

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Board of Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey held on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October at 7:00 P.M. Secaucus Municipal Government Center, 1203 Paterson Plank Road, Secaucus, NJ in Chamber II.

Adequate notice for this meeting, as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, has been provided by the filing of the notice of Meetings with the Municipal Clerk, the posting of said notice on the official bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and the delivery of same to the Jersey Journal on December 29, 2021.

This body wishes to advise you that in accordance with N.J.A.C.5:23-11.1, et seq. of the Indoor Air Quality Standards and Procedures for Buildings Occupied by Public Employees, smoking anywhere in this public building is prohibited by law.

Present: Mayor: Michael Gonnelli  
Councilmembers: Robert Costantino  
James Clancy  
Mark Dehnert  
John Gerbasio  
Orietta Tringali

Absent: William McKeever

Pledge of Allegiance

First item on the agenda:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Costantino moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meetings of the Mayor and Council for the following dates; August 24, 2021, September 14, 2021 and September 28, 2021, seconded by Clancy.

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Councilman Gerbasio abstained on the approval of the August 24<sup>th</sup> and September 18<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes.

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION

The following ordinance was read for introduction: No. 2022-27

AN ORDINANCE UPDATING CHAPTER 141 OF THE CODE TO UPDATE REGULATIONS AND LICENSING PERTAINING TO ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES AND ESTGABLISHMENTS

Councilman Dehnert moved to accept the first reading of the foregoing ordinance, seconded by Councilwoman Tringali.

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

The following ordinance was read for introduction: No. 2022-28

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 127 - 58B OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SECAUCUS ENTITLED "DESIGNATION OF LOCATIONS AT OR NEAR PROVATE RESIDENCES" (FOR THE ADDITION OF A HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE ON HUMBOLDT STREET AND THE DELETION OF A HANDICAPPED PARKING SPOT ON IRVING PLACE)

Councilman Costantino moved to accept the first reading of the foregoing ordinance, seconded by Councilwoman Tringali.

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Public hearing for the aforementioned ordinances will be on November 9, 2022.

CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Mayor and Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-334

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, that the minutes of the Regular Meetings of August 24, 2021, September 14, 2021 and September 28, 2021 are hereby approved.

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:  
AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-335

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A  
2023 NISSAN LEAF FROM HUDSON COUNTY MOTORS UNDER A NEW JERSEY  
STATE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the Town approved the purchase of a 2023 Nissan Leaf from Hudson County Motors in the amount of \$22,181.00 for the Secaucus Park Patrol under Resolution 2022-314; and

WHEREAS, the vendor supplied a corrected quote of \$23,920.00 for said vehicle; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for Change Order #1 to increase the contract with Hudson County Motors in the amount of One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars and 00/100 (\$1,739.00), increasing the total contract to Twenty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Dollars and 00/100 (\$23,290.00); and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds to award this contract are available under line item 10-2150-55-70613-001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the above statements are incorporated herein and Change Order #1 for Hudson County Motors in the amount of One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars and 00/100 (\$1,739.00) is hereby approved.

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:  
AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-336

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE FY23 GRANTS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus, State of New Jersey, desires to apply to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for funding under the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside FY23 Grants Program; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has designed the Plaza Center Streetscape Project to meet all criteria necessary to receive funding under the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside FY23 Grants Program, and to maximize accessibility of multiple modes of surface transportation in the area of the Plaza Center; and

WHEREAS, the primary activity of the Plaza Center Streetscape Project will be to complete a number of streetscape improvements that will allow for better pedestrian access to the Plaza Center and beautify the Plaza Center area; and

WHEREAS, this primary activity involves land that is owned by the Town of Secaucus, and the Town of Secaucus hereby commits to maintain the streetscape after the improvements are completed; and

WHEREAS, responsibilities for administering the proposed project in accordance with federal and state guidelines (to be known as the Responsible Charge) will be Gary Jeffas, full-time Town Administrator.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, formally authorizes submission of the electronic grant application identified as TA-2023-Plaza Center Streetscape Improvement-00067 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for funding under the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside FY23 Grants Program on behalf of the Town of Secaucus.

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-337

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION TO AWARD A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR ELECTRIC TRUCK FLEET PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION TECHNOLOGIES, LLC

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus is the recipient of a grant from the State of New Jersey to fund the Replacement of a diesel garbage truck with a 100% electric garbage truck and associated infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Climate Change Mitigation Technologies, LLC (CCMT) of Montclair, NJ submitted a proposal for said services with a rate of \$175.00 per hour, at an amount not to exceed Forty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars 00/100 (\$43,500.00); and

WHEREAS, the services provided for in the proposal submitted by CCMT are classified as a professional service; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(a)(i) any contract for Professional Services may be negotiated and awarded by the governing body without public advertising, and shall be awarded by resolution of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds to award this contract are available under line item 10-2150-55-70613-001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, award the Professional Service Contract for Electric Truck Fleet Project Management Services to Climate Change Mitigation Technologies, LLC at an amount not to exceed Forty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and 00/100; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Climate Change Mitigation Technologies, LLC shall provide any and all compliance information requested by the Town of Secaucus' Office of Purchasing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Town Administrator, or their designee are hereby authorized to execute any documents regarding the awarding of this contract or take any action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-338

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of Judge Karen Boylan, and the Personnel Committee that the below person is hereby appointed to the regular part time clerk position, who provides technical assistance to the prosecutor, pending the successful completion of a drug screening and background check, effective September 27, 2022 as follows:

Lombardo, Lisette \$14.00 / hour

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-339

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of the Animal Shelter Manager that the below person is hereby appointed to the replacement regular part time Animal Assistant position, in the Animal Shelter Department (#50000), effective October 1, 2022, as follows:

Douglas, Carol \$13.00 / Hour

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No.2022-340

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, HUDSON COUNTY  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of Michael Pero Superintendent of Recreation that the following staff are hereby appointed to regular part time various positions, pending successful completion of a background check and drug screening, at the Rec Center Department (#85000), effective, October 13, 2022, as follows:

Front Desk  
Craven, Lisa \$13.00/Hour

Custodial  
Lin, Li \$13.00/Hour

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:  
AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-341

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, HUDSON COUNTY  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of Superintendent of DPW, that the below person is hereby hired to a regular part time Medical Escort Driver in the Public Works Department (#50000), pending the successful completion of a background check and drug screening, effective October 13, 2022 as follows:

Hourly Rate  
Harbas, Chris \$14.50 / Hour

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:  
AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-342

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, HUDSON COUNTY  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of the Director of Information Technology and the Personnel Committee that the below part time employee is hereby appointed to a regular full-time position of a Help Desk Support Technician in the IT Department (#18000), pending a successful completion of a pre-employment physical, including drug screening, effective October 13, 2022, as follows:

Hayman, Colin (#5947) \$40,000.00/ annual

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

October 12, 2022

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-343

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, HUDSON COUNTY  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Town Council of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of the Police Chief and the Personnel Committee that the below part time employee is hereby appointed to a regular full-time position of Parking Enforcement Officer in the Police Department (#31002), pending a successful completion of a pre-employment physical, including drug screening, effective October 17, 2022, as follows:

Mitchell, Catherine (#5215) \$35,000.00/ annual

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-344

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of the Town Administrator and the Personnel Committee the below person is hereby promoted to the regular full-time position of Senior Systems Administrator in the Information Technology Department (#18000) effective September 28, 2022, as follows:

Voss, Jeffrey \$77,500.00/ annum\*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this is a corrective resolution to previously adopted resolution no. 2022-326, as the employee IS eligible for overtime.

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-345

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, HUDSON COUNTY  
RESOLUTION

October 12, 2022

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent and the Personnel Committee that the below person is hereby promoted to the regular full-time position of Maintenance Worker in the Buildings and Grounds Department (#19000) effective October 13, 2022, as follows:

Sferlazza, Jeffrey \$50,175.00/annual

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-346

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of Michael Pero Superintend Recreations the that the following below staff are hereby reappointed and transferred to the various seasonal part time positions at the Ice Rink (#83000), effective October 13, 2022, as follows:

Assistant Manager (RPT)

Flanagan, John \$16.00/Hour  
Torrillo, Cheryl \$16.00/Hour

Maintenance (SNL)

Fragliossi, James \$13.00/Hour  
Maurin, John \$13.00/Hour  
Pini-Duin, Steven \$13.00/Hour  
Moloughney Sean \$13.00/Hour

Custodial (SNL)

Costantino, Alex  
\$11.90/Hour  
Formisano, Dylan  
\$11.90/Hour  
Garcia, Kyle  
\$11.90/Hour  
Martorano, Zachary  
\$11.90/Hour  
Mastropierto, Joshua  
\$11.90/Hour  
Michalkovich, Zachary  
\$11.90/Hour  
Marzouk, Aly  
\$11.90/Hour

Millevoi, Luke  
\$11.90/Hour  
Worthington, Kris  
\$11.90/Hour

Worthington Randy  
\$11.90/Hour

Clerical (SNL)  
Badillo, Isabella  
\$11.90/Hour  
DeCecco, Jenna  
\$11.90/Hour  
Ducusin, Kayla  
\$11.90/Hour  
Ducusin, Nicholas  
\$11.90/Hour  
Fearon, Emily  
\$11.90/Hour  
Ferati, Nurisha  
\$11.90/Hour  
Fragliossi, Gina  
\$11.90/Hour  
Taylor, Hartung  
\$11.90/Hour  
Hawxhurst, Brianna  
\$11.90/Hour  
Korres, Ava  
\$11.90/Hour  
Marin, Gianna  
\$11.90/Hour  
Marzouk, David  
\$11.90/Hour  
Paone, Samantha  
\$11.90/Hour  
Papa, Brennan  
\$11.90/Hour  
Peschetti, Daniela  
\$11.90/Hour  
Pimentel, Camilla  
\$11.90/Hour  
Rodriguez, Oscar  
\$11.90/Hour  
Salvatore, Jake  
\$11.90/Hour  
Salvatore, Kayleigh  
\$11.90/Hour  
Semelmacher, Jarred  
\$11.90/Hour  
Schillari, Jyanna  
\$11.90/Hour  
  
Trani, Ava  
\$11.90/Hour

Skateguards (SNL)  
Craigwell, Alyssa  
\$11.90/Hour  
D'Avanzo, Gianna  
\$11.90/Hour  
DeRobertis, Olivia  
\$11.90/Hour  
Diehl, Charlie  
\$11.90/Hour  
Gomez, Angelina  
\$11.90/Hour  
Langrehr, Dylan  
\$11.90/Hour  
Ledesma, Angelina  
\$11.90/Hour  
Nguyen, Katherine  
\$11.90/Hour  
Pollio, Vincent  
\$11.90/Hour  
Ramirez, Oliva  
\$11.90/Hour  
Roche, Carine  
\$11.90/Hour  
Wolf, Taylor  
\$11.90/Hour



BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the below individuals are newly appointed to the various seasonal part time positions at the Ice Rink effective October 13, 2022 as follows:

Custodian (SNL)

Smeyers, Ayden  
\$11.90/Hour

Clerical (SNL)

Ocasio, Amaya  
\$11.90/Hour

Skateguards (SNL)

Vega, Steven  
\$11.90/Hour

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read:

No. 2022-347

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION TO AWARD A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR THE REVALUATION IMPACT STUDY AND DEVELOPMENT OF GIS MAP AND PROVISION OF SOFTWARE TO THE MEERS GROUP, LTD.

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus had the need for a Revaluation Impact Study and Development of GIS Map and Related Software; and

WHEREAS, The Meers Group, LTD. Of Monmouth Beach, NJ provided a proposal for said services in the amount of Sixteen Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$16,800.00); and

WHEREAS, The Meers Group, LTD. was awarded a contract under Purchase order No.81618 for these services; and

WHEREAS, additional work was needed, including a website update and workshop meeting attendance, in the amount of Three Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$3,400.00), increasing the total contract for the current year to Twenty Thousand Two Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$20,200.00): and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., the total cost of these services now requires a resolution to award this contract; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(a)(i) Any contract for Professional Services may be negotiated and awarded by the governing body without public advertising, and shall be awarded by resolution of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds to award this contract are available under line item 01-2010-00-11012-069

