

**TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL
AGENDA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 13, 2023
MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP COURT ROOM
7:00 P.M.**

ITEM

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & TRADITIONAL MOMENT OF SILENCE
3. ROLL CALL
4. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL TO BE MADE AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF EVERY MEETING
5. APPROVAL OF BILL LIST
Moved by: Seconded by:
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Moved by: Seconded by:
7. RESOLUTIONS
 - 23-R-112 PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JUNE 2023 AS PRIDE MONTH
 - 23-R-113 RECOGNIZING THE FIRST FRIDAY IN JUNE AS NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY
 - 23-R-114 ANTICIPATION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2023 LOCAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 CHAPTER 159
 - 23-R-115 ANTICIPATION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2023 LOCAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 CHAPTER 159
 - 23-R-116 ANTICIPATION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE 2023 LOCAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 CHAPTER 159
 - 23-R-117 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 502.04, LOT 21
 - 23-R-118 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OR CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES BLOCK 1005.01, LOT 5
 - 23-R-119 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACING OF A LIEN AGAINST A CERTAIN PROPERTY PER CHAPTER 65 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL
 - 23-R-120 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH BURLINGTON COUNTY FOR COOPERATIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1974
 - 23-R-121 AWARD BID FOR ELECTRICAL VEHICLE CHARGING STATION COMMUNITY CENTER
 - 23-R-122 RESOLUTION REJECTING SALE OF LAND

- 23-R-123 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES TO REFUND PAYMENT TO THE LISTED TAXPAYER DUE TO A OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES DUE TO A DUPLICATE PAYMENT
- 23-R-124 AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN A 7.50' WIDE DRAINAGE EASEMENT AND A 50' WIDE BUFFER EASEMENT AREA FOR BLOCK 907.01, LOT 29
- 23-R-125 AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN A 20' WIDE DRAINAGE EASEMENT AREA FOR BLOCK 702.01, LOT 7
- 23-R-126 AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN A 20' WIDE DRAINAGE EASEMENT AREA FOR BLOCK 701.01, LOT 39
- 23-R-127 APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS
- 23-R-128 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
- 23-R-129 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF A MOU BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL AND SUPERIOR OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION
- 23-R-130 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT RENEWING MEMBERSHIP IN THE BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND
- 23-R-131 A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF OFFSHORE WIND AND ENCOURAGING AI RESIDENTS TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF OFFSHORE WIND FARMS
- 23-R-132 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP TO RELEASE TO FAIR SHARE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, INC. FOR THE ML SENIOR HOUSING PROJECT, PHASE II (58 RENTAL UNITS), ON BLOCK 302.15, LOT 3.01, THE SUM OF THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000) IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUNDS FOR DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES FOR THE PROJECT
- 23-R-133 AUTHORIZATION FOR RENEWAL OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSES

8. ORDINANCE FOR FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 2023-7: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL COUNTY OF BURLINGTON AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL AT CHAPTER 154 "ZONING" TO REZONE CERTAIN PARCELS FOR THE 'O-2' OFFICE DISTRICT TO BE PLACED IN THE 'I' INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT

Publication Date: June 20, 2023
Public Hearing Date: July 11, 2023

ORDINANCE 2023-8: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 95A 'LICENSING' TO STRENGTHEN SECURITY STANDARDS, LIMIT AVAILABLE LICENSES AND INCREASE SECURITY STANDARDS, LIMIT AVAILABLE LICENSES AND INCREASE SECURITY STANDARDS AS CONDITIONS TO RENEW LICENSE

Publication Date: June 20, 2023
Public Hearing Date: July 11, 2023

9. ORDINANCE FOR SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 2023-6: BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL EQUIPMENT AND THE COMPLETION OF VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$5,621,000 THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OR BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, NEW JERSEY, IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$5,339,950; MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS AND COVENANTS; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING

Moved by: Second by:

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

12. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL

13. RESOLUTION

23-R-134 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL TO DISCUSS
PENDING OR ANTICIPATED LITIGATION, CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND/OR PERSONNEL MATTERS

13. ADJOURNMENT

**NEXT MEETING IS TUESDAY, July 11, 2023



**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
MOUNT LAUREL MUNICIPAL CENTER**

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Resolution No. 23-R-112

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF JUNE 2023 AS PRIDE MONTH

WHEREAS, Pride month is celebrated each year in June to honor the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in New York City after LGBTQ+ individuals and allied friends rose up and stood against the constant harassment and discriminatory laws that have since been declared unconstitutional; and

WHEREAS, LGBTQ+ Pride is the promotion of the self-affirmation, equality, and increased visibility of the LGBTQ+ community; and

WHEREAS, despite being marginalized, LGBTQ+ individuals continue to celebrate authenticity, acceptance, and love; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that all people in our community, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, and expression, feel valued, safe, empowered, and supported; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Laurel cherishes the value and dignity of each person and appreciates the importance of equality and freedom. All are welcome in this community, and every family, in any shape, deserves a place to call home where they feel safe, happy, and supported by friends and neighbors;

WHEREAS, the Township Council appreciate and support the cultural, civic, and economic contributions of the LGBTQ+ community which strengthen our social welfare; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Township Council and Township Manager of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey do hereby proclaim June 2023 as Pride Month and urge residents to celebrate diversity and recognize the contributions made by members of the LGBTQ+ community.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

A CERTIFIED COPY

Meredith Riculfy, Municipal Clerk

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Resolution No. 23-R-113

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**RECOGNIZING THE FIRST FRIDAY IN JUNE AS NATIONAL
GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY**

WHEREAS, every day, more than 120 Americans are killed by gun violence and more than 200 are shot and wounded, with an average of more than 17,000 gun homicides every year; and

WHEREAS, Americans are 26 times more likely to die by gun homicide than people in other high-income countries; and

WHEREAS, in New Jersey, has 427 gun deaths every year, with a rate of 4.8 deaths per 100,000 people, a crisis that costs the state 5.38 billion each year, of which 168.9 million is paid by taxpayers. New Jersey has the 5th lowest rate of gun deaths in the US; and

WHEREAS, gun homicides and assaults are concentrated in cities, with more than half of all firearm related gun deaths in the nation occurring in 127 cities; and

WHEREAS, cities across the nation, including in Mount Laurel, are working to end the senseless violence with evidence-based solutions; and

WHEREAS, protecting public safety in the communities they serve is mayors' highest responsibility; and

WHEREAS, support for the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens goes hand-in-hand with keeping guns away from people with dangerous histories; and

WHEREAS, mayors and law enforcement officers—in partnership with local violence intervention activists and resources—know their communities best, are the most familiar with local criminal activity and how to address it, and are best positioned to understand how to keep their citizens safe; and

WHEREAS, gun violence prevention is more important than ever as we see an increase in firearm homicides, and nonfatal shootings across the country, increased calls to domestic violence hotlines, and an increase in city gun violence;

WHEREAS, in January 2013, Hadiya Pendleton was tragically shot and killed at age 15; and on June 2, 2023 to recognize the 26th birthday of Hadiya Pendleton (born: June 2, 1997), people across the United States will recognize National Gun Violence Awareness Day and wear orange in tribute to -

- (1) Hadiya Pendleton and other victims of gun violence; and
- (2) the loved ones of those victims; and

WHEREAS, the idea was inspired by a group of Hadiya's friends, who asked their classmates to commemorate her life by wearing orange; they chose this color because hunters wear orange to announce themselves to other hunters when out in the woods, and orange is a color that symbolizes the value of human life; and

WHEREAS, anyone can join this campaign by pledging to wear orange on June 2nd, the first Friday in June in 2023, to help raise awareness about gun violence; and

WHEREAS, by wearing orange on June 2, 2023 Americans will raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives of gun violence victims and survivors; and

WHEREAS, we renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to keep firearms out of the hands of people who should not have access to them, and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our families and communities safe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Township Council and Township Manager of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey do hereby declare the first Friday in June to be National Gun Violence Awareness Day.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Resolution No. 23-R-114

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 2023

**ANTICIPATION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE 2023 LOCAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO
N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159)**

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey who respectfully request of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of a special item of revenue in the 2023 Local Municipal Budget in the amount of \$102,725.17 which item is now available as revenue:

- Clean Communities Grant - \$102,725.17

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like amount of \$102,725.17 is hereby appropriated under the captions of:

- Clean Communities Grant - \$102,725.17

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that certified copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, and one certified copy each to the Township CFO and Township Auditor.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Meredith Riculfy, Municipal Clerk

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MOUNT LAUREL MUNICIPAL CENTER**

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Resolution No. 23-R-115

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 2023

**ANTICIPATION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE 2023 LOCAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO
N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159)**

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey who respectfully request of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of a special item of revenue in the 2023 Local Municipal Budget in the amount of \$15,000.00 which item is now available as revenue:

- Stormwater Assistance Grant - \$15,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like amount of \$15,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the captions of:

- Stormwater Assistance Grant - \$15,000.00

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that certified copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, and one certified copy each to the Township CFO and Township Auditor.

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Resolution No. 23-R-116

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 2023

**ANTICIPATION OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE
IN THE 2023 LOCAL MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO
N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159)**

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey who respectfully request of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of a special item of revenue in the 2023 Local Municipal Budget in the amount of \$75,000.00 which item is now available as revenue:

- Community Development Block Grant - \$75,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like amount of \$75,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the captions of:

- Community Development Block Grant - \$75,000.00

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that certified copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, and one certified copy each to the Township CFO and Township Auditor.

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Resolution No. 23-R-117

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
REFUND or CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES**

Block 502.04 Lot 21

210 Laurel Lane

100% Totally & Permanently Disabled Veteran

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 permits the exemption from property taxes for any citizen and resident of the State who is a 100% Totally and Permanently Disabled Veteran and,

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Veteran Affairs has classified the veteran, Anthony Pasquarelli as 100% Totally and Permanently Disabled and,

WHEREAS, this status grants the veteran the right to be exempt from property taxes as of the date of eligibility by application. (N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30a)

WHEREAS, taxes on the following property have been cancelled as of the date of exemption and any taxes paid by the owner have been refunded. Additionally, the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel 2023 3rd and 4th quarters, yet to be billed.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Date of Exemption</u>	<u>Amount</u> ⁱ
502.04	21	Anthony Pasquarelli	April 28, 2023	\$1633.28

WHEREAS, the Burlington County Board of Taxation requires a resolution for the cancellation of property taxes in order to credit to the Municipality in the Abstract of Ratables the amount of County Taxes and County Open Space Taxes refunded or cancelled for this property. This resolution will be submitted to the Burlington County Board of Taxation with the Application & Approval of Assessment Debit and Credit for the property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington that the 2023 taxes due on the above noted property have been cancelled.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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ⁱ Calculation: 2023 2nd quarter Taxes \$2297.07 / 90 = \$25.52 per day x 64 days exempt = \$1633.28



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Resolution No. 23-R-118

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE
REFUND or CANCELLATION OF PROPERTY TAXES**

Block 1005.01 Lot 5

8 Farnwood Road

100% Totally & Permanently Disabled Veteran

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 permits the exemption from property taxes for any citizen and resident of the State who is a 100% Totally and Permanently Disabled Veteran and,

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Veteran Affairs has classified the veteran, Kimberly S. Miksit as 100% Totally and Permanently Disabled and,

WHEREAS, this status grants the veteran the right to be exempt from property taxes as of the date of eligibility by application. (N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30a)

WHEREAS, taxes on the following property have been cancelled as of the date of exemption and any taxes paid by the owner have been refunded. Additionally, the Tax Collector is authorized to cancel 2023 3rd and 4th quarters, yet to be billed.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Date of Exemption</u>	<u>Amountⁱ</u>
1005.01	5	Kimberly S. Miksit	May 22, 2023	\$610.04

WHEREAS, the Burlington County Board of Taxation requires a resolution for the cancellation of property taxes in order to credit to the Municipality in the Abstract of Ratables the amount of County Taxes and County Open Space Taxes refunded or cancelled for this property. This resolution will be submitted to the Burlington County Board of Taxation with the Application & Approval of Assessment Debit and Credit for the property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington that the 2023 taxes due on the above noted property have been cancelled.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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ⁱ Calculation: 2023 2nd quarter Taxes \$1373.20 / 90 = \$15.26 per day x 40 days exempt = \$610.04



**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
MOUNT LAUREL MUNICIPAL CENTER**

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Resolution No. 23-R-119

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PLACING OF A LIEN AGAINST
A CERTAIN PROPERTY PER CHAPTER 65 OF THE CODE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as authorized by Chapter 65 of the Code of the Township of Mount Laurel, hereby authorizes that a lien be placed against the following property for maintenance performed by the Township on the property:

**33 Hunters Drive
Block 903.05, Lot 13
\$321.00**

**6 Rushwick Road
Block 402.06, Lot 21
\$321.00**

**139 East Saint Andrews Drive
Block 1104.02, Lot 18
\$321.00**

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MOUNT LAUREL MUNICIPAL CENTER**

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Resolution No. 23-R-120

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL
TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH BURLINGTON COUNTY FOR
COOPERATIVE PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
ACT OF 1974**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, and State of New Jersey to authorize an Agreement with Burlington County for cooperative participation in the Community Development Act of 1974.

WHEREAS, certain federal funds are available to Burlington County under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987, Public Law 93-383 as amended; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish a legal basis for the County and its people to benefit from this Program; and

WHEREAS, an Agreement has been proposed under which the Township of Mount Laurel and the County of Burlington, in cooperation with the other municipalities, will establish an Interlocal Services Program pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:8A-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Township of Mount Laurel that the Agreement entitled "Agreement between the County of Burlington and certain municipalities located therein for the establishment of a cooperative means of conducting certain community development activities", a copy of which is on file at the Municipal Clerk's office.

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Laurel shall enter into the Agreement with the County of Burlington mentioned with all supplements and agreements thereto. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Township of Mount Laurel and affix thereunto the Official Seal; and

WHEREAS, all resolutions or parts of resolutions that are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Township Council and Township Manager of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey do hereby authorize an Agreement with Burlington County for cooperative participation in the Community Development Act of 1974.

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**TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
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Resolution No 23-R-121

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 2023

**AWARD BID FOR ELECTRICAL VEHICLE CHARGING STATION COMMUNITY
CENTER**

WHEREAS, the Township Council advertised for bids to be received on May 16, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. prevailing time for Electrical Vehicle Charging Station – Community Center for the Township of Mount Laurel in accordance with specifications prepared for this purpose; and

WHEREAS, bids were received and duly opened and read by the Purchasing Agent as follows:

SEE ATTACHMENT A

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the bid for Electrical Vehicle Charging Station – Community Center for the Township of Mount Laurel be awarded to Timothy P. Bryan Electric Co., Inc., 1800 E. State St. Suite 150C, Hamilton NJ 08609 for \$52,900

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Resolution No 23-R-122

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 2023

RESOLUTION REJECTING SALE OF LAND

WHEREAS, Mount Laurel Township considered the sale of Block 401.02, Lot 25, an undeveloped property in the rear of Hartford Road; and

WHEREAS, the property was offered to the adjacent neighbors pursuant to the Local Lands and Buildings Laws; and

WHEREAS, the Township received two complying bids; and

WHEREAS, the law permits the government entity to reject all bids; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined to reject all bids;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the Township rejects both bids received April 19, 2023 for the potential sale of Block 401.02, Lot 25 and determines to keep the land in its natural wooded condition.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be mailed to both property owners that sought to purchase the lands.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Resolution No 23-R-123

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES
TO REFUND PAYMENT TO THE LISTED TAXPAYER DUE TO A
OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES DUE TO A DUPLICATE PAYMENT**

WHEREAS, Mount Laurel Township purchased 750 Centerton Road for municipal purposes; and

WHEREAS, because of title issue with a master lending agreement, the property was acquired through condemnation to sever the parcel from the master lending agreement; and

WHEREAS, the sale of the property took place with an effective date of April 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, without a formal closing, the parties could not reconcile municipal taxes and the water and sewer bill both of which would have normal occurred at closing; and

WHEREAS, the property owner prepaid second quarter taxes (April to June 2023) and the Tax Collector of the Township of Mount Laurel has indicated that such taxpayer is entitled to a refund to the extent of such overpayments for May and June 2023 at an amount equal to \$766.40 per day for a total of sixty-one days (May and June) for a total amount of \$46,750.40; and

WHEREAS, it was also determined that the former property owner had a minor balance on an invoice from the Mount Laurel Township Municipal Utilities Authority and the owner, through its counsel, has authorized the payment of the invoice from the overpayment before the refund is issued;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel that the Tax Collector and the Treasurer of the Township of Mount Laurel be and they are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to cause to be paid to the taxpayer and the Mount Laurel Township Municipal Utilities Authority on the attached list sums in full and final satisfaction of the overpayment of the 2023 taxes.

Block	Lot	Name & Address	Amount
204	1.06	Mount Laurel Township Municipal Utilities Authority	\$649.25
204	1.06	Top Terraces Inc. 171 Pier Avenue, #351 Santa Monica, CA 90405	\$46,101.15

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector shall cancel taxes on this property for the Third and Fourth Quarter as the property is now tax exempt.

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Meredith Riculfy, Municipal Clerk

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Resolution No. 23-R-124

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN A 7.50' WIDE
DRAINAGE EASEMENT AND A 50' WIDE BUFFER EASEMENT AREA FOR
BLOCK 907.01, LOT 29
18 Ballinger Way**

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Laurel is the grantee of an easement contiguous to Block 907.01, Lot 29, 18 Ballinger Way and

WHEREAS, the property owner for Block 907.01, Lot 29, 18 Ballinger Way, has requested permission to install a fence within a 7.50' wide drainage easement and a 50' wide buffer easement; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council may give permission to individuals to utilize its easement areas and said request must be reviewed by the Township Solicitor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the Township Council grants a license for the above referenced to utilize a 7.50' wide drainage easement and a 50' wide buffer easement area subject to the recommendations of the Township Engineer and Township Planner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that after review and approval of said easement by the Township Solicitor that the Township Council hereby directs the Township Mayor and Clerk to execute any and all contract documents which are necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Meredith Tomczyk, Municipal Clerk

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Resolution No. 23-R-125

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN A 20' WIDE
DRAINAGE EASEMENT AREA FOR BLOCK 702.01, Lot 7
5 Cranbury Hill Court**

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Laurel is the grantee of an easement contiguous to Block 702.01, Lot 7, 5 Cranbury Hill Court; and

WHEREAS, the property owner for Block 702.01, Lot 7, 5 Cranbury Hill Court, has requested permission to install a fence within a 20' wide drainage easement; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council may give permission to individuals to utilize its easement areas and said request must be reviewed by the Township Solicitor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the Township Council grants a license for the above referenced to utilize a 20' wide drainage easement area subject to the recommendations of the Township Engineer and Township Planner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that after review and approval of said easement by the Township Solicitor that the Township Council hereby directs the Township Mayor and Clerk to execute any and all contract documents which are necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Resolution No. 23-R-126

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**AUTHORIZATION TO INSTALL A FENCE WITHIN A 20' WIDE
DRAINAGE EASEMENT AREA FOR BLOCK 701.01, Lot 39
15 Fox Run Drive**

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Laurel is the grantee of an easement contiguous to Block 701.01, Lot 39, 15 Fox Run Drive; and

WHEREAS, the property owner for Block 701.01, Lot 39, 15 Fox Run Drive, has requested permission to install a fence within a 20' wide drainage easement; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council may give permission to individuals to utilize its easement areas and said request must be reviewed by the Township Solicitor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the Township Council grants a license for the above referenced to utilize a 20' wide drainage easement area subject to the recommendations of the Township Engineer and Township Planner; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that after review and approval of said easement by the Township Solicitor that the Township Council hereby directs the Township Mayor and Clerk to execute any and all contract documents which are necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

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Resolution No. 23-R-127

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the persons named herein be and are hereby appointed as members of the Planning Board of Mount Laurel Township with terms as indicated:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Class IV – Class IV Member, John Coffey	1/1/23	12/31/25	Unexpired
Alternate #1 Antonio Sorrentino (Vinnie)	1/1/23	12/31/23	Unexpired

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Resolution No. 23-R-128

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the persons named herein be and are hereby appointed as members of the Environmental Commission of Mount Laurel Township with terms as indicated:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>TERM</u>
Girish Sawant, Regular Member	6/13/23	12/31/23	Unexpired
Richard Bathke, Planning Rep	6/13/23	12/31/23	

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Resolution No. 23-R-129

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF A MOU BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT
LAUREL AND SUPERIOR OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that Township Manager is authorized to sign MOU, attached, between the Township of Mount Laurel and Superior Officers' Association.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Meredith Tomczyk, Municipal Clerk

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Resolution No. 23-R-130

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT
RENEWING MEMBERSHIP IN THE
BURLINGTON COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND**

WHEREAS, the Township of Mount Laurel (hereinafter the "MUNICIPALITY") is a member of the Burlington County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (hereinafter the "FUND"); and

WHEREAS, the MUNICIPALITY'S membership terminates as of January 1, 2024 unless earlier renewed by a Contract between the MUNICIPALITY and the FUND; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 (1) (m) provides that a Contract which exceeds the bid threshold may be negotiated and awarded by the governing body without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor, if the subject matter is for the purchase of insurance coverage and consultant services, provided that the award is in accordance with the requirements for extraordinary unspecifiable services; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1(b) provides that the MUNICIPALITY shall make a documented effort to secure competitive quotations; however, a Contract may be awarded upon a determination, in writing, that the solicitation of competitive quotations is impracticable; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-2.3, a designated official of the MUNICIPALITY, has filed a certificate with the governing body describing in detail, as set forth below in this Resolution, why this Contract meets the provisions of the statutes and the regulations and why the solicitation of competitive quotations is impracticable; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the purchase of insurance coverage and insurance consultant services by the MUNICIPALITY requires a unique knowledge and understanding of municipal exposures and risks associated with the operation of a municipal entity, and many insurance professionals are not qualified to assess these risks and exposures based upon their inherent complexity; and

WHEREAS, insurance coverage for municipal entities can vary greatly in the type, limits, and exceptions to coverage, and therefore particularized expertise in determining and obtaining the appropriate coverage is required to protect the MUNICIPALITY; and

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the MUNICIPALITY to obtain a single integrated program to provide all types of insurance coverage with a plan to limit the MUNICIPALITIES exposure; and

WHEREAS, the FUND has provided comprehensive insurance coverage to member municipalities since 1991; and

WHEREAS, since 1991, the FUND has continually refined all of the types of coverage that it provides to its members so that it offers comprehensive insurance coverage and limits to all members that is unique and cannot be purchased from a single entity in the commercial insurance market; and

WHEREAS, the FUND has also developed and made available to its members Safety, Risk Management, and Litigation Management programs that address the specific exposures and risks associated with municipal entities; and

WHEREAS, the FUND provides the MUNICIPALITY with Fund Administration, Claims Review, Claims Processing, Claims Administration, Actuarial, and Legal services; and

WHEREAS, the FUND is one of the most financially sound Municipal Joint Insurance Funds in New Jersey, and the FUND operates with strong fiscal controls, member oversight, and meets all of the requirements promulgated by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs and the Department of Banking and Insurance; and

WHEREAS, as an existing member of the FUND, the MUNICIPALITY would be renewing its membership in an organization with experienced and dedicated FUND Professionals who provide specialized services to the members; and

WHEREAS, the membership of the FUND includes many neighboring municipalities that have uniquely similar exposures to the MUNICIPALITY, and with whom the MUNICIPALITY has existing inter-local arrangements; and

WHEREAS, all of the aforementioned factors categorize the award of this Contract as an "extraordinary, unspecifiable service" that cannot be duplicated, accounted for, accurately detailed, or described in a manner that truly depicts the value of the MUNICIPALITY'S membership in the FUND; and

WHEREAS, for all of the aforementioned reasons, it is impracticable for the MUNICIPALITY to seek competitive quotations for a Contract to provide the procurement of insurance coverage and consultant services; and

WHEREAS, the FUND has been organized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 et seq., and as such is an agency of the municipalities that created it; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2) also provides that a Contract which exceeds the bid threshold may be negotiated and awarded by the governing body without public advertising for bids and bidding therefor, if the Contract is entered into with a municipality or any board, body, officer, agency or authority thereof; and

WHEREAS, the FUND meets the definition of an agency as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(2); and

WHEREAS, for all of the aforementioned reasons, the MUNICIPALITY desires to enter into a Contract to renew its membership with the FUND for a period of three (3) years, for insurance coverage and consultant services, as an exception to the public bidding requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the governing body of the MUNICIPALITY as follows:

1. The MUNICIPALITY agrees to renew its membership in the FUND and to be subject to the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, coverages, and operating procedures thereof as presently existing or as modified from time to time by lawful act of the FUND.
2. The Mayor and Clerk of the MUNICIPALITY shall be and hereby are authorized to execute the "Contract to Renew Membership" annexed hereto and made a part hereof and to deliver same to the FUND evidencing the MUNICIPALITY'S renewal of its membership.
3. In accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-2.3, the certificate of a designated official of the MUNICIPALITY, which details why the solicitation of competitive quotations is impracticable, is attached hereto and made a part of this Resolution.
4. The Clerk of the MUNICIPALITY is authorized and directed to place a notice of the adoption of this Resolution and the award of this Contract in the official newspaper of the MUNICIPALITY.

A CERTIFIED COPY

Meredith Riculfy, Municipal Clerk

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Resolution No. 23-R-131

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 2023

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE ECONOMIC BENEFITS OF OFFSHORE
WIND AND ENCOURAGING ALL RESIDENTS TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT
AND CONSTRUCTION OF OFFSHORE WIND FARMS.**

WHEREAS, New Jersey has increased its offshore wind goal by nearly 50 percent to 11,000 megawatts (MW) by 2040; and

WHEREAS, the wind farm project is poised to make NJ a leader in green energy; and

WHEREAS, the NJ Board of Public Utilities has estimated that the construction of said wind farms will add \$4.7 billion to the state economy; and

WHEREAS, the NJ Board of Public Utilities has estimated that the construction of said wind farms will create more than 10,000 good-paying new jobs and career opportunities in the state; and

WHEREAS, 120,000 highly trained NJ workers are employed in various construction and labor-based jobs that will be directly impacted by the new wind farms.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. That Mount Laurel Township encourages all citizens and municipal officials to recognize the importance of offshore wind and the accompanying investments' contribution to the state economy and general economic stability.

Section 2. That Mount Laurel Township encourages all businesses, economic development authorities, citizens and municipal officials to recognize both the short-term and long-term job opportunities provided by offshore wind development.

Section 3. That Mount Laurel Township urges all local advocacy organizations, civic groups, and trade and labor unions to support the state and local governments' efforts to bring offshore wind and its benefits to New Jersey.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Meredith Riculfy, Municipal Clerk

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Resolution No. 23-R-132

REGULAR MEETING

June 13, 2023

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOUNT LAUREL TOWNSHIP TO RELEASE TO FAIR SHARE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, INC., FOR THE ML SENIOR HOUSING PROJECT, PHASE II (58 RENTAL UNITS), ON BLOCK 302.15, LOT 3.01, THE SUM OF THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$350,000) IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUNDS FOR DEVELOPMENT EXPENSES FOR THE PROJECT.

WHEREAS, Mount Laurel Township and Fair Share Housing Development, Inc. ("FSHD, Inc."), as part of the on-going settlement negotiations in the Mount Laurel affordable housing litigation captioned as Southern Burlington County, NAACP, et. al. v. Township of Mount Laurel, et al., Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Burlington County, Docket No. L-25741-70 PW and In the Matter of the Application of the Township of Mount Laurel, Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Burlington County, Docket No. BUR-L-1620-15, with Court approval, agreed to provide FSHD, Inc., or its designee, Fair Share Mount Laurel Senior, II LP., Affordable Housing Trust Funds to satisfy development expenses associated with the development of 58 units of affordable senior citizen housing on Block 302.15, Lot 3.01 in Mount Laurel Township; and

WHEREAS, on August 12, 2021, this senior citizen housing project received Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan Approval for Phase II (58 units) from the Mount Laurel Township Planning Board and on August 30, 2021 the project applied for 9% federal low income tax credits at the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency which were awarded on January 31, 2022, amended on April 20, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Fair Share Housing Development, Inc., requests the Township Council approval and disbursement of Affordable Housing Trust Funds in the amount of Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand dollars (\$350,000) in order to complete the construction closing and start construction of the project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1) The Governing body of the Township of Mount Laurel confirms that the August 10, 2021 Consent Order provides for an award of Affordable Housing Trust Funds to Fair Share Housing Development, Inc., in the amount of Three Hundred and Fifty dollars (\$350,000) for the development of the ML Senior project Phase II on Block 302.15, Lot 3.01 and that said funds have not been disbursed as of the date of this resolution; and
- 2) The Mayor is authorized to enter into a Fifth Amended Pre-Development Agreement with Fair Share Housing Development, Inc. with said agreement being in the same form as the previously executed Amended Pre-Development Loan/Grant Agreements between Mount Laurel Township and Fair Share Housing Development, Inc.
- 3) The Township is further authorized, upon the execution of the aforesaid Fifth Amended Pre-Development Agreement, to disburse Affordable Housing Trust Funds in the amount of Three Hundred and Fifty dollars (\$350,000) to Fair Share Housing Development, Inc. for the payment of development expenses for the development of the above-described Phase II affordable senior housing development on Block 302.15, Lot 3.01, in Mount Laurel Township.

This Resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 12, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Meredith Riculfy, Municipal Clerk

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Resolution No. 23-R-133

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**AUTHORIZATION FOR RENEWAL OF
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSES**

WHEREAS, application has been made by the following licensees for renewal of Alcoholic Beverage Licenses; and

WHEREAS, said applicants have paid the proper fees for renewal of said licensees and have complied with the rules and regulations of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act for renewal; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Tax Clearance Certificates have been received for all licenses being renewed; and

SEE ATTACHMENT A

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that the applicants listed below be and they are hereby granted renewal of their licenses for the year beginning July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk be and she is hereby directed to sign said licenses on behalf of the Township Council and that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control of the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

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Meredith Tomczyk, Municipal Clerk

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NUMBER	LICENSE NAME	TRADE NAME	Premise Address
0324-31-019-003	The New Laurel Creek Country Club Inc.	The New Laurel Creek Country Club Inc.	701 Moorestown-Centerton Road
0324-33-002-007	Anthony Coal Fired Pizza of Mount Laurel LLC	Anthony Coal's Pizza	7000 Midlantic
0324-33-003-013	Jose Tejas, Inc	Jose Tejas, Inc	1310 Route 73 South (currently pocket)
0324-33-004-004	Bertuccis Restaurant LLC	Bertuccis Brick Oven Pizzeria	1220 Nixon Drive
0324-33-006-005	KMC Enterprises Inc.	Prospectors	3050 Route 38
0324-33-010-005	Carluccis Waterfront LLC	Carluccis Waterfront LLC	876 Centerton Road
0324-33-011-007	Back Nine Ramblewood Associates LLC	Ramblewood Country Club	200 Country Club Parkway
0324-32-012-010	Brinker Freehold Inc	Chili's	4162 Church Road
0324-33-021-005	RRL East Gate IV LLC	RRL East Gate IV LLC	pocket
0324-33-023-004	Mt. Laurel Restaurant Operations LLC	On the Boarder	4160 Church Road
0324-33-024-007	Tommy's Tavern	Tommy's Tavern	40 Centerton Road Bldg 3
0324-33-025-005	Grande ABC, LLC	Miller's Ale House	554 Fellowship Road
0324-33-027-003	Ruby Tuesday Inc.	Ruby Tuesday Inc.	4011 Dearborn Circle
0324-33-035-002	Apple New Jersey LLC	Applebees	1102 Route 73
0324-33-037-001	TopGolf USA Mount Laurel LLC	Top Golf	104 Centerton Road
0324-36-001-008	Grande Properties LLC	Aloft Hotel	558 Fellowship Road
0324-36-009-012	WRDH MT Laurel Restaurant LLC	WRDH Mt Laurel Restaurant LLC	915 Route 73
0324-36-013-007	ARS Hospitality LLC	Clarion Hotel	1111 Route 73 North
0324-36-016-006	515 Restaurant LLC	Redz	515 Fellowship Road
0324-36-017-003	CTYD III Corporation	Courtyard by Marriott	1000 Century Parkway
0324-36-018-008	NJ Beverage Services Inc.	Westin Hotel Mount Laurel	555 Fellowship Road
0324-36-026-002	Apple Nine Hospitality Management Inc.	Homewood Suites	1422 Nixon Drive
0324-36-029-001	Route 46 Management Associates Corp.	Hyatt	8000 Crawford Place
0324-36-032-004	Pollin/Miller Hospitality Strategies Inc	Hampton Inn	5000 Crawford Place
0324-36-033-003	One NJ Mount Laurel 1001 Management LLC	Residence Inn	1000 Bishops Gate Boulevard
0324-36-034-001	Mount Laurel Lodging Associates LLP	Hilton Garden Inn Mt. Laurel	4000 Atrium Way
0324-36-036-002	High Hotels LTD	Spring Hill Suites	7000 Midlantic
0324-36-038-002	Highgate Hotels LTD	Hyatt House	3000 Crawford Place
0324-44-008-006	Martins Liquors LLC	Martins Liquors LLC	3601 Route 38 and Marter Ave
0324-44-015-007	TEC Liquors Inc.	Laurel Liquors	3214 Route 38
0324-44-022-006	JSW Wine and Spirits Inc.	Wegmans	2 Centerton Road
0324-44-028-002	Manderson Liquors LLC	Mt. Laurel Wine & Spirits	3747 Church Road Units 10-13
0324-44-030-002	SAI Aashika Inc	Wine Legend	720 Church Street

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL

ORDINANCE 2023-7

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL AT CHAPTER 154 "ZONING" TO REZONE CERTAIN PARCELS FROM THE 'O-2' OFFICE DISTRICT TO BE PLACED IN THE 'I' INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Article II Classification of Districts, of Chapter 154, Zoning, of the Township Code, places each parcel of property within the Township of Mount Laurel into zoning districts for the purposes of regulating land use and development; and

WHEREAS, The O-2 Office District of the Township is located on an acute area of Commerce Parkway, surrounded by other properties located within the I Industrial District; and

WHEREAS, the boundary line delineating the O-2 Office District currently contains only portions of two parcels of land on Commerce Parkway, leaving those parcels and an existing building developed on one of the properties being within split zoned two separate zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, split lot zoning is not in the interests of the general welfare of the community and inconsistent zoning across similarly developed parcels of land can create problems for the efficient arrangement of properties for land use; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council wishes to allow for consistent zoning regulations on all of the developed properties on Commerce Parkway; and

WHEREAS, in order to address the inconsistencies and split lot zoning created by the boundaries of the O-2 Office District on Commerce Parkway, the Township Council wishes to rezone those portions of parcels currently within the O-2 Office District into the I Industrial District in order to establish a uniform character of development and provide for consistent regulations across similar properties; and

WHEREAS, these parcels constitute the entirety of the O-2 Office District; and

WHEREAS, the removal of these parcels from the O-2 Office District would effectively delete the district from the Township Zoning Map, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Mount Laurel that the official zoning map of the Township shall be amended so that the portion of property identified as Block 1100, Lot 25 on the tax maps of the Township and the portion of the property identified as Block 1100, Lot 26 on the Township tax map which are located in the O-2 Office District and as illustrated in the attached map titled Exhibit A: O-2 Office District, shall be rezoned from the O-2 Office District and placed into the I Industrial District.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that Chapter 154, Article XX entitled "O-2 Office District", Sections 147 through 152, shall be deleted and replaced with "Reserved"

Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.

- A. Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- B. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Council hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.
- C. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication according to law.

Introduction Date: June 13, 2023

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Publication Date: June 20, 2023

Public Hearing Date: July 11, 2023

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TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL

BY:

Stephen Steglik, Mayor

ATTEST:

Meredith Riculfy, Township Clerk
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TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL

ORDINANCE 2023-8

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 95A "LICENSING" TO STRENGTHEN
SECURITY STANDARDS, LIMIT AVAILABLE LICENSES AND INCREASE
SECURITY STANDARDS AS A CONDITION TO RENEW LICENSES**

WHEREAS, the Township Police Department made recommendations to the Township Manager concerning the licensing of cannabis facilities and the Township Council seeks to adopt those recommendations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that Article III of Chapter 95A of the Township Code be and is hereby amended and supplemented to read as follows:

ARTICLE III CANNABIS

§ 95A-24 Permitted uses.

Mount Laurel Township shall only permit and license cannabis cultivators, manufacturers, wholesalers, distributors, retailers and delivery services as set forth in Chapter 154 Zoning and in conformance with the licensing standards in this Chapter.

§ 95A-25. Local cannabis license; classification and number of local cannabis licenses.

- A. Local cannabis license required. No person shall operate a cannabis cultivators, manufacturers, wholesalers, distributors, retailers and delivery service at any time or from any location within the Township unless the Township has issued a currently effective local cannabis license for that person at that licensed premises under the provisions of this chapter.
- B. Classification and number of local cannabis licenses. The Township, subject to State licensure, may issue the following local cannabis licenses:
- | Class | Maximum number |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Class 1 - Cannabis cultivator | 5 |
| Class 2 - Cannabis manufacturer | 5 |
| Class 3 - Cannabis wholesaler | No maximum |
| Class 4 - Cannabis distributor | No maximum |
| Class 5 - Cannabis retailer | 6 |
| Class 6 - Cannabis delivery | No maximum |
| Cannabis testing facility | No maximum |
- C. Dual local cannabis licenses. The licensure and dual operation in multiple classes of local cannabis licenses is permitted so long as all licenses are held by the same local cannabis licensee, all applicable state and local licenses have been issued, such licenses remain valid, active and in compliance with all applicable state and municipal requirements.
- D. Conditional approval for local cannabis license. The provision of this section shall not limit the number of conditional approvals for local cannabis licenses.
- E. Medical cannabis dispensaries. Mount laurel shall not require a local cannabis license to operate a medical cannabis dispensary within the Township.

§ 95A-26. Local cannabis licensing authority.

The Township Council designates the Township Manager to act as the local licensing authority for the Township for all local cannabis licenses. Under all circumstances in which state law requires communication to the Township by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission or any other state agency with regard to cannabis licensing by the state, or in which state law requires any review or approval by the Township of any action taken by the state licensing authority, the

exclusive authority for receiving such communications and granting such approvals shall be exercised by the Township Manager.

§ 95A-27. Application requirements.

An application for a local cannabis license shall be submitted on current forms provided by the Township with an application fee pursuant to § 95A-30. At least one controlling beneficial owner shall sign all applications. However, other owners with day-to-day management authority may be required to sign authorizations, requests to release information and other forms required by licensing authority staff. Applications shall be complete and accurate and must include all attachments, checklists, verifications and supporting documents required by the Township's current application forms before the application will be accepted or considered. The Township may refuse to accept an incomplete application.

§ 95-28. Procedures and requirements for approval.

- A. Application review. The Township shall refer all applications for a local cannabis license to the Mount Laurel Police Department, the Director of Economic Development and Township Solicitor for the purpose of reviewing the application and discussing the applicant's compliance with this chapter. Combined, these offices shall serve as the Review Committee. The Review Committee may provide the applicant with an opportunity to make a presentation and answer any questions if so requested. The Review Committee shall report their findings to the Township Manager
- B. Local licensing authority considerations. The local licensing authority may consider the facts and evidence adduced from its application review, as well as any other facts pertinent to the type of license sought by the applicant. Such facts include, but are not limited to, the number, type, and availability of cannabis establishments located in or near the premises under consideration; proposed security measures as detailed in Paragraph C; and other pertinent matters affecting the qualification of the applicant for the conduct of the type of business proposed, including, but not limited to, the applicant possessing a minority, women's, or disabled veterans' business certification provided to the applicant by the Office of Minority, Disabled Veterans, and Women Cannabis Business Development pursuant to N.J.S.A. 24:61-25.
- C. Minimum Security.
 - 1. Cannabis Retail Location Minimum Security Measures. Each cannabis retail license shall meet the below minimum security standards as approved the Township Police Department.
 - (a) Each cannabis business shall provide effective controls and procedures to guard against unauthorized access to the premises or the business's electronic systems; theft, and diversion of cannabis. Such controls may include but are not limited to systems to protect against electronic records tampering.
 - (b) At minimum, each cannabis business shall:
 - i. Install, maintain in good working order and operate a safety and security alarm system at its premises that will provide suitable protection against theft and diversion and that provides, at a minimum:
 - a. Immediate automatic or electronic notification to alert cannabis business personnel and State or local police agencies to an unauthorized breach of security or an alarm or system failure at the cannabis business; and
 - b. A backup system that activates immediately and automatically upon a loss of electrical support and that immediately issues either automatic

or electronic notification to State or local police agencies of the loss of electrical support;

- ii. Implement appropriate security and safety measures to deter and prevent the unauthorized entrance into areas containing cannabis and the theft of cannabis;
- iii. Implement security measures that protect the premises, consumers and cannabis business personnel;
- iv. Establish a protocol for testing and maintenance of the security alarm system;
- v. Conduct maintenance inspections and tests of the security alarm system at the cannabis business's authorized location at intervals not to exceed 30 days from the previous inspection and test and promptly implement all necessary repairs to ensure the proper operation of the alarm system;
- vi. In the event of a failure of the security alarm system due to a loss of electrical support or mechanical malfunction that is expected to last longer than eight hours:
 - a. Notify the Commission pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-9.11; and
 - b. Provide alternative security measures approved by the Commission or close the authorized physical addresses impacted by the failure or malfunction until the security alarm system is restored to full operation.
- vii. Keep access from outside the premises to a minimum and ensure that access is well controlled;
- viii. Limit entry into areas where cannabis is held to authorized personnel;
- ix. Equip interior and exterior premises with electronic monitoring, video cameras, and panic buttons.
 - a. A video surveillance system shall be installed and operated to clearly monitor all critical control activities of the cannabis business and shall be in working order and operating at all times. The cannabis business shall provide access for remote viewing by the Commission. This system shall be approved by the Commission prior to license issuance.
 - b. The original tapes or digital pictures produced by this system shall be stored in a safe place with a 30-day archive.
- x. Keep the outside areas of the premises and its perimeter well lighted.
 - a. Exterior lighting must be sufficient to deter nuisance and criminal activity and facilitate surveillance and must make reasonable efforts to not disturb surrounding businesses or neighbors; and
 - b. The video surveillance system shall be supported by adequate security lighting, which shall illuminate all entrances and exits, and which may be modified as necessary to include motion control sensors to protect cultivation light-dark cycles, as applicable; and
- xi. Provide law enforcement and neighbors within 100 feet of the cannabis business with the name and phone number of a staff member to notify during and after operating hours to whom they can report problems with the establishment.

xii. The security alarm system and video surveillance system pursuant to this section shall be continuously monitored, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

a. Monitoring of the security alarm system and video surveillance system may be conducted off-site.

xiii. If, in the opinion of the Mount Laurel Police Department based upon the department's training and experience, the location combined with security measures established are not deemed adequate, the Mount Laurel Police Department may require that the licensee hire and maintain armed security to protect the visitors and employees of the establishment. Any activity such as a robbery shall automatically require the use of armed security for the remainder of the licensing period.

2. Other Cannabis Business. The Police Department shall review non-retail classes of cannabis licensing applications using the standards in Section C(1) but may amend, alter or waive security provisions for each facility based upon the class of license.

D. Conditional approval. After review and consideration by the Review Committee, the local licensing authority may grant a conditional approval if concluded that the applicant has met the requirements set forth in this chapter. A conditional approval shall entitle the applicant to pursue a state license in the appropriate classification for up to 18 months. A conditional approval shall not grant the applicant any right or privilege to a local cannabis license. A conditional approval may identify specific conditions or prerequisites for obtaining a local cannabis license.

E. Limitation on number of licenses. The number of local cannabis licenses for each class of license are limited pursuant to § 95A-25(B). The Township will not issue a local cannabis license to an applicant that has obtained a conditional approval if the Township has already issued the maximum number of local cannabis licenses for the same class. The Township considers all applications on a first come – first reviewed basis.

F. Denial of conditional approval. The Township shall deny a conditional approval to any applicant who fails to provide information, documentation and assurances as required by this chapter or as requested by the Township, or who fails to reveal any material fact to qualification, or who supplies information that is untrue or misleading as to a material fact pertaining to the qualification criteria for licensure. The Township shall grant a conditional approval upon a determination that the applicant has met the requirements of this chapter unless the Township finds by clear and convincing evidence that the applicant would be manifestly unsuitable to perform the activities for the applicable license class for which conditional approval is sought. A written decision with findings supporting the denial of the conditional approval shall be sent in writing, electronic or otherwise to the applicant at the address shown in the application.

G. Termination of conditional approval. A conditional approval shall be valid for 18 months from the date of approval unless otherwise revoked.

§ 95A-29. Procedures and requirements for issuance of local cannabis license.

A. Prerequisites. No local cannabis license shall be issued until the following prerequisites have been met:

(1) The applicant has received a state license;

(2) The applicant has submitted a security plan reviewed and approved by the local cannabis licensing authority and the Mount Laurel Township Police Department pursuant to the chapter and maintain such standards throughout the conditional approval process; and,

(3) The applicant has satisfied other specific conditions or prerequisites of the conditional approval.

- B. Notice to Township. An applicant shall notify the Township upon meeting all conditions of the conditional approval. The notice shall include a copy of the state license, a copy of the full application submitted to the State of New Jersey and a statement affirming that the applicant has not made any material changes to the original application.
- C. Issuance of local cannabis license. The Township shall issue a local cannabis license once satisfied that the applicant met and maintains all conditions of the conditional approval.
- D. License duration. Unless revoked or suspended, local licenses shall run concurrently with state licenses. This means that once a local cannabis license is issued, such license will not expire, unless otherwise revoked as provided for herein, on the same date as the current state license. If the licensed facility ceases and amends operation, the licensee shall inform the local licensing authority in writing.

§ 95A-30. Application fee.

- A. At the time of application, each applicant shall pay a nonrefundable application fee to defray the costs associated with the processing of the application. The application fee shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other licensing and permitting requirements imposed by any other federal, state or Township law or ordinance, including, by way of example, the annual licensing fee pursuant to § 95A-31.
- B. The Condition Application fee shall be \$1,000.
- C. The Renewal Application fee shall be \$750.
- D. Transfer Application fee shall be \$1,000.

§ 95A-31. Annual licensing fee.

- A. At the time of renewal, the local cannabis licensee shall pay a renewal licensing fee for each license held as follows:
 - 1. Class 1 - Cultivator - \$7,500.
 - 2. Class 2 - Manufacturer - \$10,000
 - 3. Class 3 - Wholesaler - \$5,000
 - 4. Class 4 - Distributor - \$3,000
 - 5. Class 5 - Retailer - \$5,000
 - 6. Class 6 - Delivery - \$5,000
 - 7. Testing Lab - \$4,000
- B. Except for late fees described herein, fees for licensees established as microbusinesses shall be limited to \$1,000 regardless of the class of license.
- C. Payment date. Annual licensing fee(s) shall be due and payable on the date the Township issues a local cannabis license and shall be payable annually thereafter on the yearly anniversary of the issuance of the license.
- D. Late fees. The failure of a local cannabis licensee to pay the annual licensing fee when due, will result in the assessment of a late fee as follows:
 - (1) One to seven days late, a late fee equivalent to 2% of the annual licensing fee.
 - (2) Eight to 15 days late, a late fee equivalent to 5% of the annual licensing fee.
 - (3) Sixteen to 30 days late, a late fee equivalent to 10% of the annual licensing fee.

- (4) If fee not paid after expiration of 30 days, the local cannabis licensee shall cease operations.

§ 95A-32. Local cannabis license renewals.

- A. Timing of renewal application. A licensee shall file an application for renewal of a local cannabis license at least 60 calendar days prior to the expiration date of the current license.
- B. Renewal application procedures. The renewal application shall contain all the information required for new applications. The applicant shall pay a fee pursuant to § 95A-30 to cover the costs of processing the renewal permit application. An application for renewal of a local cannabis license may be rejected if any of the following exists:
- (1) The licensee files the application less than 60 days before its expiration.
 - (2) The local cannabis license is suspended or revoked at the time of the application.
 - (3) The local cannabis licensee has not been in regular and continuous operation in the four months prior to the renewal application.
 - (4) The local cannabis licensee has failed to conform to the requirements of this chapter, or of any regulations adopted pursuant to this chapter.
 - (5) The local cannabis licensee fails or is unable to renew its State of New Jersey license.
 - (6) If the Township or state has determined, based on substantial evidence, that the local cannabis licensee is in violation of the requirements of this chapter, or of the state rules and regulations, and the Township or state has determined that the violation is grounds for termination or revocation of the local cannabis license.
- C. Conditions of renewal. The Township Council authorizes the local licensing authority to make all decisions concerning the issuance of a renewal license. In making the decision, the local licensing authority may impose additional conditions to a renewal license, if it is determined to be necessary to ensure compliance with state or local laws and regulations or to preserve the public health, safety or welfare. Appeals from the decision of the cannabis review determination shall be appealable to the Township Council pursuant to § 95A-35.

§ 95A-33. Transfer of local cannabis license.

- A. Nontransferable. A local cannabis licensee shall not transfer ownership or control of the local cannabis license to another person or entity unless and until the transferee obtains an amendment to the license from the local licensing authority stating that the transferee is now the licensee. Such an amendment may be obtained only if the transferee files an application in accordance with all provisions of this chapter (as though the transferee were applying for an original local cannabis license). The proposed transferee's application shall be accompanied by an application fee pursuant to § 95A-30. No local cannabis license may be transferred when the local licensing authority has notified the licensee that the permit has been or may be suspended or revoked.
- B. Change in ownership. Changes in ownership of a local cannabis licensee's business structure or a substantial change in the ownership of a local cannabis licensee's business entity (i.e., changes that result in a change of more than 51% of the original ownership) must be approved by the local licensing authority through the transfer process contained in Subsection A of this section. Failure to comply with this provision is grounds for license revocation.

- C. Any attempt to transfer a local cannabis license either directly or indirectly in violation of this section is hereby declared void, and such a purported transfer shall be deemed a ground for revocation of the permit.

§ 95A-34. Suspension of license.

- A. The local licensing authority may revoke, suspend, or decline to renew any local cannabis license issued under this chapter, or for any violation of any law and/or any rule, regulation policy, procedure or regulation in this chapter. Grounds for revocation, suspension or nonrenewal of a license or permit shall include the following:
- (1) The failure of the local cannabis licensee to comply with the provisions of this chapter or any other law pertaining to commercial cannabis establishments;
 - (2) The giving of false or misleading information by the local cannabis licensee in making application for a local cannabis license or in connection with an investigation conducted by the Township or any other state, local or federal agency;
 - (3) Any cause for denying an original local cannabis license as set forth in this chapter;
 - (4) The revocation, suspension, or nonrenewal of associated state licenses/permits, which revocation, suspension or nonrenewal the local cannabis licensee shall disclose immediately to the local licensing authority;
 - (5) The failure of the local cannabis licensee to diligently initiate business operations or to continue to carry on business operations in a manner substantially as set forth in the business plan, safety and security plan and application submitted in support of the local cannabis licensee's original or renewal application to operate.
- B. The determination of the local licensing authority to suspend, revoke or decline to renew a local cannabis license shall be made in writing and mailed or delivered to the local cannabis licensee's registered agent. The determination of the local licensing authority shall become effective 10 days following the date of the notice of that determination. The local cannabis licensee may, during such ten-day period, appeal the determination of the local licensing authority to the Township Council. If the local cannabis license fails to file the notice of appeal within such ten-day period, the determination of the local licensing authority shall be final and conclusive. If a written notice of appeal is filed with the Township clerk during such ten-day period, the determination of the local licensing authority shall be stayed pending the Township Council's hearing and decision on the appeal.

§ 95A-36. Liability and indemnification.

- A. By accepting a local cannabis license issued pursuant to this chapter, the local cannabis licensee waives and releases the Township, its officers, elected officials, and employees from any liability for injuries, damages or liabilities of any kind that result from any arrest or prosecution of local cannabis licensee's owners, operators, employees, clients or customers for a violation of state or federal laws, rules or regulations.
- B. By accepting a local cannabis license issued pursuant to this chapter, the local cannabis licensee agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Township, its officers, elected officials, employees, and insurers, against all liability, claims or demands arising on account of bodily injury, sickness, disease, death, property loss or damage or any other loss of any kind, including but not limited to, any claim of diminution of property value by a property owner whose property is located in proximity to a licensed property, arising out of, claimed to have arisen out of, or in any manner connected with the operation of a cannabis establishment or use of a cannabis product that is subject to the local cannabis license, or any claim based on an alleged injury to business or property by reason of a

claimed violation of the federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act (RICO), 18 U.S.C. Section 1964(c) or any other alleged violation of the law.

- C By accepting a local cannabis license issued pursuant to this chapter, a local cannabis licensee agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Township, its officers, elected officials, employees and insurers, against all liability, claims, penalties, or demands arising on account of any alleged violation of any existing law including the federal Controlled Substances Act, 21 U.S.C. Section 801 et seq.

§ 95A-36. Local cannabis license as revocable privilege.

- A Conditional approval and local cannabis license granted by this chapter are a revocable privilege granted by the Township and are not a property right. Granting a license does not create or vest any right, title, franchise, or other property interest. Each local cannabis license is exclusive to the local cannabis licensee, and a local cannabis licensee or any other person must apply for and receive the Township's approval before a local cannabis license is transferred, sold, or purchased. A local cannabis licensee or any other person shall not lease, pledge, or borrow or loan money against a license. The attempted transfer, sale, or other conveyance of an interest in a local cannabis license without prior state and local approval is grounds for suspension or revocation of the local cannabis license or for other sanction considered appropriate by the Township.

Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.

- A Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- B Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Council hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.
- C This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication according to law.

Introduction Date: June 13, 2023

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TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL

BY:

Stephen Steglik, Mayor

ATTEST:

Meredith Riculfy, Township Clerk

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MOUNT LAUREL MUNICIPAL CENTER**

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Resolution No. 23-R-134

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 13, 2023

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CLOSED SESSION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
MOUNT LAUREL TO DISCUSS PENDING OR ANTICIPATED LITIGATION,
CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS AND/OR PERSONNEL MATTERS**

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel is subject to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et. seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey generally requires that all meetings of public bodies be open to the public; and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act further provides that a public body may exclude the public from a portion of a meeting at which the public body discusses items enumerated in the Open Public Meetings Act at N.J.S.A 10:4-12b, which items are recognized as requiring confidentiality; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate for the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel to discuss certain matters in a meeting not open to the public consistent with N.J.S.A 10:4-12b.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, Burlington County, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey that:

1. The Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel shall hold a closed meeting, from which the public shall be excluded, on June 13, 2023;
2. The general nature of the subject to be discussed at said closed meeting shall be Contract Negotiations, potential litigation.
3. The minutes of said closed meeting shall be made available of disclosure to the public, consistent with N.J.S.A. 10:4-13, when the items which are subject of the closed session discussion are resolved and a reason for confidentiality no longer exists.

This resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on June 13, 2023 and shall take effect immediately.

A CERTIFIED COPY

Meredith Riculfy, Municipal Clerk

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