

# Agenda

**City of Plainfield**  
**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA FIXING SESSION**  
**February 1, 2010**  
City Hall Library-Mayor's Complex – 515 Watchung Avenue  
(908) 753-3222

## MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

**PRESIDENT**

**AND**

**COUNCILWOMAN-AT-LARGE**

*Honorable Annie C. McWilliams*

**COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE, SECOND AND THIRD WARDS**

*Honorable Rashid Burney*

**COUNCILWOMAN-AT-LARGE, FIRST AND FOURTH WARDS**

*Honorable Linda Carter*

**CHAIR, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**AND**

**COUNCILMAN THIRD WARD**

*Honorable Adrian O. Mapp*

**COUNCILMAN FIRST WARD**

*Honorable William Reid*

**COUNCILWOMAN FOURTH WARD**

*Honorable Bridget Rivers*

**COUNCILMAN SECOND WARD**

*Honorable Cory Storch*

**MUNICIPAL CLERK,**

*Honorable Laddie Wyatt, RMC/CMC/MMCA*

*Clerk for the Council*

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**MAYOR**

*HONORABLE SHARON M. ROBINSON-BRIGGS*

**ACTING CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

*Bibi Taylor*

**CORPORATION COUNSEL**

*Daniel A. Williamson, Esq.*



**FOR SPECIAL ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL (908) 753-3223**

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**NOTE: CELLULAR PHONES ARE TO BE TURNED OFF DURING THE COUNCIL MEETING**

**UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, ITEMS MAY BE TAKEN OUT OF THE ORDER PRESENTED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRPERSON.**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 P.M., CITY HALL LIBRARY - MAYOR'S COMPLEX – 515 WATCHUNG AVENUE, PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY

ROLL CALL:

ANNOUNCEMENT: COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW

NOTICE: THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROPERLY NOTICED AND POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

CITY CLERK'S BULLETIN BOARD, CITY HALL, FIRST FLOOR  
PLAINFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY  
PLAINFIELD MUNICIPAL COURT  
PLAINFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER  
COMCAST CABLE TV

### **PRESIDENT TO ANNOUNCE:**

THE NOTICE REQUIREMENT PROVIDED FOR THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW" HAS BEEN SATISFIED. NOTICE WAS PROPERLY GIVEN, SAID NOTICE HAVING BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE COURIER-NEWS AND STAR-LEDGER ON **SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 2010** AS WELL AS POSTING ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.

### **I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

- ❖ CORRESPONDENCE DATED JANUARY 15, 2010 FROM HER HONOR, MAYOR SHARON ROBINSON-BRIGGS ADDRESSED TO THE GOVERNING BODY REQUESTING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF **BIBI TAYLOR** AS **CITY ADMINISTRATOR** EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 8, 2010. SAID TERM IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON ADOPTION AND CONFIRMATION OF OATH OF OFFICE.
- ❖ CORRESPONDENCE DATED JANUARY 21, 2010 FROM HER HONOR, MAYOR SHARON ROBINSON-BRIGGS ADDRESSED TO THE GOVERNING BODY REQUESTING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF **JOAN ROBINSON GROSS ESQ.** AS **CHIEF MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE** EFFECTIVE MARCH 3, 2010 AND ENDING MARCH 2, 2013. SAID TERM IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON ADOPTION AND CONFIRMATION OF OATH OF OFFICE.

**RESERVED SPACE - APPOINTMENTS TO RECREATION COMMITTEE.**

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### II. OTHER COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

- ❖ MS. JANE SAPIENZA, PRESIDENT OF THE GREATER PLAINFIELD HABITAT FOR HUMANITY IS REQUESTING APPROVAL BE GRANTED FOR STREET ENCROACHMENT(S) TO BE ISSUED TO CONDUCT ITS 5K WALK/RUN SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 11, 2010 AT 2 RANDOLPH ROAD PLAINFIELD NEW JERSEY. ACCOMPANYING MATERIAL IS HEREIN ATTACHED ALONG WITH CORRESPONDENCE DATED JANUARY 27, 2010 FROM MS. SAPIENZA OUTLINING HER REQUEST.

### III. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE:

- COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNIE MCWILLIAMS HAS REQUESTED TIME BE SET ASIDE THIS EVENING FOR REPORTS FROM THE VARIOUS COUNCIL COMMITTEES.

### IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- FOLLOW UP ON PROPOSED HEALTH FEE ORDINANCE WHICH WAS TABLED BY THE GOVERNING BODY AT THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 19, 2010.
- COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANNIE C. MCWILLIAMS WILL OFFER AN UPDATED OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED CITY COUNCIL RETREAT.

### V. CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC HEARING, SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE: CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION ON SECOND READING:

**MC 2010 -01** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF SALARIES AND WAGES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14 CHAPTER 11 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD NEW JERSEY 1971(POLICE DIRECTOR). **-PERSONNEL**.

**MC 2010 -02** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF SALARIES AND WAGES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14 CHAPTER 11 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD NEW JERSEY 1971. (PLANNING & ZONING BOARDS). **-PERSONNEL**

**MC 2010 -04** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 16 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC ARTICLE 4 PROHIBIT PARKING STOPPING AND STANDING OR TIME LIMIT PARKING SECTION 3 PARKING PROHIBITED DURING CERTAIN HOURS ON CERTAIN STREETS SPECIFIED UPON ANY OF THE DESCRIBED STREETS OR PARTS OF STREETS. **-PUBLIC WORKS**

**MC 2010 -05** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 16 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC ARTICLE 4 PROHIBIT PARKING STOPPING AND STANDING OR TIME LIMIT PARKING SECTION 2 PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS. **-PUBLIC WORKS**

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**BOND ORDINANCE 1247** BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$4,400,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF REFUNDING BONDS AND/OR NOTES OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD COUNTY OF UNION STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,400,000 IN AND FOR THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF UNION STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO REFUND IN FULL OR IN PART THE OUTSTANDING BALANCE OF GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS OF THE CITY TO REDEEM IN FULL OR IN PART SUCH OUTSTANDING BALANCE AND TO FINANCE THE COST OF ISSUANCE OF SUCH REFUNDING BONDS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH REFUNDING BONDS.  
-ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER.

### VI. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

- DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND ANTICIPATED DATE FOR ADOPTION OF SFY 2010 BUDGET.

### VII. LEGISLATIVE DISCUSSION ITEMS:

NONE.

### VIII. RESOLUTIONS: NEW BUSINESS:

#### LEGISLATIVE BODY

- A. COUNCILMANIC RESOLUTION URGING GOVERNOR CHRISTOPHER J. CHRISTIE AND HIS ADMINISTRATION TO REVISIT THE CLOSURE OF PLAINFIELD'S MUHLENBERG REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER AND REACTIVATE IT AS A FULL-SERVICE HOSPITAL. – CITY CLERK. (RESOLUTION FORTHCOMING)
- B. COUNCILMANIC RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 007-10 TO ALLOW A MAXIMUM OF SIX (6) MINUTES FOR EACH SPEAKER TO ADDRESS THE GOVERNING BODY DURING THE "GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS" SEGMENT AT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. – CITY CLERK.
- C. COUNCILMANIC RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL FOR ATTENDANCE (RIVERS) AT THE 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NEW JERSEY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE. –CITY CLERK

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### ADMINISTRATION/EXECUTIVE BRANCH

- D.** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF **BIBI TAYLOR AS CITY ADMINISTRATOR** AND DOES HEREBY GRANT APPROVAL OF THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS AS SET FORTH IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE. **-MAYOR.**
- E.** RESOLUTION REQUESTING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF THE **HONORABLE JOAN ROBINSON-GROSS** AS CHIEF MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR A 3-YEAR TERM EFFECTIVE 03/03/2010 AND ENDING 03/02/2013. SAID APPOINTMENT IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON ADOPTION AND CONFIRMATION OF OATH OF OFFICE. **-MAYOR.**
- F.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES OF 2010 OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD AND APPROPRIATING **\$13,500,000.00** THEREFORE IN AND BY THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD. **-ACTING CITY ADMINISTRATOR.**
- G.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF EXTRAORDINARY AID FOR SFY 2010 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES. **-ACTING CITY ADMINISTRATOR.**

### CORPORATION COUNSEL

- H.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 013-10 APPROVING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S USE OF AN UNMARKED CITY-OWNED VEHICLE ON A TWENTY-FOUR HOUR BASIS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2010. **-CORPORATION COUNSEL**

### DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

- I.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ADOPTION OF GENERAL FUND EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE FY 2010 BUDGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A 40:A4-20 FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH. **-AUDIT & CONTROL.**
- J.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF **BIBI TAYLOR** AS FUND COMMISSIONER TO THE NEW JERSEY SELF INSURANCE JOINT INSURANCE FUND AND **KAREN O. DABNEY** TO SERVE AS AN ALTERNATE FUND COMMISSIONER FOR A TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010. **-PERSONNEL.**
- K.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF **VANESSA HARDING** AS TAX SEARCH OFFICER FOR THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A 54:5-11 ARTICLE 3 ET SEQ. **-PERSONNEL.**
- L.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD TO ISSUE ESTIMATED AND RECONCILED TAX BILLS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 54:4-66.4 – **TAX COLLECTOR.**

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- M.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION ESTABLISHING DELINQUENT TAX AND ASSESSMENT INTEREST RATES AND PENALTIES. –**TAX COLLECTOR.**

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS & SAFETY

NONE.

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- N.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION/NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION FUNDS TO BE UTILIZED FOR THE COST OF THE EXPANDED BROWNFIELD REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED **\$13,020.00** –**ACTING DIRECTOR.**
- O.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR WHITMAN COMPANY, 116 TICES LANE, EAST BRUNSWICK NEW JERSEY, TO CONDUCT ADDITIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES AS RELATED TO THE USEPA BROWNFIELDS PETROLEUM ASSESSMENT GRANT AT DISCO ALUMINUM SITE BLOCK 612 LOT 8 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 534 SOUTH AVENUE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED **\$38,835.00.** –**ACTING DIRECTOR.**
- P.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR WHITMAN COMPANY, 116 TICES LANE, EAST BRUNSWICK NEW JERSEY, TO CONDUCT ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES/ SITE INVESTIGATION AS RELATED TO THE USEPA BROWNFIELD HAZARDOUS ASSESSMENT GRANT AT THE DISCO ALUMINUM SITE 520-522 BLOCK 612 LOT 5, 524-532 SOUTH AVENUE BLOCK 612 LOT 7.01 AND 529-539 EAST SIXTH STREET BLOCK 612 LOTS 7.02-7.04 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED **\$17,739.00.** **ACTING DIRECTOR.**
- Q.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A 2010 APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY URBAN ENTERPRISE ZONE AUTHORITY FOR PROJECT FINANCING FOR DOWNTOWN ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS PROGRAMMING AND ADMINISTRATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED **\$55,000.00** –**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.**
- R.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY GOLDEN GLOVES ASSOCIATION, INC., 138 WINDING ROAD, ISELIN, NJ, TO HOLD A GOLDEN GLOVES TOURNAMENT ON APRIL 23, 2010 AT PLAINFIELD HIGH SCHOOL FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED **\$9, 500.00** –**RECREATION.**
- S.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT YEAR 35 FY 2009/2010 COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF **\$63,000.00.** –**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.**

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### PUBLIC OFFICER

- T.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 500-09 ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY ON NOVEMBER 16, 2009 TO REFLECT THE CORRECT BLOCK AND LOT NUMBER FOR THE PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1524 WEST THIRD STREET. – INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- U.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 146 LOT 11 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1524 WEST THIRD STREET. ~~-\$803.00-~~ –INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- V.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 123 LOT 10 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 939-41 WEST THIRD STREET. \$389.00. –INSPECTIONS DIVISION.

### **IX. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:**

NONE.

#### **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:**

CITIZENS ARE WELCOME TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON ANY GOVERNMENTAL ITEM OF CONCERN TO THEM, WHETHER OR NOT IT IS SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA ABOVE.

DURING THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA, A TOTAL OF SIXTY (60) MINUTES HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FOR **ALL** PUBLIC COMMENTS TO BE PRESENTED. IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, COME TO THE PODIUM AND GIVE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS TO THE CLERK FOR THE RECORD. THE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION ON ANY SINGLE SUBJECT, AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ANY SINGLE SPEAKER IS ALLOWED, WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES. LARGE GROUPS ARE URGED TO SELECT SOMEONE TO REPRESENT THEM.

### **X. ADJOURNMENT:**

**TOTAL # OF RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED = 22**

**TOTAL # OF ORDINANCES SUBMITTED = 5**

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### ATTENDANCE RECORD FOR MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY AGENDA FIXING SESSION

2010 COUNCIL MEMBERS (02/1/2010)	PRESENT	ABSENT	ARRIVAL TIME
BURNEY, RASHID			
CARTER, LINDA			
MAPP, ADRIAN O. CHAIR, COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE			
REID, WILLIAM			
RIVERS, BRIDGET			
STORCH, CORY			
MCWILLIAMS, ANNIE C. COUNCIL PRESIDENT			
WYATT, LADDIE CLERK TO THE COUNCIL			