, and it seems to me that two or three months do not go by where they are not holding an event to present us with something that they are contributing to the community. We kept the borough as active as we could during 2021, and I will tell you that required Yeoman's effort to make sure we did the things that we are accustomed to doing because the game plan was to always maintain some level of normalcy here so that it was not just about zoom calls and staying home and wondering whether the supermarkets were going to run out of toilet paper soon and we need to stock up. We wanted some normalcy here. We still had our national night out and we had our Halloween- Dog-Park-Tacular. The BDA Fall-o-ween activities. We had a beautiful menorah lighting and probably the state of New Jersey's most successful and most colorful Holiday Tree Lighting and we are grateful to all the volunteers and the employees that put that together. Thousands of people attended those events. We had Movies Under the Stars, we had multiple functions, but we did it safely. I remember looking at a drone shot at Movies Under the Stars and the entire field was a grid so that families would remain in that grid and then not spread to other families. This gave everybody an opportunity to get outdoors to enjoy a movie. It was just wonderful to see the planning and the effort that was put into place. You know it's not just Fort Lee that does these activities, right? It's the PBA that, in large part, puts National Night Out in conjunction with us. The PBA is the driving force there, and it's at this point I need to shout out to the Fort Lee Library. As I have said this multiple times, if we relied strictly on what the Fort Lee Library puts out there for us, we would probably have more activities in this town than 90% of the other communities in the state of New Jersey. If no one believes me, go to their website and check out what is going on. They address all issues, from educational to social Issues. They compel you to learn and they make it fun. There are activities for everyone and that is why we are proud of the Fort Lee Library, Chris and her group are doing a fantastic job. We have other organizations and agencies that have also put together activities and events here the borough of Fort Lee currently, for example, the Chamber of Commerce and the BDA. The point is, it's been a collective effort. Youth Sports, again, we did it. We conducted it and I'm grateful to the administrators, the coaches. These men and women are adjusting schedules, checking kids, testing kids, making sure everybody is safe. Putting together a basketball game for

children or getting kids out to a softball field these days is a challenge and here in Fort Lee we have volunteers that rose to that occasion and did it safely and kept their season going. It was incredible task and they rose to that occasion. All the departments in Fort Lee learned to recreate themselves. They learned to rediscover themselves and how to conduct themselves in the setting of a pandemic and the idea, the charge that we also gave them was to make sure we continue to deliver as many services as we can to the Borough of Fort Lee. I am not about to read the list of accomplishments that I have in front of me because we will be here all night. Here is a quick run of things is warranted. Our Borough Clerk's office responded to just under 1,000 OPRA requests and by the way, a shout out to Nadine Drumgoole, who is under the weather tonight, and we know that Nadine wanted to be here to help us with Reorganization. We all hope that you are feeling better, Nadine and Godspeed and quick recovery. The Borough Clerk's office is the place that keeps this world organized. Make sure we do things the right way by resolution and copies and files, and I'm going to tell you it is an indispensable statutorily required task and the young ladies that run that office headed by our own, Evelyn Rosario we cannot begin to tell you how appreciative we are especially in the climate of a pandemic, so thank you very much, ladies. Thank you to our Fire Department, we said goodbye to Chief Drumgoole, who had an Incredible tenure here in the Borough of Fort Lee. He displayed great leadership. I remember one of the highlights, most impressive presentations that I experienced in 2021, was Bryan and his men and women presentation on how we tried to retain Volunteer Firefighters and that was as well put together a presentation as I have seen and it just showed me the commitment that these men and women have not only to the Borough, also to the Volunteer Fire Department. We say goodbye to Bryan, but he is not going that far. Obviously, he is still going to be active. Now we can say hello to Pat Peluso, who has been elevated from Deputy Chief to Chief of the Department, Rich Onufrey, from Battalion Chief, who is now going to be the Deputy Chief and John Klein now becomes the Battalion Chief. Pat, Rich, and John, we look forward to working with you. This Volunteer Fire Department responded to over two thousand calls. There was the major fire on Hudson Terrace that we referred to as the Knightsbridge Fire, we authorized the purchase of two new trucks this year, which we are excited to take delivery of. We are trying to implement the retention program to increase local membership. We are getting a new bail out system and a personalized camera for every member of the Fire Department. We continue to make sure that our emergency service agencies have the right resources so that when these tragic events come about, we keep Fort Lee as safe as we possibly can. Our Ambulance Corp also saw the election of new Chief. Constantly did they support our health department during the vaccine clinics and serving his EMS standbys. They provided uninterrupted coverage to our residents 24 hours a day, seven days a week despite many staffing challenges due to COVID. They had an extremely successful winter coat drive as they do on an annual basis, collecting almost 200 winter coats and donated those coats to local shelters. They answered over 95% of the calls in town running two crews 24/7, which is an incredible accomplishment when you factor in that over 4,200 calls for service were made. The department always strives to make it 100%, and sometimes they needed to call in for assistance, but the efforts they made to keep us safe is worthy of recognition here at our Reorganization Meeting. Our Fort Lee Health Department, I cannot say enough about it, and we talked about this all the time. We hired our present health officer, Jill Scarpa and I think a day or two later, somebody announced that we were in a pandemic. Talk about wanting a cushy health department job here in the borough of Fort Lee, only to find out 48 hours later that a global pandemic is now upon us. Here are some statistics: they conducted 10 Child Health conferences, 67 childhood vaccinations were administered, they conducted 10 Influenza Clinics through the Health Department. They administered almost 600 flu vaccinations and they had 30 COVID-19 vaccination clinics held in 2021. Almost 2,000 first doses were administered. A total of 3,500 doses were administered of the vaccine during 2021, and by the way, I want to be clear, we are not asking the Health Department to do this, they are doing this on their own initiative, and that is what makes me the most proud. They are not waiting around to be asked "Hey, could you do this?" or "Would you think about that?" You take great pride in the fact that when you hear from a department that says "Mayor, this is what we set up to do, we hope you like it, we just want your OK." It just gives us great pride to do that. I told you they set up the vaccination site at the Community Center. They handled the flu. They handled almost 300 individuals who participated in health screenings by the Health Department. They also are responsible for dog licensing and all of that. But as I said before, the Health Department has become our fifth emergency service

agencies. They handle marriage licenses, health insurance complaints, and they inspect our restaurants to make sure we stay safe. Our Recreation and Community Center was in full swing also. We still add many of the programs that we have offered in prior years. We had our basketball courts reopened. Yes, there were restrictions, but they were administered by Cheryl and her gang in just an incredible way. On July 1 of 2021 we opened our doors to resume classes in the Community Center where we started to offer once again, Yoga, Pilates, Stretch, Tone and Line Dancing. Again, to restore Fort Lee back to normalcy and we are forever indebted to and appreciative of the Recreation Department because they provide an incredible service here, especially in the setting of a pandemic to make sure that folks are doing something healthy other than just simply sitting around at home. Our Police Department we cannot say enough about. We hired 7 new police officers graduating from the Bergen County Police Academy in June, we have implemented and started the police camera program, which is a very, very important program. We dedicated the Debriefing Room to William T Burch, an officer who passed in the line of duty here in the borough of Fort Lee. We became accredited by the New Jersey State Chief of Police Association as a method of assisting law enforcement agencies to calculate and improve overall policing and many other programs were instituted by the Fort Lee Police Department. At the latter part of 2021, they introduced two new departments within the Fort Lee Police Department. One is the Professional Standards Division, which is going to encompass the current Training Bureau and Background Investigation unit. A new unit was developed and implemented to ensure that the Fort Lee Police Department complies with the Body Worn Camera Policy. Now remember, these cameras that these police wear are subject to many regulations to make sure and ensure that we do it the right way and the legal way. Now we have created a department to make sure that it is implemented properly and that is handled by Captain Ferraro. Captain Young has been assigned to the Office of Community Relations. Who better than Eddie? He is going to be responsible for all public information to include press releases and social media. He will also be responsible for representing department at community events and holding community events. Both agencies are designed to maintain a more respectful, transparent, and closer relationship between police and community. Thank you to our Department of Public Works who have also been there for us 24/7. As a matter of fact, they're loading trucks right now because we have ensuing snowstorm that we're anticipating tonight. Our Senior Center, I cannot say enough about them. We said it earlier on, 7,000 meals were prepared on site, handed out twice weekly in our Grab and Go COVID- safe distribution program. They brought back safe exercise classes, including outdoor classes in Monument Park. They transitioned with more than 1,000 seniors, being able to take more than 500 classes at the Recreation Center, who were gracious enough to share their large open facility with the Senior Center. Our Senior Center has morphed into nothing more than an incredible institution, and I invite anyone in Fort Lee, if you ever want to warm your heart and see volunteers in action, go take a look at Crissa and her volunteers because it is an incredible feat that they achieve on a weekly basis, making sure that those folks are fed. We are eternally grateful to them. 2022 also looks to have a very, very bright future. This time I really, really mean it. In 2022 we will finally get our new post office. This post office is complete. It is done and we're about ready to hand over the keys to the Postal Service, and we are hoping that February will not come and go, and we will announce that the new post office is open. Once they move into the new post office, we will then remove and restore the murals that are in the existing Post Office. We will create yet another public park here in the borough of Fort Lee, right in the heart of Main Street. That park will be constructed in house by the Borough of Fort Lee, and I am hopeful we will be ready for use in the first half of 2022. Now this is a passive park. It is a park to meet a friend for a cup of coffee. It is a park where you can go and have a bit of a respite and relax from the busy, busy day. In the borough of Fort Lee, I have always hoped that some of our initiatives would become contagious and what I mean by that is people start to take pride in ownership more and more in 2022, where you see old and tired storefronts converted to new and more modern storefronts. By way of example, I look at Oak Tree Center, an old strip mall, is now brand spackling new and having gone through a multi-million dollar fit-out and exterior improvement program. I think that is important because when people see that type of activity it becomes contagious, not a word I necessarily want to use in today's setting, but you will see that. The other day I stood by our new parking deck, and I just looked around at what was going on and that has become one of the brighter spots in town when only two or three years ago it was one of those areas of town that really needed so much help, so we are

