REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 24, 2017

Council Chamber, Municipal Building Irvington, N.J. – Tuesday Evening January 24, 2017 - 8:00 P.M.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Moment of Silence
- 3. Roll Call

Present: Vernal Cox, Charnette Frederic, October Hudley, Paul Inman, Sandra R. Jones, David Lyons

Absent: Renee C. Burgess (excused)

President Lyons read the Statement of Proper Notice pursuant to the Sunshine Law.

4. Hearing of Citizens on Agenda Items Only (limited to three minutes per person and thirty minutes total)

There were no requests to be heard.

5. Hearing of Council Members

There were no requests to be heard.

- 6. Reports & Recommendations of Township Officers, Boards & Commissions
- A. Reports
- 1. Minutes Directors' Meeting January 10, 2017
- 2. Minutes Joint Meeting November 10, 2016
- 7. Reports of Committees
- A. Requests for Proposals Results Insurance Service- Health and General Liability January 5, 2017
- 8. Ordinances, Bills & Claims
- C. Bills & Claims

Jones – Frederic 1. Bill Lists

RESOLVED THAT THE BILLS AND CLAIMS AGAINST THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON FOR A PERIOD JANUARY 24, 2017, AS ENUMERATED ON THIS LIST FOR MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND SERVICES FURNISHED, DELIVERED AND/OR PERFORMED HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED BY THE DEPARTMENTS AS CORRECT, EACH CLAIM AND PURCHASE ORDER HAVE BEEN VERIFIED AND REVIEWED FOR THE AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS, ACCURACY OF ACCOUNT CODING AND COMPLETENESS BY THE ADMINISTRATION, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON THAT THE FOLLOWING BE PAID BY THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER:

BILL LIST \$2,343,246.76 TOTAL \$2,343,246.76

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Jones – Frederic 2. Payrolls

December 17, 2016 through December 30, 2016

REGULAR	OVERTIME	OTHER EARNED	TOTAL
\$1,360,545.59	\$126,286.49	\$136,034.42	\$1,622,866.50
Dece	mber 30, 2016 thro	ugh December 30, 2016	
REGULAR	OVERTIME	OTHER EARNED	TOTAL
\$1,912.40	\$ -0-	\$352.00	\$2,264.40
	Adopted Absent: Burgess		

9. Resolutions & Motions

A. Resolutions

Jones – Lyons 1. Commemoration – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, 2017

DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. 32nd ANNUAL COMMEMORATIVE TRIBUTE

WHEREAS, the President and Congress of the United States have designated the third Monday in January of each year as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and to commemorate the January 15th birthday of this important leader of the Civil Rights Movement in our Country; and

WHEREAS, there is national recognition and respect for Dr. King's teachings and preachings of the principles of freedom, responsibilities of liberty, ideals of brotherhood, respect for human rights, promotion of social and economic cooperation and the need for international peace and security; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey has also adopted Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day as a State Holiday and created a Commemorative Commission to honor Dr. King to enlighten the population of our State to the teachings and principals of Dr. King to relieve the burdens of illiteracy and poverty while offering the beacon of hope to the needy; and

WHEREAS, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Committee of Irvington works diligently to preserve the name and promote the teachings of Dr. King, and this year will celebrate King its annual tribute:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that the Township of Irvington joins with all residents of this Country of ours in commemorating Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and proclaiming support for his teachings of freedom; brotherhood; love, not hate; ending poverty; working for peace, not war; and education to increase understanding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Irvington Public Library for public display and to the Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Committee of Irvington to recognize their continuing efforts and programs in commemoration of Dr. King and in keeping the dream alive by acknowledging the annual tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Jones – Inman 2. Re-Appointment – Annette Beasley – Irvington Housing Authority Commissioner

WHEREAS, a vacancy currently exists in the membership of the Irvington Housing Authority:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that the following named person is hereby re-appointed as a Commissioner of the Irvington Housing Authority for a term to expire as indicated below:

NAME & ADDRESS

TERM TO EXPIRE

Annette Beasley 608 Chancellor Avenue

11-22-21

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Frederic – Hudley 3. Establish Handicapped Parking Space in Front of 54 Park Place

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.5 provides that the Municipality may by resolution provide for restricted parking spaces in front of residences for use by any person who has been issued a special vehicle identification card pursuant to the provision of N.J.S.A. 39:4-205, when using a motor vehicle on which is displayed a certificate, for which a special vehicle identification card has been issued pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-206; and

WHEREAS, a request has been made for a restricted parking space in front of 54 Park Place:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a parking space restricted for use by any person who has been issued a special vehicle identification card pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-205, when using a motor vehicle on which is displayed a certificate, for which a special vehicle identification card has been issued pursuant to N.J.S.A. 36:4-206, be established in front of 54 Park Place; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department of Public Works is directed to place a sign designating and handicapped parking spaces.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Inman – Cox 4. Authorize Business Administrator to Serve as Rent Control Officer From January 1, 2017 Through February 28, 2017 for an Amount Not To Exceed \$5,000.0

WHEREAS, In 1981, by virtue of the adoption of Ordinance MC 2635, the Municipal Council created the Rent Leveling Board and provided for the appointment of employees to carry out the functions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary to the Rent Leveling Board has served the Board from it's inception until the disability retirement of Valerie Williams on July 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, since the vacancy of Mrs. Williams there has been a need for the services of an employee to carry out the provisions of the Rent Control Ordinance, including, but not limited to counselling both landlords and tenants on the provisions of the Rent Leveling Ordinance and corresponding with individuals on behalf of the Township of Irvington to enforce the provisions of the Rent Leveling Board; and

WHEREAS, in the absence of a successor to Mrs. Williams, Business Administrator Musa A. Malik has been providing these necessary services:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that the Municipal Council hereby authorizes Business Administrator Musa A. Malik to provide such services on behalf the Township of Irvington from January 1, 2017 through February 28, 2017; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon the appointment of a successor to Ms. Williams, in accordance with the terms, conditions and responsibilities set forth in the job description for the position, that individual will be entitled to all of the employment rights, privileges, emoluments and benefits previously afforded to Mrs. Williams.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Frederic – Jones 5. Authorize Emergency Contract for Animal Control Services From January 1, 2017 Through February 28, 2017 - Associated Humane Society - Not to Exceed \$17,000.00

RESOLUTION TO AWARD AN EMERGENCY CONTRACT FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICE

WHEREAS, the Township is need of animal control service, to pick up, hold and, if necessary euthanize stray animals and provide other similar services, and;

WHEREAS, Associated Humane Society has provided this service to the Township and said contract expired on December 31, 2016, and;

WHEREAS, this situation constitutes a threat to public health, safety and welfare and the Director of Health has declared an emergency, and;

WHEREAS, the Director of Health has declared an emergency in writing for service for the Associated Humane Society to continue to provide animal control service until February 28, 2017, and;

WHEREAS, Associated Humane Society., 124 Evergreen Ave, Newark, NJ 07114, has provided a quote of \$17,000.00 for animal control service until February 28, 2017;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that it ratifies the decision of the Director of Health to authorize an emergency contract in the amount of \$17,000.00 to provide animal control service to the Township until February 28, 2017

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the required certification of availability of funds R7-00001 in the amount of \$17,000.00 from account number 7-01-27-335-335-299 has been obtained from the Chief Financial Officer to purchase the equipment.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Jones – Hudley 6. Authorize Fair and Open Contract for Insurance Brokerage Services for Health Benefits - Fairview Insurance Agency Associates – January 12, 2017 to January 11, 2018 - Vendor Paid Directly From Insurance Carrier

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FAIR AND OPEN PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR HEALTH INSURANCE BROKERAGE SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017

WHEREAS, the Request for Proposals for Insurance Brokerage Services for health was publicly advertised in the New Jersey Star Ledger on December 19, 2016 with a deadline for qualification to be submitted on January 05, 2017; and

WHEREAS, one qualification was received and publicly opened; and

WHEREAS, said qualification was referred to the Business Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the qualification satisfied the bid requirement and;

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator has recommended award should be made to the following firm:

Fairview Insurance Agency Associates 25 Fairview Ave. Verona, NJ 07044

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for health Insurance Brokerage Services be awarded Fairview Insurance Agency Associates, 25 Fairview Ave, Verona, NJ 07044 on the basis of their response to the request for proposal meeting the selection criteria and qualifications at no cost to the township, the fees will be paid by brokerage and total compensation will be disclosed to the Township; for one year starting on January 12, 2017 and ending on January 11, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contract and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Jones – Lyons 7. Authorize Fair and Open Professional Services Contract for Rdevelopment Counsel Services - McManimon, Scotland and & Bauman, LLC – One Year – Not To Exceed \$150,000.00

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FAIR AND OPEN PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR REDEVELOPMENT COUNSEL FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017

WHEREAS, the Request for Proposals for professional redevelopment service was publicly advertised in the New Jersey Star Ledger on November 30, 2016 with a deadline for qualifications to be submitted on December 15, 2016; and

WHEREAS, one qualifications was received and publicly opened; and

WHEREAS, said qualification was referred to the Township Attorney; and

WHEREAS, the qualification satisfied the RFP requirement; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended award should be made to the following firm:

McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC 75 Livingston Ave., Second Floor Roseland, NJ 07068

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for redevelopment services be awarded to McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, 75 Livingston Ave, 2nd Floor, Roseland, NJ 07068 on the basis of their response to the request for proposal meeting the selection criteria and qualifications, for an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for the calendar year 2017 (January 01, 2017 - December 31, 2017);and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contract and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the required Certification of Availability of Funds in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for the redevelopment services will be obtained from the Chief Financial Officer contingent on the adoption of the Calendar year 2017 budget.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Hudley – Lyons 8. Authorize Fair and Open Contract for Insurance Prescription Bokerage Services - RD Parisi Associates – January 12, 2017 to January 11, 2018 - Vendor Paid Directly From Insurance Carrier for an Amount Not To Exceed 2.5%

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FAIR AND OPEN PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR INSURANCE PRESCRIPTION BROKERAGE SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017

WHEREAS, the Request for Proposals for Insurance Prescription Brokerage was publicly advertised in the New Jersey Star Ledger on November 30, 2016 with a deadline for qualifications to be submitted on December 15, 2016; and

WHEREAS, one qualification was received and publicly opened; and

WHEREAS, said qualification was referred to the Insurance Committee for review and written recommendation; and

WHEREAS, the qualifications satisfied the bid requirement and;

WHEREAS, the Insurance Committee has recommended award should be made to the following firm:

RD Parisi Associates 100 Executives Drive, Suite 338 West Orange, NJ 07052

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Insurance Prescription Brokerage services be awarded to RD Parisi Associates, 100 Executives Drive, Suite 338, West Orange, NJ 07052 on the basis of their response to the request for proposal meeting the selection criteria and qualifications at no cost to the township, the fees will be paid by brokerage for an amount not to exceed 2.5%; for one year starting on January 12, 2017 and ending on January 13, 2017; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contract and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Hudley – Frederic 9. Reject Proposals Received for Brokerage Services for Dental Benefits – Need to Revise Scope of Services

REJECTING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR DENTAL SERVICE

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2016, the Township of Irvington accepted and opened RFPs

for the Insurance Brokerage for Dental Service; and

WHEREAS, the Township received one proposal for this service; and

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator wishes to rejected all proposals on the basis that the RFPs scope of the service must be revised; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contract Law, 40A:11-13.2.(d) provides that a municipality may reject all proposals when the scope of service must be revised; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOVED by the Council of Township of Irvington, in the County of Essex, that all proposals received for Insurance Brokerage for Dental Service is hereby rejected in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA40A:11-13.2.(d); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Qualified Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized and directed to re-advertise for bid in accordance with the Local Public Contract Law.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Hudley – Jones 10. Authorize Purchase of F-250 Truck and F-450 Dump Truck by State Contract from Beyer Ford – Not to Exceed \$154,234.50

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF DUMP TRUCKS FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FROM STATE CONTRACT VENDOR BEYER BROS CORP FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$154,234.50

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to purchase a new F-250 truck for Division of Shade Tree and a F-450 dump truck for Department of Public Works from State of New Jersey Contract number 89258; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington intends to enter into contracts with Beyer Ford, DBA Celebrity Ford, LLC, 170 Ridgedale Ave, Morristown, NJ 07962 through this resolution and properly executed purchase orders, starting on January 1, 2017; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON hereby authorizes a service contract with Beyer Ford LLC, DBA Celebrity Ford, LLC of 170 Ridgedale Ave, Morristown, NJ 07962 for an amount not to exceed \$154,234.50 and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Attorney is directed to prepare the appropriate contract for such goods and services and the Mayor and Municipal Clerk is authorized to sign the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the required certification of availability of funds C6-00261 and C6-00247 in the amount of \$154,234.50 from account number C-04-56-849-016-903 has been obtained from the Chief Financial Officer.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Frederic – Jones 11. Authorize Professional Services Contract for General Liability, Property Casualty and Risk Service Insurance Brokerage Services – Conner Strong and Buckelew – January 12, 2017 to January 11, 2018 – Vendor Paid Directly From Insurance Carrier

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FAIR AND OPEN PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT FOR GENERAL LIABILITY, PROPERTY CASUALTY AND RISK SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017

WHEREAS, the Request for Proposals for Insurance Brokerage Services for General Liability, Property Casualty and Risk Service was publicly advertised in the New Jersey

Star Ledger on December 19, 2016 with a deadline for qualification to be submitted on January 05, 2017; and

WHEREAS, one qualification was received and publicly opened; and

WHEREAS, said qualifications was referred to the Business Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the qualifications satisfied the bid requirement and;

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator has recommended award should be made to the following firm:

Conner Strong & Buckelew 401 Route 73 North, Suite 300 Marlton, NJ 08053

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Insurance Brokerage Services for General Liability, Property Casualty and Risk Service be awarded to Conner Strong & Buckelew, 401 Route 73 North Suite 300, Marlton, NJ 08053 on the basis of their response to the request for proposal meeting the selection criteria and qualifications at no cost to the township, the fees will be paid by brokerage and total compensation will be disclosed to the Township for an amount for one year starting on January 12, 2017 and ending on January 11, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contract and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Lyons – Jones 12. Resolution of Sorrow – Sarah Burgess

RESOLUTION OF SORROW SARAH BURGESS

WHEREAS, the Irvington Municipal Council wishes to express their deepest sorrow on the passing of the Honorable Council 1st Vice President Renee C. Burgess' mother Sarah E. Burgess on January 14, 2017; and

WHEREAS, born to the late Aylar and Leanna Smith Rose, Sarah was one of eleven children. Sarah graduated from Dunbar High School and continued her education at Virginia State University where she was swept off of her feet by a young, handsome, ambitious football player, the late Mr. Raymond C. Burgess. Sarah then migrated to New Jersey and married this beloved man; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Burgess had the luxury of being a beautiful housewife, raising four boys and an adorable daughter until she became widowed in 1987. After the death of Raymond, Sarah embarked on the workforce by storm with various titles as a nurse at Lyons VA Medical Center in Lyons, NJ. She was awarded with numerous awards for her outstanding service until her retreat in 2004. Upon retirement, Sarah co-founded Sent From Heaven Academy Daycare, where she taught and tended to children of all ages; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Burgess became very active in civic and community affairs in the Township of Irvington and her late husband Raymond was one of the first African American candidates for local elective public office in the Township of Irvington. She was active in Irvington's Democratic organization and served as a District Election Board Worker in Irvington for many, many years; and

WHEREAS, following the death of her husband, as the matriarch of the Burgess family, Sarah Burgess helped to continue trailblazing the path to political success of Irvington's African American community by serving as a champion of the grassroots effort to have African Americans adequately represented on the Municipal Council and the Irvington Board of Education which covered decades of hard work, dedication and success; and

WHEREAS, as evidence of the success in this endeavor, Sarah Burgess' daughter Renee currently serves as the Irvington Municipal Council's First Vice President and Council Member-At-Large; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Burgess was a member of the Union Gospel Tabrenacle, UHC in Newark, NJ; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Burgess leaves to cherish her memories: her children Robert (Doris), Raymond, Ryland (predeceased), Randolph (Tangela), Renee, Laray, and Patricia "Smurf". Grandchildren: Toya, Keyonna, Rydel, Randy Jr., Giovana, Raymond Jr., and Demetria. Great-Granchildren: Nazir, Tashawn, Kyion, Asatta, Taiye, and Jaelen. Nieces and Nephews: Rosa (Pat), Edith, Lafayette (Marie), and Kecia. Sarah also has a host of relatives, many friends, Team Irvington Strong, and the entire Union Gospel Tabernacle Church Family; and

WHEREAS, Sarah Burgess's passing will be mourned throughout the Township of Irvington and surrounding areas in memory or this proud, unselfish woman:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that the Township of Irvington hereby joins with the friends and family of Sarah Burgess in their time of bereavement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this governing body as a lasting tribute to Sarah Burgess, a giant of a woman and forever a part of the lore of the Township of Irvington.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Jones – Lyons 13. Authorize Professional Services Contract for Foreclosure Counsel Services on 10 Properties - Eric M. Bernstein and Associates, LLC – Not To Exceed \$12,000.00

RESOLUTION RATIFYING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR FORECLOSURE COUNSEL SERVICES

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 16-0628-19 qualified three firms to provide foreclosure counsel services for the Township of Irvington from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requires that all cases assigned to counsel for this purpose must be approved by the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has assigned Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC to represent the Township in the ten (10) foreclosure matters listed on the attached sheet; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended that a contract be awarded to Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, 34 Mountain Blvd., Bldg. A, Warren, NJ, 07059; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Foreclosure Counsel Services be awarded to Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, 34 Mountain Blvd., Bldg. A, Warren, NJ, 07059 for a contract amount not to exceed \$12,000.00. The billing rate per foreclosure complaint is \$1,200.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contracts for this case and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the required Certification of Availability of Funds, certification number C6-00224 was obtained from the Chief Financial Officer and the appropriation to be charged for this expenditure is C-04-56-849-016-905 in the amount of \$12,000.00.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Jones – Lyons 14. Authorize Professional Services Contract for Foreclosure Counsel Services on 14 Properties - O'Donnell O'Donnell McCord, P.C.– Not To Exceed \$16,800.00

RESOLUTION RATIFYING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR FORECLOSURE COUNSEL SERVICES

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 16-0628-19 qualified three firms to provide foreclosure counsel services for the Township of Irvington from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requires that all cases assigned to counsel for this purpose must be approved by the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has assigned O'Donnell McCord, P.C. to represent the Township in the fourteen (14) foreclosure matters listed on the attached sheet; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended that a contract be awarded to O'Donnell McCord, P.C., 15 Mount Kemble Avenue, Morristown, NJ, 07960; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Foreclosure Counsel services be awarded to O'Donnell McCord, P.C., 15 Mount Kemble Avenue, Morristown, NJ, 07960 for a contract amount not to exceed \$16,800.00. The billing rate per foreclosure complaint is \$1,200.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contracts for this case and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the required Certification of Availability of Funds, certification number C6-00225 was obtained from the Chief Financial Officer and the appropriation to be charged for this expenditure is C-04-56-849-016-905 in the amount of \$16,800.00.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Frederic – Lyons 15. Authorize Application for Transportation Trust Program Grant Funds - Prospect Street, Stuyvesant Avenue to 40th Street, Feiner Place, Entire Length, Hennessey Place, Entire Length

RESOLUTION FOR AN APPLICATION FOR THE 2017 TRANSPORTATION TRUST PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, through the New Jersey Department of Transportation makes available a grant program to local municipalities known as the Transportation Trust Fund Program, and

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington has reviewed the condition of the various roads within the Township and has determined that had there are three roads that should be submitted for participation in this program as a project known as "Various Streets 2017" which will include the following

Resurfacing of Prospect Avenue, from Stuyvesant Avenue to 40th Street Resurfacing of Feiner Place, entire length Resurfacing of Hennessey Place, entire length

And:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a grant application for the project known as "Various Streets 2017" is approved and that said application will be submitted to New Jersey Department of Transportation by the Township's grant consultant.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Frederic - Jones 16. Authorize Township Attorney to Use of Peter Fico as Substitute Prosecutor for November 21, 2016 and November 28, 2016 Court Sessions - \$300.00 Per Session

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWNSHIP ATTORNEY TO USE SUBSTITUTE PROSECUTORS ON AN EMERGENCY BASIS

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 15-0811-25 appointed five substitute prosecutors to be used on an on-call basis in the event of conflict cases or due to shortage of available staff and;

WHEREAS, the five appointed substitute prosecutors were unavailable to coverage a court session on July 27, 2016 and;

WHEREAS, the Township would have to cancel court sessions due to shortage of staff which would affect the public safety and welfare of the Township pursuant to NJSA 40A:11-6 and;

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has declared an emergency in writing to hire Peter Fico to cover the municipal court session on November 21, 2016 and November 28, 2016;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. The Township Attorney hired Peter Fico as a substitute prosecutor on an emergency basis for November 21, 2016 and November 28, 2016 court session.
- 2. The Township Attorney will prepare the appropriate contract for this service.
- 3. The vendors will be paid an amount not to exceed \$300.00 per session on requisition no. R6-07129.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contract and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Lyons – Jones 17. Authorize Professional Services Contract for Legal Services in the Matter of Kenard Moreau v. Township of Irvington – Murphy Orlando, LLC - Not To Exceed \$15,000.00

RESOLUTION RATIFYING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR LITIGATION/DEFENSE COUNSEL SERVICES

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 16-1110-45 qualified fifteen firms to provide litigation/defense counsel services for the Township of Irvington from November 01, 2016 until October 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requires that all cases assigned to counsel for this purpose must be approved by the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has determined that Murphy Orlando LLC has the most experience to defend the Township of Irvington in the case of <u>Kenard Moreau v.</u> Township of Irvington, et als. Docket No. ESX-L-4568-16

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended that a contract be awarded to Murphy Orlando LLC, 30 Montgomery Street, 15th Floor, Jersey City, NJ, 07302; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Litigation/Defense counsel services be awarded to Murphy Orlando LLC, 30 Montgomery Street, 15th Floor, Jersey City, NJ, 07302 for a contract amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contracts for this case and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds for this service will paid from the Insurance fund for a contract amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Lyons – Jones 18. Authorize Professional Services Contract for Legal Services to Defend the Township of Irvington in the Matter of Jean Francky and Ermite Jacques v. Township of Irvington – Eric M. Bernstein and Associates – Not To Exceed \$15,000.00

RESOLUTION RATIFYING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR LITIGATION/DEFENSE COUNSEL SERVICES

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 16-1110-45 qualified fifteen firms to provide litigation/defense counsel services for the Township of Irvington from November 01, 2016 until October 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requires that all cases assigned to counsel for this purpose must be approved by the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has determined that Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC has the most experience to defend the Township of Irvington in the Jean Francky and Ermite Jacques v. Township of Irvington, Docket No. ESX-L-7049-16;

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended that a contract be awarded to Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, 34 Mountain Blvd., Bldg. A, Warren, NJ, 07059; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Litigation/Defense counsel services be awarded to Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, 34 Mountain Blvd., Bldg. A, Warren, NJ, 07059 for a contract amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contracts for this case and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds for this service will paid from the Insurance fund for a contract amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Lyons – Jones 19. Authorize Professional Services Contract for Legal Services to Defend Police Officer Richard Santiago in the Matter of Estate of Abdul Kamal v. Township of Irvington - Clarence Barry Austin, P.C. - Not To Exceed \$15,000.00

RESOLUTION RATIFYING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR LITIGATION/DEFENSE COUNSEL SERVICES

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 16-1110-45 qualified fifteen firms to provide litigation/defense counsel services for the Township of Irvington from November 01, 2016 until October 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requires that all cases assigned to counsel for this purpose must be approved by the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has determined that Clarence Barry-Austin, P.C. has the most experience to defend Officer Richard Santiago in the Jean Francky and Ermite Jacques v. Township of Irvington, Docket No. ESX-L-7049-16;

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended that a contract be awarded to Clarence Barry-Austin, P.C., 76 South Orange Avenue, Suite 207, South Orange, New Jersey, 07079; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Litigation/Defense counsel services be

awarded to Clarence Barry-Austin, P.C., 76 South Orange Avenue, Suite 207, South Orange, New Jersey, 07079 for a contract amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contracts for this case and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds for this service will paid from the Insurance fund for a contract amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Lyons – Jones 20. Authorize Professional Services Contract for Legal Services to Defend the Township in the Matter of Greg Blount Employee Grievance Complaint – Murphy Orlando – Not To Exceed \$10,000.00

RESOLUTION RATIFYING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR LITIGATION/DEFENSE COUNSEL SERVICES

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 16-1110-45 qualified fifteen firms to provide litigation/defense counsel services for the Township of Irvington from November 01, 2016 until October 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requires that all cases assigned to counsel for this purpose must be approved by the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has determined that Murphy Orlando LLC has the most experience to defend the Township of Irvington in the Greg Blount Employee Grievance Complaint;

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended that a contract be awarded to Murphy Orlando LLC, 30 Montgomery Street, 15th Floor, Jersey City, NJ, 07302; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Litigation/Defense counsel services be awarded to Murphy Orlando LLC, 30 Montgomery Street, 15th Floor, Jersey City, NJ, 07302 for a contract amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contracts for this case and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds for this service will paid from the Insurance fund for a contract amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Lyons – Jones 21. Authorize Professional Services Contract for Legal Defense Services in the Matter of Deutsche Bank National Trust Company v. Murtice Garmony, et als. - Eric M. Bernstein and Associates, LLC – Not To Exceed \$2,500.00

RESOLUTION RATIFYING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR LITIGATION/DEFENSE COUNSEL SERVICES

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 15-1027-36 qualified twelve firms to provide litigation/defense counsel services for the Township of Irvington from November 01, 2015 until October 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requires that all cases assigned to counsel for this purpose must be approved by the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has determined that Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC

has the most experience to defend the Township of Irvington in the matter of Deutsche Bank National Trust Company v. Murtice Garmony, Docket No. F-025431-16;

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended that a contract be awarded to Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, 34 Mountain Blvd., Bldg. A, Warren, NJ, 07059; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Litigation/Defense counsel services be awarded to Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, 34 Mountain Blvd., Bldg. A, Warren, NJ, 07059 for a contract amount not to exceed \$2,500.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contracts for this case and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds for this service will paid from the Insurance fund for a contract amount not to exceed \$2,500.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Lyons – Jones 22. Authorize Professional Services Contract for Legal Services in the Matter of Atiya Barber v. Cooper et als. – Lamb Kretzer – Not To Exceed \$2,500.00

RESOLUTION RATIFYING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR LITIGATION/DEFENSE COUNSEL SERVICES

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 16-1110-45 qualified fifteen firms to provide litigation/defense counsel services for the Township of Irvington from November 01, 2016 until October 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requires that all cases assigned to counsel for this purpose must be approved by the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has determined that Lamb Kretzer, LLC has the most experience to defend the Township of Irvington in the matter of Atiya Barber v. Cooper, et als., Docket No. ESX-L-8141-16;

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended that a contract be awarded to Lamb Kretzer, LLC, 110B Meadowlands Parkway, Suite 201, Secaucus, New Jersey, 07094; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Litigation/Defense counsel services be awarded to Lamb Kretzer, LLC, 110B Meadowlands Parkway, Suite 201, Secaucus, New Jersey, 07094 for a contract amount not to exceed \$2,500.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contracts for this case and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds for this service will paid from the Insurance fund for a contract amount not to exceed \$2,500.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Lyons – Jones 23. Authorize Professional Services Contract for Legal Services to Defend Police Officers Patrick Cadet and Simon Johns in the Matter of Estate of Abdul Kamal v. Township of Irvington – Murphy Orlando – Not to Exceed \$50,000.00

RESOLUTION RATIFYING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR LITIGATION/DEFENSE COUNSEL SERVICES

WHEREAS, resolution number TA 16-1110-45 qualified fifteen firms to provide litigation/defense counsel services for the Township of Irvington from November 01, 2016 until October 31, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the resolution requires that all cases assigned to counsel for this purpose must be approved by the Municipal Council; and

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has determined that Murphy Orlando, LLC has the most experience to defend Officers Patrick Cadet and Simon Johnson in the Estate of Abdul Kamal v. Township of Irvington, Docket No. 2:15-cv-08008-ES-MAH;

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney has recommended that a contract be awarded to Murphy Orlando, LLC, 30 Montgomery Street, 11th Floor, Jersey City, NJ 07302:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that a contract for Litigation/Defense counsel services be awarded to Murphy Orlando, LLC, 30 Montgomery Street, 11th Floor, Jersey City, New Jersey 07302 for a contract amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Attorney is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary contracts for this case and the Mayor and Township Clerk are authorized and directed to sign the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that funds for this service will paid from the Insurance fund for a contract amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. The billing rate for this contract is \$150.00 per hour.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Hudley – Lyons 28. Authorize Five Year Short Term Tax Abatement for 74 – 76 Berkshire Place

Re: 74-76 Berkshire Place, five year tax abatement.

WHEREAS the Township of Irvington Municipal Council has approved the issuance of 5 year tax abatement on properties whose assessed value has increased by \$25,000.00 due to improvements made by the current property owner to spur redevelopment and land improvements within the Township of IRVINGTON; and

WHEREAS the property commonly known as 74 Berkshire Place, Block 229 Lot 21, in the Township of Irvington has been assessed and additional \$ 33,000.00, due to improvements thereupon, by the Tax Assessor;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Irvington Municipal Council hereby approves that this property shall receive the following tax obligations, in addition to the annual tax rate on the existing 2017assessment pursuant to the following schedule:

2018- 20% of \$33,000 2019- 40% of \$33,000

2020- 60% of \$33,000 2021- 80% of \$33,000 2022-100% of \$33,000

This tax obligation shall be incurred pursuant to the existing tax rate for the annual periods identified above and in the year 2022 and thereon the 2017 and 2022 additional assessed value shall be added together to set a single assessed value for this property. Any additional improvements not a part of the 2017 application for tax abatement shall be subject to separate application and approval by the Township of Irvington Municipal Council.

Applicant Name: Samuel Cherilus Property Location: 74 Berkshire Place

Block: 229 Lot: 21

2017 Assessment: Land 171,900

Impr. 149,400 Total 171,900

2017 Added Assessment: Land 0

Impr. 33,000 Total 33,000

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Hudley – Lyons 24. Authorize Five Year Short Term Tax Abatement for 1389 – 1393 Springfield Avenue

Re: 1389-1393 Springfield Ave., five year tax abatement.

WHEREAS the Township of Irvington Municipal Council has approved the issuance of 5 year tax abatement on properties whose assessed value has increased by \$25,000.00 due to improvements made by the current property owner to spur redevelopment and land improvements within the Township of IRVINGTON; and

WHEREAS the property commonly known as 1389-1393 Springfield Ave., Block 365 Lot 5, in the Township of Irvington has been assessed and additional \$ 100,000.00, due to improvements thereupon, by the Tax Assessor;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Irvington Municipal Council hereby approves that this property shall receive the following tax obligations, in addition to the annual tax rate on the existing 2017assessment pursuant to the following schedule:

2018-20% of \$100,000

2019-40% of \$100,000

2020-60% of \$100,000

2021-80% of \$100,000

2022-100% of \$100,000

This tax obligation shall be incurred pursuant to the existing tax rate for the annual periods identified above and in the year 2022 and thereon the 2017 and 2022 additional assessed value shall be added together to set a single assessed value for this property. Any additional improvements not a part of the 2017 application for tax abatement shall be subject to separate application and approval by the Township of Irvington Municipal Council.

Applicant Name: 1391 Springfield LLC. Property Location: 1389-1393 Springfield Ave.

Block: 365 Lot: 5

2017 Assessment: Land 198,300

Impr. 465,600 Total 663,900

2017 Added Assessment: Land 0

Impr. 100,000 Total 100,000

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Jones – Lyons 26. Ratify 2017 Employee Handbook

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington Municipal Council seeks to adopt a Township Employee Handbook that promulgates the essential workplace procedures and policies which Township staff are expected to abide by; and

WHEREAS, by taking such action, the Township of Irvington Municipal Council will be taking action consistent with the Best Practices Checklist issued by the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the employee handbook includes rules governing conflict of interest and other policies meant to ensure the proper management of Township resources and staff;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Irvington municipal Council hereby adopts the Township of Irvington Employee Handbook and such handbook and the policies/practices therein shall remain in full effect until such time as the Township of Irvington Municipal Council adopts another employee handbook.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

- 10. Communications and Petitions
- A. Communications
- 1. Mayor Vauss Re-Appointment Darlene Brown Irvington Housing Authority

- 11. Pending Business
- A. Establish One Way Westbound on Glorieux Street Between Nesbit Terrace and Stuyvesant Avenue [PENDING COUNTY AND DOT APPROVALS]
- B. Allow Hair Salons to be Open on Sundays from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. [REMANDED TO COUNCIL'S LEGAL COMMITTEE]
- 12. Miscellaneous
- A. Bingos and Raffles

Jones - Burgess 1. Good Shepherd Parish

Adopted Absent: Burgess

NON-CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 8. Ordinances, Bills & Claims
- A. Ordinances on 1st Reading

Frederic – Jones 1. Accept Quit Claim Deed for 439 - 21st Street

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A QUIT CLAIM DEED FOR 439 21st STREET, BLOCK 162 AND LOT 33 IN THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON FROM ISAAC MORADI.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Jones – Lyons 2. Amend Section 148-26 of Revised Code Prohibiting Accumulation of Garbage Refuse and Rubbish

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND § 148-26 ACCUMULATION OF GARBAGE AND RUBBISH PROHIBITED

Adopted Absent: Burgess

Hudley – Lyons 3. Provide for Authority to Demolish Unsafe Buildings

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 105-8 OF THE REVISED CODE REGARDING DEMOLITION OF UNSAFE STRUCTURES.

Adopted Absent: Burgess

B. Ordinances on 2nd Reading

1. President Lyons: An ordinance accepting a deed in lieu of foreclosure for 404 – 14th Avenue will be heard at this time. The Clerk will read the notice of hearing.

The Clerk read the notice of hearing.

The Clerk will read the ordinance by title

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A DEED IN LIEU OF FORECLOSURE FOR 404 14th AVENUE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON FROM TRACIE SHORTE AND GREGORY SHORTE

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5(a)(1) provides that municipality may, by ordinance, acquire land by gift; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Shorte can no longer financially maintain the land located at 404 14th Avenue as a result they would like to transfer ownership of said property to the Township of Irvington; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington has dedicated itself to either develop or to facilitate the redevelopment on said land under its Redevelopment Authority powers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Shorte now has deeded this property to the Township:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that it accepts the Deed from Mr. and Mrs. Shorte to acquire title to 404 14th Avenue on behalf of the Township of Irvington and directs that the said property be placed on the Township's inventory of property owned by the Township.

The public hearing on this ordinance is now open.

There were no requests to be heard.

Lyons – Frederic Motion to close public hearing

Adopted

Absent: Burgess

Lyons – Frederic public hearing.

Motion to adopt this ordinance on second reading after

Adopted

Absent: Burgess

2. President Lyons: An ordinance accepting a quick claim deed for 18 Roosevelt Terrace Avenue will be heard at this time. For the record this notice of hearing is identical to the first notice of hearing read by the Clerk. The Clerk will read the ordinance by title

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A QUIT CLAIM DEED FOR 18 ROOSEVELT TERRACE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON FROM FREDDIE E. WILLIAMSON

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5(a)(1) provides that municipality may, by ordinance, acquire real property with a capital improvement by gift; and

WHEREAS, as a result of serious disrepair and the inability of Mr. Williamson to financially maintain the property located at 18 Roosevelt Terrace, he would like to transfer ownership of said property to the Township of Irvington; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington has dedicated itself to either rehabilitate or to facilitate the rehabilitation of said property under its Redevelopment Authority powers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Williamson now has deeded this property to the Township:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that it accepts the Deed from Freddie E. Williamson to acquire title to 18 Roosevelt Terrace on behalf of the Township of Irvington and directs that the said property be placed on the Township's inventory of property owned by the Township.

The public hearing on this ordinance is now open.

There were no requests to be heard.

Cox – Lyons Motion to close public hearing

Adopted

Absent: Burgess

Cox – Lyons Motion to adopt this ordinance on second reading after public hearing.

Adopted

Absent: Burgess

- 12. Miscellaneous
- B. General Hearing of Citizens and Council Members (limited to five minutes per person)

Richard Williams 197 Linden Avenue Name and Street Number Inaudible, Irvington Barbershop Owner on Springfield Avenue Joette Reid, 310 Western Parkway, Representing Irvington Beauty Salons Gora Nduna, 12 Beaumont Place Carla George, 26 Laurel Avenue Lavinia Radley, 113 Maple Avenue, Irvington Beauty Salon Owner

Council Member Hudley announced that the Mayor's State of the Township Address was being held on Thursday, January 26, 2017 at the Christian Pentecostal Church of Christ located at 971 Clinton Avenue.

Council Member Frederic and Council President Lyons addressed the issues raised by the above referenced citizens.

13. Adjournment	
There being no further business, the mee	eting was adjourned at 8:32 P.M.
David Lyons, Council President	Harold E. Wiener, Municipal Clerk