

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
REGULAR MAYOR & COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 4, 2018 - 7:00 PM

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK:

The Mission of the Highland Park Borough Council is to establish a government based upon the principles of good government: ethics, efficiency and the effective provision of services.

The Borough Council is committed to creating a thriving community, which is sustainable economically, environmentally and socially.

The Borough Council is further committed to creating a community which values its unique and diverse populations and encourages direct public participation in the governing process.

AGENDA

* Denotes Consent Agenda Posted Items. Ordinarily, consent agenda items, pursuant to Ordinance No. 918, are not read nor debated unless there is a request by a member of Council or the public. Furthermore, unless requested by a member of Council for a separate vote, all consent agenda items, as per Council's Rules of Order, Article IV, shall be considered in the form of one **MOTION**.

1. Call to Order and Open Public Meetings Statement.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Roll Call.
4. Middlesex Water Company Presentation – Hydrant Flushing.
5. Council Reports.
6. Borough Administrator's Report.
7. Borough Attorney's Report.
8. Mayor's Report.
9. Public Discussion. (15 minutes)
10. Clerk reports introduction of Boards, Committees and Commissions Ordinance Amendment for consideration of passage on first reading by title.
 - a. **MOTION** to adopt/reject and advertise ordinance on first reading by title.
(Resolution No. 12-18-327) **ROLL CALL VOTE**
11. Clerk reports introduction of Property Acquisition Ordinance for consideration of passage on first reading by title.
 - a. **MOTION** to adopt/reject and advertise ordinance on first reading by title.
(Resolution No. 12-18-328) **ROLL CALL VOTE**

12. Clerk reports introduction of 31 River Road Redevelopment Plan for consideration of passage on first reading by title.
 - a. **MOTION** to adopt/reject and advertise ordinance on first reading by title.
(Resolution No. 12-18-329) **ROLL CALL VOTE**

13. Clerk reports introduction of Water & Sewer Ordinance Amendment for consideration of passage on first reading by title.
 - a. **MOTION** to adopt/reject and advertise ordinance on first reading by title.
(Resolution No. 12-18-329A) **ROLL CALL VOTE**

CONSENT AGENDA - **MOTION** to adopt the following starred (*) items:

ROLL CALL VOTE

14. *12-18-330 Resolution Amending Annual Salary Resolution.
15. *12-18-331 Resolution to Approve 2019 Taxi Owners.
16. *12-18-332 Resolution to Approve 2019 Taxi Operators.
17. *12-18-333 Resolution to Schedule 2019 Adjourned and Reorganization Meetings.
18. *12-18-334 Resolution to Approve Wrecker License – Majestic Towing.
19. *12-18-335 Resolution to Approve Pay Estimate #5 – Tri-Form Construction for Teen Center Building Project.
20. *12-18-336 Resolution to Transfer Tax Payments to Water/Sewer Utility Accounts.
21. *12-18-337 Resolution to Approve Off-Premises Raffle – Transfiguration of the Lord Church.
22. *12-18-338 Resolution Designating 31 River Road as a Non-Condemnation Area in Need of Redevelopment.
23. *12-18-339 Resolution to Authorize Submission of Strategic Plan for Municipal Alliance Grant for Fiscal Year 2020.
24. *12-18-340 Resolution Objecting to Regulation Proposed by the United States Department of Homeland Security.
25. *12-18-341 Resolution Supporting Settlement Agreement Modifying PBA Contract with Regard to Sick Leave.
26. *12-18-342 Resolution Authorizing Submission of HDSRF Grant to NJDEP for Remediation Investigation at Classic Cleaners.
27. *12-18-343 Resolution Authorizing Professional Services Contract to Excel Environmental to do Preliminary Assessment at 101 Raritan Avenue.

- 28. *12-18-344 Resolution Authorizing Submission and Execution of NJDEP Radon Awareness Grant.
- 29. *12-18-345 Resolution to Remove Property from Tax Sale Due to Water & Sewer Payment Plan.
- 30. *12-18-346 Resolution to Approve Bills List.

***MOTION** adopt/reject

ROLL CALL VOTE

31. Open items.

- a.
- b.
- c.
- d.

32. Public Discussion.

33. *12-18-347 Executive Session: Property Acquisition/Litigation (Affordable Housing).

MOTION adopt/reject.

ROLL CALL VOTE

34. **MOTION** to adjourn to Conference Meeting and/or Executive Session.

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-327

RESOLUTION: Council as a Whole

WHEREAS, an Ordinance entitled, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY INCORPORATING INTO CHAPTER 9 OF THE "CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, 2010" VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS IN LIEU OF RECONSTITUTING SAID BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS ANNUALLY BY RESOLUTION, has been introduced and duly passed on first reading;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that this Council meet at the Borough Hall, 221 South Fifth Avenue, Highland Park, New Jersey, on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 7:00 PM, for the purpose of considering said Ordinance on final passage after public hearing thereon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said a Notice of Pending Ordinance and Summary of said Ordinance be published once at least one (1) week prior to the time fixed for further consideration of said Ordinance for final passage in the "Home News Tribune", of East Brunswick, New Jersey, a newspaper published in the County of Middlesex and circulating in this municipality, there being no newspaper published daily in this municipality, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage as aforesaid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of said Ordinance shall be posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall, 221 South Fifth Avenue, Highland Park, New Jersey, forthwith and that the Borough Clerk have available in her office for the members of the general public of Highland Park copies of said Ordinance for those members of the general public who may request the same.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Fine				
Foster-Dublin				
George				
Hale				
Kim-Chohan				
Welkovits				

**BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
ORDINANCE NO. 18-**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY
INCORPORATING INTO CHAPTER 9 OF THE "CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND
PARK, 2010" VARIOUS BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS IN LIEU OF
RECONSTITUTING SAID BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS ANNUALLY BY
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Chapter 9 of the "Code of the Borough of Highland Park, 2010" establishes various Boards, Committees and Commissions that are constituted with Borough of Highland Park residents who volunteer to serve the Borough on various Boards, Committees and Commissions addressing issues related to the quality of life within said Borough; and

WHEREAS, there are a number of Boards, Committees and Commissions that have been reconstituted annually by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park wish to include said Boards, Committees and Commissions which heretofore have been annually reconstituted as a part of said Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park, Middlesex County as follows:

1. The "Code of the Borough of Highland Park, 2010" is amended by adding to Chapter 9 the following additional Articles so as to incorporate all Boards, Committees and Commissions to become a part of said Code:

**ARTICLE X
COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY COMMITTEE**

Section 9-52. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Community Food Pantry Committee.

