

DRAFT MINUTES

These are the Draft Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Borough Council of North Plainfield, New Jersey held on Monday, 14 September 2015.

Every attempt has been made to make these as comprehensive and conclusive as possible. However, as it is a draft document, it is not to be construed as a formal depiction of the official conduct of business and is subject to revision up to and following the Governing Body's actual approval of same. If changes are necessary, revised minutes will be posted to the website.

MINUTES of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on Monday, **September 14, 2015** at 8:36 p.m. at the North Plainfield Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey.

PRESENT:

Council Members: Everett Merrill
 Keiona R. Miller
 Frank Righetti
 Wendy Schaefer
 Douglas M. Singleterry
 Frank "Skip" Stabile
 Lawrence La Ronde, Council President

Also Present: Michael Giordano, Jr., Mayor
 David E. Hollod, Business Administrator
 Phil George, Esq., Associate Borough Attorney
 Richard K. Phoenix, RMC, Borough Clerk

The Council President read the following Notice of Compliance:

"This is a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, scheduled by resolution of the Council adopted on December 8, 2014. Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.* by transmitting said notice to the *Courier News*, *The Star-Ledger* and *WKMB* Radio on December 10, 2014 by publication of the announcement in the *Courier News* of December 12, 2014 and by posting a copy of this notice on the bulletin boards in the Municipal Building and Memorial Library reserved for such purpose."

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION:

Mayor Giordano read the following Proclamation:

WHEREAS: suicide is one of the most disruptive and tragic events a family and a community can experience; and

WHEREAS: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) collects data about mortality in the U.S., including deaths by suicide. In 2013 (the most recent year for which data are available), 41,149 suicides were reported, making suicide the 10th leading cause of death for Americans. In that year, someone in the country died by suicide every 12.8 minutes. A suicide attempt is made every minute of every day, resulting in nearly one million attempts made annually; and

WHEREAS: public awareness of this terrifying problem is the key to preventing further suffering and loss of life; and the risk for human self-destruction can be reduced through awareness, education and treatment; and as the highest risk for suicide is among the survivors of those who died by suicide or those who have attempted suicide; and

WHEREAS: these numbers reaffirm the need to devote further resources and time to reduce the stigma surrounding mental illness and suicide so people will access interventions that have been proven to reduce suicidal ideation and behavior.

WHEREAS: thousands of American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Advocates across the country are working to shape state and local policies aimed at reducing the number of people who die by suicide. Policy issues that impact suicide include those addressing suicide prevention training, access to mental health care, bullying, and other issues; and

WHEREAS: suicide prevention has been declared a national priority by the President and Congress; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED that I, Michael Giordano, Jr., as Mayor of the Borough of North Plainfield, do hereby recognize September, 2015 as

Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

and encourage all citizens, government agencies, organizations, health care providers, and research institutions to join the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) in advocating for greater investment in suicide prevention research and education in schools, communities, workplaces, and families.

Mayor Giordano announced the following appointments:

APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR NOT REQUIRING COUNCIL CONFIRMATION:

PLANNING BOARD:

Patrick J. Ciarlariello	Unexpired Four-year term
Mary "Liz" Appezzato, Alternate No. 2	Unexpired Two-year term

The Borough Clerk had submitted copies of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 17, 2015.

Regular Meeting of August 17, 2015: All in favor.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council President La Ronde stated that all matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If any discussion is desired by Council, that particular item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Mr. Merrill presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01 BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that resolutions numbered

09-14-15-01a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l, m, n, o, p, q, r, s and t

having been placed on the Consent Agenda and there having been no objection thereto, the same are hereby approved.

Seconded by Mr. Singleterry and on Roll Call carried all seven voting aye.

