

THE MEETING OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON COMMON COUNCIL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, WAS HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2014, AT 7:00 PM, IN THE CITY HALL, 525 HIGH STREET, BURLINGTON, N.J., PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.

The Deputy Municipal Clerk advised the public of the location of the two fire exits; one on the left after exiting the Council Chamber and the other being the entrance to the building.

Members present: Mr. Conaway, Mr. Ghaul, Ms. Lollar, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Mr. Babula. (6) Absent: Ms. Hatala. (1)

Also present: Municipal Attorney- George Saponaro, Chief Financial Officer- Ken Mac Millan, Administrator- David Ballard, Lt. Snow.

The following notice of the meeting was sent:

There will be a Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Burlington held on November 13, 2014 at 7:00 PM, prevailing time at the City Hall Building, 525 High Street, Burlington, N.J. 08016.

Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk

INVOCATION

Chaplin Carl Wooden of the American Legion Post 79

SALUTE TO FLAG

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilman Ghaul asked for an update on Farner Avenue Project.

Mr. Ballard spoke of problems with the project; advised the contractors to move forward; a change order will be requested for discussion and approval at the next meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilwoman Woodard, moved that all Consent Agenda items be approved. It was seconded by Councilwoman Lollar. All were in favor. Absent: Ms. Hatala.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS*

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor. Absent: Ms. Hatala.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR OCTOBER 2014

NOTICES, AGENDAS, MINUTES, REPORTS, ETC. RECEIVED

Reports from various departments received:

Monies collected by the Municipal Clerk's Office for the month of September 2014. \$ 80.00

AGENDAS RECEIVED FROM VARIOUS BOARDS

10 -01 City of Burlington Public Schools, Agenda dated October 20, 2014

CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM WITHIN THE CITY AND CITY ORGANIZATIONS:

10-100 City of Burlington Police Department, re: Harry Heck-Mayor
10-101 Beverly Schnegelsberger, Parade Coordinator, re: Veterans Day Parade
10-102 Councilman Conaway, dated October 16, 2014, re: Community Housing and Revitalization Panel

CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM THE LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES

10-600 NJLM, dated October 1, 2014, re: Notice of Proposed Membership Dues
10-601 Mayors Advisory, dated October 30, 2014

CORRESPONDENCE TO AND FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

10-700 State of New Jersey, dated October 3, 2014, re: EIC
10-701 State of New Jersey, dated September 24, 2014, Anthony Fontana, Chief - Bureau of Solid Waste Permitting
10-702 NJDEP, dated October 10, 2014, re: Division of Fish and Wildlife
10-703 NJDEP, dated October 8, 2014, re: Urging Motorist to be extra caution with deer mating season underway
10-704 NJDOT, dated October 3, 2014, re: Local Aid Grants
10-705 State of New Jersey, re: Blue Acres Buyout Program
10-706 State of New Jersey, re: Hazard Mitigation Program

MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

10-800 Elaine McClammy, dated October 2, 2014, re: pertinent issues
10-801 Elaine McClammy, dated October 2, 2014, re: County/Local news/Breaking News
10-802 Elaine McClammy, dated October 6, 2014, re: lack of enforcement
10-803 Elaine McClammy, dated October 6, 2014, re: time for a change
10-804 Elaine McClammy, dated October 7, 2014, re: parking over curb on Mott Ave
10-805 Endeavor Emergency Squad, Inc., re: September 2014 Monthly Statistics
10-806 Barbara Fisher- Café Galley, dated October 11, 2014 - Thank You to Cindy Crivaro
10-807 Barbara Fisher- Café Galley, dated October 11, 2014 - Thank You to Patricia Tocci

10-808 Philly.Com article by Jan Hefler, Inquirer Staff Writer "In Burlington City, one last look old Fire Hall"

- 10-809 Harry Heck, re: many concerns, photos and article
- 10-810 Elaine McClammy, dated October 14, 2014, re: Old issues
- 10-811 Elaine McClammy, dated October 9, 2014, re: renting out rooms
- 10-812 Elaine McClammy, dated October 9, 2014, re: speeding Uhler
- 10-813 Elaine McClammy, dated October 17, 2014, re: no room for emergency vehicles
- 10-814 Elaine McClammy, dated October 16, 2014, re: old unresolved issues
- 10-815 Elaine McClammy, dated October 23, 2014, re: speeding on Uhler
- 10-816 Elaine McClammy, dated October 20, 2014, re: Unresolved Issues
- 10-817 Tabernacle Baptist Church, Block Party Application
- 10-818 Elaine McClammy, dated October 20, 2014, re: parking of oversized vehicles
- 10-819 New Jersey Department of Health, re: NJ rabies cases by County and Species
- 10-820 Elaine McClammy, dated October 27, 2014, re: FYI
- 10-821 Elaine McClammy, dated October 27, 2014, re: Ordinance Unenforced
- 10-822 Elaine McClammy, dated October 27, 2014, re: Tennessee Tags on car in area
- 10-823 Elaine McClammy, dated October 27, 2014, re: speeding on Uhler
- 10-824 Elaine McClammy, dated October 30, 2014, re: enforce state laws and city ordinances
- 10-825 City of Burlington Adult Education Presents Mini Course Lecture Series
- 10-826 Elaine McClammy, dated October 27, 2014, re: Enforce Ordinances

APPROVAL OF INVOICES*

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor. Absent: Ms. Hatala.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES*

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor. Absent: Ms. Hatala.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 226-2014

Common Council of the City of Burlington, hereby appoints the following Special Law Enforcement Officer, as per recommendation of the Administration for the year 2014:

Class II- Special Law Enforcement Officer

Aaron Martinez
5 Mohawk Trail
Burlington, N.J.

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Woodard, seconded by Councilman Ghaul, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Conaway, Mr. Ghaul, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Lollar, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Mr. Babula. (6) NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Ms. Hatala. (1).

SWEARING-IN

Class II Officer Aaron Martinez

ORDINANCE(S) - SECOND READING & FINAL DISPOSITION

ORDINANCE NO. 10-2014 OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AMENDING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:12a-1 et seq. FOR BLOCK 112, LOT 1 AND BLOCK 118, LOTS 2 & 60

WHEREAS, the Common Council for the City of Burlington adopted a resolution providing that various blocks and lots, including Block 112 Lot 1 and Block 118 Lots 2 & 60 in the City, be designated as areas in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council for the City of Burlington adopted Ordinance No. 03-1998, approving a Redevelopment Plan including Blocks 112 Lot 1 and Block 118 Lots 2 & 60, and in so doing the City's Planning Board submitted to the Common Council its recommendations for said Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the previously adopted Redevelopment Plan was most recently amended on December 21, 2010 by way of Ordinance No. 26-2010; and

WHEREAS, the redevelopment project area (Block 112 Lot 1 and Block 118 Lots 2 & 60) has already been the subject of a preliminary investigation and designated as an area in need of redevelopment, and

WHEREAS, the Common Council for the City of Burlington finds it to be in the best interest of the City of Burlington to review the planning criteria, general regulations, and overall guidelines for the redevelopment area; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council for the City of Burlington directed the City Planner to review the Redevelopment Plan, provide recommendations and prepare a draft plan pursuant to Resolution No. 196-2014 on September 16, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Plan amendment as prepared by the City Planner pursuant to the same includes an outline for the planning, development and redevelopment of the redevelopment area (Block 112 Lot 1 and Block 118 Lots 2 & 60) sufficient to indicate:

1. A plan to serve as an overlay to the existing zone plan, including permitted uses and bulk standards, planning criteria, general regulations, and overall guidelines for the redevelopment area;
2. Municipal incentives to redevelop properties within the approved area, by the Common Council for the City of Burlington serving as a redevelopment entity;
3. To indicate the Redevelopment Plan's relationship to define local objectives as to the appropriate land uses, density in population, improved traffic and public transportation, public utilities, recreational and community facilities and/or public improvements;
4. Proposed land uses and building requirements in the redevelopment area;

5. To define the relationships between the Redevelopment Plan and its amendments to the Master Plans of the City and any other related Master Plans, including contiguous municipalities or Counties;
6. The relationship between the Redevelopment Plan and pertinent municipal development regulations;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council for the City of Burlington that the attached amended Redevelopment Plan for Block 112 Lot 1 and Block 118 Lots 2 & 60 (dated November 13, 2014) is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Redevelopment Plan shall supersede any provision of the City of Burlington zoning ordinances and that the Zoning District Map included in the City zoning ordinances are hereby amended to indicate the redevelopment area and incorporate the proposed Redevelopment Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Clerk shall forward a true copy of the adopted ordinance amending the Redevelopment Plan to the Burlington County Planning Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-16 and publish notice of this ordinance in accordance with N.J.S. 40:49-2D; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance within applicable law.

Upon the motion of Councilman Ghaul, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, the foregoing ordinance was introduced.

Public Comments

None.

Council Comments

None.

Kevin Rijis gave an explanation of this ordinance.

This ordinance was then adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Ghaul, Ms. Lollar, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Mr. Babula. (5) NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: Mr. Conaway (1); ABSENT: Ms. Hatala. (1).

RESOLUTIONS / CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS*

Resolution No. 227-2014

RESOLUTION TO AMEND ADOPTED BUDGET FOR A BODY ARMOR REPLACEMENT GRANT FROM THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director 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 thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget, and

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

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington received a **Body Armor Replacement Grant** in the amount of \$3,283.59 from the New Jersey Department of Public Safety;

SECTION 1

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Burlington hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2014 in the sum of \$3,283.59 as follows which item is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F: Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of Director of Local Government Services - Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:

Body Armor Replacement Grant \$ 3,283.59

SECTION 2

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$ 3,283.59 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations Operations-Excluded from "CAP"
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

Body Armor Replacement Grant \$ 3,283.59

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Lollar, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard , the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Conaway, Mr. Ghaul, Ms. Lollar, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Mr. Babula. (6) NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Ms Hatala. (1).

Resolution No. 228-2014

RESOLUTION NO. 228-2014 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NO. 3-2014 TOT HE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT #14-003, FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESOLUTIONS, INC.

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington entered into a professional services agreement with Environmental Resolutions, Inc., 525 Fellowship Road, Suite 300, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054 to serve as the Municipal Water Engineer for calendar year 2014; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend this agreement for additional professional engineering services for various water department matters including the study of disinfection byproducts as well as the bidding services for placement of cell phone antennas on the 7th Street Tank; and

WHEREAS, the City's Water Engineer, Environmental Resolutions, Inc. has submitted a proposal, dated October 27, 2014, to provide various water department engineering services including but not limited to the study of disinfection byproducts and bidding services for the placement of cell phone antennas on the 7th Street Tank in the amount not to exceed \$30,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this project is inherently beneficial to the City of Burlington to maintain compliance with DEP regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has executed a Certification of Funds for this contract, which is attached hereto, and that sufficient funds are available.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Common Council of the City of Burlington hereby authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute Amendment No. 0 #3-2014 with Environmental Resolutions, Inc., 525 Fellowship Road, Suite 300, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054 in the amount of \$30,000.00 making a revised total contact amount of \$136,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a notice stating the service and the amount of this contract shall be published and this Resolution shall be maintained on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Lollar, seconded by Councilman Ghaul, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Conaway, Mr. Ghaul, Ms. Lollar, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Mr. Babula. (6) NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Ms Hatala. (1).

Resolution No. 229-2014

RESOLUTION NO. 229-2014 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON, ACTING AS THE CITY OF BURLINGTON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO AMEND THE REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH ENDEAVOR BURLINGTON, LLC TO PERMIT AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROJECT SCHEDULE

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Burlington, acting as the “City of Burlington Redevelopment Agency” (“Council”) designated all of Block 118 as an area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq., and Block 118 was included in, and is subject to a valid Redevelopment Plan (the “1998 Redevelopment Plan”), which has been adopted via Ordinance;

WHEREAS, Block 118 contains Lots 31 and 37, which were owned by the City of Burlington and Lots 32, 33, and 34 which were owned by the Endeavor Fire Company (with all of these lots collectively referred to as the “Endeavor Parcel” and the “Redevelopment Area”) and these lots are now all owned by Endeavor at Burlington, LLC (the “Redeveloper”);

WHEREAS, the Council has been designated as redevelopment entity under the 1998 Redevelopment Plan to acquire and convey property, contract for professional services, enter into long term financial agreements, grant tax exemptions/abatements, redevelop property, and collect revenue from redevelopers to defray costs of the redevelopment entity with regard to the defined Redevelopment Area pursuant to the “1998 Redevelopment Plan” adopted by the Council pursuant to Ordinance;

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A 40A:12A-8(f), the City of Burlington is authorized to arrange or contract with redevelopers for the planning, replanning, construction, or undertaking of any redevelopment project; and

WHEREAS, the Council, as redevelopment entity, conducted a diligent search for a Master Redeveloper qualified to redevelop the defined Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, as a result of discussions, meetings, and negotiations between the Council and Endeavor at Burlington, LLC, the Council designated Endeavor at Burlington, LLC (the “Redeveloper”) as Redeveloper for the defined Redevelopment Area designated as the Endeavor Parcel conditioned upon negotiation of and entry into a Redevelopment Agreement to be executed by and between Endeavor at Burlington, LLC, and the Council to guide the development of the Endeavor Parcel;