Section 9-53. Appointment.

The Highland Park Community Food Pantry Committee shall consist of the following:

- i. The Mayor;
- ii. The Chair of the Borough Council Standing Committee on Health and Welfare;
- iii. Twelve (12) Regular Members and two (2) Alternate Members, who shall be residents of the Borough of Highland Park, to be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council annually.

Section 9-54. Powers and Duties.

This Committee shall conduct the following activities:

1. To staff and run the activities of the Highland Park Food Bank which shall be phased in the Highland Park Community Center.
2. Coordinate with the Middlesex County Food Organization & Outreach Distribution Services (M.C.F.O.O.D.S.) for the collection and distribution of food and necessities to assist those in need in Highland Park.

3. Prepare a plan of operation for the local Food Pantry and eligibility guidelines for recipients of the distributed products.
4. Recruit volunteers to assist in the activities and operation of the Food Pantry.
5. Prepare a report to the Mayor and Council annually on their recommendations as to the following matters:
 - i. The proposed composition and duties of the Food Pantry Committee; and
 - ii. Matters which they deem appropriate and necessary to the smooth operation of the Food Pantry Committee.

**ARTICLE XIII
DIGITAL DATA GOVERNMENT TASK FORCE**

Section 9-67. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Digital Data Government Task Force.

Section 9-68. Appointment.

- A. The Highland Park Digital Data Government Task Force shall consist of eight (8) members as follows: a Chair who shall be a Borough of Highland Park Resident; the Borough of Highland Park Administrator; the Borough of Highland Park Municipal Clerk; the Borough of Highland Park IT Coordinator; a Member of the Borough of Highland Park Public Information Committee; the Borough of Highland Park Council Liaison; a Resident of the Borough of Highland Park and a Representative from the Bloustein School.
- B. All members of the Borough of Highland Park Digital Data Government Task Force shall be appointed annually by the Mayor with the advice and consent of Council annually.

Section 9-69. Powers and Duties.

The Borough of Highland Park Digital Data Government Task Force shall be responsible for researching and identifying ways to digitize the Borough of Highland data.

**ARTICLE XIV
EMPLOYEE SAFETY COMMITTEE**

Section 9-70. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Employee Safety Committee.

Section 9-71. Appointment.

The Highland Park Employee Safety Committee shall be made up of eleven (11) members consisting of the Insurance Commissioner, one representative from each of the four bargaining units and one Department Head or representative from each of the Borough buildings, to be

appointed by the Mayor and with the advice and consent by the Council annually. Donald Newton shall serve as the Safety Coordinator for the Borough of Highland Park.

Section 9-72. Powers and Duties.

The Borough of Highland Park Employee Safety Committee shall advise the Mayor and Council as to policies that should be utilized for the safety of all employees of the Borough of Highland Park.

**ARTICLE XV
"HP GIVES A HOOT" COMMITTEE**

Section 9-73. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the "HP Give a Hoot" Committee.

Section 9-74. Appointment.

The Highland Park "Gives a Hoot" Committee shall consist of eight (8) regular members, to be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Borough Council annually.

Section 9-75. Powers and Duties.

The "HP Gives a Hoot" Committee shall administer a non-profit fund that will solicit and collect funds to be utilized for various programs for the well-being of Highland Park students in need.

**ARTICLE XVI
PARKING REVIEW TASK FORCE**

Section 9-76. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Parking Review Task Force.

Section 9-77. Appointment.

The Parking Review Task Force shall be composed of all members of the Borough Council, representatives of Main Street Highland Park, the Highland Park Redevelopment Entity, the Borough Administrator, representatives from the Highland Park Department of Public Works and the Highland Park Police Department with additional Borough of Highland Park residents as determined by the Mayor and Council, said members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council annually.

Section 9-78. Powers and Duties.

The Parking Review Task Force shall study public and private parking facilities, regulations and on-going concerns with parking in the Borough of Highland Park. Said Task Force shall also report its findings and recommendations to the Mayor and Council from time to time to address concerns relating to parking throughout the Borough of Highland Park.

**ARTICLE XVII
PUBLIC INFORMATION COMMISSION**

Section 9-79. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Public Information Commission.

Section 9-80. Appointment.

The Public Information Commission shall be comprised of nine (9) at-large members, all of whom shall be residents of the Borough of Highland Park. The Mayor and Chair of said Commission shall also identify non-voting liaisons representing the following agencies:

- A. Main Street Highland Park.
- B. Highland Park Public Library.
- C. HPTV.
- D. Highland Park Public Schools.
- E. Highland Park Police Department.

Each member shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council for a two (2) year term; however, four (4) of the at-large members shall be appointed for a term of one (1) year and the remaining five (5) at-large members shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years.

Section 9-81. Powers and Duties.

The Public Information Commission shall provide advice and recommendations to the Mayor and Council to assist the governing body to better communicate with the residents of the Borough of Highland Park making said residents aware of events, programs, requirements and other public issues. Said Commission shall assist the governing body concerning the development of a comprehensive public communications program for the Borough of Highland Park in order to advise and educate said residents with regard to various public events, programs, requirements and other public issues. The Commission shall also oversee and coordinate the efforts of the Cable Television Advisory Committee, the Highland Park Quarterly, the Borough of Highland Park website, the Borough of Highland Park e-mail system and any and all other modes of public communication utilized by the Borough of Highland Park.

**ARTICLE XVIII
RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Section 9-82. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Recreation Advisory Committee.

Section 9-83. Appointment.

The Recreation Advisory Committee shall consist of 13 members as follows:

- A. Two (2) secondary school students attending school within the Borough of Highland Park as recommended to the Mayor and Council by the principals of their respective schools;
- B. Eleven (11) additional members, two (2) of whom may be non-residents of the Borough of Highland Park. Said members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council annually.

Section 9-84. Powers and Duties.

The Recreation Advisory Committee shall provide recommendations to the Mayor and Council and the Department of Recreation with regard to the planning, funding and supervising of recreation programs to be undertaken by said Department. The Committee shall meet at least quarterly and have the following additional responsibilities:

- A. Advise the Recreation Director on recreation matters within the Borough;
- B. Facilitate communication between residents and the Recreation Department staff;
- C. Assist with program operations and supervision when requested by the Recreation Department Director; and
- D. Assist with fund raising and sponsorship activities for the Recreation Department.

**ARTICLE XIX
MAYOR'S TEEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Section 9-85. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Mayor's Teen Advisory Committee.

Section 9-86. Appointment.

The Mayor's Teen Advisory Committee shall have the following membership and organization:

- A. The Committee shall be comprised of an Executive Committee and a General Membership as follows:

1. The Executive Committee shall be comprised of seven (7) members as follows:

a. Two (2) of the seven (7) members shall be adult advisors appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council; and

b. The remaining five (5) members shall be chosen by a majority vote of the General Membership.

c. The terms of office for the members of the Teens Advisory Executive Committee shall be as follows:

- i. A term of two (2) years for the two (2) adult supervisors appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Borough Council to serve until

the appointment and qualification of their successors; and

- ii. A term of two (2) years for two (2) of the remaining five (5) members elected by the General Membership, to serve annually until the election and qualification of their successors; and
- iii. A term of one (1) year for three (3) of the remaining five (5) members elected by the General Membership, to serve until the election and qualification of their successors.

Section 9-87. Powers and Duties.

The Mayor's Teen Advisory Committee shall administer, plan and manage the teen and youth initiatives of the Borough of Highland Park strictly as an advisory body with no power to regulate or promulgate rules and regulations. The Executive Committee shall report to the Mayor and Council on a regular basis concerning the Mayor's Task Force Advisory Committee Activities. Advice and recommendations shall be provided with regard to the Operation and Programming of the Teen Center. The Mayor's Teen Advisory Committee shall also make recommendations to foster better communication with teens living in the Borough of Highland Park and facilitate more teen involvement within said Borough.

**ARTICLE XX
REHABILITATION AND REDEVELOPMENT SCREENING COMMITTEE**

Section 9-88. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Rehabilitation and Redevelopment Screening Committee.

Section 9-89. Appointment.

The Rehabilitation and Redevelopment Screening Committee shall consist of the following:

- A. Two (2) members of the Highland Park Planning Board; and
- B. Two (2) members of the Highland Park Board of Adjustment; and
- C. Two (2) members of the Highland Park Redevelopment Entity; and
- D. Two (2) members of Main Street.

All members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Borough Council annually.

Section 9-90. Powers and Duties.

The Borough of Highland Park has been declared to be an Area in Need of Rehabilitation under *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14 et seq.* The Rehabilitation and Redevelopment Screening Committee shall review preliminary proposals for development upon referral of the Borough of Highland Park Planning Consultant.

**ARTICLE XXI
SHARED SERVICES COMMISSION**

Section 9-91. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Shared Services Commission.

Section 9-92. Appointment.

The Shared Services Commission shall consist of ten (10) members who shall be either residents or employees of the Borough of Highland Park as follows:

- A. One (1) additional to serve as Chairperson.
- B. One (1) representative of the Borough of Highland Park.
- C. Two (2) representatives of the Highland Park Board of Education.
- D. One (1) representative of the Highland Park Police Department.
- E. One (1) representative of the Highland Park Department of Public Works.
- F. One (1) representative of the Highland Park Free Public Library.
- G. One (1) representative of the Highland Park Housing Authority.
- H. Two (2) additional Highland Park residents.

All members of the Shared Services Commission shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of Council annually.

Section 9-93. Powers and Duties.

The Shared Services Commission shall be responsible for exploring and recommending to the Mayor and Council potential revenue/savings opportunities for the Borough of Highland Park to pursue with other local government entities.

**ARTICLE XXII
HIGHLAND PARK WELLNESS COMMITTEE**

Section 9-94. Appointment.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Highland Park Wellness Committee.

Section 9-95. Appointment.

The Mayor with the advice and consent of Council, shall appoint annually such number of residents of the Borough of Highland Park which the governing body deems appropriate to make recommendations to said governing body for strategies to promote active living, health eating and overall wellness within said Borough.

Section 9-96. Powers and Duties.

The Highland Park Wellness Committee shall work strategically to identify, create and encourage opportunities for increased wellness for residents of the Borough of Highland Park Community. This may take the form of recommending the implementation of comprehensive outreach programs, educational programs and technical assistance activities to combat obesity and inactivity.

**ARTICLE XXIII
SUSTAINABLE HIGHLAND PARK COMMITTEE**

Section 9-97. Creation and Reconstitution.

The Mayor and Council hereby create and reconstitute as a part of this Code the Sustainable Highland Park Committee.

Section 9-98. Appointment.

The Sustainable Highland Park Committee shall consist of eleven (11) Borough of Highland Park residents or employees as appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council annually.

Section 9-99. Powers and Duties.

The Sustainable Highland Park Committee shall have the following responsibilities:

- A. To research and recommend advancing sustainable practices and actions included in the Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification Program; and
- B. Make recommendations to the Mayor and Council which shall strive to save tax dollars, assure clean air and water, improve working and living environments to build a community that is sustainable economically, environmentally and socially so that the community of the Borough of Highland Park will thrive well into the new century; and
- C. Recommend a model of government which benefits Borough of Highland Park residents now and far into the future with green and sustainable community initiatives which are easy to replicate and affordable to implement; and
- D. Focus on all sustainability issues which the Committee deems appropriate for the Borough of Highland Park as well as serve as the Borough's Green Team, the agents for the Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification process; and
- E. Lead and coordinate sustainability activity for the Borough of Highland Park including achieving a certification from Sustainable Jersey Municipal Certification Program.

**ARTICLE XXIV
BIAS-FREE COMMISSION**

Section 9-100. Creation.

The Mayor and Council hereby create the Bias-Free Commission ("BFC").

Section 9-101. Appointment.

The BFC shall consist of seven (7) Members all of which shall be residents of the Borough of Highland Park. At least three (3) of said Members shall also be Members of the Highland Park Human Relations Commissions. The Councilperson who serves as liaison to the Highland Park Human Relations Commission shall also serve as liaison to the BFC. Members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council annually.

Section 9-102. Powers and Duties.

The BFC shall have the following responsibilities:

- a) Collect a detailed inventory of anti-bias training programs currently implemented by Highland Park for its employees.
- b) Collect and catalogue bias complaints and incidents of bias crimes committed in Highland Park.
- c) Collect and catalogue bias complaints against Highland Park Employees.
- d) Research and identify mechanisms for improving public reporting of racial bias incidents occurring in Highland Park.
- e) Use the various data sources listed above to suggest methods of improvement.
- f) Provide a quarterly report on Bias in Highland Park to the Human Relations Commission, The Mayor and the Highland Park Council.
- g) Such other projects and tasks as may be assigned by the Mayor and Council.

2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication provided for by law.

Introduced and Passed on
First Reading by Title: December 4, 2018

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Joan Hullings
BOROUGH CLERK

Gayle Brill Mittler
MAYOR

DRAFT

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-328

RESOLUTION: Economic Development and Planning Committee

WHEREAS, an Ordinance entitled, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK IN MIDDLESEX COUNTY AUTHORIZING PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-3 ET SEQ. THE ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 173, LOTS 41-49 AND BLOCK 89, LOT 13 BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK TAX MAP AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$3,500,000.00 FOR SAID ACQUISITIONS, has been introduced and duly passed on first reading;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that this Council meet at the Borough Hall, 221 South Fifth Avenue, Highland Park, New Jersey, on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 7:00 PM, for the purpose of considering said Ordinance on final passage after public hearing thereon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said a Notice of Pending Ordinance and Summary of said Ordinance be published once at least one (1) week prior to the time fixed for further consideration of said Ordinance for final passage in the "Home News Tribune", of East Brunswick, New Jersey, a newspaper published in the County of Middlesex and circulating in this municipality, there being no newspaper published daily in this municipality, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage as aforesaid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of said Ordinance shall be posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall, 221 South Fifth Avenue, Highland Park, New Jersey, forthwith and that the Borough Clerk have available in her office for the members of the general public of Highland Park copies of said Ordinance for those members of the general public who may request the same.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Fine				
Foster-Dublin				
George				
Hale				
Kim-Chohan				
Welkovits				

**BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
ORDINANCE NO. 18-**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK IN
MIDDLESEX COUNTY AUTHORIZING PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-3 ET SEQ.
THE ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 173, LOTS 41-49 AND BLOCK 89, LOT 13
BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK TAX MAP AND APPROPRIATING
THE SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$3,500,000.00 FOR SAID ACQUISITIONS**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Highland Park Borough Council, Middlesex County as follows:

1. Pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Local Lands and Buildings Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-3 et seq., the Borough of Highland Park is hereby authorized to acquire Block 173, Lots 41-49 and Block 83, Lot 13 as shown on the Borough of Highland Park Tax Map. The cost of the acquisition of said property including costs associated with same shall not exceed \$3,500,000.00. The purchase price for such properties has been appropriated pursuant to Bond Ordinance 15-1881 finally adopted September 4, 2018, as amended.
2. The Mayor and Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park are hereby authorized and directed to execute a Contract of Sale and any and all necessary real estate closing documents in order to effectuate the purchase.
3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as provided for by law.

Introduced and passed on first
reading: December 4, 2018

ADOPTED:
ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

Gayle Brill Mittler, Mayor

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-329

RESOLUTION: Economic Development and Planning Committee

WHEREAS, an Ordinance entitled, ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE PROPERTY 31 RIVER ROAD REDEVELOPMENT AREA PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ., has been introduced and duly passed on first reading;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that this Council meet at the Borough Hall, 221 South Fifth Avenue, Highland Park, New Jersey, on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 7:00 PM, for the purpose of considering said Ordinance on final passage after public hearing thereon.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of said Ordinance shall be posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall, 221 South Fifth Avenue, Highland Park, New Jersey, forthwith and that the Borough Clerk have available in her office for the members of the general public of Highland Park copies of said Ordinance for those members of the general public who may request the same.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Fine				
Foster-Dublin				
George				
Hale				
Kim-Chohan				
Welkovits				

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
ORDINANCE NO. 18-1964

ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 31 RIVER ROAD PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ.*

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highland Park, a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is authorized pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.* (the "Redevelopment Law") to determine whether certain parcels of land within the Borough constitute an area in need of rehabilitation and/or an area in need of redevelopment, and provides that the finding for an area in need or rehabilitation may extend to the entire area of a municipality; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Redevelopment Law, the Municipal Council of the Borough (the "Borough Council") determined to investigate whether the entirety of the area within the municipal boundaries of the Borough (the "Rehabilitation Area") satisfied the criteria to be designated as an 'area in need of rehabilitation'; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer, prepared a Memorandum (the "Engineer's Memorandum"), which confirmed that the Rehabilitation Area met the criteria set forth in Sections 14(a)(6) of the Redevelopment Law, as the majority of the water and sanitary sewer lines within the Borough were at least fifty (50) years old and in need of repair or substantial maintenance; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Law, provides that prior to the adoption of a resolution designating the Borough as 'an area in need of rehabilitation', the Borough Council must first submit a copy of the proposed designating resolution to the Borough Planning Board (the "Planning Board") for review and recommendation; and

WHEREAS, on September 6, 2016, the Borough Council, acting by resolution, referred a copy of the Engineer's Memorandum and the resolution designating the Rehabilitation Area as an "area in need of rehabilitation" to the Planning Board for review and comment; and

WHEREAS, on duly noticed and constituted meetings held October 13, 2016 & November 10, 2016, the Planning Board reviewed the designating resolution and the findings of the Engineer's Memorandum, and adopted a resolution which recommended to the Borough Council, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14*, that the Rehabilitation Area be designated as an 'area in need of rehabilitation'; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2016, the Borough Council accepted the recommendation of the Planning Board, and that of the Borough Engineer and designated

the Rehabilitation Area as an "area in need of rehabilitation," in accordance with the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-4(a)(3)* and *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7* the Borough Council is empowered to adopt a redevelopment plan pursuant to which redevelopment projects are to be undertaken or carried out within an 'area in need of rehabilitation'; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to that authority the Borough Council caused a redevelopment plan, to be prepared for the portion of the Rehabilitation Area commonly known as 31 River Road and identified as Block 183, Lot 24 on the official tax map of the Borough, entitled the "31 River Road Redevelopment Plan" (the "Redevelopment Plan"), attached hereto as *Exhibit A*; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council, referred the Redevelopment Plan to the Planning Board for its review and recommendation pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e)*; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board, on July 12, 2018, at a duly noticed and constituted public meeting, has reviewed the Redevelopment Plan;

WHEREAS, following such review the Planning Board has rendered its report and recommendations to the Borough Council and by Resolution P2018-03 adopted on July 12, 2018, recommended the adoption of the Redevelopment Plan pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e)*; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby finds it appropriate for the Redevelopment Plan to be adopted for the Rehabilitation Area, being, among other things, substantially consistent with the Master Plan for the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council now desires to adopt the Redevelopment Plan and to direct that the applicable provisions of the Borough's Zoning Ordinance and Map be amended and superseded to reflect the provisions of the Redevelopment Plan, as and to the extent set forth therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 2. The recommendations of the Planning Board are hereby accepted, and the Redevelopment Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby adopted pursuant to the terms of the Redevelopment Law.

Section 3. The zoning district map and the zoning ordinance of the Borough are hereby amended to incorporate and reflect the Redevelopment Plan, and, to the extent provided in the Redevelopment Plan, are superseded thereby.

Section 4. If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereby shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

Section 5. A copy of this Ordinance and the Redevelopment Plan shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Borough Clerk during regular business hours.

Section 6. This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with all applicable laws.

Introduced and passed on
first reading: July 17, 2018

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

Gayle Brill Mittler, Mayor

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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-329A

RESOLUTION: Public Works and Public Utilities Committee

WHEREAS, an Ordinance entitled, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, CHAPTER 328, "SEWER AND WATER", has been introduced and duly passed on first reading;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that this Council meet at the Borough Hall, 221 South Fifth Avenue, Highland Park, New Jersey, on Tuesday, December 18, 2018 at 7:00 PM, for the purpose of considering said Ordinance on final passage after public hearing thereon.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said a Notice of Pending Ordinance and Summary of said Ordinance be published once at least one (1) week prior to the time fixed for further consideration of said Ordinance for final passage in the "Home News Tribune", of East Brunswick, New Jersey, a newspaper published in the County of Middlesex and circulating in this municipality, there being no newspaper published daily in this municipality, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and of the time and place when and where said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage as aforesaid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of said Ordinance shall be posted on the bulletin board at Borough Hall, 221 South Fifth Avenue, Highland Park, New Jersey, forthwith and that the Borough Clerk have available in her office for the members of the general public of Highland Park copies of said Ordinance for those members of the general public who may request the same.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Fine				
Foster-Dublin				
George				
Hale				
Kim-Chohan				
Welkovits				

**BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO. 18-**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE REVISED GENERAL
ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK,
CHAPTER 328, "SEWER AND WATER"**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF
HIGHLAND PARK AS FOLLOWS:

1. Section 328-38A(4) of the "Code of the Borough of Highland Park, 2010" establishing Sewer Rental Rates is amended to read as follows:

(4) Rates. The rate charged for all sewer rentals for each consumer shall be as follows:

Usage Amount (cubic feet)	Rate (Per 1,000 cubic feet)
0 to 799	\$28.30 flat charge
800 to 999	\$36.37 flat charge
1,000 to 3,499	\$44.01
3,500 and up	\$47.09

2. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as provided for by law and shall further take effect as of the fourth (4th) quarter of 2018.

Introduced and passed on
first reading by title: December 4, 2018

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings
BOROUGH CLERK

APPROVED:

Gayle Brill Mittler,
MAYOR

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
No. 12-18-330

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO ANNUAL SALARY RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION: Finance Committee

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to notify the Borough Finance Director that since the adoption of a resolution on January 2, 2018 showing the names of the officers and employees of the Borough of Highland Park whose salaries are on an annual basis, there have been the following changes, to wit:

EMMA MISSEY, Assistant to the Borough Administrator, at an annual salary of \$50,000.00 effective December 4, 2018.

SADE EDENS, Police Officer, \$300.00 annual payment, attaining and maintaining EMT certification.

Title	Name		2018 Base	Longevity		2018 Total Salary
				%	Amount	
Master Circulation Coordinator	Valerie	Weidmann	\$58,572.00			\$58,572.00
Master Librarian	Fran	Lee	\$93,886.00		\$2,500.00	\$96,386.00
Senior Library Assistant	Indru	Udeshi	\$48,911.00			\$48,911.00
Master Library Assistant	Lisa	Kulczycki	\$55,637.00			\$55,637.00
Principal Librarian	Karen	Mitchell	\$61,496.00			\$61,496.00
Senior Librarian	Sherry	Johnson	\$73,733.00			\$73,733.00
Administrative Assistant	Renee	George	\$62,592.00			\$62,592.00
Library Director	Jane	Stanley	\$119,392.00		\$5,970.00	\$125,362.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Finance Director be and is hereby directed to make the necessary changes in the payroll records of the Finance Department in accordance with the changes established by this resolution.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Fine				
Foster-Dublin				
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Kim-Chohan				
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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-331

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF TAXI OWNER LICENSES FOR THE
PURPOSE OF OWNING A TAXI CAB IN THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK

RESOLUTION: Public Safety Committee

WHEREAS, RSR Cab, Inc. (Parmjit K. Lehal), Gill Car 3, LLC (Sukhchain S. Gill), LR12 LLC (Leon Rozenblat), and Car Six LLC have filed with the Clerk of this Borough an application for an Owners License to operate taxicabs in this Borough under the provisions of the Ordinance providing for such licenses for the year 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and/or his designee has investigated said applicants and has reported favorably upon said applications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Council hereby determined that said applicant is qualified and that public necessity and convenience would be served by the issuance of such Licenses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue an Owner License to the aforesaid applicants.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-332

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF TAXI OPERATOR LICENSES FOR THE
PURPOSE OF OPERATING TAXI CABS IN THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK

RESOLUTION: Public Safety Committee

WHEREAS, Robert Clementi, Michael Valor, Leon Rozenblat, Sukchain Singh Gill and Rajinderpal Lehal have filed with the Clerk of this Borough an application for a License to operate taxicabs under the provisions of the Ordinance providing for such Licenses for the year 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and/or his designee has investigated said applicants and has reported favorably upon said applications;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that said applicants are qualified and that public necessity and convenience would be served by the issuance of said Licenses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue an Operator License to the aforesaid applicants.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
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Kim-Chohan				
Welkovits				

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-333

RESOLUTION TO SCHEDULE 2019 ADJOURNED
AND REORGANIZATION MEETINGS

RESOLUTION: Council as a Whole

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that an Adjourned Meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council will be held at Borough Hall, 221 South 5th Avenue, Highland Park, NJ on Tuesday, January 2, 2019, at 6:30 PM.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Organization Meeting of the Borough Council for the Year 2019 will be held at Borough Hall, 221 South 5th Avenue, Highland Park, NJ on Tuesday, January 2, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
No. 12-18-334

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE WRECKER LICENSE

RESOLUTION: Public Safety Committee

WHEREAS, Majestic Transport and Towing, Inc. has filed with the Clerk of this Borough for a Wrecker/Towing License to operate heavy duty wreckers in this Borough under the provisions of the Ordinance providing for such license; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has investigated said applicant and has reported favorably upon said application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that this Council hereby determines that said applicant is qualified and that public necessity and convenience would be served by the issuance of such License.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue Heavy Duty Wrecker/Towing License to the aforesaid applicant.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-335

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PAY ESTIMATE #5 – TRI-FORM CONSTRUCTION
FOR TEEN CENTER BUILDING PROJECT

RESOLUTION: Public Works and Public Utilities Committee

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 9-17-285, adopted by the Borough Council on September 19, 2017, a contract was awarded to Tri-Form Construction, Metuchen, NJ, for the construction of a Teen Center; and

WHEREAS, it appears from Final Pay Estimate No. 5, filed by Code Enforcement Director, Scott Brescher, that certain work under said contract has been completed and approved, and there is due to Tri-Form Construction, the sum of \$10,309.28 in accordance with said Pay Estimate for work performed from July 28, 2018 to September 12, 2018; and

WHEREAS, funds for this purpose are available in Account No. C-04-55-826-210 in the amount of \$10,309.28, as reflected by the Certification of Funds Available by the Chief Financial Officer, shown below;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Chief Financial Officer be and is hereby authorized and directed to pay Tri-Form Construction the sum of \$10,309.28, as certified by the Code Enforcement Director in Final Pay Estimate No. 5, subject to the Clerk's receipt of the Certified Payroll and Project Manning Reports and additional documents as necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and Code Enforcement Director forthwith.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-336

RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER PAYMENTS FROM TAX ACCOUNTS
TO WATER AND SEWER UTILITY ACCOUNTS

RESOLUTION: Finance Committee

WHEREAS, various property owners made payments through their own on-line banking systems and put their tax account numbers on their payments instead of their utility account numbers; and

WHEREAS, the payments need to be transferred to the appropriate accounts for said properties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Finance Director and/or Tax Collector is hereby authorized to transfer the posting of said payments as follows:

- \$637.67 from tax account to utility account #20160160-0 for 901 Eden Avenue
- \$1,116.99 from tax account of Block 17, Lot 11 to utility account #20120690-0 for 501 South 1st Avenue

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Finance Department and Tax Collector forthwith.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, BOROUGH CLERK

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-337

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF RAFFLE LICENSE FOR
TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD CHURCH

RESOLUTION: Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Transfiguration of the Lord Church has made application to the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park for a license to hold, operate and conduct a 50/50 On-Premises Raffle in accordance with the Raffles Licensing Law (NSJA 5:8-50 to 76), on December 29, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has made or caused to be made an investigation of the qualifications of said applicant and the merits of said application and have determined that said applicant is qualified to hold, operate and conduct Raffles in accordance with the Raffles Licensing Law and the findings set forth in the attached Form 5A of the Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall be and is hereby authorized and directed to issue a license to the Transfiguration of the Lord Church for the holding, operation and conduct of a raffle on the above date upon payment of a legal fee therefor, subject to the provisions of the Raffles Licensing Law and the rules, regulations and amendments thereto promulgated by said Control Commission.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, BOROUGH CLERK

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-338

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY DESIGNATING THE PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 31 RIVER ROAD AND IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 183, LOT 24 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE BOROUGH AS A NON-CONDEMNATION AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW

RESOLUTION: Economic Development and Planning Committee

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highland Park, a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is authorized pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.* (the "Redevelopment Law") to determine whether certain parcels of land within the Borough constitute an area in need of rehabilitation and/or an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, by resolution the Borough Council authorized and directed the Planning Board to conduct an investigation to determine whether the property commonly known as 31 River Road and identified as Block 183, Lot 24 on the Official Tax Map of the Borough (the "Property") constitutes an area in need of redevelopment according to the criteria set forth in the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid resolution authorized the Planning Board to investigate the Property as a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area (as defined in Section 6(a) of the Redevelopment Law), within which the Borough may use all of those powers provided under the Redevelopment Law for use in a redevelopment area, except the power of eminent domain; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board caused Looney Ricks Kiss (the "Planning Consultant") to conduct a preliminary investigation to determine whether the Property should be designated as an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board received a report and map depicting the Property prepared by the Planning Consultant, entitled "Area in Need of Redevelopment Preliminary Investigation of 31 River Road", dated October 24, 2018 (the "Report"), concerning the determination of the Property as an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, on November 8, 2018, the Planning Board reviewed the Report, heard testimony from a representative of the Planning Consultant, and conducted a public hearing during which the owners of the Property and members of the general public were given an opportunity to present their own evidence and/or to cross-examine the Planning Consultant concerning the potential designation of the Property as an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Consultant concluded in the Report and testified to the Planning Board on November 8, 2018 that the Property satisfies certain criteria for redevelopment area designation set forth in the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, after the conclusion of the public hearing described above, the Planning Board determined that the Property satisfied the criteria set forth in the Redevelopment Law for designation as an area in need of redevelopment and determined that it would recommend that the Borough Council so designate the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board adopted a Resolution setting forth such findings and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council agrees with the conclusions of the Planning Board that the Property satisfies the criteria for redevelopment area designation set forth in the Redevelopment Law and the Borough Council finds that such conclusion is supported by substantial evidence; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council now desires to designate the Property as a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6*; and

WHEREAS, by commission of the Borough Council, the Planning Consultant has prepared a redevelopment plan for the Property entitled the "31 River Road Redevelopment Plan" (the "Redevelopment Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council desires to refer the Redevelopment Plan to the Planning Board for its review and comment, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7 of the Redevelopment Law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Highland Park, as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 2. The Borough Council accepts the recommendations and conclusions of the Planning Board.

Section 3. Based upon the findings and recommendations of the Planning Board, and the Borough Council's conclusion that such findings and recommendation are supported by substantial evidence, the Property is hereby designated as a Non-Condernation Redevelopment Area.

Section 4. The Borough Council hereby refers the Redevelopment Plan to the Planning Board for review and recommendation in accordance with the requirements of the Redevelopment Law, including N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e).

Section 5. The Planning Board is authorized and directed to prepare a report of its recommendations (the "Planning Board Report") to the Redevelopment Plan within forty-five (45) days of the date hereof.

Section 6. The Planning Board Report shall identify any provisions within the Redevelopment Plan that are inconsistent with the Borough's master plan, the recommendations concerning those inconsistencies and any other matters the Planning Board deems appropriate.

Section 7. If the Planning Board Report is not transmitted to the Council within forty-five (45) days of the date hereof, the Borough Council shall be relieved of the requirements to obtain a Planning Board Report for the Redevelopment Plan in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e).

Section 8. The Clerk of the Borough shall forward a copy of this Resolution and the Redevelopment Plan to the Planning Board for review pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e).

Section 9. This resolution shall take effect in accordance with applicable law.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, BOROUGH CLERK

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Fine				
Foster-Dublin				
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Kim-Chohan				
Welkovits				

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-339

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG ABUSE
FISCAL GRANT CYCLE JULY 2014 – JUNE 2019

RESOLUTION: Council as a Whole

WHEREAS, THE Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages' and therefore has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Middlesex; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Highland Park Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2020 in the amount of:

DEDR	\$25,551.00
Cash Match	\$ 6,387.75
In-Kind	\$19,163.25

2. The Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

APPROVED: _____
Gayle Brill Mittler, Mayor

I, Joan Hullings, Borough of the Borough of Highland Park, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of resolution duly authorized by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park on this 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTES

Council Member	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Fine				
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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-340

RESOLUTION OBJECTING TO REGULATION PROPOSED BY THE UNITED
STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

RESOLUTION: Health and Humans Services Committee

WHEREAS the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, United States Department of Homeland Security ("DHS"), under Docket Number USCIS-2010-0012, has published in the Federal Register a proposed rulemaking entitled "Inadmissibility on Public Charge Grounds," (" the Proposed Regulation"); and

WHEREAS the Proposed Regulation appears in the Federal Register dated October 10, 2018 Volume 83, Number 196 at pages 51114-51296 and concerns 8 CFR Parts 103, 212, 213, 214, 245 and 248; and

WHEREAS DHS has invited the public to comment on the Proposed Regulation; and

WHEREAS The Highland Park Commission on Immigration and Refugee Affairs ("the Commission") was created by the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey to implement the Borough's commitment to be an inclusive community regardless of immigration status, status as a veteran, national origin, race, ethnicity, language proficiency, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, housing status, financial status, marital status, or status as a victim of domestic violence and to recognize that all members of the Borough Community shall be treated with dignity so that all Borough residents can live in a safe and welcoming environment; and

WHEREAS the Commission has reviewed the Proposed Regulation and made the following findings concerning the Proposed Regulation:

- (1) The Proposed Regulation radically changes current Immigration law. For example, for the first time, it proposes to include receipt of Medicaid assistance as a ground on which to disqualify a prospective citizen as a "public charge." Radical changes in law such as the Proposed Regulation should be made by Congress and not by an administrative agency. The attempt to radically change the law by regulation rather than by legislation is inconsistent with the Trump Administration's actions in reducing the power of administrative agencies and attacks on those agencies as part of an "administrative state."
- (2) The Proposed Regulation fails to demonstrate that, apart from short term budgetary gains, the radical changes it proposes will serve the national interests of the country. It is clear that one effect of the proposed Regulation will be to reduce substantially the number of persons who will be permitted to become citizens. In an article which appeared in the Wall Street Journal on February 23, 2017 entitled "Hard Line on Immigration Threatens Growth," Gregg Ip argued that, owing to the decline in the United States birth rate, continued immigration is essential if the country is to achieve economic growth. That article shows that, contrary to the Proposed Regulation, radically curtailing immigration will damage rather than promote the national interest;
- (3) The Proposed Regulation rests on untested assumptions. A key assumption is that if a person receives public assistance in certain amounts and for certain periods of time, amounts and time periods which are purely arbitrary, that person will become a "public charge." The validity of that assumption is not demonstrated. One can only surmise how this country would have been damaged if the rules and assumptions contained in the Proposed Regulation had been in effect in the past, depriving the country of the substantial contributions of poor immigrants who made this country a much better place. Perhaps the quintessential such person is the revolutionary war hero and first Secretary of the Treasury, Alexander Hamilton;

(4) The Proposed Regulation unduly subordinates one of the central features of our immigration law, that this country should serve as a refuge for decent and hardworking people who have become impoverished through no fault of their own. We must not forget the immortal words of Emma Lazarus which are inscribed on the Statue of Liberty, " Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free." The Proposed Regulation subverts the ideals and principles enshrined in those words.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park endorses the recommendations made by the Highland Park Commission on Immigration and Refugee Affairs and opposes the Proposed Regulation and respectfully requests that DHS withdraw the Proposed Regulation.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, BOROUGH CLERK

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, New Jersey, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of said Borough on the 4th day of December, 2018.

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-341

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
MODIFYING PBA CONTRACT WITH REGARD TO SICK LEAVE

RESOLUTION: Council as a Whole

WHEREAS, the Government Body adopted Resolution No. 7-16-212, authorizing the ratification and execution of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Policeman's Benevolent Association (PBA) Local #64; and

WHEREAS, an amendment has been made to Article 13 (Sick Leave) Section B.2;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Mayor and Borough Council hereby approve the Settlement Agreement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest, on behalf of the Borough of Highland Park, the Settlement Agreement, which agreement shall be in a form approved by the Labor Attorney and attached to the original of this resolution.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, BOROUGH CLERK

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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-342

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF HDSRF GRANT TO
NJDEP FOR REMEDIATION INVESTIGATION AT CLASSIC CLEANERS

RESOLUTION: Public Works & Public Utilities Committee

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highland Park desires to apply for and obtain a Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) Grant from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) for remediation investigation at Classic Cleaners;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Borough Administrator and the Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and submit the application for said Grant;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Borough Administrator.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, BOROUGH CLERK

I, Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Highland Park, do hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Borough Council of the 4th day of December, 2018.

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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-343

RESOLUTION: Public Works & Public Utilities Committee

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highland Park has need for environmental consulting services to provide a Preliminary Assessment (PA) for 101 Raritan Avenue, Block 173, Lot 48, in accordance with letter of proposal from EXCEL Environmental Resources, Inc., dated November 27, 2018, attached to the original of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, such services are professional services as defined in the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, EXCEL Environmental Resources, Inc., is a full service environmental consulting and engineering firm in the State of New Jersey with extensive experience in providing these services; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to provide for the method of compensation of said consulting engineers; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this purpose in Account Number _____ an amount not to exceed \$5,140.00 without further resolution of Council, as reflected by the Certification of Funds by the Chief Financial Officer, shown below;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized and directed to execute and attest on behalf of the Borough an Agreement for professional services with EXCEL Environmental Resources, Inc., 111 North Center Drive, North Brunswick, NJ 08902, a proposed copy of which is attached to the original of this resolution, and that notice of this contract be published as required by law and that a copy of executed Agreement be placed on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

BOROUGH CLERK

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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-344

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION AND
EXECUTION OF NJDEP RADON AWARENESS GRANT

RESOLUTION: Public Works & Public Utilities Committee

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highland Park desires to apply for and obtain a Radon Awareness Grant from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that the Borough Administrator and the Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and submit the application for said Grant;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Borough Administrator.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

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Joan Hullings, BOROUGH CLERK

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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-345

RESOLUTION TO REMOVE PROPERTY FROM TAX SALE DUE TO
WATER AND SEWER PAYMENT PLAN

RESOLUTION: Finance Committee

WHEREAS, overdue payments are owed to the Borough of Highland Park for sewer/water service for Utility Account Number 10100690-0, Block 168, Lot 34 Highland Park Tax Map; and

WHEREAS, the owner of said Property wishes to enter into a payment plan to pay not later than August 15, 2019 the overdue balance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park as follows:

1. The Borough of Highland Park Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to enter into a payment plan in order to bring current sewer/water charges which are now overdue and owed for Block 168, Lot 34 Borough of Highland Park Tax Map.
2. The Borough of Highland Park Tax Collector is hereby authorized to delete Block 168, Lot 34 Borough of Highland Park Tax Map from the December 20, 2018 tax sale.
3. A certified true copy of this resolution shall be furnished upon its adoption to Constance S. Ludden, CTC, Borough of Highland Park Tax Collector.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, BOROUGH CLERK

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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-346

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST

RESOLUTION: Finance Committee

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park that all claims presented prior to this meeting as shown on a detailed list prepared by the Borough Treasurer, and which have been submitted and approved in accordance with Highland Park Ordinance No. 1004, shall be and the same are hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall include in the minutes of this meeting a statement as to all such claims approved as shown in a Bills List Journal in accordance with said Ordinance.

The bills approved for payment at this meeting, Bills List 12/4/2018 can be found in the Bills List Journal Book No. 37.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

Joan Hullings, Borough Clerk

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BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
NO. 12-18-347

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION: Council as a Whole

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council is of the opinion that such circumstances exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public shall be excluded from the closed session at close of tonight's open session.
2. The general nature of the subject matter to be discussed is as follows:
(Litigation: (a) Property Acquisition; (b) Affordable Housing update)
3. It is anticipated at this time that the above stated subject matter will be made public when these matters are resolved or as soon thereafter as it is deemed to be in the public interest to do so.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED: December 4, 2018

ATTEST:

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