

Borough of Palisades Park  
275 Broad Avenue  
County of Bergen  
State of New Jersey

Work & Regular Meeting  
of the Mayor & Council  
March 22, 2022

Borough of Palisades Park  
Work Session of the Mayor and Council  
March 22, 2022

**Mayor Christopher Chung opened the meeting.**

Statement: This is a Work Session of the Mayor & Council, and notice was given as follows:

1. Notice was filed January 18, 2022 with The Record & Newark Star Ledger, both official newspapers of the Borough.
2. Notice was posted on the Bulletin Board.
3. Copy is preserved in the Clerk's Office.

Pledge of Allegiance Led By Councilperson: **MICHAEL VIETRI**

Moment of Silence for Our Troops

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Present
"	Kim	Present
"	Min	Present
"	Park	Present
"	Pirrera	Present
"	Vietri	Present

Borough Attorney John Schettino, Esq. Present

Borough Administrator David Lorenzo Present

Mayor Chung asked for a motion to go into Closed Session to discuss the Attorney-Client Privileged Special Counsel Report.

The Borough Attorney stated that the Mayor and Council would be going into Closed Session to discuss personnel, and the Council would reopen the meeting and may take further action.

**RESOLUTION 2022-115: Authorization to Enter Closed Session (RE: Confidential Report of the Special Counsel):**

**WHEREAS**, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park wishes' to discuss the following:

**CONFIDENTIAL REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COUNSEL**

Minutes will be kept, and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, the minutes can be made public.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the public be excluded from this meeting.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera

Seconded By Councilperson: Jang

**To Enter Closed Session**

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
"	Kim	Yes
"	Min	Yes
"	Park	Yes
"	Pirrera	Yes
"	Vietri	Yes

The Mayor and Council proceeded with the Closed Session inside the Mayor's Office.

The Mayor asked for a motion to close the Closed Session and reopen the Work Session.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Kim

Seconded By Councilperson: Vietri

**To Close Closed Session and reopen the Work Session**

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**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
“	Kim	Yes
“	Min	Yes
“	Park	Yes
“	Pirrera	Yes
“	Vietri	Yes

Barnabas Woo, resident, asked the Mayor and Council to speak clearly and loudly for the senior citizens who were in attendance.

**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES**

Mayor & Council Meeting: February 22, 2022  
Closed Session of the Mayor & Council: February 22, 2022

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

RESOLUTION 2022-93	Claims
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RESOLUTION 2022-101	Hiring of Alternate School Crossing Guard (RE: B. Lindquist)
RESOLUTION 2022-102	Hiring of Alternate School Crossing Guard (RE: F. McNeary)
RESOLUTION 2022-103	Award of Transportation for 2022 Senior Citizen Trips
RESOLUTION 2022-104	Authorization of Chamber of Commerce to Hold Street Festival
RESOLUTION 2022-105	Authorization of the BCUA to Provide Service of a Certified Recycling Professional (CRP)
RESOLUTION 2022-106	Authorization of Shared Service Agreement with County of Bergen (RE: Animal Control Service)
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**INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE:**

ORDINANCE 2022-2	Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank for Calendar Year 2022
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**2<sup>nd</sup> READING/PUBLIC HEARING:**

ORDINANCE 2022-1	Amendment of Chapter 12 Entitled "Claims, Payment Of"
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**COUNCIL REPORTS:** None

Mayor Chung asked Roy Riggitano, CFO, to present the budget introduction. Mr. Riggitano stated that there will be a public hearing on the budget on April 26, 2022 at 5:00 P.M. He said that there would be approximately \$114.00 increase. The majority of that increase would be due to garbage removal. Councilwoman Jang stated that the Borough should start planning the budget in October with all of the Departments reporting on their execution of the annual budget. Mr. Riggitano stated that the budget planning does start in October. The primary focus was to keep the tax rate as low as possible. Councilwoman Jang asked if there was a way to not raise taxes this year due to COVID-19. Mr. Riggitano stated that there was no other way to cut the budget except for layoffs, which would be devastating to the taxpayers. Councilwoman Pirrera said that 60% of the budget goes to the schools. Mayor requested that a report regarding every line item of the budget be submitted to the Council for their review.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera  
Seconded By Councilperson: Min  
**To Open Meeting to Public**

**All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Susan Brauer (50 Henry Ave) – Asked about the \$114 increase. The Mayor answered that the actual number may be higher.

Youbong Won-Yoon (268 Highland Ave) – Stated that today was Palisades Park's birthday. She had a question about Resolution #2022-108, Authorization of Additional Measures and Recommendations of the Special Counsel. She stated that she was not given a copy of the Special Counsel's report through an OPRA request due to it being an attorney-client privileged document. She said that the client is the Governing Body who is in turn, representing the public so the client was the public. She said that the Mayor and Council should make this report available to the public. She asked about the parking permit system Resolution that was passed at the last meeting. She requested that the Mayor and Council postpone the effective date of the parking permit program. She requested that the Work Session be held on a separate date from the Regular Meeting.

Thomas Yook – Commented on the State Comptroller's Report, the settlement with Officer Samuel Kim and the building of duplexes.

Elizabeth Lee (466 Lincoln Street) – Asked Mayor Chung how he will address the problems in the town in the 6 months that were remaining in his term.

Soo Chung (237 E. Central Blvd) – Asked about the parking permit program. She asked how residents would be informed about the details of the parking permit program. She requested that the Special Counsel report be released to the public. She asked why the construction work at the School Board building was delayed.

Marsha Schor (50 Henry Ave) – Asked how much the parking meters bring to the town. She requested that people stop comparing Palisades Park to other surrounding towns.

Youngmin Jung – Stated that the meeting time should be moved to 7:00 P.M. He wanted to see the Special Counsel's Report. He mentioned the Borough Administrator's contract and the termination provision.

Neris Papoters (444 Glen Ave) – Wanted to know if the pool would be accepting any other payment type besides cash. She wanted to see the Special Counsel's report. She said residents were not aware of the registration fee for the parking permit program.

Peter Longo – Mentioned that he was concerned about the parking permit program. He was not notified about the Roff Ave one-way change and requested that going forward, residents be notified about street changes. He wanted to know what the Special Counsel's report said.

Won Kim (466 Lincoln Street) – Asked about the lawsuits that the Borough has faced recently. He wanted to know what the Mayor intended to accomplish in the remainder of his term.

Joseph Sperlazzo – Asked about the Roff Ave direction change. He wanted to know if it was going to stay this way, or if it will be changed again.

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The Borough Administrator proceeded to answer the public's questions. With regard to the tax levy asked by Ms. Brauer, this was without the school portion. He addressed Ms. Won-Yoon's questions. The Borough Attorney said that the State Comptroller's Report was a public document. Regarding the report prepared by the Special Counsel, the client was the Governing Body. The attorney-client privilege existed between the Governing Body and any attorney that works for the Borough and gives legal advice to the same. He stated it was very unusual to release attorney-client privileged documents. It could be done, but it was not recommended. Mr. Schettino clarified that many towns hold their meetings differently. Mayor Chung suggested to the Council that they release the Special Counsel's report with redactions. Councilwoman Jang agreed with the Mayor and requested that the release of the Special Counsel's report be added to the agenda for approval. Mr. Schettino also clarified that the settlements for the lawsuits were mostly paid by the insurance companies. Every case that was settled by the Borough was a result of the attorney's recommendations from the insurance company. Most Governing Bodies follow the recommendations of the insurance company and the attorney representing the insurance company.

Regarding Ms. Chung's question, Mr. Lorenzo said that the school board construction went back to September 2021. During the course of repairing a broken sewer line, they found an underground fuel storage tank. The Borough had no control over the time frame of the repairs being done. The Borough did have control over the process of environmental remediation, and that portion was done quickly.

Regarding Ms. Schor's question about parking meter revenues, the Borough usually takes in about \$400,000 to \$600,000, but the Borough only took in about \$200,000 this year. Councilwoman Pirrera said that pool daily passes would be cash only. Cash receipts are kept to keep track of how many passes are sold.

The Mayor wanted to open the parking permit discussion up to the Council because there seemed to be a lot of confusion. Councilwoman Jang noticed three major problems with the parking. The first problem was refunding the money to those who registered for the parking permit already. The biggest problem was the visitor passes. She said the parking ordinance was not clear. Councilman Kim commented that the parking permit program was put in place for the safety of the residents and to free up the streets for more parking. Councilwoman Pirrera asked the Mayor if the Council should vote to delay the parking permit program. Mr. Schettino recommended that the Council vote at the Regular Meeting to table the parking permit Resolution. Councilman Vietri said that at the last meeting, they passed the parking permit Resolution. He said that something needed to be done because the town keeps losing revenue. Mr. Lorenzo said that several months ago, he met with Councilman Park and Councilwoman Jang to discuss the parking permit program and come up with recommendations for the parking Ordinance. Those recommendations were passed out to the Governing Body. Mr. Lorenzo asked for input from the Mayor and Council, and nothing was brought forward. Mr. Lorenzo recommended that a parking committee be formed and put together the changes. Councilwoman Jang asked if there were any other parts of the budget that could be cut to save money. Mr. Lorenzo stated that missing revenues could not be made up. Councilman Min and Councilman Park volunteered to be on the parking committee.

Mayor Chung responded regarding the lawsuits involving the Police Department. He stated that he could not stop the lawsuits, but he was proud of the Police Department.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Kim  
Seconded By Councilperson: Pirrera  
**To Close Public Portion and Adjourn the Work Session**

**All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.**

Meeting adjourned.

Attest:



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Sophia H. Jang, RMC  
Deputy Borough Clerk

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**ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES**

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Closed Session of the Mayor & Council: February 22, 2022

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrerera

Seconded By Councilperson: Min

**To Adopt the February 22, 2022 Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes and the Closed Session Minutes**

**All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

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- ORDINANCE 2022-1 Amendment of Chapter 12 Entitled "Claims, Payment Of"

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**RESOLUTION 2022-93: Claims:**

**RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, that the following claims, aggregating **\$ 6,207,005.86** as so ordered and approved by the Finance Committee; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor, Borough Clerk and Tax Collector shall and are hereby authorized to draw warrants in payment of said claims:

Affordable Housing Acct	\$ 0.00
Affordable Housing Rent Acct	\$ 2,388.36
Affordable Housing Security Acct	\$ 0.00
Affordable Senior Facility	\$57,713.00
Animal Account	\$ 0.00
Building Dept Account	\$ 0.00
Capital Account	\$ 20,075.58
Cash Management Account	\$ 0.00
Centennial Trust	\$ 0.00
Community Development Trust	\$ 0.00
Current Account	\$ 6,114,678.09
Developers Escrow	\$ 6,863.25
Electronic Parking Meter Account	\$ 0.00
Federal Share Forfeiture	\$ 0.00
Free Public Library	\$ 75.00
Memorial Fund	\$ 0.00
Municipal Court Bail Account	\$ 0.00
Municipal Court General Account	\$ 0.00
Net Payroll	\$ 0.00
Night Out Against Crime	\$ 0.00
Parking Meter Account	\$ 0.00
Payroll Agency	\$ 0.00
POAA	\$ 0.00
Police Acct	\$ 0.00
Public Defender Trust	\$ 2,000.00
Recycling Trust	\$ 250.00
Swim Pool Operating Account	\$ 2,962.58
Swim Pool Cafe	\$ 0.00
Swim Pool Capital Account	\$ 0.00
Tree Preservation	\$ 0.00
UFC Fines & Penalty	\$ 0.00
Unemployment Trust	\$ 0.00
Veterans Account	\$ 0.00
Total:	<b><u>\$ 6,207,005.86</u></b>

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to furnish copies of this Resolution to the following:

1. Chief Financial Officer

2. Tax Collector

**RESOLUTION 2022-94: Authorization to Designate \$5,534,000 of Notes, Consisting of \$4,879,735 General Bond Anticipation Notes and \$654,265 Swimming Pool Utility Bond Anticipation Notes, Both Issues Dates March 18, 2022 AND Payable March 17, 2023, As "Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations":**

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, COVENANTING TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, APPLICABLE TO THE EXCLUSION FROM GROSS INCOME FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES OF INTEREST ON OBLIGATIONS ISSUED BY THE BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, BOROUGH CLERK, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND OTHER BOROUGH OFFICIALS TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS THEY MAY DEEM NECESSARY OR ADVISABLE TO EFFECT SUCH COMPLIANCE AND DESIGNATING \$5,534,000 OF NOTES, CONSISTING OF \$4,879,735 GENERAL BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES AND \$654,265 SWIMMING POOL UTILITY BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, BOTH ISSUES DATED MARCH 18, 2022 AND PAYABLE MARCH 17, 2023, AS "QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS" PURSUANT TO SECTION 265(b)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Palisades Park, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "Borough") from time to time issues bonds, notes and other obligations the interest on which is excluded from gross income for Federal income tax purposes and desires to take such action as may be necessary or advisable to establish and maintain such exclusion; and

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), contains provisions with respect to the exclusion from gross income for Federal income tax purposes of interest on obligations, including provisions, among others, which require issuers of tax-exempt obligations, such as the Borough to account for and rebate certain arbitrage earnings to the United States Treasury and to take other action to establish and maintain such Federal tax exclusion; and

WHEREAS, the Borough intends to issue \$5,534,000 of notes, consisting of \$4,879,735 General Bond Anticipation Notes and \$654,265 Swimming Pool Utility Bond Anticipation Notes, both issues dated March 18, 2022 and payable March 17, 2023 (collectively, the "Notes"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to designate the Notes as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Borough Council hereby covenants on behalf of the Borough, to the extent permitted by the Constitution and the laws of the State of New Jersey, to do and perform all acts and things permitted by law and necessary to assure that interest paid on bonds, notes or other obligations of the Borough (including the Notes) be and remain excluded from gross income of the owners thereof for Federal income tax purposes pursuant to Section 103 of the Code.

