

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN

DRAFT MINUTES FOR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2015

Council President opened the meeting at 7:05 P.M. and stated, "I would like to advise all those present that notice of this meeting has been provided to the public in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act, and that notice was published in the Jersey Journal and on the City website, copies were provided in the Hoboken Reporter, The Record, The Newark Star-Ledger and also placed on the bulletin board in the lobby of City Hall. If any Councilperson or member of the public believes that this meeting or any portion thereof, is in violation of the Open Public Meetings Act, they are requested to so advise the City Council and City Clerk at this time, or at the time of the believed violation, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-17. Written objections, if any shall be made in writing to the City Clerk."

Roll call: Council persons Castellano, Doyle, Cunningham, Giattino, Mason, Mello (via cell phone), Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla

ABSENT: Mello

Council President comments that they will hear resolutions #5 & 6 first, then hear resolution #4, before the 2nd readings

RESOLUTIONS

- 4.* RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A DECLARATORY JUDGMENT ACTION IN SUPERIOR COURT TO CERTIFY ITS HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN (submitted by administration)

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8 – NAYS: 1 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Occhipinti,
Russo and President Bhalla**

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mello

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Cheryl Fallick comments

Special Counsel Ron Cucchiaro comments

Council President comments

Councilman Russo comments

Councilman Doyle comments

Councilman Occhipinti comments
Councilwoman Giattino comments
Special Counsel Ron Cucchiaro comments
Councilman Cunningham comments
Director Forbes comments
Councilman Cunningham comments
Councilman Occhipinti comments

Council President comments that he wants to hear resolution #11, 18 and 21.

*******JUMP TO RESOLUTION #11*******

5.* RESOLUTION GRANTING FLORIO KENNY & RAVAL SETTLEMENT AUTHORITY IN THE MATTER OF TORT CLAIM LITIGATION (O'NEIL V. CITY OF HOBOKEN, NO. 001180664) IN AN AMOUNT UP TO THE AMOUNT SUGGESTED BY CHRISTOPHER VOGT TO MELLISSA LONGO IN THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2015 EMAIL (submitted by administration)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 7 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:1
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Occhipinti and President Bhalla
NAYS:
ABSENT: Mello
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN: Russo

--By Council

6.* RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT TO EXCEL ENVIRONMENTAL FOR CITY LSRP FOR THE FIRST AND JACKSON PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY SIX DOLLARS (\$25,676.00) FOR A ONE YEAR TERM TO COMMENCE SEPTEMBER 17, 2015 AND EXPIRE SEPTEMBER 16, 2016 (submitted by administration)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla
NAYS:
ABSENT: Mello
PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Assistant Corporation Counsel comments
Stephen Marks comments
Councilman Doyle comments
Council President comments
Councilman Occhipinti comments
Councilman Cunningham comments
Councilman Russo comments
BA Wiest comments
Councilman Doyle comments

7.* AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CITY OF HOBOKEN TO ENTER INTO THE ATTACHED "ACCESS MOU" WITH DELAWARE DELTA LLC (ON BEHALF OF LANDICO REALTY AND THE ZAKLAMA FAMILY) FOR ENVIRONMENTAL TESTING BY THE CITY OF HOBOKEN ON 651 FIRST STREET AND 90 JACKSON STREET (submitted by administration)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla
NAYS:
ABSENT: Mello
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Assistant Corporation Counsel comments
Councilman Cunningham comments
Councilman Doyle comments

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL VOTE

1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 141A ENTITLED "PARKING PERMITS" AND CHAPTER 190 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" TO AMEND RESIDENT PARKING, PARKING PROHIBITIONS, TIME LIMIT PARKING, AND STOP STREETS (sponsored by Councilwoman Giattino and Councilman Cunningham) (Z-368)

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 9 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Mello (via cell phone), Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla**

NAYS:

ABSENT:

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

*******Councilman Occhipinti has left the table at 8:45 PM*******

- ~~2. AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE GRANTING OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEMPORARY EASEMENT WITH PSE&G FOR THE STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF LANDS OWNED AND CONTROLLED BY THE CITY OF HOBOKEN ON THE 17TH STREET PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY (sponsored by Councilwoman Giattino and Councilman Cunningham) (Z-369) (REMOVED BY SPONSORS HAS GONE BACK TO FIRST READING)~~

3. BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY FOR OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION, THE CONSTRUCTION OF NORTHWEST RESILIENCY PARK (BASF) AND SOUTHWEST RESILIENCY PARK (BLOCK 12) AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEMS AT EACH SUCH PARK, IN AND FOR THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$16,742,414 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$16,742,414; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING (sponsored by Councilman Mello and Councilwoman Giattino) (Z-370)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 7 – NAYS: 2 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN:

YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Mello, Occhipinti and President Bhalla

NAYS: Castellano and Russo

ABSENT:

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

*******Councilman Occhipinti has returned to the table at 8:48 PM*******

**Eduardo Gonzales comments
Tiffanie Fisher comments
Richard Weinstein comments
David Liebler comments
Councilman Occhipinti comments
Councilman Russo comments
Mike DeFusco comments
Council President comments
BA Wiest comments
Councilman Doyle comments
Stephen Marks comments
Council President comments
Councilman Russo comments
Councilman Cunningham comments
Councilman Occhipinti comments
Councilwoman Giattino comments**

*******Councilman Mello has entered the meeting at 9:17 PM*******

**Councilman Occhipinti comments
Stephen Marks comments
Councilwoman Giattino comments
Councilman Russo comments
Stephen Marks comments
Councilman Mello comment
Councilwoman Mason comments
Councilwoman Giattino comments
Councilwoman Castellano comments
Stephen Marks comments
Council President comments**

4. AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION BY PURCHASE OR EMINENT DOMAIN IF NECESSARY, OF THE REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS BLOCK 113, LOTS 1-6 AND 27-32 (NOW KNOWN AS BLOCK 113, LOT 1) ON

THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN FOR PUBLIC OPEN SPACE AND PARK PURPOSES, AND/OR OTHER PUBLIC PURPOSES, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, A MUNICIPAL PARKING FACILITY (sponsored by Councilwoman Giattino and Councilman Cunningham) (Z-371)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 6 – NAYS: 3 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN: YEAS: Council persons Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mello, Occhipinti and President Bhalla

NAYS: Castellano, Mason and Russo

ABSENT:

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Councilman Doyle comments

Councilman Russo comments

Councilman Cunningham comments

Councilman Occhipinti comments

Councilman Mello comments

5. BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY AND THE PRELIMINARY COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PARKING FACILITY THEREON IN AND FOR THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,610,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,610,000; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING (sponsored by Councilwoman Giattino and Councilman Cunningham) (Z-372)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 6 – NAYS: 3 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN: YEAS: Council persons Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mello, Occhipinti and President Bhalla

NAYS: Castellano, Mason and Russo

ABSENT:

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Councilman Occhipinti comments
Councilman Russo comments
BA Wiest comments

6. **ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN AMENDING THE WORKFORCE HOUSING PROGRAM (sponsored by Councilman Mello and Councilwoman Giattino) (Z-373)**

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 9 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Mello, Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla
NAYS:
ABSENT:
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Lisa Rothman comments
Cheryl Fallick comments
Roman Brice comments
Council President comments
Director Forbes comments

*******Councilman Doyle has left the meeting at 10:22 PM*******

Council President comments
Director Forbes comments

*******Councilman Doyle has returned to the meeting at 10:26 PM*******

Councilman Mello comments
Council President comments
Director Forbes comments
Councilwoman Castellano comments
Councilwoman Giattino comments
Councilman Russo comments

RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)

8.* **RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:69A-181(B) AND MAKING IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE PROPOSED ORDINANCE Z-373 ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN AMENDING THE**

WORKFORCE HOUSING PROGRAM' IMMEDIATELY (submitted by administration)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 7 – NAYS: 2 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Mello, Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla

NAYS: Giattino and Mason

ABSENT:

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Cheryl Fallick comments

Councilman Occhipinti has left the meeting at 10:37 PM

Council President comments

Councilman Occhipinti has returned to the meeting at 10:40 PM

Councilman Doyle comments

Councilman Russo comments

Councilwoman Giattino comments

Director Forbes comments

Councilman Occhipinti comments

*****Councilwoman Mason has left the meeting at 10:45 PM*****

ORDINANCES (CONTINUED)

SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING AND FINAL VOTE

7. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SCHEDULE OF CLASSIFICATIONS AND ALLOCATIONS OF TITLE FOR THE HEREIN MENTIONED POSITIONS IN THE CITY OF HOBOKEN (sponsored by Councilman Mello and Councilwoman Giattino) (Z-374)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mello, Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mason

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

8. BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT IN AND FOR THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF **\$750,000** THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO **\$712,500**; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING (sponsored by Councilman Mello and Councilwoman Giattino) (Z-375)

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mello, Occhipinti, Russo
and President Bhalla**

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mason

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Councilman Occhipinti comments

BA Wiest comments

*******Councilman Mello (would not return) and Councilman Russo has left the meeting
at 10:49 PM*******

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Cheryl Fallick comments

*******Councilwoman Mason has returned to the meeting at 10:50 PM*******

Mary Ondrejka comments

*******Councilman Russo has returned to the meeting at 10:54 PM*******

**Dan Tumpson comments
Patricia Waiters comments
Ron Simoncini comments
David Liebler comments**

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Miscellaneous Licenses

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8– NAYS: 0 ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Occhipinti,
Russo and President Bhalla**

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mello

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Received and filed

REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS

A report from the Municipal Tax Collector Sharon Curran for taxes collected for the month of
August 2015 **\$31,034,485.82 (Abatement Totals – \$10,798.07)**

A report from Municipal Court indicating receipts for the month of
August 2015 as **\$391,206.21**

Received and filed

CLAIMS

Total for this agenda \$2,711,620.28 - \$244.90 =2,711,502.63

**Amended at the meeting and Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8 – NAYS:1
ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:2
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Occhipinti,
Russo and President Bhalla
NAYS: Castellano 15-00610
ABSENT: Mello
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN: Doyle 14-00988 and Mason**

--By Council

Received and filed

PAYROLL

For the two week period starting July 30, 2015 – August 12, 2015

Regular Payroll	O/T Pay	Other Pay
\$1,586,208.52	\$58,048.94	\$154,288.57
	Total	
	\$1,798,546.03	

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8– NAYS: 0 ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Occhipinti,
Russo and President Bhalla
NAYS:
ABSENT: Mello
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN:**

--By Council

Received and filed

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON RESOLUTIONS

comments on Resolutions
comments
comments on resolution #4
comments

CONSENT AGENDA – 9, 10, 12-16, 17, 19, 20, 22-24

Consent Agenda defined: All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine business by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a council member or citizen so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

Pulled from the agenda for discussion: 1-8, 11, 18, 21
Removed by Administration: 19

RESOLUTIONS

CA 9.* RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH 2015
(submitted by administration)

CA 10. *RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF HOBOKEN TO ENTER INTO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL COOPERATIVE (H-GAC) PURCHASING PROGRAM (submitted by administration)

11. RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONTRACT TO WEINER LESNIAK FOR SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL – CY2015 LAND USE COUNSEL TO THE CITY OF HOBOKEN IN A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$9,750.00) FOR THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT TERM, SPECIFICALLY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING LEGAL REPRESENTATION (submitted by administration)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 7 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:1
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mello

PRESENT:
ABSTAIN: Mason

--By Council

Director Forbes comments

*******Councilman Mello has attended the meeting via cell phone at 8:15 PM*******

CA 12. *RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONTRACT TO HMR ARCHITECTS FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR RENOVATIONS TO CITY HALL FOR THE CITY OF HOBOKEN WITH NO CHANGE IN THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT, BUT FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT TERM FOR ONE ADDITIONAL YEAR, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 15, 2016 (submitted by administration)

