

MINUTES

Monday, September 23, 2019

Regular Meeting

6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER –

Councilman Thomas Papaleo called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall.

SILENT PRAYER – FLAG SALUTE -

Councilman Papaleo called for a moment of silent prayer and asked Councilwoman Davis to Lead the salute to the flag.

STATEMENT -

Statement of Compliance with Open Public Meeting Act: This meeting complies with the Open Public Meeting Act by notification on December 21st of this location, date and time to the Ridgewood News and the Record and by posting of same on the municipal bulletin board and Borough Web Site and filing a notice of the same with the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL –

Councilman Chinigo, Councilwoman Davis, Councilman Gautier, Councilman Kaufman were present; Councilwoman Busted was absent.

CLOSED SESSION -

On motion by Councilman Gautier, seconded by Councilman Chinigo, resolution #19-311 to go into closed session was approved unanimously.

#19-311 Resolution To Go Into Closed Session and Exclude Public.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain enumerated circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances will or presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the public shall be excluded from the September 23, 2019 regular meeting and discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matter:

<u>Closed Session</u> <u>Docket #</u>	<u>Item Title or Description</u>	<u>Statutory</u> <u>Reference</u>
19-9/23-1	Fire Department – Procedure Report	N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(6)
19-9/23-2	River Edge Board of Education – Contract Negotiations	N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(7)
19-9/23-3	Oxford Terrace/Rutgers Place – Contract Negotiations	N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(7)
19-9/23-4	Health Benefits – Contract Negotiations	N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(7)

2. Formal action may/may not be taken by the Borough of River Edge's Mayor and Council at this meeting.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Chinigo the minutes of September 9, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council were unanimously approved.

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis the minutes of September 9, 2019 Work Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council were unanimously approved.

On motion by Councilman Gautier, seconded by Councilwoman Kaufman the minutes of the September 9, 2019 Closed Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council were unanimously approved.

PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS –

Councilman Papaleo-introduced the Team Tigers of the JS Taekwondo Center in River Edge. He invited Master Yun to come up and say a few words.

Master Jisung Yun- said that a lot of dedication and training goes into this special program as well as their regular program. He said that they put in 8 to 15 hours weekly to prepare for qualifications to get up to the state level. Once they qualify, they have to qualify for 2nd and 3rd and then they get invited to attend the US Nationals. He continued to say that at the top of the Nationals, they compete against athletes from around the country that qualified for 2nd, 3rd and they meet up at one place to compete for the top national seating. They do have a lot of athletes from River Edge that are ranked #1 in the country so it's a big honor. He is appreciative of the parents who are always there in background showing support. He said that just reaching the Nationals is an outstanding achievement and wants to convey that to the athletes.

Dr. Tova Ben Dov, Superintendent of River Edge Schools-said that they are so very proud of them for their ongoing commitment and efforts and their achievements are a result of this. She feels that the daily effort is what really counts. She said Mrs. Heitman, the principal of Cherry Hill and Mr. Henzel, the principal of Roosevelt are very proud of them as well. Dr. Ben Dov again commended them for the honor that they bring to River Edge.

Councilman Papaleo presented Certificates Recognizing the JS Taekwondo Center's "Team Tigers" for their Victories in the 2019 USA Taekwondo National Championships held on June 28th through July 4th in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Members of the Team Tigers are as follows: Arden Lee, Hibba Azim, Geetha Manchu, Clare Kim, Jacob Queler, Parker Lee, Ethan Lai, Daniel Lin, Ellie Doo, Shariq Azim, Kris Kim, Hayden Kim, Maxx Doo, Nicholas Gilmartin, Edwin Chapman III, Kayla Lee, Jackson Lee, Yoobin Han, Alex Na, Aiden Lin, Adrian Pinos, Silvia Shin, Edwin Chapman Jr., Manager/Coach, Junghae Yun, and Head Coach, Master Jisung Yun.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA –

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis to open public comments on any item on the agenda was unanimously approved.

There being no comments by the public, the motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis to close public comments on any item on the agenda was unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES –

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilman Gautier, the appointment of Donna Dapper to the Green Team for a two-year term through 12/31/20 was unanimously approved.