WHEREAS, after negotiation of, and review of, a Redevelopment Agreement, Council has previously authorized execution of a Redevelopment Agreement between the City and the Redeveloper; and

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance of this project to the City and its residents, the City required the Redevelopment Agreement to include an aggressive Project Schedule with time deadlines that must be met by Redeveloper; and

WHEREAS, after execution of the Redevelopment Agreement, it was discovered that two (2) underground storage tanks existed at the Property and that these tanks would need to be removed prior to the Redeveloper taking title to the Property ; and

WHEREAS, the process of removing these underground storage tanks caused a delay of approximately nine (9) months which was no fault of the Redeveloper; and

WHEREAS, the Council and the Redeveloper have negotiated a revised Project Schedule which adjusts milestones and deadlines so that the completion of the project will now be pushed back by five (5) months in recognition of the delay faced by Redeveloper

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the approval of the attached Project Schedule which shall supersede and replace the Project Schedule contained in the Redevelopment Agreement between the City and the Redeveloper.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Lollar, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Conaway, Mr. Ghaul, Ms. Lollar, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Mr. Babula. (6) NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Ms Hatala. (1).

Resolution No. 230-2014

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, there are certain 2014 budget appropriations which have been determined to be insufficient and there are other 2014 budget appropriations which are in excess of the amount deemed necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriations, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 permits the governing body during the last two months of the fiscal year, by resolution adopted by not less than 2/3 vote of the full membership thereof, to transfer the amount of such excess to those appropriations deemed to be insufficient,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council that the following transfers between the 2014 budget appropriations be made:

<u>CURRENT FUND:</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Police – SW	\$ 90,000.00	
Planning Board – SW		\$ 1,000.00
Inspection of Buildings – OE		\$ 70,000.00
Plumbing Inspections – OE		\$ 3,000.00
Streets and Roads – OE		\$ 16,000.00
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	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 90,000.00

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Lollar, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Conaway, Mr. Ghaul, Ms. Lollar, Mr. Swan, Ms. Woodard, Mr. Babula. (6) NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: (0); ABSENT: Ms. Hatala. (1).

Resolution No. 231-2014*

RESOLUTION CANCELLING RESERVES FOR PRELIMINARY EXPENSES IN THE CAPITAL FUND

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington previously established certain reserves for preliminary expenses associated with potentially bondable projects by appropriating Capital Improvement Fund monies in the Capital Fund; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary expenses have been paid leaving a balance in these reserves; and

WHEREAS, Common Council desires to cancel the remaining balances, returning the monies back to the Capital Improvement Fund;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Burlington hereby cancels the following Reserve for Preliminary Expense balances:

Reserve for Preliminary Expense – Recreational Facilities	\$ 14,201.30
Reserve for Preliminary Expense – Property Acquisition	<u>\$ 12,087.50</u>
Total	<u>\$ 26,288.80</u>

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor. Absent: Hatala. (1).

Resolution No. 232-2014*

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF UNEXPENDED IMPROVEMENT AUTHORIZATION BALANCES IN THE WATER CAPITAL FUND

RESOLVED: That WHEREAS, it has been determined that there are improvement authorizations fully and/or substantially complete, and

WHEREAS, it has been further determined that there are unexpended balances applicable to said projects that are no longer needed for their original purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to cancel the unexpended balances and credit same upon the records of the City as reflected on the attached schedule.

<u>Improvement Description</u>	<u>Funded</u>	<u>Unfunded</u>
Improvements to Water System	\$ 2,487.50	
Repairs to Walls at Water Treatment Plant	3,633.06	
Acquisition and Installation of Water Meters	8,468.88	\$ 20,000.00
Various Capital Improvements		53,407.50
Various Capital Improvements (Water Tank Rehab)	3,087.75	65,000.00
Improvements to Water System (Paving 7th St. Tower Base)	1,620.21	
Roof Replacement and Plant Improvements	398.00	500.00
Improvements to Water System		17,330.67
Water Treatment Plant Door Replacement		16,415.00

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor. Absent: Hatala. (1).

Resolution No. 233-2014*

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION TO IMPROVE GOVERNMENT
TRANSPARENCY AND PUBLIC AWARENESS IN THE MATTER OF PROPOSED
UTILITY RATE INCREASES

WHEREAS, utility ratepayers in Burlington County, and in all of the State of New Jersey, are frequently subjected to major increases in gas, electric, water and sewer rates, with little or not beforehand knowledge of these requested increases; and

WHEREAS, the proposed increases are typically detailed in filings before the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, in the form of petitions that are difficult for the average citizen to understand; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing process in itself is insufficient and non-transparent, as utility companies provide no direct notice of hearings to ratepayers, usually schedule them at inconvenient times, and avoid answering direct questions from the ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel, which is charged with protecting the consumer, often strikes compromises or “deals” with the utility companies, rather than litigate on behalf of the ratepayers; and

WHEREAS, requests for double digit increases, as sought by New Jersey American Water (20 percent) in 2012, and presently sought by South Jersey Gas (14.4 percent), run against the spirit of the State law which requires counties and towns to “cap” taxes and expenditures at two percent; and

WHEREAS, the current bureaucratic system begs for reform and transparency, to ensure ratepayers have knowledge of, and a voice in, proposed rate increases that impact their household budgets at a time when many are still struggling with the economic impacts of the great recession; and

WHEREAS, a four-bill legislative reform/transparency package is currently pending before the State Legislature which would address the aforementioned flaws, and is detailed as follows:

S339/A2104 - BPU must issue a written decision containing a detailed analysis/accounting of its approval in a rate increase within 60 days and post it on its website.

S340/A2105 - BPU or Office of Administrative Law (OAL) must take public questions or comments prior to final consideration of a proposed rate increase.

S341/A2095 - Individual customers must be provided notice of a proposed utility rate increase (electric/gas/water/sewer) in the billings they mail for service. The proposed increase also must be published in a newspaper with substantial readership in each county where the increase would occur. The hearings must be held in municipalities with the largest population served in each county. The BPU is directed to receive and address public questions and comments at the public hearings.

S342/A2094 - Requires public utilities to notify customers when a rate settlement agreement is reached prior to final action by the BPU or OAL. An explanation of the settlement must be provided.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Burlington, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, wholeheartedly supports and endorses this reform legislation, and calls upon the leadership in the New Jersey State Senate and the New Jersey State Assembly to take every step necessary to advance the necessary bills, and bring them before their respective houses for a vote; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be provided to the City of Burlington’s Senate and Assembly representatives, the Burlington County Freeholders and the municipalities within the County of Burlington, in anticipation that they will, on behalf of their constituents, likewise support this much overdue reform package.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor. Absent: Hatala. (1).

Resolution No. 234-2014*

A resolution providing for a meeting not opened to the public in accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. N.J.S.A. 10:4-12: Therefore be it resolved by the Common Council of the City of Burlington, assembled in public session on November 13, 2014, that an Executive Session Closed to the Public shall be held on November 13, 2014, in the Council Meeting Room, for discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated in this resolution:

- Real Estate / Contracts N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(7) Waterworks

The nature of the discussion conducted in closed session and or the result thereof may be disclosed to the public in an open public meeting held in November of 2014 or shortly there after.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor. Absent: Hatala. (1).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sam Richter, 400 Wood Street- complained of residents raking leaves into the streets; suggested residents use bags.

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Mr. Ballard spoke of the public use of the school track, it will be open a few hours, the school asked for the Police to monitor; the school is investigating the possible purchase of cameras; spoke of concerns of vandalism.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilwoman Lollar spoke of a tree on Wood Street that needs to be removed; Elm Avenue has major potholes that need to be addressed.

Mr. Ballard said he discussed these items with Mr. Turner.

Councilwoman Lollar also spoke of leaves under a tarp with trash can on top on Elm Avenue.

Councilman Swan reported a pothole on Smith's Alley; asked for a template of how a tractor trailer would move around the roundabout.

Councilwoman Woodard complained of issues with recycling pick up and debris left on the ground.

Councilman Conaway asked for the status of the contract with the Cooper School.

Mr. Saponaro said the agreement is ready to be signed; the use of the room was left in the agreement.

Mr. Ballard said he will go over the details with the school when they meet to sign the agreement.

Councilman Swan asked that the recycling cans be replaced back to the curb, not the street.

CONFERENCES

- Special Improvement District (SID) Proposed Ordinance - George Saponaro, Esq. & Jim Kennedy, Redevelopment Consultant

EXECUTIVE CONFERENCES

- Waterworks - George Saponaro, Esq.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Lollar, seconded by Councilman Ghaul, this meeting of November 13, 2014 was adjourned.

Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk