

COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
RIDGEFIELD PARK
April 12, 2022
7:30 PM

Mayor Anlian announces that this meeting is being held in accordance with the “Open Public Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10 4-6 et seq.” notice of which was sent to the Record and the Star Ledger on December 27, 2021 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and the Village Website.

ROLL CALL

FLAG SALUTE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioners Regular Meeting of March 22, 2022

PAYMENT OF BILLS

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

HEARING OF CITIZENS

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Anlian announces that the following business is considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. Any item may be removed for separate consideration.

RESOLUTIONS:

- 2022-41 Award Government Relations and Public Affairs Consulting Contract to CLB Partners
- 2022-42 Appoint Board of Recreation Members
- 2022-43 Authorize Street Closure for Block Party – Highland Place
- 2022-44 Authorize Profession Services Contract – Boswell Engineering
- 2022-45 Authorize Street Closure – Garden Street

ORDINANCE INTRODUCTIONS

2022-02 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 172, “FAIR SHARE HOUSING,” OF THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, TO ADDRESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FAIR HOUSING ACT AND THE UNIFORM HOUSING AFFORDABILITY CONTROLS (UHAC) REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE VILLAGE’S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS

2022-03 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, AND A NEW FIRE TRUCK AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$3,376,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

2022-04 ORDINANCE FIXING COMPENSATION OF OFFICERS &
EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK FOR THE
YEAR 2022

PROCLAMATION

Arbor Day

CLOSED SESSION (if necessary)

2022-46 Authorize Closed Session Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK

Resolution No. 2022-41

A Resolution Awarding a Government Relations and Public Affairs Consulting Contract to CLB Partners

Whereas, the Village of Ridgefield Park has a need to engage a professional government relations and public affairs consulting firm to assist the Village with its ongoing negotiations with New Jersey Transit and the State of New Jersey concerning NJ Transit's planned bus maintenance garage facility; and

Whereas, the Village has received a proposal from the following consultant to perform the aforesaid services for the monthly retainer of \$1,500 for an initial period of twelve (12) months:

Jonathan Boguchwal
Partner
CLB Partners
130 West State Street
Trenton, NJ 08608
(the "Consultant");

and

Whereas, the Consultant was recommended to the Village by previously-engaged special counsel to the Village; and

Whereas, Village is desirous of entering into a contract with Consultant to perform the services outlined above; and

Whereas, this contract has been awarded under the "alternative process" pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 19:44A-20.4 et seq. (the "Pay-to-Play Law"), and has been awarded to Consultant based upon the merits and abilities of Consultant to provide the services necessary; and

Whereas, Consultant has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Consultant has not made any reportable contributions (\$300 or more) to a political or candidate committee in the Village of Ridgefield Park in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit Consultant from making any reportable contributions (\$300 or more) through the term of the contract; and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds have been appropriated and are available for this purpose.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that a contract is hereby awarded to Jonathan Boguchwal of CLB Partners pursuant to the proposal received.

Be It Further Resolved that the Mayor and Village Clerk are hereby directed, authorized and empowered to execute a contract with the Consultant, subject to approval as to form by the Village Attorney, and to take all steps reasonably necessary to effectuate the purposes and provisions of this resolution.

Be It Further Resolved that all other Village officials, officers and employees are hereby directed, authorized and empowered to take all steps reasonably necessary to effectuate the purposes and provisions of this resolution.

Resolution 2022-42

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby appoints the following as members of the Board of Recreation:

Royce Morris, Regular Member, filling unexpired term of Scott Garris, expiring April 30, 2024

Gilbert Bell, Regular Member, three-year term expiring April 30, 2025

Marilynn Wagner, Regular Member, three-year term expiring April 30, 2025

Resolution 2022-43

WHEREAS, Natasha Hopper, 24 Highland Place, requested permission to hold a block party on July 4, 2022 between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, she has requested permission to close Highland Place between Cutter Street and Roosevelt Avenue to traffic that day; and

WHEREAS, she must notify the residents on the block at least two weeks in advance of the event; and

WHEREAS, she has requested July 9, 2022 as the rain date between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the closing of Highland Place between Main Street and Bergen Avenue from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on July 4, 2022.

VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK

Resolution No. 2022-44

A Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Contract with Boswell Engineering, Inc., to Provide Professional Surveying and Environmental Science Services In Connection With the Veteran's Park and High School Sports Improvements Project

Whereas, the Village of Ridgefield Park has a need for professional surveying and environmental science services in connection with the Veteran's Park and High School Sports Improvements Project in the Village of Ridgefield Park; and

Whereas, the Board of Commissioners is desirous of awarding a professional services contract to Municipal Engineer Boswell Engineering, Inc. (the "Professional"), to perform the above-referenced services, all as set forth in a Proposal dated March 23, 2022 (the "Proposal"); and

Whereas, the value of this contract is expected to exceed \$17,500, and this contract has been awarded under the "alternative process" pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.* (the "Pay-to-Play Law"), and has been awarded to the Professional based upon the merits and abilities of the Professional to provide the services necessary; and

Whereas, because this contract has been awarded under the "alternative process," the Professional has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that it has not made any reportable contributions (\$300 or more) to a political or candidate committee in the Village of Ridgefield Park or to the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the Professional from making any reportable contributions (\$300 or more) through the term of the contract; and

Whereas, the *Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5*, requires the resolution authorizing the award of contracts for professional services without competitive bids and the contract itself to be made available for public inspection; and

Whereas, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5*, public notice of this contract award shall be published in the official newspaper of the Village in accordance with applicable law; and

Whereas, the Village's Chief Financial Officer has certified that funds have been appropriated and are available for this purpose.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that a contract shall be awarded to Boswell Engineering, Inc. for the above-referenced services on a time-and materials basis based upon Boswell's standard hourly rates with the Village, with the following estimated totals:

<u>Task</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Boswell Fees</u>	<u>Subcontractor Fees</u>	<u>NJDEP Fees</u>
1	Topographic Survey	\$33,500		
2B	Preliminary Assessment	\$10,500	\$7,000	
3A	Flood Hazard Verification	\$8,500		\$1,000
3B	Establish Regulatory Limits	\$8,000		\$3,900
	Subtotals	\$60,500	\$7,000	\$4,900
		GRAND TOTAL		\$72,400

Be It Further Resolved that the Mayor and Village Clerk are hereby directed, authorized and empowered to execute a contract consistent with the provisions and intent of this Resolution, subject to approval of same by the Village Attorney.

Be It Further Resolved that the Village Clerk shall publish notice of this contract award in the official newspaper of the Village, in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 40A:11-5.

Resolution 2022-45

WHEREAS, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, will hold their Annual Fish and Chips fundraiser on Friday, April 15, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 has requested permission for Garden Street to be closed to traffic and parking on Friday, April 15, 2022 between the hours of 3 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 will notify all Garden Street residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the closing of Garden Street, from Brinkerhoff Street to Winant Avenue, from 3 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on April 15, 2022.