APPROVED RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01a WHEREAS, Garage Sales, Yard Sales and Estate Sales are popular in North Plainfield, as a means of getting to know neighbors while realizing a modest profit for the sellers; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Mayor and Governing Body have heard sincere requests from the citizenry for a town-wide, fee-free weekend garage sale that would accrue to all Borough residences; and

WHEREAS, N.P.R.G.O. 4:11.2(b) calls for a \$10.00 fee to be charged for every garage sale permit issued by the Borough Clerk’s Office; due to requests heard from residents throughout North Plainfield, the Borough Council is interested in having the above fee waived for such sales throughout the Borough on Saturday, September 26 and Sunday, September 27, 2015 for a town-wide public garage sale.

AND, BE IT RESOLVED that this special sale opportunity would not impact residents’ three-per-year paid permit allotment while the hours on this special free event would run from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. local time on both the Saturday and the Sunday.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that for purposes of allowing a town-wide garage sale on Saturday, September 26, 2015 and Sunday, September 27, 2015, the fee for such a two-day sale per N.P.R.G.O. 4:11.2(b) shall be waived for this event.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01b WHEREAS, on a property known as block 3.01, lot 19, also known as 67 Abbotsford Rd., a duplicate tax payment totaling \$2,410.07 was submitted by CoreLogic on behalf of GreenTree Mortgage on 2/9/15; and

WHEREAS, per a request made by CoreLogic, said overpayment should be refunded to CoreLogic for credit to the homeowner’s escrow account.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to make the following refund:

Refund Real Estate Tax Payments:

Green Tree c/o CoreLogic \$2,410.07
 1 Corelogic Dr.
 Westlake, TX 76262

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01c WHEREAS, on a property known as block 58, lot 12, sewer account #2095-0 also known as 39 Coddington Avenue, a duplicate sewer payment totaling \$161.65 was submitted by PTCS Title Agency, LLC. on 8/6/15; and

WHEREAS, said overpayment should be refunded to PTCS Title Agency, LLC for proper distribution to the appropriate parties.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to make the following refund:

Refund Real Estate Tax Payments:

PTCS Title Agency, LLC \$161.65
 130 Pompton Ave.
 Verona, NJ 07044

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01d WHEREAS, on various properties, as listed below, tax sale certificates were sold prior to 9/14/2010; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:5- et seq, if the tax sale certificate is not redeemed, or the property foreclosed upon within the five year period, then the premium escheats to the municipality.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the premium totaling \$5,700.00 on the tax sale certificates as listed below and the Finance Director is authorized to make the appropriate entries.

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Cert #</u>	<u>Sold Date</u>	<u>Premium Amount</u>
5	3	10-00010	08/25/10	\$5,000.00
154.02	48	10-00147	08/25/10	\$ 700.00

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01e RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE NO. 1814-33-010-012 FOR TEXAS ROADHOUSE HOLDINGS, LLC

WHEREAS, Texas Roadhouse Holdings, LLC has applied for renewal of its Plenary Retail Consumption License, No. 1814-33-010-012 for the period September 18, 2015 through June 30, 2016 and its submitted application forms are complete in all respects; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all statutory, regulatory and local government ABC laws and regulations; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that Resolution No. 08-17-15-01a be and is hereby partially rescinded to delete the reference to License No. 1814-33-010-012; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to issue a renewal license of License No. 1814-33-010-012 in accordance with the filed application of Texas Roadhouse Holdings, LLC, *nunc pro tunc* for the period September 18, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01f RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PLACE TO PLACE TRANSFER OF PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE NO. 1814-33-010-012 BY TEXAS ROADHOUSE HOLDINGS, LLC FROM POCKET TO ACTIVE STATUS

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield previously approved the liquor license transfer referred to herein as a pocket license, by person to person transfer by Resolution No. 01-01-15-05g adopted by the Borough Council on January 1, 2015; and,

WHEREAS, Texas Roadhouse Holdings, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Owner") with its principal place of business located at 6040 Dutchmans Lane, Suite 200, Louisville, Kentucky 40205, is the holder of the Class "C" Plenary Retail Consumption License 1814-33-010-010 (hereinafter referred to as the "License") as a pocket license in the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset and State of New Jersey; and,

WHEREAS, the Owner seeks to transfer the license from its current location to premises located at 1258 Route 22, North Plainfield, New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the "Licensed Premises"), where the Owner intends to conduct business with use of the License;

WHEREAS, the Owner of the License has submitted and amended its License application for a place-to-place transfer, in due and complete form, and has caused the due and required notices to be published; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of North Plainfield conducted hearings for the place to place transfer of the License on July 13, 2015 and August 17, 2015 at the regular meetings of the Borough Council; and,

WHEREAS, the Council considered the application submitted by the Owner and the Borough Police Department's investigation reports in this matter; and,

WHEREAS, upon all due consideration and evaluation of the application, the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield has determined that the proposed location for the place to place transfer and activation of the License is acceptable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of North that Resolution No. 08-17-15-01b entered by the Council on August 17, 2015 be and is hereby rescinded;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Plenary Liquor Consumption License No. 1814-33-010-012 be and is hereby APPROVED FOR TRANSFER as a place to place transfer from pocket to active license, at 1258 Route 22, North Plainfield, New Jersey, upon condition of approval of the transfer by the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control, duly required publication, and presentation of the same to the Borough Clerk.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01g RESOLUTION APPOINTING KATHLEEN INTRAVARTOLO AS THE BOROUGH TAX AND SEWER COLLECTOR

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield (the "Borough") is in need of a certified Tax Collector, as well as a collector for sewer services, to collect all real estate taxes and sewer bills owed to the Borough; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to appoint Kathleen Intravartolo as the Tax and Sewer Collector, effective immediately, at a salary of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$7,500.00) per year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that Kathleen Intravartolo is hereby appointed as the Tax and Sewer Collector for the Borough of North Plainfield, effective immediately, at a salary of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$7,500.00) per year.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01h RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF NORTH PLAINFIELD AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF CASH ESCROW REGARDING GLOBAL MOTORS, INC.

WHEREAS, a land use application made by Global Motors, Inc. a/k/a Global Auto Mall ("Global"), located at 1099 US 22 West, North Plainfield, was approved by the Borough of North Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment on July 16, 2014, by Resolution in Application No. BA14-004; and,

WHEREAS, Global was approved to construct and did construct a parking facility for new and used cars on property known as Lots 4 and 5 in Block 204 on the Tax Maps of the Borough of North Plainfield; and,

WHEREAS, Global has posted an Escrow (the “Escrow”) in the approximate sum of One Hundred Thirty One Thousand Four Hundred Ninety Five Dollars and Thirty Nine Cents (\$131,495.39) guaranteeing its performance of its obligations, such Escrow having been paid by Global and maintained by the Borough; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer, Grotto Engineering Associates, LLC, by Senior Project Manager David J. Testa, P.E., C.M.E., by email correspondence to Business Administrator David E. Hollod, dated August 18, 2015 and August 28, 2015, has recommended release of the Escrow to Global; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney/Director of Law, Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, has reviewed the letters from David J. Testa, P.E. and concurs with same; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Escrow referred to herein be and is hereby authorized to be released to Global Motors, Inc. and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary documents so as to accomplish the release of the Escrow.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01i BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that it does hereby update the mileage reimbursement rate for the business use of a personal vehicle to \$0.545 (fifty-four and a half cents) per mile. Said rate is consistent with the U.S. GSA mileage reimbursement rate effective January 1, 2015.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01j RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN AN ELECTRONIC TAX SALE PILOT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH TAX COLLECTOR, THE BOROUGH ATTORNEY, THE MAYOR AND THE BOROUGH CLERK TO TAKE ACTION TO EFFECTUATE SAME

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield desires to participate in a pilot program for the conduct of an electronic tax sale to be held on the internet; and,

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A 54:5-19.1* authorizes electronic tax sales pursuant to rules and regulations promulgated by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (the “DLGS”) of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (the “DCA”); and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council, by Resolution No. 02-09-15-03d, adopted on February 9, 2015, authorized the Borough Tax Collector to submit an application for approval to the DLGS; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield has gained conditional approval from the DLGS to participate in the pilot program and to hold an electronic tax sale; and,

WHEREAS, an electronic tax sale is innovative and provides a greater pool of potential lien buyers, thus creating the environment for a more competitive tax sale process; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney/Director of Law, Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, has reviewed the proposed contract and recommends that the contract be approved, subject to possible revisions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey does hereby ratify the prior application made by the Tax Collector of Borough of North Plainfield to participate in the electronic tax sale pilot program and acknowledges the conditional approval to participate, given to the Borough by letter of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, dated July 14, 2014; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector of Borough of North Plainfield shall take all necessary steps to gain unconditional approval from the DLGS of the Borough's participation in the electronic tax sale, to occur during the month of October 2015; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Attorney is authorized to negotiate the final contract and the Mayor and the Borough Clerk are authorized to sign and/or execute the contract and all necessary documents to engage the services of the approved vendor, to participate in an electronic tax sale during the month of October 2015; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this contract shall be subject to the certification of the Borough's Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Resolution and the award of the contract is made pursuant to and consistent with the pilot program for electronic tax sales and the rules and regulations established thereto by the DCA, under the authority of *N.J.S.A. 54:5-19.1(c) et. seq.*

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01k RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SMALL CITIES LOAN, PROMISSORY NOTE AND SECURITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH AND JAMES J. HARTY and HARTY BROS. CARPET AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE SAME ON BEHALF TO THE BOROUGH

WHEREAS, Harty Bros. Carpet has completed an application to obtain funding from the Borough of North Plainfield (the "Borough") as Lender, in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$20,000.00) (the "Loan"), under a loan program known as the "Small Cities Loan Program" a/k/a "North Plainfield Economic Development Loan Program" (the "Loan Program"); and,

WHEREAS, the Loan Program provides for loans to qualified owners of commercial properties located within the Borough for the purpose of improvements to the commercial property;

WHEREAS, the Borrowers are the owners of real property known as 392 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey (the "Property"), and the purpose of the Loan is for expansion of the warehouse at the Property;

WHEREAS, the Borough and its counsel, Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, have reviewed the proposed Promissory Note and Security Agreement between the Borough and the Borrowers and find same acceptable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that it hereby authorizes the Borough to make the Loan to the Borrowers and to enter into the Promissory Note and Security Agreement in the form presented herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Borough Clerk are authorized to execute such Security Agreement and other documents as may be necessary to effectuate this Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01/ RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO MISKOVICH CONSULTING ENGINEERS, L.L.C. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES AND EVALUATION FOR INTERSECTION OF NORWOOD AVENUE AND BROOK AVENUE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS EFFECTUATING SAME

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of an engineer to provide certain specified traffic engineering services with respect to the project known as the "Evaluation of the Intersection of Norwood Avenue and Brook Avenue" (the "Project"); and,

WHEREAS, Miskovich Consulting Engineers, L.L.C., with its principal place of business located at 16 Carson Avenue, Metuchen, New Jersey, is in the business of providing professional engineering services; and,

WHEREAS, Miskovich Consulting Engineers, L.L.C. has previously submitted a proposal (number 15017) and scope of work, dated August 4, 2015, for the Project for a total contract amount not to exceed One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$1,500.00); and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of obtaining the services of Miskovich Consulting Associates, L.L.C. to perform all those services contemplated in the afore-referenced proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey does hereby award a contract to Miskovich Consulting Associates, L.L.C. for the Project known as "Evaluation of Intersection of Norwood Avenue and Brook Avenue" for a total contract amount not to exceed One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$1,500.00), to be billed at the hourly rate of One Hundred Thirty Five Dollars and No Cents (\$135.00); and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute the contract and all necessary documents to engage the professional engineering services of Miskovich Consulting Engineering, L.L.C. for the Project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this contract shall be subject to the certification of the Borough's Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute the contract and all necessary documents to engage the professional engineering services of Miskovich Consulting Engineering, L.L.C. for the Project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this contract shall be subject to the certification of the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award is made pursuant to and consistent with the Local Public Contracts Laws of the State of New Jersey and that the contract and its performance shall be consistent with all applicable laws and the proposal submitted by Miskovich Consulting Engineering, L.L.C. for the Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01m RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO GROTTO ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, L.L.C. FOR SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH BLOCK 88, LOT 6 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS EFFECTUATING SAME

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of an engineer to provide certain specified engineering services with respect to the project known as the “Boundary and Topographic Survey of Block 88, Lot 6 and Parking Lot Concept and Design Documents” (the “Project”); and,

WHEREAS, Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C., with its principal place of business located at 340 North Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey 07016, is in the business of providing professional engineering services and serves as the Borough Engineer for the Borough of North Plainfield; and,

WHEREAS, Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C. has previously submitted a revised proposal and scope of work, dated September 3, 2015, for the Project for four (4) types of specified services, two (2) of which are proposed as fixed fee amounts and two (2) of which are proposed for hourly billing not to exceed a sum certain; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of obtaining the services of Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C. to perform all those services contemplated in the afore-referenced proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey does hereby award a contract to Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C. for the Project known as “Boundary and Topographic Survey of Block 88, Lot 6 and Parking Lot Concept and Design Documents” for a total contract amount not to exceed Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$25,000.00) as follows:

1.	Boundary and topographic survey	Fixed fee	\$2,500.00;
2.	Concept plan	Fixed fee	\$3,000.00;
3.	Design documents	Not to exceed	\$9,500.00;
4.	Bid support, construction observation and contract administration	Not to exceed	\$10,000.00;

(Items 3 and 4 to be billed at the hourly rate previously approved by the Borough).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute the contract and all necessary documents to engage the professional engineering services of Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C. for the Project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this contract shall be subject to the certification of the Borough’s Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award is made pursuant to and consistent with the Local Public Contracts Laws of the State of New Jersey and that the contract and its performance shall be consistent with all applicable laws and the proposal submitted by Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C., for the Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01n RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO GROTTO ENGINEERING ASSOCIATES, L.L.C. FOR INTERSECTION AND ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AT SOMERSET STREET/CRAIG PLACE AND CHATHAM STREET AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE DOCUMENTS EFFECTUATING SAME

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is in need of an engineer to provide certain specified engineering services with respect to the project known as the “Somerset Street/Craig Place and Chatham Street - Traffic Signal Replacement and Resurfacing” (the “Project”); and,

WHEREAS, Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C., with its principal place of business located at 340 North Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey 07016, is in the business of providing professional engineering services and serves as the Borough Engineer for the Borough of North Plainfield; and,

WHEREAS, Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C. has previously submitted a proposal and scope of work, dated July 22, 2015, for the Project for two (2) types of specified services, two (2) of which are proposed as fixed fee amounts and one (1) of which is proposed for an hourly billing not to exceed a sum certain; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield is desirous of obtaining the services of Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C. to perform all those services contemplated in the afore-referenced proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey does hereby award a contract to Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C. for the Project known as for a total contract amount not to exceed Thirty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$39,200.00), as follows:

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|----|---------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| 1. | Topographic Survey and base mapping | Fixed fee | \$ 8,600.00 |
| 2. | Bid Design Documents | Fixed fee | \$13,600.00 |
| 3. | Bid support, construction observation | | |

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute the contract amendment and all necessary documents for professional engineering services of Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C. for the Project; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award of this contract shall be subject to the certification of the Borough's Chief Financial Officer as to the availability of funds for payment for same; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award is made pursuant to and consistent with the Local Public Contracts Laws of the State of New Jersey and that the contract and its performance shall be consistent with all applicable laws and the proposal submitted by Grotto Engineering Associates, L.L.C. for the Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01q BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that it does hereby authorize the issuance of a license to drive a taxicab for two years, pursuant to N.P.R.G.O. 4-1 et seq., to the following in accordance with the applications heretofore submitted:

Jorge H. Ortegon
420 Tate Court
Plainfield, NJ 07060

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01r RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERIM INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF GREEN BROOK TO PROVIDE EMS COVERAGE AND SERVICE WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF GREEN BROOK

WHEREAS, the Township of Green Brook is in immediate need for 24/7 EMS coverage and service; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough of North Plainfield has an interest in assisting the Township of Green Brook with its need for 24/7 EMS coverage and service; and,

WHEREAS, Fire Chief/Fire Director William F. Eaton has considered the ability of the Borough of North Plainfield to assist in providing the Township of Green Brook with its need for 24/7 EMS coverage and service and has determined that, in his opinion, the Borough of North Plainfield can assist in providing this service to the Township of Green Brook without diminishing the service currently provided to the taxpayers and residents of the Borough of North Plainfield nor increasing the tax burdens thereon; and,

WHEREAS, Fire Chief William F. Eaton recommends that the Borough of North Plainfield enter into an inter-local agreement with the Township of Green Brook to provide EMS coverage and service within the Township of Green Brook.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough Council hereby authorizes the Mayor and the Borough Clerk to sign and/or execute an interim inter-local agreement with the Township

of Green Brook to immediately provide EMS coverage and service within the Township of Green Brook for a limited period of time, pending the draft and execution of a fully negotiated interlocal services agreement to provide these services; and,

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Attorney is hereby entrusted with the authority to negotiate an interlocal services agreement with the Township of Green Brook to provide 24/7 EMS coverage and service to the Township of Green Brook; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to sign and/or execute any and all such agreements as negotiated by the Borough Attorney without the need for any further action of this Borough Council, unless otherwise provided by law; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the award is made pursuant to and consistent with the Local Public Contracts Laws of the State of New Jersey.

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01s BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to create duplicate tax sale certificates as follows:

Block 4.04 Lot 35	Certificate #09-00203
231 Carol Road	issued 10-07-09

RESOLUTION NO. 09-14-15-01t BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield that the attached bills of the accounts named and for the amounts stated, having been duly audited and found to be correct as of this 14th day of September, 2015 the same be paid; and that the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to sign and deliver warrants for the same.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Somerset County Office of Public Information Somerville, NJ	Various Communications, Advisories and News Releases
Richard K. Phoenix, RMC – Borough Clerk & Chief Operator, WPQJ970 – 1630-AM Radio	Calendar Updates and Advisories; Time-Sensitive Radio Scripts
Tri-County Chamber of Commerce South Plainfield, NJ	Newsletters & Advisories
NJ State League of Municipalities Trenton, NJ	Newsletters & Advisories
PSE&G Newark, NJ	Newsletters and Hearing Notices
NJ American Water Company Voorhees, NJ	Advisories and Hearing Notices
NJ Highlands Coalition Boonton, NJ	Newsletter
NJDEP Trenton, NJ	Sustainable NJ – Idling Project
NJ State Planning Officials	Newsletter

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REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Singleterry requested discussion of the Master Plan ordinance and Mr. Stabile requested discussion of the noise ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Frank D'Amore, 40 Willow Avenue, North Plainfield, voiced his concerns with a recent news article which reported that the North Plainfield Fire Department will offer EMS coverage to Green Brook Township at no charge. He suggested the writer retract same.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR, ADMINISTRATOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Announcing that a Borough wide garage sale will be held on September 26 and 27, Mayor Giordano advised that registration may be done online. The annual senior picnic will be held on October 3, he reported.

Mr. Merrill commended the public safety personnel for their September 11 memorial ceremony.

Council President La Ronde reiterated the details of the Borough wide yard sale, adding that a map of participants will be made available at the library and that approximately 168 residents have asked to participate.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Righetti, seconded by Mr. Merrill and carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Borough Clerk

Council President