On motion by Councilman Chinigo, seconded by Councilwoman Davis the appointment of Nicole Grecco to the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department effective September 24, 2019 was unanimously approved.

Councilman Papaleo administered the Oath of Office to Nicole Grecco.

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Tax Collector – August 2019

RESOLUTIONS - By Consent

On motion by Councilwoman Kaufman, seconded by Councilwoman Davis, resolution #19-312 through #19-330 were unanimously approved.

#19-312 Approval to Waive a Portion of the Police Outside Duty Rate for St. Peter the Apostle Parish

WHEREAS, St. Peter the Apostle Parish will host a Parish Carnival on the Parish Grounds located at 445 Fifth Avenue from September 26th through September 29th 2019; and

WHEREAS, St. Peter the Apostle Parish requested one (1) uniformed officer for the duration of the carnival; and

WHEREAS, St. Peter the Apostle Parish have made an appeal to the Mayor and Council to waive the administrative fee portion of the \$135.00 per hour rate and be billed for the officer's overtime rate; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have indicated that the administrative portion of the outside duty rate of \$135.00 be waived and that the actual overtime rate of the police officer assigned to that duty be charged.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Police Department and the Chief Financial Officer are instructed to adjust their billing accordingly and to notify St. Peter the Apostle Parish of the fee to be paid for the services provided.

September 9, 2019

#19-313 Change Order Approval for D & L Paving Contractors, Inc., for the 2019 Cooperative Road Improvement Program

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-4.2 lists the requirements for all Change Orders; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge awarded a contract to D & L Paving Contractors, Inc. on June 11, 2019 via resolution #19-216; and

WHEREAS Change Order #1 reflects the reduction in quantities in a reduced amount of (\$55,497.17); and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has recommended the above change.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of River Edge shall enter into a written amendatory contract with D & L Paving Contractors, Inc., 675 Franklin Avenue, Nutley, New Jersey 07110, for Change Order #1 for a decreased amount of \$(55,497.17).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the exact form of this amendatory contract shall be at the discretion of the Borough Attorney and the Mayor and the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to execute said contract, and Change Order #1.

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#19-314 Resolution Authorizing the Borough of River Edge Through the River Edge Police Department to Participate in the Defense Logistics Agency, Law Enforcement Support Office, 10333 Program to Enable the River Edge Police Department to Request and Acquire Excess Department of Defense Equipment

WHEREAS, the United State Congress authorized the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program to make use of excess Department of Defense personal property by making that personal property available to municipal, county and State law enforcement agencies (LEAs); and

WHEREAS, DLA rules mandate that all equipment acquired through the 1033 Program remain under the control of the requesting LEA; and

WHEREAS, participation in the 1033 Program allows municipal and county LEAs to obtain property they might not otherwise be able to afford in order to enhance community preparedness, response, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, although property is provided through the 1033 Program at no cost to municipal and county LEAs, these entities are responsible for the costs associated with delivery, maintenance, fueling, and upkeep of the property, and for specialized training on the operation of any acquired property; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-30.2 requires that the governing body of the municipality or county approve, by a majority of the full membership, both enrollment in, and the acquisition of any property through, the 1033 Program; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen that the River Edge Police Department is hereby authorized to enroll in the 1033 Program for a one-year period from September 1, 2019 to September 1, 2020; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the River Edge Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire items of non-controlled property designated "DEMIL A" property and "DEMIL B through Q" property, that may be available through the 1033 Program based on the needs of the River Edge Police Department, without restriction, with Program participation and all property request authorization during the period of time for which this resolution authorizes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the River Edge Police Department shall develop and implement a training plan and policy for the maintenance and use of the acquired property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the River Edge Police Department shall provide a quarterly accounting of all property obtained through the 1033 Program which shall be available to the public upon request; and

BE FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately and be valid to authorize requests to acquire "DEMIL A" property that may be made available through the 1033 Program until September 1, 2020 request to acquire "DEMIL B through Q" property that may be available through the 1033 Program until March 30, 2020.

ADOPTED, at the public meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, held on Monday, September 9, 2019.

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE

Ellen Busted, Council President

ATTEST:

Stephanie Evans, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk

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#19-315 Award Contract to Thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation for Elevator Repair in the Public Safety Building

WHEREAS, the elevator in the Public Safety Building which allows accessibility to the Municipal Court and Recreation Department is in need of repair; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has received a proposal to repair the elevator from Thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation in the amount of \$19,907.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1919-200 of the Capital Fund in the amount not to exceed \$19,907.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a contract is hereby awarded to Thyssenkrupp Elevator Corporation, P.O. Box 3796, Carol Stream, IL 60132-3796 and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said contract for the Borough.

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Councilwoman Kaufman-thought that the dollar amount should be \$7,000.00 instead of \$6,000.00.

#19-316 Authorize Contract with Edmunds & Associates for an Escrow Module for the Integrated Tax Collection/Financial Accounting System

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge had awarded a contract to Edmunds & Associates for an Integrated Tax Collection/Financial Accounting System via resolution #18-342 dated November 5, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Escrow Module was not included in the original proposal that was requested by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator and Chief Financial Officer have recommended the addition of this module to the previously purchased Edmunds system at a cost of \$6,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1712-700 of the Capital Fund in the amount not to exceed \$6,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a contract is hereby awarded to Edmunds & Associates, 301 Tilton Road, Northfield, New Jersey 08225 and the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said contract for the Borough.

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#19-317 Resolution Permitting the Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages at a Block Party on Bogert Road

WHEREAS, on or about September 23, 2019, the Borough of River Edge granted permission to Kiersten Eng, 921 Bogert Road, River Edge, New Jersey, to hold a block party on Bogert Road between Midland Avenue and Hillside Avenue on Saturday, October 19th starting at 2:00 p.m. (rain date Saturday, October 26th) in accordance with Borough Ordinance #1678; and

WHEREAS, Kiersten Eng has requested that the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages be permitted in connection with said block party; and

WHEREAS, Borough Code Section 114-15 allows the Governing Body to permit the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in or on a public street or sidewalk in connection with an authorized block party.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that persons age 21 and over be and hereby are permitted to possess and consume alcoholic beverages at the block party described above, on the date and time specified herein.

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#19-318 Authorize Payment for the Emergency Repair of a Sanitary Sewer Line on Manchester Road

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has declared an emergency in the Borough of River Edge for a sanitary sewer repair on Manchester Road; and

WHEREAS, this condition constitutes an emergency affecting the public health, safety and welfare of the public; and

WHEREAS, contractors were brought in to perform necessary TV work and to do the repair work on the sewer line; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1913-140 in the amount of \$3,737.50; #04-2150-1913-825 in the amount of \$1,000.00 and #04-2150-55-1913-825 in the amount of \$40,440.38 of the Capital Fund in a total amount not to exceed \$45,177.88.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby confirm and acknowledge the Emergency Repair and authorize the Accounts Supervisor to make payments to the following:

All American Sewer Service P.O. Box 605 Lodi, New Jersey 07644	\$ 1,000.00
Jo-Med Contracting Corp. 300 So. Second Street Elizabeth, NJ 07206	\$40,440.38
Costa Engineering	\$ 3,737.50

325 So. River Street
Hackensack, NJ 07601

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#19-319 159 Amend 2019 Budget

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:A4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion or increase of any special item of revenue in the budget of any County or Municipality when such an item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

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

WHEREAS, the Borough has received a deposit in its Unappropriated Reserve for State and Local Housing Grant in the amount of \$1,161.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of River Edge that it does hereby request the approval of the Director for the following:

Increase an item of revenue entitled:

3. Miscellaneous Revenue – Section F

State/Local Cooperative Housing Grant.....\$1,161.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$1,161.00 and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations

Operations excluded from the “CAPS”

Public & Private Programs Offset by Revenues

State/Local Cooperative Housing Grant.....\$1,161.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough forward one (1) copy of this resolution electronically to the Director of Local Government Services.

