

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

Special Meeting
of the Mayor & Council
August 29, 2022

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Mayor Christopher Chung opened the meeting at 6:06 P.M.

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

1. Notice was filed August 24, 2022 with The Record & Newark Star Ledger, both official newspapers of the Borough.
2. Notice was posted on the Bulletin Board.
3. Copy is preserved in the Clerk's Office.

Pledge of Allegiance Led By Councilperson: **CYNDY PIRRERA**

Moment of Silence for Our Troops

ROLL CALL:

Councilperson	Jang	Present
"	Kim	Present
"	Min	Absent
"	Park	Absent

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera

Seconded by Councilperson: Kim

To Excuse Councilman Min and Councilman Park from the Special Meeting

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

"	Pirrera	Present
"	Vietri	Present

Borough Attorney John Schettino, Esq. Present

Borough Administrator David Lorenzo Present

Mayor Christopher Chung asked for a motion to enter Closed Session.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Kim

Seconded By Councilperson: Vietri

To Enter Closed Session

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

OFF CONSENT:

RESOLUTION 2022-231: Authorization to Enter Closed Session (RE: Personnel and Municipal Building):

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

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

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

PERSONNEL AND MUNICIPAL BUILDING

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

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

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

The Mayor and Council proceeded with the Closed Session in the Mayor's office.

At approximately 7:15 P.M., the Mayor and Council returned to the dais.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera

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Seconded By Councilperson: Kim
To Close Closed Session and Reopen the Special Meeting

ROLL CALL:

Councilperson	Jang	Present
“	Kim	Present
“	Min	Absent
“	Park	Absent
“	Pirrera	Present
“	Vietri	Present

Borough Attorney John Schettino, Esq. Present

Borough Administrator David Lorenzo Present

PRESENTATION OF AUDIT & CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN BY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

The Chief Financial Officer, Roy Riggitano, presented the Audit and Corrective Action Plan to the Governing Body. He reviewed the audit comments.

Councilwoman Pirrera asked a question about the Swim Pool Account. Mr. Riggitano answered the question. She thanked the CFO for a clean audit.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES

Special Meeting of the Mayor & Council:	August 3, 2022
Closed Session of the Mayor & Council:	August 3, 2022
Mayor & Council Meeting:	July 25, 2022

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera

Seconded By Councilperson: Jang

To Adopt the August 3, 2022 Mayor and Council Special Meeting Minutes, August 3, 2022 Mayor and Council Closed Session Meeting Minutes, and July 25, 2022 Mayor and Council Minutes

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLUTION 2022-215	Claims
RESOLUTION 2022-216	Authorization of Payment to BMI
RESOLUTION 2022-217	Authorization of Liquor License Renewal
RESOLUTION 2022-218	Authorization of Settlement Agreement (RE: Suburban Disposal)
RESOLUTION 2022-219	Authorization of Police Department Vehicle Auction on Govdeals.com
RESOLUTION 2022-220	Authorization of Renewal of Membership in the South Bergen Municipal Joint Insurance Fund
RESOLUTION 2022-221	Authorization of Office Lease Agreement with Leem's Corp, 21 Grand Ave
RESOLUTION 2022-222	Authorization of Office Lease Agreement with BSJ Realty, LLC, 460 Bergen Blvd
RESOLUTION 2022-223	Authorization of Proposal for Building Department from DRS Data Warehousing System for Electronic Content Management (RE: DRS Group)
RESOLUTION 2022-224	Authorization of Proposal for Lease of Mobile Offices and Portable Storage Units for the Palisades Park Police Department (RE: WillScot Mobile Mini through OMNIA Partners Coop)
RESOLUTION 2022-225	Authorization of Settlement Agreement and Release (RE: S. Lee)
RESOLUTION 2022-226	Authorization of Settlement Agreement and Release (RE: A. Monteleone)
RESOLUTION 2022-227	Authorization of Food Drive for St. Michael's Rectory for the Remainder of the 2022 Pool Season
RESOLUTION 2022-228	Authorization of Palisades Park Police Department to Provide Support Shirts for Sale to the Public

OFF CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLUTION 2022-229	Acceptance of Audit for the Year 2021
RESOLUTION 2022-230	Acceptance of Corrective Action Plan for the Year 2021 as Presented by Chief Financial Officer

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- RESOLUTION 2022-231 Authorization to Enter Closed Session (RE: Personnel and Municipal Building)
- RESOLUTION 2022-232 Acceptance of Corrective Action Plan for the Year 2021
- RESOLUTION 2022-233 Appointment of Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer for the Palisades Park Fire Department (RE: A. Monteleone)

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

- ORDINANCE 2022-7 Establishment of Base Salaries for Year 2022
- ORDINANCE 2022-8 Establishment of Requirements of Business Owners and Multifamily Unit Owners to Register Annually and Maintain Certain Levels of Liability Insurance
- ORDINANCE 2022-9 Amendment of Chapter 36 Entitled "Fire Department"
- ORDINANCE 2022-10 Amendment of Chapter 76 Entitled "Advertising Materials"

2nd READING/PUBLIC HEARING:

- ORDINANCE 2022-6 Amendment of Chapter 58 Entitled "Police Department"
*THE 2ND READING/PUBLIC HEARING FOR THIS ORDINANCE WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE SEPTEMBER 26, 2022 MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING.

CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLUTION 2022-215: Claims:

RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, that the following claims, aggregating **\$ 3,579,785.28** as so ordered and approved by the Finance Committee; and

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

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

Affordable Housing Acct	\$ 0.00
Affordable Housing Rent Acct	\$ 2,380.75
Affordable Housing Security Acct	\$ 0.00
Affordable Senior Facility	\$ 0.00
Animal Account	\$ 0.00
Building Dept Account	\$ 0.00
Capital Account	\$ 49,722.86
Cash Management Account	\$ 0.00
Centennial Trust	\$ 0.00
Community Development Trust	\$ 0.00
Current Account	\$ 3,424,929.29
Developers Escrow	\$ 7,498.75
Electronic Parking Meter Account	\$ 0.00
Federal Share Forfeiture	\$ 0.00
Free Public Library	\$ 3.00
Memorial Fund	\$ 0.00
Municipal Court Bail Account	\$ 0.00
Municipal Court General Account	\$ 0.00
Net Payroll	\$ 0.00
Night Out Against Crime	\$ 5,629.03
Parking Meter Account	\$ 0.00
Payroll Agency	\$ 0.00
POAA	\$ 0.00
Police Acct	\$ 0.00
Public Defender Trust	\$ 0.00
Recycling Trust	\$ 0.00
Swim Pool Operating Account	\$ 89,621.60
Swim Pool Cafe	\$ 0.00
Swim Pool Capital Account	\$ 0.00
Tree Preservation	\$ 0.00
UFC Fines & Penalty	\$ 0.00
Unemployment Trust	\$ 0.00
Veterans Account	\$ 0.00
Total:	<u>\$ 3,579,785.28</u>

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

1. Chief Financial Officer
2. Tax Collector

RESOLUTION 2022-216: Authorization of Payment to BMI:

WHEREAS, BMI is a music licensing agency which licenses more than 500,000 songwriters, composers and music publishers; and

WHEREAS, the Borough occasionally uses recorded music at different events and on different occasions throughout the calendar year; and

WHEREAS, in order to avoid operating without a license and being subjected to potential damages for same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized and directed to pay the sum of \$420.92 for year 2022.

RESOLUTION 2022-217: Authorization of Liquor License Renewal:

WHEREAS, the Police and Borough Clerk of the Borough of Palisades Park having investigated the applications of the following for license to conduct business for retail consumption of alcoholic beverages; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby empowered to issue plenary retail consumption licenses to the following persons for the year commencing on:

July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

0245-33-021-007

CH International Corp.

Inactive

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all of said licenses have been issued pursuant to an Act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled "An Act Concerning Alcoholic Beverages, Its Supplements and Amendments Thereto" and the Borough of Palisades Park.

RESOLUTION 2022-218: Authorization of Settlement Agreement (RE: Suburban Disposal):

WHEREAS, on or about December 3, 2020, Suburban Disposal Inc. filed a Complaint against the Borough of Palisades Park in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, entitled Suburban Disposal Inc., Plaintiff, vs. Borough of Palisades Park et al., Defendants, Docket BER-L-3170-21 and which is now pending before the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division, bearing Docket No. A-001573-21; and

WHEREAS, upon discovery and review of this matter, the Parties desire to settle fully all matters relating to, arising out of or in connection with the claims asserted against the Defendant Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Parties have negotiated and reached a settlement of this matter in the amount of \$105,000.00 in accord with the Settlement Agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney have reviewed this matter and recommend the approval of the Settlement Agreement attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified as to the availability of funds to settle this matter, said certification being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the Settlement Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference with regard to the matter Suburban Disposal Inc., Plaintiff, vs. Borough of Palisades Park et al., Defendants, presently pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appellate Division, be and is hereby approved; and

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to

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forward a copy of this Resolution together with the Settlement Agreement to Richard D. Trenk, Esq., the attorney representing Suburban Disposal Inc., upon its passage.

RESOLUTION 2022-219: Authorization of Police Department Vehicle Auction on Govdeals.com:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Palisades Park has one (1) Police Department vehicle that is no longer used and useful in providing municipal services to the citizens of the borough and wishes to dispose of said vehicle through an efficient and effective process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the 2009 Ford Crown Vic VIN #2FAHP71V19X146106 constitutes property no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to sell this property to a willing buyer in the future; and

WHEREAS, the sale of surplus through an online auction is to be conducted in accordance with the requirements of Local Finance Notice 2008-09; and

WHEREAS, the auction of surplus is necessary for the efficient operations of the Borough and the sale of property no longer used or useful by the Borough for the provision of municipal services is in the best interests of its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the following equipment and/or vehicles shall be auctioned through Govdeals.com:

2009 Ford Crown Vic VIN #2FAHP71V19X146106

RESOLUTION 2022-220: Authorization of Renewal of Membership in the South Bergen Municipal Joint Insurance Fund:

**RESOLUTION FOR RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP
IN THE
SOUTH BERGEN MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND**

WHEREAS, Palisades Park is a member of the South Bergen Municipal Joint Insurance Fund; and

WHEREAS, said renewed membership terminates as of December 31, 2022 unless earlier renewed by agreement between the Municipality and the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality desires to renew said membership;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:

1. Palisades Park agrees to renew its membership in the South Bergen Municipal Joint Insurance Fund and to be subject to the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, coverages, and operating procedures thereof as presently existing or as modified from time to time by lawful act of the Fund.
2. The Mayor and Clerk shall be and hereby are authorized to execute the agreement to renew membership annexed hereto and made a part hereof and to deliver same to the South Bergen Municipal Joint Insurance Fund evidencing the Municipality's intention to renew its membership.

RESOLUTION 2022-221: Authorization of Office Lease Agreement with Leem's Corp, 21 Grand Ave:

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough of Palisades Park to lease office space while the municipal offices located at 275 Broad Avenue undergoes renovation and/or remediation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is in receipt of an office lease agreement from Leem's Corp. for the property located at 21 Grand Avenue, South Building, Ste. 501, in the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the proposed leased office space will be comprised of approximately 1157 square feet and will be used for general administrative office use for a lease term of two (2) years commencing September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney have reviewed the Office Lease Agreement between the Borough and Leem's Corp., a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and recommend the approval of same subject to revisions requested by the Borough Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the funds shall be available for said

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lease, pending approval of the appropriated bond, and a copy of said certification being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the attached Office Lease Agreement between the Borough and Leem's Corp. for the premises located at 21 Grand Avenue, South Building, Ste. 501 in the Borough, be and is hereby approved subject to revisions requested by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Office Lease Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, shall be for a term of two (2) years commencing September 1, 2022 through August 31, 2024 and shall be used for general administrative office use; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Administrator be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Office Lease Agreement on behalf of the Borough; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution together with the Office Lease Agreement be forwarded to Leem's Corp. upon its passage.

RESOLUTION 2022-222: Authorization of Office Lease Agreement with BSJ Realty, LLC, 460 Bergen Blvd:

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough of Palisades Park to lease office space while the municipal offices located at 275 Broad Avenue undergoes renovation and/or remediation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough is in receipt of an office lease agreement from BSJ Realty, LLC together with a Rider to same, for the property located at 460 Bergen Boulevard, Ste. 120, in the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the proposed leased office space will be for a term of five (5) years commencing November 1, 2022 and ending October 31, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney have reviewed the Lease Agreement and Rider to Lease Agreement, between the Borough and BSJ Realty LLC, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and recommend the approval of same, subject to revisions requested by the Borough Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the funds shall be available for said lease, pending approval of the appropriated bond, and a copy of said certification being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the attached Lease Agreement and Rider to Lease Agreement between the Borough and BSJ Realty LLC for the premises located at 460 Bergen Boulevard, Ste. 120 in the Borough, be and is hereby approved subject to revisions requested by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lease Agreement and Rider to Lease Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, shall be for a term of five (5) years commencing November 1, 2022 and ending October 31, 2027 and shall be used for general office use; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Administrator be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Lease Agreement and Rider to Lease Agreement on behalf of the Borough; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution together with the Lease Agreement and Rider to Lease Agreement be forwarded to BSJ Realty LLC upon its passage.

RESOLUTION 2022-223: Authorization of Proposal for Building Department from DRS Data Warehousing System for Electronic Content Management (RE: DRS Group):

WHEREAS, the Borough of Palisades Park Building Department is in receipt of a proposal dated August 12, 2022 from the DRS Group for DRS Data Warehousing System for Electronic Content Management in the amount of \$8,400.00; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Building Department have reviewed the proposal submitted by the DRS Group, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and recommend the approval of same; and

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WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has prepared an Agreement between the Borough and The DRS Group, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and recommends the approval of same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the attached proposal dated August 12, 2022 from the DRS Group submitted to the Palisades Park Building Department for DRS Data Warehousing System for Electronic Content Management in the amount of \$8,400.00, be and is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement between the Borough and The DRS Group on behalf of the Borough; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to effectuate the proposal submitted by the DRS Group; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the DRS Group and the Building Department upon its passage.

RESOLUTION 2022-224: Authorization of Proposal for Lease of Mobile Offices and Portable Storage Units for the Palisades Park Police Department (RE: WillScot Mobile Mini through OMNIA Partners Coop):

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough of Palisades Park Police Department to lease space while the municipal offices located at 275 Broad Avenue undergoes renovation and/or remediation; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department is in receipt of a proposal from WillScot Mobile Mini for mobile offices and portable storage units; and

WHEREAS, WillScot Mobile Mini's proposal in the amount of \$1,308,527.86, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, is being submitted through the OMNIA Partners Coop; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Police Department have reviewed the proposal submitted by WillScot Mobile Mini for the lease of mobile office space and portable storage units for the Palisades Park Police Department, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, and recommend the approval of same subject to further review and revisions by the Borough Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the funds shall be available for said lease, pending approval of the appropriated bond, and a copy of said certification being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the attached proposal for the lease of mobile offices and portable storage units for the Palisades Park Police Department submitted by WillScot Mobile Mini, through OMNIA Partners Coop, in the amount of \$1,308,527.86 be and is hereby approved subject to further review and revisions by the Borough Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Administrator and/or Police Department be and are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to effectuate the lease of the mobile offices and portable storage units for the Palisades Park Police Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution together with the Preliminary Approval and Acceptance of Terms be forward to WillScot Mobile Mini upon its passage.

RESOLUTION 2022-225: Authorization of Settlement Agreement and Release (RE: S. Lee):

WHEREAS, the Palisades Park Police Department and Captain Shawn Lee desire to resolve and reach a full and final resolution of all matters relating to the employment relationship between them; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and Captain Lee have negotiated and reached a settlement in accord with the Settlement Agreement and Release attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney have reviewed this matter and recommend the approval of the Settlement Agreement and Release attached hereto and

incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the Settlement Agreement and Release attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference with regard to the within referenced matter be and is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution and Settlement Agreement and Release to Kenneth Ralph, Esq., the attorney representing Captain Lee upon its passage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be placed in the personnel file of Captain Shawn Lee upon its passage.

RESOLUTION 2022-226: Authorization of Settlement Agreement and Release (RE: A. Monteleone):

WHEREAS, the Palisades Park Police Department and Lieutenant Alessandro Monteleone desire to resolve and reach a full and final resolution of all matters relating to the employment relationship between them; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and Lieutenant Monteleone have negotiated and reached a settlement in accord with the Settlement Agreement and Release attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference;

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney have reviewed this matter and recommend the approval of the Settlement Agreement and Release attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the Settlement Agreement and Release attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference with regard to the within referenced matter be and is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution and Settlement Agreement and Release to Albert Wunsch, Esq., the attorney representing Lieutenant Monteleone upon its passage.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be placed in the personnel file of Lieutenant Monteleone upon its passage.

RESOLUTION 2022-227: Authorization of Food Drive for St. Michael's Rectory for the Remainder of the 2022 Pool Season:

WHEREAS, the Palisades Park Swim Club desires to hold a Food Drive for St. Michael's Rectory; and

WHEREAS, the Food Drive shall be for the remainder of the 2022 pool season with donations being dropped off during regular pool hours; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has reviewed this matter and recommends the approval of same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the Food Drive for St. Michael's Rectory for the remainder of the 2022 pool season, be and is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to St. Michael's Rectory upon its passage.

RESOLUTION 2022-228: Authorization of Palisades Park Police Department to Provide Support Shirts for Sale to the Public:

WHEREAS, the Palisades Park Police Department seeks to provide a support shirt to the public for sale with a percentage of the proceeds returned back to the Police Department to be deposited into a slush fund which is primarily used to give back to the community, i.e., police scholarships, food donations, etc.; and

WHEREAS, in order to effectuate same, a link to purchase the support shirts will be posted on the Borough's social media sites, Borough Hall and businesses throughout the Borough; and

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WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has reviewed this matter and recommends the approval of same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the Police Department be and is hereby approved to provide support shirts for sale to the public; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a percentage of the proceeds will be returned back to the Police Department to be deposited into a slush fund to be utilized to give back to the community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Officer in Charge upon its passage.

Mayor Christopher Chung asked the Borough Administrator David Lorenzo if the corrections would be made to the leases before adoption of the Resolutions. Mr. Lorenzo suggested following the advice of the Borough Attorney to adopt the Resolutions with the provision of the 90-day opt out.

Councilwoman Jang asked if there was a specific plan to renovate or demolish the Municipal Building before deciding on the leases. Mr. Lorenzo answered that she had just discussed this matter with the rest of the Governing Body to vacate the building to get into the lease and make the decision collectively whether to renovate the building or build a new one.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Vietri
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang
To Adopt Consent Agenda Resolutions #2022-215 thru #2022-213

ROLL CALL:

Councilperson	Jang	Yes; No for Resolutions #2022-225 and #2022-226
"	Kim	Yes
"	Min	Absent
"	Park	Absent
"	Pirrer	Yes; Recused from Resolution #2022-224, #2022-225, #2022-226, #2022-228
"	Vietri	Yes

OFF CONSENT:

RESOLUTION 2022-229: Acceptance of Audit for the Year 2021:

GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2021 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body; and,

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, and,

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto; and,

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5; and,

WHEREAS, all members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board, and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of

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R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT THE MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 29, 2022.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera
Seconded By Councilperson: Kim
To Adopt Off Consent Agenda Resolution #2022-229

ROLL CALL:

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

OFF CONSENT:

RESOLUTION 2022-230: Acceptance of Corrective Action Plan for the Year 2021 as Presented by Chief Financial Officer:

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has presented the 2021 annual audit comment; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has appeared before the Mayor and Council, Borough of Palisades Park on August 29, 2022 and presented in detail, the audit comments including the corrective action plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council, Borough of Palisades Park has confirmed that the corrective action plan presented by the Chief Financial Officer has been presented and accepted.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang
To Adopt Off Consent Agenda Resolution #2022-230

ROLL CALL:

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

OFF CONSENT:

RESOLUTION 2022-232: Acceptance of Corrective Action Plan for the Year 2021:

WHEREAS, on January 3, 2022, Resolution 2022-26 was adopted appointing the firm of Wielkotz & Company, LLC as the Borough Auditor for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, in accord with its contract agreement with the Borough, the Certified Public Accounting Firm of Wielkotz & Company, LLC, 401 Wanaque Avenue, Pompton Lakes, NJ 07442, has conducted an Annual Municipal Audit for the period ending **December 31, 2021**; and

WHEREAS, Local Finance Notice No. 97-16 requires the Governing Body to adopt a Corrective Action Plan in relation to recommendations contained in the Annual Municipal Audit; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's 2021 Annual Municipal Audit included certain recommendations, which require the creation and adoption of a Corrective Action Plan; and

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WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer, Roy Riggitano, has submitted the attached Corrective Action Plan to the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Borough Attorney have reviewed the Corrective Action Plan as of **December 31, 2021** provided by the CFO and recommend the approval of same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park that the Corrective Action Statement for the period ending **December 31, 2021** is hereby accepted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish the Corrective Action Plan, which was prepared by the Chief Financial Officer, Roy Riggitano.

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

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera
Seconded By Councilperson: Kim
To Adopt Off Consent Agenda Resolution #2022-232

ROLL CALL:

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

OFF CONSENT:

RESOLUTION 2022-233: Appointment of Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer for the Palisades Park Fire Department (RE: A. Monteleone):

WHEREAS, the Palisades Park Fire Department is presently seeking to hire a Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer; and

WHEREAS, after a review of this matter, the Governing Body seeks to hire Alessandro Monteleone to the position of Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer; and

WHEREAS, the position of Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer shall be paid an annual salary of \$110,000.00 in accord with the salary ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Fire Department have reviewed this matter and recommend that Alessandro Monteleone be hired to the position of Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that Alessandro Monteleone be and is hereby appointed to the position of Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer for the Palisades Park Fire Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Alessandro Monteleone shall be paid an annual salary of \$110,000.00 in accord with the salary ordinance for said position; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to place a copy of this resolution in the personnel file of Alessandro Monteleone upon its passage.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Vietri
Seconded By Councilperson: Kim
To Adopt Off Consent Agenda Resolution #2022-233

ROLL CALL:

Councilperson	Jang	No
"	Kim	Yes
"	Min	Absent
"	Park	Absent
"	Pirrera	Yes
"	Vietri	Yes

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE:

**ORDINANCE 2022-7: Establishment of Base Salaries for Year 2022:
BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE #2022-7

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING BASE SALARIES FOR CERTAIN PERSONS EMPLOYED
BY THE BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW
JERSEY, FOR THE YEAR 2022**

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40:48-1 and N.J.S. 40A-9-165 authorizes a Municipality to establish and fix salaries and wages or compensation to be paid to the employees of a Municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed the salaries and compensation requirements for certain Borough employees for the year **2022** and have embodied the results of their review in this Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen, and the State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1: The municipal positions listed below shall be compensated for their services in each position in a range as follows:

<u>TITLE OR POSITION (Full Time/Part Time)</u>	<u>BASE SALARY</u>
Mayor	\$ 10,000 to \$ 20,000
Council	\$ 10,000 to \$ 20,000
Council	\$ 10,000 to \$ 20,000
Council	\$ 10,000 to \$ 20,000
Council	\$ 10,000 to \$ 20,000
Council	\$ 10,000 to \$ 20,000
Council	\$ 10,000 to \$ 20,000
<u>Borough Clerk's Office</u>	
Borough Clerk	\$ 50,000 to \$ 130,000
Deputy Borough Clerk	\$ 50,000 to \$ 100,000
Department Secretary	\$ 45,000 to \$ 75,000
Bilingual Department Secretary	\$ 55,000 to \$ 75,000
Bilingual Receptionist 2	\$ 45,000 to \$ 55,000
Receptionist	\$ 35,000 to \$ 45,000
Election Officer	\$ 2,000 to \$ 5,500
Aide to the Mayor	\$ 5,000 to \$ 15,000
<u>Borough Administrator's Office</u>	
Borough Administrator	\$ 165,000 to \$ 230,000
Deputy Borough Administrator	\$ 20,000 to \$ 85,000
Department Secretary	\$ 45,000 to \$ 75,000
Executive Director of the Municipal Industrial Committee	\$ 50,000 to \$ 130,000
<u>Finance Department</u>	
Chief Financial Officer	\$ 50,000 to \$ 130,000
Deputy CFO	\$ 14,500 to \$ 25,000
Qualified Purchasing Agent	\$ 33,000 to \$ 44,000
Clerk to Financial Officer	\$ 11,000 to \$ 33,000
Computer Supervisor/Bookkeeper	\$ 60,000 to \$ 90,000
Accounts Payable Clerk	\$ 70,000 to \$ 95,000
Tax/Finance Clerk	\$ 22.00 - \$30.00/hour

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Department Secretary	\$ 45,000 to \$ 75,000
<u>Tax Department</u>	
Tax Assessor	\$ 29,000 to \$ 39,000
Tax Collector	\$ 50,000 to \$ 115,000
Assistant Tax Collector	\$ 44,000 to \$ 66,000
Tax Search Officer	\$ 5,000 to \$ 6,500
Department Secretary	\$ 45,000 to \$ 75,000
Bilingual Receptionist	\$ 45,000 to \$ 55,000
<u>Department of Public Works</u>	
Director of Public Works	\$ 50,000 to \$ 130,000
Traffic Superintendent	\$ 70,000 to \$ 115,000
Road Superintendent	\$ 70,000 to \$ 115,000
Deputy Superintendent	\$ 50,000 to \$ 80,000
Bilingual Receptionist	\$ 45,000 to \$ 55,000
Code Enforcement Official	\$ 49,000 to \$ 70,000
Waste Water Supervisor	\$ 4,500 to \$ 6,500
Sewer Inspector	\$ 2,500 to \$ 5,000
Secretary to Public Works	\$ 45,000 to \$ 75,000
Clean Communities Coordinator	\$ 10,000 to \$ 15,000
Recycling Coordinator	\$ 4,500 to \$ 8,500
Borough Custodian	\$ 10,000 to \$ 15,000
Borough Custodian 2	\$ 10,000 to \$ 15,000
Facilities Manager	\$ 70,000 to \$ 115,000
Part-Time Laborer	\$ 15.00 - \$ 25.00/hour
Seasonal Snow Laborer	\$20.00 - \$25.00/hour
Seasonal Snow CDL Operator	\$25.00 - \$30/hour
DPW Worker 1	\$ 40,000 to \$ 95,000
DPW Worker 2	\$ 40,000 to \$ 75,000
DPW Worker 3	\$ 40,000 to \$ 75,000
DPW Worker 4	\$ 40,000 to \$ 75,000
DPW Worker 5	\$ 40,000 to \$ 75,000
DPW Worker 6	\$ 40,000 to \$ 75,000
DPW Worker 7	\$ 40,000 to \$ 75,000
DPW Worker 8	\$ 40,000 to \$ 75,000
DPW Worker 9	\$ 40,000 to \$ 75,000
Emergency Services Manager	\$ 18.00 - \$ 30.00/hour
Communications Manager	\$ 15,500 to \$ 40,000
Traffic Enforcement Officers	\$ 15.00 - \$ 20.00/hour
Traffic Enforcement Officer 1	\$ 30,000 to \$ 55,000
Traffic Enforcement Officer 2	\$ 30,000 to \$ 55,000
Traffic Enforcement Officer 3	\$ 30,000 to \$ 55,000
Traffic Enforcement Officer 4	\$ 30,000 to \$ 55,000
<u>Court Office</u>	
Violation Clerk	\$ 44,000 to \$ 66,000
Deputy Court Administrator	\$ 44,000 to \$ 72,000
Municipal Court Administrator	\$ 70,000 to \$ 95,000
Municipal Judge	\$ 22,000 to \$ 44,000

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Borough Prosecutor	\$ 16,000 to \$ 33,000
Assistant Prosecutor	\$ 268.67 per session
Public Defender	\$ 250.00 per session
Alternate Public Defender	\$ 250.00 per session
Interpreter	\$ 161.41 per session
Municipal Judge – DWI Session	\$ 750.00 per session
Municipal Prosecutor – DWI session	\$ 500.00 per session
Department Secretary	\$ 45,000 to \$ 75,000
<u>Police Department</u>	
Police Director	\$ 50,000 to \$ 130,000
Department Secretary	\$ 45,000 to \$ 75,000
Police Records Clerk	\$ 40,000 to \$ 60,000
Police Records Clerk 2	\$ 35,000 to \$ 60,000
Special Officer 1	\$ 50,000 to \$ 65,000
Crossing Guards	\$ 14.00 - \$ 16.00/hour
Special Police Officers / Dispatchers	\$ 14.00 - \$ 18.00/hour
Dispatcher 1	\$ 30,000 to \$ 44,000
<u>Fire Department</u>	
Chief Fire Inspector	\$ 50,000 to \$ 130,000
Firefighter / Chief Emergency Management Officer	\$ 50,000 to \$ 130,000
Fire Official	\$ 24,000 to \$ 30,000
Fire Department Custodian	\$ 3,000 to \$ 7,000
<u>Building Department</u>	
Construction Code Official	\$ 85,000 to \$ 120,000
Zoning Official	\$ 2,200 to \$ 3,200
Building Inspector	\$ 75,000 to \$ 95,000
Building Dept. Secretary	\$ 45,000 to \$ 75,000
TACO Officer	\$ 2,200 to \$ 6,000
Building Department Secretary	\$ 45,000 to \$ 75,000
Building Department Intern	\$ 20.00 - \$ 30.00/hour
COAH Enforcement Official	\$ 17,000 to \$ 22,000
Building Sub-Code Inspector	\$ 8,000 to \$ 16,000
Elevator Inspector	\$ 2,500 to \$ 5,000
Elevator Sub-Code Official	\$ 8,000 to \$ 16,000
Plumbing Inspector	\$ 16,000 to \$ 22,000
Plumbing Sub-Code Official	\$ 11,000 to \$ 20,000
Electrical Inspector/Sub-Code Official	\$ 11,000 to \$ 20,000
P/T Electrical Inspector/Sub-Code Official	\$ 25.00 - \$ 40.00/hour
Fire Protection Inspector/Sub-Code Official	\$ 11,000 to \$ 20,000
State Housing Inspector	\$ 11,000 to \$ 22,000
Local Housing Inspector	\$ 2,200 to \$ 6,500
Planning Board Secretary	\$ 5,500 to \$ 8,000
Board of Adjustment Secretary	\$ 11,000 to \$ 16,000
<u>Environmental Commission</u>	
Environmental Secretary	\$ 1,500 to \$ 5,000
<u>Technology Department</u>	

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Computer Services Consultant	\$ 22,000 to \$ 35,000
<u>Rent Control Board</u>	
Rent Leveling Secretary	\$ 3,500 to \$ 5,000
<u>Recreation Committee</u>	
Recreation Director	\$ 6,500 to \$ 13,000
Recreation Program Coordinator	\$ 3,500 to \$ 6,500
Recreation Assistant(s)	\$ 3,500 to \$ 7,000
Recreation Secretary	\$ 1,500 to \$ 5,800
<u>Pool</u>	
Swim Pool Manager	\$ 20,000 to \$ 50,000
Assistant Pool Manager 1	\$ 8,000 to \$ 15,000
Pool Secretary	\$ 12.00 - \$ 17.00/hour
Pool Checkers	\$ 10.00 - \$ 12.00/hour
Head Life Guard	\$ 12.50 - \$ 16.00/hour
Life Guard	\$ 8.25 - \$ 13.00/hour
Custodian of Maintenance	\$ 15,000 to \$ 19,000
<u>Senior Citizens</u>	
Senior Citizens Coordinator (each)	\$ 1,500 to \$ 3,000
Senior Housing Facility Manager	\$ 10,000 to \$ 15,000
Senior Citizen Bus Driver	\$ 57,000 to \$ 67,000
<u>Health Department</u>	
Health Secretary	\$ 43,000 to \$ 53,000
Registered Environmental Health Specialist	\$ 44,000 to \$ 60,000
Health Nurse	\$ 55,000 to \$ 80,000
<u>Library</u>	
Library Director	\$ 50,000 to \$ 130,000
Library Secretary	\$ 36,000 to \$ 48,000
Library Employee 1	\$ 17,000 to \$ 65,000
Library Employee 2	\$ 17,000 to \$ 65,000
Library Employee 3	\$ 17,000 to \$ 65,000
Library Employee 4	\$ 17,000 to \$ 65,000
Library Employee 5	\$ 17,000 to \$ 65,000
Library P/T Employee	\$ 11.00 - \$ 17.00/hour
Librarian Information Specialist	\$ 16,000 to \$ 65,000
Resource Specialist	\$ 17,000 to \$ 73,000
<u>Historian</u>	
Borough Historian	\$ 5,000 to \$ 10,000
<u>Municipal Alliance</u>	
Municipal Alliance Coordinator	\$ 1,500 to \$ 2,500

SECTION 2: Employees not under contractual obligation and not considered as full-time workers shall be compensated at a rate not less than \$10.00 per hour and not more than \$35.00 per hour.

SECTION 3: All employees covered under Union Contracts between the PBA Local 45 and with Teamster Local 97 of New Jersey, shall be paid pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Contract.

SECTION 4: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such

portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5: All Ordinances of the Borough of Palisades Park which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 6: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as provided by law. The salaries shall commence as of January 1, 2022.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Kim
Seconded By Councilperson: Vietri
To Introduce Ordinance #2022-7

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE:

ORDINANCE 2022-8: Establishment of Requirements of Business Owners and Multifamily Unit Owners to Register Annually and Maintain Certain Levels of Liability Insurance:

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

ORDINANCE #2022-8

AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED "REQUIREMENTS OF BUSINESS OWNERS AND MULTIFAMILY UNIT OWNERS TO REGISTER ANNUALLY AND MAINTAIN CERTAIN LEVELS OF LIABILITY INSURANCE" OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey as follows:

WHEREAS, Governor Murphy signed into law S-1368 requiring all business owners and owners of multifamily rental units to maintain certain levels of liability insurance; and

WHEREAS, S-1368 also requires all business owners and owners of multifamily rental units to annually register a certificate of insurance with the municipality where the business or rental unit is located; and

WHEREAS, S-1368 authorized municipalities to charge a reasonable administrative fee for the certificate of insurance and a penalty for failing to do so.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED as follows:

LIABILITY INSURANCE AND ANNUAL REGISTRATION.

A. The owner of a business or the owner of a rental unit or units shall maintain liability insurance for negligent acts and/or omissions in an amount of no less than \$500,000 for combined property damage and bodily injury to or death of one or more persons in any one accident or occurrence.

B. The owner of a multifamily home which is four or fewer units, one of which is owner occupied, shall maintain liability insurance for negligent acts and/or omissions in an amount of no less than \$300,000 for combined property damage and bodily injury to or death of one or more persons in any one accident or occurrence.

C. The owner of a business, owner of a rental unit or units and the owner of a multifamily home of four or fewer units, one of which is owner occupied, shall annually register a certificate of insurance with the municipality, earlier than February 1st of each year or within thirty (30) days of obtaining ownership of the property.

D. There shall be an annual administrative fee in the amount of \$25.00.

E. Failure to annually register a certificate of insurance on or before February 1st of each year shall result in a fine of \$500.00 which shall be collected through a summary proceeding pursuant to the "Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999", P.L. 1999, c. 274 (C.2A-58-10, et seq.)

Severability. All provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If for any reason, any provision of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon final approval and publication, pursuant to law, and upon completion of all outstanding cases.

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Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang
To Introduce Ordinance #2022-8

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE:

ORDINANCE 2022-9: Amendment of Chapter 36 Entitled "Fire Department":

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

ORDINANCE #2022-9

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 36 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
PALISADES PARK ENTITLED "FIRE DEPARTMENT"**

WHEREAS, Chapter 36 of the Code of the Borough of Palisades Park sets forth all regulations regarding the Fire Department within the Borough of Palisades Park; and,

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

Chapter 36: Fire Department

Sec. 36-5. Membership.

Sec. 36.5. Creation of Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer.

The position of Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer in the Palisades Park Fire Department is hereby established and shall be appointed by the Mayor and Council.

(A) Job Duties.

(1) During an assigned tour of duty, extinguish fires; perform rescue operations; aid in emergency situations involving hazardous or toxic materials; administer emergency medical treatment; maintain all related equipment, buildings and grounds, and related work.

(2) Under general supervision, develops and manages programs related to emergency and disaster preparedness, response, recovery, security and hazard mitigation. Establish processes and procedures, coordinates drills, provides training, write plans, and works with other agencies to develop and implement emergency and security, applies for and manages grants and disaster management programs.

B. Compensation. Compensation for the Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer in the Palisades Park Fire Department shall be set forth in the Annual Salary Ordinance.

SEVERABILITY.

All provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If for any reason, any provision of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected.

EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon adoption, final approval and publication, pursuant to law.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Vietri
Seconded By Councilperson: Kim
To Introduce Ordinance #2022-9

Councilwoman Jang voted no. Councilpersons Kim, Pirrera, and Vietri voted yes. Councilmen Min and Park were absent.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE:

ORDINANCE 2022-10: Amendment of Chapter 76 Entitled "Advertising Materials":

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

ORDINANCE #2022-10

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 76 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF

PALISADES PARK ENTITLED “ADVERTISING MATERIALS”.

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

Ch.76. ADVERTISING MATERIALS

Sec. 76-11. Emergency Police, Fire or Medical Services.

A. No person or entity, including a public safety agency, shall advertise or otherwise promote the use of any telephone number for emergency police, fire, or medical response services other than “9-1-1”.

B. Violation and Penalty. A minimum penalty of not less than \$500.00 will be imposed on any person or entity in violation of same.

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

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

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

Councilwoman Jang asked about the Ordinance. The Borough Attorney answered that this Ordinance was a State regulation regarding advertising the 911 number.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera

Seconded By Councilperson: Jang

To Introduce Ordinance #2022-10

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **Ordinance #2022-7, #2022-8, #2022-9, and #2022-10** were introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Mayor & Council, held on **August 29, 2022** and ordered published in accordance with the law. Said Ordinance(s) will be considered for final reading and adoption at a meeting held on **September 26, 2022** at 6:30 PM, in the Council Chambers, at which time all persons interested may appear for or against the passage of said Ordinance(s).

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

2nd READING/PUBLIC HEARING:

ORDINANCE 2022-6: Amendment of Chapter 58 Entitled “Police Department”:

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

ORDINANCE #2022-6

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 58 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
PALISADES PARK ENTITLED “POLICE DEPARTMENT”.**

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

Ch.58. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sec. 58-4.2.1 Position of Police Director created.

In the absence of a Police Director, the Appropriate Authority shall be the Mayor and Council.

Sec. 58-4.4. Police Committee as Appropriate Authority.

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In the absence of a Police Director, the Appropriate Authority shall be the Mayor and Council.

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

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

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

Motion Made By Councilperson: Kim
Seconded By Councilperson: Vietri
To Table Ordinance #2022-6

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilman Vietri – Stated that the Fire Department had been active over the weekend. They had 6 calls. The fire inspections were coming along.

Councilman Kim – No report.

Councilwoman Pirrera – Stated that it was a successful year for the pool. There were some repairs to make. Councilman Kim asked if the pool was considering using credit cards. Councilwoman Pirrera said that it was not cost effective to pay a fee to a credit card company for 12 months. She said that the total number for the pool was \$477,648.00.

Councilwoman Jang – No report.

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Susan Brauer (50 Henry Ave) – Asked about Resolution #2022-228. She said that having the National Night Out at the Pool Complex was great.

Thomas Yook (300 Highland Ave) – Asked about Resolutions #2022-225 and #2022-226. He spoke about the State Comptroller's report, sick leave payouts, and gas card usage.

Brother David Russo (429 10th Street) – Spoke about an abandoned property at 415 10th Street. He said that there needed to be property maintenance.

Chris Ham (137 Morningside Lane) – Requested an update regarding the flooding issue that he and his father had spoken about a few meetings ago.

Youngmin Jung (50 E. Palisades Blvd) – Stated that he had a problem with Resolution #2022-222. He requested to know the current condition of the Municipal Building.

Neris Papoters (444 Glen Ave) – Made a comment about the Pool. She spoke about Resolutions #2022-225 and #2022-226. She invited the Mayor and Council to attend her daughter's free library project on August 31, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

Marsha Schor (50 Henry Ave) – Said that someone on the Council seems to be leaking certain information online. She asked that the Councilmembers should talk amongst themselves, but certain topics such as people's salaries were not other peoples' business.

Peter Longo (60 E. Central Blvd) – Questioned the new appointment of the Firefighter/Chief Emergency Management Officer. He wanted to know when the position was posted and what the salary was.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Vietri
Seconded By Councilperson: Pirrera
To Close Public Portion

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

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The Borough Administrator answered Ms. Brauer's question about the t-shirts. The Borough Attorney answered Mr. Yook's question about the State Comptroller's report. Mr. Schettino explained that the sick time policy was not clear to everyone. Palisades Park had changed its policies with regard to sick time. With respect to the gas policies, these were in place long before Mr. Lorenzo became the Borough Administrator. The gas policies were changed. With respect to Resolutions #2022-225 and #2022-226, no charges were filed against any of the Police Officers. With regard to 415 10th Street, the Borough would be looking into the property maintenance. The pool ending numbers were not in yet, but a comparison would be given if asked. The person who was hired as the OEM Officer was the same person who was in the position prior to the meeting. With regard to leaking information to the public, Mr. Schettino had addressed this to the Governing Body in writing and verbally already. He stated that privileged and deliberative information should not be released to the public. An individual had a right to privacy, and in terms of litigation, anyone leaking information to the public would be putting the Borough in jeopardy. The catch basins were jetted out at 137 Morningside Lane, and the Borough was looking for funding to get work done. Another catch basin may need to be modified. It may cost about \$30,000 - \$50,000 for the modification.

Officer-in-Charge, Captain Anthony Espino – No report.

Mayor Christopher Chung asked for a motion to enter Closed Session.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang
To Enter Closed Session

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

Before adjourning the meeting, Mayor Christopher Chung asked for a motion to enter Closed Session to discuss one more item.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang
To Enter Closed Session

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

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

The Mayor and Council proceeded with the Closed Session in the Mayor's office.

At approximately 8:02 P.M., the Mayor and Council returned to the dais.

Motion Made By Councilperson: Pirrera
Seconded By Councilperson: Jang
To Close Closed Session and Adjourn the Special Meeting

All Present in Favor by Voice Vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 P.M.

Attest:



Gina S. Kim, RMC, CMC
Borough Clerk