

THE MEETING OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON COMMON COUNCIL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2021, AT 7:00 PM, VIA ZOOM PURSUANT TO THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT.

The following notice of the meeting was sent:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., as amended by A-3850, and in consideration of Executive Orders No. 103 and 107, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9 and 21, 2020 respectively, declaring a State of Emergency and a Public Health Emergency in the State of New Jersey, the City of Burlington does hereby notify the public that to protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens while ensuring the continued functioning of government, the Regular meeting of the Common Council scheduled for September 21, 2021 will be held electronically only. Members of the public who wish to participate in the meeting may do so by calling in or joining at 7:00p.m. Individuals calling in or joining will be able to fully participate in the meeting, including providing public comment.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2993296844?pwd=UURxMXhYMyxYXIUNUJZTHZwemxqQT09>

Dial: 1-646-558-8656

Meeting ID: 299 329 6844

Password: 863459

Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Governing Body Members present: Dave Babula, George Chachis, Helen Hatala, Denise Hollingsworth, Suzanne Woodard (7:05pm), Ila Marie Lollar. (6) Absent: (0)

Also present: Mayor Conaway (7:15pm), Administrator- David Ballard, Chief Financial Officer- Ken MacMillan, Director of Housing- Bill Harris, Municipal Attorney- Lou Garty, Municipal Engineer- Frank Morris, Police Chief- John Fine, John Alexander- Director of Public Affairs (8:00pm), Bill Curry- Director of Public Works.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilwoman Hatala, moved that all Consent Agenda items be approved. It was seconded by Councilman Chachis. All were in favor.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES*

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

LIMITING CITIZENS TO SPEAK NO MORE THAN TWO (2) MINUTES, ONLY ONE TIME EACH, DURING THIS MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2021*

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

RESOLUTIONS / CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS*

Resolution No. 232-2021

RESOLUTION NO. 232-2021 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING A CONTRIBUTION FROM THE CITY OF BURLINGTON'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND TO PARTIALLY REIMBURSE ADVANCED BUILDERS CONTRACTORS AND DEVELOPERS, LLC, FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT OF THREE HOUSING UNITS ON THE REAL PROPERTY KNOWN AS 1411 WOOD STREET, CITY OF BURLINGTON AND DESIGNATED AS BLOCK 92, LOT 6 ON THE CITY OF BURLINGTON OFFICIAL TAX MAP FOR THE CREATION OF A LOW TO MODERATE INCOME AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS AND IN CONSIDERATION OF ADVANCED BUILDERS CONTRACTORS AND DEVELOPERS, LLC, IMPLEMENTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING RESTRICTIONS ON THE PROPERTY SO AS TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF BURLINGTON WITH THREE (3) AFFORDABLE HOUSING CREDITS TOWARDS THE CITY OF BURLINGTON'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATION

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Fair Share Housing Act (P.L. 1985, c. 222) (the "Act"), municipalities in the State of New Jersey are required to provide their fair share of housing that is affordable to low and moderate income households in accordance with the provisions of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington ("City") administers the City's Affordable Housing Program for the purpose of meeting its Fair Share Affordable Housing obligation in accordance with the provisions of the Act; and

WHEREAS, as part of its Affordable Housing Program, the City administers an Affordable Housing Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, Advanced Builders Contractors and Developers, LLC, (hereinafter "ABCD") owns certain real property known as 1411 Wood Street in the City of Burlington, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey designated as Block 92, Lot 6 on the City's Official Tax Map (hereinafter, "the Property"); and

WHEREAS, ABCD is seeking funding from the City to develop three (3) housing units at the Property; and

WHEREAS, in exchange for receiving funding from the City to develop the Property, ABCD agrees to restrict the use of the Property for use as a low and moderate income affordable housing unit for

income qualified individuals; and

WHEREAS, the Property shall provide the City with three (3) credits for affordable housing units towards the City's Fair Share Affordable Housing obligation pursuant to COAH requirements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms of a Market to Affordable Housing Funding Agreement between the City and ABCD ("Agreement") (Exhibit "A"), the City shall contribute the sum of Thirty Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) per unit, for a total of One Hundred and Five Thousand Dollars (\$105,000.00) to Advanced Builders in consideration of Advanced Builders constructing the three units at the Property and executing a Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions ("Declaration") restricting the Property for affordable housing purposes, which Declaration shall be recorded in the Office of the Burlington County Clerk immediately following the recording of the deed of conveyance vesting title to the Property in ABCD; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration shall implement affordable housing controls on the Property, and shall ensure that the Property remains affordable to low or moderate income qualified individuals for a period of at least thirty (30) years from the date the Declaration is recorded in the Office of the Burlington County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Declaration, the Property shall be a part of the City's Affordable Housing Program, subject to the rules and regulations of the City's Affordable Housing Program and COAH; and

WHEREAS, the Property shall provide the City with a total three (3) credits, one for each of three affordable housing unit, towards the City's Fair Share Affordable Housing obligation pursuant to COAH requirements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Burlington, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey is hereby authorized to enter into a Market to Affordable Housing Funding Agreement with ABCD; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Mayor is authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City.

Upon the motion of Councilwoman Hatala, seconded by Councilman Chachis, the foregoing resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote: AYES: Mr. Chachis, Ms. Hatala, Ms. Hollingsworth, Ms. Woodard, Ms. Lollar. (5); NAYS: (0); ABSTAIN: Mr. Babula. (1); ABSENT: (0).

Resolution No. 233-2021

RESOLUTION NO. 233-2021 OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH HOME SERVE, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES ("NCL"), PURSUANT TO AN RFP/RFQ ISSUED BY THE

CITY TO REVIEW PROPOSALS TO PROVIDE WATER, SEWER AND OTHER SERVICE LINE INSURANCE OR WARRANTY PROGRAMS FOR BURLINGTON CITY PROPERTY OWNERS

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington is a Faulkner Act municipality with a Mayor-Council form of government pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-31, *et seq.*, with its organization, positions, powers, and duties outlined within the Code of the City of Burlington as set forth pursuant to the Faulkner Act; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Burlington recognizes that the City's infrastructure challenges continue to increase, such that homeowners will be increasingly confronted with deteriorating water and sewer lines and the risk of costly repairs for the portion of the water and/or sewer lines which are the responsibility of the property owner; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Burlington further recognizes that there are vendors and/or companies which are willing to provide insurance and/or warranty programs to City residents to protect against the high cost of such repairs in the event of damage or leakage or other loss of function to the area of the sewer line, water line or other service line, which is the responsibility of the property owner; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Burlington further recognizes that the cost of securing such insurance or warranty programs on an individual basis by an individual homeowner obtaining competing quotes for this type of insurance or warranty may be much higher than if a qualified company is able to provide a warranty or insurance program to the public on a larger scale, based upon an ability to obtain and review information as to the local market within the City of Burlington and then offer an insurance policy or warranty program with discounted pricing to a larger class of consumers; and

WHEREAS, the opportunity to utilize and obtain access to publicly available data and information for the purpose of formulating a warranty or insurance program to a broader local market, as well as offering a program with discounted pricing to City property owners, may necessitate access to public information and dissemination of certain marketing materials to homeowners, which is an economic opportunity for a prospective vendor or company; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive proposals to evaluate the suitability, cost, reliability of potential vendors and their local contract partners, the Common Council of the City of Burlington authorized the City Administration to engage in the open competitive contracting process pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 *et seq.*, by authorizing the issuance of a Request For Proposals/Request for Qualifications to solicit proposals qualified insurance companies to offer insurance or warranty protection to City of Burlington property owners, for the consideration of reviewing the cost, term of the policy, types of coverage, marketing materials, and other terms or conditions as may be proposed, including proposed marketing materials and a statement as to the public information sought; a statement as to the manner of providing information and/or marketing

materials to the public and the level and type of coordination or public information to be requested from the City; the qualifications of contractors to be utilized to perform repairs and information as to the percentage of said contractors which are local contractors or national firms; and other requirements for the contents of the proposals as was established by the Common Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the aforementioned authorization, the City duly published and advertised the economic opportunity through an RFQ/RFP, namely RFP#01-2021, an invitation to submit qualifying proposals to provide insurance or a warranty program for water and/or sewer line or other service line repairs to City residents at a discounted rate; and