excited about what 2022 is going to bring us. We are also hopeful to implement a redevelopment area at the Junction. The Junction is an historic part at the south end of Fort Lee, and it needs help. We are hopeful in 2022, we will be able to clean it up with new sidewalks and new streets, new streetlights, and do the streetscape that we have also done in other areas, which we are excited about. You have heard a lot about, some folks like it and some folks do not, but our PIP Park initiative where we were going to take some of these parks that we own that were previously handled by the PIP, but we were going to renovate them and make them more user friendly for access by the public. We are still in the process of the design stages. I am hopeful that in 2022 we will reach a conclusion as to what we are going to do with those parks, improve them, and make them more accessible for everyone in the borough and at the same time try to keep everyone happy, not always possible, but we are at least going to try. I also want to extend my thanks to all the emergency service agencies from Fire to Police, from OEM to our Ambulance Corp and again our fifth emergency service agency, our Health Department and to all our staff. Everyone from our Senior Citizen staff to the Parking Authority, from the BID to our IT department, to our DPW, our Administrative offices, our Building Department, and everyone in between. Everyone had to go the extra mile and they did. 2022 is still going to pose quite a bit of challenge, especially with the trajectory of COVID as it stands today. We look forward to working with our employees and our volunteers to make sure that everybody remains safe, and we get through 2022 together. There are also folks we said goodbye to in 2022, two in particular. We said goodbye to the iconic judge that Fort Lee has been blessed with for the last 42 years, Judge DeSheplo. We said goodbye to a guy that ran Pop Warner football here in the Borough of Fort Lee 35 years, 40 years, maybe longer Joseph Surace. We extend our condolences to the Surace and the DeSheplo families and to all the other families that lost a loved one during 2021. Know that we stand with you, and we are here and your loved one is in our thoughts and our minds and we will never forget their contribution to unity. And finally, I just wanted to extend some thank you's to everybody. I always do them last and this year I will do them first. I want to extend a thank you to my beautiful wife Denise and to my children, Danny and Devon. You know, on a personal note, 2021 sucked for me too. It was not just about a pandemic. As many of you know, I was diagnosed with some pretty serious cancer. I am still dealing with it, but 2021 showed me if you listen to your doctors and if you do what you are supposed to do, you can get through just about anything. So for those of you that are not vaccinated, listen to your doctors as I did because I am still here, and I feel pretty good. I am thankful to my friends and my family for getting me through that and in particular, to my wife and my kids for letting me do what I do. To my extended family here on the Borough Council, I love each and every one of you. It is an absolute privilege and a joy to serve with you, and I just find it amazing that there are six personalities on this Council. Every single one is so different, and I think that is why we ultimately reach sound and fair conclusions most, if not, all the time. To our Borough Administrator, Al Restaino, who is here, Al, thank you for what you do in responsible charge of running this place day-to-day. It is no easy task and thank you. Al was hired a day before Bridgegate broke and Jill was hired a day before the pandemic broke. I hate to say it Al, but I think Jill might have actually gotten the worst of those deals. Right? Mary Ann and Fran and the administrative staff at the mayor's office. As I have mentioned to all the dedicated employees here in the borough of Fort Lee and to all the volunteers that serve on our boards and our commissions. I mentioned a few names and I'm going to get in trouble because I did not mention a lot of them. I'm looking in the audience and I see a guy over there who hates when I mention his name. Yes, Sam, I am about to mention it and I just cannot thank him enough. This is a guy that is hanging holiday lights at the Community Center in June, right? I mean, who does that? You do that if you love your community and you do that if you take pride in your community and we have a lot of folks like Sam here. Sam, the compliment is not directly at you. I am just using you as the prototype of what exists here in the borough of Fort Lee. Thank God people like you exist. And lastly, I just want to thank everybody in the borough of Fort Lee, because without you, we do not get to do what we do without your vote. Without your support, we do not get to come up here and hopefully and God willing make the right decisions on your behalf. I have a lot of fun doing this. I do, because we have achieved some pretty good things, but there is still a lot of work to do, and there is still a lot of challenges ahead. I am sorry I went over my time, but the message that I wanted to send, which is an absolute huge thank you to everybody and for those of you that I did not mention, do not be mad. Know that we know who you are, and we love you. The beauty of it is, you do not do it for recognition,

you do it because you know it is the right thing to do and to our volunteers and everyone else, thank you. We love you and together we will get through 2022 and that is it for my remarks. Hope I didn't bore you."

REORGANIZATION RESOLUTIONS

R-1 Seating Arrangement and Order of Voting

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer		X	X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

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Resolution # R- 1

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE ESTABLISHING SEATING ARRANGEMENTS AND VOTING ORDER FOR 202 2

BE IT RESOLVED , by the governing body of the Borough of Fort Lee that the seating arrangement and order of voting of the Borough Council for the year 2022 shall be as follows:

Council Members: Harvey Sohmer
 Paul Yoon
 Peter Suh
 Michael Sargenti
 Ila Kasofsky
 Joseph Cervieri, Jr.

R-2 Selection of Council President

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer		X	X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

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Resolution # R- 2

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE APPOINTING MS. ILA KASOFSKY AS THE BOROUGH COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 202 2

BE IT RESOLVED , by the governing body of the Borough of Fort Lee that Council Member Ila Kasofsky. be and is hereby appointed to the position of Council President for the year 2022.

R-3 Committee Assignments

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer		X	X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			

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Resolution # R- 3

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE DESIGNATING COUNCIL MEMBER COMMITTEE LIAISONS FOR 202 2

BE IT RESOLVED , by the governing body of the Borough of Fort Lee that the following be and the same are hereby designated as liaisons of the following committees of the Borough of Fort Lee for the year 2022:

- Ambulance.....Michael Sargenti
- Advisory Committee for Individuals w/Disabilities ...Harvey Sohmer
- Board of Education.....Peter Suh & Michael Sargenti
- Buildings and Construction.....Joseph Cervieri
- Buildings and Grounds.....Joseph Cervieri
- Communications.....Harvey Sohmer
- Emergency Management.....Michael Sargenti
- Environmental & Beautification Committee.....Ila Kasofsky
- Film Commission.....Paul Yoon & Harvey Sohmer
- Finance.....Peter Suh & Paul Yoon
- Fire.....Michael Sargenti & Harvey Sohmer
- Health.....Ila Kasofsky
- Historic Preservation Commission.....Harvey Sohmer
- Housing Authority.....Joseph Cervieri
- Library.....Ila Kasofsky
- Municipal Court.....Peter Suh & Paul Yoon
- Parking Authority.....Harvey Sohmer & Paul Yoon
- Parks/Recreation.....Harvey Sohmer & Peter Suh
- Planning Board.....Michael Sargenti
- Police.....Harvey Sohmer & Michael Sargenti
- Public Works.....Harvey Sohmer
(Sewers-Sanitation-Roads-Engineering-General Services)
- Rent Leveling.....Peter Suh
- Senior Citizens.....Joseph Cervieri
- Street Lights.....Ila Kasofsky

BUDGET AND DEPOSITORY RESOLUTIONS

R-4 Introduction of Temporary Budget

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer		X	X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

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Resolution # R- 4

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE 2022 TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-19 provides that where contracts, commitments or payments are to be made prior to the adoption of the 2022 Municipal Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purposes and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

WHEREAS, the date of this Resolution is within the first thirty (30) days of January 2022; and

WHEREAS, said temporary appropriations are limited to 26.25% of the total appropriations in the 2021 Municipal Budget, exclusive of any appropriations made for

Debt Service, Capital Improvement Fund and Public Assistance in said 2021 Municipal Budget; and

WHEREAS, said temporary appropriations total **\$19,548,525.00**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, that the following temporary appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for the Borough records:

RESOLUTION

Temporary Budget Appropriations

General Government	<u>Salaries & Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>
Mayor & Council	\$ 54,600.00	\$ 19,700.00
Borough Clerk	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
Administration	\$ 47,900.00	\$ 157,500.00
Purchasing	\$ 38,700.00	\$ 23,300.00
Collection of Taxes	\$ 97,000.00	\$ 46,000.00
Legal Services & Costs	\$ -	\$ 145,000.00
Engineering Services & Costs	\$ -	\$ 53,800.00
I.T.	\$ 48,500.00	\$ 23,600.00
Planning Board	\$ -	\$ 4,200.00
Board of Adjustment	\$ -	\$ 5,200.00
Senior Citizens Special Services	\$ -	\$ 84,600.00
Rent Leveling Board	\$ -	\$ 8,500.00
Insurance: Other	\$ -	\$ 545,000.00
Insurance: Group	\$ -	\$3,257,000.00
Elections	\$ -	\$ 8,000.00
Financial Administration	\$ -	\$ 44,000.00
Assessment of Taxes	\$ 46,000.00	\$ 7,400.00
Municipal Court	\$ 210,100.00	\$ 34,440.00
Economic Development	\$ 18,800.00	\$ 10,500.00
 Public Safety		
Fire Prevention	\$ 320,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
Fire Protection	\$ 327,000.00	\$ 95,500.00
Aid to Volunteer Fire Company	\$ -	\$ 15,800.00
Department of Communications	\$ 248,500.00	\$ 5,600.00
Police	\$4,808,000.00	\$ 300,000.00
Ambulance Corps	\$ 118,500.00	\$ 30,100.00
E M T	\$ 108,000.00	\$ 18,200.00
Construction Code Official	\$ 220,000.00	\$ 9,500.00
Emergency Management	\$ 19,800.00	\$ 5,000.00
Communications--Repairs	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 11,500.00

RESOLUTION

Temporary Budget Appropriations

Public Works

Streets & Roads	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 89,585.00
Street Lighting	\$ -	\$ 55,200.00
Garbage & Trash Removal	\$ -	\$ 825,000.00
Sewers	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 70,500.00
Bergen County Sewer Utility O/C	\$ -	\$1,365,000.00
Auto Repair	\$ -	\$ 79,000.00

Health, Welfare & Recreation

Board of Health	\$ 185,000.00	\$ 35,000.00
Recreation	\$ 130,000.00	\$ 13,000.00
Public Buildings & Grounds	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 67,500.00
General Services	\$ 259,000.00	\$ 21,300.00
Parks	\$ 56,600.00	\$ 20,000.00
Maintenance of Free Public Library	\$ -	\$ 740,000.00
Celebration of Public Events	\$ -	\$ 21,000.00
Cultural & Heritage	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 7,000.00
Senior Citizens	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 40,200.00
Elevator Inspections	\$ 14,500.00	\$ -
Fort Lee Community Center	\$ 27,500.00	\$ 40,000.00
Fort Lee Community Center Stage	\$ 23,700.00	\$ 6,300.00
Barrymore Film Center & Museum	\$ 33,000.00	\$ 86,000.00

Utilities

Gasoline	\$ -	\$ 68,300.00
Fuel Oil	\$ -	\$ 4,000.00
Electricity	\$ -	\$ 229,000.00
Water	\$ -	\$ 29,000.00
Telephone	\$ -	\$ 79,000.00
Fire Hydrant	\$ -	\$ 48,000.00

RESOLUTION

Temporary Budget Appropriations

Contributions to:

	\$	
Public Employees Retirement System	-	\$ 474,000.00
	\$	
F I C A	-	\$ 434,000.00
	\$	
Police & Fireman's Retirement System	-	\$1,020,000.00
	\$	
Unemployment	-	\$ 24,000.00
	\$	
DCRP	-	\$ 17,000.00

TOTALS: \$ 8,554,700.00 \$10,993,825.00

GRAND TOTAL: \$19,548,525.00

DEBT SERVICE

Payment of Bond Principal	\$5,000,000.00
Payment of Bond Interest	\$1,800,000.00
Payment of Interest on Notes	\$ 500,000.00
Green Trust Principal & Interest	\$ 25,000.00
Bergen County Improvement Authority	
Payment	\$ 72,000.00
New Jersey Economic Development	
Authority	\$ 10,000.00
Total Debt Service:	\$7,407,000.00
Capital Improvements	
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 50,000.00

R-5 Designation of Depositories

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer		X	X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 5 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh			X				
Sargenti			X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri	X		X				

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF LEE AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES FOR THE YEAR 2022

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 requires the governing body to designate a depository or depositories for its monies; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Fort Lee recommended that the following banks be named as depositories:

- Bank of America, Fort Lee, NJ
- TD Bank, Fort Lee, NJ
- 1st Constitution Bank
- State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund
- PNC Bank, Fort Lee, NJ
- Noah Bank, Fort Lee, NJ
- Wilshire State Bank, Fort Lee, NJ
- Wells Fargo, Fort Lee, NJ
- Mariners Bank, Edgewater, NJ
- Santander Bank, Fort Lee, NJ
- Kearny Bank, Woodridge, NJ
- First Bergen Federal Credit Union, Hackensack, NJ
- Freedom Bank, Maywood, NJ

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED , by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, that the above named banks are hereby designated as depositories for the Current, Capital and Welfare sections of the accounts of the Borough of Fort Lee for 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED , as follows:

- 1.) The custodian of said funds or accounts shall be the Borough Treasurer or other such officials as the governing body may designate.
- 2.) All disbursements from said accounts shall be made by checks signed by the Mayor and the Treasurer of the Borough of Fort Lee or other such officials as the governing body may designate.

R-6 Designation of Depositories - ConnectOne Bank, Englewood Cliffs, NJ

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer			X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 6 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh		X	X				
Sargenti			X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri	X		X				

*Mayor Sokolich recused and stepped away from the dais. Council President Kasofsky presided over this portion of the meeting.

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF THE CONNECTONE BANK AS A DEPOSITORY FOR THE YEAR 2022

WHEREAS , NJSA 40A:5-14 requires the governing body to designate a depository for its monies; and

WHEREAS , the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Fort Lee recommended that the following bank be named as a depository:

ConnectOne Bank, Englewood Cliffs, NJ.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED , by the governing body of the Borough of Fort Lee that the above named bank is hereby designated as a depository for the Borough of Fort Lee for 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED , as follows:

1. The custodian of such funds or accounts shall be the Borough Treasurer or such other officials as the governing body may designate.
2. All disbursements from said accounts shall be made by checks signed by the Mayor and Treasurer of the Borough of Fort Lee or such other officials as the governing body may designate.

R-7 Designation of Depositories - Official Tax Receiving Agency

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer		X	X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 7 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh			X				
Sargenti			X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri	X		X				

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF PNC BANK AS THE "OFFICIAL TAX RECEIVING AGENCY " FOR THE YEAR 2022

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:4-122.3 became effective February 8, 1980, allowing municipalities to designate a bank or trust company to receive current tax payments, current water and sewer rents, as well as other public monies under the supervision of the tax collector; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Fort Lee has recommended that **PNC Bank, Fort Lee, New Jersey** be designated as the “Official Tax Receiving Agency” of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Division of Local Government Services must give his approval for the authorization of awarding of this contract,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of Fort Lee that PNC Bank, Fort Lee, New Jersey be named the Official Tax Receiving Agency of the Borough of Fort Lee for 2022.

STATUTORY AND/OR ANNUAL APPOINTMENT RESOLUTIONS

R-8 Appointment of Borough Attorney

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer			X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 8 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ____
Yoon			X				
Suh		X	X				
Sargenti			X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri	X		X				

RESOLUTION APPOINTING BRIAN CHEWCASKIE OF THE FIRM CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI, JACOBS, LLC AS BOROUGH ATTORNEY FOR THE YEAR 2022

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough of Fort Lee to engage the professional services of an attorney for the year 2022 to serve as Borough Attorney; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. exempts professional services from certain requirements of public bidding provided a notice of the appointment be printed in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq., commonly known as the “State Pay to Play” law, took effect on January 1st, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open” process set forth under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, Brian Chewcaskie and the firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC possess the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional legal services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS; the Borough’s Review Team has determined that Brian Chewcaskie and the firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs LLC legal services will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Sokolich has nominated Brian Chewcaskie and the firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC to serve as Borough Attorney, for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a Business Registration Certificate and Affirmative Action compliance statement from the firm prior to entering into a contract; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to Brian Chewcaskie and the firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC for the provision of professional legal services is in the best interests of the Borough and the implementation of this contract is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Fort Lee, that said attorney be and is hereby appointed as Borough Attorney for the year 2022 pursuant to a “fair and open” process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that compensation for said Borough Attorney for the year 2022 shall be claimed, approved and paid in the manner set forth in NJSA 40A:5-18, as per their proposal, and pursuant to an agreement to be entered into between the parties and that the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1552-034, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk shall cause a notice of the adoption of this resolution be printed in a qualified newspaper within ten (10) days after passage hereof.

R-9 Appointment of Borough Auditor

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer	X		X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 9 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh		X	X				
Sargenti			X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri			X				

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF
PROFESSIONAL AUDITING SERVICES TO
WIELKOTZ & COMPANY, LLC**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed accountant to serve as the Borough’s municipal auditor during 2021; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 2, 2020, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional auditing

services to the Borough during 2019, and received qualification statements on October 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional auditing services by Wielkotz & Company, LLC to serve as the Borough’s municipal auditor during 2021 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional auditing services to be performed by Wielkotz & Company, LLC are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, Wielkotz & Company, LLC possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional auditing services required by the Borough during 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional auditing services to Wielkotz & Company, LLC in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available for this purpose certification attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to Wielkotz & Company, LLC for the provision of professional auditing services during 2021 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Wielkotz & Company, LLC shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional auditing services on behalf of the Borough during 2021, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That Wielkotz & Company, LLC is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Wielkotz & Company, LLC, and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-10 Borough Engineer

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer	X		X			
Yoon			X			
Suh		X	X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri			X			

January 6, 2022
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R- 10

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL
CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES TO BOSWELL ENGINEERING**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of a licensed engineer to serve as the Borough Engineer and provide professional engineering consulting services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Board may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of consulting engineering services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of engineering services by Stephen Boswell and the firm of Boswell Engineering (“Boswell”) will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional engineering services to be performed by the consulting engineer are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Boswell” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional consulting engineering services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional consulting engineering services to “Boswell” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1652-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Board of a contract to “Boswell” for the provision of professional consulting engineering services is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Boswell Engineering shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional consulting engineering services on behalf of the Borough, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Boswell” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available for this purpose
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Boswell” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-11 Borough Engineer (As Needed Basis) (3)

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer	X		X			
Yoon			X			
Suh		X	X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri			X			

January 6, 2022
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R- 11

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES TO COLLIERS ENGINEERING & DESIGN (CASE-BY-CASE BASIS)

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of a licensed engineer to serve as the Borough Engineer and provide professional engineering consulting services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Board may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting Qualification Statements for the performance of consulting engineering services to the Borough during 2022, and received Qualification Statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the qualification of the firm of Colliers Engineering & Design (“Colliers”) to perform engineering services on a case-by-case basis will be advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional engineering services to be performed on a case-by-case basis by “Colliers” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, “Colliers” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional consulting engineering services on a case-by-case basis required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of qualifying “Colliers” to provide professional consulting engineering services on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1652-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Board of a contract to “Colliers” for the provision of professional consulting engineering services on a case-by-case basis is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Colliers Engineering & Design shall be and is hereby qualified to perform professional consulting engineering services on behalf of the Borough on a case-by-case basis, in accordance with its Qualifications Statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That “Colliers” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.

3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available for this purpose

4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL
CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES TO REMINGTON AND VERNICK
(CASE-BY-CASE BASIS)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of a licensed engineer to serve as the Borough Engineer and provide professional engineering consulting services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Board may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting Qualification Statements for the performance of consulting engineering services to the Borough during 2022, and received Qualification Statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the qualification of the firm of Remington and Vernick Engineers, Inc. (“Remington and Vernick”) to perform engineering services on a case-by-case basis will be advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional engineering services to be performed on a case-by-case basis by “Remington and Vernick” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, “Remington and Vernick” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional consulting engineering services on a case-by-case basis required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of qualifying “Remington and Vernick” to provide professional consulting engineering services on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1652-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Board of a contract to “Remington and Vernick” for the provision of professional consulting engineering services on a case-by-case basis is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Remington and Vernick Engineers, Inc. shall be and is hereby qualified to perform professional consulting engineering services on behalf of the Borough on a case-by-case basis, in accordance with its Qualifications Statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Remington and Vernick” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available for this purpose
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL
CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES TO NEGLIA ENGINEERING
ASSOCIATES (CASE-BY-CASE BASIS)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of a licensed engineer to serve as the Borough Engineer and provide professional engineering consulting services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Board may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting Qualification Statements for the performance of consulting engineering services to the Borough during 2022, and received Qualification Statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the qualification of the firm of Neglia Engineering Associates (“Neglia”) to perform engineering services on a case-by-case basis will be advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional engineering services to be performed on a case-by-case basis by “Neglia” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law,

N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, “Neglia” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional consulting engineering services on a case-by-case basis required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of qualifying “Neglia” to provide professional consulting engineering services on a case-by-case basis in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1652-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Board of a contract to “Neglia” for the provision of professional consulting engineering services on a case-by-case basis is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Neglia Engineering Associates shall be and is hereby qualified to perform professional consulting engineering services on behalf of the Borough on a case-by-case basis, in accordance with its Qualifications Statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Neglia” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available for this purpose
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-12 Borough Traffic Engineer (2)

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti	X		X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri		X	X			

January 6, 2022
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R- 12

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL
TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES TO NEGLIA ENGINEERING INC**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed engineers to provide professional traffic engineering services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of traffic engineering services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of engineering services by Neglia Engineering Inc (“Neglia”) will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional engineering services to be performed by the consulting engineer are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Neglia” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional traffic engineering services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional traffic engineering services to “Neglia” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1652-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Neglia” for the provision of professional traffic engineering services is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Neglia Engineering Inc shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional traffic engineering services on behalf of the Borough, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That “Neglia” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Neglia” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL
TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES TO BOSWELL ENGINEERING**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed engineers to provide professional traffic engineering services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of traffic engineering services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of engineering services by Boswell Engineering. (“Boswell”) will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional engineering services to be performed by the consulting engineer are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Boswell” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional traffic engineering services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional traffic engineering services to Boswell in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1652-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Boswell” for the provision of professional traffic engineering services is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Boswell Engineering shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional traffic engineering services on behalf of the Borough, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Boswell” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Boswell” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-13 Borough Planner (2)

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer			X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 13 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh			X				
Sargenti	X		X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri		X	X				

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES TO PHILLIPS PREISS GRYGIEL LEHENY HUGHES LLC

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of a licensed planner to provide professional planning services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting proposals for the Performance of professional planning services to the Borough during 2022, and received proposals on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to retain the services of Phillips Preiss Grygiel Leheny Hughes, LLC (“Phillips Preiss”) to perform such professional planning services in accordance with its Qualification Statement submitted in response to the Borough public solicitation of proposals on October 22, 2021 and attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, “Phillips Preiss” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional planning services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough solicited qualification statements for professional planning services in response to the Borough’s Request for Qualifications and has determined that the performance by “Phillips Preiss” of professional planning services will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional planning services to “Phillips Preiss” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq., commonly known as the “State Pay to Play” Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the contract for professional planning services to be performed by “Phillips Preiss” is awarded pursuant to a “fair and open” process in accordance with the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-To-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1702-180, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Phillips Preiss” for the provision of professional planning services is in the best interests of the Borough and the implementation of this contract is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Phillips Preiss Grygiel Leheny Hughes, LLC, 33-41 Newark Street, Third Floor, Suite D, Hoboken, New Jersey, shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional planning services on behalf of the Borough, in accordance with its Qualification Statement submitted in response to the Borough’s public solicitation issued on October 1, 2021, which proposal is attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Phillips Preiss” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

4. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Phillips Preiss” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

5. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF
A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES TO NEGLIA
ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of a licensed planner to provide professional planning services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting proposals for the Performance of professional planning services to the Borough during 2022, and received proposals on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to retain the services of Neglia Engineering Associates (“Neglia”) to perform such professional planning services in accordance with its Qualification Statement submitted in response to the Borough public solicitation of proposals on October 22, 2021 and attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, “Neglia” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional planning services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough solicited qualification statements for professional planning services in response to the Borough’s Request for Qualifications and has determined that the performance by “Neglia” of professional planning services will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional planning services to “Neglia” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.1 et seq., commonly known as the “State Pay to Play” Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the contract for professional planning services to be performed by “Neglia” is awarded pursuant to a “fair and open” process in accordance with the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-To-Play Law, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1702-180, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Neglia” for the provision of professional planning services is in the best interests of the Borough and the implementation of this contract is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Neglia Engineering Associates, 34 Park Avenue, Lyndhurst, New Jersey, shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional planning services on behalf of the Borough, in accordance with its Qualification Statement submitted in response to the Borough’s public solicitation issued on October 1, 2021, which proposal is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That “Neglia” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.

3. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

4. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Neglia” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

5. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-14 Borough Prosecutors (2)

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer			X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 14 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: __ Tabled: __ Approved on Consent Agenda: __
Yoon			X				
Suh			X				
Sargenti		X	X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri	X		X				

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE APPOINTING RAFFI KHOROZIAN AS THE CHIEF BOROUGH PROSECUTOR AND MICHAEL CANDELMO AS THE BOROUGH PROSECUTOR FOR THE YEAR 2022

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough of Fort Lee to engage the services of a Borough Prosecutor for the year 2022 to provide legal services which are necessary for the operation of the Municipal Court of said Borough; and

WHEREAS, compensation will be available by way of budget appropriations to compensate said attorneys; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for “professional services” without competitive bids must be publicly advertised,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee that Raffi Khorozyan be and is hereby appointed as Chief Borough Prosecutor for the year 2022 and Michael Candelmo be and is hereby appointed as the Borough Prosecutor for the year 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this contract is awarded without public bidding as professional services under the Local Contracts Law by virtue of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. which specifically exempts such contracts from the requirements of public bidding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall cause a notice of this resolution to be printed in a qualified newspaper within ten (10) days after passage hereof.

R-15 Alternate Borough Prosecutor

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti	X		X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri		X	X			

January 6, 2022
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R- 15

Carried: X Defeated: __ Tabled: __

Approved on Consent Agenda: __

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE APPOINTING ELSBETH J. CRUSIUS AS THE ALTERNATE BOROUGH PROSECUTOR FOR THE YEAR 2022

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough of Fort Lee to appoint an Alternate Township Prosecutor for the year 2022, and

WHEREAS, Ms. Elsbeth J. Crusius is qualified to serve in the position of Alternate Municipal Prosecutor and to provide legal services which are necessary for the continued operation of the Fort Lee Municipal Court; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee that Ms. Elsbeth J. Crusius is hereby appointed as the Alternate Borough Prosecutor for the year 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ms. Crusius will be compensated on a per diem basis at a rate of \$250.00 per court session.

R-16 Borough Public Defender

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti	X		X			
Kasofsky		X	X			
Cervieri			X			

January 6, 2022
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R- 16

Carried: X Defeated: __ Tabled: __

Approved on Consent Agenda: __

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE APPOINTING KEVIN CORRISTON AS THE BOROUGH 'S PUBLIC DEFENDER FOR THE YEAR 2022

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough of Fort Lee to engage the professional services of a Public Defender for the year 2022 to provide general legal representation for the Borough; and

WHEREAS, funds will be available by way of budget to compensate said Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq. exempts professional services from any requirement of public advertisement for bids provided a notice of appointment is printed in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality,

NOW, THEREFORE , BE IT RESOLVED , by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee that:

1. Kevin Corrison be and is hereby appointed as Public Defender for the year 2022 without public advertisement for bids,
2. The Borough Clerk shall cause a notice of passage of this resolution to be printed in a qualified newspaper within ten (10) days after passage hereof.

R-17 Bond Council (3)

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer	X		X			
Yoon			X			
Suh		X	X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri			X			

January 7, 2021
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R-17

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO WATERS, MCPHERSON, MCNEILL, P.C. FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES (BOND COUNSEL)

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as bond counsel and provide professional legal services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by Waters, McPherson, McNeill, P.C. (“Waters”) to serve as bond counsel for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by “Waters” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Waters” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as bond counsel and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to “Waters” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available pending the passage of the 2022 Capital Budget, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Waters” to serve as bond counsel and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Waters, McPherson, McNeill, P.C. shall be and is hereby appointed as bond counsel to perform professional legal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That “Waters” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.

