

COMMISSIONERS CAUCUS MEETING AGENDA
RIDGEFIELD PARK
February 23, 2023
7:00 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 29, 2022 and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board and the Village Website.

ROLL CALL

CORRESPONDENCE

02-14 NJLM Weekly Update

02-15 Bergen County Open Space Trust Fund Program

02-16 Palacios Jerusalem – Noise Pollution

02-17 Local Finance Notice 2023-03

02-18 Boswell Engineering – Wetlands Delineation/Letter of Interpretation Veterans Park Proposal

02-19 NJLM Weekly Round-Up

02-20 Local Finance Notice 2023-04

02-21 Warren Staudinger, County of Bergen Mosquito Control Division – Information Packet

02-22 Boswell Engineering – Summit Street Engineering and Inspection Services Proposal

02-23 Bergen County League of Municipalities – OPRA Reform

DISCUSSION

Liquor License Sample Resolution

RevolutionNJ Sample Resolution

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION:

2023-36 Award Profession Services Contract to Robert H. Beinfield, Esq of the Firm
Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, LLP

HEARING OF CITIZENS

REPORTS

Mayor & Commissioners

Village Attorney

Superintendent DPW

Chief of Police

Village Clerk

CLOSED SESSION

2023-37 Authorize Closed Session Meeting

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 2023-36

RESOLUTION AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO ROBERT H. BEINFELD, ESQ. OF THE FIRM HAWKINS, DELAFIELD & WOOD, LLP, ONE GATEWAY CENTER, NEWARK, NJ 07102, TO SERVE AS SPECIAL COUNSEL IN CONNECTION WITH THE VILLAGE'S ISSUANCE OF REDEVELOPMENT AREA BONDS

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is desirous of hiring Special Counsel to assist the Village in connection with the Village's possible issuance of Redevelopment Area Bonds and related work for Challenger Road development projects; and

WHEREAS, the Village has received a proposal from Robert H. Beinfield, Esq., to perform all services necessary and appropriate in connection with same; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Beinfield submitted a proposal dated February 17, 2023 setting forth his firm's hourly rates and terms and conditions of engagement; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is satisfied that Mr. Beinfield and his firm possess the requisite experience pertaining to such matters; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(a)(i), a professional services contract is exempt from public bidding requirements; and

WHEREAS, this contract has been awarded under the "alternative process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A20.4 et seq. (the "Pay-to-Play Law"), and has been awarded to the contractor based upon the merits and abilities of the contractor to provide the services necessary; and

WHEREAS, because this contract has been awarded under the "alternative process," Mr. Beinfield has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that neither he nor his firm has made any reportable contributions (\$300 or more) to a political or candidate committee in the Village of Ridgefield Park with the elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit said persons and entities from making any reportable contributions (\$300 or more) through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body is desirous of awarding a contract to Robert H. Beinfield, Esq. in accordance with the proposal dated February 17, 2023, which is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the funds needed to pay for the services of Mr. Beinfield will be paid out of escrow fees to be posted by the Developer, 64 Challenger Road Urban Renewal, LLC and 95 Challenger Road Urban Renewal, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a contract is hereby awarded to Robert H. Beinfield Esq. to serve as Special Counsel in connection with the Village's issuance of Redevelopment Area Bonds, pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners and Village Clerk are hereby 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.