WHEREAS, the invitation to submit a proposal allowed prospective firms to submit detailed, qualifying proposals to provide insurance or a warranty program for water and/or sewer line or other service line repairs to City residents at a discounted rate, with the proposals to be submitted to the City by no later than May 12, 2021, for the review and evaluation by the City's administrative and professional staff as to the cost, quality of the product, consumer service history, qualifications and similar factors or features of proposals; and

WHEREAS, one proposal was received from Home Serve, a Utility Service Partner of the National League of Cities ("NLC"), through its Utility Service Partners Private Label, Inc. d/b/a Service Line Warranties of America (the "Company"), which proposal was dated May 12, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the proposal by the Company was reviewed and evaluated for its content, for a determination as to the costs to property owner, the benefits and whether the proposal complied with the requirements of the RFP/RFQ and was determined to be a qualifying proposal; and

WHEREAS, the proposal by the Company was recommended by the City's administration to be awarded the contract or an agreement based upon terms to be set forth in a form of contract which will be approved by the Common Council in which the successful proposer, Utility Service Partners, Inc., will be a company authorized to offer insurance or a warranty program for water and/or sewer line or other service line repairs to City residents at a discounted rate and with the provision that nothing in the contract will entitle the firm to be the sole and exclusive provider of such insurance or warranty programs for property owners in the City of Burlington; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 193-2021, the Common Council of the City of Burlington awarded the subject contract to the Company and the form of contract was recommended by the Administration and the Solicitor for execution as being consistent with the terms of the invitation of the RFP and the proposal submitted.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council for the City of Burlington hereby acknowledges and agrees with the recommendation of the City Administration and the Solicitor for execution and hereby authorizes the Mayor to sign the contract with the Company for the Agreement to offer a warranty program for water and/or sewer line or other service line repairs to City residents at a discounted rate consistent with the terms and conditions of the RFP/RFQ authorized by the

Common Council to be issued.

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

Resolution No. 234-2021

RESOLUTION NO. 234-2021 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH PENNONI ASSOCIATES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,000.00 FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES REQUIRED FOR THE PREPARATION OF SPECIFICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS NEEDED FOR THE DEMOLITION OF THE BUILDINGS ON 524 AND 526 HIGH STREET AND THE BUILDING AT THE REAR OF 526 HIGH STREET

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington is a Faulkner Act municipality with a Mayor-Council form of government pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-31, et seq., with its organization, positions, powers, and duties outlined within the Code of the City of Burlington as set forth pursuant to the Faulkner Act; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Housing & Community Development recommended the demolition of the buildings at 524 High Street, 526 High Street, and the house at the rear of 526 High Street; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, has awarded a grant to the City of Burlington in the amount of \$135,000.00 to demolish the structures, with the condition of the grant that the City retain professional engineers, Pennoni Associates, Inc., to prepare the specifications for the demolition, at a cost of \$27,000.00 in order to fulfill the State's matching requirement for the funding of this demolition; and

WHEREAS, Pennoni Associates, Inc., submitted a proposal for professional services to prepare a bid package, structural engineering, construction phase services and environmental compliance at a cost of \$27,000; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington received a quote for Professional Services of Pennoni Associates, Inc. for engineering services, to prepare bid specifications for the demolition of the buildings located at 524 High Street, 526 High Street, and the house at the rear of 526 High Street. The scope of the demolition services to be included in the bid specifications include the demolition of the three structures, one of which is a multi-story residential structure with an attached storefront building, another is a stand-alone multi-story residential structure, and the third is a residential structure at the rear of 526 High Street; and

WHEREAS, based upon the City's prior experience with Pennoni Associates, Inc., and pursuant to the proposal received August 26, 2020, as well as the DCA requirements of the CDBG grant, the City wishes to authorize a professional services contract with Pennoni Associates, Inc., to perform engineering services, namely to prepare the bid specifications and the bid documents to demolish the buildings at 524 High Street, 526 High Street, and the house at the rear of 526 High Street; and

