

CITY OF RAHWAY, NEW JERSEY
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
PRE-MEETING CONFERENCE MINUTES
March 7, 2023, 7 p.m.

*"Each person addressing the Council shall first give their name and address to the Clerk.
All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any member thereof and, shall not exceed five (5) minutes in duration."
(Chapter 5-63 (C) Rules of Order No. 3)*

ROLL CALL

Council President Cox called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and asked for a Roll Call.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Brooks, Brown, Gibilisco, Miles, Mojica, Newbury, Parker, Cox

ABSENT: Councilmember Parson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE and INVOCATION

Council President Cox led the Pledge of Allegiance and Council Vice President Brown offered an Invocation.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT:

City Clerk Jeffrey J. Jotz announced the meeting had been advertised and posted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey.

This meeting of March 7, 2023 was included in a list of meetings notice sent to the *Star-Ledger*, *Home News Tribune* and the *Union County Local Source*, posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and has remained continuously posted as the required notices under the Statute. In addition, a copy of this notice is and has been available to the public and is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

PRESENTATIONS

No presentations were scheduled.

COMMUNICATIONS: MAYOR, REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS AND BILL PAYMENT

Council accepted the bill payment list.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

No reports from council committees were offered.

The members of Council discussed the following items to be placed on the Agenda and Consent Agenda and voted on at the Regular Meeting of March 13, 2023:

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

- O-12-23** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 311 "PEDDLING, SOLICITING AND VENDING", ARTICLE V "FOOD VEHICLES" SECTION 35 "BUSINESS LICENSE AND EMPLOYEE PERMIT REQUIRED" AND SECTION 37 "FEES" OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY (Cox, Entire Council)

- O-13-23** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING ARTICLE XVII (DEPARTMENT OF POLICE), CHAPTER §5-66 (ESTABLISHMENT, COMPOSITION, PROCEDURES) IN ORDER TO CREATE A SAFE EXCHANGE ZONE FOR THE CITY OF RAHWAY (Mojica, Parker)

- O-14-23** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER §389
“TOW TRUCKS; WRECKERS” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY
(Brown, Gibilisco)

RESOLUTIONS

Department of Revenue & Finance

- AR-75-23** RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE CITY OF RAHWAY CY 2023 SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DI
BUDGET (Public hearing)
- AR-76-23** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF MONEY DUE TO THE REDEMPTION OF
CERTIFICATE FOR 2022 TAX LIENS
- AR-77-23** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REFUND OF OVERPAYMENTS OF TAXES FOR THE C
- AR-78-23** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF WATER BILLS
- AR-79-23** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CY 2022 BUDGET APPROPRIATION R

Department of Recreation

- AR-80-23** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF F
AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSIONS OF THE SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRANT FUNDED BY
AMOUNT OF \$2,000.00 AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT THERETO

Department of Engineering & Land Use

- AR-81-23** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CIT
RAHWAY AND COLLIERS ENGINEERING AND DESIGN FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEE
CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH THE CDBG YEAR 4
WINFIELD STREET, HEATON PLACE, BEACON STREET AND HENRY STREET PROJECT
- AR-82-23** RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY AUTHORIZING AND I
THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF RAHWAY TO UNDERSTAKE A PRELIMINARY
INVESTIGATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTIES IDENTIFIED AS BLOCK 300, LOTS 6, 7, 8, ^
THE CITY OF RAHWAY’S TAX MAP, TO DETERMINE IF SUCH PROPERTIES QUALIFY
CONDEMNATION AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL
REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ.

AR-83-23 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAHWAY AND HEYER, GRUEL & ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL PLANNING SERVICES TO UNDERTAKE A REDEVELOPMENT INVESTIGATION OF BLOCK 300, LOTS 6,7,8,9 AND 1 (LEESVILLE AREA PROPERTIES)

AR-84-23 RESOLUTION TO AWARD A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO PROVIDE UNDERGROUND UTILITY LOCATING SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE UNDERGROUND FACILITY PROTECTION ACT "ONE CALL LAW"

Department of Administration

***AR-85-23** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND AWARDING A CONTRACT TO SCHAEFER FIREWORKS FOR THE EXHIBITION OF FIREWORKS IN THE CITY OF RAHWAY FOR THE CELEBRATION OF INDEPENDENCE DAY 2023 (Cox, Entire Council)

***AR-86-23** A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF COURTNEY ANDERSON AS ALTERNATE #3 TO THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (Parker, Brooks)

***AR-87-23** RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR RAYMOND GIACOBBE'S APPOINTMENT OF ANDREA ALVARE AS DIRECTOR OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE CITY OF RAHWAY FOR A TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 OR UNTIL HER SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED (Cox, Entire Council)

***AR-88-23** RESOLUTION CONFIRMING MAYOR RAYMOND GIACOBBE'S APPOINTMENT OF NICHOLAS BREINER AS POLICE DIRECTOR FOR THE CITY OF RAHWAY FOR A TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023 OR UNTIL HIS SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED (Cox, Entire Council)

Department of Police

***AR-89-23** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN A SIXTY (60) DAY AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION (ALPR) PILOT WITH FLOCK GROUP INC. (FLOCK) (Brown, Newbury)

***AR-90-23** RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO EVERBRIDGE INC. FOR THE NIXLE PUBLIC EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION AND INFORMATION SYSTEM (Brown, Parker)

***AR-91-23** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A PUBLIC DECLARATION LETTER FOR THE USE OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT FROM THE CITY OF RAHWAY TO THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA), PURSUANT TO 49 U.S.C. 44807 (Gibilisco, Parker)

MISCELLANEOUS (Unfinished Business)

COMMUNICATIONS: HEARING OF CITIZENS ON ANY ITEM (Five minutes per speaker)


Council President Cox opened the floor for hearing of citizens.

With no one appearing, Council President Cox closed the public hearing.


ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m. was made by Councilmember Miles and seconded by Councilmember Brooks. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:12 p.m. without objection on a voice vote.

Approved:



Jeffrey J. Jotz, City Clerk



Michael Cox, Council President