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey award the Professional Service Contract for the Revaluation Impact Study and Development of GIS Map and Related Software to The Meers Group, LTD. an amount not to exceed Twenty Thousand Two Hundred Dollars and 00/100 (\$20,200.00): and

October 12, 2022

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that The Meers Group, LTD. shall provide any and all compliance information requested by the Town of Secaucus Office of Purchasing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Town Administrator, or their designee are hereby authorized to execute any documents regarding the awarding of this contract, or take any action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-348

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, that the below part-time employee is hereby granted an unpaid leave of absence while on workers compnsation with continued life insurance and for pension purpose, retroactive to April 2, 2022, as follows:

Kot, Mary Ann through 10/31/2022

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-349

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, pursuant to the recommendation of Carl Leppin III, Construction Official, that the below individual is hereby appointed to a regular part-time Plumbing Inspector position in the Construction Department (#32000) effective October 18, 2022 as follows:

Ipolita, Gary \$50.00/hour (by voucher)

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-350

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF THE TAX APPEAL REGARDING LOT 6.04  
IN BLOCK 227 AS SET FORTH ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAPS OF THE  
TOWN OF SECAUCUS OWNED DURING THE SUBJECT TAX YEARS BY ARCHER  
FINANCIAL LLC (AS TENANT)

WHEREAS, Archer Financial LLC, the tenant of real property located at 455 Plaza Drive, otherwise designated as Lot 6.04 in Block 227 on the official Tax Maps of the Town of Secaucus, has taken an appeal to the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey from the Assessed Value of said real property for the 2022 Tax Year;

WHEREAS, the Town's original assessment for 2022 for the parcel was:

Land:	\$	810,000
Improvement:	\$	<u>13,000,000</u>
Total:	\$	13,810,000; and

WHEREAS, at the time that the Taxpayer assumed the lease for the hotel facility located on the subject property the building was vacant; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the vacancy and other issues the Parties have agreed to adjust the Assessment Value for the 2022 Tax Year as follows:

Tax Year 2022:	Land:	\$	810,000
	Improvement:	\$	<u>9,000,000</u>
	Total:	\$	9,810,000; and

WHEREAS, upon the re-occupancy of the hotel facility in and around May 2022, the Town placed an added assessment upon the subject property which the Tenant is aware of; and

WHEREAS, upon the advice of its Tax Assessor, the Governing Body has determined that based on the totality of the circumstances it is in the best interests of the Town of Secaucus to consent to the terms of settlement set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Town Council of the Town of Secaucus in the County of Hudson and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Total Assessment Value of the property located at 455 Plaza Drive (Lot 6.04, Block 227) (together with the other terms of settlement) shall be as follows:

Tax Year 2022 \$9,810,000

2. The Taxpayer shall receive a total Tax Refund in the amount of one hundred fifty thousand five hundred twenty (\$150,520.00) dollars with said tax refund to be satisfied as credits applied against future taxes.

3. The Town Tax Appeal attorney is hereby authorized to withdraw the Town's counterclaim filed for Tax Year 2022.

4. The Taxpayer, as a further essential term of this proposed settlement, agrees that the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:51A-8 (Freeze Act) shall not apply.

5. The Town Tax Assessor is hereby directed to amend its records accordingly.

6. The Town Tax Collector is hereby authorized to effectuate the tax repayment and to make any other adjustments to same as necessary in her judgment.

7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately or as otherwise provided by law.

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read:

No. 2022-351

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION TO AWARD A CONTRACT FOR THE PROVISION OF A WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE BUS WITH AN ELECTRONIC LIFT TO CREATIVE BUS SALES

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has determined the need for a Wheelchair Accessible Bus with and Electronic Lift to service Town Senior residents and help further protect them from COVID: and

WHEREAS, the Town of Secaucus has been awarded funding from the Hudson County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program under Hudson County Resolution 430-7-2021; and

WHEREAS, A Fair and Open Solicitation Process for the Provision of a Wheelchair Accessible Bus with and Electronic Lift was held pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, on August 24, 2022, one bid submission was received; and

WHEREAS, as only one bid was received, Resolution 2022-314 was passed on September 13, 2022 to reject all bids due to CDBG policy and federal procurement procedures not being met; and

WHEREAS, the Town duly re-advertised for bids on September 22, 2022; and

WHEREAS, on October 6, 2022, two (2) submissions were received for the Provision of a Wheelchair Accessible Bus with and Electronic Lift, as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>Yearly Amount</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
1) Creative Bus Sales \$142,680.00 336 Route 22 Green Brook, NJ 08812		\$28,536.00/year
2) Factory Direct Bus Sales, Inc. \$150,784.80 202 Terminal Drive Plainview, NY 11803	\$30,156.96/year	

WHEREAS, it has been determined that Creative Bus Sales of Green Brook, NJ is the lowest apparent responsive and responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has determined that sufficient funds to award this contract are available under line item 08-3000-00-93000-005

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council for the Town of Secaucus, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey award the contract for the Provision of a Wheelchair Accessible Bus with and Electronic Lift to Creative Bus Sales in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Eight Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars and 00/100 (\$28,536.00) per year for a five-year lease, in accordance with the specifications utilized in connection with the bidding process; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Creative Bus Sales shall provide any and all compliance information requested by the Town of Secaucus Office of Purchasing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Town Administrator, or their designee are hereby authorized to execute any documents regarding the awarding of this contract, or take any action necessary to effectuate the spirit and purpose of this resolution.

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

The following resolution was read: No. 2022-352

TOWN OF SECAUCUS, COUNTY OF HUDSON  
RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF INSERTION OF  
\$145,835.00 IN THE 2022 BUDGET REVENUE AVAILABLE FROM CDBG -Senior Bus Project

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40:4-87 provides that the Director of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any municipality when such 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 of any item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Highlands hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2022 in the sum of \$145,835.00 which item is now available as revenue from the CDBG -Senior Bus Project

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$145,835.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of CDBG -Senior Bus Project.

The foregoing was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

Councilwoman Tringali moved to approve the resolutions on the Consent Agenda, seconded by Councilman Dehnert.

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

RAFFLE APPLICATION

R-1644 Application for an On-Premise Draw Raffle to be held on October 28, 2022, sponsored by the Secaucus Emergency Fund.

R-1645 Application for an On-Premise 50/50 to be held on October 28, 2022, sponsored by the Secaucus Emergency Fund.

Councilman Costantino moved to approve the foregoing raffle application, seconded by Councilman Clancy.

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

COMMUNICATION REQUIRING ACTION BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL

1. Request by Mary Garcia-Stokes of Blasian Wellness Podcast Corp to use the Recreation Center Basketball Court on December 4 for a Holiday Pop-up Shopping Event
2. Acceptance of Zachary Rubinstein as a member of Engine Co. 1
3. Acceptance of the reappointment of Jared Malley as a Probationary Firefighter of the Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department.
4. Acceptance of the appointment of Erick Paredes-Valerio as a Probationary Firefighter of the Secaucus Volunteer Fire Department, effective on his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 27, 2022.

Councilman Costantino moved to approve the foregoing communications, seconded by Councilman Clancy.

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
 NAYS: None  
 ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Gerbasio reported that the Secaucus Police Department is conducting an investigation into illegal selling and distribution of THC products.

Councilman Clancy gave a quarterly Fire Alarm Report

Councilwoman Tringali reported on various upcoming events.

Councilman Dehnert gave reports on events benefiting the Secaucus Recreation Cheerleading Program.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councilwoman Tringali announced upcoming events at Hudson Regional Hospital

Councilman Gerbasio invited residents to various Halloween themed events

Councilman Costantino invited residents to Spooky Friday on October 21, 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Clancy announced various upcoming events.

Town Clerk Michael Marra informed residents that the Clerk's Office will remain open on October 18<sup>th</sup> until 9pm for Late Night Voter Registration.

REMARKS OF CITIZENS

None

Councilwoman Tringali moved to adjourn the meeting 7:25 pm seconded by Councilman Gerbasio.

AYES: Costantino, Clancy, Dehnert, Gerbasio, Tringali, Gonnelli  
 NAYS: None  
 ABSENT: McKeever Motion carried.

Attest: Town Clerk

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Michael Marra, Town Clerk

October 12, 2022