SECTION 2. The Mayor, Borough Clerk, Chief Financial Officer and the other officials of the Borough are hereby authorized and directed to take such action, make such representations and give such assurances as they may deem necessary or advisable to effect compliance with the Code.

SECTION 3. The Notes are hereby designated as "qualified tax-exempt obligations" for the purpose of Section 265(b)(3) of the Code.



SECTION 4. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said Notes are not "private activity bonds" as defined in the Code and (2) the Borough and its subordinate entities, if any, do not reasonably anticipate issuing in excess of \$10 million of new money tax-exempt obligations (other than private activity bonds) during the calendar year 2022.

SECTION 5. It is further determined and stated that the Borough has not, as of the date hereof, issued any tax-exempt obligations (other than the Notes) during the calendar year 2022.

SECTION 6. The Borough will, to the best of its ability, attempt to comply with respect to the limitations on issuance of tax-exempt obligations pursuant to Section 265(b)(3) of the Code; however, said Borough does not covenant to do so, and hereby expressly states that a covenant is not made hereby.

SECTION 7. The issuing officers of the Borough are hereby authorized to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the original purchaser of the Notes and to further provide such original purchaser with a certificate of obligations issued during the calendar year 2022 dated as of the date of delivery of the Notes.

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**RESOLUTION 2022-95: Authorization of Refund for Tax Payment in the Amount of \$2,221.00 to Lereta Tax Service:**

**RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to issue a check in the amount of \$2,221.00 payable to "LERETA Tax Service" for a tax payment made on the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2022, on property known as Block 311, Lot 8, Qualifier C0001, 50A E. Central Boulevard.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, Mr. George Chun of 50A E. Central Boulevard has been granted a 100% Disability Status by the Department of Veterans Affairs. It is the determination of the Department of Veterans Affairs that Mr. Chun's disability is Service Connected.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to furnish copies of this Resolution to the following:

1. Chief Financial Officer
2. Tax Collector

**RESOLUTION 2022-96: Authorization of Mayor to Execute Community Development Block Grant Agreement (RE: FY 2021-2022 Glen Ave and 5th St. Road Improvements):**

**WHEREAS**, that the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Palisades Park wishes to enter into a Grant Agreement with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using \$85,000.00 in 2021 Community Development Block Grant funds for the purpose of the following project:

Glen Ave and 5th St. Road Improvements

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park hereby authorizes, Christopher J. Chung, to be the signatory to the aforesaid grant agreement; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorizes Roy Riggitano to sign all County vouchers submitted in connection with the aforesaid project; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council recognizes that the Borough of Palisades Park is liable for any funds not spent in accordance with the Grant Agreement and that liability of the Mayor and Council is in accordance with HUD requirements.

**CERTIFICATION**

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Certified to be a true copy of the resolution passed at the Mayor and Council Meeting of the Borough of Palisades Park held on March 22, 2022.

**RESOLUTION 2022-97: Authorization of Pool Maintenance Agreement for 2022 Season**

**(RE: Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc.):**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Palisades Park received a proposal from Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc., 80 Patterson Street, Hillsdale, New Jersey 07642, for the following services for the 2022 pool season: (a) Washing & Painting of the Club Pools in the amount of \$31,400.00; (b) Summerizing of the Pools in the amount of \$4,500.00; (c) Winterizing of the Pools in the amount of \$4,500.00; and (d) Chemical Feed Pump and Tubing Replacement in the amount of \$1,500.00 for a total of \$41,900.00; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Pool Manager has reviewed the proposals, copies of which are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and hereby recommends the approval of same; and

**WHEREAS**, the certification of the Chief Financial Officer is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference indicating that adequate funds are available in the budget and the line item appropriation of the municipal budget to which the contract will be charged as required pursuant to N.J.A.C 5:30-5.4(a)(3)(5).

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Attorney has prepared a contract agreement between the Borough and Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service Inc. for the Maintenance of the Club Pools for the 2022 Season, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the proposals submitted by Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc. referenced hereinabove, in the total amount of \$41,900.00 for the 2022 Pool Season, be and are hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the contract attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference awarding the proposals in the total amount of \$41,900.00 between the Borough and Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc. be and is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc. upon its passage together with a copy of the contract agreement.

**RESOLUTION 2022-98: Authorization of Agreement for Pool Chemicals (RE: Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc.):**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Palisades Park received a proposal from Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc., 80 Patterson Street, Hillsdale, New Jersey 07642 for Chemical Maintenance for the 2022 Swim Club Season; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Pool Manager has reviewed the proposal, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and hereby recommends the approval of same; and

**WHEREAS**, the certification of the Chief Financial Officer is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference indicating that adequate funds are available in the budget and the line item appropriation of the municipal budget to which the contract will be charged as required pursuant to N.J.A.C 5:30-5.4(a)(3)(5).

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Attorney has prepared a contract agreement between the Borough and Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service Inc. for Chemical Maintenance for the 2022 Swim Club Season, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference .

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the proposal submitted by Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service Inc. for the Chemical Maintenance for the 2022 Swim Club Season be and is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the contract attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference awarding the proposal between the Borough and Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service Inc. be and is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service Inc. upon its passage together with a copy of the contract agreement.

**RESOLUTION 2022-99: Authorization of Agreement for Pool Filter Tank Repair (RE Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc.):**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Palisades Park received a proposal from Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc., 80 Patterson Street, Hillsdale, New Jersey 07642 in the amount of 8,000.00 for the repair pool filter tanks of the Palisades Park Municipal Pool; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Pool Manager has reviewed the proposal, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and hereby recommends the approval of same; and

**WHEREAS**, the certification of the Chief Financial Officer is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference indicating that adequate funds are available in the budget and the line item appropriation of the municipal budget to which the contract will be charged as required pursuant to N.J.A.C 5:30-5.4(a)(3)(5).

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Attorney has prepared a contract agreement between the Borough and Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service Inc. for the repair of pool filter tanks for the Palisades Park Municipal Pool, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey that the proposal submitted by Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc. in the amount of \$8,000.00 for the repair pool filter tank for the Palisades Park Municipal Pool be and is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the contract attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference awarding the proposal in the amount of \$8,000.00 between the Borough and Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc. be and is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to Nautilus Swimming Pool Supplies & Service, Inc. upon its passage together with a copy of the contract agreement.

