

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

Monday, December 2, 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. November 18, 2024
- 4. RESOLUTION 24-1202-348 TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

- a. Redevelopment
- b. Personnel

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

- 1. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. November 18, 2024
- 5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS & NOTICES**
 - a. Reorganization Meeting January 1, 2025 | 12:00pm
 - b. PSEG East Main Construction Jan- March

6. RESOLUTION

24-1202-349 APPROVING THE HIRING OF BRENDEN O'BRIEN AS
POLICE OFFICER EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

7. OATH OF OFFICE

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. DISCUSSION

10. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

(Motion and 2nd needed and roll call vote to open and close the meeting to the public). **Public Comment** (shall be limited to five (5) minutes total per individual unless extended or waived by the Mayor).

11. ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION (full copy is available at the end of this agenda)

2753-24-1202 AMENDING CHAPTER 102-69 GENERAL
REQUIREMENTS

12. ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION (full copy is available at the end of this agenda)

2749-24-1118 AMENDING ORDINANCE #2738-24-0805 ESTABLISHING
A SALARY RANGE FOR EMPLOYEE TITLES TO BE PAID
TO CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE
BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE

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

(RESOLUTIONS 24-1202-350 THRU 24-1202-363)

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

24-1202-350 APPROVING SCORE KEEPERS AT A RATE OF \$18.00 PER
GAME FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR
JANUARY 10, 2025, TO MARCH 1, 2025

24-1202-351 APPROVING ANTHONY SMITH AS AN HOURLY EMPLOYEE
AT A RATE OF \$25.00 FOR THE BASKETBALL GYM
SUPERVISOR FROM JANUARY 10, 2025, TO MARCH 1,
2025

- 24-1202-352 APPROVING NEW TAXI OWNER LICENSE FOR YEAR 2024-2025
- 24-1202-353 APPROVING RELEASE OF THE RETAINAGE TO PAVE-RITE, INC FOR THE BASKETBALL COURT IMPROVEMENTS MICHAEL LEPP PARK
- 24-1202-354 MEMORIALIZING THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000 FROM THE BOROUGH OF PROSPECT PARK
- 24-1202-355 APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH THE CHIEF OF POLICE FROM JANUARY 1, 2024, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026
- 24-1202-356 AUTHORIZING A TAX APPEAL FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 956 HIGHWAY 22, ALSO KNOWN AS BLOCK 95 LOT 15, IN THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE, SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
- 24-1202-357 APPROVING CHAPTER 159 FROM THE NATIONAL OPIOIDS SETTLEMENT TRUST
- 24-1202-358 AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO KRS IT CONSULTING TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS AND TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT
- 24-1202-359 ACCEPTING A GRANT OF \$9,956.00 AND APPROVING CHAPTER 159 FROM STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND FOR GENERAL SAFETY AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONTROL
- 24-1202-360 AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO DANCKER, LLC FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SPECIALIZED FURNITURE FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES FACILITY- 85 NORTH GASTON AVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,527.32
- 24-1202-361 AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE SOMERVILLE SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 147
- 24-1202-362 ACCEPTING A GRANT OF UP TO \$293,319.00 FROM THE HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION FUND (HDSRF) PROGRAM THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

14. BILLS AND VOUCHERS

15. ADJOURNMENT

KEVIN SLUKA, MUNICIPAL CLERK

Ordinance scheduled for Introduction

ORDINANCE #2753-24-1202

AMENDING CHAPTER 102-69 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

§ 102-69. General Requirements.

In addition to the submission requirements for the individual categories of applications in the following sections, all categories of applications shall be required to submit the following information and documents; provided, however, that conceptual plans and minor site plans which are submitted to only the Site Plan Waiver Committee or Architectural Review Board shall only be required to submit the information and documents set forth in § 102-70 and § 102-74, as applicable.