CA13. *RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO BOBCAT OF NORTH JERSEY TO PURCHASE ONE (1) BOBCAT SKID-STEER LOADER FOR DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH BERGEN COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING CONTRACT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$57,000.00 (submitted by administration)

CA 14. *RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO TIMMERMAN EQUIPMENT COMPANY TO PURCHASE ONE (1) ELGIN BROOM BEAR STREET SWEEPER FOR STREET AND ROAD DEPARTMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE (NJPA) COOPERATIVE PURCHASING CONTRACT # ELGIN 022014-FSC IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$266,808.19 (submitted by administration)

CA 15. *RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO AMANO MCGANN, INC TO PURCHASE PROPRIETARY COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE FOR HPU PAYSTATION UPGRADE FOR A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$174,800.00 (submitted by administration)

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8– NAYS:1 ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Occhipinti, Russo and
President Bhalla
NAYS: Mason
ABSENT: Mello
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN:**

--By Council

CA 16.*RESOLUTION AWARDING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONTRACT OF DEE-EN ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING FOR THE MULTI SERVICE CENTER ELECTRICAL UPGRADE AS CHANGE ORDER NUMBERS 1 AND 2, IN AN INCREASED AMOUNT OF \$6,165.83 (\$3,925.68 FOR CO#1, \$2,240.15 FOR CO#2) FOR A NEW NOT TO EXCEED TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,048,765.83 (A 0.59% CHANGE) (submitted by administration)

CA17.*AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CITY OF HOBOKEN TO ENTER INTO THE ATTACHED “ACCESS AGREEMENT” WITH STEVENS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY FOR HOBOKEN FIRE DEPARTMENT TRAINING (submitted by administration)

18.* RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HOBOKEN AND JOHN R. POWERS II, OWNER OF BLOCK 38 LOT 14 QUAL C0004 (a/k/a 235 Monroe Street, Unit #4), FOR USE AND MAINTENANCE OF A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY ADJACENT TO SAID PROPERTY (submitted by administration)

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 7 – NAYS: 2 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Giattino, Mason, Mello(via cell phone),
Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla
NAYS: Doyle and Occhipinti
ABSENT:
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN:**

--By Council

**Director Forbes comments
Councilman Doyle comments
Councilwoman Giattino
Councilman Occhipinti comments
Director Forbes comments
John Powers comments
Councilwoman Mason comments
Councilman Russo comments
Councilman Occhipinti comments
Councilwoman Giattino
Council President comments
Councilman Doyle comments**

Councilman Russo comments
Councilwoman Castellano comments
Councilwoman Mason comments

~~19.* RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE ATTACHED HORIZON
THIRD PARTY INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT (submitted by
administration) (REMOVED BY ADMINISTRATION) *~~

CA 20. *RESOLUTION REJECTING A BID FOR THE PROVISIONS OF EXTERIOR
RENOVATIONS TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS PROJECT, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS BID NO. 15-27, IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2(A) AND (B)
(submitted by administration)

21.* RESOLUTION AMENDING THE ONE (1) YEAR ACTION PLAN FOR THE 2015
PROGRAM YEAR FOR LOCAL IMPLEMENTION OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) CONSOLIDATED PLAN
PROCESS FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)
PROGRAM (submitted by administration)

Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 9 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
**YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Mello(via cell
phone), Occhipinti, Russo and President Bhalla**
NAYS:
ABSENT:
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN:

--By Council

Cheryl Fallick comments
Director Forbes comments
Councilwoman Giattino comments

CA 22.* RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HOBOKEN (sponsored by **Councilman Bhalla and
Councilman Doyle**)

CA 23.*RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF TAX OVERPAYMENTS
(PAYABLE TO THE INDIVIDUALS LISTED ON THE RESOLUTION FOR THE
AMOUNT OF **\$7,938.18**) (submitted by **Tax Collector**)

CA24.*RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE CITY
COUNCIL DATED: **SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETINGS OF AUGUST 5, 2015
AND SEPTEMBER 2, 2015** (submitted by City Clerk)

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8 – NAYS: 0 ABSENT: PRESENT: ABSTAIN:1
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mello, Occhipinti, Russo
and President Bhalla
NAYS:
ABSENT:
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN: Mason**