WHEREAS, Pennoni Associates, Inc., prepared a proposal dated August 26, 2020 which includes performing a site visit to observe and evaluate the condition of the existing structures that are to be demolished as well as adjoining structural elements that are to remain; providing the pertinent structural demolition Bid Drawings for the referenced buildings, including plans, details, schedules, and general notes; providing set of sealed structural demolition drawings for permitting and bidding; preparing a bid packages for public bid, preparing an engineer's estimate, and advertising the project with the official newspaper; assisting in opening and evaluating bids, preparing the bid recommendation, and preparing contracts; coordinating and conduct the contractor pre-construction meeting; reviewing contractor requests for payment and issue payment recommendations to the City; reviewing from the contractor the initial Asbestos Building Survey report, the NJDEP abatement notification, and the final Abatement Clearance Report to assure compliance with applicable codes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an RFP process, Pennoni Associates was previously approved by the Common Council as an engineering firm to provide professional engineering services as part of the pool of engineering firms approved to handle special projects for the City of Burlington; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to utilize the professional services of Pennoni Associates to prepare the specifications and advertise for bids on this project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Burlington as follows:

1. The City authorizes the Mayor to execute and enter into a Professional Services contract with Pennoni Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$27,000.00 (Twenty Seven Thousand dollars), to perform a site visit to observe and evaluate the condition of the existing structures that are to be demolished as well as adjoining structural elements that are to remain; provide the pertinent structural demolition Bid Drawings for the referenced buildings, including plans, details, schedules, and general notes; provide a set of sealed structural demolition drawings for permitting and bidding; prepare a bid packages for public bid, prepare an engineer's estimate, and advertise the project with the official newspaper; assist in opening and evaluating bids, prepare the bid recommendation, and prepare contracts; coordinate and conduct the contractor pre-construction meeting; review contractor requests for payment and issue payment recommendations to the City; review from the contractor the initial Asbestos Building Survey report, the NJDEP abatement notification, and the final Abatement Clearance Report to assure compliance with

applicable codes; in accordance with the proposal of August 26, 2020 to demolish the buildings at 524 High Street, 526 High Street, and the house at the rear of 526 High Street.

2. The City shall utilize the funds awarded to the City by the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, utilizing a CDBG grant received in the amount of \$135,000.00 to pay for these services.
3. Pursuant to the requirements outlined within N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(1), the Clerk for the City of Burlington shall cause to be published once in the *Burlington County Times* a notice indicating the nature, duration, service, and amount of this contract, and that this Resolution and the associated Contract are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the City Clerk; and
4. The City's Administrative Staff and Professionals, as applicable, are hereby authorized to carry out such other actions which may be necessary to place this Resolution and the associated Contract into effect.
5. The Contract term shall be effective as of the date this Resolution is passed and shall terminate upon the earlier of the completion of the Professional Services, or at the time the City will be ready to advertise the project or within 60 days, whichever may occur first.

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

Resolution No. 235-2021

RESOLUTION NO. 235-2021 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A PLAN ENDORSEMENT CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Common Council of City of Burlington desire to obtain Plan ~~Endorsement~~ from the State Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, Plan Endorsement is a voluntary review process developed by the State Planning Commission to provide the technical assistance and coordination of the State for municipalities, counties, and regional agencies to meet the goals of the State Planning Act and State Development and Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Act recognizes that coordination of State action is necessary to help municipalities develop New Jersey's economy while protecting the ~~and~~ historic and recreational resources, providing adequate and diverse housing, and redeveloping our cities and older suburban

areas;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Plan Endorsement process is to increase the degree of consistency among municipal, county, regional and state agency plans with each other and with the State Plan and to facilitate the implementation of these plans with the primary focus on where and how development and redevelopment can be accommodated in accordance with the State Plan; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines establish a comprehensive and coordinated planning process in order for a municipality to consider, and update as necessary, master plans, functional plans, development regulations and capital plans to be consistent with the State Plan and achieve plan endorsement; and

WHEREAS, through plan endorsement, master plans, functional plans, development regulations and capital plans should be coordinated and supportive of each other; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines incorporate, and expand upon, the principles of the Municipal Land Use Law in order to help towns plan for a sustainable future; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Municipal Land Use Law, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-27, the Mayor may appoint one or more persons as a citizens' advisory committee to assist or collaborate with the planning board in its duties, including adoption of, and amendment to, the master plan to guide the use of lands within the municipality in a manner which protects the public health and safety and promotes the general welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Endorsement Guidelines and State Planning Rules require the appointment of a Plan Endorsement Advisory Committee to guide the municipality through the Plan Endorsement process; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Endorsement Advisory Committee shall consist of between five (5) and ten (10) members, including one representative of the governing body, a Class IV member of the planning board; one representative of a local board, commission or committee who is not a member of the planning board; and two representatives of the public that do not hold a position, employment or office with the municipality.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of City of Burlington hereby approves and adopts the following:

The City of Burlington establishes a Plan Endorsement Citizens' Advisory Committee consisting of between five (5) and ten (10) members as follows:

1. Councilwoman Helen Hatala, Member of the Governing Body
2. Claudine Conaway, Class IV Member of the Planning Board
3. Richard Spaulding, Representative of local board, commission or committee
4. Lorenzo Christmas, Member of the Public
5. Jeanette Mercuri, Member of the Public
6. David H. Ballard, Optional Member

The members of the Citizens' Advisory Committee shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor; and

The Citizens' Advisory Committee shall report findings and conclusions of its actions performed pursuant to the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines, and make recommendations to the Land Use Board on next steps, but shall have no power to vote or take other action required of the Land Use Board; and

The Citizens' Advisory Committee shall also report to the Common Council of City of Burlington at least annually on the status of plan endorsement; and

The Citizen Advisory Committee shall be entitled to call to its assistance any personnel of any municipal department or consultant thereto as it may require in order to perform its duties; and

The Citizens' Advisory Committee is established for the purpose of: Guiding the plan endorsement process for the municipality; and

Increasing public awareness of, and participation in, the plan endorsement process for the community; and

Serving as the liaison with the state, county, regional agencies and local officials throughout the plan endorsement process; and

Assisting the municipality in meeting the deadlines of plan endorsement; and

Take the lead on completing the municipal self-assessment and submitting the required planning documents to the Office of Smart Growth; and

Helping to facilitate community visioning as described in the Plan Endorsement Guidelines and community visioning standards; and

Reporting the findings and conclusions of the self-assessment and community visioning to the Land Use Board for its review; and

Negotiating a draft Action Plan with the Office of Smart Growth, in collaboration with the planning

board and governing body, to consist of actions that should be taken to adopt and/or update plans, ordinances and regulations in order to meet the plan endorsement requirements;

Facilitating completion of the Action Plan items in order to achieve endorsement by the State Planning Commission and enjoy the benefits available to the municipality as a result of the endorsed plan.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the City of Burlington shall transmit a copy of this resolution and the notice as required in the State Planning Rules to the State Planning Commission.

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

Resolution No. 236-2021*

Resolution: Approval to submit a grant application and execute a grant contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Local Aid Infrastructure Fund Grant Program for the Wall Street Improvement Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Council of City of Burlington formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as LAIF-Wall Street Improvement, et al-00015 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of City of Burlington.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of City of Burlington and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 237-2021*

RESOLUTION NO. 237-2021 OF CITY OF BURLINGTON APPOINTING MEMBERS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE SELECTION OF POSITIONS WITHIN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION §2-33

WHEREAS, the term of office for current two (2) Battalion Chiefs of the City of Burlington Fire Department expires on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-33 of the Municipal Code, Common Council will appoint a five

member Selection committee not later than September 22nd; and

WHEREAS, the Section Committee must consist of: two (2) former Chiefs of the City of Burlington Fire Department; one (1) Chief Officer from another Fire Department; one (1) Civilian with management experience; and one (1) member of Common Council; and

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved by the Common Council of the City of Burlington that the following persons are hereby appointed to the Selection Committee for the selection of two (2) Battalion Chiefs for the City of Burlington Fire Department for the term of January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023:

Tom Ryder and Dave Ekelburg as former Burlington City Fire Department Chiefs; and
Frank Romano, Chief of the Lumberton Township Fire Department as an outside Fire Chief; and
Rick Iovine as the civil member; and
Council Member Ila Marie Lollar

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 238-2021*

Common Council of the City of Burlington hereby authorizes the temporary closure of the lower 900 block of Rigg Road for a Block Party on Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 4:00pm to 10:00pm.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 239-2021*

WHEREAS, September 17, 2021 marks the two hundred thirty-fourth anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary; and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate the occasion; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 915, guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17th through September 23rd as Constitution Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Barry W. Conaway, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Burlington, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, do hereby proclaim the week of September 17th through 23rd as

