

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL - TOWNSHIP OF EDISON
January 8, 2020**

A Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on Wednesday, January 8, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Council President Ship-Freeman followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Councilmembers Brescher, Coyle, Diehl, Gomez, Joshi, Patil, and Ship-Freeman.

Also present were Township Clerk Russomanno, Deputy Township Clerk McCray, Township Attorney Northgrave, Business Administrator Ruane, Township Engineer O’Krephy, Acting Recreation Director Fircha, Police Captain Askelson, Fire Chief Latham and Cameraman Cologna.

The Township Clerk advised that adequate notice of this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, has been provided by an Annual Notice sent to The Home News Tribune, The Star Ledger, the Sentinel and New India Times on December 13, 2019 and posted in the Main Lobby of the Municipal Complex on the same date.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT REMARK:

Council President Ship-Freeman, welcomed Dr. Bernard F, Bragen, Jr., EDD our new Superintendent of Edison is here along with Ms. Gail Pawlikowski, Chief Academic Officer. We are looking forward to working together. She announced today is Councilmember Coyle birthday, on Monday, January 20th Township Offices will be closed in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and on Saturday, January 25th is his celebration at Minne B. Veal Community Center at 1:00pm.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA
MAYOR THOMAS LANKEY

January 3, 2020

Honorable Members of Council
c/o Cheryl Russomanno, Township Clerk
100 Municipal Boulevard
Edison, NJ 08817

Dear Members of Council:

Please be advised that I have re-appointed Mr. Mark Daniele, of 32 Oak Hills Road, Edison, New Jersey 08820, effective immediately, as Class I Planning Board Member. His Term expires on December 31, 2020.

Thanking you in advance for your attention to this matter, I remain.

Respectfully,

/s/ Thomas Lankey
Mayor

Cc: Mark Danielle
Lillian Triola, Administrative Officer, Planning Board

January 3, 2020

Honorable Members of council
c/o Cheryl Russomanno, Township Clerk
100 Municipal Boulevard
Edison, NJ 08817

Dear Members of Council:

Please be advised that I have appointed Mr. Leonard Sendelsky, of 66 Richard Road, Edison, New Jersey 08820, effective immediately, as Class IV Planning Board Member. His Term expires on December 31, 2023.

Thanking you in advance for your attention to this matter, I remain.

Respectfully,

/s/ Thomas Lankey
Mayor

Cc: Leonard Sendelsky
Lillian Triola, Administrative Officer, Planning Board

January 3, 2020

Honorable Members of Council
c/o Cheryl Russomanno, Township Clerk
100 Municipal Boulevard
Edison, NJ 08817

Dear Members of Council:

Please be advised that I have re-appointed Mr. Dennis Pipala of 148 Edison Avenue, Edison, New Jersey 08820, effective immediately, as Class IV Planning Board Member. His Term expires on December 31, 2023.

Thanking you in advance for your attention to this matter, I remain.

Respectfully,

/s/ Thomas Lankey
Mayor

Cc: Dennis Pipala
Lillian Triola, Administrative Officer, Planning Board

January 3, 2020

Honorable Members of Council
c/o Cheryl Russomanno, Township Clerk
100 Municipal Boulevard
Edison, NJ 08817

Dear Members of Council:

Please be advised that I have re-appoint Mr. Donald Corrette of 99 Leo Street, Edison, New Jersey 08817, effective immediately, as Class IV Planning Board Member. His Term expires on December 31, 2023.

Thanking you in advance for your attention to this matter, I remain.

Respectfully,

/s/ Thomas Lankey
Mayor

Cc: Donald Corrette
Lillian Triola, Administrative Officer, Planning Board

January 3, 2020

Honorable Members of Council
c/o Cheryl Russomanno, Township Clerk
100 Municipal Boulevard
Edison, NJ 08817

Dear Members of Council:

Please be advised that I have appointed Mr. Biral Patel of 11 Stanley Place, Edison, New Jersey 08817, effective immediately, as 2nd Alternate Planning Board Member. His Term expires on December 31, 2021.

Thanking you in advance for your attention to this matter, I remain.

Respectfully,

/s/ Thomas Lankey
Mayor

Cc: Biral Patel
Lillian Triola, Administrative Officer, Planning Board

The above appointment was received on a motion made by Councilmember Diehl seconded by Councilmember Coyle, and duly carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:
PROPOSED ORDINANCES PUBLIC HEARING SET DOWN FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22, 2020.**

O.2062-2020 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF EASEMENTS FOR THE BROTHERHOOD STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ON PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED ON THE TAX MAPS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON AS BLOCK 20-A, LOT 4; BLOCK 20-A, LOT 5; BLOCK 20-A, LOT 6; BLOCK 20-A, LOT 57; BLOCK 20-B, LOT 1-A; BLOCK 20-B, LOT 2-A; AND ON THE TAX MAPS OF THE PISCATAWAY TOWNSHIP AS BLOCK 8802, LOT 3.02 BY EXERCISE OF THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN.

On a motion made by Councilmember Gomez seconded by Councilmember Diehl this Ordinance was passed on first reading and ordered published according to law for further consideration and Public Hearing at the next Regular Meeting of the Township Council to be held on January 22, 2020.

AYES - Councilmembers Brescher, Coyle, Diehl, Gomez, Joshi Patil, and Council President Ship-Freeman

NAYS - None

PUBLIC COMMENTS AS TO PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

Council President Ship-Freeman opened the meeting to the public for comments on Proposed Resolutions R.013-012020 through R.034-012020.

None

There were no other comments from the public regarding Proposed Resolutions. On a motion made by Councilmember Diehl seconded by Councilmember Gomez and duly carried, the public hearing was closed.

The following Resolutions R.013-012020 through R.021-012020 and R.023-012020 through R.025-012020 and R.027-012020 through R.031-012020 and R.033-012020 and R.034-012020 were adopted under the Consent Agenda on a motion made by Councilmember Diehl and seconded by Councilmember Gomez.

RESOLUTION R.013-012020

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2019

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance of the Township of Edison has transmitted to the Township Council a Report of Disbursements made through, December 31, 2018

FUND	AMOUNT
Current	\$13,510,572.08
Affordable Housing	0.00
Capital	0.00
Cash Performance	0.00
CDBG	0.00
Developers Escrow	0.00

Dog (Animal Control)	4,045.26
Federal Forfeited	0.00
Grant Funds	0.00
Law Enforcement	0.00
Open Space	0.00
Park Improvements	0.00
Payroll Deduction	0.00
Sanitation Fund	0.00
Self Insurance	0.00
Sewer Utility	84,656.39
Tax Sale Redemption	0.00
Tree Fund	0.00
Tree Planting	0.00
Trust	50,908.26
Edison Landfill Closure Trust	0.00
Water Operating Fund	1,574.29
TOTAL	\$13,651,756.28

/s/ Nicholas C. Fargo
Chief Financial Officer

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that the above-referenced disbursements report is hereby approved.

RESOLUTION R.014-012020

Authorizing refund for redemption of tax sale certificates

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Edison, Lina Vallejo, reports and advises that at various sales of land for delinquent taxes held by the Edison Township Collector of Taxes, Middlesex County, New Jersey, the attached listing of tax sale certificates were sold; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector further reports that the said tax sale certificates have been redeemed thereof, and further advises that the purchasers of said property are legally entitled to a refund of monies paid at the time of redemption.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that the aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that the appropriate official of the Township is hereby authorized to draw checks to the noted parties in the amounts specified on the attached listing, totaling **\$573,131.72**.

RESOLUTION R.015-012020

Authorizing refund for Sewer overpayments

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector of the Township of Edison, Lina Vallejo, reports and advises that on various properties located within the Township of Edison, overpayments of sewer that have been made due to erroneous or duplicate payments, and

WHEREAS, applications have been made to the Tax Collector for refunds of the said overpayments, and the Tax Collector advises that the requesters are entitled to refunds as provided the attached listing; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that the aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison that the appropriate official of the Township is hereby authorized to draw checks to the noted parties in the amounts specified on the attached listing totaling **\$295.22**.

RESOLUTION R.016-012020

Authorizing Processing or Cancelation of Small Balances for 2020

WHEREAS, the Municipal Tax Collector informs that from time to time there are credits or delinquencies in property tax, sewer or other municipal charges on certain property located within the Township of Edison, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1 authorizes a municipal governing body to adopt a resolution designating a municipal employee to, on its behalf, process or cancel property tax refunds under ten dollars and cancel any property tax delinquencies under ten dollars, and

WHEREAS, The enactment of P.L. 2013, c.54 has expanded the scope of statute N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1 to encompass any delinquent charges or fees imposed by the municipality, so long as the delinquency is less than \$10.00, and

WHEREAS, that the Municipal Tax Collector is qualified, and recommends, to process said cancellation in his continuing effort to maintain the highest level of fiscal responsibility and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that the Municipal Tax Collector is hereby authorized to, on its behalf, process or cancel refunds of property tax, sewer charges, water charges and other municipal charges under ten dollars (\$10.00) and cancel delinquencies of property tax, sewer charges, water charges and other municipal charges under ten dollars (\$10.00) during the calendar year of **2020** in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1 as amended by P.L. 2013, c.54.

RESOLUTION R.017-012020

Authorizing Accelerated Tax Sale and Fees for 2020

WHEREAS, it is projected that as of November 11, **2020**, over 25% of properties located within the Township of Edison will have unpaid municipal charges (i.e. real estate taxes, sewer utility charges, water utility charges and/or any other charges legally imposed by municipality); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-19 requires that any unpaid taxes and/or other municipal charges that remain in arrears on the eleventh day of the eleventh month be sold at a tax sale; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 99, Public Laws allows accelerated tax lien sale as of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of the fiscal year upon passage of a resolution of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the annual accelerated tax sale for the Township of Edison is scheduled to be held on or about **December 14th, 2020**; and

WHEREAS, the tax sale process is lengthy and costly and places a large financial burden on the general tax base; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Township of Edison to hold taxpayers who cause the tax sale procedure to be held accountable for the fees associated with said sale; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-26 provides for direct mailing of the tax sale notices in-lieu of up to two (2) legal advertisements, the costs of which shall be added to the cost of the sale, not to exceed \$25.00 for each set of notices; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Municipal Tax Collector that an appropriate direct mail cost for the **2020** tax sale would be Twenty-Five (\$25.00); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-38 provides for fees in connection with holding a tax sale, of two (2%) percent of the total of municipal charges, including all interest and penalties, to the date of sale. The two (2%) percent shall not be less than Fifteen (\$15.00) dollars nor more than One Hundred (\$100.00) dollars for each parcel sold; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:5-29 provides for payment prior to the tax sale to include all interest, costs and penalties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Edison in the County of Middlesex the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to conduct an accelerated tax lien sale for Calendar Year **2020** delinquencies.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:5-26, the Tax Collector's office is hereby authorized to send two (2) direct mailings, in lieu of 2 advertisements, and collect a mailing fee of Twenty Five dollars (\$25.00) for each notice mailed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that costs of preparation, administration and advertisement, prior to the sale are hereby determined to be two (2%) percent of the total municipal charges, including all

penalties and interest, but not less than Fifteen (\$15.00) dollars and not more than One Hundred (\$100.00) for each parcel.

