

**MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD
PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

DATE: MONDAY, MAY 5, 2008
TIME: 8:00 P.M.
PLACE: MUNICIPAL COURT-COUNCIL CHAMBERS
325 WATCHUNG AVENUE

AT THE REGULAR MEETING, A SEGMENT WILL BE PROVIDED FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS, LIMITED TO RESOLUTIONS, MOTIONS AND ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED ON FIRST READING, WHICH APPEARS ON THIS EVENING'S AGENDA PRIOR TO CITY COUNCIL ACTION ON ANY ITEM THAT MAY BE APPROPRIATE FOR PRESENTATION TO THE GOVERNING BODY.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

PRESIDENT
AND
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE
Honorable Harold Gibson

COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE, SECOND AND THIRD WARDS
Honorable Rashid Burney

CHAIR, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
AND
COUNCILWOMAN-AT-LARGE, FIRST AND FOURTH WARDS
Honorable Linda Carter

COUNCILMAN, THIRD WARD
Honorable Don Davis

COUNCILMAN FIRST WARD
Honorable William Reid

COUNCILMAN, FOURTH WARD
Honorable Elliott Simmons

COUNCILMAN, SECOND WARD
Honorable Cory Storch

MUNICIPAL CLERK
Honorable Laddie Wyatt, RMC/CMC/MMCA
Clerk of the Council

MAYOR
Honorable Sharon M. Robinson-Briggs

CITY ADMINISTRATOR
Marc D. Dashield



CORPORATION COUNSEL
Daniel A. Williamson, Esq.

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

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE PLAINFIELD CITY COUNCIL

THE HONORABLE HAROLD GIBSON, PRESIDING

1. **ROLL CALL:**

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 THE STAR-LEDGER ON *MONDAY, MARCH 31, 2008* AS WELL AS POSTING ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

3. **INVOCATION:**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

DELAYED

4A. CEREMONIAL MATTERS:

LEGISLATIVE CITATIONS, COMMENDATIONS AND OTHER SPECIAL AWARDS:

NONE.

5. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

- ❖ THROUGH WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE DATED APRIL 21, 2008, HER HONOR, THE MAYOR, SHARON ROBINSON-BRIGGS IS REQUESTING ADVICE AND CONSENT FROM THE PLAINFIELD CITY COUNCIL TO THE APPOINTMENT OF **GEORGE B. GORE**, 910 DUMAS AVENUE, AS A MEMBER OF THE **HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION** FOR A 3-YEAR TERM ENDING 01/01/2011. SAID APPOINTMENT IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON ADOPTION AND CONFIRMATION OF OATH OF OFFICE.

6. **OTHER COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:**

NONE

7. **REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES:**

NONE SUBMITTED.

8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

NONE PENDING.

9. CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC HEARING, SECOND READING & FINAL PASSAGE:

MC 2008 - 09 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD LOCATED AT 530 WEST FIFTH STREET, BLOCK 772, LOT 25 TO SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH OF PLAINFIELD, A NON PROFIT CORPORATION – **CORPORATION COUNSEL.**

9(A). PUBLIC COMMENTS, LIMITED TO RESOLUTIONS, MOTIONS, AND ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED ON FIRST READING:

NEW BUSINESS

10. CONSENT AGENDA:

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ALL MATTERS LISTED WITH AN (*) ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND NON-CONTROVERSIAL BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCILMEMBER OR CITIZEN SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY UNDER NEW BUSINESS IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE LATER ON THE AGENDA.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLUTION NUMBERS **R 219-08** THRU **R 223-08**; **R 227-08** THRU **R 232-08** AND **R 234-08** THRU **R 237-08** ARE LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA SEGMENT WITH AN ASTERISK* TO BE APPROVED AND THAT EACH SPECIFIC ACTION ON THE CONSENT AGENDA BE APPROVED AS INDICATED.

11. RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS:
NEW BUSINESS:

LEGISLATIVE BODY

- *R 219-08** COUNCILMANIC RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF APPLICATION(S) BASED ON THE FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN BINGO/**RAFFLE** LICENSES RECOMMENDED BY THE ACTING POLICE DIRECTOR (**ROTARY PLAINFIELD-NORTH PLAINFIELD, INC.**) – CITY CLERK (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 220-08** COUNCILMANIC RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF APPLICATION(S) BASED ON THE FINDINGS AND DETERMINATION FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN BINGO/**RAFFLE** LICENSES RECOMMENDED BY THE ACTING POLICE DIRECTOR (**EULA MAE AMAKER FAMILY LIFE CENTER**) – CITY CLERK (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 221-08** COUNCILMANIC RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF A SERVICE CONTRACT TO RETAIN DONNA TIERNEY FOR CONTINUED SERVICES IN THE OPERATION OF THE REMINGTON RAND CENTRALIZED CARD INDEXING SYSTEM FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL CLERK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED **\$10,000.00** – CITY CLERK (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).

- *R 222-08** COUNCILMANIC RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF A SERVICE CONTRACT TO RETAIN RICHARD K. PHOENIX FOR AUDIO TECHNICIAN SERVICES AND TRANSCRIPTION ASSISTANCE SERVICES TO THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AND THE MUNICIPAL CLERK IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$12,500.00 – CITY CLERK (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 223-08** COUNCILMANIC RESOLUTION JOINING IN THE CELEBRATION OF OUR SURVIVORS DURING THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S MAY DAY FOR RELAY FOR LIFE AWARENESS IN THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD DURING THE MONTH OF MAY (INTRODUCED BY HAROLD GIBSON, CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT) – CITY CLERK (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- R 224-08** COUNCILMANIC RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERMISSION BE GRANTED FOR STREET ENCROACHMENT TO SCHOOL BASED YOUTH SERVICES-PLAINFIELD TEEN PARENTING PROGRAM TO HOLD ITS ANNUAL "CARDINALS CEDARBROOK PARK 5K RUN" FUNDRAISER ON SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2008 FROM 7:00 A.M. TO 12 O'CLOCK NOON – CITY CLERK.
NON-CONSENT

ADMINISTRATION/EXECUTIVE BRANCH

- R 225-08** RESOLUTION GRANTING ADVICE AND CONSENT TO THE APPOINTMENT OF GEORGE B. GORE AS A MEMBER OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION FOR A THREE (3) YEAR TERM ENDING 01/01/2011 – EXECUTIVE BRANCH (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
NON-CONSENT
- R 226-08** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD AND THE PLAINFIELD MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR THE REMOVAL OF CONCRETE PIPE AND ASSOCIATED APPARATUS FROM A CERTAIN CITY OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT THE ROCK AVENUE TRANSFER STATION - \$60,000.00 – ADMINISTRATION (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
NON-CONSENT

CORPORATION COUNSEL

NONE

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE

- *R 227-08** RESOLUTION APPROVING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A DEDICATED TRUST BY RIDER FOR CRISES ASSISTANCE DONATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:50-29 – COMPTROLLER (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 228-08** RESOLUTION APPROVING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A DEDICATED TRUST BY RIDER FOR YOUTH ACTIVITIES DONATIONS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 40A:50-29 – COMPTROLLER (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS & SAFETY

- *R 229-08** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR PARTICIPATION WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY IN A SAFE AND SECURE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE, DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY – \$55,237.00 – DIRECTOR'S OFFICE (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 230-08** RESOLUTION APPROVING AUTHORIZATION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD FROM THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM TO PURCHASE A MOBILE LAW ENFORCEMENT INCIDENT COMMAND POST VEHICLE – \$42,967.80 – DIRECTOR'S OFFICE (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 231-08** RESOLUTION APPROVING AUTHORIZATION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD FROM THE EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM FOR USE TOWARDS ANY REMAINING BALANCES RELATED TO THE MOBILE COMMAND VEHICLE; 2007 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY OVERTIME PATROLS; THE PURCHASE OF A CRIME SCENE VAN AND ANY OTHER RELATED LAW ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVE(S) – \$76,479.00 – DIRECTOR'S OFFICE (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- *R 232-08** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO RELEASE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND CASH DEPOSITS ASSOCIATED WITH DEVELOPMENT AT PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1700-1758 MYRTLE AVENUE, SHOWN ON THE TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD AS BLOCK 207, LOT 4 – PLANNING DIVISION (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- R 233-08**
NON-CONSENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO REDUCE PERFORMANCE BOND ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT AT PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1045 WEST SEVENTH STREET, SHOWN ON THE TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD AS BLOCK 535, LOTS 11.01-11.06-PLANNING DIVISION (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 234-08** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO RELEASE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND CASH DEPOSITS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT AT PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 434-438 WEST FRONT STREET, SHOWN ON THE TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD AS BLOCK 241, LOT 12 – PLANNING DIVISION (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 235-08** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO RELEASE PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE AND CASH DEPOSITS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT AT PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 842-844 EAST FRONT STREET AND 130 MCKINLEY PLACE, SHOWN ON THE TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD AS BLOCK 328, LOTS 41.01 AND 41.02 – PLANNING DIVISION (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 236-08** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE STATEMENT OF CONSENT ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT AT THE PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS PHEASANT RUN ESTATES, SHOWN ON THE TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD AS BLOCK 7, LOTS 56, 58 AND 64 – PLANNING DIVISION (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).
- *R 237-08** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY URBAN ENTERPRISE ZONE AUTHORITY FOR PROJECT FINANCING FOR THE DOWNTOWN ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS PROGRAMMING AND ADMINISTRATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000.00 – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (CORRESPONDENCE PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED).

12. NEW ITEM(S):

NONE

13. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:

NONE

14. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ANY RESIDENT OR TAXPAYER OF PLAINFIELD IS WELCOME TO COMMENT ON ANY GOVERNMENTAL ITEM OF CONCERN TO THEM DURING THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS SEGMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S MEETING. CITIZENS MUST CLEARLY STATE THEIR NAME AND ADDRESS TO THE CLERK ONCE THE SPEAKER IS RECOGNIZED BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER TO SPEAK. A TOTAL OF THIRTY (30) MINUTES HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FOR ALL PUBLIC COMMENTS TO BE PRESENTED. LARGE GROUPS ARE URGED TO SELECT A SPOKESPERSON TO REPRESENT THEM. EACH PERSON IS ALLOCATED THREE (3) MINUTES TO SPEAK. THE PRESIDING OFFICER OR A MAJORITY ON THE COUNCIL MAY EXTEND THE LENGTH OF TIME ALLOCATED CUMULATIVELY OR INDIVIDUALLY.

NO SPEAKER SHALL ENGAGE IN ANY PERSONALLY OFFENSIVE, DEROGATORY OR ABUSIVE REMARKS. THE PRESIDENT SHALL IMMEDIATELY CALL TO ORDER ANY SPEAKER WHO VIOLATES THIS PROVISION. AN OFFICER FROM THE PLAINFIELD POLICE DIVISION MAY REMOVE ANY DISRUPTIVE PERSON AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER. PUBLIC COMMENT IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO PRESENT THEIR VIEWS – BOTH POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE.

IT IS NOT A QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD. NEITHER THE PRESIDING OFFICER NOR COUNCIL MEMBERS WILL ENGAGE IN A BACK AND FORTH EXCHANGE SO SPEAKERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PRESENT ALL THEIR VIEWS. THE PRESIDING OFFICER AS WELL AS ANY COUNCIL MEMBER MAY RESPOND TO ANY COMMENT AFTER SUCH SPEAKER IS FINISHED. THE PRESIDING OFFICER MAY REFER THE SPEAKER TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OR AN APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT HEAD AND ANY COUNCIL MEMBER MAY CHOOSE TO RESPOND IN WRITING TO INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS.

15. ADJOURNMENT:

TOTAL RESOLUTIONS = 19

TOTAL ORDINANCES = 1

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING IS AN AGENDA FIXING SESSION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY HALL LIBRARY ON MAY 12, 2008.