CONSTITUTION WEEK

AND urge all citizen to study the Constitution, and reflect on the privilege of being an America with all the rights and responsibilities which that privilege involves.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 240-2021*

RESOLUTION NO. 240-2021 OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON CANCELLING TAXES AND REFUND OVERPAYMENT ON PROPERTY OWNED BY A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, the property identified herein as Block 221, Lot 43, located at 66 Fawn Hollow Road is owned by Horatio Ames, declared to be a 100% permanently and totally disabled veteran; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey provides tax exempt status, under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3:30, to veterans declared as such; and

WHEREAS, due to the cancellation of 2021 pro-rated taxes in the amount of \$5,047.01, an overpayment will occur on the property in the amount of \$2,225.85;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Burlington that the 2021 pro-rated taxes are hereby cancelled for the reason set forth above and authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue a refund check in the amount of \$2,225.85 for the overpayment of 2021 taxes. The refund to be issued as follows:

<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
221 (66 Fawn Hollow Road)	43	Horatio V. Ames	\$2,225.85

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 241-2021*

RESOLUTION NO. 241-2021 OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON CANCELLING TAXES ON PROPERTY OWNED BY A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, the property identified herein as Block 222, Lot 90, located at 433 Independence Drive is owned by Alonso Calix, declared to be a 100% permanently and totally disabled veteran; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey provides tax exempt status, under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3:30, to veterans declared as such;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Burlington that the 2021 2nd half tax amount of \$3,149.64 is hereby cancelled for the reason set forth above.

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 242-2021*

RESOLUTION NO. 242-2021 OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON CANCELLING TAXES AND REFUNDING OVERPAYMENT ON PROPERTY OWNED BY A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN

WHEREAS, the property identified herein as Block 58, Lot 26, located at 900 Shadeland Avenue is owned by Sonya Perro, declared to be a 100% permanently and totally disabled veteran; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey provides tax exempt status, under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3:30, to veterans declared as such; and

WHEREAS, due to the cancellation of 2021 pro-rated taxes in the amount of \$3,451.72, an overpayment will occur on the property in the amount of \$1,408.02;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Burlington that the 2021 pro-rated taxes are hereby cancelled for the reason set forth above and authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to issue a refund check in the amount of \$1,408.02 for the overpayment of 2021 taxes. The refund to be issued as follows:

<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
58 (900 Shadeland Avenue)	26	Sonya J. Perro	\$1,408.02

*Make check payable to:

Corelogic
Attention: Refund Department
3001 Hackberry Road
Irving, TX 75063-0156

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 243-2021*

Common Council of the City of Burlington hereby authorizes the Municipal Clerk to issue a Mercantile License to Mohammad Lidwiah, 64 Garibaldi Avenue, Staten Island, N.Y. to operate a business at 909 E. Route 130 t/a "Cadillac's Plus."

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

Resolution No. 244-2021*

Common Council of the City of Burlington hereby authorizes the Municipal Clerk to issue a Mercantile License to Wendy Ringel, 9 Magnolia Drive, Burlington, N.J. to operate a business at 249 High Street t/a "Wendy Ringel Photography."

Approved by Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sam Richter, 2 E. Pearl Street, Apt. 211- spoke of an incident with glass in the street.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Chachis spoke of a former Redeveloper, Propel; asked for an update on the amendment to the NYS Redevelopment Plan.

Mr. Harris stated we are waiting on the Land Use Board.

Councilwoman Hatala spoke of the E. Union Street Yard Sale.

Councilwoman Hollingsworth expressed concerns about crime in the City.

Chief Fine said a press release and video were recently sent out relating to a car jacking on Wood Street; spoke of dedicated Officers and Volunteers of America.

Councilwoman Hollingsworth spoke of foot patrol.

Chief Fine stated there is foot patrol during the day, but more in the evenings.

Councilwoman Hollingsworth spoke of parking issues downtown.

Councilwoman Woodard spoke of BCAP, the former President passed away; requested conferences on Redevelopment and a parking study; expressed concerns about quality of life issues, trash and loitering.

CONFERENCES

- All-Way Stops Traffic Proposals

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the motion of Councilman Chachis, seconded by Councilwoman Woodard, this meeting of September 21, 2021 was adjourned at 8:56pm.

Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk