### Mayor Chong Paul Kim opened the Regular Meeting.

#### **STATEMENT:**

This is a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council, and notice was given as follows:

- 1. Notice was filed August 18, 2023 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.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Mayor	Kim	Present
Councilperson	Jang	Absent
46	Kim	Absent
66	Min	Present
66	Park	Present
46	Pirrera	Absent
66	Vietri	Present

Borough Attorney

Michael Collins, Esq.

Present

Borough Administrator David Lorenzo

Present

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

RESOLUTION 2023-213 Authorization to Enter Executive Session

After the Executive Session, the Mayor and Council returned to the dais and Councilman Min made a motion to close the Executive Session and reopen the Regular Meeting. Councilwoman Jang seconded. All present in favor by voice vote; none opposed.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

RESOLUTION 2023-214 Claims

RESOLUTION 2023-215 Authorization of Chapter 159 Insertion of Revenue and Appropriation in the 2023

Budget - Opioid Settlement Grant

RESOLUTION 2023-216 Authorization of Chapter 159 Insertion of Revenue and Appropriation in the 2023

Budget - Stop for Pedestrian Multi Officer Decoy Program Grant

RESOLUTION 2023-217 Authorization of Borough Clerk to Advertise for RFQ's (RE: Professional Service:

RESOLUTION 2023-218 Authorization of Award of Contract (RE: 12 Bellview Place)
RESOLUTION 2023-219 Rejection of Bids (RE: Broad Avenue Streetscape Project)
RESOLUTION 2023-220 Authorization of Award of Contract to Edmunds Govtech

RESOLUTION 2023-221 Authorization to Advertise RFQ's (RE: Borough Auditor)

RESOLUTION 2023-222 Cancellation of Bond Ordinance #2023-6 in the Amount of \$300,000

The Mayor stated that the Borough Administrator and the Borough Clerk were not available, but they could continue with the meeting with the Borough Attorney acting as the Clerk and also as the Attorney.

On the Consent Agenda were Resolutions #2023-214 thru #2023-222. The Mayor asked if the Council had any questions. Councilman Min stated that he wanted to pull #2023-218 and #2023-221 and move them to the Off Consent Agenda. The Mayor stated that he would like to talk about the rejection of the bids for the Broad Ave Streetscape Project. He moved #2023-219 to the Off Consent Agenda. Councilwoman Jang asked about the cancellation of the bond ordinance. She requested to move #2023-222 to the Off Consent Agenda.

The Mayor spoke about Simoff Engineering firm, who was the Traffic Engineer for the Zoning Board. Mr. Simoff was requesting how he would be reimbursed while helping the Borough with the Builder's Remedy litigation. The Zoning Board had a budget, and the Board was also being legally pursued. Mr. Collins stated that with regard to payment, the Borough Administrator would have to speak to whether or not there were sufficient funds on the Zoning Board side to pay the bills; if not, proper appropriations would have to be made on the Governing Body side. The Mayor stated that a Special Meeting may have to be held.

Councilwoman Jang made a motion to adopt Consent Agenda Resolutions #2023-214 thru #2023-222, with the exception of the Resolutions moved to the Off Consent Agenda. Councilman Min seconded. The motion carried on a roll call vote and was recorded as follows:

Councilwoman Jang:

Yes

Councilman Kim:

Absent Yes

Councilman Min: Councilman Park:

Yes

Councilwoman Pirrera: Yes Councilman Vietri: Yes

#### **OFF CONSENT AGENDA:**

RESOLUTION 2023-218 Authorization of Award of Contract (RE: 12 Bellview Place)

Mr. Collins stated that Resolution was not transmitted to the Council because it was pending the Borough Engineer's response. He stated that his recommendation was to award to the second lowest bidder subject to final confirmation of the credentials by the Borough Engineer. The Council could wait to adopt the Resolution on another date. The Mayor asked why the lowest bidder was disqualified. Mr. Collins stated that they lacked a registration with the State. Councilwoman Jang stated that they did not have any detailed information. Mr. Collins stated that the action was pending, and there needed to be concurrence from the Borough Engineer. Councilwoman Jang stated that she understood the award could not be made to the lowest bidder, but she still wanted to know the scope of the award to the second lowest bidder.

The Mayor stated that this was an RFP and by the open, fair hiring laws of New Jersey, they were supposed to get the lowest bidder. With that there were proper procedures starting from creating and advertising the bid. Within that bid, there should be a form that states that bidders need to show proof that they are qualified. The Mayor asked who was responsible for the RFP. Mr. Collins stated that the construction contract was typically reviewed by the Borough Engineer. The Borough Engineer did conduct that review and issued an initial review letter advising about the issues with the low bidder, which were sent to the Borough Attorney's office. The Borough Engineer was asked to do a review of the second low bid, which was pending. The Mayor wanted to know if the Borough Engineer was prepared to accept the bids according to the fair and open hiring practices of the State of New Jersey. He requested to see copies of the RFP's. The Mayor asked who the designee was. Mr. Collins answered that the Administrator designates someone to act in his stead. The Mayor asked if the Borough Administrator felt that he was not responsible for it, why was his name included in the RFP's and RFQ's, and was this standard protocol. Mr. Collins said that the Borough Administrator was established by Ordinance to handle the day-to-day functions unless someone else was designated to be in charge of the RFP's. The Mayor stated that the Council does not know who is designated. The Mayor stated even though the Borough Administrator designates to a designee, whether it be the Borough Engineer or whatnot, he should still make sure that the proper procedures were met. Mr. Collins said this sounded reasonable.

Mr. Collins stated that if the Council wished to table the Resolution, he would make sure to let the Engineer know needs to be figured out between now and the next meeting. The Mayor stated that it would be best to table Resolution #2023-218. The Mayor requested to see a copy of the RFP of the second lowest bidder as well.

Councilman Min made the motion to table Resolution #2023-218. Councilwoman Jang seconded. The motion carried on a roll call vote and was recorded as follows:

Councilwoman Jang: Yes
Councilman Kim: Absent
Councilman Min: Yes
Councilman Park: Yes
Councilwoman Pirrera: Abstain
Councilman Vietri: Abstain

#### **OFF CONSENT AGENDA:**

RESOLUTION 2023-219 Rejection of Bids (RE: Broad Avenue Streetscape Project)

Councilwoman Jang said that she felt the need to make the street beautiful, but right now, if they spent that much money on two streets, it could wait. She wanted to reject the bid.

Mayor Kim added that the Borough Administrator or Borough Clerk or the Engineer as the designee, provide a copy of the RFQ for the Broad Ave Streetscape project. There was only one bid and he wanted to see every process that was taken to make this into an RFQ to let the public know. He wanted to know who was contacted, and who bid. here was only one bid. He asked if this had to be advertised - the RFQ? Mr. Collins stated that he thought this was a construction contract, and it would be advertised. The Mayor said he would like to see the advertisement as well. He wanted to know who was in charge of making sure this was advertised properly, and he wanted to see a copy of the RFQ because there were proper procedures stated by New Jersey State Statute.

Councilwoman Jang made the motion to adopt Resolution #2023-219. Councilwoman Pirrera seconded. The motion carried on a roll call vote and was recorded as follows:

Councilwoman Jang: Yes

Councilman Kim: Absent
Councilman Min: Yes
Councilman Park: Yes
Councilwoman Pirrera: Yes
Councilman Vietri: Yes

#### **OFF CONSENT AGENDA:**

RESOLUTION 2023-221 Authorization to Advertise RFQ's (RE: Borough Auditor)

Councilman Min stated that this advertisement of RFQ to hire a Borough Auditor to look into the bon tissue that he had brought up in August. He said that at the last meeting, Councilman Min was not too specific about the Resolution. Councilman Min was asked to email Mr. Moench the details of the Resolution. He wanted to amend to actually hire a Special Professional Service - auditor to look into 7 different matters. Name would be Paul Garbarini. The Auditor would be looking into 1.) 2022 audit finding and assistance with implementation of the corrective action plan. Councilman Min stated that he looked on the website and he did not see the 2022 audit. 2.) bodyworn camera grant and the related capital ordinance and improvement authorization 3.) capital program as defined by NJ State Statute. Meeting of the moving tier plan and schedule of the capital projects including prospective financing sources 4.) capital cash reconciliation to bank and cash investment 5.) list of capital ordinances that are still to be canceled by Resolution 6.) debt service schedule plan for payment of debt 7.) unfunded balances over 5 years that need to be budgeted DLGS. With that scope of work, Councilman Min made a motion to appoint the Special Auditor to work on this workable scope. Mayor Kim stated that this was a professional services agreement where there was a cap of \$17,500. Councilwoman Pirrera asked Councilman Min to define what a Special Auditor was. She reiterated that this was a regular auditor.

Councilman Min made the motion to adopt Resolution #2023-221. Councilwoman Jang seconded. Councilman Min stated that the professional services needed to be under \$17,500.00. The fees for the agreed upon engagement would be at a rate of \$200.00 per hour. The motion carried on a roll call vote and was recorded as follows:

Councilwoman Jang: Yes
Councilman Kim: Absent
Councilman Min: Yes
Councilman Park: Yes
Councilwoman Pirrera: No
Councilman Vietri: No

Councilman Vietri stated that he would like to look into this further along with other items. Mayor Kim stated that they haven't spent a dime because nothing has been executed yet. Councilman Min stated that he would forward the proposal to everyone in an email. Councilman Min asked if they had to sign the disclosure form. Mr. Collins answered no since it was capped at 17,500. Mayor Kim stated that they were told at last month's meeting by Mr. Moench, BA, and CFO that the contribution form was required by the Borough of Palisades Park. The form would be sent to the firm. Councilwoman Jang asked how fast they could start working. The Mayor said that they did not have to go through RFQs or RFPs.

## **OFF CONSENT AGENDA:**

RESOLUTION 2023-222 Cancellation of Bond Ordinance #2023-6 in the Amount of \$300,000

Mr. Collins stated that it was determined that the bond was issued but ultimately not utilized for the specified purpose so a subsequent bond was issued and this action would cancel the bond that was originally issued as a housekeeping matter. The debt was not issued. The bond was tied to the State DOT Broad Ave Streetscape project. The Mayor asked if the money was transferred already. It was not.

Councilwoman Jang made the motion to adopt Resolution #2023-222. Councilwoman Pirrera seconded. The motion carried on a roll call vote and was recorded as follows:

Councilwoman Jang: Yes
Councilman Kim: Absent
Councilman Min: Yes
Councilman Park: Yes
Councilwoman Pirrera: Yes
Councilman Vietri: Yes

The Mayor added that the Attorney could do a one-on-one Executive Session regarding this matter but they did Resolution 2023-209 and it was through an RFP. The Mayor realized that the Resolution directs the BA or designee to request for proposals. He felt as though there were a conflict of interest. Instead of

doing an RFP concerning the Mayor's... The Mayor stated that he would need to speak to Mr. Collins privately.

Councilman Min asked if they would be using the same number regarding Resolution #2023-221. The answer was yes.

The Mayor had a complaint with a grievance with one of the personnel. He would like to request that the Council do a motion to a shared service, professional service agreement for labor employment counsel concerning his grievances. He had qualifications, resume, and a contract and a willingness to work with this professional service agreement. He also had the political contribution disclosure form just in case. The Mayor wanted to let the Borough Attorney know that he wanted to do this. Councilwoman Pirrera asked what the Mayor was proposing. Mr. Collins stated that he was not in a position to advise on discussion needed to be had in Closed Session. Mr. Collins was hearing this for the first time, and he needed understanding of what was being proposed. The Mayor couldn't say because it involved personnel.

The Mayor asked for a motion to go into Executive Session. Councilman Min made the motion to go into Executive Session. There was no second. Motion failed.

#### **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilman Park reported as the Building and Fire Safety Chair, he had a productive meeting with Councilman Min, and they came up with a tentative meeting on Wednesday with the Borough Architect, Borough Engineer, Fire Chief, and Code Official to address the building. Everything would be discussed in that meeting and what they will do to address the building and fire safety issues. This involved the roof replacement and mold remediation. He was informing the public. Mayor Kim wanted to see the roof RFQ, and he would like to know who presented it and if proper NJ laws were followed concerning RFQ's.

Councilman Vietri said he was always under the impression that whenever there was a report, it was always discussed with the rest of the Councilmembers. Mayor Kim asked if the Council received a report. Councilwoman Pirrera stated no. Mayor Kim stated that he had the minutes, which could be provided. Councilman Vietri stated there was no sense of receiving the minutes now. Councilman Park stated that he was giving notice to the public that the meeting would take place. Councilman Vietri had no report.

Councilwoman Pirrera said she was concerned about Councilman Park's statement that they had a wonderful meeting where they made decisions and schedules. She was pretty sure it was an ad hoc committee, which was usually an advisory committee. The Council had not been advised of anything, which at the end of the day was the Council's decision and surely not that of the Committee. Councilman Park wouldn't even be on that Committee in two months. Councilwoman Pirrera wanted clarification that the Committee met, and they would give an advisory report. She asked if this was correct. Councilman Park stated that he would give a report. Councilman Min said there were a lot of things involved with the building and fire safety, and no decisions would be made during the meeting. They were meeting to discuss how they would address multiple things because it was time-sensitive. Once they held the meeting, they would notify the Mayor and Council. Councilwoman Pirrera had no report, but she stated that Councilman Vietri should have been on the Committee as he was a Fire Chief. Councilwoman Pirrera clarified her question of whether or not there would be a report from the advisory committee after their meeting. The answer was yes.

Councilwoman Jang had no report.

Councilman Min had no report.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Councilman Min made a motion to open to the public. Councilwoman Jang seconded. The motion carried. All present in favor by voice vote; none opposed.

Susan Brauer asked about the Builder's Remedy lawsuit. Bellview Place - between last week and today, no one asked for the information that he was asking for. Mayor said because it was the responsibility of other designees. The Mayor stated that they were not adept at this, and he learned this every single night by going to Google University. He tried his best to get it done, and when he realized that something was wrong, he started to investigate the matter. Ms. Brauer said that when the Mayor and Council came back from the Closed Session, they knew what to take off or put on the agenda. The Mayor said that things were changing by the minute; someone said they did it or someone said they didn't do it. 219 - Streetscape. Ms. Brauer wanted to know how they decided on the auditor. Councilman Min said he did research. The Mayor asked that Ms. Brauer direct the question to him. She asked if he did the same kind of research for the records clerk position in the Police Department. Councilman Vietri asked for a police records clerk to be hired for months. The Mayor stated that Councilman Vietri had the liberty to request

the resolution to hire. The Governing Body had the discussion last week, and Councilman Vietri should do the resolution if he wanted to. Mayor Kim had a problem and he asked whether or not it was dangerous here or not. If it was, he did not know if it was a good idea to hire people right now at this moment. He thought it was best to hire the mold remediator, which was very delayed. He believed they were in the process to rent out trailers. However, he spoke with the Borough Attorney, and there were liabilities at stake. Mayor Kim said there was a report, which stated that some areas were really bad, some areas were ok. He said there were alleged health issues from the mold. Ms. Brauer stated that she would not always get the information requested because there was no police records clerk. Ms. Brauer stated that the Mayor did not hesitate to hire Paul Garudoii because a Councilperson wanted to and yet he wouldn't hire a police records clerk because another Councilperson requested it. Mayor Kim asked what the correlation was between the two and it was like apples and pears. Ms. Brauer stated that he was spending money on something Councilman Min wanted to have done. Last weke, Councilman Vietri stated that he wanted a resolution to hire someone and yet no one said anything. Mayor Kim said that there were alot of people stating they were sick. Councilman Vietri was on the police committee with Councilman Min and they needed to figure it out and bring a resolution. Mayor Kim said that as long as the safety issue was addressed for new employees to come in, he was ok with it and he did not want any more liabilities.

Councilman Vietri stated that he wanted to hire someone tonight. Mr. Collins asked that no personnel be spoken about. Ms. Brauer stated that a records clerk was needed and the building needed to be fixed. Mayor Kim asked what about the health of the records clerk. He stated that he asked everyone to wear face masks but no one was wearing face masks.

Neris Papoters was happy that the resolution was approved. She asked Councilman Min if he would be running again in the upcoming election. He stated yes. Ms. Papoters explained why pictures were taken at Councilwoman Pirrera's house. Ms. Pirrera stated that no one had any right to come to her property, and two young granddaughters who lived at her house, and video her property for no reason because next time she would file criminal complaints. SHe had two innocent children. She asked Ms. Papoters if she would like it if someone went and videoed her house when she also had a daughter. She asked Ms. Papoters to stay away from her house with the recordings. Councilman Min stated that he was running for a full term on November 7th.

Lois Grato asked about the records clerk job for the police. She asked where this clerk would be sitting. Mayor Kim stated it was vague, and it would be based upon the GSE record. He was not sure if the records room was compromised with health issues. Mayor Kim asked Captain Gasparovich if he remembered the mold report, who shared that the report was never shared with him so he could not answer the question. Mayor Kim said that this was what needed to be addressed, and he agreed that there needed to be a records clerk. He stated that the basement where the boilers are and where the storage room was, there were "do not enter" signs put up. Concerning the records room, Mayor Kim could not really say. Ms. Grato asked if they would get the trailers soon. Mayor answered that they were working on the trailers, but ultimately they needed to get the RFQ for the mold remediator to come down. This was why he was asking for all the information now - who was responsible for the RFQ's and RFP's so that he could make sure this doesn't happen again. He stated that there was only one bidder, and it seemed liek one of the bids concerning the roof or the mold remediator, it was supposed to be an RFP and it went through a very lack of advertising... It only went through the Star-Ledger and the Bergen Record. He had a packet that explained how to do an RFP/RFQ. He stated that there was lot of stuff missing. In other words, that RFP did not exist. When the Mayor got a link from whoever was responsible for it, he went to the link and it was nothing but 487 pages of all the records without any proposals, what the Borough needed, time and date, how to apply, what the requirements were.

Councilman Vietri suggested asking the Captain where the records clerk works from right now. The Mayor asked Captain Gaparovich to read over the GSE report because there were many variables that were unknown. The Mayor stated that if a new employee were hired and they agreed to wear PPE to protect themselves, he would be ok with it. Ms. Grato stated that it would then be up to the person to know to wear the mask or not. She stated that they would not be in harm's way, but the Mayor stated that he was worried about the liability. The Mayor had sent out a memo to employees not working remotely to wear masks. It would be up to the employee to do it, but he thought it should be mandated. Ms. Grato stated whoever got the job should wear a mask then. Mayor said that if that could be possible, they would discuss it. He said he did not want another lawsuit. He said that getting the mold remediator took over two months and he still did not get an RFQ about it. Councilman Vietri asked what happens to the records clerk who works temporarily. The Mayor said that Councilman Vietri could make a recommendation to the Governing Body to make a resolution.

Ernst Bearly asked the Captain where the records clerk worked now. Captain Gasparovich answered that once you walk into the police desk, the records clerk sat there. The desk was located next to Captain Gasparovich and Captain Rotundo. Currently, Special Officer Shin was temporarily working as a records clerk. The Mayor asked if the records clerk needed to go anywhere else except for that specific office. Captain Gasparovich answered that the clerk did go around headquarters. Mr. Collins requested that no

details be given about the police department. Councilman Vietri said that a records clerk would be \$20.00 an hour and Councilman Min was hiring an auditor for under \$17,500.00. It did not make sense.

Marsha Schor asked how many times if we advertised for an auditor. It was a big deal to advertise for a police records clerk, and she wanted to know how many advertisements went in the paper for an auditor. The Mayor stated that the Council had every right to request a resolution. Councilman Min stated that he brought up the auditor back in August, but it was never put in the paper. Meanwhile, the Mayor was saying that the building was so contaminated and he was having meetings every two weeks and everyone was being exposed.

Youngmin Jung mentioned that the Clerk and BA were not present at the meeting. He spoke about the BA's termination clause. Mr. Collins stated that he did not have the Ordinance in front of him but the Borough Administrator Ordinance would set forth relevant qualifications for obtaining the position and for the Borough Clerk, clerks were required to have an RMC under State law. The Mayor asked if there was any conflict of interest with Mr. Jung applying for either job because he was the husband of a Councilwoman. Mr. Collins stated that if a Councilperson's spouse was being considered for a job, that Councilperson would not be voting on that.

Youbong Won-Yoon regarding 221, auditor, she asked about a time frame. And after that job is that there will be a report to be released to the public. Mayor stated once an agreement and disclosure form was provided, the auditor could begin work. Concerning the results, because there could be personnel sensitive, they might be not bale to disclose it. He said she could exercise her rights through OPRA. 222 - CANCELLATION OF BOND. She said that the amount was changed. Mayor Kim answered that Ms. Won-Yoon may have been confused with the amount of the old bond ordinance. He stated that the Borough Clerk made a mistake, which Councilman Min picked up. Councilman Min stated that this bond was never passed, which included the body camera and vehicles. This bond ordinance was passed 2023-6, The 375,000 did not have to be cancelled because there was no second reading.

Councilman Min made a motion to close to the public. Councilman Vietri seconded. All present in favor by voice vote; none opposed.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, Councilwoman Jang made a motion to close to the public and adjourn. Councilman Min seconded. All present in favor by voice vote; none opposed.

Meeting adjourned.

Attest:

Borough Clerk

							2023-214
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NO
Jang	X		X				DATE October 23, 2023
Kim						X	Carried X Defeated Tabled
Min		X	X				
Park			X				Approved on Consent Agenda
Pirrera			X				
Vietri			X				

**RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, that the following claims, Aggregating § 6,541,220.21 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 Collector shall and are hereby authorized to draw warrants in payment of said claims:

Affordable Housing Acct	\$ 0.00
Affordable Housing Rent Acct	\$ 3,409.34
Affordable Housing Security Acct	\$ 0.00
Affordable Senior Facility	\$ 0.00
Animal Account	\$ 0.00
Building Dept Account	\$ 0.00
Capital Account	\$ 1,104.39
Cash Management Account	\$ 0.00
Centennial Trust	\$ 0.00
Community Development Trust	\$ 0.00
Community Policing	\$ 0.00
Current Account	\$ 6,541,709.49
Developers Escrow	\$ 8,438.00
Dog Trust	\$ 0.00
Electronic Parking Meter Account	\$ 0.00
Federal Share Forfeiture	\$ 0.00
Found Property	\$ 0.00
Library Trust	\$ 0.00
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		\$ 0.00
Recycling Trust		\$ 0.00
Swim Pool Operating Account		\$ 6,558.99
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:	<u>\$ 6,541,220.21</u>

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

- Chief Financial Officer 1.
- 2. Tax Collector

Approved:

Chong Paul Kim, Mayor

Attest:

Gina S. Kim, Borough Clerk

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of Resolution of Special Meeting held on October 23, 2023.

MARCH 22, 1899

SEAL

							2023-215
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NO
Jang	X		X				DATE October 23, 2023
Kim						X	Carried X Defeated Tabled
Min		X	X				Approved on Consent Agenda X
Park			X				Approved on Consent Agenda
Pirrera			X				
Vietri			X				

## APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION NJS 40A:4-87

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Palisades Park of the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2023 in the sum of \$26,625.62, which is now available from The State of New Jersey, Opioid Settlement Grant in the amount of \$26,625.62.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$26,625.62 is hereby appropriated under the caption Opioid Settlement Grant and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds from The State of New Jersey, Opioid Settlement Grant, in the amount of \$26,625.62.