**RESOLUTION 2022-100: Hiring of Pool Employees for the 2022 Pool Season:**

**WHEREAS**, upon the recommendation of the Pool Manager, a need exists for the hiring of pool employees for the 2022 Pool Season from June to September; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the Borough and its residents to hire certified lifeguards to maintain the safety of all pool visitors, secretaries and checkers to manage pool offices and daily operations, and maintenance/custodial workers to ensure the cleanliness of the pool grounds; and

**WHEREAS**, the following list of employees shall be hired and paid in accordance with the salary guide below:

Office:

Rose Lonis \$15.00  
Katie Nascenti \$20.00  
Carrie Nascenti \$20.00

Assistant Managers:

Carolyn Lee \$22.00  
Glenn Pallotta \$22.00

Maintenance/Checkers:

Yazeed Alomar \$13.50  
John DiRenzo \$13.50  
Jovanny Domenici \$13.50  
Michael Gioia \$15.00  
Filipe Texteria \$15.00  
Clorinda Belevan \$15.50  
John Nascenti \$18.00

Head Guards:

Christopher Alvarez \$16  
Linda Calise \$16  
Stephano Hadulis \$16

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Taila Tobey \$16  
Anthony Brian Reyes \$18

Life Guards:  
McKenzie Flynn \$11.50  
Daniel Kim \$11.50  
Jason Lee \$11.50  
Justin Park \$11.50  
Daniel Kim \$11.50  
Luis Rodriguez \$11.50  
Anthony Saric \$11.50  
Sebastian Taveras \$11.50  
Daniel You \$11.50  
Aziz Toumi \$11.50  
Haslin Granados \$12.00  
James McDonagh \$12.00  
Ayana Yugay \$12.00  
Gregory Hadoulis \$13.00  
Justin Ra \$13.00  
Julian Herreria \$14.00  
Zahir Christopher McKnight \$14.00  
Anuar Nysanbayav \$14.00  
Emilia Perez \$14.00  
Lazaro Peyro \$14.00

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the aforementioned pool employees be hired effective immediately for the duration for the 2022 Pool Season from June to September.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to furnish copies of this Resolution to the following:

1. Chief Financial Officer
2. Pool Manager

**RESOLUTION 2022-101: Hiring of Alternate School Crossing Guard (RE: B. Lindquist):**

**WHEREAS**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, upon recommendation from the Officer-in-Charge, have deemed it necessary to hire an Alternate School Crossing Guard; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to hire an Alternate Crossing Guard to assist the people crossing at busy intersections; and

**WHEREAS**, Bettina Lindquist, 80 Center Place, Palisades Park, NJ 07650, has applied for the position of Crossing Guard and is qualified to fill the position; and

**WHEREAS**, Bettina Lindquist will be hired as an Alternate Crossing Guard to be paid at an hourly rate of \$15.00, effective immediately upon the passage of this Resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Bettina Lindquist, 80 Center Place, Palisades Park, NJ 07650, is hereby hired as an Alternate Crossing Guard and shall be paid at an hourly rate of \$15.00, effective immediately upon the passage of this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to furnish copies of this Resolution to the following:

1. Officer-in-Charge
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. Payroll Department
4. Bettina Lindquist

**RESOLUTION 2022-102: Hiring of Alternate School Crossing Guard (RE: F. McNeary):**

**WHEREAS**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, upon recommendation from the Officer-in-Charge, have deemed it necessary to hire an Alternate School Crossing Guard; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the Borough to hire an Alternate Crossing Guard to assist the people crossing at busy intersections; and

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**WHEREAS**, Francis McNeary, 428 Northwood Way, Palisades Park, NJ 07650, has applied for the position of Crossing Guard and is qualified to fill the position; and

**WHEREAS**, Francis McNeary will be hired as an Alternate Crossing Guard to be paid at an hourly rate of \$15.00, effective immediately upon the passage of this Resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Francis McNeary, 428 Northwood Way, Palisades Park, NJ 07650, is hereby hired as an Alternate Crossing Guard and shall be paid at an hourly rate of \$15.00, effective immediately upon the passage of this Resolution.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to furnish copies of this Resolution to the following:

1. Officer-in-Charge
2. Chief Financial Officer
3. Payroll Department
4. Francis McNeary

**RESOLUTION 2022-103: Award of Transportation for 2022 Senior Citizen Trips:**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Clerk's Office has solicited quotes to furnish transportation for four (4) trips for the **2022 Senior Citizen Trips**; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clerk's Office has secured the following quotations:

- |                        |                       |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Air Brook Limousine | \$ 8,850.00 (4 Trips) |
| 2. Matador Tours       | NO QUOTE RECEIVED     |
| 3. Academy Bus         | \$ 5,593.00 (3 Trips) |

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park that, Air Brook Limousine is the one responsible quote; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to prepare a purchase order to Air Brook Limousine, 400 Morris Avenue, Denville, NJ 07834 in an amount not to exceed **\$8,850.00**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to furnish copies of this Resolution to the following:

1. Chief Financial Officer
2. Academy Bus
3. Matador Tours
4. Air Brook Limousine
5. Senior Citizen Coordinator

**RESOLUTION 2022-104: Authorization of Chamber of Commerce to Hold Street Festival:**

**WHEREAS**, the Palisades Park Chamber of Commerce has requested permission to conduct a Spring Street Festival on Broad Ave. from May 19, 2022 thru May 21, 2022 from 10:00 A.M – 8:00 P.M.; and

**WHEREAS**, no materials shall be placed in the public right of way;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that permission to conduct a Spring Street Festival from May 19, 2022 thru May 21, 2022 from 10:00 A.M – 8:00 P.M. be granted; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to furnish copies of this Resolution to the following:

1. Police Department
2. Palisades Park Chamber of Commerce

**RESOLUTION 2022-105: Authorization of the BCUA to Provide Service of a Certified Recycling Professional (CRP):**

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**WHEREAS**, commencing in 2012, New Jersey municipalities were required by the New Jersey Recycling Enhancement Act (“REA”) P.L. 2008, Chapter 6, to have mandatory Annual Recycling Tonnage Reports approved and signed by a Certified Recycling Professional (“CRP”); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq., the Borough of Palisades Park and the Bergen County Utilities Authority (hereinafter the “BCUA”) are authorized and permitted to enter into a Service Agreement without competitive bidding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough and the BCUA are desirous of entering into a Service Agreement for retaining and providing the CRP services of the BCUA; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney have reviewed the Service Agreement between the Borough and the BCUA, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and recommend the approval of same.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the Service Agreement between the Borough and the Bergen County Utilities Authority, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference to provide a Certified Recycling Professional to prepare the annual recycling tonnage report, be and is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached Service Agreement on behalf of the Borough; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Bergen County Utilities Authority immediately upon its passage.

**RESOLUTION 2022-106: Authorization of Shared Service Agreement with County of Bergen (RE: Animal Control Service):**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of County Commissioners Resolution #1014-21 adopted on December 1, 2021 authorizes the County’s shared services to participating municipalities to assist them with their public health obligations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Palisades Park seeks to enter into a Shared Services Agreement with the Bergen County Department of Health Services for Animal Control Services and Feral Cat Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the term of the Shared Services Agreement shall be from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 at a cost of \$29,825.44 for said term; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney have reviewed the Shared Services Agreement between the Borough and the County of Bergen, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and recommend the approval of same.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the Shared Services Agreement between the Borough of Palisades Park and the Bergen County Department of Health Services for Animal Control Services and Feral Cat Services attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, be and is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Shared Services Agreement shall be for the term January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 at a cost of \$29,825.44 for said term; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Shared Services Agreement with the Bergen County Department of Health Services attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference on behalf of the Borough; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution together with the signed Shared Services Agreement to the Bergen County Department of Health Services immediately upon its passage.

**RESOLUTION 2022-107: Authorization of Payment for High School Prom Bus:**

**WHEREAS**, the Palisades Park graduating Class of 2022 will have a High School Pre-Prom at the Palisades Park Municipal Pool Complex; and

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**WHEREAS**, buses are required to get them from the Palisades Park Municipal Pool Complex to the Prom, which is scheduled to take place at Biagio's Restaurant; and

**WHEREAS**, Academy Bus of 111 Paterson Ave, Hoboken, NJ 07030 has forwarded Contract #2008337 for two (2) 54 Lav Vid buses for use on Wednesday, June 8, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, the cost per bus will be \$975.00 and the total for two (2) buses will be \$2,100.00; and

**WHEREAS**, Mary DeBlasio from the Palisades Park High School has reviewed Contract #1968024 attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and recommend the approval of same.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the Contract submitted by Academy Bus of 111 Paterson Ave, Hoboken, NJ 07030 for the use of two (2) 54 Lav Vid buses for the total of \$2,100.00 be and is hereby approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Clerk be directed to provide a copy of this resolution to the following:

1. Chief Financial Officer
2. Academy Bus
3. Mary DeBlasio

**RESOLUTION 2022-108: Authorization of Additional Measures and Recommendations of the Special Counsel:**

**WHEREAS**, on March 2, 2021, the State of New Jersey Office of the State Comptroller, issued an Investigative Report ("Comptroller's Report") identifying areas of concern regarding the fiscal operations of the Borough and certain contract provisions; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the Comptroller's Report, the Governing Body formed an Oversight Committee and appointed Cleary, Giacobbe, Alfieri & Jacobs as Special Counsel to verify the information in the report, determine whether there was any criminality and issue recommendations to address the issues identified in the Comptroller's Report; and

**WHEREAS**, in a report dated October 2, 2021, Special Counsel made several recommendations to address the findings of the Comptroller's Report; and

**WHEREAS**, after review of the Special Counsel's Report, the Governing Body has taken the following corrective actions, which were approved by Resolutions 2021-98, 2021-97, 2021-99, 2021-93, and 2021-96:

- (a) Adoption of new Practices and Procedures for the payments of goods and services.
- (b) The reorganization of the Finance Office.
- (c) The cancellation of gas cards and car allowances for private vehicles.
- (d) A revised Indemnification and Hold Harmless for municipal officials and employees.
- (e) Adoption of a Reimbursement Policy;
- (f) Review of all contracts and policies; and
- (g) Appointment of Special Counsel.

**WHEREAS**, based upon the Comptroller's Report and the recommendations of Special Counsel, the Oversight Committee recommends that the governing body fully accept and implement the following, specifically with respect to Chapter V of the State Comptroller's Report, entitled "Recommendations and Referrals," and Sections 1-20 of the Special Counsel's Report:

- (a) Contract provisions inconsistent with State statutes be amended for the following: Teamsters Local 97 Blue Collar, PBA, Borough Administrator, Borough Clerk and Superintendent of Public Works.
- (b) The Borough Attorney issue a directive from the Governing Body that the payout of unused sick days shall comply with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-10.4 and N.J.S.A. 40A:9-10.2.
- (c) The Borough shall seek reimbursement from all Borough employees who received payouts for unused sick days contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:9-10.4 and N.J.S.A. 40A:9-10.2.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that the Governing Body hereby accepts and approves the additional measures and all recommendations of the Special Counsel and State Comptroller's report as follows:

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(a) Contract provisions inconsistent with State statutes as identified by the State Comptroller's Report and Special Counsel be amended for the following: Teamsters Local 97 Blue Collar, PBA, Borough Administrator, Borough Clerk and Superintendent of Public Works.

(b) The Borough Attorney issue a directive from the Governing Body that the payout of unused sick days shall comply with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-10.4 and N.J.S.A. 40A:9-10.2.

(c) The Borough shall recoup all funds from all Borough employees who received payouts for unused sick days contrary to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:9-10.4 and N.J.S.A. 40A:9-10.2.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Attorney and Special Counsel be and are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to implement the additional measures as referenced herein; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the Borough Attorney and Special Counsel upon its passage.

**RESOLUTION 2022-109: Authorization to Change Roff Ave into One-Way Street (RE: Southbound from E. Palisades Blvd. to E. Ruby Ave):**

**WHEREAS**, Rocciola Engineering with offices located at 8 Elizabeth Ave, Pompton Plains, NJ 07444 submitted a report regarding one-way streets to address traffic impacts related to congestion; and

**WHEREAS**, the report suggested changing sections of Roff Ave and Ruby Ave to one-way streets to eliminate two significant sources of by-pass traffic flows caused by the congestion at the Route 46, Columbia Ave, and Broad Ave signal.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that Roff Ave be changed to a one-way street Southbound from E. Palisades Blvd to E. Ruby Ave.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the following:

1. Superintendent of the Department of Public Works
2. Police Department
3. Fire Department

Councilwoman Jang asked a question regarding the contract for the pool services. The Borough Administrator answered that the difference in pricing between the two companies who submitted proposals was that one company included painting of the pool.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera

Seconded By Councilperson: Kim

**To Adopt Consent Agenda Resolutions #2022-93 thru #2022-109**

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
"	Kim	Yes
"	Min	Yes
"	Park	Yes
"	Pirrera	Yes
"	Vietri	Yes

**Councilwoman Jang made a motion to release the Special Counsel Report submitted by Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC, with redactions, to the public. Councilman Min seconded.**

Motion Made By Councilperson: Jang

Seconded By Councilperson: Min

**To Release the Special Counsel Report Submitted by Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC, with Redactions, to the Public**

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
"	Kim	Yes
"	Min	Yes
"	Park	Yes
"	Pirrera	Yes



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“ Vietri Yes

**Councilwoman Jang made a motion to table Resolution #2022-90, Authorization of Revisions and Amendments to the Parking Permit System and form a Parking Committee.**

Motion Made By Councilperson: Jang  
 Seconded By Councilperson: Min

**To Table Resolution #2022-90, Authorization of Revisions and Amendments to the Parking Permit System, and Form a Parking Committee**

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
“	Kim	Yes
“	Min	Yes
“	Park	Yes
“	Pirrerera	Yes
“	Vietri	Yes

Mr. Lorenzo told Councilman Park and Councilman Min to request the information they need from the Parking Authority. Mr. Schettino said that the changes will be reviewed with the Borough Administrator and subsequently sent to the Borough Attorney.