- A. For purposes of completeness review only, three copies of the appropriate application form(s). Thereafter, if the application is determined to be complete, the applicant shall submit thirteen (13) additional copies, for a total of sixteen (16) copies, of the appropriate application form(s), completed and signed. Please see item "I" (below) for additional information regarding the drawings. If any item is not applicable to the application, it shall be indicated on the application form(s) by the words "not applicable", "none" or other appropriate language.
- B. Written description of the application, including a description of the proposed use and improvements.
- C. Statements as to any requirements from which a waiver or variance is sought, together with a statement of reasons why same should be granted.
- D. Receipt indicating that applicable fees and initial escrow deposits are paid.
- E. Certificate from the Tax Collector indicating that all taxes and assessments for the subject property are paid up to and including the most recent collection period.
- F. Certificate from both the Board of Adjustment and the Planning Board indicating the nature and date of prior actions, if any, by the respective Boards affecting the subject property, as disclosed by the available records of such Boards.

- G. Affidavit of ownership. If applicant is not the owner, applicant's interest in land must be indicated; e.g., tenant, contract/purchaser, lien holder, etc., and permission of property owner to file the application must be submitted.
- H. If applicant is a corporation or partnership applying to the Board or the Council for permission to subdivide a parcel of land into six (6) or more lots, or applying for a variance to construct a multiple dwelling of twenty-five (25) or more family units or for approval of a site to be used for commercial purposes, a list of the names and addresses of all stockholders or individual partners or members of the LLC owning at least 10% of its stock of any class as required by § 102-66.
- I. For purposes of completeness review only, three copies of the required development plan(s). The plans shall be provided in hard copy and electronic version. The electronic version shall be the form of a PDF or as required by future Statute Thereafter, if the application is determined to be complete, the applicant shall submit thirteen (13) additional copies, for a total of sixteen (16) copies, of any required development plan(s), signed and sealed by the professional who prepared the development plan(s). The thirteen (13) additional copies can be reduced in size to fit onto 11" x 17" (Tabloid) size paper unless full size drawings are required by the Board. Any plan submitted as part of an application to a Borough agency shall be prepared by an individual pursuant to the regulations in N.J.A.C. 13:27, 13:40, and 13:41, as amended, provided that the owner of a single-family detached or two-family dwelling may sign the plans for an application if he or she has prepared them. All such plans shall contain the following information:
- (1) Title block containing the type of application, name and address of applicant and owner; name, address, signature, license number and seal of plan preparer; existing lot and block numbers; municipality and county, date prepared and date(s) of all plan amendments.
 - (2) Signature block for signatures of Chairman, Secretary of the Board and Board Engineer
 - (3) The name of all adjoining property owners as disclosed by current Borough tax records.
 - (4) A key map showing the location of the tract to be considered in relation to the surrounding area within at least five hundred (500) feet of the subject property.
 - (5) Scale of map, both written and graphic. The scale shall consist of no more than fifty (50) feet to the inch.
 - (6) North arrow.
 - (7) Zoning district in which parcel is located, and the zone district of adjacent property, with a table indicating tract area, lot area(s), lot width(s), all yard setbacks, building and impervious coverage, building height, floor area

ratio, density and number of parking spaces, both as to required, existing and proposed, for the subject property. If the application involves a conditional use, compliance with the applicable conditional use standards shall be indicated on the plan.

- (8) Existing and proposed boundaries of the site(s) in question, with bearings and dimensions of same. The number of each existing tax lot in accordance with the tax map shall be shown.
 - (9) Municipal boundary line(s), if any, crossing or adjacent to the subject property.
 - (10) Location and width of existing easements or rights-of-way on or abutting the subject property, including but not limited to streets, utility and drainage easements, sight easements and access easements.
 - (11) Location of existing and proposed buildings, with setbacks from property lines dimensioned on the plan.
 - (12) Location of existing and proposed paved and gravel areas, including parking and loading areas, driveways, sidewalks, etc., showing the design of such areas.
 - (13) Location of natural features, including woodlands, streams and other water bodies, wetlands, flood hazard areas and rock outcrops on the property, and also on adjacent properties if same may affect the proposed development.
 - (14) Location of any required dedication or reservation for streets or any area shown on the Official Map or Master Plan.
 - (15) Soil erosion and sedimentation control plan, if required pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 251.
 - (16) Construction details and specifications sufficient to illustrate the nature of proposed site improvements, including but not limited to the following: paving, curbing, sidewalks, driveway aprons, walls, fences, utility and storm drainage structures, soil erosion control structures, tree protection devices, light fixtures and standards, signs, planting and staking details, EV Charging and barrier-free access design.
- J. A statement of any and all approvals which are required from other governmental entities, as applicable, including but not limited to the following:
- (1) For the Borough, the Health Department, Fire Subcode Official, Construction Code Official and Architectural Review Board.
 - (2) For Somerset County, the Somerset County Planning Board.

(3) For the State of New Jersey, the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Transportation.

(4) For the United States, the Soil Conservation Service.

K. ~~For minor subdivisions, preliminary major site plans and preliminary major subdivisions, one of the following:~~

~~(1) A letter of interpretation from the N.J.D.E.P. indicating the absence of freshwater wetlands, or indicating the presence and verifying the boundaries of freshwater wetlands, and classifying same by resource value.~~

~~(2) A letter of exemption from the N.J.D.E.P. certifying that the proposed activity is exempt from the Freshwater Wetlands Protection Act, and regulations promulgated thereunder.~~

~~(3) A copy of any application made to the N.J.D.E.P. for any permit concerning a proposed regulated activity in or around freshwater wetlands.~~

~~(4) Documentation demonstrating that no wetlands exist on the subject property, and demonstrating that no wetlands exist on adjacent property that would affect or limit development on the property which is the subject of the development application.~~

A signed and notarized copy of the escrow agreement. The escrow agreement is included as an Attachment in the Development Application and Appeal Form.

L. A copy of any protective covenants or deed restrictions, if any, affecting the property in question; provided that if none exist, an affidavit from the owner certifying that no such covenants or restrictions exist shall be submitted.

M. Information sufficient to determine if the special notice to Regional Center municipalities in § 102-12B(3) is required.

N. Proof of submission of the application to the Somerset County Planning Board (e.g., copy of stamped and dated County application form). It is the policy of the Somerset County Planning Board that all land use applications be reviewed by the County to determine if County approval is needed, therefore, a waiver for not submitting to the Somerset County Planning Board cannot be granted.

O. In accordance with NJAC 13:40-7.2(a) & NJAC 13:40-5.1 (n) , as amended, drawings prepared by an individual pursuant to the regulations in N.J.A.C. 13:27, 13:40, and 13:41 may depict survey information from another plan only if the following information is provided; 1) Who Prepared the Survey, 2) Date of the Survey, 3) Who the Survey was prepared for, and 4) A signed and sealed copy of the Survey must be attached.

P. The title block for drawings prepared by an individual pursuant to the regulations

in NJAC13:27, 13:40, and 13:4, shall contain the Certificate of Authorization number in accordance with NJAC 13:40, as amended, unless the drawings are prepared by an individual or by professional service corporation established pursuant to the Professional Service Corporation Act, 14A:17-1 et seq.

- Q. A storm water management report, in accordance with NJAC. 7:8, as amended, shall be submitted for development applications meeting the definition of "Major Development"

Ordinance scheduled for Adoption

ORDINANCE #2749-24-1118

AMENDING ORDINANCE #2738-24-0805 ESTABLISHING A SALARY RANGE FOR EMPLOYEE TITLES TO BE PAID TO CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, and the State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The salaries, wages or other compensation to be paid to the following officers and employees of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, shall be fixed and determined from time to time by resolution of the Council, of the said Borough, at amounts or rates of not less than the respective minimum, nor more than the respective maximum amounts or rates hereinafter set forth opposite the title of the respective officers or employees as follows:

| <u>PRIMARY TITLE</u> | <u>MIN</u> | <u>MAX</u> |
|---------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| MAYOR | \$3,500 | \$5,500 |
| COUNCIL MEMBER | \$3,000 | \$5,000 |
| BORO ADMINISTRATOR | \$91,600 | \$152,000 |
| BORO CLERK | \$54,400 | \$90,000 |
| DEPUTY CLERK | \$35,000 | \$70,000 |
| BORO ATTORNEY | \$32,000 | \$65,000 |
| EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT | \$45,000 | \$65,000 |
| RECEPTIONIST/ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT | \$40,000 | \$60,000 |
| ASS'T TO DPW DIR/ASS'T TO ENGINEER | \$80,000 | \$135,000 |
| ADMIN. ASS'T TO THE POLICE CHIEF | \$45,000 | \$60,000 |
| ADMIN. ASS'T TO THE DPW DIR. | \$45,000 | \$65,000 |
| PROJECT MANAGER | \$45,000 | \$65,000 |
| PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER | \$75,000 | \$155,000 |
| DIR OF COMM DEV | \$45,000 | \$135,000 |
| LAND USE DIRECTOR | \$65,000 | \$90,000 |
| CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER | \$75,000 | \$165,000 |
| ASS'T TO THE CFO/ DEP TAX COLL | \$55,000 | \$90,000 |
| PAYROLL CLERK | \$50,000 | \$65,000 |
| PAYROLL CLERK (PT) | \$20,000 | \$40,000 |
| RECREATION DIRECTOR | \$45,000 | \$90,000 |
| SUPT OF FIRE MAINT. | \$45,000 | \$90,000 |

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| ASST SUPT FIRE | \$40,000 | \$70,000 |
| TAX ASSESSOR (PT) | \$30,000 | \$65,000 |
| ASS'T TAX ASSESSOR | \$40,000 | \$40,000 |
| CORRESPONDING SECTY (PT) | \$32,000 | \$50,000 |
| SECRETARY | \$40,000 | \$60,000 |
| CONFIDENTIAL SECTY | \$40,000 | \$60,000 |
| MUNICIPAL JUDGE | \$20,000 | \$70,000 |
| ASS'T TO FINANCE OFFICER/RECEPTIONIST | \$39,000 | \$70,000 |
| TAX COLLECTOR | \$32,000 | \$80,000 |
| DEP TAX COLL | \$32,000 | \$70,000 |
| DEP SEWER UTY COLL | \$32,000 | \$35,000 |
| PLUMBING SUB-CODE | \$3,000 | \$25,000 |
| FIRE SUB-CODE INSP PT | \$10,000 | \$30,000 |
| FIRE OFFICIAL | \$32,000 | \$90,000 |
| FIRE INSPECTOR/PROPERTY MTC | \$42,000 | \$55,000 |
| PART-TIME FIRE INSPECTOR | \$10,000 | \$50,000 |
| CONSTRUCTION COORDINATOR | \$60,000 | \$90,000 |
| PART-TIME TECHNICAL ASSISTANT TO CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL | \$10,000 | \$30,000 |
| FULL-TIME TECHNICAL ASSISTANT TO CONSTRUCTION OFFICIAL | \$45,000 | \$70,000 |
| ELECTRICAL SUBCODE/CONST CODE OFF. | \$45,000 | \$95,000 |
| FIRE SUBCODE/INSPECTOR/ ELECTRICAL SUBCODE/INSPECTOR | \$85,000 | \$135,000 |
| BUILDG SUB CODE/INSPECTOR | | |
| BUILDING SUB CODE (HOURLY) | \$48.00 | \$54.00 |
| HOUSING INSP (PT) | \$3,000 | \$40,000 |
| DEPY CODE ENF OFF | \$32,000 | \$50,000 |
| BUILDING SUB-CODE | \$2,000 | \$25,000 |
| PROPERTY MAINTENANCE OFF. (PT) | \$10,000 | \$20,000 |
| BOOKKEEPER/CLERK | \$32,000 | \$50,000 |
| SR. CLK /TYPIST | \$32,000 | \$45,000 |
| SR. RECORDS CLERK/ADMIN ASS'T | \$40,000 | \$60,000 |
| CLERK/TYPIST PT | \$20,000 | \$40,000 |
| CLERK PT | \$10,000 | \$30,000 |
| SECTY PL/ZONING BDS (administrator) | \$32,000 | \$80,000 |
| REGISTRAR/VITAL STAT | \$45,000 | \$90,000 |
| DEP REGISTRAR/ADMIN ASS'T | \$45,000 | \$70,000 |
| DEPUTY REGISTRAR | \$45,000 | \$65,000 |
| PARK ENFORC OFF | \$33,000 | \$60,000 |
| RECEPTIONIST – PT | \$18.00/hr | \$26.00/hr |
| PARK ENFORC. – PT. | \$18.00/hr | \$26.00/hr |
| PART-TIME INTERN | \$18.00/hr | \$20.00/hr |
| PART-TIME CLERICAL | \$18.00/hr | \$30.00/hr |
| RECREATION ASSISTANTS | \$18.00/hr | \$30.00/hr |
| LIFEGUARDS | \$18.00/hr | \$25.00/hr |
| POOL SUPERVISOR | \$21.00/hr | \$25.00/hr |
| PART-TIME FIRE MAINTENANCE (hourly) | \$18.00/hr | \$35.00/hr |
| PART-TIME FIRE MAINTENANCE | \$10,000 | \$35,000 |
| INTERN | \$18.00/hr | \$25.00/hr |

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| FIRE MAINTENANCE | \$18.00/hr | \$26.00/hr |
| <u>FIRE DEPARTMENT:</u> | | |
| FIRE APPARATUS DRIVER | \$600 | \$2,000 |
| FIRE DUTY | \$18.00/hr | \$20.00/hr |
| FIRE WATCH | \$18.00/hr | \$20.00/hr |
| FIRE ON-CALL | \$18.00/hr | \$20.00/hr |

POLICE DEPARTMENT: (salary as per collective bargain contract)

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|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| CHIEF OF POLICE | \$140,000 | \$200,000 |
| CAPTAIN | \$115,000 | \$195,000 |
| LIEUTENANT | \$105,000 | \$190,000 |
| SERGEANT | \$79,000 | \$185,000 |
| DETECTIVE | \$60,000 | \$165,000 |
| PATROLMAN | \$50,000 | \$165,000 |

PUBLIC WORKS: DPW employees are hourly employees salary as per collective bargaining contract

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| GENERAL | \$50,000 | \$90,000 |
| SUPERVISING MECHANIC | \$48,000 | \$85,000 |
| MECHANIC | \$46,000 | \$75,000 |
| HEAVY EQUIP OPR | \$46,000 | \$70,000 |
| LIGHT EQUIP OPR | \$46,000 | \$70,000 |
| DRIVER LABORER | \$46,000 | \$65,000 |
| LABORERS | \$40,000 | \$60,000 |
| DRIVER-LABORER-INSPECTOR | \$40,000 | \$60,000 |
| CUSTODIAN | \$40,000 | \$60,000 |
| HEAD CUSTODIAN | \$40,000 | \$60,000 |
| PART- TIME LABORER | \$18.00/hr | \$30.00/hr |
| SEASONAL EMPLOYEES | \$18.00/hr | \$25.00/hr |

Part-time employees and Public Works employees are hourly employees.

Contracts for PBA, OPEIU and AFSCME shall govern salary adjustments of full-time and unionized part-time employees.

Hourly, non-unionized and management are governed by the Borough Council.

SECTION 2. Not all titles are used. The Borough reserves the right to amend the ordinance to accommodate new titles.

SECTION 3. The Borough Council reserves the right to hire any individual within the range by Resolution.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication as required by law.

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

RESOLUTION 24-1202-349

**APPROVING THE HIRING OF BRENDEN O'BRIEN
AS POLICE OFFICER EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey approves the hiring of Brenden O'Brien as a Somerville Borough Police Officer with a base salary of \$64,335.00 and holiday at \$5,196.00 with a total amount of \$69,531.00 effective January 1, 2025.

RESOLUTION 24-1202-350

**APPROVING SCORE KEEPERS AT A RATE OF \$18.00 PER GAME FOR THE
RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR JANUARY 10, 2025 TO MARCH 1, 2025**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey approves score keepers at a rate of \$18.00 per game for the Recreation Department for January 10, 2025 to March 1, 2025.

Travis Binkley
Lucas Kislak
Hudson Resner
Riley Runyon

RESOLUTION 24-1202-351

**APPROVING ANTHONY SMITH AS AN HOURLY EMPLOYEE AT A RATE OF \$25.00
FOR THE BASKETBALL GYM SUPERVISOR FROM JANUARY 10, 2025 TO MARCH
1, 2025**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey approves Anthony Smith as an hourly employee at a rate of \$25.00 for the basketball gym supervisor from January 10, 2025 to March 1, 2025.

RESOLUTION 24-1202-352

APPROVING NEW TAXI OWNER LICENSE FOR YEAR 2024-2025

WHEREAS, the following have made application for new taxi owner license for 2024-2025.

Corre Caminos Taxi, LLC
Raritan, NJ

Andrea Avila
Raritan, NJ 08869

(1) car:

2017 Honda CRV

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RESOLUTION 24-1202-353

APPROVING RELEASE OF THE RETAINAGE TO PAVE-RITE, INC FOR THE BASKETBALL COURT IMPROVEMENTS MICHAEL LEPP PARK

WHEREAS, Pave-Rite Inc., is requesting the requests of the retainage of \$2,146.46.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville hereby approves the release of the retainage for basketball court improvements Michael Lepp Park to Pave-Rite, Inc.

RESOLUTION 24-1202-354

MEMORIALIZING THE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000 FROM THE BOROUGH OF PROSPECT PARK

WHEREAS, the Somerville Chief Financial Officer executed the closing documents and issuance certificate for the purchase of Bond Anticipation Notes in the amount of \$1,000,000 identified as Series 2024B from the Borough of Prospect Park; and

WHEREAS, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Somerville is fully authorized to make investments for the Borough of Somerville and said investment is memorialized in this Resolution and is defined as Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2024B of the Borough of Prospect Park, in the County of Passaic in the aggregate amount of \$1,000,000, dated December 3, 2024 maturing on January 24, 2025 consisting of one(1) certificate at an interest rate of 4.75% ; and

WHEREAS, Gibbons, PC, Bond Counsel for the Borough of Somerville has issued a legal opinion relating to the authorization and validity of said notes and transaction

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey memorializes action taken by the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Somerville that include the execution of closing documents and issuance certificate defined as Bond Anticipation Notes, Series 2024B of the Borough of Prospect Park, in the County of Passaic in the aggregate amount of \$1,000,000, dated December 3, 2024 maturing on January 24, 2025 consisting of one(1) certificate at an interest rate of 4.75%

RESOLUTION 24-1202-355

APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH THE CHIEF OF POLICE FROM JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby approves a contract with the Chief of Police from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026 and authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute said document.

RESOLUTION 24-1202-356

**AUTHORIZING A TAX APPEAL FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT
956 HIGHWAY 22, ALSO KNOWN AS BLOCK 95 LOT 15, IN THE BOROUGH OF
SOMERVILLE, SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

WHEREAS, Finomus Somerville RE Holdings, LLC, is the owner of certain real property located at 956 Highway 22, also known as Block 95 Lot 15, in the Borough of Somerville, Somerset County, New Jersey and

WHEREAS, the owner has filed an appeal to the Somerset County Board of Taxation under appeal number 18-2400004L for said property for tax year 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Somerset County Board of Appeals granted a Judgment on June 4, 2024; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the appeal, the assessed value of said property has been reduced to \$1,068,000; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the reduction of the assessment, a refund in the amount of \$2,964.75 for 2024 shall be made payable to William Sitar, Esq., attorney for Finomus Somerville RE Holdings, LLC.; and

WHEREAS, the first and second quarter 2025 preliminary taxes shall each be reduced by \$741.19.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that the appeal as set forth herein above is hereby approved and the Tax Collector is instructed to issue a total refund of \$2,964.75, and the Tax Collector shall adjust the preliminary first and second quarters accordingly.

RESOLUTION 24-1202-357

**APPROVING CHAPTER 159 FROM THE NATIONAL OPIOIDS
SETTLEMENT TRUST**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A 4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has received notice of an award of \$25,544.14 from National Opioids Settlement Trust and wishes to amend its 2024 Budget to include this amount as revenue.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Somerville hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the amendment of an additional item of revenue in the budget of the year 2024 in the sum of..... \$25,544.14 to be received from grants as revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with
Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local
Government Services:
Public and Private Revenues off-set with Appropriations:
National Opioids Settlement Trust.....\$25,544.14

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a like sum of.....\$25,544.14 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:
Operations-Excluded from "CAPS"
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:
National Opioids Settlement Trust

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Somerville forward two copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION 24-1202-358

**AWARDING A CONTRACT TO KRS IT CONSULTING
TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS AND TECHNOLOGY
SUPPORT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville seeks an consultant to provide information technology solutions for certain municipal departments; and

WHEREAS, KRS IT Consulting LLC, 1 Ackerman Avenue, Suite E, Clifton, New Jersey 07011 offers such services; and

WHEREAS, KRS IT Consulting LLC, conducted a technology assessment of the technology infrastructure, including PC workstations, servers and network; and

WHEREAS, KRS IT Consulting LLC, provided a proposal dated November 22, 2024, which includes hardware as a service in the amount of \$8,197.00 per month; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with NJSA 40A:11-5 such services that exceed the bid threshold are exempt from, public bidding, however, shall be awarded by resolution of the Governing Body.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey awards a contract to KRS IT Consulting LLC, 1 Ackerman Avenue, Suite E, Clifton, New Jersey 07011 at a rate of \$8,197.00 per month, it is expected the contract shall be for a period of thirty-six months (36 months).

RESOLUTION 24-1202-359

ACCEPTING A GRANT OF \$9,956.00 AND APPROVING CHAPTER 159 FROM STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND FOR GENERAL SAFETY AND RISK MANAGEMENT CONTROL

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A 4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of any item of appropriation for an equal amount; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has received notice of an award of \$9,956.00 and approving Chapter 159 from Statewide Insurance Fund for General Safety and Risk Management Control and wishes to amend its 2024 budget to include this amount as revenue.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Somerville hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the amendment of an additional item of revenue in the budget of the year 2024 in the sum of.....\$9,956.00 to be received from grants as revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues:

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with
Prior Written Consent of the Director of Local
Government Services:

Public and Private Revenues off-set with
Appropriations:

2024-2025 abbreviated annual grant for General Safety and Risk Management Control
.....\$9,956.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of.....\$9,956.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:

Operations-Excluded from "CAPS"
Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:
2024-2025 abbreviated annual grant for General Safety and Risk
Management Control\$9,956.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Somerville forward two copies of this resolution to the Director of Local Government Services.

RESOLUTION 24-1202-360

AWARDING A CONTRACT TO DANCKER, LLC FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SPECIALIZED FURNITURE FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES FACILITY- 85 NORTH GASTON AVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,527.32

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville accepted a proposal from Dancker, LLC, 291 Evans Way, Somerville, New Jersey 08876 for the installation of specialized law enforcement furniture for the Emergency Services Facility, 85 N. Gason Avenue, Somerville, NJ 08876; and

WHEREAS, the proposal dated October 30, 2024, is in the amount of \$18,527.32, identified as quote 235068; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey Awards a contract to Dancker, LLC, 291 Evans Way, Somerville, New Jersey 08876 for the installation of specialized law enforcement furniture for the Emergency Services Facility, 85 N. Gason Avenue, Somerville, NJ 08876 in the amount of \$18,527.32

RESOLUTION 24-1202-361

AUTHORIZING MAYOR AND MUNICIPAL CLERK TO EXECUTE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE SOMERVILLE SUPERIOR OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 147

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey authorizes the Mayor and Municipal Clerk to execute a settlement agreement with the Somerville Superior Officers Association.

RESOLUTION 24-1202-362

ACCEPTING A GRANT OF UP TO \$293,319.00 FROM THE HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE SITE REMEDIATION FUND (HDSRF) PROGRAM THROUGH THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville (the “Borough”) is remediating the property located Rt 206 known as the Somerville Landfill BDA site, in the Borough of Somerville (the “Property”);, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Somerville has applied for and has been awarded a grant in the amount of up to \$293,319.00 in grant Prod-00316629 from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund. (HDSRF) Grant Program through the Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority;; and

WHEREAS, in August 2024 the Borough affirmed its acceptance of this grant Prod-00316629; and

WHEREAS, these funds are for the additional Remedial Activities of certain sections of the Property area along with report preparation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of Somerville that the above referenced grant is hereby accepted, and the mayor and clerk are hereby authorized to execute grant documents as authorized representatives thereunder, as the representatives for the Borough of Somerville.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority

RESOLUTION 24-1202-363

ADOPTING THE LAND USE ESCROW AGREEMENT TO BE UTILIZED AS PART OF THE LAND USE APPLICATION CHECKLIST

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby adopts the Land Use Escrow Agreement to be utilized as part of the land use Application Checklist.