

July 22, 2025

A Regular Meeting of the Piscataway Township Council was held on July 22, 2025 at the Piscataway Municipal Building, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Council President Espinosa at 7:00 p.m.

Council President Espinosa made the following Statement, in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act: Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as required under Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, specifying the time, date, location, login, or dial-in information, and, to the extent known, the agenda by posting a copy of the notice on the Municipal Building, Municipal Court and the two Municipal Library Bulletin Boards, Municipal Website, providing a copy to the official newspapers of the Township and by filing a copy in the office of the Township Clerk in accordance with a certification by the Clerk which will be entered in the minutes.

There will be public comment periods for both remote and in person attendees separately. Each member of the public shall only have one opportunity to speak during each public portion. As the technology does not allow us to know if there are multiple callers on an individual phone line or logged in user account, we ask that if you wish to speak, that you login in or dial in separately so that we can recognize you as a separate individual.

Should you have any further comments or questions, the Township Council is always available by email and phone, and you can always call the Mayor's office during normal operating hours.

On roll call, there were present: Councilmembers Carmichael, Leibowitz, Lombardi, Rashid, Uhrin, & Espinosa.

Council President Espinosa led the salute to the flag.

Council President Espinosa opened the meeting to the remote attendees for comments regarding the Consent Agenda items.

There being no comments, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

Council President Espinosa opened the meeting to the in person attendees for comments regarding the Consent Agenda items.

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The Clerk read for FIRST READING the following ORDINANCE: ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER XXXII (32), STORMWATER MANGEMENT AND CONTROL, ARTICLES 2, 3, AND 4, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT, PRIVATE STORM DRAIN INLET RETROFITTING, AND PRIVATELY OWNED SALT STORAGE

RESOLUTION offered by Councilmember Carmichael, seconded by Councilmember Rashid, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER XXXII (32), STORMWATER MANGEMENT AND CONTROL, ARTICLES 2, 3, AND 4, STORMWATER MANAGEMENT, PRIVATE STORM DRAIN INLET RETROFITTING, AND PRIVATELY OWNED SALT STORAGE

be and is hereby adopted on the first reading, that it be published in the official newspaper, and that a second reading and public hearing be held at 7:00 p.m., prevailing time at the Piscataway Municipal Building, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey on the 12th day of August 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Ordinance shall be posted in at least two public places within the Township prior to the day of the second reading and final passage, and a copy of this Ordinance shall be made available at the Office of the Township Clerk for any interested member of the public.

On roll call vote: Councilmembers Carmichael, Leibowitz, Lombardi, Rashid, Uhrin, & Espinosa answered yes.

The Clerk read for FIRST READING the following ORDINANCE: ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER VII (7), TRAFFIC, SECTION 14, PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS, AND SECTION 15, PARKING PROHIBITED DURING CERTAIN HOURS ON CERTAIN STREETS

RESOLUTION offered by Councilmember Lombardi, seconded by Councilmember Leibowitz, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of Piscataway Township, New Jersey that AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED: ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER VII (7), TRAFFIC, SECTION 14, PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS, AND SECTION 15, PARKING PROHIBITED DURING CERTAIN HOURS ON CERTAIN STREETS

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On roll call vote: Councilmembers Carmichael, Leibowitz, Lombardi, Rashid, Uhrin, & Espinosa answered yes.

RESOLUTION #25-249

RESOLUTION offered by Councilmember Lombardi, seconded by Councilmember Carmichael.

WHEREAS, the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Piscataway permit the adoption of Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway as part of the Consent Agenda, upon certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, each of the following Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations to be presented before the Township Council at its July 22, 2025 Regular Meeting appear to have the unanimous approval of all members of the Township Council:

- a. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Refund of Overpayment of Taxes:
 - Block 1921, Lot 5.01.
- b. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Change Order #1 (Decrease), Acceptance of Project and Release of Retainage – 2024 Deborah Drive Tot Lot Parking Lot – Lucas Brothers Inc.
- c. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Adjustments to Public Bidding Thresholds and Authorizing Purchasing Agent to Award Contracts between \$17,500.00 and \$53,000.00.
- d. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Award of Contract Through Middlesex County Cooperative – 2025-2 Hot Mix Asphalt for Road Resurfacing – Stavola Asphalt Company, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$350,000.00.
- e. RESOLUTION - Authorizing Municipal Lien for Abatement of Public Nuisance – Block 502, Lot 29 – 9 Woodrow Avenue.
- f. RESOLUTION – Amending Emergency Resolution #25-154 to Include Additional Cost of \$43,044.00 - Sewer Line Repairs at 10th Street & Pelham Avenue.
- g. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding with New Jersey Office of Emergency Management.
- h. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Middlesex County Shared Radio Network Agreement Between Middlesex County and Piscataway Township.
- i. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Change Order #1 – 2024 Castle Pointe Pump Station Improvement – Pumping Services, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$1,533.76.
- j. RESOLUTION – Chapter 159 – National Opioid Settlement-Allergan.
- k. RESOLUTION – Chapter 159 – National Opioid Settlement-CVS.
- l. RESOLUTION – Chapter 159 - National Opioid Settlement-Teva.
- m. RESOLUTION – Chapter 159 – 2025 Initial PEG Grant (Technology Grant)
- n. RESOLUTION – Declaring Local State of Emergency for the July 14th Storm.
- o. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Various Bonds:

Performance Surety:

- Block 2101, Lot 9.04 – 600 Lorhan Drive – 18-ZB-47/48/49V.
- Block 2101, Lot 9.04 – 200 & 500 Lorhan Drive – 18-ZB-47/48/49V.
- Block 2101, Lot 9.04 – 100 & 800 Lorhan Drive (Club House) – 18-ZB-47/48/49V.

Cash Bonds:

- Block 6817, Lot 30 – 210 Elizabeth Avenue – 21-ZB-41V.
 - Block 2101, Lot 9.04 – 7000 Lorhan Drive – 18-ZB-47/48/49V.
 - Soil Erosion/Street Opening/Driveway
 - Block 6817, Lot 30 – 210 Elizabeth Avenue.
 - Roma Boulevard – Permit #8328.
 - Block 3905, Lot 14.01 – 17 3rd Avenue.
- p. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Sterling Village Security Deposits and Payment of Arrears to Piscataway Township – Apt. 252 & 338.
- q. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Contract Amendment No. 1 – LSRP & Soil Management Services – Westergard Library – Chapman, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$9,437.05.
- r. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Return of Escrow:
- Block 6703, Lot 4 – 260 Centennial Avenue.
- s. RESOLUTION – Authorizing Award of Contract Through Bergen County Cooperative – 2025 Day Park Fitness Area Supply & Installation – Kompan, Inc. – Not to Exceed \$226,215.58.
- t. RESOLUTION - Authorizing Award of Contract – 2025–2027 Security Guard Services for Sterling Village Senior Housing - Aegis Security Agency, LLC - Not to Exceed \$298,243.44.
- u. RESOLUTION - Authorizing License Agreement with PSE&G for Pole Storage Location.
- v. MOTION – Accept Council Meeting Minutes – June 5, 17 & July 1, 2025.
- w. MOTION – Accept Report of Clerks Account – June 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway that each of the above-listed Resolutions, Motions or Proclamations be approved and adopted by the Township Council, with the same legal effect as through each was read in its entirety at the July 22, 2025 Regular meeting and adopted by separate vote.

The following are the Resolutions, typed in full, which were adopted by the foregoing consent agenda resolution:

RESOLUTION #25-250

WHEREAS, the following parties overpaid taxes and are requesting a refund of this amount as listed below.

| Block | Lot | Name | Year | Amount | Reason |
|-------|------|------------------|------|----------|--------------------------|
| 1921 | 5.01 | Greg Di Girolamo | 2025 | 1,768.84 | Bank paid and owner paid |

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer is hereby authorized to refund the overpayment of taxes to the record owner and the Collector is hereby authorized to adjust the records accordingly.

RESOLUTION #25-251

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the “Township”) awarded a contract to Lucas Brothers, Inc., Morganville, NJ, for the 2024 Deborah Drive Tot Lot Parking Lot Project (the “Project”), in the amount not to exceed \$280,000.00; and

WHEREAS, due to subtracting items that were not fully utilized during the time of the Project, Lucas Brothers, Inc. finished the Project below the original contract amount and requested a decrease in the final total contract amount; and

WHEREAS, there was no prior increase or decrease to this Project; and
 WHEREAS, this change order would represent a \$91,816.15 decrease in the total amount of the Project from the original contract amount for a final completed total in the amount of \$188,183.85, a 32.79% decrease; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Memorandum from the Township Landscape Architect dated July 2, 2025, the Township Landscape Architect recommends the acceptance of the Project in the total contract amount of \$188,183.85 and recommends the release of the retainage in the amount of \$3,763.68, upon the posting of a two (2) year maintenance bond in the amount of \$18,818.38; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to amend the total contract amount for the 2024 Deborah Drive Tot Lot Parking Lot Project with Lucas Brothers, Inc., Morganville, NJ, from \$280,000.00 to a final completed total of \$188,183.85, and execute a change order in the amount of \$91,816.15, subject to all bid specifications and contract documents; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to accept the Project and return retainage funds to Lucas Brothers, Inc., Morganville, NJ, in the amount of \$3,763.68, upon the posting of a two (2) year maintenance bond in the amount of \$18,818.38.

RESOLUTION #25-252

WHEREAS, Local Public Contracts Law has given local contracting units the ability to increase their bid threshold from \$44,000.00 to \$53,000, effective July 1, 2025, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 providing said contracting unit has a Qualified Purchasing Agent ("QPA") on staff; and

WHEREAS, Maria Valente-Caemmerer possesses the designation of a QPA, as issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 et seq. and N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9(b); and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") has designated Maria Valente-Caemmerer as the Township's QPA which would allow the Township to increase their bid threshold to \$53,000.00, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 and N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9(a); and

WHEREAS, the Township possesses the delegation of authority to award a contract having an anticipated value in excess of \$17,500.00, but below the increased bid threshold of \$53,000.00 to the Township's QPA, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the Township of Piscataway hereby increases its bid threshold to \$53,000.00, effective July 1, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(a), the Township Council hereby delegates and designates the power to negotiate and award contracts up to \$17,500.00 to the Mayor, Township Business Administrator and QPA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.5, the Township Council hereby delegates the power to award a contract having an anticipated value in excess of \$17,500.00, but below the bid threshold of \$53,000.00 to the Township QPA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-5.2 the local unit Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Business Administrator and Mayor are authorized to execute a certification of the contracting unit, to be sent to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, stating that the purchasing agent of the contracting unit exercises the duties of a purchasing agent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(3), with specific relevance to the authority, responsibility, and accountability of the purchasing activity of the contracting unit; and

RESOLUTION #25-253

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") is in need of 2025- Hot Mix Asphalt for Road Resurfacing (the "Asphalt"); and

WHEREAS, the Township Director of Public Works recommends awarding a contract for the Asphalt to Stavola Asphalt Company, Inc., Tinton Falls, NJ through the Middlesex County Cooperative Contract #B-25-097, in the amount not to exceed \$350,000.00 for one year starting June 16, 2025 and ending on June 15, 2026; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2(3) authorizes the Township to make purchases and contract for services through the use of a nationally-recognized and accepted

cooperative purchasing agreement that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding process; and

WHEREAS, funds are available pursuant to certification # B-2025-012;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to purchase the 2025-2 Hot Mix Asphalt for Road Resurfacing through the Middlesex County Cooperative Contract #B-25-097 to Stavola Asphalt Company, Inc., Tinton Falls, NJ in the amount not to exceed \$350,000.00 for one year starting June 16, 2025 and ending June 15, 2026.

RESOLUTION #25-254

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Piscataway has been advised that the township has incurred costs associated with abatement of a public nuisance on certain properties as follow:

| Block | Lot | Location | Amount |
|-------|-----|---------------|----------|
| 1502 | 29 | 9 WOODROW AVE | \$162.50 |

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the township council of the Township of Piscataway, that municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to take the necessary steps to impose municipal liens, as indicated above, for the costs of remedial action to abate a public nuisance on certain.

RESOLUTION #25-255

Resolution # 25-154 is hereby amended as follows:

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2025, the Township discovered that there was a Sewer backup at 11th and Mansfield, and a subsequent obstruction and break in the line at 10th and Mansfield; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway did not have the resources to do a restoration at the depth that the sewer line was located, and any bypass would have created hazardous conditions on the roadway as well as potential backups into local households; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 40A:11-6 allows the Township to award emergency contracts when an emergency affecting the public health, safety or welfare requires the immediate delivery of goods or the performance of services; and

WHEREAS, without immediate additional bypass pumping, excavation, repair and restoration, the Township residents' health, safety, and welfare would be affected by the hazardous conditions of open manholes and the potential for sewer backups into the residential homes; and

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator approved the emergency services as specified in the Certification of Request for Emergency Purchases, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2025 Messercola Excavating Co, Inc., Plainfield, NJ was able to provide immediate services for an amount not to exceed \$143,044.00;

WHEREAS, there is funding available pursuant to Certification #R-2025-0021; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey, that the appropriate municipal officials are hereby authorized to approve an emergency contract with Messercola Excavating Co., Inc., in the amount of \$143,044.00, for bypass pumping, excavation, repair, and restoration of the sewer line on Mansfield Avenue between 10th and 11th Streets, subject to all applicable contract documents.

RESOLUTION #25-256

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") wishes to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") with the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management, hereinafter referred to as the "NJOEM", regarding applications for grants under the Federal Management Agency (FEMA) Public Assistance and/or Hazard Mitigation programs for presidentially declared major disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has reviewed the MOU, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof, and recommends execution of same; and

WHEREAS, the Township and the NJOEM are authorized to enter into said MOU pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the Township Council formally approves the MOU and authorizes the appropriate municipal officials to execute same.

RESOLUTION #25-257

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") deems it to be in the public interest to enter into a Shared Radio Network Agreement with the Middlesex County Radio Network (the "MCRN") for the purpose of improving public safety, public service communications and interoperability; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., specifically authorizes local government units to enter into agreements to provide or receive any service that each local unit participating in the agreement empowered to provide or receive; and

WHEREAS, the MCRN will provide a P25 Phase II, 700/800-megahertz, microwave network for the Township's use; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has reviewed the Shared Radio Network Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof, and recommends execution of same; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the Township Council formally approves and authorizes the execution of the Shared Radio Network Agreement with the Middlesex County Radio Network for the purpose of improving public safety, public service communications and interoperability in substantially the form attached hereto, subject to such final changes as may be approved by the Mayor upon the advice of the Township Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials, the Township Attorney and the Mayor are hereby authorized to execute any such documents or take such actions necessary to effectuate the Shared Radio Network Agreement.

RESOLUTION #25-258

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") awarded a contract to Pumping Services, Inc. Middlesex, NJ for the 2024 Castle Pointe Pump Station Improvement (the "Project"), in the amount not to exceed \$168,004.22; and

WHEREAS, due to reports of rust and holes in the galvanized rails, further repairs are necessary, which were not included in the original scope of work outlined by the Township and same was not anticipated in the proposal from Pumping Services, INC to the Township for the Project; and

WHEREAS, there was no prior increase or decrease to this Project; and

WHEREAS, this change order would represent a \$1,533.76 increase in the total amount of the Project from the original contract amount for a final total not to exceed \$168,004.22, a 0.92% increase; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.3 authorizes a municipality to approve change orders up to twenty (20) percent of the originally awarded contract; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a request from the Assistant Director of Public Works, dated July 1, 2025, said Director of Public Works recommends approving Change Order No. 1; and

WHEREAS, funds are available pursuant to certification # R-2024-0087-01;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to amend the total contract amount for the 2024 Castle Pointe Pump Station Improvement with Pumping Services, Inc., Middlesex, NJ from \$166,470.46, to a final total not to exceed \$168,004.22 and execute a Change Order in the amount of \$1,533.76, subject to all bid specifications and contract documents.

RESOLUTION #25-259

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 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, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway has received notice of an award of \$4,206.90 from the National Opioid Settlement Trust Fund and wishes to amend its Calendar Year 2025 Budget to include this amount as revenue, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, 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 Calendar Year 2025:

Amount Received for

National Opioid Settlement- Allergan \$4,206.90

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$ \$4,206.90 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

National Opioid Settlement- Allergan \$4,206.90

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance forward a certified copy of this resolution electronically to the Director of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION #25-260

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 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, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway has received notice of an award of \$7,436.71 from the National Opioid Settlement Trust Fund and wishes to amend its Calendar Year 2025 Budget to include this amount as revenue, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, 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 Calendar Year 2025:

Amount Received for

National Opioid Settlement- CVS \$7,436.71

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$ \$7,436.71 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

National Opioid Settlement- CVS \$7,436.71

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance forward a certified copy of this resolution electronically to the Director of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION #25-261

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 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, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway has received notice of an award of \$4,040.30 from the National Opioid Settlement Trust Fund and wishes to amend its Calendar Year 2025 Budget to include this amount as revenue, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, 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 Calendar Year 2025:

Amount Received for

National Opioid Settlement- Teva \$4,040.30

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$ \$4,040.30 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

National Opioid Settlement- Teva \$4,040.30

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance forward a certified copy of this resolution electronically to the Director of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION #25-262

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 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, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway has received notice of an award of \$15,000.00 from the CSC TKR, LLC d/b/a - Altice USA, Inc. and wishes to amend its Calendar Year 2025 Budget to include this amount as revenue, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, 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 Calendar Year 2025:

Amount Received for

2025 Initial PEG Grant (Technology Grant) \$15,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$ \$15,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

2025 Initial PEG Grant (Technology Grant) \$15,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance forward a certified copy of this resolution electronically to the Director of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION #25-263

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2025, the Township of Piscataway experienced significant rainfall and flash flooding due to a severe weather system that impacted the region; and

WHEREAS, the flooding caused substantial damage to public and private property, including but not limited to impassable roads, disabled vehicles, overwhelmed drainage systems, power outages, and downed trees; and

WHEREAS, the extent and severity of the flooding created hazardous conditions which endangered the health, safety, and welfare of residents and required immediate response by Township emergency services, Public Works, and other municipal personnel; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the powers vested in the Township under the laws of the State of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. App. A:9-40.5, the Township may declare a local state of emergency when conditions warrant; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. A State of Emergency is hereby declared in the Township of Piscataway effective July 14, 2025, due to severe flooding and associated public safety risks; and
2. The Mayor and/or Emergency Management Coordinator are authorized to implement and enforce any emergency directives, orders, or restrictions as deemed necessary; and
3. The State of Emergency shall remain in effect until such time as the Mayor and/or Township Council determines that the conditions no longer pose a significant threat to public safety.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall be distributed to all appropriate municipal departments, emergency services, and public information outlets.

RESOLUTION #25-264

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2022, Underground Utilities, Corp., Linden, NJ, posted a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Performance Surety Bond with the Township of Piscataway in the amount of \$29,440.80, regarding Zoning Board Application #18-ZB-47/48/49V for Block 2101, Lots 9.05 and 9.06 (formerly Lot 9.04) (100 and 800 Lorhan Drive/Clubhouse); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated July 11, 2025 and a letter from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated July 9, 2025, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Supervisor of Engineering advised that all site improvements were satisfactorily completed, a final Certificate of Occupancy has been issued, and recommends the release of the Performance Surety Bond to Underground Utilities, Corp.; and

WHEREAS, on February 23, 2022, Underground Utilities, Corp., Linden, NJ posted a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Performance Surety Bond with the Township of Piscataway in the amount of \$47,080.80, regarding Zoning Board

Application #18-ZB-47/48/49V for Block 2101, Lots 9.05 and 9.06 (formerly Lot 9.04)(600 Lorhan Drive); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated July 17, 2025 and a letter from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated July 9, 2025, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Supervisor of Engineering advised that all site improvements were satisfactorily completed, a final Certificate of Occupancy has been issued, and recommends the release of the Performance Surety Bond to Underground Utilities, Corp.; and

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2022, Underground Utilities, Corp., Linden, NJ posted a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Performance Surety Bond with the Township of Piscataway in the amount of \$60,464.40, regarding Zoning Board Application #18-ZB-47/48/49V for Block 2101, Lots 9.05 and 9.06 (formerly Lot 9.04)(200 and 500 Lorhan Drive); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated July 11, 2025 and a letter from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated July 9, 2025, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Supervisor of Engineering advised that all site improvements were satisfactorily completed, a final Certificate of Occupancy has been issued, and recommends the release of the Performance Surety Bond to Underground Utilities, Corp.; and

WHEREAS, Mirna J. Aguilar, Piscataway, NJ, requests the release of a Driveway Bond in the amount of \$1,000.00 deposited with the Township on June 6, 2019 for repairs and inspections of Block 3905, Lot 14.01 (17 3rd Avenue); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated June 24, 2025 and a letter from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated June 26, 2025, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Supervisor of Engineering advised that all repairs and inspections have been made according to Township specifications and recommends the release of the Driveway Cash Bond, in the amount of \$1,000.00, to Mirna J. Aguilar; and

WHEREAS, MCG Utilities, Inc., West Chester, PA, requests the release of a Street Opening Bond in the amount of \$2,000.00 deposited with the Township on April 17, 2024 regarding repairs and inspections for Roma Boulevard (Permit #8328); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated March 31, 2025 and a letter from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated April 17, 2025, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Supervisor of Engineering advised that all repairs and inspections have been made according to Township specifications and recommends the release of the Street Opening Cash Bond, in the amount of \$2,000.00, to MCG Utilities, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2024, Hyvest Homes, Inc., Somerset, NJ, posted a check with the Township of Piscataway in the amount of \$1,000.00 for a Soil/Erosion Sediment Control Bond for Block 6817, Lot 30 (210 Elizabeth Avenue); and

WHEREAS pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated June 11, 2025 and a Memorandum from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated July 7, 2025, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Supervisor of Engineering advised that all necessary inspections and approvals were granted and recommends the release of the Soil/Erosion Sediment Control Cash Bond in the amount of \$1,000.00 to Hyvest Homes, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, on February 7, 2023, Hyvest Homes, Inc., Somerset, NJ, posted a check in the total amount of \$2,292.00 with the Township of Piscataway as a Cash Bond for Off-Site Improvements regarding Zoning Board Application #21-ZB-41V for Block 6817, Lot 30 (210 Elizabeth Avenue); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated June 11, 2025, and a Memorandum from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated July 8, 2025, the Township Engineering Division approved the release of the Off-Site Improvements Cash Bond in the total amount of \$2,292.00 to Hyvest Homes, Inc., conditioned upon the developer posting a Maintenance Bond in the amount of \$286.50 to run for a period of two years; and

WHEREAS, on November 16, 2021, Fresh Air Condos, LLC, Middlesex, NJ, posted a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Guarantee Cash Bond with the Township of Piscataway in the amount of \$58,428.00, regarding Zoning Board Application #18-ZB-47/48/49V for Block 2101, Lots 9.05 & 9.06 (formerly Lot 9.04)(700 Lorhan Drive); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated July 8, 2025 and a letter from the Township Supervisor of Engineering dated July 9, 2025, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, said Supervisor of Engineering advised that all site improvements were satisfactorily completed and recommends the release of the Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Guarantee Cash Bond in the amount of \$59,903.73 (with interest) to Fresh Air Condos, LLC, Middlesex, NJ; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Guarantee Performance Surety Bond in the amount of \$29,440.80 to Underground Utilities, Corp., Linden, NJ, regarding Zoning Board Application #18-ZB-47/48/49V for Block 2101, Lots 9.05 and 9.06 (formerly Lot 9.04)(100 and 800 Lorhan Drive/Clubhouse); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Guarantee Performance Surety Bond in the amount of \$47,080.80 to Underground Utilities, Corp., Linden, NJ, regarding Zoning Board Application #18-ZB-47/48/49V for Block 2101, Lots 9.05 and 9.06 (formerly Lot 9.04)(600 Lorhan Drive); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Guarantee Performance Surety Bond in the amount of \$60,464.40 to Underground Utilities, Corp., Linden, NJ, regarding Zoning Board Application #18-ZB-47/48/49V for Block 2101, Lots 9.05 and 9.06 (formerly Lot 9.04)(200 and 500 Lorhan Drive); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release a Driveway Cash Bond in the amount of \$1,000.00, to Mirna J. Aguilar, Piscataway, NJ, for repairs and inspections of Block 3905, Lot 14.01 (17 3rd Avenue); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release a Street Opening Cash Bond in the amount of \$2,000.00, to MCG Utilities, Inc., West Chester, PA, for repairs and inspections of Roma Boulevard (Permit #8328); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release a Soil Erosion/Sediment Control Cash Bond to Hyvest Homes, Inc., Somerset, NJ, in the amount of \$1,000.00 regarding Block 6817, Lot 30 (210 Elizabeth Avenue); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release the Off-Site Improvements Cash Bond to Hyvest Homes, Inc., Somerset, NJ, in the amount of \$2,292.000 regarding Zoning Board Application #21-ZB-41V for Block 6817, Lot 30 (210 Elizabeth Avenue), conditioned upon the developer posting a Maintenance Bond in the amount of \$286.50, with said Maintenance Bond to run for a period of two years; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy Guarantee Cash Bond to Fresh Air Condos, LLC, Middlesex, NJ, in the amount of \$59,903.73 (with interest) regarding Zoning Board Application #18-ZB-47/48/49V for Block 2101, Lots 9.05 & 9.06 (formerly Lot 9.04)(700 Lorhan Drive).

RESOLUTION #25-265

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") is in possession of a Security Deposit being held on behalf of Gary Bohl, in the amount of \$564.91, posted with the Township for Apartment 252 at Sterling Village; and

WHEREAS, the Township Finance Department recommends the release of said Security Deposit, in the amount of \$564.91, less \$31.23 in outstanding rent owed to the Township, for a total amount to be released of \$533.68; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") is in possession of a Security Deposit being held on behalf of the Estate of Kenneth Pelley, in the amount of \$1,209.87, posted with the Township of Piscataway for Apartment 338 at Sterling Village; and

WHEREAS, the Township Finance Department recommends the release of said Security Deposit, in the amount of \$1,209.87, less \$25.00 in outstanding rent owed to the Township, for a total amount to be released of \$1,184.87; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release said Security Deposit in the amount of \$533.68

to Gary Bohl and in the amount of \$31.23 to the Township of Piscataway for outstanding rent, in regard to Apartment 252 at Sterling Village; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appropriate municipal officials are hereby authorized to release said Security Deposit in the amount of \$1,184.87 to the Estate of Kenneth Pelly and in the amount of \$25.00 to the Township of Piscataway for outstanding rent, in regard to Apartment 338 at Sterling Village.

RESOLUTION #25-266

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") awarded a contract to Chapman Environmental Services, Eatontown, NJ, for LSRP & Soil Management Services for Westergard Library Canopy (the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, the removal of additional material is required for the Services that was not included in the original scope of work outlined by the Township and not anticipated in the proposal from Chapman Environmental Services to the Township for the Services; and

WHEREAS, Chapman Environmental Services, Eatontown, NJ, was previously qualified under the Fair and Open Process to provide professional services for Professional Engineering Services – Special Projects, Environmental, Etc. by the Township of Piscataway for 2025; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.6 authorizes the Township to approve changes within scope for professional services for a project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a request from the Assistant Director of Public Works, dated July 1, 2025, said Assistant Director of Public Works recommends approving Contract Amendment Request No. 1, in the amount of \$9,437.05 for a new contract sum of \$21,937.05; and

WHEREAS, there is funding available pursuant to certification # R-2024-0134-01;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to amend the total contract amount with Chapman Environmental Services, Eatontown, NJ, for the LSRP & Soil Management Services for Westergard Library Canopy to a final total not to exceed \$21,937.08 and execute the enclosed Contract Amendment Request in the amount of \$9,437.08, subject to all bid specifications and contract documents.

RESOLUTION #25-267

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2022 Key Tov Consulting Corp., Monroe, NY, posted an escrow check with the Township of Piscataway in the amount of \$500.00 for a Concept Plan regarding Block 6703, Lot 4 (260 Centennial Avenue); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Request for Release of Funds dated April 29, 2025, and Memorandum from the Township Supervisor of Planning dated May 23, 2025, copies of which are attached hereto and made a part hereof, the Supervisor of Planning and Finance Department approved the release of the unexpended escrow fees in the amount of \$35.92 to Key Tov Consulting Corp.; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to release the unexpended escrow fees to Key Tov Consulting Corp., Monroe, NY, in the amount of \$35.92 for a Concept Plan regarding Block 6703, Lot 4 (260 Centennial Avenue).

RESOLUTION #25-268

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway is in need of a new parking lot and associated improvements for 2025 Day Park Fitness Area Supply and Installation (the "Supply and Installation"); and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway Landscape Architect recommends awarding a contract for the Supply and Installation to Kopman, Inc., Austin, TX, through the Bergen County Coop, Bid No. 24-35, in the amount not to exceed \$226,215.58; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:34-6.2 et. seq. authorizes the Township to make purchases and contract for services through the use of a nationally-recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing agreement that has been developed utilizing a competitive bidding process; and

WHEREAS, there is funding available pursuant to certification # R-2025-0057;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Kopman, Inc., Austin, TX, for the 2025 Day Park Fitness Area Supply and Installation through the Bergen County Coop, Bid No. 24-35, in the amount not to exceed \$226,215.58, subject to all bid specifications and contract documents.

RESOLUTION #25-269

WHEREAS, on July 17, 2025, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") received five (5) bids for Security Guard Services for Sterling Village Senior Housing (the "Services"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a Recommendation to Award, dated July 18, 2025, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, the Township Business Administrator recommends awarding a contract for the Services to Aegis Security Agency, LLC, Randolph, NJ, who was the lowest qualifying bidder, in the amount not to exceed \$298,243.44; and

WHEREAS, funds are available pursuant to certification #-2025-0061;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials be and are hereby authorized to award a contract for Security Guard Services for Sterling Village Senior Housing to Aegis Security Agency, LLC, Randolph, NJ, in the amount not to exceed \$298,243.44, subject to all bid specifications and contract documents.

RESOLUTION #25-270

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway (the "Township") wishes to enter into a License Agreement with PSE&G, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, to allow PSE&G limited use of Township property located at Block 2707, Lot 3.04 on the Piscataway Township Tax Map, more commonly known as 470 Williams Street (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Township of Piscataway wishes to permit PSE&G to use the above-described Property solely for the purpose as a temporary laydown yard, including the delivery, storage, and staging of utility poles and related materials and equipment (the "Use"); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, that the appropriate municipal officials and the Mayor be and are hereby authorized to execute the License Agreement with PSE&G for the limited Use of the Property, in substantially the form attached hereto, with any modifications to be authorized by the Mayor on the advice of the Township Attorney.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMENTS FROM OFFICIALS:

- Councilmember Carmichael reminded residents of the upcoming Concert in the Park series, which will be at Riverside Park instead of the Columbus Park Gazebo.
- Councilmember Leibowitz thanked the DPW and volunteers for their hard work during the recent weather events.
- Councilmember Lombardi echoed the statements of both Councilmember Carmichael and Councilmember Leibowitz, adding an additional thanks to the EMS teams for their help as well. She also reminded residents that National Night Out is coming up on Tuesday, August 5th on Stockton Street.
- Councilmember Rashid wished everyone a safe and happy summer.
- Councilmember Uhrin thanked DPW, specifically Assistant Director Jim Ferratti, for all their time and efforts across town, especially in Ward 1.
- Mayor Wahler gave updates on various road improvement projects, curbside appointments, and Columbus Park.
- Business Administrator Paula Cozzarelli thanked the Piscataway dispatch team for their assistance during the weather events and gave additional updates on road improvement projects.
- Township Attorney Raj Goomer addressed the issue brought up online about an email that seemed to come from the Mayor's Chief of Staff. He said that this correspondence did not come from her, as she was on vacation with no access to the internet, and the Police Department is investigating this matter.

- Council President Espinosa also thanked DPW and EMS, and reminded residents of the Concerts in the Park series. He thanked Business Administrator Paula Cozzarelli for being present at the YMCA during the emergency situation as well.

The Council considered the matters on the Agenda for August 12, 2025:

- ORDINANCE – SECOND READING – Amending Various Chapters of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Piscataway – OPEN TO PUBLIC – RESOLUTION Adopting Ordinance
- ORDINANCE – SECOND READING – Amending Chapter 7 Traffic Sections 14 and 15 – OPEN TO PUBLIC – RESOLUTION Adopting Ordinance

OPEN TO PUBLIC – REMOTE ATTENDEES:

There being no comments, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

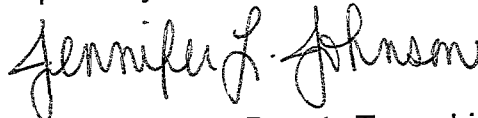
OPEN TO PUBLIC – IN PERSON ATTENDEES:

Curtis Grubbs, 1750 W 3rd St, thanked Councilmember Uhrin, the DPW, and the PD for all their help with neighborhood issues.

There being no further comments, this portion of the meeting was closed to the public.

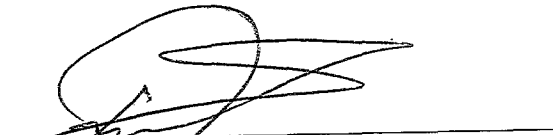
There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 pm. Motion by Councilmember Lombardi, seconded by Councilmember Rashid, carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Jennifer Johnson, Deputy Township Clerk

Accepted: August 12, 2025



Dennis Espinosa
Council President