Councilwoman Jang stated that she requested the contracts for the three Police Consultants and did not receive the requested information for two weeks. She asked about the duration of the Consultants’ contracts. Councilman Vietri recommended that the Police Consultants be hired for two more years as the Police Department was very young, and the Consultants have over 100 years of experience. Mr. Lorenzo recommended that Councilwoman Jang meet with the Police Committee to discuss her questions about the Police Consultants.

Councilman Min read an article about Estrada-Garcia’s escape from the Police Department. Councilman Vietri said that an internal investigation was being done regarding this matter.

**OFF CONSENT:**

**RESOLUTION 2022-110: Authorization of Appropriation Transfers:**

**RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, that the Tax Collector-Treasurer shall and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers as per instructions from the Chief Financial Officer as follows:

		2022		2022
	Account #	Appropriation Reserve From:		Appropriation Reserve To:
Group Insurance	01-2030-23-2202	\$72,717.88		
Police S & W	01-2030-25-2401	\$66,571.78		
Website Maintenance	01-2030-20-1401	\$9,800.00		
Legal O/E	01-2030-20-1551	\$53,366.72		
Financial Admin O/E	01-2030-20-1302	\$4,949.00		
Building Inspector S/W	01-2030-22-1961	\$4,761.99		
Inspection of Building O/E	01-2030-22-1962	\$7,611.00		
Purchase of Police	01-2030-25-2432	\$42,132.97		
Emergency Mgt O/E	01-2030-25-2522	\$16,491.43		
Fire - Clothing Allowance	01-2030-25-2662	\$24,755.00		
Streets & Roads O/E	01-2030-26-2902	\$15,680.75		
Building & Grounds O/E	01-2030-26-3102	\$41,412.12		
Tax Appeal	01-2030-20-1453			\$23,962.00
Other Insurance Premium	01-2030-23-2102			\$178,871.25
Grants Person	01-2030-30-4262			\$2,430.00
Unclass. Nat'l Gas O/E	01-2030-31-4462			\$1,283.11

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BCUA Service Cont.	01-2030-32-4656	\$103,601.84
Municipal Court O/E	01-2030-43-4902	\$38,102.44
Trash Removal - Contrac.	01-2030-26-3052	\$12,000.00
-	-	-
		\$360,250.64
		\$360,250.64

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera  
 Seconded By Councilperson: Min  
**To Adopt Off Consent Agenda Resolution #2022-110**

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
"	Kim	Yes
"	Min	Yes
"	Park	Yes
"	Pirrera	Yes
"	Vietri	Yes

Mr. Lorenzo recommended that the Mayor and Council take a look at the introduced budget and make recommendations, if any, before the budget adoption.

**RESOLUTION 2022-111: Introduction of 2022 Municipal Budget:**  
**INTRODUCTION OF MUNICIPAL BUDGET OF THE**  
**BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK, NEW JERSEY**  
**COUNTY OF BERGEN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year **2022**; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that said Budget be published in The Record, in the issue of **March 30, 2022**;

The Governing Body of the Borough of Palisades Park does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the Year **2022**:

**Revenue and Appropriation Summaries**

Summary of Revenues	Anticipated	
	2022	2021
<b>1. Surplus</b>	<b>3,190,000.00</b>	<b>3,490,000.00</b>
<b>2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues</b>	<b>3,849,418.62</b>	<b>3,689,712.97</b>
<b>3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes</b>	<b>675,000.00</b>	<b>800,000.00</b>
<b>4. a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes</b>	<b>17,989,567.00</b>	<b>17,231,430.45</b>
<b>b) Addition to Local District School Tax</b>		
<b>c) Minimum Library Tax</b>	<b>1,263,835.00</b>	<b>1,109,566.00</b>
<b>Tot Amt to be Rsd by Taxes for Sup of Mun. Bud</b>	<b>19,253,402.00</b>	<b>18,340,996.45</b>
<b>Total General Revenues</b>	<b>26,967,820.62</b>	<b>26,320,709.42</b>
Summary of Appropriations	2022 Budget	Final 2021 Budget
<b>1. Operating Expenses: Salaries &amp; Wages</b>	<b>9,546,550.00</b>	<b>8,743,182.00</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>	<b>11,812,341.62</b>	<b>11,572,112.42</b>
<b>2. Deferred Charges &amp; Other Appropriations</b>	<b>3,053,929.00</b>	<b>3,450,415.00</b>
<b>3. Capital Improvements</b>	<b>100,000.00</b>	<b>100,000.00</b>
<b>4. Debt Service (Include for School Purposes)</b>	<b>1,255,000.00</b>	<b>1,255,000.00</b>
<b>5. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes</b>	<b>1,200,000.00</b>	<b>1,200,000.00</b>

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<b>Total General Appropriations</b>	<b>26,967,820.62</b>	<b>26,320,709.42</b>
<b>Total Number of Employees</b>		

<b>2022 Dedicated Swim Pool Utility Budget</b>		
Summary of Revenues	Anticipated	
	2022	2021
<b>1. Surplus</b>	<b>172,800.00</b>	
<b>2. Miscellaneous Revenues</b>	<b>351,900.00</b>	<b>560,735.00</b>
<b>3. Deficit (General Budget)</b>	<b>36,035.00</b>	
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>560,735.00</b>	<b>560,735.00</b>
Summary of Appropriations	2022 Budget	Final 2021 Budget
<b>1. Operating Expenses: Salaries &amp; Wages</b>	<b>320,000.00</b>	<b>320,000.00</b>
<b>Other Expenses</b>	<b>200,000.00</b>	<b>200,000.00</b>
<b>2. Capital Improvements</b>		
<b>3. Debt Service</b>	<b>40,735.00</b>	<b>40,735.00</b>
<b>4. Deferred Charges &amp; Other Appropriations</b>		
<b>5. Surplus (General Budget)</b>		
<b>Total Appropriations</b>	<b>560,735.00</b>	<b>560,735.00</b>
<b>Total Number of Employees</b>		

<b>Balance of Outstanding Debt</b>		
	General	Utility - Other
<b>Interest</b>	<b>265,000.00</b>	
<b>Principal</b>	<b>930,000.00</b>	
<b>Outstanding Balance</b>	<b>7,840,000.00</b>	

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen, on **March 22, 2022**.

A hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at Borough Hall on **April 26, 2022 at 5:00 P.M.**, at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2021 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Copies of the Budget are available in the office of Gina Kim, Borough Clerk, at the Municipal Building, 275 Broad Avenue, Palisades Park, New Jersey, Phone #201-585-4100 during the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera  
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang  
**To Adopt Off Consent Agenda Resolution #2022-111**

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
"	Kim	Yes
"	Min	Yes
"	Park	Yes
"	Pirrera	Yes
"	Vietri	Yes

**RESOLUTION 2022-112: Authorization of Increase in Deferred School Taxes for Local School Taxes:**  
**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INCREASE IN DEFERRED SCHOOL TAXES FOR LOCAL SCHOOL TAXES**

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**WHEREAS**, the Division of Local Government Services requires that the Governing Body of any municipality which has Deferred School Taxes must authorize any increase in the deferral of any additional amounts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body has decided that an increase in Deferred School Taxes is in the best interest of the Borough at this time,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park that the following Deferred School Taxes be hereby increased for the year ended **December 31, 2021** as follows:

	<u>Deferred Local School Taxes</u>
Amount Deferred 12/31/21	\$ 12,425,044.00
Amount Deferred 12/31/20	\$ 12,009,303.98

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Min  
Seconded By Councilperson: Pirrera  
**To Adopt Off Consent Agenda Resolution #2022-112**

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
"	Kim	Yes
"	Min	Yes
"	Park	Yes
"	Pirrera	Yes
"	Vietri	Yes

**RESOLUTION 2022-113: Authorization of Compliance with the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Enforcement Guidance:**

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S "ENFORCEMENT GUIDANCE ON THE CONSIDERATION OF ARREST AND CONVICTION RECORDS IN EMPLOYMENT DECISIONS UNDER TITLE VII OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964"**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c. 183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964," *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

**WHEREAS**, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit's hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual's criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Governing Body of the Borough of Palisades Park, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L. 2017, c. 183, by certifying that the local unit's hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to show evidence of said compliance.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 22, 2022.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Kim  
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang  
**To Adopt Off Consent Agenda Resolution #2022-113**

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**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
“	Kim	Yes
“	Min	Yes
“	Park	Yes
“	Pirrera	Yes
“	Vietri	Yes

**RESOLUTION 2022-114: Authorization of Award of Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services and Recycling Collection and Disposal Services for Term of 5 Years (RE: Westphal Waste Services):**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Palisades Park advertised for bids for Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Services and Disposal Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough received the following bids: (a) Recycle Track Systems, LLC (b) Recycle Track Systems, LLC (Alternate Bids inclusive of tipping; and (c) Westphal Waste Services; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Clerk and Borough Attorney have reviewed the bids submitted and have determined that bid received by Westphal Waste Services represents the lowest responsible bidder; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Attorney has prepared a contract agreement between the Borough and Westphal Waste Services for a term of five (5) years for Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services in the amount of \$3,972,200.00, together with an Alternate Bid Inclusive of Tipping in the amount of \$7,999,000.00 and for Recycling Collection and Disposal Services in the amount of \$2,032,500.00, together with an Alternate Bid Inclusive of Tipping in the amount of \$2,649,000.00, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that the funds are available for the award of this contract as referenced in the certification attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the bid submitted by Westphal Waste Services for a term of five (5) years for Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services in the amount of \$3,972,200.00 together with an Alternate Bid Inclusive of Tipping in the amount of \$7,999,000.00 and for Recycling Collection and Disposal Services in the amount of \$2,032,500.00, together with an Alternate Bid Inclusive of Tipping in the amount of \$2,649,000.00 a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, be and is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the contract attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference awarding the bid between the Borough and Westphal Waste Services be and is hereby approved; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the contract agreement with Westphal Waste Services on behalf of the Borough; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution together with a copy of the contract agreement to Westphal Waste Services upon its passage.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera  
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang  
**To Adopt Off Consent Agenda Resolution #2022-114**

**ROLL CALL:**

Councilperson	Jang	Yes
“	Kim	Yes
“	Min	Yes
“	Park	Yes
“	Pirrera	Yes
“	Vietri	Yes

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE:**

**ORDINANCE 2022-2: Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank for Calendar Year 2022:**

**BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**ORDINANCE #2022-2**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2022  
ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS  
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK  
(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.50% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council of the Borough of Palisades Park in the County of Bergen finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2022 budget by up to 1.00% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 1.00% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$187,364.13 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2022 budget year, the final appropriations of Borough of Palisades Park shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.50%, amounting to \$655,774.46, and that the CY 2022 municipal budget for the Borough of Palisades Park be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera

Seconded By Councilperson: Vietri

**To Introduce Ordinance #2022-2**

**All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that **Ordinance #2022-2** was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Mayor & Council, held on **March 22, 2022** and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance(s) will be considered for final reading and adoption at a meeting held on **April 26, 2022** at 5:00 PM, in the Council Chambers, at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance(s).

A copy of the Ordinance(s) will be posted on the Bulletin Board in the Borough Hall and will be available at the Office of the Borough Clerk.

Councilwoman Jang had a question about Ordinance #2022-1. She wanted to make sure that Section A was still a part of the Ordinance. Mr. Lorenzo stated that it was.

**2<sup>nd</sup> READING/PUBLIC HEARING:**

**ORDINANCE 2022-1: Amendment of Chapter 12 Entitled “Claims, Payment Of”:**

**BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**ORDINANCE #2022-1**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF  
PALISADES PARK ENTITLED “CLAIMS, PAYMENT OF”.**

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that those portions of the aforesaid set forth below are hereby amended as follows and that those portions of the Ordinance not set forth below shall remain unchanged:

**Ch.12. Claims, Payment of**

**Sec. 12-1 Certification prior to payment.**

The Borough of Palisades Park, by its governing body, shall not pay out any of its money;

B. Unless it carries a written order or electronic certification of a Department Head or duly designated employee of the local unit and the Chief Financial Officer having knowledge of the facts that the goods have been received by, or the services rendered, to the local unit.

C. As to services rendered by professionals, unless the Borough Administrator and the Chief Financial Officer having knowledge of the facts that the goods have been received by, or the services rendered, to the local unit.

D. As to invoices submitted by the Borough Administrator, unless the Borough Clerk and the Chief Financial Officer having knowledge of the fact that the goods have been received by, or the services rendered, to the local unit.

If any section, sentence or other part of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, but shall be confirmed in its effect to the section, sentence or other part of this Ordinance directly involved in the controversy which such judgment shall be rendered.

All Ordinances of the Borough of Palisades Park which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Jang  
Seconded By Councilperson: Pirrera  
**To Open Ordinance #2022-1 to Public**

**All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Susan Brauer (50 Henry Ave) – Spoke about saving money on the garbage contract. She stated that the visitor pass program was not working. She asked that the Mayor and Council consider a parking program that identifies illegal tenants.

**A vote was not taken to close and adopt Ordinance #2022-1.**

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilman Park – Stated that he received the DPW report, and he believed he was being attacked by the letter. The letter was addressed to the Mayor and Council, but the report was only sent to Mr. Park because he is in charge of the DPW. The letter was written on the paper of Austin J. Ashley. Mr. Lorenzo wanted clarification as to whether he neglected something as the Borough Administrator. Mr. Park said no. He said that he could not illustrate or cannot tell all of the facts written in the report. He stated that the things stated in the report blamed Mr. Park or stated that it was caused by Mr. Park. Mr. Lorenzo explained that what was given to Mr. Park was a monthly report of the DPW, and Mr. Ashley was giving a report of items that needed to be addressed by the Mayor and Council. Mr. Park stated that all of the items needed to be handled by business side. Mr. Lorenzo clarified that Mr. Ashley was asking if Mr. Park was in agreement with him because the Borough would have to appropriate money to address the items written in Mr. Ashley’s report. Mr. Park asked if he should read the report. Mr. Ashley was seeking

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equipment to purchase. Mr. Park said that he did not have the data yet to decide on anything. Mr. Lorenzo stated that Mr. Park now had the information, and this was not something that could be done overnight. This would have to be planned in advance, and Mr. Ashley had written the report to include Mr. Park in the planning process. Mr. Park wanted to know why the report was just addressed to Mr. Park only. Mr. Lorenzo stated that he knew Mr. Ashley wrote an annual report with suggestions that are needed for equipment going forward. The report was forwarded to Mr. Park as he was the DPW liaison. The entire Governing Body would have to make a decision whether to buy the equipment or not. Mr. Park stated that he only got the report on Friday. Mr. Lorenzo stated that it did not matter when he got the report as it was for the future.

Councilman Vietri – Spoke about the File for Life, which was coordinated with the Health Official, the Office of Emergency Management and the Bergen County Housing Authority. This was to record important medical information of the seniors and to have a package which would be accessible for EMTs and Police in case of emergencies. He commended Councilman Paul Kim and Alex Monteleone (OEM) for their leadership and the Board of Education President Jason Kim for his support of this lifesaving program. With reference to the PD, over the past several months, the PD has been in the newspaper. Residents should understand that the Attorney General will not come in and take over the Police Department. The Bergen County Prosecutor's Office will also not come in because there has been no criminal acts in the Police Department. He urged the public not to believe everything in the newspapers. The Mayor and Council had hired three police consultants who had over 100 years of experience. The consultants were there to help the Police Department because the officers were so young. Councilman Vietri said the PD was doing a great job.

Councilman Kim – Wanted to know why Resolutions were adopted and retracted in front of the public time and time again. The residents were confused and upset because the leadership was changing the decisions after the Resolutions have been passed. He spoke about the parking permit refunds and the Roff Ave one-way reversal change. This was due to poor management and poor governing.

Councilwoman Pirrera – Spoke that as the liaison to the pool, she waits for the Pool Manager to give her an annual report. She said it was common practice for whoever was in charge of that area to recommend to the Council liaison. She stated that Mr. Park has not done anything wrong so the annual report was not a direct insult to him. Councilwoman Pirrera thanked Karen Nascenti for trying to be cost effective with the pool. There would have to be small increases at the pool this year. Hopefully there would be better membership at the pool this year, and it would be a successful season.

Councilwoman Jang – Agreed with Councilman Kim that it was sad to go back and forth with the agenda. She stated it was because they had to make it perfect from the beginning. From now on, she said she would only say "yes" to items that are ready to go. She agreed with Susan Brauer that there were many illegal residents in town. That was why there were many problems at the schools.

Councilman Min – Commented that he was sorry for revisiting the parking permit program again, but if anyone had any ideas or suggestions about the parking, they could email him directly.

Officer-in-Charge, Captain Shawn Lee, spoke about several matters. On March 6<sup>th</sup>, the detectives from the PPPD assisted the US Marshals with apprehending Adilson Estrada-Garcia. On March 10<sup>th</sup>, Adilson Estrada-Garcia was transported back to NJ where he was sent to the Bergen County Jail. The PD was still investigating this matter. On March 9<sup>th</sup>, officers responded to a call of a suspicious person attempting to gain entry into an unoccupied vehicle. The resident alerted police right away. The suspect was eventually apprehended and charged. The PD has partnered with the Ring app to be alerted and share safety information with residents. The service application would be free to all residents of Palisades Park. Beginning April 1<sup>st</sup>, the PD will be conducting a distracted driving enforcement campaign. He said that he is available to anyone who has any comments or concerns about the PD.

Mayor Chung stated that it was a shame that Councilman Kim was using the meeting as his political platform. The Mayor said that this form of government was a weak mayor and strong council. He said that he did not vote. As far as introducing the parking ordinance, it was done by past Councilman Jongchul Lee.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera  
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang  
**To Open Meeting to the Public**

**All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.**



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**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Youngmin Jung – Appreciated the active passion of the Governing Body. He read an excerpt from the Record newspaper regarding the sick leave payouts. He wanted to see the Special Counsel's report regarding the sick time payout.

Marsha Schor – Asked about the Street Fair Festival. She said that it was more of a sidewalk sale.

Susan Brauer – Asked about the cap levy. Mr. Lorenzo answered it was 2.5%. She asked that people stop bringing up the State Comptroller Report for the sake of the town.

Neris Papoters – Said she as a resident had the right to see and know about the Special Counsel's report.

Youbong Won-Yoon – Said that the Work Session took two hours, which was why it should be held on a separate day. She asked why the Bond Anticipation Notes were needed.

Thomas Yook – Said that his questions were not answered. The Mayor and Mr. Lorenzo clarified that they addressed the issues he had raised.

Soo Chung – Said that car accidents had been recurring in the area where she lives. She asked about the emergency construction done at E. Central Blvd.

James Ryu (43 Henry Ave) – Spoke through the Borough translator. He said that he appreciated the information that was discussed and shared at the meeting. He asked about the increase of tax money. He wanted to know why it took the Mayor a year to take action regarding the State Comptroller report. He wanted to know if the Mayor was taking action for political reasons for not being nominated as the Mayoral candidate of the Democratic Party, and if so, this would be a problem. If something was done wrong, someone must be held responsible and should be reversed, even now. He wanted to know who signs off on the employment contracts. He said that whoever signed the contract should be held responsible. There was an incredible loss of money because no one was taking responsible.

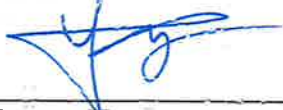
Mr. Lorenzo proceeded to answer the question from Mr. Jung. The Special Counsel report would be released with redactions. Mr. Lorenzo said that the Street Festival could be called by another name, but this was the way it was submitted to the Borough. He answered Ms. Chung's question with regard to the repairs done at E. Central Blvd. There was a meeting with the County. In order to be paid by the County, the Borough would have to sue them. The County said that they would come back to make more improvements. The Mayor addressed Mr. Ryu's question and said that he was taking some responsibility. When the Comptroller's Report first came out, they had to do due diligence and refer to the Special Attorney to come up with corrective action.

Motion Made By Councilperson:       Min  
Seconded By Councilperson:       Pirrera  
**To Close Public Portion and Adjourn the Regular Meeting**

**All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.**

Meeting adjourned.

Attest:



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**Sophia H. Jang, RMC**  
**Deputy Borough Clerk**