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#19-320 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund 3rd Quarter 2019 Duplicate Tax Payment

WHEREAS, the tax office has received a duplicate payment and/or tax overpayment for 2019 taxes on the following property(s); and

WHEREAS, a written request was received from the homeowner and/or their Mortgage Company/Title Company to refund the overpaid amount directly to the homeowner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Account Supervisor is hereby authorized to issue a check in the following amounts and the Tax Collector to adjust her records accordingly.

<u>Block/Lot</u>	<u>Name & Address</u>	<u>Refund Amount</u>
213/19	Dengel Enterprises LLC 330 S. Front Street Elizabeth, NJ 0702-3009	2,719.30
1004/8.02	Kim, Jubin & Kang, Mi Na 156 Jasper Avenue Teaneck, NJ 07666	1,155.95

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#19-321 Authorize Tax Collector to Refund 2019 3rd Quarter Tax Overpayment(s)

WHEREAS, the tax office has received duplicate and/or tax overpayments for the 3rd

Quarter 2019 taxes on the following property(s); and

WHEREAS, a written request was received from their mortgage company to refund the overpaid amount directly to the mortgage company.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Account Supervisor is hereby authorized to issue a refund check in the following amount and the Tax Collector to adjust her records accordingly.

BLOCK/LOT	HOMEOWNER/ADDRESS	TYPE	AMOUNT
306/8	SHI, JUN 791 Oak Avenue	DUPLICATE	5,810.66
		TOTAL:	5,810.66

Make check payable to: CORE LOGIC TAX SERVICES
P.O. Box 9202
Coppell, TX 75019-9978
Attn: Centralized Refunds

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#19-322 Authorize Tax Collector to Adjust 4th Quarter Taxes for a 2019 Veteran Deduction Allowed

WHEREAS, the following homeowner(s) filed a Veteran Application for a deduction in the amount of \$250.00 and was approved by the Tax Assessor on 8/26/19 for the year 2019; and

WHEREAS, the deduction was not listed in the 2019 Tax Duplicate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to adjust her records to allow the 2019 deduction for the following amount.

Block/Lot	Name & Address	Deduction	Adjust
814/25	Laubert, Andrew 84 Wayne Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	Veteran	\$250.00

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#19-323 Authorize Tax Collector to Adjust 2019 Final Tax Bills Due to County Board Judgments

WHEREAS, County Board Judgments were entered on 6/12/19 and received by the tax office on 7/31/19 for the year 2019 reducing the Assessed Value on the following properties; and

WHEREAS, the reductions were not reflected in the 2019 Extended Tax Duplicate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Tax Collector apply the tax credits to the 4th Quarter 2019 and the Preliminary 2020 taxes and adjust and her records accordingly.

Block/Lot	Name/Address	Old Value	New Value	2019 Tax Adjustment	2020 Tax Adjustment
117/10	SEYEDESHAGHI 201 Woodland Avenue	484,000	455,000	1,005.72	502.86
203/8	NOUMAN 120 Midland Avenue	375,500	345,000	1,057.74	528.87
203/9.02	ESTRIN 912 Summit Avenue	590,000	565,000	867.00	433.50
206/7/CT012	ABDELATY 865 Kinderkamack Rd.	333,100	290,000	1,494.71	747.36
206/15	MANOCCHIO 824 Summit Avenue	515,500	465,000	1,751.34	875.67
207/23	BETHEL PROPERTY LLC 954 Kinderkamack Rd.	774,200	750,000	839.26	419.63

211/15	DAS 52 Washington Avenue	276,400	240,000	1,262.35	631.18
306/11	THADANI 775 Oak Avenue	587,500	565,000	780.30	390.15
311/23	CHEN 730 Fifth Avenue	816,800	725,000	3,183.62	1,591.81
403/8	GONZALEZ 766 Summit Avenue	859,700	725,000	4,671.40	2,335.70
403/9	FELICIANO 770 Summit Avenue	568,200	515,000	1,844.98	922.49
405/12	MIRABELLA 21 Kimberly Way	436,500	420,000	572.22	286.11
405/19	NG 132 Continental Avenue	319,800	300,000	686.66	343.33
406/12	RUTZ 710 Summit Avenue	463,600	385,500	2,708.51	1,354.26
501/11	KLEIN 21 Kimberly Way	494,600	445,000	1,720.13	860.07
502/12	KIM 678 Fifth Avenue	590,000	580,000	346.80	173.40
502/17	CACES 1 Adrian Way	523,400	460,000	2,198.71	1,099.36
615/30	MC CUSKER 583 Clarendon Court	594,500	550,000	1,543.26	771.63
701.01/19.13	HSIEH 505 Manning Court	745,400	690,000	1,921.27	960.64
801/13	OLVEIRA 176 Voorhis Avenue	356,000	340,000	554.88	277.44
804/8.04	A&S REALTY LLC 512-516 Kinderkamack Rd.	2,330,900	1,850,000	16,677.61	8,338.81
812/11	KIM 168 Wayne Avenue	684,900	640,000	1,557.13	778.57
909/23	PAUL 4 Fenway Court	825,000	775,000	1,734.00	867.00
910/10	FEDELE 235 Beech Court	628,000	600,000	971.04	485.52
911/23	NG 326 Howland Avenue	620,000	610,000	346.80	173.40
1004/8.01	JUNG 21 Wayne Avenue	415,900	320,000	3,325.81	1,662.91
1103/62	COLLINS 86 Eastbrook Drive	607,800	540,000	2,351.30	1,175.65
1105/10	COYMAN 1 Warwick Court	414,800	375,000	1,380.26	690.13
1205/15	SAMODOV 243 Van Saun Drive	604,900	574,900	1,040.40	520.20
				Total Tax Credits:	\$60,395.21 \$30,197.65

September 23, 2019

#19-324 Resolution Permitting the Possession and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages at a Block Party on Oak Avenue

WHEREAS, on or about September 23, 2019, the Borough of River Edge granted permission to Sara Bartelloni, 719 Oak Avenue, River Edge, New Jersey, to hold a block party on Oak Avenue between Continental Avenue and Webb Avenue on Saturday, October 6th from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (rain date Sunday, October 6th) in accordance with Borough Ordinance #1678; and

WHEREAS, Sara Bartelloni has requested that the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages be permitted in connection with said block party; and

WHEREAS, Borough Code Section 114-15 allows the Governing Body to permit the possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages in or on a public street or sidewalk in connection with an authorized block party.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of

River Edge that persons age 21 and over be and hereby are permitted to possess and consume alcoholic beverages at the block party described above, on the date and time specified herein.

September 23, 2019

#19-325 Resolution Authorizing a Revised Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer, for Professional Services Related to the 2018 Municipal Aid Program for Bogert Road (Section 2) & Howland Avenue (Section 7)

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge adopted resolution #18-361 in the amount of \$73,600.00 based upon a time and material contract for professional services related to Bogert Road (Section 2) & Howland Avenue (Section 7); and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body adopted resolution #18-200 in the amount of \$2,000.00 for preliminary special assessment information for a bond ordinance for Bogert Road (Section 2) ; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body adopted resolution #18-202 in the amount of \$2,500.00 for preliminary calculation of estimates for special assessment ordinance for Howland Avenue Section 7; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of accounting, the Borough received a lump sum proposal from Costa Engineering broken out by the following tasks:

Phase 1	Surveying	\$11,715.00
Phase 2	Design & Drawings	\$27,335.00
Phase 3	Bid Documents & Services	\$ 7,810.00
Phase 4	Project Management & Inspection	<u>\$31,240.00</u>
	Total	\$78,100.00

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that all terms and condition remain the same as outlined in the previously resolutions.

September 23, 2019

#19-326 Enter Into Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer for Professional Engineering Services Related to the 2019 Municipal Aid Program for Bogert Road (Section 3)

WHEREAS, Borough of River Edge received a grant for \$212,000 Bogert Road, Section 3 project; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa submitted a proposal to the Borough at a cost based upon following payment schedule:

Phase 1	Surveying	\$ 6,750
Phase 2	Design & Drawings	\$15,750
Phase 3	Bid Documents & Services	\$ 4,500
Phase 4	Project Management & Inspection	\$15,400
Phase 5	Preliminary Special Assessment Curb/Sidewalk/Apron	\$ 2,600
	Total	\$45,000

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the annual aggregate value of the service will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-20-1652-100 of the Current Fund in the amount of \$27,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Robert Costa has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of River Edge Governing Body in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Robert Costa from making any reportable contributions

through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have examined resumes, biographies, work experience; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed price and other factors when considering supporting reasons for awarding this contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Governing Body hereby awards Phases 1, 2 & 3 of the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with Robert Costa, Costa Engineering Corp., 325 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 in the amount not to exceed \$27,000.00; and
2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Service" in accordance with 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the service performed is by a person authorized to practice a recognized profession.
4. That a copy of the resolution be forwarded to THE RIDGEWOOD NEWS for publication.

September 23, 2019

#19-327 Enter Into Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer, for Professional Services Related to the 2020 Municipal Aid Program for Bogert Road, (Section 4)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to provide supporting documentation for the 2020 Municipal Aid Grant Application for Bogert Road, Section 4; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa has submitted to the Borough a proposal to provide documentation for this grant application at a cost based upon the following payment schedule:

Phase 1	Surveying	\$ 6,750
Phase 2	Design & Drawings	\$15,750
Phase 3	Bid Documents & Services	\$ 4,500
Phase 4	Project Management & Inspection	\$15,400
Phase 5	Preliminary Special Assessment Curb/Sidewalk Apron	\$ 2,600
	Total	\$45,000

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the annual aggregate value of the service will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-20-1652-100 of the Current Fund in the amount of \$22,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Robert Costa has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of River Edge Governing Body in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Robert Costa from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have examined resumes, biographies, work experience; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed price and other factors when considering supporting reasons for awarding this contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body hereby awards Phases 1 & 2 of the project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with Robert Costa, Costa Engineering Corp., 325 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 in the amount not to exceed \$22,500.00; and
2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Service" in accordance with 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the service performed is by a person authorized to practice a recognized profession.
4. That a copy of the resolution be forwarded to THE RIDGEWOOD NEWS for publication.

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#19-328 Enter Into Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer for Engineering Services to Install Flashing Crosswalk Signs at the Intersection of Kinderkamack Road and Wayne Avenue and Clarendon Court and Myrtle Avenue and Midland Avenue

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge would like to increase public safety; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge would like to install flashing crosswalk signs at the intersection of Kinderkamack Road and Wayne Avenue and Clarendon Court and Myrtle Avenue and Midland Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa submitted a proposal for this project to the Borough at a cost based upon the following payment schedule:

Phase 1	Surveying	\$ N/A
Phase 2	Design & drawings	\$ N/A
Phase 3	Bid Documents & Services	\$ 5,500
Phase 4	Project Management & Inspection	\$ 5,500
	Total	\$11,000

WHEREAS, all of the signs are existing signs and one is a replacement; and

WHEREAS, the one sign replacement was due to an accident; and

WHEREAS, the Insurance Company has issued a reimbursement check to the Borough in the amount of \$8,088; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the annual aggregate value of the service will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010—20-1652-100 of the Current Fund in the amount of \$2,912.00 and \$8,088.00 from the Self Insurance Fund for a total amount not to exceed \$11,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Robert Costa has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of River Edge Governing Body in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Robert Costa from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have examined resumes, biographies, work experience; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed price and other factors when considering supporting reasons for awarding this contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of

River Edge as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with Robert Costa, Costa Engineering Corp., 325 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 in the amount not to exceed \$11,000.00 ; and
2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Service" in accordance with 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the service performed is by a person authorized to practice a recognized profession.
4. That a copy of the resolution be forwarded to THE RIDGEWOOD NEWS for publication.

September 23, 2019

#19-329 Enter Into Agreement with Robert Costa, Borough Engineer for Engineering Services Related to ADA Intersections at Millbrook Road and Adrian Way and Jefferson Avenue and Fifth Avenue

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge would like to increase public safety; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to improve curbs and sidewalks at various locations in the Borough of River Edge to make them ADA compliant; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa submitted a proposal for this project to the Borough at a cost based upon the following payment schedule:

Phase 1	Surveying	\$ 1,875.00
Phase 2	Design & drawings	\$ 4,842.50
Phase 3	Bid Documents & Services	\$ N/A
Phase 4	Project Management & Inspection	<u>\$ 4,482.50</u>
	Total	\$11,200.00

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the annual aggregate value of the service will exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #04-2150-55-1818-100 of the Capital Fund in the amount of \$8,000.00 and Account #01-2010-20-1652-100 of the Current Fund in the amount of \$3,200.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$11,200.00; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids and the contract itself must be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, Robert Costa has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Robert Costa has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of River Edge Governing Body in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Robert Costa from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have examined resumes, biographies, work experience; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have reviewed price and other factors when considering supporting reasons for awarding this contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached agreement with Robert Costa, Costa Engineering Corp., 325 South River Street, Suite 302, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 in the amount not to exceed \$11,200.00; and
2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Service" in accordance with 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the service performed is by a person authorized to practice a recognized profession.

4. That a copy of the resolution be forwarded to THE RIDGEWOOD NEWS for publication.

September 23, 2019

#19-330 Amend Agreement with Matthew Giacobbe, Esq., Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC, 955 State Route 34, Suite 200, Matawan, New Jersey 07747 for Professional Services as Special Counsel for a Personnel Matter

WHEREAS, there exists a need to retain legal services for the purpose of Labor and Employment Services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge has previously awarded a contract to Matthew Giacobbe, Esq., Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC, 955 State Route 34, Suite 200, Matawan, New Jersey 07747 on April 8, 2019 via resolution #19-154 in the amount of \$5,000.00; amended via resolution #19-273 in the amount of \$4,225.00 on August 12, 2019 and amended via resolution #19-305 on September 9, 2019 in the amount of \$3,000.00; and

WHEREAS, additional funding is required for legal services; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined and certified in writing that the annual aggregate value of the service may exceed \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, Matthew Giacobbe, Esq. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Matthew Giacobbe, Esq. has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of River Edge Governing Body in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Matthew Giacobbe, Esq. from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds are available from Account #01-2010-20-1552-028 of the Current Fund in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge as follows:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an amended agreement with Matthew Giacobbe, Esq., Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs, LLC, 955 State Route 34, Suite 200, Matawan, New Jersey 07747 in the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.
2. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution; and
3. The contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a "Professional Service" in accordance with 40A:11-5(1)(a) of the Local Public Contracts Law because the service performed is by a person authorized to practice a recognized profession.

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Councilwoman Kaufman read resolution #19-331 into the record.

On motion by Councilwoman Kaufman, seconded by Councilman Chinigo resolution #19-331 was unanimously approved.

#19-331 Payment of Bills

WHEREAS, vouchers for the payment of goods and services rendered to the Borough of River Edge have been received; and

WHEREAS, each bill has been checked by the receiving department, approved by the Chief Financial Officer and Borough Clerk and reviewed by the three members of the Finance Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that bills as listed now be confirmed for payment from the appropriate funds as follows:

CURRENT ACCOUNT	\$938,192.16
CAPITAL ACCOUNT	\$277,269.39

RECREATION ACCOUNT	\$ 880.47
TRUST OTHER ACCOUNT	\$ 4,656.05
OPEN SPACE ACCOUNT	\$ 6,110.36
TRUST OTHER DEVELOPERS ACCOUNT	\$ 2,407.50

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that claims read and approved by the Governing Body at a Council meeting will be dated the day after the reading of those claims and will appear on the following bill list at the next public meeting of the Mayor and Council at which time claims would be paid.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS –

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Gautier to open to public comments was unanimously approved.

Lou Grasso-172 Lozier Terrace-said that he saw something on Facebook about possible privatization of the DPW. He asked if that has any merit to it?

Councilman Gautier-said that although they can't comment on ongoing negotiations contractually, he said that this rumor has absolutely no validity. He said that he would never advocate for such a thing and he has never heard another Council person or past Mayor, since he's been on the Council, even suggest the topic.

Councilman Chinigo-said it's a complete fabrication.

Councilwoman Davis-agreed.

Lou Grasso-said that our DPW is fantastic.

Councilman Chinigo-agreed and said that they recognize that and they love our DPW.

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Gautier to close public comments was unanimously approved.

COUNCIL COMMENTS –

Councilman Chinigo-congratulated the young men and women from JS Taekwondo for their achievements which is a great honor to our town. Master Yun is a treasure for this town and Councilman Chinigo has heard that he is the #1 ranked Master in the United States. He reminded everyone that River Edge Day is coming up on October 6th and welcomed everyone to join them because it's always a great event. As Police Liaison, he is working with Chief Cariddi to schedule a "Coffee with a Cop" type of meeting on a regular basis in River Edge. It would give our residents the opportunity to speak one-on-one, ask questions and get answers for issues that are on their mind. He has invited the Council to be included in this meeting as well. He would like to have one Council person and one Police Officer at a time and then alternate Council members for the public's questioning and consumption to make ourselves available. He hopes to get this going in the next few weeks.

Councilwoman Davis-also congratulated the Team Tigers for getting to the National Championship and felt that it was quite an achievement that certainly brings honor to the town of River Edge. She also congratulated Nicole Grecco for her appointment to the River Edge Fire Department. She reminded everyone that St. Peter's Carnival will take place this weekend from Thursday the 26th through Sunday the 29th. She announced that the Board of Health will be giving flu shots to River Edge residents from October 14th through the 18th at the Borough Hall from 9 to 2. She acknowledged our Police Department, Ambulance Corp., Fire Department and DPW for their outstanding service during the two tragic train accidents over the past few days. She said that it was very rough on everybody and we are blessed to have them working for us and going through this. They all need our prayers.

Councilwoman Kaufman-also congratulated the Tigers and Nicole Grecco. She mentioned that she attended the Baronfest this weekend at New Bridge Landing and said it was a lot of fun. She said that she had never toured the historic buildings there and it was great to learn about how simple and basic things were back then. She saw George Washington's bed that he slept in while he was here and highly recommend that people go and see on their open days.

Councilman Gautier-also congratulated the Team Tigers for their victories in the 2019 USA Taekwondo National Championships and felt it was quite an honor as well as Nicole Grecco for being our newest volunteer firefighter. He gave an update on Kress Plaza. Plans have been submitted to the Zoning Officer for the awning and once approval is given, it will go to the Construction Official. He said that there was one issue last week where the parking lot for the Library was closed from Monday through Wednesday and advanced notification was not given. He recommended that in the future, we should try to give advance notice when such events are going to take place so that the Library can communicate

that through social media to our residents. He said that he's looking forward to River Edge Day. Councilman Chinigo-said that he was asked to notify everybody that the Police Department is offering a service in town where they will come to your home and examine your security systems and locks. In advance of holiday time when we know that people are looking to do things that are not so good, it is a service that he urges all of our citizens to avail themselves of. It is a free service where they'll come in and check the locks to make sure they're pick resistant, tamper proof and give suggestions as to how to make your home safer. He said that the information is on the front page of the River Edge website.

Councilwoman Davis-said that the Police Department also provides lock boxes for the elderly and people who are impaired so that if there's an issue they would be able to gain access. She knows that several people in town, including herself, have donated the boxes and just wanted everyone to know that they are available.

Councilman Papaleo-echoed everyone's comments on the Team Tigers and Nicole Grecco. His prayers go out to not just the family members of the individuals who were injured in the train accidents but also for our emergency workers and first responders as they deal with these difficult issues. Councilman Papaleo said the during his time as Police Liaison, one of the things that the Chief has said is the single greatest cause for break-ins is that people don't put their lights on timers. As the day suddenly gets shorter and people are not home from work, their house and property is completely dark. That is what invites criminals more than anything else. Making sure that your lights are on a timer is enough to discourage your home from being victimized so if you're not going to be home before sunset, you need to put your home lighting on some kind of timer. He said that Councilwoman Busted and our Borough Administrator, Ray Poerio were not feeling well today and hopes that they're feeling better soon. He thanked the public for coming and being a part of the meeting this evening.

ADJOURNMENT - 7:40 P.M.

On motion by Councilwoman Davis, seconded by Councilman Gautier to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. was unanimously approved.

Ellen Busted, Council President

Stephanie Evans, Borough Clerk

Dated: