TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON



MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 26, 2024 7:30 PM

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Appointments

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

3. ROLL CALL

ROLL CALL	PRESENT	ABSENT	LATE ARRIVAL	EARLY DEPARTURE
Brown			X (7:48 p.m.)	-
Cox		X		
Evans	X			
Frederic	X			
Dr. Hudley			X (7:43 p.m.)	
Vick	X			
Beasley, President	X			

President Beasley reads the following Statement of Proper Notice Pursuant to the Sunshine Law.

Pursuant to Chapter 231, Public Laws of 1975 and Public Laws of 2020, Chapter 11, this is to state for the record that adequate notice of this virtual meeting has been provided to the public by posting a notice on the Municipal Bulletin Board, township's website, by mailing, emailing and faxing a notice of the meeting to the Irvington Herald and the Star Ledger on <u>December 22, 2023</u>, and by filing said notice in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

4. HEARING OF CITIZENS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

➤ Limited to (3) three minutes per person and (30) thirty minutes total (MUST SIGN UP IN ADVANCE OF MEETING)

Elouise McDaniel, 214 Nesbit Terrace

5. HEARING OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

There were no requests to be heard.

6. REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

A. Reports

- 1. Business Administrator Musa Malik Esq. Report of February 1, 2024 Finance Committee Meeting
- 2. Business Administrator Musa Malik Esq. Report of February 1, 2024 Cannabis Committee Meeting
- 3. Fire Captain Matthew Majkotoski Report of February 6, 2024 Technology Committee Meeting
- 4. INIC Account Clerk Josie Monel Report of February 7, 2024 Grants Committee Meeting
- 5. A/Health Director Baffour Asare Report of February 8, 2024 Ad Hoc Health Committee Meeting
- 6. Municipal Court Weekly Summary Report for the Week of February 5, 2024 to February 9, 2024
- 7. Municipal Court Weekly Summary Report for the Week of February 12, 2024 to February 16, 2024
- 8. Joint Meeting November 9, 2023 Meeting Minutes
- 9. Business Administrator Musa Malik Esq. Report of February 15, 2024 Cannabis Committee Meeting

7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

A. Request for Proposals – February 7, 2024 - Independent Hearing Officer & Special Assessment

ALL ITEMS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AND HAVE BEEN LISTED FOR ONE ROLL CALL VOTE FOR ADOPTION OF ALL ITEMS

8. ORDINANCES, BILLS & CLAIMS

A. Ordinances on First Reading

Vick – Cox

1. Amending and Supplementing Chapter 620 of the Township of Irvington General Ordinances to Prohibit "Blocking the Box"

An Ordinance to amend Section 620 of the Township of Irvington's General Ordinances to Prohibit "Blocking the Box"

- a. No driver shall enter an intersection unless there is sufficient space on the other side of the intersection to accommodate the vehicle he/she is operating without obstructing the passage of other vehicles or pedestrians, notwithstanding any traffic control signal indication to proceed.
- b. All intersections within the Township of Irvington shall be designated as "Don't Block the Box" intersections, and appropriate striping and signage shall be provided.
- c. This section is consistent with and amplifies N.J.S.A. 39:4-67, by authorizing the installation of signage to be designed for this purpose an erected at intersection
- d. There shall be a minimum penalty of \$250 for violation of this section.

Adopted Absent: Cox

Vick - Cox

2. Bond Ordinance Providing For Various Capital Improvements in and by the Township of Irvington, Appropriating \$20,000,000 and Authorizing the Issuance of \$19,000,000 Bonds or Notes of the Township to Finance Part of the Cost [MUST RECEIVE SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENT FROM CFO] [PROJECTED LOCAL FINANCE BOARD'S MEETING DATE: APRIL 10, 2024] [PROJECTED ORDINANCE ADOPTION DATE: APRIL 22, 2024]

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$20,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$19,000,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Irvington, in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the "Township"), as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$20,000,000, including America Rescue Funds in the amount of \$2,500,000 (the "ARF Funds") for the project described in Section 3(c)(2)

and Urban Enterprise Zone funds in the amount of \$432,000 (the "UEZ Funds" and together with the ARF Funds, the "Funds") for the project described in Section 3(c)(10) and further including the aggregate sum of \$1,000,000 as the several down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments have been made available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the several down payments and in anticipation of receipt of the Funds referred to above, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$19,000,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law and the provisions of the Municipal Qualified Bond Act, P.L. 1976, c. 38, as amended. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	Appropriation & Estimated Cost	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds & Notes	Period of Usefulness
a) Police Department			
1) The acquisition of sport utility vehicles, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$1,575,000	\$1,496,250	5 years
2) The acquisition of a plate reader and a mobile camera platform, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$360,000	\$342,000	10 years

<u>Purpose</u>	Appropriation & <u>Estimated Cost</u>	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds & Notes	Period of <u>Usefulness</u>
3) Jail cell and bathroom repairs, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$622,000	\$590,900	15 years
4) The installation of a heating, ventilation and airconditioning system at the Police Building, including all work and materials necessary therefore and incidental thereto.	\$95,000	\$90,250	15 years
b) Fire Department 1) The acquisition of ice machines, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$11,000	\$10,450	15 years
2) The acquisition of personal protective gear, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$570,000	\$541,500	5 years
3) The acquisition of laundry equipment, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$140,000	\$133,000	15 years
4) Grading and paving of a section of the training tower, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$105,000	\$99,750	10 years
5) The installation of fencing at the training tower site, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$25,000	\$23,750	10 years
6) Repairs to Stations 2, 3 and 4, including all work and	\$260,000	\$247,000	15 years

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materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.			
7) The acquisition of self- contained breathing apparatus, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$490,000	\$465,500	5 years
8) The acquisition of vehicles, including sport utility vehicles and pick-up trucks and further including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$415,000	\$394,250	5 years
c) Department of Public Works			
1) Renovations to the 16 th Avenue garage, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto and underground storage tank abandonment or removal, including all environmental work and materials necessary therefore and incidental thereto.	\$2,025,000	\$1,923,750	20 years
2) The construction of a new building at 406 Coit Street, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$3,745,000 (Includes the ARF Funds)	\$3,557,750	30 years
3) The installation of sprinkler systems at various buildings, as more fully described on a list on file in the Office of the Clerk, which list is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth at length, including all related costs and	\$335,000	\$318,250	15 years

<u>Purpose</u>	Appropriation & Estimated Cost	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds & Notes	Period of <u>Usefulness</u>
expenditures incidental thereto.			
4) Renovations to the Union Avenue Building, including all work and materials necessary therefore and incidental thereto.	\$630,000	\$598,500	15 years
5) Repairs to the Town Hall elevator, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$600,000	\$570,000	15 years
6) The acquisition of vehicles, including a sewer trucks, bucket trucks, crane trucks, dump trucks, a utility trucks, electric trucks and yard packer trucks and further including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$2,115,000	\$2,009,250	10 years
7) The acquisition of equipment, including a small loader, a large loader, a claw attachment and wheel align lifts and further including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$435,000	\$413,250	15 years
8) The installation of electric charging stations, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$50,000	\$47,500	15 years
9) The acquisition of multi- function copiers, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$110,000	\$104,500	5 years

10) The acquisition of street sweepers, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$715,000 (Includes the UEZ Funds)	\$679,250	5 years
d) General Projects			
1) The South 20 th Street Drainage Project, as more fully described on a list on file in the Office of the Clerk, which list is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth at length, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$435,000	\$413,250	20 years
2) Park surfacing, as more fully described on a list on file in the Office of the Clerk, which list is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth at length, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$250,000	\$237,500	10 years
3) Improvements to the North Union Avenue and Mill Road intersection, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$205,000	\$194,750	10 years
4) Annual Road resurfacing, as more fully described on a list on file in the Office of the Clerk, which list is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth at length, including all work and material necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$657,000	\$624,150	10 years
5) The installation of a guard rail at Cleremont Avenue, including all work and	\$115,000	\$109,250	10 years

materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.			
6) Eberhardt Park repairs, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$150,000	\$142,500	15 years
7) Recreation court resurfacing at various locations, as more fully described on a list on file in the Office of the Clerk, which list is hereby incorporated by reference as if set forth at length, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$160,000	\$152,000	10 years
8) Improvements to the Gatling Center roof and floor, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$330,000	\$313,500	15 years
9) Improvements to the 40 th Street running track, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$160,000	\$152,000	10 years
10) Orange Park pool enclosure, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$2,110,000	\$ <u>2,004,500</u>	20 years
Totals:	\$ <u>20,000,000</u>	\$ <u>19,000,000</u>	

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the down payment for each purpose.

All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be Section 4. determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date, unless such bond anticipation notes are permitted to mature at such later date in accordance with applicable law. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law or other applicable law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The Township hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Township is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements or purposes that the Township may lawfully undertake as general

improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

- (b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 15.97 years.
- (c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Township as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$19,000,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.
- (d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$3,000,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes or improvements.
- Section 7. The Township hereby declares the intent of the Township to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes or improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of the Treasury Regulations.
- Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purposes or improvements described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.
- Section 9. The chief financial officer of the Township is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of

obligations of the Township and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Township. The chief

financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market

disclosure on behalf of the Township pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission

(the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Township and to amend such

undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such

undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the

requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Township fails to comply with its undertaking, the Township

shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the

undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of

the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be

direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes

upon all the taxable property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon

without limitation of rate or amount.

This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after Section 11.

final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Adopted

Absent: Cox

C. Bills & Claims

Frederic – Evans

1. Bill Lists

RESOLVED THAT THE BILLS AND CLAIMS AGAINST THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON FOR A PERIOD FEBRUARY 26, 2024 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 \$1,178,725.13 TOTAL \$1,178,725.13

Adopted Absent: Cox

Frederic – Cox 2. Payrolls

Payroll Date: February 9, 2024

TOTAL \$2,263,387.41

Adopted Absent: Cox

9. RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

A. Resolutions

Beasley - Hudley

1. Resolution of Commendation – 2024 African-American Male of the Year – Honorable Mayor Tony Vauss

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION
HONORABLE MAYOR TONY VAUSS
TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON
2024 AFRICAN-AMERICAN MALE OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS, February is AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH and marks the 98th annual observance since inaugurated as Negro History Week by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, Jr., a Ph.D. from Harvard University, born to parents who were former slaves; and

WHEREAS, as history is filled with the far reaching accomplishments of African Americans, Irvington Township has our own, the HONORABLE MAYOR TONY VAUSS who has provided a valuable public service by helping the Township of Irvington improve their quality of life and whose efforts continue to contribute to the growth of our community; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Tony Vauss, a former Assistant to the Director in the Township's Department of Neighborhood Services, was elected Mayor on May 13th, 2014. He campaigned on attracting new businesses to the Township, as a way to raise both revenue and the profile of the Township; and

WHEREAS, born and raised in Irvington, Mayor Vauss has an intimate understanding of the challenges and opportunities that the township faces. He possesses a deep love for his hometown, and his determination to make it a better place for all its inhabitants is truly inspiring. Under Mayor Vauss' visionary leadership, Irvington has experienced significant growth and development. He has spearheaded numerous initiatives

aimed at revitalizing the town, attracting new businesses, and creating job opportunities for its residents. His strategic approach has not only boosted the local economy but has also enhanced the overall quality of life in Irvington; and

WHEREAS, his political career began as a volunteer in 2004 where he learned many things about the political process and desired to become involved to better serve his community. Mayor Vauss founded the Tony Vauss Civic Association, which offered a plethora of community activities. These activities included adult basketball, programming for both senior citizens and children, and humanitarian meals for the less fortunate in the Irvington community; and

WHEREAS, in April 2006, Mayor Vauss was afforded the opportunity to run for public office as a member of the Irvington Board of Education. Tony has served as a Board Member, Vice President (three years), and concluded his service as the President (three years) of the Irvington Board of Education. Also, in June 2006, he was elected district leader for Northward District 2. Tony quickly emerged as one of the most influential leaders in Irvington; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of the late Honorable D. Bilal Beasley and late Honorable Lebby C. Jones, Mayor Vauss has successfully run campaigns on the state, county, and local levels; and

WHEREAS, he is a member of the Martin Luther King Heritage Committee, Al Sharpton's National Action Network and the NAACP; and

WHEREAS, as a proud resident, Mayor Vauss has received awards from the Irvington Board of Education, a proclamation from the Office of Irvington Mayor for community service, two resolutions from the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey and the Essex County Board of Freeholders acknowledging his community contributions, as well as awards from local churches and clergy; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Vauss is truly a compassionate and generous leader who goes above and beyond to uplift and support his community. Through his exceptional leadership, Mayor Tony Vauss has transformed Irvington into a thriving township that residents are proud to call home; and

WHEREAS, his dedication, creativity, and friendly demeanor have made him a beloved figure in the community. Mayor Vauss continues to inspire and empower others, leaving an indelible mark on the Township of Irvington that will be remembered for generations to come:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that February, being African-American History Month, we honor the Honorable Mayor Tony Vauss as the 2024 African-American Male of the Year in the Township of Irvington, recognizing his numerous contributions to the community and for the struggle for dignity and equality by all African-Americans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this governing body as a lasting tribute to the leadership, civic and community accomplishments of Mayor Tony Vauss throughout the years.

Adopted Absent: Cox

Hudley - Frederic 2. Resolution of Commendation – 2024 African-American Female of the Year – Patricia Wilson

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION MRS. PATRICIA WILSON 2024 AFRICAN-AMERICAN FEMALE OF THE YEAR

WHEREAS, February is AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY MONTH and marks the 98th annual observance since inaugurated as Negro History Week by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, Jr., a Ph.D. from Harvard University, born to parents who were former slaves; and

WHEREAS, as history is filled with the far reaching accomplishments of African Americans, Irvington Township has our own, MRS. PATRICIA WILSON who has provided a valuable public service by helping the Township of Irvington improve their quality of life and whose efforts continue to contribute to the growth of our community; and

WHEREAS, Patricia Wilson was born on December 28th to Linsey and Janise Johnson in the beautiful city of Harlem, New York. She married her loving husband Edward Wilson and relocated to Irvington, New Jersey. She has two beautiful children Jheryl and Breana Wilson and is a proud mother to Schinae Wilson, and proud grandmother to Worthy Wilson; and

WHEREAS, Patricia has resided in Irvington, New Jersey for several years. She has mastered the art of multitasking. She has been involved with various organizations and is a Lifetime member of the New Jersey Parent Teacher Association and for a brief period of time on the Irvington Public Library Board as Vice President. Patricia collaborate with the Unity Essex and West Hudson Newark, NJ where each year Celebrity Readers comes into the Irvington Public Schools to read to the district scholars; and

WHEREAS, through the death of her father Mr. Linsey Johnson from colon cancer, and the death of her mother Ms. Janise Johnson from uterine cancer. Patricia coordinates every year with the collaboration of the Superintendent of the Irvington Public Schools a Breast/Colon Cancer Walk throughout the entire school district to bring awareness to the community; and

WHEREAS, Patricia coordinates with the Department of Recreation/Township Food Serves program each year which provides food services for our district Summer Food Program; and

WHEREAS, from 2018 to present, Patricia has implemented district wide, the "National Wear Red Day" for all Irvington Pubic Schools staff to wear red to recognition of "America Heart Association," and on February 2, 2024, the 5th Annual Wear Red Day was acknowledged throughout the school district; and

WHEREAS, Patricia holds the seat for the Superintendent of Irvington Public Schools for the Chambers of Commerce and the Census committee. She holds the seat of Vice President for the Irvington Township Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, Patricia is the co-founder of G.Y.M Inc. (Gifted Young Minds Inc.) a non – profit organization dedicated to the educational and social empowerment of the Irvington people; and

WHEREAS, Patricia is a part of the Irvington Board of Education staff where she serves as the Community/Family Advocate, and hold the position as Supervisor of the Elementary Parent Coordinators, which provides educational workshops in the home. She works tirelessly to assist the parents and community families to assure success in their children education and welfare. She has donated items and clothing (collaborates with Jersey Cares every year and receive 200 to 300 coats every year). She participates with various PTA's where she is a life time member of the New Jersey Parent Teacher Association and Parent Workshops, seminar and committees. She attends all district wide events and provide parent materials to all; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of the NAACP (National Association for The Advancement of Colored People) and NAN, Irvington Chapter (National Action Network, Irvington Chapter); and

WHEREAS, Patricia focus is first "God", family and the children of the Irvington Community. She is always available to lend a helping hand for a good cause:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that February, being African-American History Month, we honor Patricia Wilson as the 2024 African-American Female of the Year in the Township of Irvington, recognizing her numerous contributions to the community and for the struggle for dignity and equality by all African-Americans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this governing body as a lasting tribute to the civic and community accomplishments of Patricia Wilson throughout the years.

Adopted Absent: Cox

Hudley – Frederic

3. Ratify Mayor's Nomination Re-Appointing Chandra Rainey-Cole, Esq. as
Municipal Court Judge, Effective February 14, 2024

WHEREAS, a vacancy occurred in the Office of Municipal Court Judge by virtue of the fact that the term of office of Chandra Rainey-Cole, Esq. expired on November 25, 2023:

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

The Mayor's nomination of Chandra Rainey Cole, Esq. as Municipal Court Judge, effective February 14, 2024 for a three year term, and expiring on February 13, 2027 is hereby confirmed by the Municipal Council.

Adopted Absent: Cox

Vick – Beasley

4. Resolution Making Application to the Local Finance Board for its Review and Approval of a Bond Ordinance Authorizing Various Capital Improvements

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, MAKING APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:3-1 *ET SEQ*.

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington, in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the "Township"), desires to make application to the Local Finance Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:3-1 *et seq*. for its review and approval of a bond ordinance authorizing various capital improvements;

WHEREAS, the Township believes that:

- (a) it is in the public interest to accomplish such purpose;
- (b) said purpose or improvements are for the health, welfare, convenience or betterment of the inhabitants of the Township;
- (c) the amounts to be expended for said purpose or improvements are not unreasonable or exorbitant; and
- (d) the proposal is an efficient and feasible means of providing services for the needs of the inhabitants of the Township and will not create an undue financial burden to be placed upon the Township;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

- **Section 1.** The application to the Local Finance Board is hereby approved, and the Township's Bond Counsel, Municipal Advisor and Auditor, along with other representatives of the Township, are hereby authorized to prepare such application and to represent the Township in matters pertaining thereto.
- **Section 2.** The Clerk of the Township is hereby directed to prepare and file a copy of the proposed ordinance and this resolution with the Local Finance Board as part of such application.
- **Section 3.** The Local Finance Board is hereby respectfully requested to consider such application and to record its approval as provided by the applicable New Jersey statute.

<u>FULL NAME</u>	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	ABSENT

The foregoing is a tru	e copy of a resolution adopted t	by the governing body of	the Township of Irvington, in the
County of Essex, New Jersey,	on, 2024.		
			Shawna Supel, Municipal Clerk

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Adopted Absent: Cox

Vick – Hudley

5. Establish Handicapped Parking Spaces in Front of 23 Grace Street, 1st Floor, 27 Montrose Terrace, 29 Arverne Terrace, 34 Durand Place, 36 42nd Street, 104 Myrtle Avenue, 2nd Floor and 128 Lenox Avenue

ESTABLISH HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.5 provides that a Municipality may by resolution provide for restricted parking space(s) in front of residence(s) 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. 39:4-206; and

WHEREAS, request(s) have been made for restricted parking space(s) in front of 23 Grace Street, 1st Floor, 27 Montrose Terrace, 29 Arverne Terrace, 34 Durand Place, 36 42nd Street, 104 Myrtle Avenue, 2nd Floor and 128 Lenox Avenue:

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. 39:4-206, be established in front of 23 Grace Street, 1st Floor, 27 Montrose Terrace, 29 Arverne Terrace, 34 Durand Place, 36 42nd Street, 104 Myrtle Avenue, 2nd Floor and 128 Lenox Avenue; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Works is directed to place signs designating said handicapped parking space(s).

Adopted Absent: Cox

Vick - Cox

6. Grant Appeals and Rescind Application Denials – Establish Handicapped Parking Spaces in Front of 22 Maple Place, 24 Laventhal Avenue, 35 Ellery Avenue, 37 Grant Place, 41 Norwood Avenue, 47 Myrtle Avenue, 52 39th Street, 59 Lenox Avenue, 67 Kuna Terrace, 75 Coolidge Street, 83 Coolidge Street, 87 Ellery Avenue, 96 Welland Avenue, 99 Rosehill Place, 105 Park Place, 110 Rosehill Place, 131 West Allen Street, 188 Park Place, 222 Isabella Avenue, 1st Floor and 493 20th Street, 1st Floor

GRANT APPEALS AND RESCIND APPLICATION DENIALS - ESTABLISH HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.5 provides that a Municipality may by resolution provide for restricted parking space(s) in front of residence(s) 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. 39:4-206; and

WHEREAS, request(s) have been made for restricted parking space(s) in front of 22 Maple Place, 24 Laventhal Avenue, 35 Ellery Avenue, 37 Grant Place, 41 Norwood Avenue, 47 Myrtle Avenue, 52 39th Street, 59 Lenox Avenue, 67 Kuna Terrace, 75 Coolidge Street, 83 Coolidge Street, 87 Ellery Avenue, 96 Welland Avenue, 99 Rosehill Place, 105 Park Place, 110 Rosehill Place, 131 West Allen Street, 188 Park Place, 222 Isabella Avenue, 1st Floor and 493 20th Street, 1st Floor:

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. 39:4-206, be established in front of 22 Maple Place, 24 Laventhal Avenue, 35 Ellery Avenue, 37 Grant Place, 41 Norwood Avenue, 47 Myrtle Avenue, 52 39th Street, 59 Lenox Avenue, 67 Kuna Terrace, 75 Coolidge Street, 83 Coolidge Street, 87 Ellery Avenue, 96 Welland Avenue, 99 Rosehill Place, 105 Park Place, 110 Rosehill Place, 131 West Allen Street, 188 Park Place, 222 Isabella Avenue, 1st Floor and 493 20th Street, 1st Floor; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Works is directed to place signs designating said handicapped parking space(s).

Adopted Absent: Cox

Vick – Hudley

7. Remove Handicapped Parking Spaces in Front of 2 Chapman Place, 21 Paine Avenue, 32 Yale Avenue, 36 42nd Street, 38 Elmwood Avenue, 8 Durand Place, 50 Montrose Terrace, 65 Rutgers Street, 71 Chestnut Avenue, 77 Howard Street, 104 Myrtle Avenue and 176 Park Place

REMOVE HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.5 provides that a 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 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. 39:4-206; and

WHEREAS, a restricted handicapped parking space has been previously established at 2 Chapman Place, 21 Paine Avenue, 32 Yale Avenue, 36 42nd Street, 38 Elmwood Avenue, 8 Durand Place, 50 Montrose Terrace, 65 Rutgers Street, 71 Chestnut Avenue, 77 Howard Street, 104 Myrtle Avenue and 176 Park Place; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the handicapped resident for which the restricted handicapped parking space in front of 2 Chapman Place, 21 Paine Avenue, 32 Yale Avenue, 36 42nd Street, 38 Elmwood Avenue, 8 Durand Place, 50 Montrose Terrace, 65 Rutgers Street, 71 Chestnut Avenue, 77 Howard Street, 104 Myrtle Avenue and 176 Park Place no longer lives at that location:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that the restricted handicapped parking space heretofore established in front of 2 Chapman Place, 21 Paine Avenue, 32 Yale Avenue, 36 42nd Street, 38 Elmwood Avenue, 8 Durand Place, 50 Montrose Terrace, 65 Rutgers Street, 71 Chestnut Avenue, 77 Howard Street, 104 Myrtle Avenue and 176 Park Place be and the same is hereby rescinded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Works is directed to remove the restricted handicapped parking sign located in front of 2 Chapman Place, 21 Paine Avenue, 32 Yale Avenue, 36 42nd Street, 38 Elmwood Avenue, 8 Durand Place, 50 Montrose Terrace, 65 Rutgers Street, 71 Chestnut Avenue, 77 Howard Street, 104 Myrtle Avenue and 176 Park Place.

Adopted Absent: Cox

Hudley – Vick

8. Waive 20 Day Time Period for Effective Date on an Ordinance Amending Section 620-19.1 of the Revised Code Regarding Parking too Close to a Driveway by Removing Therefrom Tremont Terrace in its Entirety

WHEREAS, an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 620-19.1 OF THE REVISED CODE REGARDING PARKING TOO CLOSE TO A DRIVEWAY BY REMOVING THEREFROM TREMONT TERRACE IN ITS ENTIRETY" was duly passed on first reading by the Municipal Council on February 13, 2024 and duly adopted by the Municipal Council on second reading after public hearing on February 26, 2024; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-181 (a) and Section 7-32 (d) of the Revised Code of the Township of Irvington, an ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final passage by the Municipal Council and approval by the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-181 (b) and Section 7-32 (d) of the Revised Code of the Township of Irvington, two-thirds (2/3) of the full membership of the Municipal Council may declare an emergency, by written resolution, to reduce this twenty (20) day period:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON (not less than 2/3 of the full membership thereof affirmatively concurring) that pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:69A-181 (b) and Section 7-32 (d) of the Revised Code of the Township of Irvington, it does hereby declare that an emergency exists that an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 620-19.1 OF THE REVISED CODE REGARDING PARKING TOO CLOSE TO A DRIVEWAY BY REMOVING THEREFROM TREMONT TERRACE IN ITS ENTIRETY" shall become effective immediately upon its approval by the Mayor.

Adopted Absent: Cox

Vick – Hudley

9. Approve the Final Disposition of Mark Spivey V. Township of Irvington, et als. in the Matter of Mark Spivey v. Township of Irvington - Settlement Amount Not to Exceed \$1,200,000.00

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF MARK SPIVEY V. TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, ET. ALS DOCKET NO. ESX-L-8867-18

WHEREAS, the matter of Mark Spivey v. Township of Irvington, was filed in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Essex County under Docket No. ESX-L-8867-18; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington Administration and the Municipal Council deem it in the best interest to bring this matter to a resolution, thus saving the Township further expense in the defense thereof and curtailing any excessive liability that could result from this litigation; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Township Attorney has reviewed, monitored and consulted with counsel and all

relevant municipal officials and pursuant thereto recommend that this matter be concluded:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that it hereby agrees to a settlement of the above matter in the amount not to exceed One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000.00), subject to the execution of a Release and Settlement agreement and executed Stipulation of Dismissal with Prejudice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this matter is hereby concluded with absolutely no admission of liability on behalf of the Township of Irvington, its Police Department or any agents, officers or personnel; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the settlement funds will be processed through D&H Alternative Risk Solutions, the Township's third party liability administrator.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the required certification of availability of funds C24-0042 has been obtained from the Chief Financial Officer.

Adopted Absent: Cox

10. COMMUNICATION AND PETITIONS

A. Communications

- 1. Honorable Mayor Tony Vauss Re-Appointment of Chandra R. Cole as Municipal Court Judge
- 2. Honorable Mayor Tony Vauss Appointment of Shanell Toomer as Planning Board Member, Replacing Gerard Alexandre
- 3. Essex County Board of Taxation Township of Irvington Revaluation Extension Resolution from 2024 to 2025 dated February 15, 2024

11. PENDING BUSINESS

None

NON-CONSENT AGENDA

8. ORDINANCES, BILLS & CLAIMS (Continued)

B. Ordinances on Second Reading

1. President Beasley: An ordinance amending Section 620-19.1 parking too close to driveways by removing Tremont Terrace will be heard a time. The Clerk will read the notice of hearing.

The Clerk will read the ordinance by title

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 620-19.1 OF THE REVISED CODE REGARDING PARKING TOO CLOSE TO A DRIVEWAY BY REMOVING THEREFROM TREMONT TERRACE IN ITS ENTIRETY.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 620-19.1 of the Revised Code of the Township of Irvington is hereby amended by deleting therefrom Tremont Terrace in its entirety.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of the within ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any conflict or inconsistency therewith.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

The Public Hearing on this ordinance is now open

Hudley – Vick Motion to close Public Hearing

Adopted Absent: Cox

Hudley – Vick Motion to adopt this ordinance on second reading after Public Hearing

Adopted Absent: Cox

2. President Beasley: An ordinance providing residential parking permits on Hollywood Avenue, seven days a week, 24 hours per day will be heard a time. For the record, this notice is identical to the prior notice read.

The Clerk will read the ordinance by title

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMITS ON HOLLYWOOD AVENUE, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK, 24 HOURS PER DAY.

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington has received concerns from its residents concerning the availability of resident parking on Hollywood Avenue, seven days a week, 24 hours a day; and

WHEREAS, the difficulty of the residents in these area to locate parking at or near their homes has caused undue hardship on the residents of this area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON that parking shall be restricted and a parking permit required for residents of Hollywood Avenue, seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

Resident's vehicles must receive and display a valid parking permit provided by the Township of Irvington; and

Vehicles parked in violation of this ordinance will be subject to towing and the vehicle owners shall be subject to a fine as set forth in Chapter 1, General Provisions, Article III; and

All ordinances or parts thereof that are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed; and

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

The Public Hearing on this ordinance is now open

Cox – Hudley Motion to close Public Hearing

Adopted Absent: Cox

Cox – Hudley Motion to adopt this ordinance on second reading after Public Hearing

Adopted Absent: Cox

3. President Beasley: An ordinance adopting the East Ward/East Springfield Avenue amended and restated Redevelopment Plan will be heard a time. For the record, this notice is identical to the prior notice read.

The Clerk will read the ordinance by title

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF IRVINGTON, COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY ADOPTING THE EAST WARD/EAST SPRINGFIELD AVENUE AMENDED AND RESTATED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the Township of Irvington (the "**Township**"), a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey, is authorized pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-1 *et seq.* (the "**Redevelopment Law**"), to determine whether certain parcels of land within the Township constitute an area in need of rehabilitation or an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Redevelopment Law, the Municipal Council of the Township (the "**Township Council**"), has previously identified certain areas within the Township as in need of redevelopment and in need of rehabilitation, and wishes to develop and adopt plans for the redevelopment of such areas, all as part of an overall comprehensive redevelopment initiative; and

WHEREAS, on August 13, 2002, in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Redevelopment Law, the Township Council designated as an "area in need of redevelopment" certain property then identified on the official tax maps of the Township, the entirety of Blocks 132-137; Block 138, Lots 1-13; Block 139, Lots 1-38; Block 140, Lots 1-10, 12-26; Block 141, Lots 1-25; Block 142, Lots 1-30; Block 143, Lots 1-17; Block 144, Lots 1-12; Block 145, Lots 1-12; Block 146, Lots 1-12; Block 147, Lots 1-40; Block 148, Lots 1-40; Block 162, Lots 7-32; Block 164, Lots 1-8; Block 206, Lots 6-25; Block 207, Lots 12-28; Block 208, Lots 8-24; Block 209, Lots 14-34; and Block 210, Lots 23-42 (collectively, the "Original Redevelopment Area"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-7 of the Redevelopment Law and in accordance with the procedures set forth therein, the Township Council duly adopted the "<u>East Ward/East Springfield Avenue Redevelopment Plan</u>" for the Original Redevelopment Area (the "**Original Redevelopment Plan**"); and

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2006, by Resolution No. UEZ 06-0711-12, the Township Council designated certain properties identified on the official tax maps of the Township as 943-949 Grove Street (Block 210, Lots 49 & 50) as an "area in need of redevelopment"; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of the Redevelopment Law, on July 14, 2015, by Resolution No. UEZ 15-0714-11, the Township Council designated the entirety of the Township, including certain properties identified on the tax maps of the Township as 941 Grove Street (Block 210, Lot 48) and 951 Grove Street (Block 210, Lots 51 & 52) as an "area in need of rehabilitation"; and

WHEREAS, on November 23, 2020, in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Redevelopment Law, the Township Council adopted Resolution No. OCDP 20-1123-30 designating as a "non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment" certain properties located on Grove Street, 17th Avenue, 22nd Street, 18th Avenue, Ellis Avenue, 21st Street, Hopkins Place, Madison Avenue and Springfield Avenue; identified on the official tax maps of the Township as Block 149, Lots 1-37; Block 162, Lots 1-6; Block 165, Lots 15 & 16; Block 166, Lots 1-19 & 39.01; Block 207, Lots 21, 22, 23.01, 23.02 & 24-48 (collectively, the "Expanded Redevelopment Area"); and

WHEREAS, on March 22, 2021, by Resolution No. OCDP 21-0322-3, the Township Council instructed the Township Planning Board (the "**Planning Board**") to amend the Original Redevelopment Plan by incorporating therein certain properties adjacent to the Original Redevelopment Area, which properties are identified in the Township tax records as 941-951 Grove Street, and designated as Block 210, Lots 48-52 on the official tax maps of the Township (the "**Grove Parcels**")

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to provide for the effective, cohesive redevelopment of the Grove Parcels, the Original Redevelopment Area and the Expanded Redevelopment Area (together with the parcels discussed and defined below as the "Madison Avenue Parcels," the "Amended Plan Area"), and has determined that substantial changes to the Original Redevelopment Plan will be necessary to provide for such effective, cohesive redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2021 the Planning Board considered and recommended the adoption of an amended and restated redevelopment plan which encompasses the Amended Plan Area; and updates and clarifies the development standards, the uses and the requirements of the Original Redevelopment Plan (the "**Amended Redevelopment Plan**", attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>), and acting by resolution, memorialized such action; and

WHEREAS, On October 24, 2022, the Municipal Council directed the Planning Board to amend the *East Ward/East Springfield Redevelopment Plan* via Resolution Number OCDP 22-1024-29, to provide additional permitted and conditional uses, including, but not limited to the following: clinics, philanthropic or eleemosynary uses, indoor recreational facilities, municipal uses (Township of Irvington), parks and playgrounds, places of worship, public garages and parking lots, public utility uses, quasi-public buildings and recreational facilities, and schools, and to provide development standards and requirements to encourage further redevelopment within the Expanded Redevelopment Area; and

- **WHEREAS**, on June 12, 2023, the Township Council adopted Resolution No. OCDP 23-0612-13 directing the Planning Board to conduct an investigation to determine whether or not lands then designated as the Madison Avenue Study Area, more particularly described as Block 166, Lots 20-22 on the official tax maps of the Township of Irvington (the "**Madison Avenue Parcels**"), qualifies as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment; and
- **WHEREAS,** on December 14, 2023, the Planning Board considered and recommended to the Township Council that the area under Investigation qualifies and therefore should be designated as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment; and
- **WHEREAS,** on January 25, 2024, the Planning Board adopted a Resolution recommending the adoption of the Amended Redevelopment Plan; and
- **WHEREAS,** the Township Council has reviewed the Amended Redevelopment Plan, is satisfied that it meets its purpose to facilitate the orderly ongoing planning and redevelopment of the East Ward/East Springfield Redevelopment Area and desires to adopt and implement same,
- **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Municipal Council of the Township of Irvington, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, as follows:
 - Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though set forth at length.
- Section 2. The Amended AND Restated Redevelopment Plan as filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk, and attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>, is hereby approved and adopted pursuant to the terms of the Redevelopment Law.
- Section 3. The "Amended Plan Area" shall heretofore have the same meaning as "East Ward/East Springfield Avenue Redevelopment Area" and shall include the Madison Avenue Parcels as well as the Grove Parcels, the Original Redevelopment Area and the Expanded Redevelopment Area.
- Section 4. The zoning district map in the zoning ordinance of the Township is hereby amended to include the Amended Plan Area per the boundaries described in the Amended Redevelopment Plan, and all of the provisions of the Amended Redevelopment Plan shall supersede the applicable development regulations of the Township's municipal code, as and where indicated.
- Section 5. In case any one or more of the provisions of this Ordinance or the Amended Redevelopment Plan shall, for any reason, be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance or the Amended and Restated Redevelopment Plan, and this Ordinance shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provision had not been contained herein.
- Section 6. A copy of this Ordinance and the Amended Redevelopment Plan shall be available for public inspection at the office of the Municipal Clerk during regular business hours.
 - Section 7. This Ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

EXHIBIT A

Amended Redevelopment Plan

The Public Hearing on this ordinance is now open

Vick – Cox Motion to close Public Hearing

Adopted Absent: Cox

Vick – Cox Motion to adopt this ordinance on second reading after Public Hearing

Adopted Absent: Cox

12. MISCELLANEOUS

A. Presentation - Resolution of Commendation – 2024 African-American Male of the Year – Honorable Mayor Tony Vauss

REMARKS:

Honorable Darlene Brown, Council Member-At-Large

Honorable Vern Cox, West Ward Council Member

Honorable Sean C. Evans, East Ward Council Member

Honorable Charnette Frederic, Council 2nd Vice President

Honorable Dr. October Hudley, Council 1st Vice President

Honorable Orlander G. Vick, North Ward Council Member

Honorable Jamillah Z. Beasley, Council President

REMARKS:

Honorable Tony Vauss, Mayor

B. Presentation - Resolution of Commendation - Administration of 2024 African-American Female of the Year - Patricia Wilson

REMARKS:

Honorable Tony Vauss, Mayor

Honorable Darlene Brown, Council Member-At-Large

Honorable Vern Cox, West Ward Council Member

Honorable Sean C. Evans, East Ward Council Member

Honorable Charnette Frederic, Council 2nd Vice President

Honorable Dr. October Hudley, Council 1st Vice President

Honorable Orlander G. Vick. North Ward Council Member

Honorable Jamillah Z. Beasley, Council President

REMARKS:

Patricia Wilson

C.	General Hearing of Citizens and Council Member	s limited to	three	minutes	per person	(MUST	SIGN U	P
ΙN	ADVANCE OF MEETING)							

Elouise McDaniel, 214 Nesbit Terrace Robert Shaw, 57 Coit Street Jason Dauphine, 60 41st Street Darlene Reeves, 41 Vine Avenue

Council President Beasley addressed the concerns raised by the above referenced citizens.

13. ADJOURNMENT (*Roll Call)

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:26 P.M.					
Jamillah Z. Beasley, Council President	Shawna M. Supel, Municipal Clerk				