RESOLUTION R.018-012020

EXPLANATION: A Resolution appointing the Township of Edison Public Agency Compliance Officer.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action Rules, *N.J.A.C. 17:27, et seq.* and the Equal Employment Opportunity Monitoring Program (collectively, the “EEO Monitoring Program”) as implemented and monitored by the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Purchase and Property, Contract Compliance and Audit Unit, the Township of Edison (“Township”) is required by law to designate a Public Agency Compliance Officer (“P.A.C.O.”); and

WHEREAS, the P.A.C.O. will be the point of contact for all matters concerning implementation and administration of the legal requirements of the EEO Monitoring Program; and

WHEREAS, the P.A.C.O. is also responsible for administering contracting procedures pertaining to equal employment regarding both the Township and its service providers; and

WHEREAS, in order to fully comply with EEO Monitoring Program, the municipal council of the Township (the “Municipal Council”) hereby desires to appoint Maureen Ruane, Township Business Administrator as the Township P.A.C.O. through the 2019 year.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Municipal Council hereby appoints Maureen Ruane, Township Administrator, as the Township P.A.C.O. through the 2019 year.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION R.019-012020

A RESOLUTION TO AFFIRM THE TOWNSHIP OF EDISON’S CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY WITH RESPECT TO ALL OFFICIALS, APPOINTEES, EMPLOYEES, PROSPECTIVE EMPLOYEES, VOLUNTEERS, INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT COME INTO CONTACT WITH MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES, OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the Township of Edison to treat the public, employees, prospective employees, appointees, volunteers and contractors in a manner consistent with all applicable civil rights laws and regulations including, but not limited to the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 as subsequently amended, the New Jersey Law against Discrimination, the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Conscientious Employee Protection Act, and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the Township of Edison has determined that certain procedures need to be established to accomplish this policy

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ADOPTED by the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison that:

Section 1: No official, employee, appointee or volunteer of the Township of Edison by whatever title known, or any entity that is in any way a part of the Township of Edison shall engage, either directly or indirectly in any act including the failure to act that constitutes discrimination, harassment or a violation of any person’s constitutional rights while such official, employee, appointee volunteer, or entity is engaged in or acting on behalf of the Township of Edison’s business or using the facilities or property of the Township of Edison.

Section 2: The prohibitions and requirements of this resolution shall extend to any person or entity, including but not limited to any volunteer organization or inter-local organization, whether structured as a governmental entity or a private entity, that receives authorization or support in any way from the Township of Edison to provide services that otherwise could be performed by the Township.

Section 3: Discrimination, harassment and civil rights shall be defined for purposes of this resolution using the latest definitions contained in the applicable Federal and State laws concerning discrimination, harassment and civil rights.

Section 4: The Business Administrator shall establish written procedures for any person to report alleged discrimination, harassment and violations of civil rights prohibited by this resolution. Such procedures shall include alternate ways to report a complaint so that the person making the complaint need not communicate with the alleged violator in the event the alleged violator would be the normal contact for such complaints.

Section 5: No person shall retaliate against any person who reports any alleged discrimination, harassment or violation of civil rights, provided however, that any person who reports alleged violations in bad faith shall be subject to appropriate discipline.

Section 6: The Business Administrator shall establish written procedures that require all officials, employees, appointees and volunteers of the Township as well as all other entities subject to this resolution to periodically complete training concerning their duties, responsibilities and rights pursuant to this resolution.

Section 7: The Business Administrator shall establish a system to monitor compliance and shall report at least annually to the governing body the results of the monitoring.

Section 8: At least annually, the Business Administrator shall cause a summary of this resolution and the procedures established pursuant to this resolution to be communicated within the Township. This communication shall include a statement from the governing body expressing its unequivocal commitment to enforce this resolution. This summary shall also be posted on the Township’s web site.

Section 9: This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Section 10: A copy of this resolution shall be published in the official newspaper of the Township in order for the public to be made aware of this policy and the Township’s commitment to the implementation and enforcement of this policy.

RESOLUTION R.020-012020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO TRINITAS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER C.A.R.E./E.A.P FOR A COMPREHENSIVE ASSISTANCE AND REFERRAL FOR EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison has a need for professional services for a Comprehensive Assistance and Referral Employee Assistance Program for employees of the Township for the period of January 1, 2020 thru December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, this contract shall be awarded as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent has determined and certified in writing that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, Trinitas Regional Medical Center C.A.R.E./E.A.P, 300 North Ave. East, Cranford, NJ 07016 has submitted a proposal to provide such services for an amount not to exceed \$19,000.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10 funds for Open-End Contracts shall be committed at the time an order is placed and shall not exceed the unit price; and

WHEREAS, no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order, the certification of available funds shall be made by the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Financial Officer. It shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek the certification of availability of funds of the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Finance Officer, as appropriate (N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)); and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the contract, Trinitas Regional Medical Center C.A.R.E./E.A.P will have completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification, which certifies that no individual with a ten percent (10.0%) interest or larger in Trinitas Regional Medical Center C.A.R.E./E.A.P has made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee of the Municipal Council in the previous year, and that the Services Contract will prohibit an individual with a ten percent (10.0%) interest or larger in Trinitas Regional Medical Center C.A.R.E./E.A.P from making any reportable contributions through the term of the Services Contract, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council accepts Edison Township’s recommendations as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract and any other necessary documents with Trinitas Regional Medical Center C.A.R.E./E.A.P, 300 North Ave. East, Cranford, NJ 07016 in the amount not to exceed \$19,000.00 for a Comprehensive Assistance and Referral Employee Assistance Program as described herein.
2. This contract is awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et. seq.
3. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value shall be placed on file with this resolution.
4. The Township Clerk shall advertise notice of this action in a legal newspaper pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq. and in compliance with the Local Public Contracts Law guidelines.

RESOLUTION R.021-012020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA FOR ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR SHORT TERM DISABILITY PLAN FOR THE YEAR 2020

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison has a need for administration services for management of its non workmen’s compensation disability claims on a month to month basis for the year 2020; and

WHEREAS, SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA, One Sun Life Executive Park, Wellesley Hills, MA, 02481 has submitted a proposal to provide such services for the fee of \$3.12 per participating employee per month for an amount not to exceed \$21,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this contract shall be awarded as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent has determined and certified in writing that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, prior to entering into a contract, SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA will have completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that they have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Edison in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council accepts Edison Township’s recommendations as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$21,000.00 and any other necessary documents with SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA, One Sun Life Executive Park, Wellesley Hills, MA, 02481 for administration services for management of its non workmen’s compensation disability claims as described herein.
2. This contract is awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et. seq.
3. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value shall be placed on file with this resolution.
4. The Township Clerk shall advertise notice of this action in a legal newspaper pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq. and in compliance with the Local Public Contracts Law guidelines.

RESOLUTION R.023-012020

WHEREAS, The Edison Department of Health and Human Services (EDHHS) established the Edison Municipal Alliance (EMA) as a Township-based, grass-roots volunteer organization comprised of community leaders, private citizens and human service agency representatives, over twenty five years ago; and

WHEREAS, the mission of EMA is to promote and support alcohol, tobacco, other drug, and violence prevention, education programs and related activities, in order to encourage positive, healthy

behavior among local youths and their families, as an alternative to deleterious and potentially dangerous conduct and activities; and

WHEREAS, the Wal-Mart Foundation has grant funds available, through its FY20 Local Community Grants Program for eligible programs, projects, activities and related costs of qualified organizations in the communities Investors Bank serves, for which it continues to solicit on-line requests; and

WHEREAS, the Edison Department of Health and Human Services, through EMA, intends to apply for grant funding for a maximum request of \$2,500.00 from the Wal-Mart Foundation, as it will help to further strengthen its mission, focus and vision through effective programs, projects, events and activities; and

WHEREAS, no matching funds are required in order for the Edison Department of Health and Human Services, through EMA, to apply for or receive grant funding from the Wal-Mart Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the Edison Department of Health and Human Services, through EMA, will utilize all grant funds awarded to it by the Wal-Mart Foundation as described in its application for said funds and in compliance with all applicable Investors Bank Foundation, Municipal, Middlesex County, New Jersey and United States requirements, guidelines, regulations and statutes; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Council of the Township of Edison, Middlesex County, New Jersey, does hereby approve and authorize the development and submission of said grant application, at a regularly-scheduled Public Meeting on the evening of Wednesday, January 8 2020.

RESOLUTION R.024-012020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO SAYREBROOK VETERINARY HOSPITAL FOR VETERINARY SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison (the Township) has the need for veterinary services, and the Township is authorized pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. (“Local Contracts Law”) to contract for “professional services” as it may require; and

WHEREAS, SAYREBROOK VETERINARY, 1400 Main St., Sayreville, NJ 08872 has submitted a proposal to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Contracts Law, more specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5, allows for the awarding of a contract for "professional services" without public advertising for bids; and

WHEREAS, this Contract is not awarded through a “fair and open process” pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS; the total amount of this contract shall be in the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00; and

WHEREAS, SAYREBROOK VETERINARY has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that they have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Edison in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit SAYREBROOK VETERINARY from making any reportable contributions through the term of this one year contract; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10 funds for Open-End Contracts shall be committed at the time an order is placed and shall not exceed the unit price; and

WHEREAS, no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order, the certification of available funds shall be made by the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Financial Officer. It shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek the certification of availability of funds of the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Finance Officer, as appropriate (N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)); and

WHEREAS, the Township Council accepts Edison Township’s recommendations as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. The Township is hereby authorized to execute a contract and any other necessary documents, with SAYREBROOK VETERINARY, 1400 Main St., Sayreville, NJ 08872, in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00 as set forth above.
2. This contract is awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 and 19:44A-20.5 et. seq, and without competitive bidding.
3. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value shall be placed on file with this resolution.
4. The Township Clerk shall advertise notice of this action in a legal newspaper pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq. and in compliance with the Local Public Contracts Law guidelines.

RESOLUTION R.025-012020

EXPLANATION: This Resolution is for the Municipal Council to provide its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Maureen Ruane, Township Business Administrator, to serve a one (1) year term as the Mayor’s representative on the Township of Edison Library Board of Trustees.

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison (“**Township**”) has established a free public library operated by a board of trustees (the “**Board of Trustees**”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees shall be comprised of nine (9) members, one (1) of whom shall be the Mayor or other chief executive of the municipality, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9*; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council shall provide its consent to any appointment made by the Mayor to the Board of Trustees pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and the Code of the Township of Edison (“**Township Code**”) at Section 2-97.1;

WHEREAS, the Mayor desires to appoint, for a one (1) year term, Maureen Ruane, Township Business Administrator, as the Mayor’s representative on the Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council desires to provide its consent for Maureen Ruane, Township Business Administrator, to serve as the Mayor’s representative on the Board of Trustees for a one (1) year term.

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

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Township Council hereby provides its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Maureen Ruane, Township Business Administrator, as the Mayor’s representative on the Board of Trustees for a one (1) year term pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and Township Code Section 2-97.1.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION R.027-012020

EXPLANATION: This Resolution is for the Municipal Council to provide its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Lisa Krauze, Township resident, to serve a five (5) year term on the Township of Edison Library Board of Trustees.

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison (“**Township**”) has established a free public library operated by a board of trustees (the “**Board of Trustees**”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees shall be comprised of nine (9) members, consisting of seven (7) citizens of the Township to be appointed by the Mayor pursuant to the Code of the Township of Edison (“**Township Code**”) at Section 2-97.1; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council shall provide its consent to any appointment made by the Mayor to the Board of Trustees pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and the Code of the Township of Edison (“**Township Code**”) at Section 2-97.1;

WHEREAS, Township resident Lisa Krauze has applied to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees and the Mayor desires to appoint Township resident Lisa Krauze for a five (5) year term; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council desires to provide its consent for Township resident Lisa Krauze to serve on the Board of Trustees for a five (5) year term.

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

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Township Council hereby provides its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Lisa Krauze, Township resident, to the Board of Trustees for a five (5) year term pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and Township Code Section 2-97.1.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION R.028-012020

EXPLANATION: This Resolution is for the Municipal Council to provide its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Suzanne Cason O’Neill, Township resident, to serve a five (5) year term on the Township of Edison Library Board of Trustees.

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison (“**Township**”) has established a free public library operated by a board of trustees (the “**Board of Trustees**”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees shall be comprised of nine (9) members, consisting of seven (7) citizens of the Township to be appointed by the Mayor pursuant to the Code of the Township of Edison (“**Township Code**”) at Section 2-97.1; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council shall provide its consent to any appointment made by the Mayor to the Board of Trustees pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and the Code of the Township of Edison (“**Township Code**”) at Section 2-97.1;

WHEREAS, Township resident Suzanne Cason O’Neill has applied to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees and the Mayor desires to appoint Township resident Suzanne Cason O’Neill for a five (5) year term; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council desires to provide its consent for Township resident Suzanne Cason O’Neill to serve on the Board of Trustees for a five (5) year term.

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

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Township Council hereby provides its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Suzanne Cason O’Neill, Township resident, to the Board of Trustees for a five (5) year term pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and Township Code Section 2-97.1.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION R.029-012020

EXPLANATION: This Resolution is for the Municipal Council to provide its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Patricia Massey, Township resident, to serve a five (5) year term on the Township of Edison Library Board of Trustees.

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison (“**Township**”) has established a free public library operated by a board of trustees (the “**Board of Trustees**”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees shall be comprised of nine (9) members, consisting of seven (7) citizens of the Township to be appointed by the Mayor pursuant to the Code of the Township of Edison (“**Township Code**”) at Section 2-97.1; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council shall provide its consent to any appointment made by the Mayor to the Board of Trustees pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and the Code of the Township of Edison (“**Township Code**”) at Section 2-97.1;

WHEREAS, Township resident Patricia Massey has applied to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees and the Mayor desires to appoint Township resident Patricia Massey for a five (5) year term; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council desires to provide its consent for Township resident Patricia Massey to serve on the Board of Trustees for a five (5) year term.

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

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Township Council hereby provides its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Patricia Massey, Township resident, to the Board of Trustees for a five (5) year term pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and Township Code Section 2-97.1.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESOLUTION R.030-012020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER TO BAYSHORE FOR THE RECYCLING OF THE TOWNSHIP’S RECYCLABLES

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison has a need to recycle Edison’s recyclable materials for the year 2020; and

WHEREAS, such services are exempt from public bidding pursuant to Local Public Contracts Law *N.J.S.A. 40:11-5(s)*, and it has been decided that it is in the best interest to utilize BAYSHORE, 75 Crows Mill Road, PO BOX 290, Keasbey, NJ 08832; and

WHEREAS, the single stream tip fee will not exceed \$75.00 per ton, for a total yearly not to exceed price of \$575,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison will also dispose of asphalt and/or concrete with Bayshore in the total yearly amount not to exceed \$30,000.00; and

WHEREAS, prior to contract/Purchase order, BAYSHORE, will have completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that they have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Edison in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit BAYSHORE, from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the contract with BAYSHORE, 75 Crows Mill Road, PO BOX 290, Keasbey, NJ 08832 shall not exceed \$605,000.00 and cannot be encumbered at this time; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10* funds for Open-End Contracts shall be committed at the time an order is placed and shall not exceed the unit price; and

WHEREAS, no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order, the certification of available funds shall be made by the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Financial Officer. It shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek the certification of availability of funds of the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Finance Officer, as appropriate (*N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)*); and

WHEREAS, the Township Council accepts Edison Township’s recommendations as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract/purchase order for \$605,000.00 with BAYSHORE, 75 Crows Mill Road, PO BOX 290, Keasbey, NJ 08832 for the recycling of Edison’s recyclables as described herein.
2. This contract is awarded pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:11-5(s)*.

RESOLUTION R.031-012020

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING QUOTES AND AWARING AN EMERGENCY CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER TO CORE & MAIN FOR SEVEN (7) HYDRANT METER BACKFLOWS

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison is taking over operation of its water distribution system effective January 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, an emergency condition exists in which the Township needs to expedite the purchase of seven (7) hydrant meter backflows for the operation of the water distribution system; and

WHEREAS, quotes were solicited and CORE & MAIN, 61 Gross Ave, Edison, NJ 08837, submitted the lowest responsible, responsive quote in the amount of \$29,750.00 (\$4,250.00 each); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Public Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 et seq, a contract may be awarded and immediate delivery of goods or the performance of services may be provided when an emergency affects the public health, safety or welfare; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount not to exceed \$29,750.00 have been certified to be available in the Construction of Water Utility Facility Account, No. C-06-19-2055-003-000; and

WHEREAS, prior to contract/Purchase order, CORE & MAIN, will have completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that they have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Edison in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit CORE & MAIN, from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council accepts Edison Township’s recommendations as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. All quotes have been reviewed, and the quote as submitted by CORE & MAIN, 61 Gross Ave, Edison, NJ 08837, for seven (7) hydrant meter backflows is determined to be the lowest, responsive, responsible quote.
2. The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract/purchase order in the amount of \$29,750.00 and any other necessary documents, with CORE & MAIN.
3. This contract is awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 et seq.
4. The Determination of Value shall be placed on file with this resolution.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount of **\$29,750.00** are available for the above in Account No. **C-06-19-2055-003-000**.

/s/ Nicholas C. Fargo
Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.033-012020

RESOLUTION AWARDED AN EMERGENCY CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER TO RAPID RECOVERY FOR HAZARDOUS CLEANING AT FIRE STATIONS 3, 5 & 6

WHEREAS, an emergency condition existed at the Fire Houses 3, 5 & 6; requiring hazardous clean up and furniture/bedding removal; and

WHEREAS, RAPID RECOVERY, 357 North Street, Montvale, NJ 07645, provided services in the amount of \$31,327.30; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Public Contract Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 et seq, a contract may be awarded and immediate delivery of goods or the performance of services may be provided when an emergency affects the public health, safety or welfare; and

WHEREAS, funds in the amount of \$31,327.30 have been certified to be available in the Fire Fighting Janitorial, Laundry House Account, Number 9-01-25-0265-001-035; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council accepts Edison Township’s recommendations as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract/PO in the amount not to exceed \$31,327.30 and any other necessary documents, with RAPID RECOVERY, 357 North Street, Montvale, NJ 07645.
2. This contract is awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 et seq.

CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

I hereby certify that funds in the amount of **\$31,327.30** are available for the above in Account No. **9-01-25-0265-001-035**.

/s/Nicholas C. Fargo
Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION R.034-012020

Township of Edison

NOTICE OF SALE OF ABANDONED VEHICLES AS PROVIDED IN TITLE R.S. 39:10-A-1
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Wednesday 01/29/2020 at 11:00 A.M. the TOWNSHIP OF EDISON will hold for auction (28) vehicles. The vehicles listed below came into possession of the TOWNSHIP OF EDISON through abandonment or failure of owners to claim and have been duly processed.

For sale are the following vehicles with a Re-Sale application (NO LIEN)

Number	Make	Model	Year	VIN
19013371	Che	Cob	2009	1G1AT58H097298047
19018900	Che	Equ	2006	2CNDL73F266049973
19025214	Che	Tbz	2004	1GNLT13S442432250
19026388	Dod	Car	2003	2D4GP44L73R166017
19027628	Dod	Ram	2003	1D7HU18D53S361288
19029501	Dod	Ram	2004	1D7HU18N84J179424
19032470	Gmc	Sie	1995	2GTEC19K6S1523649
19032545	Toy	Cam	1996	4T1BG12K0TU743470
19032558	Hyu	Tri	2007	KMHM66D17U250429
19033623	Ford	Exp	2002	1FMYU60E62UB39014
19038688	Hon	Acc	2004	1HGCM56734A046829
19039411	Toy	Cam	1999	JT2BF28K0X0217799
19039463	Lex	GS3	1999	JT8BD68S2X0047531
19041542	Dog	Dur	2004	1D4HB48D54F151319
19042511	Hyu	Son	2004	KMHWF25S34A923275
19044496	Nis	Sen	2016	3N1AB7AP8GY335772
19046407	Chr	Seb	2004	1C3EL65R04N421401
19046720	Mit	Ecl	2004	4A3AC44G64E072689
19047156	Hon	Civ	2004	1HGEM22914L072073
19048012	Toy	Cor	2009	2T1BU40E49C182790
19050057	MB	500	2003	WDBUF70J93A156424
19050072	Ford	Mus	1993	1FACP44E9PF164902
19050497	Nis	Alt	2017	1N4AL21EX7N423740
19051240	Audi	A6	2001	WAUED64B51N105403
19052268	Acu	Tl	2003	19UUA56613A046864
19052340	Jeep	Lar	1996	1J4EZ58S0TC153537
19053131	Toy	Sie	1999	4T3ZF19C6XU158857
19053672	Nis	Max	2002	JN1DA31A32T303706

Vehicles may be inspected at the Edison Township Municipal Impound Yard in Edison at 745 New Durham Road the day of the sale from 8:30AM-10:00AM. (Directions can be requested – please email RSzucs@edisonpd.org). Vehicles must be removed within three (3) business days after sale. Payment is due at the time of the sale. Auction will be held at the Edison Township Municipal Complex at 100 Municipal Blvd., Edison NJ, at 11:00AM in the Edison Room, 3rd floor. Vehicles may be removed from the impound lot with a tow truck or flat bed ONLY.

Councilmember Brescher requested Resolutions R.022-012020, R.026-012020 and R.032-012020 be pulled for separate vote.

The following Resolutions will be voted upon separately:

Councilmember Brescher, hoping we can re-price vendors. He spoke with the Administration that in difficult times we need to look at all vendors before approving.

RESOLUTION R.022-012020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO ACRISURE, LLC, DBA FINANCIAL INSURANCE CONSULTANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE YEAR 2020

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison has a need to renew the professional risk management consulting services as required in the bylaws of the Central Jersey Joint Insurance Fund for January 1, 2020 –December 31, 2020, and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36; and

WHEREAS, this shall be awarded as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et. Seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent has determined and certified in writing that the value of the acquisition could exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, ACRISURE, LLC, DBA FINANCIAL INSURANCE CONSULTANTS 1460 US Route 9 North, Woodbridge, NJ 07095, has submitted a proposal to provide such services for an amount not to exceed six percent (6.00%) of Edison Township’s annual assessment as promulgated by the Fund not to exceed \$242,000.00; and

WHEREAS, prior to entering into a contract, ACRISURE, LLC, DBA FINANCIAL INSURANCE CONSULTANTS, will have completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that they have not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Township of Edison in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit ACRISURE, LLC, DBA FINANCIAL INSURANCE CONSULTANTS from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council accepts Edison Township’s recommendations as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison, as follows:

1. The Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract in the amount not to exceed \$242,000.00 and any other necessary documents with ACRISURE, LLC, DBA FINANCIAL INSURANCE CONSULTANTS, 1460 US Route 9 North, Woodbridge, NJ 07095 for professional risk management consulting services as described herein.
2. This contract is awarded pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et. seq.
3. The Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value shall be placed on file with this resolution.
4. The Township Clerk shall advertise notice of this action in a legal newspaper pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq. and in compliance with the Local Public Contracts Law guidelines.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gomez seconded by Councilmember Diehl adopt this Resolution.

AYES - Councilmembers, Coyle, Diehl, Gomez, Joshi, Patil, and Council President Ship-Freeman.

NAYS –Councilmember Brescher

Councilmember Brescher, Resolution R.026-012020 since the Library has had issues due to politics, we should only bring the best for Edison. He will be voting not on this Resolution.

Councilmember Patil, asked Ms. Ruane when did the Mayor review this applicate?

Ms. Ruane replied we work on the Re-Organization Meeting items thirty to forty days prior.

Councilmember Coyle said he will yield to Councilmember Joshi to his experience on that Board.

RESOLUTION R.026-012020

EXPLANATION: This Resolution is for the Municipal Council to provide its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Fiona D. Meade, Township resident, to serve the remainder of an unexpired five (5) year term on the Township of Edison Library Board of Trustees.

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison (“**Township**”) has established a free public library operated by a board of trustees (the “**Board of Trustees**”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees shall be comprised of nine (9) members, consisting of seven (7) citizens of the Township to be appointed by the Mayor pursuant to the Code of the Township of Edison (“**Township Code**”) at Section 2-97.1; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council shall provide its consent to any appointment made by the Mayor to the Board of Trustees pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and the Code of the Township of Edison (“**Township Code**”) at Section 2-97.1;

WHEREAS, the Mayor desires to appoint Township resident Fiona D. Meade to serve the remainder of an unexpired five (5) year term, until December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council desires to provide its consent for Township resident Fiona D. Meade to serve on the Board of Trustees for the remainder of the five (5) year term to expire December 31, 2020.

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

1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Township Council hereby provides its consent to the Mayor’s appointment of Fiona D. Meade, Township resident, to the Board of Trustees for the remainder of an unexpired five (5) year term, until December 31, 2020, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:54-9* and Township Code Section 2-97.1.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

A motion was made by Councilmember Joshi seconded by Councilmember Diehl adopt this Resolution.

AYES - Councilmembers, Coyle, Diehl, Gomez, Joshi, Patil, and Council President Ship-Freeman.

NAYS - Councilmember Brescher

Councilmember Brescher, Resolution R.032-012019 questioned on what we pay the engineering companies, average forty to fifty thousand per year. During Suez it was one hundred thousand or more. He asked why do we need to continue when we have received his report.

Ms. Ruane said the average is about one hundred thousand.

Councilmember Coyle is fine with voting yes, but he wants more clarification.

Ms. Ruane said Maser Engineering doesn’t do any work regarding water, only Mott Macdonald.

Councilmember Gomez, added it’s an amount not to exceed.

Councilmember Patil , we get the bills on the bill list to approve.

RESOLUTION R.032-012020

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOTT MACDONALD TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH EDISON TOWNSHIP’S WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS FOR THE YEAR 2020

WHEREAS, the Township of Edison (“**Township**”) is a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.*, (the “**LPCL**”) authorizes the award of contracts for “Professional Services” without competitive bids; and

WHEREAS, Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue, South, Iselin, NJ 08830 is skilled at and has been providing Engineering Services for Township’s Sewer System and the acquisition of the Water Distribution System; and

WHEREAS, Mott MacDonald has submitted a proposal to provide general Engineering consulting services for the Water Utility for an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for the year 2020; and

WHEREAS, Mott MacDonald has submitted a proposal to provide general Engineering consulting services for the Sewer Utility in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00 for the year 2020; and

WHEREAS, this contract shall be awarded as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et. seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent has determined and certified in writing that the value of the contract will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, prior to the execution of the Services Contract, the Company will have completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification to the Township, which certifies that no individual with a ten percent (10%) interest or larger in the Company has made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Municipal Council in the previous year, and that the Services Contract will prohibit an individual with a ten percent (10%) interest or larger in the Company from making any reportable contributions through the term of the Services Contract, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4, et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 5:30-11.10* funds for Open-End Contracts shall be committed at the time an order is placed and shall not exceed the unit price; and

WHEREAS, no amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for. Prior to incurring the liability by placing the order, the certification of available funds shall be made by the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Financial Officer. It shall be the responsibility of the official responsible for issuing the purchase order to notify and seek the certification of availability of funds of the Chief Financial Officer or Certifying Finance Officer, as appropriate (*N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b)*); and

WHEREAS, the Township Council accepts Edison Township’s recommendations as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Edison as follows:

- Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.
- Section 2. The Township desires to authorize the Engineering Services in the amount not to exceed \$250,000.00.
- Section 3. The Mayor or his designee are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract with Mott MacDonald, 111 Wood Avenue, South, Iselin, NJ 08830 for its Engineering Services in the amount of \$250,000.00.
- Section 4. Notice of this Resolution shall be published in the designated official newspaper as required by law within ten (10) days of passage.
- Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

A motion was made by Councilmember Diehl, seconded by Councilmember Gomez adopt this Resolution.

AYES - Councilmembers, Coyle, Diehl, Joshi, Lombardi, Patil, and Council President Ship-Freeman

NAYS - None

ORAL PETITIONS AND REMARKS

Council President Ship-Freeman opened the meeting for public comment.

Maria Orchid, 83 Jefferson Avenue, Congratulated all newly elected Councilmembers. She asked when will the Officials List be updated.

Anthony DeAmorin, 15 Rodak Circle, happy to see the new superintendent here, that's a good sign. He asked for an explanation as to why do we continue to have tax increases when we have all this development. He wanted to know if we are considering a walk path on Whitman Avenue, about a one hundred fifty yard strip.

Council President Ship-Freeman, we are working with Metuchen on a pedestrian study.

Councilmember Brescher agreed with Mr. DeAmorin on taxes. He added we need sidewalk on Talmadge going down toward Woodbrook they are missing by the woods and student have to walk there.

Councilmember Coyle, this has been a part time council and part time mayor it's a lot of work to run this town. We will be looking at other ways for more staff. He understands the pain seniors have, this council will push harder this year.

Karen Halo, regarding R.030-012020 Bayshore are they still in business? She lost a friend last who lost his life on Route 27 by over growth in this town. We need to think about what we do, what happened to human life. She feels we don't do our job as a community. With all this building we should be putting some type of cross walks and lights.

Council President Ship-Freeman, we know every life is important.

John Roche, 34Hamilton, the Bridge Street Bridge has a lot of debris. The parking lot is still a mess at Amazon. With all this new construction why are our taxes going up. Ask for a resolution to support the 2nd Amendment.

Councilmember Coyle, Amazon is a mess he will guarantee someone will be out there. They are not a good neighbors

Council Vice President, we will re-start up the Amazon sub -committee.

Dr. Bernard F, Bragen, Jr., expressed he is real excited to be back in Edison Community. He extended an invitation to work together, please feel free to reach out to him. He is looking forward to creating a relationship with the Township.

Council Vice President Joshi, it speaks volume that you are here your dedication to put in effort and time to help our school system.

Cristo, 14 Fox Road, he congratulated Joyce and Sam. He asked if we had the fingers prints on the raciest flyer. He started speaking about matters that do not pertain to Township business.

Councilmember Gomez, it's under Federal's jurisdiction, we cannot comment.

Mr. Northgrave explained again, subjects of oral petition and remarks.

After meeting was adjourned Councilmember Brescher asked to address the public as to why he didn't vote for Council President and Vice President.

Hearing no further comments from the public Councilmember Coyle made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Councilmember Diehl and duly carried.

Having no further business to discuss, on a motion made by Councilmember Joshi seconded by Councilmember Diehl , the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Joyce Ship-Freeman
Council President

Cheryl Russomanno, RMC
Municipal Clerk