

MINUTES FOR BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

Monday, May 18, 2020

7:00 PM – Mayor’s Conference Room, 1 Municipal Plaza, 2nd Floor, Municipal Building



I. Call to Order

Fifth Regular Meeting of the Township Council.

Mayor Venezia called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 P.M.

Notice of the time, date, location and agenda of this meeting, to the extent then known was provided at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of this meeting in the following manner pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 231 of the Law of 1975 (The Open Public Meeting Act).

1. By posting such notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building, and
2. By email notification generated by IQM2 to the offices of the Independent Press, Bloomfield Life, the Star Ledger, Patch, Baristanet and TAPinto Bloomfield.

This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call showed the following:

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jenny Mundell	First Ward Councilwoman	Present	
Nicholas Joanow	Second Ward Councilman	Present	
Sarah Cruz	Third Ward Councilwoman	Present	
Wartyna Davis	Councilwoman	Present	
Ted Gamble	Councilman	Present	
Richard Rockwell	Councilman	Present	
Michael J. Venezia	Mayor	Present	

Also present: Louise Palagano, Municipal Clerk; Michael Parlavecchio, Township Attorney; Catherine Finkler, Deputy Municipal Clerk; Jean-Guy Lauture, IT Director

II. Proclamations

There were no proclamations at this time.

III. Presentation

There were no presentations at this time.

IV. Minutes Approval

Mayor Venezia called for the approval of Minutes from previous meetings, which were moved by Councilwoman Mundell and seconded by Councilman Joanow:

1. Minutes of April 6, 2020 Conference Meeting

2. Minutes of April 20, 2020 Regular Meeting

Vote showed the following:

Councilwoman Mundell – Yes
 Councilman Joanow - Yes
 Councilwoman Cruz - Yes

Councilwoman Davis - Yes
 Councilman Gamble - Yes
 Councilman Rockwell – Yes

Mayor Venezia – Yes

V. Opening and Reading of Bids

There were no bid openings at this time.

VI. Administrative Agenda Presented by the Township Administrator

There was no agenda presented by the Township Administrator.

VII. Reports of Special Council Committees

There were no reports by Special Council Committees.

VIII. Communications

Mayor Venezia then asked for the Communications. Township Clerk Louise Palagano read the following written communications.

1. NJDEP Suspected Hazardous Discharge Notice:
 - a. **April 23, 2020** – 233 Newark Avenue – Oil Tank Removed
 - b. **May 8, 2020** – 15 North Spring Street – Oil Tank Removed
 - c. **May 13, 2020** – 203 Montgomery Street – Above Oil Tank Removed. Clean up complete.
2. NJDEP No Further Action Letter and Covenant Not to Sue:
 - a. **April 21, 2020** – 140 Newark Avenue
3. Notice from NJDEP:
 - a. Received **May 5, 2020**: Receptor Evaluation (RE) Form – Updated RE Submission – Submission of a Remedial Action Report – **Former Service Station (Four Corners Realty) Bloomfield, NJ.**
4. Announcement from NJDOT dated April 13, 2020 – Applications will now be accepted for the new Jersey Department of Transportation’s (NJDOT) Fiscal Year 2021 State Aid programs. The new deadline for grant application submissions is July 1st.
5. Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders:
 - a. Dated **April 22, 2020**:
 - i. **Ordinance NO# O-2020-00011-** “Amendment to County Ordinances #O-2013-00014 as amended by Ordinance #O-2016-00007 and Ordinance #O-2016-00026 as well as Ordinance #O-2018-00003 to allow for the consumption of alcohol (beer and wine only_ during special events at Essex County’s three golf courses: Hendrick’s Field Golf Course, Weequahic Golf Course and Francis A. Byrne Golf Course.”
6. Notice from antegrup dated **April 24, 2020** to revise the Classification Exception Area (CEA) at **Former Getty #00348, 1079 Broad Street, Bloomfield, NJ 07003** due to groundwater impacts on-site.
7. Notice of filing from the **New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU)** where PSE&G filed a Petition with the BPU in April 2020 requesting approval to establish a transition incentive program in order to recover approximately \$23 million in revenue from program costs.
8. Notice of hearing from the Township of Bloomfield Zoning Board on June 11, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. on the appeal or application for:
 - a. 23 Gracel Street, Bloomfield, NJ.

- b. 32 Ackerman Street
9. Payment certificate #1 for the **Felton Park** Project on Floyd Avenue.
10. Tax Certificate from the **North Jersey District Water Supply Commission** for the bonds and notes issued most recently in 2016 and 2017 received on **April 28, 2020**.
11. Financial/ Operating Filing-Audited Financial Statements or CAFR from the **Essex County Utilities Authority, NJ** received on **May 1, 2020**.
12. Dated **May 11, 2020** – **The NJDEP** approved the “Remediation in Progress Waiver Application dated August 26, 2019” filed by **General Plastics Corporation** located at 55 La France Avenue, Bloomfield, NJ.

There were no submitted questions for communications.

IX. Introduction of Proposed Ordinances on First Reading

Mayor Venezia called for the Introduction of Proposed Ordinances on First Reading, after which the following were introduced:

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 315, ARTICLE V. ZONING, § 315-34 “ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONES” OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD CODE, REVISING THE ZONING MAP TO PLACE BLOCK 224, LOTS 7, 9, 10 AND 11 IN THE M-1 ZONE

WHEREAS, Chapter 315, Article V. Zoning, § 315-34 “Establishment of Zones”, of the Township of Bloomfield Code (**the “Code”**) acknowledged in §315-34(B) that the Zoning Map of the Township of Bloomfield was adopted on July 25, 2005, and that the Map depicts the location and boundaries of the 17 zones, two overlay districts and the designated redevelopment areas within the territory of the Township of Bloomfield (**the “Township”**); and

WHEREAS, following a reexamination of the Township Master Plan, the Township adopted an amended Zoning Map on October 6, 2014; and

WHEREAS, §315-34 (A) (15) of the Code established the M-1 Zone - General Industrial (**“M-1 Zone”**) within the Township, which is reflected on the 2014 Zoning Map; and

WHEREAS, §315-38 (K) of the Code sets forth the intent of the M-1 Zone is to establish areas within which industrial uses may be established and expanded under suitable controls; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G operates their Toney’s Brook Substation located at Block 224 Lot 11 in the Township’s PI or Private Institutional Zone; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G has advised the Township of its needs to upgrade and expand their facility due to increased usage and safeguarding from future flood events. The substation was originally built in 1965 with no significant work or upgrade to the site since then; and

WHEREAS, the Township has been made aware that PSE&G is under contract to purchase Lots 7, 9 and 10 for the purpose of upgrading the Toney's Brook Substation on Lot 11, with the four lots totaling 1.32 acres; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G has requested the Township review its land use standards; and

WHEREAS, Lots 7, 9 and 10 are in the R1B Zone and contain existing non-conforming uses, with Lots 7 and 9 consisting of mixed-use buildings with two dwelling units each and Lot 10 consisting of a two dwelling unit home; and

WHEREAS, Lot 11 is in the P1 Zone, which does permit public utilities, but the bulk standards of the zone render the property non-conforming; and

WHEREAS, the M-1 Zone is considered the general industrial zone and includes public utilities as a permitted use along with other non-industrial uses; and

WHEREAS, the bulk standards of the M-1 Zone more closely match the smaller scale of the area, as the M-1 Zone has a minimum lot area of 1 acre versus the P1 Zone minimum lot area of 10 acres; and

WHEREAS, the M-1 Zone includes public utilities as a permitted use and the bulk standards would enable any future expansion without the need for variances; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the triangular-shaped area (Block 224, Lots 7, 9, 10 and 11) should be rezoned to M-1 to recognize the existing non-conformity and the expansion/upgrade of the PSE&G Toney's Brook Substation located on Lot 11; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26 and the Municipal Land Use Law ("MLUL"), all ordinances constituting a development regulation must be referred to the Planning Board for review to determine whether there are any inconsistencies between the

proposed ordinance and the Township Master Plan and for any other recommendations the Board may deem necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. The Zoning Map of the Township of Bloomfield dated October 6, 2014 and adopted pursuant to §315-34(B) of the Code, shall be amended to include Block 224, Lots 7, 9, 10 and 11 within the Township of Bloomfield’s M-1 Zone.

Section 2. If any part(s) of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such part(s) shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining part of this Ordinance.

Section 3. All ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby rescinded.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with applicable law.

Vote showed the following:

RESULT:	APPROVE [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/22/2020 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Nicholas Joanow, Second Ward Councilman	
SECONDER:	Sarah Cruz, Third Ward Councilwoman	
AYES:	Mundell, Joanow, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia	

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 254, “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, ARTICLE II § 254-11 “Traffic Regulations” §254-48 SCHEDULE VIII: “Stop Intersection”

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 254 “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, ARTICLE II § 254-11 “Traffic Regulations” §254-48 SCHEDULE VIII: “Stop Intersection”, of the Code of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, is hereby amended by the addition of the following:

Stop sign on

Direction of Travel

At Intersection of

Liberty Street and Walnut Street Liberty St (East and Walnut Street at Liberty Street
 West), Walnut St
 (North and South)
 Spruce Street East and West Beach Street

Section 2. All ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Vote showed the following:

RESULT:	APPROVE [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/22/2020 7:00 PM
MOVER:	Sarah Cruz, Third Ward Councilwoman	
SECONDER:	Wartyna Davis, Councilwoman	
AYES:	Mundell, Joanow, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia	

X.Hearing Upon, Adoption or Amendment of Proposed Ordinances on Second Reading

Mayor Venezia called for the Hearing, Adoption or Amendment of Proposed Ordinances on Second Reading, after which the following Ordinances were adopted:

AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 315, ARTICLE V. ZONING, § 315-34 “ESTABLISHMENT OF ZONES” OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD CODE, REVISING THE ZONING MAP TO MODIFY THE BOUNDARY LINE OF THE CC - COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL ZONE

WHEREAS, Chapter 315, Article V. Zoning, § 315-34 “Establishment of Zones”, of the Township of Bloomfield Code (**the “Code”**) acknowledged in §315-34(B) that the Zoning Map of the Township of Bloomfield was adopted on July 25, 2005, and that the Map depicts the location and boundaries of the 17 zones, two overlay districts and the designated redevelopment areas within the territory of the Township of Bloomfield (**the “Township”**); and

WHEREAS, following a reexamination of the Township Master Plan, the Township adopted an amended Zoning Map on October 6, 2014; and

WHEREAS, §315-34 (A) (10) of the Code established the CC-Community Commercial Zone (**“CC Zone”**) within the Township, which is reflected on the 2014 Zoning Map; and

WHEREAS, §315-38 (J) of the Code sets forth that the intent of the CC Zone is to

accommodate large-scale shopping facilities that contain a supermarket or other anchor store, and smaller commercial uses. More than one principal building and/or use may be permitted on a lot; and

WHEREAS, amongst the permitted uses within the CC Zone are shopping centers with no more than 200,000 square feet of gross leasable floor area and with no single establishment larger than 125,000 square feet of gross leasable floor area; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Brookdale Shop Rite, operators of a family owned supermarket in the Township, contacted the Mayor and Township Council regarding its proposed expansion and remodel of the supermarket to provide additional store space, additional checkouts, expanded offerings, and expanded capacity to meet the demands of online customer orders; and

WHEREAS, Brookdale Shop Rite originally proposed to construct a 1-story addition to the rear of its present store at 1347-1381 Broad Street, Bloomfield, New Jersey, also known as Lot 43, Block 1231 on the Township's Tax Map ("**Existing Shop Rite**"); and

WHEREAS, the addition was to be constructed on a portion of the adjacent property known as Lot 46, Block 1231 under a long-term lease ("**Leased Area**"), and will consist of approximately 23,814 square feet, which will bring the store size to a total of approximately 84,912 square feet; and

WHEREAS, On May 21, 2018 the Mayor and Township Council adopted Ordinance 18-18, which amended the Zoning Map to extend the CC Zone boundary line to encompass the proposed addition to the Existing Shop Rite and Leased Area; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Brookdale Shop Rite subsequently contacted the Mayor and Township Council in early 2020 regarding a revised plan for expansion and leased area; and

WHEREAS, the revised leased area ("**Revised Leased Area**") and modified building

expansion of the approved addition (**“Modified Expansion”**) are depicted on the attached Sheet SP-1, referred to as **“MODIFIED BUILDING AND 400 BROADACRE LEASE AREA”** dated March 4, 2020 and drawn by Petry Engineering, LLC (**“SP-1”**), and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Leased Area is described on the attached, Substitute Exhibit A-1 dated January 16, 2020, referred to as **“DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEASE AREA, BEING PART OF LOT 46 IN BLOCK 1231, SITUATE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD, COUNTY OF ESSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY.”** and drawn by Keller & Kirkpatrick, Inc. (**“A-1”**), and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Revised Leased Area Metes and Bounds are described as follows:

- A. South 32 degrees 58’03” East, a distance of 51.80 feet to a point; thence
- B. South 77 degrees 50’53” East, a distance of 7.79 feet to a point; thence
- C. South 32 degrees 58’03” East, a distance of 52.92 feet to a point; thence
- D. South 12 degrees 09’07” West, a distance of 278.88 feet to a point on the southerly property line of Lot 46 Block 1231; thence
- E. Along said property line, South 86 degrees 32’07” West, a distance of 85.14 feet to the South Easterly property corner of Lot 35 Block 1231 (n/f Shop Rite Realty LLC); thence
- D. Along the dividing line between Lot 46 and Lot 35 in Block 1231, North 12 degrees 09’07” East, a distance of 375.70 feet to the point of place of BEGINNING; and

WHEREAS, while the existing Shop Rite is a permitted use located within the CC Zone, the Leased Area is located within the Township’s RO - Regional Office Zone; and

WHEREAS, Brookdale Shop Rite requests the Mayor and Council amend the Zoning Map to modify the CC Zone boundary line to encompass the Revised Leased Area; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council request the Township of Bloomfield Planning Board determine whether amending the Zoning Map to extend the CC Zone as requested by

Brookdale Shop Rite and further described herein would be consistent with the Township Master Plan, and to make any other recommendations the Board may deem necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. The Zoning Map of the Township of Bloomfield, dated October 6, 2014, and adopted pursuant to §315-34(B) of the Code, shall be amended to include the following portion of Lot 46, Block 1231, and as depicted in SP-1 and described in A-1, within the Township of Bloomfield's CC-Community Commercial Zone:

- A. South 32 degrees 58'03" East, a distance of 51.80 feet to a point; thence
- B. South 77 degrees 50'53" East, a distance of 7.79 feet to a point; thence
- C. South 32 degrees 58'03" East, a distance of 52.92 feet to a point; thence
- D. South 12 degrees 09'07" West, a distance of 278.88 feet to a point on the southerly property line of Lot 46 Block 1231; thence
- E. Along said property line, South 86 degrees 32'07" West, a distance of 85.14 feet to the South Easterly property corner of Lot 35 Block 1231 (n/f Shop Rite Realty LLC); thence
- D. Along the dividing line between Lot 46 and Lot 35 in Block 1231, North 12 degrees 09'07" East, a distance of 375.70 feet to the point of place of BEGINNING.

Section 2. If any part(s) of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such part(s) shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining part of this Ordinance.

Section 3. All ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby rescinded.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with applicable law.

Mayor Venezia asked for comments or questions from the public or town council. Municipal Clerk Louise Palagano read the following from attorney Ralph Salerno who represents Bloomfield ShopRite. Mr. Salerno said, "As you know I represent Brookdale Shoprite, and I am sending you this email in connection with Agenda item Roman number (X) number 1 on behalf of my client, in support of the adoption of the zoning ordinance amendment referred to above. The Reason that the amendment was requested is that after the appropriate site plan approvals were obtained it was discovered that because of

the lease line and zone line combined with the building addition would create additional requirements under the building code and render construction costs to a sum which would make it financially unfeasible to construct the project.

On behalf of my client, we respectfully request that the Mayor and Council adopt this amendment so that the revised project may make the necessary applications to obtain approvals to commence construction.”

Mayor Venezia asked Township Attorney Michael Parlavecchio to explain what this Ordinance will do. Mr. Parlavecchio explained, prior to the last amendment on this project, Bloomfield ShopRite scaled back their expansion so now the Township has amended again the extent of the CC boundary to hold only to what the new expansion would be. It’s smaller than the original expansion in 2018.

Mayor Venezia then asked the Municipal Clerk to call the Roll.

Roll Call showed the following:

RESULT:	ADOPT [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Wartyna Davis, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Ted Gamble, Councilman
AYES:	Mundell, Joanow, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 520 “TAXATION” OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE - L.P. MACARTHUR, LLC

WHEREAS, Chapter 520 of the Code of the Township of Bloomfield Code titled “Taxation” authorizes five year exemptions and abatements from taxation for projects located in the Bloomfield Center Vision Plan Boundary, the CBD zone, B-2 zone, CORD zone and M-1 zone that would qualify for exemption or abatement from taxation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:21-10c and Chapter 520, Section 12 (C) of the Code; and

WHEREAS, L.P. MacArthur, LLC has indicated a desire to construct a project which is eligible for exemption or abatement from taxation under the Chapter 520; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has filed an application for exemption or abatement from taxation with the Township in a timely manner setting forth the information required by the Chapter 520, and the Review Committee has determined that the application is complete; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the municipality has reviewed and evaluated the application, and it has made the following findings and determinations in connection with the application.

A. The project is a commercial or industrial project which is eligible for exemption or abatement

from taxation pursuant to the aforesaid Article.

- B. The project will maintain or provide gainful employment within the municipality.
- C. The project will assist in the economic development of the municipality.
- D. The project will maintain or increase the tax ratable base of the municipality.
- E. The project will maintain or diversify and expand commerce within the municipality.
- F. The economic benefits derived from the project outweigh any negative effects associated with granting the exemption or abatement from taxation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey:

1. The application submitted by the L.P. MacArthur, LLC for the exemption from taxation for the construction of a 25 unit residential rental project located at Block 96, Lot 1(formerly known as Lots 1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10 & 11) on the official Tax Map of the Township of Bloomfield is hereby approved.
2. The form of Five-Year Tax Agreement setting forth the terms and conditions for the exemption from taxation including the formula for the computation of payments in lieu of full property taxation is hereby approved.
3. The Mayor is authorized to execute and the Township Clerk to attest the Five-Year Tax Agreement.
4. The Township Clerk shall forward a copy of the Five-Year Tax Agreement to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs within 30 days after the execution of the Agreement.
5. A copy of the Tax Agreement shall be maintained in the office of the Tax Assessor and in the office of the Tax Collector to ensure compliance with all of the terms and conditions set forth in the Tax Agreement. Furthermore, the Township Clerk shall maintain a copy of all documents, including the Tax Agreement as public records.

There being no comments from the public or Council, Mayor Venezia asked the Municipal Clerk to call the Roll.

Roll Call showed the following:

RESULT:	ADOPT [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ted Gamble, Councilman
SECONDER:	Richard Rockwell, Councilman
AYES:	Mundell, Joanow, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD, COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A CERTAIN EASEMENT AGREEMENT ON A PORTION OF BLOCK 335, LOTS 26, 30, 72-75 FOR THE SOUTH JUNIOR HIGH REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT BEING UNDERTAKEN BY URBAN SMART GROWTH, LLC

WHEREAS, BLOOMFIELD SOUTH JUNIOR HIGH URBAN RENEWAL, LLC, a New Jersey limited liability company, having an address of 1746 North Cherokee Avenue, #1Z, Los Angeles, California (the “**Grantee**”) is the fee owner of certain real property located at Block 335, Lots 26, 30, 72-75 on the Tax Maps of the Township of Bloomfield and commonly known as 177 Franklin Street (the “**Property**”).

WHEREAS, THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD, a New Jersey municipality, having an address of 1 Municipal Plaza, Bloomfield, New Jersey 07003, (the “**Grantor**”) is the fee owner of certain property located at the northwesterly corner of the Property and situated between the Property and Newark Avenue and as more particularly described on Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof (the “**Easement Area**”). Collectively, the Grantee and the Grantor shall be referred to as the “**Parties**”.

WHEREAS, by Resolution adopted March 7, 2006, the Planning Board of the Township of Bloomfield (the “**Board**”) granted the Application of Urban Smart Growth for Preliminary and Final Site Plan approval and for variances pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70(c) for number of parking spaces, lot coverage, building coverage, open space and the proximity of driveways and parking areas to the former South Junior High School building, at property located at 177 Franklin Street, Block 335, Lots 26, 30 and 72-75 in the Township of Bloomfield; and

WHEREAS, on July 13, 2015, the Township Council of the Township of Bloomfield (the “**Township Council**”) by Resolution, designated the Property an area in need of redevelopment now known as the “South Junior High Redevelopment Area” in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A 1 et. seq. (the “**Redevelopment Law**”); and

WHEREAS, the redevelopment plan, known as the Redevelopment Plan for South Junior High School (the “**Redevelopment Plan**”) was prepared on behalf the Board and approved by the Board by resolution on September 13, 2016; and

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2016 the Township Council adopted Ordinance No. 16-41 adopting the Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, Urban Smart Growth, LLC (the “**Redeveloper**”) was designated by the Township as Redeveloper by Resolution No. 14-1 adopted September 25, 2017, and the Redeveloper is an Affiliate of the Grantee; and

WHEREAS, on January 24, 2019, the Township and the Redeveloper entered into a Redevelopment Agreement (the “**Redevelopment Agreement**”) in order to implement the development, design, financing and construction of the proposed project; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agreement provides for the rehabilitation and renovation of the existing building at the Property into a 122-unit residential community; and

WHEREAS, the Grantor has determined to grant the Grantee an easement over the Easement Area to construct and install parking spaces, curbing, iron fencing, storm inlets, landscaping and lighting, (collectively, the “Easement,” as more particularly described on the Concept Plan attached to the form Easement Agreement annexed hereto as Exhibit A) for the benefit of and to facilitate the Redevelopment Project, on the terms and conditions described in the Easement Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Redevelopment Law, the Township may convey property or improvements to any other party without public bidding and at such prices and upon such terms as it deems reasonable, provided such conveyance is made in conjunction with a redevelopment plan (N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-8.g.); and

WHEREAS, the Township is desirous of conveying the Easement to the Grantee in order to effectuate the Redevelopment Project by authorizing the Declaration of Easements.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD, COUNTY OF ESSEX AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The forgoing recitals are incorporated herein as though specifically set forth herein below.

Section 2. The Township Council finds that it is in the best interest of the Township and the Redevelopment Area that the Easement be conveyed to the Grantee.

Section 3. The Township Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and/or his designee to execute and deliver the Easement Agreement in substantially the same form annexed hereto as Exhibit A with any modifications to be approved by the Township Attorney.

Section 4. The Mayor and/or his designee is hereby authorized to amend or execute any other agreements or documents necessary to effectuate the purpose of this Ordinance subject to consultation with and approval by the Township Attorney.

Section 5. The Township Clerk is directed to publish notice of this Ordinance in accordance with law.

Section 6. If any part(s) of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such part(s) shall be severed and the invalidity thereby shall not affect the remaining parts hereof.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with law following final passage.

There being no comments from the public or Council, Mayor Venezia asked the Municipal Clerk to call the Roll.

Roll Call showed the following:

RESULT:	ADOPT [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Richard Rockwell, Councilman
SECONDER:	Jenny Mundell, First Ward Councilwoman
AYES:	Mundell, Joanow, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL CHAPTER 254, “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”, ARTICLE VI “SCHEDULES” § 254-58 SCHEDULE XVIII: “Time Limit Parking”

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 254 “Vehicles and Traffic”, Article VI, “Schedules”, § 254-58, Schedule XVIII: “Time Limit Parking”, of the Code of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, is hereby amended by the deletion of the following:

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Hours/Days Time Limit</u>	<u>Location</u>
Austin Place		1 hr.; 8:00 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday	

Section 2. All ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

There being no comments from the public or Council, Mayor Venezia asked the Municipal Clerk to call the Roll.

Roll Call showed the following:

RESULT:	ADOPT [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jenny Mundell, First Ward Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Nicholas Joanow, Second Ward Councilman
AYES:	Mundell, Joanow, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia

XI. Consent Resolutions

Mayor Venezia called for the Consent Agenda Resolutions, Councilman Gamble moved the following consent agenda and Councilman Rockwell seconded. All present agreed on Resolutions 2-11. Councilman Joanow who abstained on the first resolution.

RESOLUTION: AWARD OF CONTRACT - THIRD RIVER URBAN PARK AND FLOOD PLAIN CREATION PROJECT (Phase 2 LION GATE) TO YOUR WAY CONSTRUCTION, INC.

WHEREAS, after the required legal advertising was published, sealed bids were received in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, Bloomfield, New Jersey on April 8, 2020 by the Township of Bloomfield in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., “Local Public Contracts Law” for the Lion Gate Municipal Complex; and

WHEREAS, a total of eight (8) bids were received and were referred to the Township Engineer for review; and

WHEREAS, Your Way Construction Inc. of Irvington, New Jersey submitted the lowest responsible bid in the amount of \$4,550,368.96 for the Base Bid plus Alternate #1 and Alternate #2 items; and

WHEREAS, after review of the bid, the Township Engineer hereby recommends that the contract be awarded to Your Way Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$4,550,368.96 for the Base Bid plus Alternate items #1 and #2; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance has indicated that funding is available in
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WHEREAS, after review of the bid, the Township Engineer hereby recommends that the contract be awarded to Your Way Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$4,550,368.96 for the Base Bid plus Alternate items #1 and #2; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance has indicated that funding is available in C-04-55-732-007 .

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey hereby accepts the recommendation of the Township Engineer and he may enter into a contract for the above project with Your Way Construction Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$4,550,368.96.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey hereby accepts the recommendation of the Township Engineer and he may enter into a contract for the above project with Your Way Construction Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$4,550,368.96.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [6 TO 0]
MOVER:	Ted Gamble, Councilman
SECONDER:	Richard Rockwell, Councilman
AYES:	Mundell, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia
ABSTAIN:	Nicholas Joanow

For the remaining consent resolutions, Councilman Joanow motioned and Councilwoman Crus seconded. All present agreed and the following Resolutions were adopted.

2020 RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REFERRING TO THE TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD, PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A.

40:55D-26, A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 315 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE, REVISING THE ZONING MAP TO PLACE BLOCK 224, LOTS 7, 9, 10 AND 11 IN THE M-1 ZONE

WHEREAS, Chapter 315, Article V. Zoning, § 315-34 “Establishment of Zones”, of the Township of Bloomfield Code (**the “Code”**) acknowledged in §315-34(B) that the Zoning Map of the Township of Bloomfield was adopted on July 25, 2005, and that the Map depicts the location and boundaries of the 17 zones, two overlay districts and the designated redevelopment areas within the territory of the Township of Bloomfield (**the “Township”**); and

WHEREAS, following a reexamination of the Township Master Plan, the Township adopted an amended Zoning Map on October 6, 2014; and

WHEREAS, §315-34 (A) (15) of the Code established the M-1 Zone - General Industrial (**“M-1 Zone”**) within the Township, which is reflected on the 2014 Zoning Map; and

WHEREAS, §315-38 (K) of the Code sets forth that the intent of the M-1 Zone is to establish areas within which industrial uses may be established and expanded under suitable controls; and

WHEREAS, PSE&G operates their Toney’s Brook Substation located at Block 224 Lot 11, also known as 113 Washington Street, in the Township’s PI or Private Institutional Zone, and has advised the Township of its needs to upgrade and expand their facility due to increased usage and safeguarding from future flood events; and

WHEREAS, the Township has been made aware that PSE&G is under contract to purchase Lots 7, 9 and 10 for the purpose of upgrading the Toney’s Brook Substation on Lot 11, with the four lots totaling 1.32 acres; and

WHEREAS, Lots 7, 9 and 10 are in the R1B Zone and contain existing non-conforming uses, with Lots 7 and 9 consisting of mixed-use buildings with two dwelling units each and Lot 10 consisting of a two dwelling unit home; and

WHEREAS, Lot 11 is in the PI Zone, which does permit public utilities, but the bulk standards of the zone render the property non-conforming; and

WHEREAS, the M-1 Zone includes public utilities as a permitted use and the bulk standards would enable any future expansion without the need for variances; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended that the triangular-shaped area (Block 224, Lots 7, 9, 10 and 11) should be rezoned to M-1 to recognize the existing non-conformity and the expansion/upgrade of the PSE&G Toney's Brook Substation located on Lot; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Land Use Law ("**MLUL**") requires in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26 that all ordinances constituting a development regulation must be referred to the Planning Board for review to determine whether there are any inconsistencies between the proposed ordinance and the Township Master Plan and for any other recommendations the Planning Board may have with respect to the proposed ordinance; and

WHEREAS, concurrently with this resolution, the Mayor and Council have introduced on first reading an Ordinance for the purpose of revising the zoning map to place Block 224 Lots 7, 9, 10 and 11 in the M-1 Zone; and

WHEREAS, by this resolution, the Mayor and Council hereby refer to the Planning Board the aforementioned Ordinance for its review pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, Essex County, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

Section 2. The Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield hereby direct the Township of Bloomfield Planning Board to review, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26, the proposed Ordinance revising the zoning map to place Block 224, Lots 7, 9, 10 and 11 in the M-1 Zone.

Section 3. The Township Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of proposed the Ordinance to the Planning Board for its review.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

RESULT:	APPROVED BY CONSENSUS
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CANCEL TAX RECEIVABLE - BLOCK 33, LOT 17

WHEREAS, the Township Assessor has advised the Tax Collector that the following individuals have applied for and received an exemption from taxes under N.J.S.A. 54:04-03.30 as a “100% permanently and totally disabled veteran”; and

WHEREAS, certain 2019 taxes should be cancelled as a result of the pro-rate exemption effective as detailed below; and

WHEREAS, the total 2019 pro-rated taxes amount to \$1,042.98 as analyzed;

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Date</u>
Joseph & Mary Ann Reilly	42 Grove St.	33	17	\$209.85	1/21/20

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to cancel the amount of \$209.85 from the tax records for the tax year 2019.

RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

2020 RESOLUTION - CLARK AVENUE LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENTS - CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 - FINAL

WHEREAS, the Township of Bloomfield entered into a contract for the Clark Avenue Lead Service Line Replacements with Shauger Property Services, Inc., 429 Dodd Street, East Orange, NJ 07017 (hereinafter “the Contractor”) in the amount of \$218,853.00; and

WHEREAS, during the course of construction, there were adjustments to contract quantities to meet unforeseen, subsurface site conditions that resulted in an increase in the actual, installed contract items; and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 1 - Final represents a \$9,243.87 increase in the original contract price to a final contract amount of \$228,096.87; and

WHEREAS, this represents an overall increase in the contract price of 4.4 percent; and

WHEREAS, the Change Order request was reviewed by the project consultant and the Township Engineer and determined to be necessary; and

WHEREAS, funding is available through the NJ Infrastructure Bank Loan and within the Bloomfield Water Department Capital Account # W-06-55-592-500; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council, based on the recommendation of the Township Engineer is satisfied that the Change Order should be approved; and

WHEREAS, this Change Order was found to be beneficial and necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that Change Order No. 1 - Final is hereby approved and the Chief Financial Officer of the Township of Bloomfield is hereby authorized to adjust payment for this work.

RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

2020 RESOLUTION EMERGENCY REPAIR AUTHORIZATION

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2020 the Bloomfield Department of Public Works and Parks was notified of a sanitary sewer back-up within the sewer main located in the vicinity of 1169-1173 Broad Street. Upon arrival of personnel from the Public Works Sewer Department, the sewer main was found to be backing up with the sewage backing up into the manholes. The crew attempted to clear the blockage using the sewer jet/vactor truck but were unsuccessful in maintaining proper flow in a permanent manner. It was noted that the truck was pulling back broken rocks and stone which is indicative of a sewer main collapse.; and

WHEREAS, it became apparent that this situation was critical in that it would not be possible to adequately clear the line and maintain safe and proper service to the residences and businesses connected to this main; and

WHEREAS, without properly and permanently repairing this collapse, it constituted a risk to the general public if sewage began to discharge into the basements of buildings and out of the manholes onto a public street; and

WHEREAS, the determination was made by the Public Works Department and confirmed by the Bloomfield Engineering Department that an outside utility contractor was required to immediately repair the sewer collapse; and

WHEREAS, Montana Construction, 80 Contant Avenue, Lodi, New Jersey 07644 (the Vendor) was able to answer the emergency call within the short time frame and subsequently dispatched a crew to make an emergency repair; and

WHEREAS, the emergency work commenced on January 22, 2020 and was completed in one work day and included the following actions;

- Excavation to install approximately 20 linear feet of new sewer line. The sewer was at a depth of over ten feet.
- Backfill, compaction and installation of new roadway asphalt to restore the repair area.
- Police traffic direction to maintain proper and safe traffic flow and protection throughout the duration of the work; and

WHEREAS, the final cost of the emergency work was \$24,405.92; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified the availability of funds to pay the contract in capital account C-04-55-716-987; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-6 and the Township Code, the

approval of the Council of the Township of Bloomfield is required in order to make payment to the vendors, for the contract price of the Services;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD:

1. That payment to the vendor be made part hereof, of the contract prices for the Emergency Repairs to the sewer in the vicinity of 1169-1173 Broad Street in the aggregate amount not to exceed \$24,405.92 are hereby approved.
2. That said payment represents the total cost of the work.
3. That the Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield forward two (2) certified copies of this resolution to the Chief Financial Officer and one copy to the Township Engineer.

RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MUNICIPAL SERVICES ACT AGREEMENT FOR MULTI-FAMILY DWELLING UNITS (FOREST HILLS APARTMENT COMPLEX)

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:66-1-2 et seq., the Township of Bloomfield is required either to perform certain specified services for a Multi-family Dwelling or to reimburse the Multi-family Dwelling Owner (“MDO”) to the extent specified by the statute for the actual reasonable costs of the MDO providing solid waste collection, including removal of recyclable material.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes the Mayor or his designee to execute the attached Municipal Services Act Agreement with Forest Hill Properties Owner IV, LP, operating at the property known as Forest Hills Apartment Complex, 115 Davey Street, Bloomfield, New Jersey.

RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

RESOLUTION: TEMPORARY WAIVER OF THE SIDEWALK CAFÉ LICENSE FEE FOR 2020

WHEREAS, Chapter 466 the Code of the Township of Bloomfield governs the licensing and operation of Sidewalk Cafes within the Township of Bloomfield; and

WHEREAS, Section 466-5 of the Code requires a fee for an outdoor sidewalk café license, which shall be issued for the six-month period commencing May 1 and ending October 31 of the particular year; and

WHEREAS, many residents and business owners in the Township of Bloomfield, like those throughout the state and nation, have been adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, Governor Phil Murphy’s Executive Orders have ordered either the closure or reduced operation of businesses in the state, while many other businesses have been forced to shutter as a result of the stay at home orders; and

WHEREAS, when the State lifts restrictions to once again allow Bloomfield restaurants to welcome patrons, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield want to reduce barriers to reopening by eliminating the outdoor sidewalk café license fee for 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, that the fee required for an outdoor sidewalk café license shall be waived for 2020 licenses; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, all other licensing requirements of Chapter 466 shall remain in effect.

RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZING A TEMPORARY WAIVER OF THE BLOOMFIELD CENTER ALLIANCE ANNUAL AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019

WHEREAS, The Bloomfield Center Alliance, Inc., (“BCA”) is an entity incorporated pursuant to Title 15A of the New Jersey Statutes and designated by Chapter 99 of the Township of Bloomfield Code (the “Code”) to receive funds collected by a special improvement assessment within the special improvement district, as authorized by the Code and any amendatory supplementary ordinances; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:56-88, and further required by Section 99-9 (D) of the Code, the BCA shall cause an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions to be made and filed with the Council and for that purpose shall employ a certified public accountant of New Jersey. The annual audit shall be completed and filed with the governing body within four months after the close of the fiscal year of the corporation; and

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2020, a destructive fire destroyed both levels of the building within which the BCA maintained its offices, destroying all BCA hardcopy records since inception; and

WHEREAS, the BCA was able to extract 2019 financial transactions from its accounting system prior to the fire as a first step in the audit process, but it did not have an opportunity to retain 2019 records for review; and

WHEREAS, to the extent permitted by law, and considering the destruction of property and records described herein, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield finds it reasonable to waive the requirement that BCA complete and file its annual audit for Fiscal Year 2019 within the time specified in the Code. Now, Therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, that the requirement for The Bloomfield Center Alliance, Inc., to complete and file its annual audit for Fiscal Year 2019 within the time specified in the Code is hereby waived, to the extent permitted by law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the BCA may file its annual audit for Fiscal Year 2019, to the extent possible, at the time it completes and files its annual audit for Fiscal Year 2020.

RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZING TITLE CHANGE FROM CLERK TO CASHIER FOR STEPHANIE CANDELARIA, EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020

WHEREAS, a vacancy presently exists in the position of Cashier within the Township of Bloomfield's Finance Department; and

WHEREAS, Stephanie Candelaria is currently working in the Municipal Violations Department as a Clerk and has indicated a desire to become a Cashier in the Finance Department; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance recommends that Stephanie Candelaria be appointed to the position of Cashier effective June 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the candidate must successfully pass their 90 day review period to remain as a Cashier; and

WHEREAS, if the reviews are unsatisfactory, the employee will be returned to their prior position as a Clerk, and

WHEREAS, the position of Cashier is classified as non-exempt for purposes of the FLSA, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Bloomfield have determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to appoint Stephanie Candelaria to perform these duties and responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance has indicated that funding is available for this appointment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, that Stephanie Candelaria is hereby appointed to Cashier within the Finance Department for the Township of Bloomfield, effective June 1, 2020, at step one of the salary guide for that position.

RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS - BOARD OF HEALTH

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield has the duty and responsibility to appoint members of the Board of Health.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey hereby acknowledges the following appointment:

Name	Expires
Chelsea Fosse	12/31/22

RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD APPROVAL BILL LIST FOR MAY 18, 2020

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, hereby approves and authorizes the Finance Department to release the attached/or listed below invoices for payment.

RESULT: APPROVED BY CONSENSUS

XII. Resolutions

Mayor Venezia called for the following resolution. Councilwoman Cruz motioned and Councilwoman Davis seconded.

RESOLUTION: BUDGET INTRODUCTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

WHEREAS, the Township Administrator recommends that the Mayor and Council introduce the attached budget; and

WHEREAS, based upon the Township Administrator's recommendation the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey desires to approve

the local municipal budget for the Fiscal Year 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield hereby approves the following as the Budget for the Fiscal Year 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following statement of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk shall publish the budget as required by law.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held virtually via the application Zoom and streamed live via the Township website and WBMA-TV Channel 35, on June 22, 2020 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. at which time and place objection to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2020 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons via a conference call line that will be published prior to the meeting.

General Appropriation for: Municipal Appropriations within "CAPS"	\$ 71,814,382.78
Municipal Appropriations Excluded from "CAPS"	\$ 13,556,851.30
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes TOTAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS	<u>\$ 4,725,000.00</u>
	\$90,096,234.08
Less: Anticipated Revenues Other Than Current Property Taxes	<u>\$ 28,086,838.40</u>
Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget (a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes including the Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	<u>\$60,347,369.81</u>
(c) Minimum Library Tax	<u>\$1,662,025.87</u>

There being no comments from the public or Council, Mayor Venezia asked the Municipal Clerk to call the Roll.

Roll Call showed the following:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Sarah Cruz, Third Ward Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Wartyna Davis, Councilwoman
AYES:	Mundell, Joanow, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia

XIII. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business at this time.

XIV. New Business

Mayor Venezia called for New Business. Councilwoman Davis moved the first resolution and Councilman Gamble seconded.

RESOLUTION: APPOINTING CHRISTOPHER KLEINKNECHT TO PUBLIC SAFETY TELE-COMMUNICATOR

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Safety recommends that Christopher Kleinknecht be appointed to the position of Public Safety Tele-communicator, effective May 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance has certified that funding is available for this position in the Police Department Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, that Christopher Kleinknecht is hereby appointed to the position of Public Safety Tele-communicator for the Bloomfield Police Department effective May 19, 2020, at the first step of the salary guide for a Public Safety Tele-communicator, as set forth in the ordinance for that position.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the title of Public Safety Tele-communicator is a non-exempt position within the Township of Bloomfield.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this appointment is subject to the Bloomfield Township Town Code Chapter 88 Residency Requirements, which requires the employee to be a bona fide resident of the Township of Bloomfield and to maintain such a residency and failure of any such employee to maintain residency in the Township of Bloomfield shall be cause for removal and discharged from employment.

There being no comments from the public or Council, Mayor Venezia asked the Municipal Clerk to call

the Roll.

Roll Call showed the following:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Wartyna Davis, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Ted Gamble, Councilman
AYES:	Mundell, Joanow, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia

Councilwoman Davis motioned the second resolution and Councilman Rockwell seconded.

RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE CARES ACT REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ESSEX

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus has caused economic damage and hardships to states, counties and municipalities throughout the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020 the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act (the "CARES Act") was signed by President Donald J. Trump; and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act was enacted, among other purposes, in order to combat the economic damage caused to states, counties and municipalities because of the Coronavirus; and

WHEREAS, the County has received CARES Act funds from the United States Treasury (the "Stimulus Funds") to be used to reimburse the County and the municipalities and agencies within the County (the "Municipalities") including the Township of Bloomfield due to economic damage caused to them by the Coronavirus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute the CARES Act Reimbursement Agreement with the County of Essex.

There being no comments from the public or Council, Mayor Venezia asked the Municipal Clerk to call the Roll.

Roll Call showed the following:

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Wartyna Davis, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Richard Rockwell, Councilman
AYES:	Mundell, Joanow, Cruz, Davis, Gamble, Rockwell, Venezia

XV. Miscellaneous

There were no miscellaneous items at this time.

XVI. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Council, Mayor Venezia asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was moved by Councilman Rockwell, seconded by Councilman Gamble and agreed to by all of the Councilmembers who were present. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise M. Palagano