3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose

4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Waters” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF
A CONTRACT TO MCMANIMON, SCOTLAND & BAUMANN, LLC FOR THE
PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES
(BOND COUNSEL)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as bond counsel and provide professional legal services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021 soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal

services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC (“McManimon”) to serve as bond counsel for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by “McManimon” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “McManimon” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as bond counsel and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to “McManimon” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-201-20-1312-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “McManimon” to serve as bond counsel and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC shall be and is hereby appointed as bond counsel to perform professional legal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “McManimon” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “McManimon” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO GIBBONS P.C. FOR THE PROVISION OF
PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES (BOND COUNSEL)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as bond counsel and provide professional legal services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021 soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by Gibbons P.C. to serve as bond counsel for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by Gibbons P.C. are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, Gibbons P.C. possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as bond counsel and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to Gibbons P.C. in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available pending the passage of the 2022 Capital Budget, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to Gibbons P.C. to serve as bond counsel and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Gibbons P.C. shall be and is hereby appointed as bond counsel to perform professional legal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That Gibbons P.C. is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.

3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose

4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Gibbons P.C. and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-18 Tax Council (2)

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer			X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 18 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled:___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh		X	X				
Sargenti	X		X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri			X				

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO THE FIRM OF CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI, JACOBS, LLC FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES (TAX COUNSEL)

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as the Borough’s tax counsel and provide professional legal services to the Borough’s during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by the firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC (“Cleary”) to serve as tax counsel for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by “Cleary” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Cleary” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as tax counsel and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to “Cleary” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1552-260, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Cleary” to serve as tax counsel and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC shall be and is hereby appointed as tax counsel to perform professional legal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Cleary” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Cleary” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO THE FIRM OF MCCUSKER, ANSELMI,
ROSEN, CARVELLI P.C. FOR THE PROVISION
OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES (TAX COUNSEL)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as the Borough’s tax counsel and provide professional legal services to the Borough’s during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by the firm of McCusker, Anselmi, Rosen, Carvelli P.C. (“MARC”) to serve as tax counsel for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by “MARC” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “MARC” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as tax counsel and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to “MARC” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1552-260, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “MARC” to serve as tax counsel and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the firm of McCusker, Anselmi, Rosen, Carvelli P.C. shall be and is hereby appointed as tax counsel to perform professional legal services on behalf of the

Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That “MARC is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.

3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose

4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “MARC” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-19 Conflict Counsel (2)

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer		X	X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

January 6, 2022
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R- 19

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO WERNER SUAREZ FOR THE PROVISION OF
PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES (CONFLICT COUNSEL)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as the Borough’s conflict counsel and provide professional legal services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by Werner Suarez (“WS”) to serve as conflict counsel for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by “WS” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “WS” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as conflict counsel and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to “WS” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1552-260, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “WS” to serve as conflict counsel and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the firm of Werner Suarez shall be and is hereby appointed as conflict counsel to perform professional legal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That “WS” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.

3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.

4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “WS” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO THE FIRM MCCUSKER, ANSEMI, ROSEN,
CARVELLI P.C. FOR THE PROVISION
OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES (CONFLICT COUNSEL)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as the Borough’s conflict counsel and provide professional legal services to the Borough’s during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by the firm of McCusker, Anselmi, Rosen, Carvelli P.C. (“MARC”) to serve as conflict counsel for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by “MARC” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “MARC” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as conflict counsel and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to “MARC” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1552-260, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “MARC” to serve as conflict counsel and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the firm of McCusker, Anselmi, Rosen, Carvelli P.C. shall be and is hereby appointed as conflict counsel to perform professional legal services on behalf of the

Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That “MARC” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.

3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.

4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “MARC” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-20 Labor Counsel

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer			X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 20 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh		X	X				
Sargenti			X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri	X		X				

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI, JACOBS, LLC FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES (LABOR COUNSEL)

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as labor counsel and provide professional legal services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by Brian Chewcaskie and the firm Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC

to serve as labor counsel for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by Brian Chewcaskie and the firm “Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, Brian Chewcaskie and the firm Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as labor counsel and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to Brian Chewcaskie and the firm Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1552-153, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to Brian Chewcaskie and the firm Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC to serve as labor counsel and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Brian Chewcaskie and the firm Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC shall be and is hereby appointed as labor counsel to perform professional legal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That Brian Chewcaskie and the firm Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Brian Chewcaskie and the firm Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-21 Redevelopment Attorney

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			

January 6, 2022
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R- 21

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

Sargenti		X	X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI, JACOBS, LLC
FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES
(REDEVELOPMENT ATTORNEY)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as the Borough’s redevelopment attorney and provide professional legal services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021 soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC (“Cleary”) to serve as redevelopment attorney for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by “Cleary” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Cleary” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as redevelopment attorney and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to “Cleary” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1552-042, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Cleary” to serve as redevelopment attorney and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the firm of Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC shall be and is hereby appointed as redevelopment attorney to perform professional legal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Cleary” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Cleary” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-22 Affordable Housing Attorney

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer			X				January 7, 2021 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 22 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh			X				
Sargenti		X	X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri	X		X				

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO CLEARY, GIACOBBE, ALFIERI, JACOBS, LLC
FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES (AFFORDABLE
HOUSING ATTORNEY)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as the Borough’s affordable housing attorney and provide professional legal services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal

services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC (“Cleary”) to serve as affordable housing attorney for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by “Cleary” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Cleary” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as affordable housing attorney and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to “Cleary” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-21-1902-159, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Cleary” to serve as affordable housing attorney and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri, Jacobs, LLC shall be and is hereby appointed as affordable housing attorney to perform professional legal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That “Cleary” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.

3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.

4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Cleary” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-23 Rent Leveling Board Attorney

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh	X		X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri		X	X			

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Resolution # R- 23

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF
A CONTRACT TO ROBERT M. BIAGIOTTI, ESQ .
FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES
(RENT LEVELING BOARD ATTORNEY)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as attorney for, and provide professional legal services to, the Rent Leveling Board in the Borough during 2021; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 2, 2020, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by Robert M. Biagiotti, Esq. to serve as attorney to the Rent Leveling Board in the Borough during 2021 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by Robert M. Biagiotti, Esq. are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, Robert M. Biagiotti, Esq. possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as attorney for, and provide professional legal services required by, the Rent Leveling Board in the Borough during 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to Robert M. Biagiotti, Esq. in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available for this purpose, certification attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to Robert M. Biagiotti, Esq. to serve as attorney for, and provide professional legal services to, the Rent Leveling Board in the Borough during 2021 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Robert M. Biagiotti, Esq. shall be and is hereby appointed as attorney for, and to provide professional legal services to, the Rent Leveling Board in the Borough during 2021, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That Robert M. Biagiotti, Esq. is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Robert M. Biagiotti, Esq. and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-24 Ethics Board Attorney

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer	X		X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti		X	X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri			X			

January 6, 2022
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R- 24

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO WERNER SUAREZ FOR THE PROVISION OF
PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES
(ETHICS BOARD ATTORNEY)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed attorney to serve as the Borough’s ethics board attorney and provide professional legal services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal

course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional legal services by Werner Suarez (“WS”) to serve as ethics board counsel for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by “WS” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “WS” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as ethics board counsel and provide professional legal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to “WS” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1552-027, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “WS” to serve as ethics board counsel and provide professional legal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the firm of Werner Suarez shall be and is hereby appointed as ethics board counsel to perform professional legal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “WS” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.

4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “WS” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-25 Municipal Court / Police Department Accountant

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer		X	X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 25 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh	X		X				
Sargenti			X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri			X				

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO MICHAEL J. CONDOSTA, CPA FOR THE
PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING SERVICES
(MUNICIPAL COURT AND POLICE DEPARTMENT)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed accountant to assist the Borough in reconciling accounting records regarding the Municipal Court and the Police Department during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional accounting services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional accounting services by Michael J. Condosta, CPA (“Condosta”) to assist the Borough in reconciling accounting records regarding the Municipal Court and the Police Department during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional accounting services to be performed by “Condosta” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1

et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Condosta” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional accounting services required to assist the Borough in reconciling accounting records regarding the Municipal Court and the Police Department during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional accounting services to “Condosta” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-43-492-263, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Condosta” for the provision of professional accounting services to assist the Borough in reconciling accounting records regarding the Municipal Court and the Police Department during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Michael J. Condosta, CPA shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional accounting services on behalf of the Borough regarding the Municipal Court and the Police Department during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Condosta” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Condosta”, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-26 Building Department / Fire Prevention Bureau Accountant

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer	X		X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 26 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: __ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh			X				
Sargenti		X	X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri			X				

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO WILLIAM KATCHEN, CPA, LLC FOR THE
PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING SERVICES
(BUILDING DEPARTMENT AND FIRE PREVENTION)**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed accountant to assist the Borough in reconciling accounting records regarding the Building Department and Fire Prevention Bureau during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional accounting services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional accounting services by William Katchen, CPA, LLC (“Katchen”) to assist the Borough in reconciling accounting records regarding the Building Department and Fire Prevention Bureau during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional accounting services to be performed by “Katchen” are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Katchen” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional accounting services required by the Borough regarding the Building Department and Fire Prevention Bureau during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional accounting services to “Katchen” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-22-1972-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Katchen” for the provision of professional accounting services regarding the Building Department and

Fire Prevention Bureau during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That William Katchen, CPA shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional accounting services on behalf of the Borough regarding the Building Department and Fire Prevention Bureau during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Katchen” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Katchen”, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-27 Insurance Risk Manager

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer	X		X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 27 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh			X				
Sargenti		X	X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri			X				

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO THE VOZZA AGENCY FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF RISK MANAGEMENT INSURANCE SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed insurance agent to provide risk management insurance services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are deemed to be “extraordinary unspecifiable services” because the services are considered specialized and qualitative in nature, requiring expertise, extensive training and proven reputation in the field of endeavor, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(7); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of risk management insurance services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of risk management insurance services by The Vozza Agency (“Vozza”) will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the risk management insurance services to be performed by the insurance agent are deemed to be “extraordinary unspecifiable services” and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Vozza” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide risk management insurance services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for risk management insurance services to “Vozza” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “extraordinary unspecifiable services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-23-2102-231, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Vozza” for the provision of risk management insurance services is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Vozza Agency shall be and is hereby appointed to perform risk management insurance services on behalf of the Borough, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Vozza” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Vozza” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-28 Insurance Health Benefits Consultant

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			

January 6, 2022
Reorganization Meeting

Resolution # R- 28

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

Sargenti		X	X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO ACRISURE, LLC D/B/A RELIANCE
INSURANCE GROUP FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF
HEALTH BENEFITS INSURANCE CONSULTING SERVICES**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed insurance agent to provide health benefits insurance consulting services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are deemed to be “extraordinary unspecifiable services” because the services are considered specialized and qualitative in nature, requiring expertise, extensive training and proven reputation in the field of endeavor, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(7); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of health benefits insurance consulting services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of health benefits insurance consulting services by the Reliance Insurance Group (“Reliance”) will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the health benefits insurance services to be performed by the insurance agent are deemed to be “extraordinary unspecifiable services” and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Reliance” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide health benefits insurance consulting services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for health benefits insurance consulting services to “Reliance” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “extraordinary unspecifiable services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-23-2202-039, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Reliance” for the provision of health benefits insurance consulting services is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Acrisure, LLC d/b/a Reliance Insurance Group shall be and is hereby appointed to perform health benefits insurance consulting services on behalf of the Borough, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That "Reliance" is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough's Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with "Reliance" and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-29 Radio Frequency Communications Engineer

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer		X	X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 29 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh			X				
Sargenti			X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri	X		X				

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL
RADIO FREQUENCY COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING SERVICES TO
APPLIED ADAPTIVE SOLUTIONS**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee ("Borough") to retain the services of licensed engineers to provide professional radio frequency communications engineering services to the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as "professional services" as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021 soliciting qualification statements for the performance of traffic engineering services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of engineering services by Applied Adaptive Solutions will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional engineering services to be performed by the consulting engineer are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, Applied Adaptive Solutions possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional radio frequency engineering services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional radio frequency communications engineering services to Applied Adaptive Solutions in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-26-3112-227, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to Applied Adaptive Solutions for the provision of professional radio frequency communications engineering services is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Applied Adaptive Solutions shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional radio frequency communications engineering services on behalf of the Borough, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That Applied Adaptive Solutions is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Applied Adaptive Solutions and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-30 Financial Advisor

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer		X	X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti	X		X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri			X			

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Resolution # R- 30

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF
PROFESSIONAL FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES TO
NW FINANCIAL GROUP, LLC**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of a licensed financial advisor to provide financial advisory services to the Borough as needed during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional accounting services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional financial advisory services by NW Financial Group, LLC during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional financial advisory services to be performed by NW Financial Group, LLC are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, NW Financial Group, LLC possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide professional financial advisory services as required by the Borough in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional accounting services to NW Financial Group, LLC in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1002-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to NW Financial Group, LLC for the provision of professional financial advisory services as needed during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That NW Financial Group, LLC shall be and is hereby appointed to perform professional financial advisory services on behalf of the Borough as needed during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That NW Financial Group, LLC is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with NW Financial Group, LLC, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-31 Real Estate Tax Appeal Appraiser

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer		X	X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

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Resolution # R- 31

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO MCNERNEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR THE
PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL APPRAISAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of licensed appraiser to serve as the Borough’s tax appeal appraiser during 2022; and

WHEREAS, said services are recognized as “professional services” as same shall be rendered by persons authorized by law to practice a recognized profession, whose practice is regulated by law, and the performance of which services requires knowledge of an advance type in a field of learning acquired by a prolonged formal course of specialized instruction and study, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(6); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021, soliciting qualification statements for the performance of professional legal services to the Borough during 2022, and received qualification statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of professional appraisal services by McNerney & Associates, Inc. to serve as tax appeal appraiser for the Borough during 2022 will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the professional legal services to be performed by McNerney & Associates, Inc are professional services and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, McNerney & Associates, Inc. possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to serve as tax appeal appraiser and provide professional appraisal services required by the Borough during 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for professional legal services to McNerney & Associates, Inc. in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “professional services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1502-016, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to McNerney & Associates, Inc. to serve as tax appeal appraiser and provide professional appraisal services during 2022 is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That McNerney & Associates, Inc. shall be and is hereby appointed as tax appeal appraiser to perform professional appraisal services on behalf of the Borough during 2022, in accordance with its qualifications statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

2. That McNerney & Associates, Inc. is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.

3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose

4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.

5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with McNerney & Associates, Inc. and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-

5(1)(a)(1), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.

6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-32 Grant Consulting Services

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer			X				January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R-32 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
Yoon			X				
Suh		X	X				
Sargenti			X				
Kasofsky			X				
Cervieri	X		X				

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO MILLENNIUM STRATEGIES, LLC FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF GRANT CONSULTING SERVICES

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the Borough of Fort Lee (“Borough”) to retain the services of a company to investigate the availability of, and obtain, governmental and non-governmental funding opportunities for Borough projects; and

WHEREAS, said services are deemed to be “extraordinary unspecifiable services” because the services are considered specialized and qualitative in nature, requiring expertise, extensive training and proven reputation in the field of endeavor, pursuant to and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(7); and

WHEREAS, the Borough is empowered by law to appoint and employ professionals, technical advisors and experts as the Borough may determine to be necessary for its efficient operation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough publicly issued a Request for Qualifications on October 1, 2021 soliciting Qualification Statements for the performance of grant funding consulting services to the Borough during 2022, and received Qualification Statements on October 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq., commonly known as the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law, took effect on January 1, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has fully complied with the “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the performance of grant funding consulting services by Millennium Strategies, LLC (“Millennium”) will be the most advantageous to the Borough, all relevant factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the grant funding consulting services to be performed by the consultant are deemed to be “extraordinary unspecifiable services” and this contract is awarded without competitive bidding pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., but pursuant to a “fair and open process” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play Law; and

WHEREAS, “Millennium” possesses the requisite expertise and skilled personnel required to provide grant funding consulting services required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is desirous of awarding a contract for grant funding consulting services to “Millennium” in accordance with the procedures mandated under the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law requires that the resolution awarding contracts for “extraordinary unseparatable services” without competitive bidding and the agreement between the parties must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined that funds are available from account number 01-2010-20-1002-216, said certification being attached to this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the award by the Borough of a contract to “Millennium” for the provision of grant funding consulting services is in the best interests of the Borough and is necessary for the efficient operation of the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That Millennium Strategies, LLC shall be and is hereby appointed to perform grant funding consulting services on behalf of the Borough for a term of one year, in accordance with its Qualifications Statement, attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. That “Millennium” is specifically placed on notice that it will be required to comply with the Affirmative Action regulations of P.L. 1975 c. 127.
3. That the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer has determined funds are available for this purpose.
4. That a notice of the contract award shall be published in accordance with the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law.
5. That the Mayor is authorized and directed to execute a contract with “Millennium” and, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii), to cause this Resolution for the award of the contract to be filed and available for inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
6. That no further action of the Borough shall be required.

R-33 Planning Board Appointment - Class III

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh		X	X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

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Resolution # R- 33

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING MR. MICHAEL SARGENTI AS THE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEMBER, CLASS III OF THE BOROUGH PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS, the Borough Ordinance 261-1 of the codified ordinances of the Borough of Fort Lee, provides that the Borough Council shall designate and appoint a member of the Borough Planning Board, pursuant to such ordinance and to New Jersey Statutes in such cases made and provided; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council does, in its judgment deem it to be in the best interest of the Borough that such appointment be made,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Councilman Michael Sargenti be and is hereby designated and appointed by the Borough Council and as the Borough

Council Member Class III of the Borough Planning Board pursuant to Borough Ord. 261-1 et seq. of the codified ordinances of the Borough of Fort Lee and pursuant to New Jersey Statutes in such cases made and provided, the term of such appointment to be for the period of one year in accordance with the foregoing ordinance and statutes.

R-34 Multiple Dwelling Commission Appointment

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh		X	X			
Sargenti			X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

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Resolution # R- 34

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE APPOINTING COUNCILMAN MICHAEL SARGENTI TO THE FORT LEE MULTIPLE DWELLING EMERGENCY COMMISSION TO ACT AS CHAIRMAN

WHEREAS, Borough Ordinance 321-3 requires the appointment of a Council Appointee to act as chairman of the Fort Lee Multiple Dwelling Emergency Commission; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed in the best interest of the Borough to make such appointment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Councilman Michael Sargenti be and is hereby appointed to the Fort Lee Multiple Dwelling Emergency Commission to act as Chairman thereof pursuant to Borough Ordinance, and in particular Ord. 321-3 of such appointment to be in accordance with such Ordinance for a period of one year.

R-35 Parking Authority Appointment

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti		X	X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

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Resolution # R- 35

Carried: X Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___

Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE APPOINTING NEIL GRANT AS A MEMBER OF THE FORT LEE PARKING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, Borough Ordinance 79-2 of the codified ordinances of the Borough of Fort Lee provides that the Borough Council shall designate and appoint a member of the Borough Parking Authority, pursuant to such ordinance and pursuant to New Jersey Statutes in such cases made and provided and in particular, RS 40:11A-4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council does, in its judgment, deem it to be made in the best interest of the Borough that such appointment be made,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED , that Neil Grant be and is hereby designated and appointed by the Borough Council as a member of the Parking Authority pursuant to Borough Ordinance 79-1 et seq. of the codified ordinances of the Borough of Fort Lee and pursuant to New Jersey Statutes in such cases made and provided, the term of such appointments is as follows:

Neil Grant - 5 Years Expiring December 31, 2026

R-36 Friends of the Fort Lee Film, Inc. Reappointments

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti		X	X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 36 Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE REAPPOINTING VARIOUS TRUSTEES TO THE FRIENDS OF FORT LEE FILM, INC. FOR A TERM OF 2 YEARS

BE IT RESOLVED , by the Governing Body of the Borough of Fort Lee that the following individuals be reappointed as a Board of Trustee to the Friends of Fort Lee Film, Inc. as follows:

Two Year Term Expiring December 31, 2023

- Joanne M. Cimiluca
- Doris Cohen
- Jeannette Curtis-Rideau
- Janet Denlinger
- Gary Donatelli
- Nelson Page
- Armand Pohan
- Michele Sorvino
- Ashley Yook-Cafasso
- Denise Sokolich

Three Year Term Expiring December 31, 2024

Councilman Harvey Sohmer

R-36A Friends of the Fort Lee Film, Inc. Reappointments

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Sohmer			X			
Yoon			X			
Suh			X			
Sargenti		X	X			
Kasofsky			X			
Cervieri	X		X			

January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # R- 36A Carried: <u>X</u> Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: ___
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*Mayor Sokolich recused and stepped away from the dais. Council President Kasofsky presided over this portion of the meeting.

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE REAPPOINTING VARIOUS TRUSTEES TO THE FRIENDS OF FORT LEE FILM, INC. FOR A TERM OF 2 YEARS

BE IT RESOLVED , by the Governing Body of the Borough of Fort Lee that the following individuals be reappointed as a Board of Trustee to the Friends of Fort Lee Film, Inc. as follows:

Two Year Term Expiring December 31, 2023

Denise Sokolich

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Council man Sargenti , the Proposed Consent Agenda was introduced, and the public hearing was opened relative to items CA-1 through CA-9.

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	
Sohmer							January 6, 2022 Reorganization Meeting Resolution # CA- 1 to CA- 9 Carried: ___ Defeated: ___ Tabled: ___ Approved on Consent Agenda: <u>X</u>
Yoon							
Suh							
Sargenti		X					
Kasofsky							
Cervieri	X						

CA-1 Designation of Newspapers

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE DESIGNATING THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS FOR THE YEAR 2022

BE IT RESOLVED , by the governing body of the Borough of Fort Lee that pursuant to NJSA 40:53-1, the following newspapers are hereby designated as official newspapers for legal advertisements and notices required by law to be published by the Borough of Fort Lee:

**The Record
The Jersey Journal
The Star Ledger**

CA-2 Establishing Rate of Interest for Tax Delinquencies

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF N.J.S.A 54:4-67 THE RATE OF INTEREST TO BE CHARGED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES

WHEREAS, the provisions of NJSA 54:4-67 direct that the governing body of each municipality may fix the rate of interest to be charged for the non-payment of taxes or assessments on or before the date when they would become delinquencies, and may further provide that no interest shall be charged if on payment of any installment is made within the tenth calendar day following the date upon which the same became payable; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 54:4-67 further provides that the rate of interest so fixed shall not exceed eight percent (8%) on the first one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) of the delinquency and eighteen percent (18%) per annum on any amount in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee do hereby fix, in accordance with the provisions of NJSA 54:4-67 the rate of interest to be charged for the non-payment of taxes or assessments at eight percent (8%) per annum on the first one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) of the delinquency, provided, however, that no interest shall be charged if payment of any

installation is made within the tenth calendar day following the date upon which the same became payable.

CA-3 Establishing Petty Cash Fund

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE
AUTHORIZING AND ESTABLISHING PETTY CASH FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR 2022**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee do hereby authorize and establish the following petty cash funds:

Chief Financial Officer: \$ 500.00
Police Department: 500.00
Health Department: 300.00
Recreation: 200.00
Community Center: 300.00

and;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council authorize the Borough's Chief Financial Officer to draw checks from the Current Account in those amounts captioned above and payable to the following individuals:

Matthew Rutch, CFO
Police Chief Matthew Hintze
Jill Scarpa, Health Officer
Cheryl Westeyn, Recreation and Community Center Director

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with NJSA 40A:5-21, said petty cash funds are established.

CA-4 Cash Management Plan

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION
OF THE BOROUGH'S CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN
FOR THE YEAR 2022**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 requires the Borough of Fort Lee to adopt a Cash Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Fort Lee adopts its Cash Management Plan annually; and

WHEREAS, this Cash Management Plan shall be designated to assure the extent practicable the investment of local funds in interest bearing accounts and may be modified from time to time in order to reflect changes in Federal or State law or regulations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Fort Lee Cash Management Plan be continued for 2022.

CA-5 Authorize Electronic Tax Sale \$25.00 Per Notice Fee

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
A FEE OF \$25.00 PER NOTICE OF TAX SALE SENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
2021 ELECTRONIC TAX SALE**

WHEREAS, NJSA54:5-19.1 authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations to be promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations require a municipality to send three (3) notices of tax sale to all properties included in said sale; and

WHEREAS, the rules and regulations allow said municipality to charge a fee of \$25.00 per notice for the creation, printing and mailing of said notice; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to more fairly assign greater fiscal responsibility to delinquent taxpayers, the Borough of Fort Lee wishes to charge \$25.00 per notice mailed which will be assessed specifically to the delinquent accounts that are causing the need for a tax sale and not to the general tax base.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee that a fee of \$25.00 per notice be established and is hereby authorized and directed to be charged for each notice of tax sale that is sent in conjunction with the 2021 electronic tax sale.

CA-6 Adoption of Policy Evaluation of Surplus

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING
THE ADOPTION OF A POLICY RELATING TO
THE EVALUATION OF SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR 2021**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Fort Lee recognizes the importance of adopting a formal surplus policy regarding the Borough's surplus balances in an effort to predict and ensure future financial soundness and financial liquidity, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer recommended that the Borough formally adopt a surplus policy in support of the requirements of the local bond rating agencies in order to enhance and/or maintain the Borough's credit ratings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Fort Lee:

1. The Chief Financial Officer shall analyze a five-year trend of surplus illustrating the significant changes therein.
2. In accordance with the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer, the Borough maintain a surplus balance with a targeted minimum goal in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the cost of municipal operations.
3. The Chief Financial Officer shall project the future trend of revenues and expenditures in order to provide guidance as to what is required to maintain the ten percent (10%) surplus goal.
4. The surplus goal shall be evaluated annually in light of changing economic trends.
5. That two (2) certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

CA-7 Borough Clerk - PACO Officer

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE APPOINTING THE
BOROUGH CLERK AS THE PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER (P .A.C.O)
FOR THE YEAR 2022**

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-3.2 each public agency shall designate an individual to serve as its Public Agency Compliance Office (P.A.C.O.); and

WHEREAS, the Public Agency Compliance Officer is the liaison and point contact between the Division of Contract and Compliance in the State of New Jersey Department of the Treasury.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee that Evelyn Rosario, Borough Clerk is hereby appointed as the Public Agency Compliance Officer for the year 2022.

CA-8 School Crossing Guards

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE APPOINTING SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS FOR THE YEAR 2022

BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body that the following be appointed as **School Crossing Guards** in the Borough of Fort Lee without authority to carry a firearm:

AFARIAN	Navasart	HARBUS	Susan	PINERO	Elliot
ALESSIO	Dorothy	HERNANDEZ	Miriam	PORTO	Carole
BIANCHETTO	Dennis	KARABATSOS	Dionysios	RADOM	Boris
BROWN	Barbara	KAUFMAN	Philip	RICHARDONE	Jenni
CABRERA	Yolanda	KIM	Nayeon	ROSE	Edward
CASIMIRO	Dahiana	KO	Waiping	SENDEROVYCH	Olersandr
CASTRO	Amalia	LEE	James	SILVIA	Barbara
CASTRO	Marianela	MAGNONE	Joseph	SINGER	Robert
COHEN	Deborah	MAKHMETOV	Veniamin	SPRUCK	Robert
DELIBERTO	Carmine	MAKHMETOV	Alla	STEPHENS	Marie
DEVITO	Deborah	MANOUKIAN	Hasmik	TALOCCO	Ursula
DIMATTINA	Dominic	MEDAGLIA	Donna	THORPE	Jeanne
DOGALI	Robin	MEDINA	Carlos	TINEO	Sonia
ELISBERG	Harriet	NOLA	James	VENTOLA	Elaina
GARAY	Jasmine	PACHECO	Jairo	VIERA-CAMMARANO	Tareisia
GARAY	Lira	PAOLA-CORAL	Carmen	WILLIAMS	Richard
HANSEN	Erik	PATRICK	Susan	YEE	Chiu Lai
		PERCONTINO	Anna	YU	Chiuchi

CA-9 Bergen County Law Enforcement Mutual Aid

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL SERVICES AGREEMENT THAT APPROVES PARTICIPATION IN A MUTUAL AID PLAN AND RAPID DEPLOYMENT FORCE

WHEREAS, the police departments in Bergen County have a day to day responsibility to provide for the security of lives and property, for the maintenance and preservation of the public peace and order, and

WHEREAS, Law Enforcement Officials also have a responsibility to provide for preparedness against natural emergencies, such as floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, major storms, etc., man-made causes, civil unrest, and civil disobedience such as riot, strikes, jail or prison riots, train wrecks, aircraft crashes, major fires, ethnic disorders, riots, terrorist incidents and bombings, state and national emergencies, and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Police Chief's Association has proposed a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force to deal with these emergencies, and

WHEREAS, this Plan is adopted in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.1, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-156.4 and N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.6, and

WHEREAS, this Plan will provide a uniform procedure for the coordination of the requesting, dispatching, and utilization of law enforcement personnel and equipment whenever a local law enforcement agency requires mutual aid assistance from any other jurisdiction, both contiguous and non-contiguous, in the event of an emergency, riot or disorder, in order to protect life and property, and

WHEREAS, it is also recognized that the Fort Lee Chief of Police, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and under the authority of the Bergen County Prosecutor, has the authority to assign officers to a Task Force, Rapid Deployment Team, or Regional SWAT Team operated in conjunction with the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee to participate in a Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force in accordance with the Plan as submitted by the Bergen County Police Chief's Association.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee that the police Department of the Borough of Fort Lee, under the direction of the Chief of Police, cooperate with the Bergen County Police Chief's Association to create an Interlocal Services Agreement with all municipalities in the County of Bergen in order to put into place the Mutual Aid Plan and Rapid Deployment Force, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the County Executive, the Board of Chosen Freeholders, the County Prosecutor, and all municipalities in the County of Bergen.

There being no discussion, the public hearing was closed on motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Suh. The Consent Agenda regarding CA-1 through CA-9 was approved on the following roll call:

AYES: Council Members Sohmer, Yoon, Suh, Sargenti, Kasofsky, Cervieri

MAYORAL NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS

Board of Adjustment

Mayor Sokolich nominated Howard Joh to serve as a member of the **Board of Adjustment** for a four (4) year term expiring **December 31, 2025**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Sebastian J. Tropea to serve as a member of the **Board of Adjustment** for a four (4) year term expiring **December 31, 2025**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Luis Pacheco to serve as a member of the **Board of Adjustment** to fill an unexpired term expiring **December 31, 2022**.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman S argenti,
the nominations were **confirmed unanimously**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Joseph Luppino to serve as alternate member # 2 of the **Board of Adjustment** for a two (2) year term expiring **December 31, 2023**.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman S uh,
the nominations were **confirmed unanimously**.

Advisory Committee for Individuals With Disabilities

Mayor Sokolich nominated Councilman Sohmer to serve as Mayor and Council Liaison to the Advisory Committee for Individuals With Disabilities for the year 2022.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Susan Cohen to serve as a member of the Advisory Committee for Individuals With Disabilities for a three (3) year term expiring December 31, 2024.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman S argenti, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

Environmental Beautification Committee

Mayor Sokolich nominated Councilwoman Kasofsky to serve as the Council Representative of the Environmental & Beautification Committee for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2022.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Mark Ospala, Gregory Cervieri, Andrea Hersh and Ellie Sturock to serve as members of the Environmental & Beautification Committee for three (3) year terms expiring December 31, 2024.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman S argenti, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

Board of Ethics

Mayor Sokolich nominated Jaqueline B. Kates to serve as a member of the Board of Ethics Committee to fill an unexpired term expiring December 31, 2023.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman S argenti, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

Fort Lee Film Commission

Mayor Sokolich nominated Councilman Yoon to serve as Council Liaison to the Fort Lee Film Commission for the year 2022.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Richard Koszarski, Nelson Page, Gary Donatelli and Drake Stutesman to serve as members of the Fort Lee Film Commission for two (2) year terms expiring December 31, 2023.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Sohmer, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

Board of Health

Mayor Sokolich nominated Council woman Kasofsky to serve as Council Liaison to the Board of Health for the year 2022.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Dr. Lawrence Altman and Aury Moussavian to serve as members of the Board of Health for three (3) year terms expiring December 31, 2024.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman S argenti, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

Historic Preservation Commission

Mayor Sokolich nominated Councilman Sohmer to serve as Council Liaison to the Historic Preservation Commission for the year 2022.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Laurence Goldberg to serve as a member of the **Historic Preservation Commission** for a four (4) year term expiring **December 31, 2025**.

On motion by **Councilman Sohmer**, seconded by **Councilman Cervieri**, the nominations were **confirmed unanimously**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Jaqueline B. Kates to serve as alternate member on the **Historic Preservation Commission** for a two (2) year term expiring **December 31, 2023**.

On motion by **Councilman Cervieri**, seconded by **Councilman Sohmer**, the nominations were **confirmed unanimously**.

Housing Authority

Mayor Sokolich nominated Councilman Cervieri to serve as **Council Liaison** to the **Housing Authority** for the year **2022**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Elsie O'Neill to serve as member of the **Housing Authority** for a five (5) year term expiring **December 31, 2026**.

On motion by **Councilman Sargenti**, seconded by **Councilman Suh**, the nominations were **confirmed unanimously**.

Library Board of Trustees

Mayor Sokolich nominated Councilwoman Kasofsky to serve as **Council Liaison** to the **Library Board of Trustees** for the year **2022**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Page Soltano to serve as a member of the **Library Board of Trustees** for a five (5) year term expiring **December 31, 2026**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Tanya Byers Kang to serve as a member of the **Library Board of Trustees** to fill an unexpired term expiring **December 31, 2025**.

On motion by **Councilman Cervieri**, seconded by **Councilman Sohmer**, the nominations were **confirmed unanimously**.

Rent Leveling Board

Mayor Sokolich nominated Councilman Suh to serve as **Council Liaison** to the **Rent Leveling Board** for the year **2021**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Cheryl Karpman and Susan Wielkocz to serve as members of the **Rent Leveling Board** for three (3) year terms expiring **December 31, 2024**.

On motion by **Councilman Sargenti**, seconded by **Councilwoman Kasofsky**, the nominations were **confirmed unanimously**.

Senior Citizens ' Council

Mayor Sokolich nominated Councilman Cervieri to serve as **Council Liaison** to the **Senior Citizens ' Council** for the year **2022**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Crissa Skarimbis to serve as **Director** of the **Senior Citizens ' Council** for a one (1) year term expiring **December 31, 2022**.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Blanca Beer, Phyllis Pfeifer and Roberta Sohmer to serve as members of the **Senior Citizens ' Council** for two (2) year terms expiring **December 31, 2023**.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Suh, the nominations were **confirmed unanimously**.

Sign/Façade Review Committee

Mayor Sokolich nominated John Hwang to serve as a member of the **Sign/Façade Review Committee** for a two (2) year term expiring **December 31, 2023**.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman S argenti, the nominations were **confirmed unanimously**.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Planning Board

Mayor Sokolich appointed the following to the **Fort Lee Planning Board**:

Class II -Moe Marshall -One (1) Year Term -December 31, 2022

Class IV -Armand Pohan -Four (4) Year Term -December 31, 2025

Alternate # 2 -Michael Kaplan -Two (2) Year Term -December 31, 2023

Sign/Façade Review Committee

Mayor's Appointment -Paul Leale -One (1) Year Term -December 31, 2022

Mayor's Designee -James Liu -One (1) Year Term -December 31, 2022

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Sohmer - He thanked Mayor Sokolich for directing the Borough of Fort Lee, the Borough department heads, all the voters for his reelection and the democratic Party including Chairman Marc Macri. He congratulated Councilman Cervieri for another council term. He also thanked his wife, Roberta, daughters, and granddaughters.

He wished everyone a happy and healthy New Year.

Mayor Sokolich - He also thanked Chairman Marc Macri

Councilman Yoon - He thanked the mayor for well directing the Borough of Fort Lee and all the voters.

He congratulated the Board of Education appointees.

He wished everyone a safe, happy, and healthy New Year.

Councilman Suh - He wished everyone a Happy New year.

He thanked Peter DeSheplo for attending this evening and honored memories in name of the late Judge John DeSheplo and Joseph Surace.

He congratulated the Board of Education appointees and thanked past member Esther Han Silver for serving on the board. He also congratulated fellow Councilman Joseph Cervieri and Harvey Sohmer on their reelection.

He thanked the O.E.M. Director, Board of Health Officer and staff, Borough Administrator and all involved with the pandemic, COVID testing sights and vaccination clinics. He reminded residents to follow the CDC guidelines and remain safe. He mentioned all the borough videos created and posted by Linda McCue and the Mayor were very informative to the public.

Mayor Sokolich - He congratulated the Board of Education appointees and superintendent Robert Kravitz. He thanked past member Esther Han Silver for serving on the board.

Councilman Sargenti- He gave a brief fire report for the year 2021, ending in 2,007 fire calls on record. He thanked Fire Chief Bryan Drumgoole and welcomed the new Chiefs Patrizio Peluso, Richard Onufrey and John Klein. He shared his condolences for the late Judge John DeSheplo and Joseph Surace. He thanked Mayor Sokolich for directing the borough of Fort Lee. He congratulated Councilman Joseph Cervieri and Councilman Harvey Sohmer on their reelection.

He wished everyone a safe, happy, and healthy New Year.

Councilwoman Kasofsky - She congratulated Councilman Joseph Cervieri and Councilman Harvey Sohmer on their reelection.

She mentioned for residents to check the Borough website under the Health Department page to retrieve all information regarding COVID, as well as all the library events coming up.

She wished everyone a happy and healthy New year.

Councilman Cervieri - He thanked everyone including his wife for being able to serve another term and congratulated Councilman Harvey Sohmer on his reelection. He also thanked Chairman Marc Macri, the Democratic party of Fort Lee, Pat Rumi and all the committee members involved.

He thanked many department heads and employees for their hard work this past year during the pandemic.

He shared his condolences to the DeSheplo family and memories regarding the late Judge John Desheplo.

He shared his beliefs for the strong community Fort Lee is.

Mayor Sokolich -He thanked the council members for the great team they are, and all the ideas brought forward these past years.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Suh, and carried unanimously, the meeting was opened to the public for discussion.

Justin Lee- Thanked the Mayor and Council for a job well done.

There being no further public discussion, the public hearing was closed **on motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Council woman Kasofsky.**

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilwoman Kasofsky, and there being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned with no objections at 8:00 p.m.

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