--By Council

ORDINANCES

Introduction and First Reading

1. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 190 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” TO AMEND PARKING REGULATIONS RELATING TO DESIGNATED PARKING FOR CORNER CAR VEHICLES

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8– NAYS: 0 ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Occhipinti,
Russo and President Bhalla
NAYS:
ABSENT: Mello
PRESENT:
ABSTAIN:**

--By Council

2. AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE GRANTING OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE TEMPORARY EASEMENT WITH PSE&G FOR THE STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES WITHIN

THE BOUNDARIES OF LANDS OWNED AND CONTROLLED BY THE CITY OF
HOBOKEN ON THE 17TH STREET PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY

**Adopted by the following vote: YEAS: 8– NAYS: 0 ABSENT:1 PRESENT: ABSTAIN:
YEAS: Council persons Castellano, Cunningham, Doyle, Giattino, Mason, Occhipinti,
Russo and President Bhalla**

NAYS:

ABSENT: Mello

PRESENT:

ABSTAIN:

--By Council

NEW BUSINESS

Councilwoman Castellano comments on roads in the city

Councilwoman Mason comments on last council meeting dealing with 13th St. pier

Director Morgan comments that it's been resolved

Councilman Russo comments on the light at the midtown garage

Director Morgan comments that it's been resolved

Councilman Russo comments on parking signs on streets, work is not being done but the signs are up, and the road closures is causing the city a huge maze

Councilman Russo comments on Vote By Mail, the law has changed, an individual can only mail/transport up to three (3) ballots which was made on the state level

Councilman Russo comments on the light rail and NJ Transit, can we rescind the \$19M on the agenda and thanking Council President for doing a good job today

Councilman Doyle comments that we included a line item for a Tenant Advocate on our budget, putting together RFQs before the next meeting

Councilman Occhipinti comments on the traffic with NJ Transit light rail in the SW part of Hoboken, they have identified the issues and have some possible solutions, an issue of dogs by Mama Johnson Field, there is a leash law in the city, please do not take them to that areas

Councilwoman Giattino comments that next Thursday at 8:00 PM for a Transportation and Parking meeting and T & M has a questionnaire for everyone to fill out, saw on Monday a lot of crossing guards with STOP Signs

Chief Ferrante comments that this is an option for them, they are getting firs training and we had some issues last week due to medical back grounds and getting them all up to standard, we began a 7 week training plan, you will see some that will use it, it is an optional mechanism that they use.

Council President comments about traffic control, crossing guards and commends the Chief Ferrante for their training and having writing standards for these folks

Councilwoman Giattino comments the Art and Music Festival is Sept. 27th and the Sept 24th at 7 PM-9PM at the multi service is rebuild by design and thanks Joel Mestre can fix 5th st. and Bloomfield

Councilman Cunningham comments and thanks Chief Ferrante for the crossing guard situation and addressing the closed streets, community development North committee, but get an update, the North End Redevelopment plan process is on the way, there will be an open house the end of this month and hope to have Council representation and then get input from the community, the Western Edge Redevelopment Plan, the process for property owners, hopefully they will submit soon and hopefully get the Redevelopment up and running, the Post Office site, hopefully a meeting in the next month and hopefully the end of this month so hopefully move forward, this Saturday, is the City Challenge, a couple charities for the Hoboken Shelter and Mile Square Theater and please support this race and ask Corp. Counsel look into fire pit legislation, there's no policy around it and look at the local cities and towns

Council President comments that the Rebuild by Design meeting is coming up and address a one-time title search and educate the community, on Sept. 24th from 7-9 PM at the Multi-service Center and please spread the word, noticed the construction on Observer Highway and the city is trying to work with T & M and hopefully get it done by April 8th and get weekly status reports because I am concerned for the project's timeline, the tenant advocate position, and lastly affordable housing sub-committee, please let me know.

At 11:48 PM meeting adjourned of the Governing Body on a motion by Council duly seconded by the Council members

Council President Bhalla then adjourned the meeting at 11:48 PM

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

CITY CLERK