Approved:

Chong Paul Kim, Mayor

Attest:

Gina S. Kim, Borough

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a secolutar of PALS.

Special Meeting held on October 23, 2023.

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COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Jang	X		X			
Kim						X
Min		X	X			
Park			X			
Pirrera			X			
Vietri			X			

NO	2023-217	
DATE	October 23, 20	23
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WHEREAS, the Borough of Palisades Park desires to advertise a Request for Qualifications for Professional Services for the Borough for the calendar year 2024; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Qualifications shall be prepared with an issue date of November 10, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney shall prepare and review the Request for Qualifications for Professional Services for the calendar year 2024 and approve 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 Request for Qualifications for Professional Services for the calendar year 2024, be and is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to advertise the Request for Qualifications for Professional Services for the calendar year 2024 to be issued on November 10, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be kept on file in the Office of the Clerk.

Approved:

Chong Paul Kim, Mayor

Attest:

Gina S. Kim, Borough Clerk

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of Special Meeting held on October 23, 2023.

							2023-219
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NO
Jang	X		X				DATE October 23, 2023
Kim						X	Carried X Defeated Tabled
Min			X				
Park			X				Approved on Consent Agenda
Pirrera		X	X				
Vietri			X				

# RESOLUTION REJECTING ALL BIDS FOR BROAD AVENUE STREETSCAPE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Borough issued a request for bids for the Broad Avenue Streetscape project; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received one bid in the amount of \$642,087; and

WHEREAS, the Borough seeks to reject all bids as it has determined to abandon the project at this time, consistent with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13.2.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Palisades Park hereby rejects all bids for the Broad Avenue Street Streetscape project, consistent with the foregoing.

Approved:

Chong Paul Kim, Mayor

Attest:

I'hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a resolution Political Special Meeting held on October 23, 2023.

MARCH 2: 1899

SEAL

							NO.	2023-220
COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NO.	
Jang	X		X				DATE	October 23, 2023
Kim						X	Carried X	Defeated Tabled
Min		X	X					
Park			X				Арр	proved on Consent Agenda
Pirrera			X					
Vietri			X					

## RESOLUTION AWARDING CONTRACT TO EDMUNDS GOVTECH

WHEREAS, the Borough has obtained a proposal to purchase the Edmunds GovTech ERP System, upon the terms attached hereto and incorporated by reference; and

WHEREAS, the proposal contains various annual and one-time fees, comprising a total first year investment of \$56,996.00; and

WHEREAS, the procurement of proprietary computer software is exempt from bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(dd); and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified as to the sufficiency of funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Palisades Park hereby awards a contract to Edmunds GovTech for the Edmunds GovTech ERP System, consistent with the foregoing.

Approved:

Chong Paul Kim, Mayor

Attest:

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the solution of PALIS.

Special Meeting held on October 23, 2023.

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COUNCIL	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NO
Jang	X		X				DATE October 23, 2023
Kim						X	Carried X Defeated Tabled
Min			X				
Park			X				Approved on Consent Agenda
Pirrera		X	X	3.2			
Vietri			X				

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council, Borough of Palisades Park, at the Work Session held on October 16, 2023, has instructed the Chief Financial Officer to cancel Bond Ordinance 2023-6 entitled Broad Avenue Streetscape in the amount of \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of bid(s) one, was received, well over the budget amount appropriated for the Streetscape project; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire to also notify the State DOT via Borough Administrator and/or Borough Engineer of the cancellation of the bond and grant in the amount of \$193,000 due to the bid being over the budgeted amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Borough Engineer will notify the DOT that the Borough will not go forward at this time with the grant due to the bid being over the budgeted amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the cancellation of the bond ordinance 2023-6 in the amount of \$300,000.

Approved:

Chong Paul Kim, Mayor

Attest:

I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of a desired Special Meeting held on October 23, 2023.

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