AGENDA

BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, WARREN COUNTY, NJ December 01, 2020 7:00 PM

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

The requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 have been satisfied in that adequate notice of this meeting has been published in the Express-Times (Warren County Edition) and posted on the Boroughs website stating the time, place and purpose of the meeting as required by law.

ROLL CALL Conry, Cox, Duchemin, Noone, Norris, Valle, Higgins.

AUDIENCE/COUNCIL APPEARANCE

1. Mel Thiel, Executive Director of the BID

MINUTES-Regular and Executive Session Meeting Minutes

Regular:

November 10, 2020

Executive

None

NEW BUSINESS

Animal Control Shared Service Change of Lead Agency-Agreement

DISCUSSION

Solid Waste Memo

ORDINANCES-2nd Reading

ORDINANCE 2020-14
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON,
IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL EMERGENCY
APPROPRIATION OF \$155,000.00 PROVIDING FOR THE
FUNDING OF A DEFICIT IN OPERATIONS OF THE
BOROUGH DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO COVID-19
WHICH IS ANTICIPATED TO BE EXPERIENCED BY THE
BOROUGH IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR

RESOLUTIONS

• **RESOLUTION 2020-157-**RESOLUTION ENDORSING A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS OF THE COUNTY OF WARREN MADE A PART HEREOF TEN DOLLAR (\$10) REIMBURSEMENT OF STATE PERMIT

Resolutions 2020-158,159 &160 look similar -3 different condos (qualifiers) with the same owner and Block/Lot.

- RESOLUTION 2020-158- RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE
- RESOLUTION 2020-159-RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE
- RESOLUTION 2020-160-RESOLUTION FOR REDEMPTION OF TAX CERTIFICATE

OLD BUSINESS

REPORTS

1. Washington Township Police Department-October Report

VOUCHERS

RECAP

COUNCIL REMARKS

EXECUTIVE SESSION-Contractual-Clerk

ADJOURNMENT P.M.



Mission Statement

The Washington Borough Business Improvement District is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation formed as a legal self-governing body, funded through an assessment on business property. The WBID creates an environment where business and government can work together to promote opportunities, enhance the shopping experience, and preserve the cultural, historic, tourist and civic interests of the district.

Its functions include:

Serving the special improvement district, the business community, and the municipal government to formulate, promote and implement the economic revitalization and general welfare of the special improvement district and the Borough of Washington;

Mobilizing available public and private resources for the purposes set forth herein;

Providing a mechanism by which service firms, retail establishments, property owners, citizens and others can cooperate to promote business opportunities, employment, consumer choices, shoppers' facilities, and the general civil interest;

Doing any other act incidental to or connected with the foregoing purposes or any advancement thereof, either directly or indirectly, either alone or in conjunction or cooperation with others; to do any and all lawful acts and to engage in any and all lawful activities which may be necessary, useful, suitable, desirable or proper for the furtherance, accomplishment, fostering or attainment of any or all purposes for which the Corporation is organized; and to aid or assist other organizations whose activities are such as to further accomplish, foster or attain any of such purposes.

ORDINANCE 2020-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION OF \$155,000.00 PROVIDING FOR THE FUNDING OF A DEFICIT IN OPERATIONS OF THE BOROUGH DIRECTLY ATTRIBUTABLE TO COVID-19 WHICH IS ANTICIPATED TO BE EXPERIENCED BY THE BOROUGH IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New Jersey (the "State") has heretofore declared a public health emergency and a state of emergency in response to the outbreak of the coronavirus disease 2019 as announced by the World Health Organization on February 11, 2020, and first identified in Wuhan, China ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(m) provides that a municipality may, subject to the approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (the "Director"), adopt an ordinance providing for a special emergency appropriation for the funding of a deficit in operations of the Borough directly attributable to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Washington, in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") has executed a certification in the form prescribed by the Director, certifying that the deficit balance anticipated to be reported on the Borough's "Results of Operations" schedule of the annual financial statement for the current fiscal year is \$155,000; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted on November 10, 2020, the Municipal Council of the Borough approved such certification, together with the Borough's application to the Director seeking approval of the adoption of this ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has applied for financial assistance that may be available to the Borough from the federal government, the State and other sources to offset such anticipated operating deficit balance, and has obtained \$0.00 for such purpose (which amount will be utilized to offset such anticipated operating deficit balance);

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the Borough has determined to provide for the funding of such anticipated operating deficit balance, as offset by the amount of financial assistance received, in the net amount of \$155,000; and

WHEREAS, the Borough seeks to make a special emergency appropriation in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(m).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF WASHINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF WARREN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53(m), the sum of \$155,000 is hereby appropriated for the funding of a deficit in operations of the Borough directly attributable to COVID-19 which is anticipated to be experienced by the Borough in the current (2020) fiscal year, and the same shall be deemed a special emergency appropriation as defined and provided for in N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53.

Section 2. The portion of the authorization financed shall be provided for in succeeding annual budgets by the inclusion of at least one fifth of the amount authorized by this ordinance beginning in the year after the year in which the resulting deferred charge appears in the Borough's unaudited financial statements, as provided in N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55.

Section 3. The Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are each hereby authorized and directed to determine all matters in connection with the special emergency appropriation not

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determined by this or a subsequent ordinance, all in consultation with the Borough Attorney or

Bond Counsel, and the manual or facsimile signature of the Borough's Mayor or Chief Financial

Officer upon any documents shall be conclusive as to all such determinations. The Mayor, Chief

Financial Officer, Clerk and any other Borough Representative, including but not limited to, Bond

Counsel, the Borough Attorney, Municipal Advisor and the Auditor (collectively, the "Borough

Representatives"), are each hereby authorized and directed to take such actions or refrain from

such actions as are necessary to undertake the special emergency appropriation, including but not

limited to, the negotiation of any and all contracts, agreements and documents for the special

emergency appropriation, and any all such actions or inactions taken by the aforesaid Borough

Representatives heretofore are hereby ratified and confirmed, *nunc pro tunc*.

Section 4. A copy of this ordinance shall be filed with the Director of the Division of

Local Government Services.

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as Section 5.

required by law; provided that the approval of the Director has been obtained.

Introduced: November 10, 2020

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