

**BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE
EXECUTIVE SESSION / WORKSHOP SESSION / COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA**

**Monday, June 3, 2024
Executive Session 6:00 P.M.
Public Portion 7:00 P.M. (estimate)**

LOCATION: COUNCIL CHAMBERS – SOMERVILLE CIVIC CENTER
24 ROBESON STREET, SOMERVILLE, NJ 08876

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- 1. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- EXECUTIVE SESSION**
 - a. May 20, 2024
- 4. RESOLUTION 24-0603-173 TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

- a. Redevelopment
- b. Personnel
- c. Potential Litigation

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

- 1. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. May 20, 2024
- 5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS & NOTICES**
 - a. Election Day June 4, 2024
Polls open at 6:00 a.m. & close at 8:00 p.m.
 - b. 1st Quarter 2024 Analysis of Sewerage Flows
 - c. 2024-25- School District Budget Statement- Tax Levy Certification

6. PROCLAMATION

- a. LGBT Pride Month

7. PRESENTATION

- a. Eagle Project Troop 83 – presented by Achyut Mani

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

(Motion and 2nd needed and roll call vote to open and close the meeting to the public. Regulations that apply during public meetings also apply during electronic meetings. Comments may be submitted prior to the meeting and maybe summarized during the meeting)

10. CONSENT RESOLUTIONS (ANY ITEMS PULLED OFF CONSENT AGENDA ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A MOTION AND ROLL CALL VOTE)

(RESOLUTIONS 24-0603-174 THRU 24-0603-181)

(Resolutions may be pulled off consent agenda for discussion and roll call vote. Resolutions may be removed or added to the agenda)

- 24-0603-174 AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF ESCROW BALANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,095.00 TO ALVIN NELSON FOR 27 PARK AVENUE BLOCK 68 LOT 19

- 24-0603-175 APPROVING EVENT PERMIT FOR SOMERVILLE ELKS TO USE CAROL PAGER PARK FOR JACK’S KIDS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT ON JULY 13, 2024 FROM 7:00A.M.TO 3:00P.M.

- 24-0603-176 APPROVING JASON THOMPSON TO BE HIRED AS A SEASONAL LABORER AT AN HOURLY RATE OF \$18.00 PER HOUR FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JUNE 10, 2024

- 24-0603-177 APPROVING SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR FOR 2024

- 24-0603-178 AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A REVOCABLE LIMITED LICENSE BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE AND 1141 FIFTH STREET, LLC GRANTING RIGHT-OF-WAY USE

- 24-0603-179 AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE PATRICK LEAHY BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP

24-0603-180 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE 2025 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTOR UTILITY AWD VEHICLES UTILIZING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY PRICING SYSTEM NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT CO-OP #65MCESCCPS- ESNJ 23/24-11 AND AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH 911 LEASING.COM

24-0603-181 AUTHROIZING A NON-FAIR AND OPEN A CONTRACT TO PENNONI ASSOCIATES FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE PETERS BROOK STORMWATER OUTFALL REPLACEMENT AT GROVE STREET

11. BILLS AND VOUCHERS

12. ADJOURNMENT

KEVIN SLUKA, MUNICIPAL CLERK

The resolutions listed below are in draft form and may be amended prior or during the meeting

RESOLUTION 24-0603-174

AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF ESCROW BALANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,095.00 TO ALVIN NELSON FOR 27 PARK AVENUE BLOCK 68 LOT 19

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby approves the refund of escrow balance in the amount of \$4,095.00 to Alvin Nelson for 27 Park Avenue Block 68 Lot 19.

RESOLUTION 24-0603-175

APPROVING EVENT PERMIT FOR SOMERVILLE ELKS TO USE CAROL PAGER PARK FOR JACK'S KIDS SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT ON JULY 13, 2024 FROM 7:00A.M.TO 3:00P.M.

WHEREAS, Somerville Elks is seeking to use Carol Pager Park for Jack's Kids Softball Tournament; and

WHEREAS, Hank Werner on behalf of Somerville Elks, has completed a Facility Use Application.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey approves an event permit for Somerville Elks to use Carol Pager Park for Jack's Kids Softball Tournament on July 13, 2024 from 7:00a.m. to 3:00p.m.

RESOLUTION 24-0603-176

**APPROVING JASON THOMPSON TO BE HIRED AS A
SEASONAL LABORER AT AN HOURLY RATE OF \$18.00 PER HOUR FOR THE
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE JUNE 10, 2024**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey approves Jason Thompson (effective June 10, 2024) as a Seasonal Laborer at a rate of \$18.00 per hour for the Public Works Department.

RESOLUTION 24-0603-177

APPROVING SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR CLERK-ADMINISTRATOR FOR 2024

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville approves a salary adjustment for the position of Clerk-Administrator retroactive to January 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Kevin Sluka is non-union and/or management employees and shall receive a 3% annual adjustment for 2024 retroactive to January 1, 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby approves a salary adjustment as noted in the preamble of 3% retroactive to January 1, 2024.

RESOLUTION 24-0603-178

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A REVOCABLE LIMITED LICENSE
BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE AND 1141 FIFTH STREET, LLC
GRANTING RIGHT-OF-WAY USE**

WHEREAS, 1141 Fifth Street, LLC has an existing stonewall that encroaches on the Borough's Right-of-Way; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby authorizes the execution of a revocable limited license between the Borough of Somerville and 1141 Fifth Street LLC, whose principal address is 11-41 Fifth Street, Somerville, New Jersey 08876.

RESOLUTION 24-0603-179

**AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE PATRICK
LEAHY BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey authorizes THE Clerk-Administrator to submit a grant application to the Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Partnership, US Department of Justice.

RESOLUTION 23-0603-180

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE 2025 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTOR UTILITY AWD VEHICLES UTILIZING EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION OF NEW JERSEY PRICING SYSTEM NEW JERSEY STATE CONTRACT CO-OP #65MCESCCPS- ESNJ 23/24-11 AND AUTHORIZING AN EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH 911 LEASING.COM

WHEREAS, the Police Department for the Borough of Somerville has a need for three additional police cars; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has identified that the 2025 Ford Police Interceptor Utility (K8A) AWD fits their needs; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has identified the vehicles under Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative pricing Contract ESC Co-op #65MCESCCPS-ESNJ 23/24-11 for total amount of \$154,476.92 as per Quote dated May 23, 2024; and

WHEREAS, financing is arranged through 911 Leasing.com at an rate of 6.73% for 3 annual payments of \$57,828.91.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, hereby authorize the purchase of three 2025 2025 Ford Police Interceptor Utility (K8A) AWD Educational Services Commission of NJ Cooperative pricing Contract ESC Co-op #65MCESCCPS-ESNJ 23/24-11 for total amount of \$154,476.92 as per Quote dated May 23, 2024 and financing is arranged through 911 Leasing.com at an rate of 6.73% for 3 annual payments of \$57,828.91.

RESOLUTION 24-0603-181

AUTHROIZING A NON-FAIR AND OPEN A CONTRACT TO PENNONI ASSOCIATES FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE PETERS BROOK STORMWATER OUTFALL REPLACEMENT AT GROVE STREET

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville need to acquire professional engineering services related to the Peters brook Stormwater Outfall replacement at Grove Street as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of NJSA 19:44-20.4 or 20.5 as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has determined and certified in writing that the value of the contract exceeds \$17,500; and

WHEREAS, the Pennoni Associates, 1085 Raymond Boulevard, Suite 2102 Newark, New Jersey 07102 submitted a proposal dated April 15, 2024, in the amount of \$109,600 for Phase I of Headwall replacement and Bank Stabilization that include, surveying services, civil engineering, hydrology and hydraulics study, environmental permitting, geotechnical services, structural design and bidding support; and

WHEREAS, Pennoni Associates has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Pennoni Associates has not made any reportable contributions to a candidate committee in the Borough of Somerville elected officials in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the Pennoni Associates from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey of the authorizes the Mayor to enter into a contract with Pennoni Associates in the amount of \$109,600 for Phase I of Headwall replacement and Bank Stabilization that include, surveying services, civil engineering, hydrology and hydraulics study, environmental permitting, geotechnical services, structural design and bidding support.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution.