

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

**Monday, December 19, 2022  
Executive Session 6:30 P.M.  
Public portion 7:00 P.M. (estimate)**

LOCATION: COUNCIL CHAMBERS – POLICE HEADQUARTERS  
24 SOUTH BRIDGE STREET, SOMERVILLE, NJ 08876

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EVENTS

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- 1. OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- EXECUTIVE SESSION**
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  - b. December 5, 2022
- 4. RESOLUTION 22-1219-370 TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA**

- a. Non- Union 2023 adjustments
- b. Redevelopment
- c. Personnel -Offer of Employment
- d. PBA Negotiations

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- 5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS & NOTICES**
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- 8. ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION** (full copy is available at the end of this agenda)
  - 2691-22-1205 AMENDING ORDINANCE #2688-22-1017 TO ELIMINATE PERMIT PARKING ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SECOND STREET

**9. MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

(Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 22-1219-371 THRU 22-1219-383)**

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

- 22-1219-371 CANCELLING 2022 CURRENT FUND BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS
- 22-1219-372 APPROVING ALYSON GUST AS AN HOURLY EMPLOYEE AT A RATE OF \$26.00 FOR THE BASKETBALL GYM SUPERVISOR
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- 22-1219-374 AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF A STEEL GABLE SHELTER FOR COMMUNITY PARK THROUGH ESCNJ CO OP 20/21-06 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,337.50
- 22-1219-375 AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO MULLIN & LONERGAN ASSOCIATES, INC TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN CONNECTION WITH THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE BOROUGH'S SECTION 8 EXISITING HOUSING PAYMENTS PROGRAM
- 22-1219-376 APPROVING SPEED LIMIT TO 25 MPH ALONG THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF ROUTE NJ 28 WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE
- 22-1219-377 ACCEPTING A GRANT OF \$11,998.00 FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY-2022 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT
- 22-1219-378 APPROVING CHAPTER 159 FOR THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY-2022 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT
- 22-1219-379 AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF \$400.00 TO M&S INVESTMENTS AT DAVENPORT, LLC FROM THE ENGINEERING AND PLANNING BOARD ESCROW ACCOUNTS APPLICATION #2016-009P KNOWN AS 21-29 DAVENPORT STREET BLOCK 115 LOT 17
- 22-1219-380 AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF \$3,345.50 TO M&S INVESTMENTS AT DAVENPORT, LLC FROM THE REDEVELOPMENT ESCROW ACCOUNT DAVENPORT PROJECT

- 22-1219-381 AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS GRANT FOR APPROXIMATELY \$100,000.00 TO INSTALL AN ADA INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND WITH A RUBBERIZED SURFACE AT WALCK PARK
- 22-1219-382 AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF \$807.98 TO SOMERVILLE URBAN RENEWAL PHASE III, LLC TO CLOSE OUT PLANNING ESCROW 2021-11P
- 22-1219-383 AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVISE THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT THAT THE BOROUGH CONSENTS TO THE FILING OF THE APPLICATION BY THE OWNER OF 131 WEST HIGH STREET BLOCK 115 LOT 8 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR THE CONSENT

**11. BILLS AND VOUCHERS**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

KEVIN SLUKA, MUNICIPAL CLERK

Ordinances scheduled for public hearing and adoption

**ORDINANCE #2691-22-1205**

**AMENDING ORDINANCE #2688-22-1017 TO ELIMINATE PERMIT PARKING ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SECOND STREET**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 166, section 46.1 Schedule VA shall be amended to read as follows

**§ 166-46.1 Schedule VA: Permit Parking.**

- A. A decal is to be displayed, in accordance with § **166-10.1**, during the following hours: 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- B. In accordance with § **166-10.1**, no person shall park a vehicle without a permit during the above times on any of the following streets or parts of streets:

Name of Street	Side	Location
Adams Street	Both	From Post Street to Eastern States Parkway
Davenport Street	West	From West Cliff Street to West High Street (except for the most northerly parking stall which shall be specifically reserved for the clergy of the St. Thomas A.M.E. Zion Church)
East Cliff Street [ <b>Added 11-16-2020 by Ord. No. 2624</b> ]	Both	Between Grove Street and North Bridge Street
Fairmont Avenue	Both	Entire length
Grant Avenue	Both	Entire length
Lee Way	Both	Entire length
Lisa Terrace	Both	From Lee Way to Reimer Street
Madison Street	Both	From Post Street to Eastern States Parkway

Name of Street	Side	Location
Mechanic Street	West	Entire length
Monroe Street	Both	From Post Street to Eastern States Parkway
Putnam Street	Both	From Post Street to Eastern States Parkway
Rehill Avenue	West	From East Main Street to Lee Way
Rehill Avenue	Both	From Lee Way to Union Avenue (Route 28)
Reimer Street	Both	From Lisa Terrace to Steele Avenue
Second Street	North	South Bridge Street to Hamilton Street
South Street	South	From a point 87 feet west of the westerly curblineline of South Bridge Street to a point 23 feet westerly thereof
Third Street	South	South Bridge Street to Hamilton Street
Steele Avenue [ <b>Repealed 10-15-2018 by Ord. No. 2560</b> ]		
Van Buren Street	Both	From Post Street to Eastern States Parkway

- C. A street or portion of any street which is regulated by decal restrictions shall not be affected by the restrictions of §§ **166-42, 166-43, 166-45** and **166-65**. Any restrictions under those sections on any streets that are now restricted by decal parking regulations are hereby repealed.

**ORDINANCE #2692-22-1205**

**AMENDING ORDINANCE #2325-10-0419 CHAPTER 66, SECTION 3H OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED SCHEDULE OF FEES TO INCLUDE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM MEMEBERS (CERT)**

**BE IT ORDAINED** that the following amendment shall be made to Chapter 66, Section 3H of the Borough Code.

- H. All municipal fees or charges, excepting fees for charges for services performed by other than Borough employees, imposed in order to secure a construction permit for any construction, reconstruction, alteration or improvement of any one or two family home, or mixed use building which includes residential units, owned by and in which a qualified volunteer, as hereinafter defined, is or will be a full time resident of one (1) of the residential units, shall be waived upon the filing of an appropriate application therefore. In order to be a qualified volunteer, the following conditions must be satisfied:
1. The volunteer must be a member in good standing of a Somerville Fire Company within the Somerville Fire Department, the First Aid & Rescue Squad of Somerville and or part of the CERT Team for a minimum of one (1) continuous year immediately preceding the date of the application for a construction permit.
  2. The volunteer shall have served without remuneration or an agreement or contract for hire during the one (1) year period.

3. The volunteer shall have satisfied the requisite percentage of activity, attendance and participation of the respective organization.
4. The chief executive officer of the fire company, rescue squad or team leader of the CERT shall certify in writing that the volunteer has satisfied the requirements of paragraphs (1) through (3), hereof.
5. The volunteer shall certify in writing compliance with the residency requirements of this section.
6. The fees associated solely with the living space of the volunteer shall be waived the portions or other fees associated with the units and or commercial space that is not the living quarters shall be assessed accordingly.

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

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-371**

**CANCELLING 2022 CURRENT FUND BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, the following 2022 Current Fund Budget Appropriations balances remain unexpended and unencumbered:

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to formally cancel said balances so that the unexpended/unencumbered balance may be credited to Current Fund Surplus;

AMOUNT	DEPARTMENT/APPRORIATION
\$ 9,208.20	SCIA Lease Principal
\$ 1,218.02	SCIA Lease Interest
\$ 193.19	Interest on Bonds
\$ 138.75	Interest on Notes
\$ 36.98	Interest on I-Bank Loan
\$ 7,353.60	LOSAP
\$ 3,000.00	DCRP

**TOTAL        \$21,148.74**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Somerville, NJ that the above balances of the Current Fund be canceled.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-372**

**APPROVING ALYSON GUST AS AN HOURLY EMPLOYEE AT A RATE OF \$26.00 FOR THE BASKETBALL GYM SUPERVISOR**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey approves Alyson Gust as an hourly employee at a rate of \$26.00 for the basketball gym supervisor.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-373**

**APPROVING ALEX CLEVELAND, CHRISTOPHER BANOS AND PETER UMBENHAUR AS SCORE KEEPERS AT A RATE OF \$17.00 PER GAME FOR THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey approves Alex Cleveland, Christopher Banos and Peter Umbenhaur as score keepers at a rate of \$17.00 per game for the Recreation Department.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-374**

**AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF A STEEL GABLE SHELTER FOR COMMUNITY  
PARK THROUGH ESCNJ CO OP 20/21-06 IN THE AMOUNT  
OF \$25,337.50**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Somerville is authorized, to make purchases and contract for services through the use of nationally recognized and accepted cooperative purchasing agreement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Somerville has the need to purchase a steel gable shelter for community park through ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing 20/21-06 in the amount of \$25,337.50.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Somerville hereby authorized to purchase a steel gable shelter in the amount of \$25,337.50.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-375**

**AWARDING A CONTRACT TO MULLIN & LONERGAN ASSOCIATES, INC TO  
PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN  
CONNECTION WITH THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE BOROUGH'S SECTION 8  
EXISTING HOUSING PAYMENTS PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Somerville advertised for proposals on October 26, 2022, to provide Administrative Services and Technical Assistance in connection with the administration of the Borough's Section 8 existing Housing Payments Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Somerville has 170 Housing Choice Vouchers of Section 8 and recognizes the need for assistance in administering the Section 8 Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Consulting Firm of Mullin & Lonergan Associates, Inc., 2 Kacey Court, Suite 201, Mechanicsburg, PA, 17055 submitted a proposal that meets all the requirements of the specifications and is qualified to perform such services: and

**WHEREAS**, the Contract shall commence on February 1, 2023 and shall terminate on January 31, 2028:

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby award a contract to , the Consulting Firm of Mullin & Lonergan Associates, Inc., 2 Kacey Court, Suite 201, Mechanicsburg, PA, 17055 effective February 1, 2023 through January 31, 2028.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-376**

**APPROVING SPEED LIMIT TO 25 MPH ALONG THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF ROUTE  
NJ 28 WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A 39:4-8.4c stated in letter dated December 1, 2022.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby approves the change in speed limit to 25mph along the entire length of Route NJ 28 within the Borough of Somerville.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-377**

**ACCEPTING A GRANT OF \$11,998.00 FROM THE STATE OF  
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY-2022 RECYCLING TONNAGE  
GRANT**

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of Somerville has applied for and has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$11,998.00 from the State of New Jersey Department of Treasury-2022 Recycling Tonnage Grant.

**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 is hereby

authorized to execute grant documents as authorized representatives, as the representative for the Borough of Somerville.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-378**

**APPROVING CHAPTER 159 FOR THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY-2022 RECYCLING TONNAGE GRANT**

**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 \$11,998.00 from the State of New Jersey Department of Treasury-2022 Recycling Tonnage Grant and wishes to amend its 2022 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 2022 in the sum of.....\$11,998.00 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:
    - 2022 Recycling Tonnage Grant -.....\$11,998.00

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a like sum of.....\$11,998.00 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

- General Appropriations:
  - Operations-Excluded from "CAPS"
  - Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:
    - 2022 Recycling Tonnage Grant

**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 22-1219-379**

**AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF \$400.00 TO M&S INVESTMENTS AT DAVENPORT, LLC FROM THE ENGINEERING AND PLANNING BOARD ESCROW ACCOUNTS APPLICATION #2016-009P KNOWN AS 21-29 DAVENPORT STREET BLOCK 115 LOT 17**

**WHEREAS**, M&S Investments at Davenport, LLC posted an engineering and planning board escrow for work being performed at 21-29 Davenport Street Block 115 Lot 17; and

**WHEREAS**, the work has been inspected and approved by Cole & Associates, LLC and all payments have been made; and

**WHEREAS**, the return of the engineering and planning board escrow is recommended.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby approve the refund of engineering and planning board escrow of \$400.00.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-380**

**AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF \$3,345.50 TO M&S INVESTMENTS  
AT DAVENPORT, LLC FROM THE REDEVELOPMENT ESCROW ACCOUNT  
DAVENPORT PROJECT**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby approve the refund from the redevelopment escrow account of \$3,345.50.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-381**

**AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY  
AFFAIRS GRANT FOR APPROXIMATELY \$100,000.00 TO INSTALL AN ADA  
INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND WITH A RUBBERIZED SURFACE AT WALCK PARK**

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the Borough of Somerville desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$100,000.00 to install an Ada inclusive playground with a rubberized surface at Walck Park; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough Council has determined it is appropriate to authorize the Mayor and Clerk to submit a Grant application to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Grant to install an Ada inclusive playground with a rubberized surface at Walck Park.

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED**,

1) that the Borough of Somerville does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and

2) recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Grant, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between The Borough of Somerville and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to sign the application, and that they are also authorized to sign the grant agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-382**

**AUTHORIZING A REFUND OF \$807.98 TO SOMERVILLE URBAN RENEWAL  
PHASE III, LLC TO CLOSE OUT PLANNING ESCROW 2021-11P**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Somerville, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey hereby approve the refund to close out planning escrow of \$807.98.

**RESOLUTION 22-1219-383**

**AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVISE THE ZONING BOARD  
OF ADJUSTMENT THAT THE BOROUGH CONSENTS TO THE FILING OF  
THE APPLICATION BY THE OWNER OF 131 WEST HIGH STREET BLOCK 115  
LOT 8 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR  
THE CONSENT**

**Whereas**, the Borough owns property at 137 West High Street otherwise known as block 115 lot 6; and

**Whereas**, the property next door owned by Francis P. McAleavy, III known as 131 West High Street block 115 lot 8 is the subject of a land use application to the Borough Zoning Board of Adjustment; and



**Whereas**, the roof overhang of the building on 131 West High Street projects over the land owned by the borough at 137 West High Street by approximately 6 inches; and

**Whereas**, the Municipal Land Use Law requires the adjacent property owner to consent to the filing of the land use application when the applicant's property encroaches on the adjacent property owner.

**Now therefore**, the Administrator shall advise the Zoning Board of Adjustment that the Borough consents to the filing of the application by the owner of 131 West High Street block 115 lot 8 and authorizes the execution of documents required for the consent.

# MINUTES

## OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT

Kevin Sluka read the Open Public Meeting Law Statement.

## ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Sullivan, Councilmembers Brady, Stravic, Vroom, Mitchell and Wied.

Also Present: Kevin Sluka, Municipal Clerk, Jeremy Solomon, Borough Attorney.

Excused Absent: Councilmember Rand Pitts.

## SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 5, 2022

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell					X	
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom	X		X			
Wied		X	X			

## DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS & NOTICES

- St. Hubert’s Monthly Report November
- Somerville Board of Health Report October and November 6

## DISCUSSION - DSA Budget

Natalie Pineiro presented the 2023 Downtown Somerville Alliance Budget.

### 2023 Opportunities

- New business model and 2 new staff members
- Strengthen community partnership and diversify revenue streams
- Partner with the borough to identify storage space and potentially add a security camera on Main Street.
- Create a connected ecosystem via streetscape plan
- Position the organization to qualify for grant funding
- Increase social capital through connectivity, public art and events strategy

### Budget Breakdown

- **Total Budget:** \$971, 000
- **Income**
  - Special Improvement District (SID) Assessment: \$766,000
  - Projected Sponsorships: \$40,000
  - Grants: \$75,000
  - Fund Development: \$20,000 (ex. ticket sales for events)
- **Carryover**
  - Operating: \$50,000
  - Trust: \$20,000

## Budget Allocations

- Debt Service: 4%
- Contingency: 2%
- Infrastructure/Streetscape/Support/Service: 43%
- Events & Event Advertising: 12%
- Marketing & Communications: 5%
- Economic Vitality: 6%
- Management 21%
- Office Support: 7%

Debt Service: In 2022, we paid off some debt and worked with the Borough to eliminate the debt service for Lot 8 (formerly 1-A).

Infrastructure: Somerville has seen an increase in the transient/homeless population, which can potentially disrupt outdoor dining and the Downtown Somerville experience. The Community Police Officers have been very helpful during the spring and summer seasons.

Events & Event Advertising: We had a record number of patrons at our curated events, like Girls Night Out and the Holiday Jubilee. We want to invest in our high-yield events that bring a lot of people.

Marketing & Communication: We plan to invest in video production and targeted digital advertising.

Management: We're adding a Marketing Coordinator and an Events Coordinator.

Office Support: We don't have any Internet or phone expenses. This is included in the rental cost for office space.

## Questions

Mayor Sullivan - Asked for access to sales tax receipts to see how the merchants are benefitting from the DSA.

N. Pineiro - We collect that data from the merchants and there has been an increase in sales in the district.

F. Wied - Asked N. Pineiro to highlight what a good downtown does for the community.

N. Pineiro - Having mixed-used development in the downtown district creates a community within a community that supports the local economy. When you have an attractive and walkable downtown, people want to live and shop here. This impacts the property value in Somerville. The residents who live here are taking advantage of the free community events, such as the Spooktacular and Holiday Jubilee.

G. Stravic - There are areas that are not walkable for multiple reasons, such as poor sidewalk maintenance. This needs ongoing maintenance. Also, business doors are being blocked by furniture. They need to be accessible for emergencies.

N. Pineiro - We plan to do at least 2 trees every year until we execute the streetscape plan, which will improve all areas in 3 phases. We're aware of sidewalk cafes creating some ADA issues on the sidewalk. This spring, all restaurants will need to recertify their sidewalk cafes with the borough.

G. Brady - The wrought iron rails take up most of the sidewalk and need to be removed.

N. Pineiro - As part of the treescape program, every time we replace a tree or fix a sidewalk we remove the tree gate. We can prioritize trees in front of restaurants.

Mayor Sullivan - Asked about the vacancy rate.

N. Pineiro - The current vacancy rate is about 20%, which is relatively low compared to other districts.

**Affirmation of the DSA Budget**

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell	X		X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom		X	X			
Wied			X			

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

G. Brady - Thank you to the staff of the Department of Public Works. This has been an exceptionally good year for the borough. The streets look good. The DPW staff were short-handed, but they came through for us.

G. Stravic - The Environmental Commission had a holiday social this month. They are planning for 2023. They will be applying for the Sustainable Jersey status for the Borough.

F. Wied - The plans and specs for Lepp Park Pool have gone out to bid and are due back January 5. The pool was damaged during the storm and we were able to get some grant money from the county to fix it.

T. Mitchell - The Historic Advisory Committee is not meeting this month because of the holidays.

R. Vroom - A reminder for folks to look out for “porch pirates.” Make sure to maintain outside lights, especially if you’re traveling. Please don’t leave open flames unattended. Make sure your vents are clean.

Mayor Sullivan - Work on the Lepp Park Pool will begin in the spring and we’ll hopefully have it ready for the beginning of summer next year. We received another \$299,000 from the state DOT for pedestrian improvements and curb cuts and handicapped access in the Main Street area. In total, we received about \$9-\$10 million in grants this year.

We received the 2022 Outstanding Implementation award from the American Planning Association - NJ Chapter for the Somerville station area and landfill redevelopment plan.

The NJ League of Municipalities is sponsoring a contest and asking for photos that showcase the beauty of our town. We will have information on the website on how to submit photos.

**ORDINANCES FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION**

2691-22-1205 AMENDING ORDINANCE #2688-22-1017 TO ELIMINATE PERMIT PARKING ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF SECOND STREET

**Open Public Hearing**

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady	X		X			

Mitchell			X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom		X	X			
Wied			X			

K. Sluka - There's only parking on 1 side of the street. The original ordinance added parking to both sides of the street.

There were no comments from the public.

**Close Public Hearing**

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell		X	X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom	X		X			
Wied			X			

**Adoption**

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell		X	X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom	X		X			
Wied			X			

2692-22-1205 AMENDING ORDINANCE #2325-10-0419 CHAPTER 66, SECTION 3H OF THE BOROUGH CODE ENTITLED SCHEDULE OF FEES TO INCLUDE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM MEMBERS (CERT)

**Open Public Hearing**

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady		X	X			
Mitchell			X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom	X		X			
Wied			X			

**Comments**

Jason Kraska - Thanked the councilmembers.

**Close Public Hearing**

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell		X	X			
Pitts						X
Stravic	X		X			
Vroom			X			
Wied			X			

**Adoption**

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady	X		X			
Mitchell			X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom		X	X			
Wied			X			

**MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell		X	X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom	X		X			
Wied			X			

**Public Comments**

Katherine Moore, 159 Hamilton Street - About 2 years ago there was a meeting at Borough Hall about affordable housing and you (mayor) were going to get back to us with an answer to a question.

Also, if you're concerned about the impact on the school system, why do you allow developers to build huge complexes? The rent is very high and there isn't 1 affordable apartment in any of those complexes.

People are not cleaning up after their dogs on Hamilton Street and dogs are running loose at Chambres Park.

Mayor Sullivan - I remember the meeting, but not the specific question. In the new year, there will be a lot of discussion about affordable housing. We will be taking some action in conjunction with the Planning Board.

We haven't seen any change in enrollment at the schools from those projects.

The mayor asked K. Sluka to send a notice to the management at all the complexes and for R. Vroom to talk to the Police Chief.

**CLOSE PUBLIC SESSION**

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell			X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom	X		X			
Wied		X	X			

**CONSENT RESOLUTIONS** (Resolutions 22-1219-371 through 22-1219-383, except 22-1219-376 and 22-1219-381)

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell		X	X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom	X		X			
Wied			X			

22-1219-376 APPROVING SPEED LIMIT TO 25 MPH ALONG THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF ROUTE NJ 28 WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell	X		X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			
Vroom			X			
Wied		X	X			

**Comments**

F. Wied - This is probably 3-4 years in the making. This is something the Mayor was very persistent on.

22-1219-381 AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS GRANT FOR APPROXIMATELY \$100,000.00 TO INSTALL AN ADA INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND WITH A RUBBERIZED SURFACE AT WALCK PARK

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Mitchell			X			

Pitts						X
Stravic		X	X			
Vroom	X		X			
Wied			X			

**Comments**

F. Wied - It means a lot for children with disabilities to be able to go to the park. This is very important.

**Bills & Vouchers**

Account	PO #	Vendor Name	Amount
1-01-20-140-000-526	21-01145	SHI INT'L CORP.	1,813.80
1-01-23-220-002-739	22-01564	SELECTIVE INSURANCE-FLOOD	1,055.00
1-01-25-240-000-557	21-01651	M & W COMMUNICATIONS INC	1,279.00
1-01-25-240-000-575	21-00989	ATLANTIC TACTICAL	3,959.60
1-01-26-290-000-723	22-01407	APPOLONIA, INCORPORATED	14,583.57
1-01-28-375-000-533	22-00048	UNITED SITE SERVICES	63.75
1-01-28-375-000-533	22-00048	UNITED SITE SERVICES	46.65
1-01-28-375-000-533	22-00048	UNITED SITE SERVICES	43.75
1-01-28-375-000-533	22-00048	UNITED SITE SERVICES	43.75
2-01-20-100-000-502	22-00001	COURIER NEWS	288.21
2-01-20-100-000-502	22-00001	COURIER NEWS	314.34
2-01-20-100-000-532	22-01435	PATRICIA HUNT	48.75
2-01-20-100-000-532	22-01435	PATRICIA HUNT	116.00
2-01-20-100-000-532	22-01435	PATRICIA HUNT	50.85
2-01-20-100-000-532	22-01435	PATRICIA HUNT	10.00
2-01-20-100-000-532	22-01435	PATRICIA HUNT	20.00
2-01-20-100-000-533	22-01524	RAINONE COUGHLIN MINCHELLO LLC	320.00
2-01-20-100-000-556	22-01451	DONNA D'ANUNCIACAO	200.00
2-01-20-100-000-556	22-01550	REBEKAH HARMS	184.98
2-01-20-100-000-614	22-01479	MABEL RODRIGUEZ	45.00
2-01-20-100-000-614	22-01516	NJ DIVISION OF ABC	57.00
2-01-20-100-000-628	22-00235	W.B. MASON CO., INC	76.82
2-01-20-100-000-635	22-00007	FEDEX	60.20
2-01-20-100-000-659	22-00017	DRIVER ASSOCIATES LLC	13,000.00
2-01-20-120-000-515	22-00014	USPS-QUADIENT-POC	2,000.00
2-01-20-130-000-545	22-01500	GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS NJ	90.00
2-01-20-130-000-628	22-00034	W.B. MASON CO., INC	82.29
2-01-20-140-000-526	22-01537	PATRICIA HUNT	119.99
2-01-20-140-000-534	22-00062	COMPUTER SYSTEMS & METHODS	1,810.00
2-01-20-140-000-614	22-00078	CIVIC EYE COLLABORATIVE LLC	844.00
2-01-20-140-000-614	22-00078	CIVIC EYE COLLABORATIVE LLC	610.00
2-01-20-145-000-569	22-01313	MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	77.00
2-01-20-145-000-569	22-01530	MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS	114.00
2-01-20-145-000-614	22-00081	W.B. MASON CO., INC	133.67
2-01-20-165-000-533	22-01551	HOLT/MORGAN/RUSSELL ARCHITECTS	1,118.87
2-01-20-165-000-628	22-01355	BANKSUPPLIES INC	156.96
2-01-21-180-000-536	22-01398	JASMINE D MCCOY	260.10
2-01-21-180-000-659	22-01563	DECOTIIS,FITZPATRICK,COLE & WI	407.00
2-01-21-185-000-607	22-01531	MICHAEL LOMBARDOZZI	554.40
2-01-21-185-000-607	22-01531	MICHAEL LOMBARDOZZI	270.60
2-01-21-185-000-607	22-01531	MICHAEL LOMBARDOZZI	385.00
2-01-22-195-000-545	22-01544	NORTHWEST JERSEY TECHNICAL	50.00
2-01-22-195-000-685	22-01542	DANIELLE STASHEK	41.00
2-01-23-220-002-614	22-00331	FLEXFACTS-GRANT BENEFITS SOLUT	31.50
2-01-23-220-002-614	22-00331	FLEXFACTS-GRANT BENEFITS SOLUT	31.50
2-01-23-220-002-614	22-01499	BROWN & BROWN METRO, INC	7,775.00



2-01-25-240-000-560	22-00090	VESPIA'S/MR TIRE	37.40
2-01-25-240-000-560	22-00090	VESPIA'S/MR TIRE	37.40
2-01-25-240-000-560	22-00090	VESPIA'S/MR TIRE	59.14
2-01-25-240-000-560	22-00091	FULLERTON FORD INC	741.46
2-01-25-240-000-560	22-00091	FULLERTON FORD INC	315.18
2-01-25-240-000-560	22-01409	SUPER CAR WASH OF BRIDGEWATER	220.15
2-01-25-240-000-560	22-01410	SUPER CAR WASH OF BRIDGEWATER	124.95
2-01-25-240-000-560	22-01484	MIKE'S TOWING & RECOVERY	105.00
2-01-25-240-000-670	22-00093	DELAGE LANDEN FINANCIAL SERVIC	226.31
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-00085	AIM UNIFORM INC	899.99
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-00087	ATLANTIC TACTICAL	110.99
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-00087	ATLANTIC TACTICAL	41.98
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-00087	ATLANTIC TACTICAL	93.98
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-00087	ATLANTIC TACTICAL	114.04
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-00088	FLEMINGTON DEPARTMENT STORE	126.00
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-00227	OFF. COLE FICARRA	59.99
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-00227	OFF. COLE FICARRA	455.92
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-01433	OFFICER JEFF HERBERT	267.08
2-01-25-240-000-713	22-01515	OFFICER JEFF HERBERT	95.98
2-01-25-240-001-533	22-00104	MOTIVATED SECURITY SERVICE INC	2,825.36
2-01-25-240-001-533	22-00104	MOTIVATED SECURITY SERVICE INC	4,777.33
2-01-25-265-000-507	22-00108	FIRE & SAFETY SERVICES LTD	439.42
2-01-25-265-000-547	22-01412	INDEPONDANT DIESEL SERVICE LLC	1,488.00
2-01-25-265-000-557	22-00118	MOOSE SAFETY SUPPLY,INC	238.00
2-01-25-265-000-557	22-00118	MOOSE SAFETY SUPPLY,INC	107.00
2-01-25-265-000-557	22-00134	POST ACE HARDWARE	40.54
2-01-25-265-000-560	22-00115	BATTERIES PLUS BULBS	279.48
2-01-25-265-000-560	22-00117	CENTRAL JERSEY NURSERIES	181.11
2-01-25-265-000-560	22-00133	POST ACE HARDWARE	161.09
2-01-25-265-000-560	22-00133	POST ACE HARDWARE	89.99
2-01-25-265-000-597	22-01440	VERVE	6,350.00
2-01-25-265-000-697	22-01557	EHS EXCELLENCE CONSULTING LLC	750.00
2-01-25-265-001-713	22-01543	ROBERT LYNN	125.95
2-01-25-265-001-713	22-01545	ASHLEY BOWDEN	164.00
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00018	BATTERY & ELECTRIC CO	290.60
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00019	CENTRAL JERSEY TRAILER HITCH D	165.96
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00025	FOLEY INCORPORATED	62.38
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00025	FOLEY INCORPORATED	198.50
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00025	FOLEY INCORPORATED	1,881.86
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00025	FOLEY INCORPORATED	258.59
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00025	FOLEY INCORPORATED	779.29
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00032	NAPA-GENUINE PARTS CO.	19.24
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00032	NAPA-GENUINE PARTS CO.	22.47
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00046	SOMERSET COUNTY VEHICLE MAINT	60.86
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00071	VERIZON WIRELESS	38.01
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00130	POST ACE HARDWARE	67.96
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00130	POST ACE HARDWARE	39.98
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00130	POST ACE HARDWARE	35.95
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00130	POST ACE HARDWARE	23.96
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-00130	POST ACE HARDWARE	5.99
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-01357	ASSA ABLOY ENTRANCE SYSTEMS US	184.80
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-01437	SERVICE TIRE TRUCK CENTER INC	2,145.00
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-01519	FIRE & SAFETY SERVICES LTD	63.60
2-01-26-290-000-560	22-01541	RAPID PUMP & METER SERVICE COM	394.25
2-01-26-290-000-687	22-00132	POST ACE HARDWARE	8.59
2-01-26-290-000-687	22-00132	POST ACE HARDWARE	13.18
2-01-26-290-000-687	22-00132	POST ACE HARDWARE	1.08
2-01-26-290-000-687	22-00132	POST ACE HARDWARE	647.76
2-01-26-290-000-687	22-00245	W.B. MASON CO., INC	11.98
2-01-26-290-000-713	22-00647	FLEMINGTON DEPARTMENT STORE	595.00
2-01-26-290-000-723	22-00363	FUSCO'S RENTAL WORLD	3,200.00
2-01-26-305-000-523	22-00030	LMR DISPOSAL, LLC	1,579.20

2-01-26-305-000-523	22-00030	LMR DISPOSAL, LLC	24,667.00
2-01-26-305-000-523	22-00030	LMR DISPOSAL, LLC	30,754.52
2-01-26-310-000-516	22-00012	AMPERE ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS	170.00
2-01-26-310-000-516	22-00036	PROFESSIONAL CLIMATE CONTROL	1,360.51
2-01-26-310-000-516	22-00036	PROFESSIONAL CLIMATE CONTROL	228.29
2-01-26-310-000-516	22-00036	PROFESSIONAL CLIMATE CONTROL	2,000.00
2-01-26-310-000-516	22-00036	PROFESSIONAL CLIMATE CONTROL	2,881.67
2-01-26-310-000-516	22-00036	PROFESSIONAL CLIMATE CONTROL	252.69
2-01-26-310-000-516	22-00040	SCOTT BECKER PLUMBING & HEATIN	163.00
2-01-26-310-000-516	22-01444	APOLLO GLASS CO	395.00
2-01-26-310-000-517	22-00076	W.B. MASON CO., INC	281.54
2-01-26-310-000-517	22-00128	POST ACE HARDWARE	10.99
2-01-26-310-000-517	22-00128	POST ACE HARDWARE	11.58
2-01-26-310-000-517	22-00128	POST ACE HARDWARE	22.17
2-01-26-310-000-517	22-00128	POST ACE HARDWARE	-19.99
2-01-26-310-000-517	22-00128	POST ACE HARDWARE	10.99
2-01-26-310-000-517	22-00246	W.B. MASON CO., INC	8.34
2-01-26-310-000-517	22-00246	W.B. MASON CO., INC	112.98
2-01-26-310-000-533	22-00006	AFFORDABLE BUILDING SERVICES	3,169.66
2-01-28-370-000-699	22-01491	DARROW'S SPORTING EDGE,INC.	48.00
2-01-28-370-000-699	22-01534	JAMES BAUMGARTNER	100.00
2-01-28-370-000-746	22-01514	BOROUGH OF SOMERVILLE	972.16
2-01-28-375-000-533	22-01074	JERSEY JOE'S LAWN SERVICE	6,400.00
2-01-28-375-000-560	22-00558	CENTRAL JERSEY NURSERIES	208.00
2-01-28-375-000-560	22-00558	CENTRAL JERSEY NURSERIES	69.64
2-01-28-375-000-646	22-01325	HIONIS GREENHOUSES, INC.	245.00
2-01-31-430-000-580	22-00037	PSE&G CO.	19,407.47
2-01-31-435-000-692	22-00038	PSE&G CO.	20,522.64
2-01-31-440-000-704	22-00060	VERIZON	1,193.54
2-01-31-440-000-704	22-00061	VERIZON	141.30
2-01-31-440-000-704	22-00072	VERIZON WIRELESS	444.87
2-01-31-440-000-704	22-00335	VERIZON WIRELESS	316.42
2-01-31-440-000-704	22-00817	VERIZON	91.93
2-01-31-440-000-704	22-00817	VERIZON	174.12
2-01-31-440-000-705	22-00058	VERIZON	151.99
2-01-31-440-000-705	22-00073	VERIZON WIRELESS	812.94
2-01-31-440-000-705	22-01436	PATRICIA HUNT	240.00
2-01-31-460-000-579	22-00044	SOMERSET COUNTY VEHICLE MAINT	8,595.57
2-01-43-490-000-533	22-01079	BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP	129,504.77
2-01-55-000-000-001	20-01545	ATLANTIC TACTICAL	1,400.49
2-05-55-502-000-556	22-01424	GIBBONS, PC	11,500.00
2-09-55-502-000-533	22-00079	IPS GROUP INC	4,451.41
2-09-55-502-000-556	22-00576	DECOTIIS,FITZPATRICK,COLE & WI	426.10
2-09-55-502-000-560	22-00126	IPS GROUP INC	557.54
2-09-55-502-000-706	22-00055	VERIZON	146.99
G-02-40-001-000-691	22-01512	NJ TRANSIT	1,828.69
G-02-40-002-022-217	22-01259	POSITIVE PROMOTIONS	358.20
T-13-00-000-000-211	22-01496	MCNALLY, YAROS,KACZYNSKI,LIME	1,321.50
T-13-00-000-000-212	22-01532	COLE & ASSOCIATES LLC	3,740.00
T-13-00-000-000-235	21-01845	JERSEY RECOVERY ASSOCIATES LLC	1,540.00
T-13-00-000-000-570	21-01874	Torti Gallas and Partners, PC	2,232.50

Councilmember	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady		X	X			
Mitchell			X			
Pitts						X
Stravic			X			

Vroom			X			
Wied	X		X			

Mayor Sullivan - I wish you all the best of the holiday season. Be safe if you're traveling or at home. We've built a great community over the years and we're in a good spot right now.

K. Sluka - The regular session will be adjourned to executive. No further action will be taken afterwards, and the meeting will be adjourned.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Mitchell made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember Wied, all voted favorably.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Sluka, RMC