



**City of Plainfield**  
**CITY COUNCIL AGENDA FIXING SESSION**  
**NOVEMBER 19, 2007**

City Hall Library – Mayor’s Complex – 515 Watchung Avenue (908) 753-3222

**MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**PRESIDENT**

**AND**

**COUNCILMAN FIRST WARD**

*Honorable Rayland Van Blake*

**COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE, SECOND AND THIRD WARDS**

*Honorable Rashid Burney*

**COUNCILWOMAN-AT-LARGE, FIRST AND FOURTH WARDS**

*Honorable Linda Carter*

**CHAIR, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**AND**

**COUNCILMAN THIRD WARD**

*Honorable Donald Davis*

**COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE**

*Honorable Harold Gibson*

**COUNCILMAN FOURTH WARD**

*Honorable Elliott Simmons*

**COUNCILMAN SECOND WARD**

*Honorable Cory Storch*

**MUNICIPAL CLERK,**

*Honorable Laddie Wyatt, RMC/CMC/MMCA*

*Clerk for the Council*

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**MAYOR**

*HONORABLE SHARON M. ROBINSON-BRIGGS*

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

*Marc D. Dashield*

**CORPORATION COUNSEL**

*Daniel A. Williamson, Esq.*



**FOR SPECIAL ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL (908) 753-3223**

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**NOTE: CELLULAR PHONES ARE TO BE TURNED OFF DURING THE COUNCIL MEETING  
UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED, ITEMS MAY BE TAKEN OUT OF THE ORDER  
PRESENTED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRPERSON.**

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 P.M., CITY HALL LIBRARY - MAYOR’S COMPLEX – 515 WATCHUNG AVENUE, PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY

ROLL CALL:

ANNOUNCEMENT: COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW

NOTICE: THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROPERLY NOTICED AND POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

CITY CLERK’S BULLETIN BOARD, CITY HALL, FIRST FLOOR  
PLAINFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY  
PLAINFIELD MUNICIPAL COURT  
PLAINFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER  
COMCAST CABLE TV

### **PRESIDENT TO ANNOUNCE:**

THIS IS AN AGENDA MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, SCHEDULED BY RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL ADOPTED ON JANUARY 8, 2007. ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS GIVEN PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET. SEQ., BY TRANSMITTING SAID NOTICE TO THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS OF THE CITY, THE COURIER-NEWS AND THE STAR LEDGER ON JANUARY 10, 2007 AND BY POSTING A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING RESERVED FOR SUCH PURPOSE.

### **I. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

NONE.

### **II. OTHER COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:**

STREET AND SIDEWALK ENCROACHMENT:

**reference:** Section 13:6-1 Encroachment forbidden without consent of Council

- MR. DAVID BIAGINI, SPECIAL PROJECTS COORDINATOR, PLAINFIELD SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, IS REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR STREET AND SIDEWALK ENCROACHMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING:
  - DISPLAY OF 110 WREATHS AND SNOWFLAKES ON PSE&G UTILITY POLES THROUGHOUT DOWNTOWN AND SOUTH AVENUE.
  - THIRD ANNUAL SID HOLIDAY HORSE AND WAGON RIDES THROUGH DOWNTOWN AND SOUTH AVENUE ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2007.

MR. BIAGINI IS ALSO REQUESTING THAT ADEQUATE POLICE PATROLS BE ASSIGNED DAILY THROUGHOUT THE SPECIAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON (NOVEMBER 23, 2007 THRU JANUARY 2, 2008).

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**III. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE:**

NONE

**IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

NONE.

**V. CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC HEARING, SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE: CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION ON SECOND READING:**

NONE

**VI. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

NONE

**VII. LEGISLATIVE DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

NONE

**VIII. RESOLUTIONS:  
NEW BUSINESS:**

**LEGISLATIVE BODY**

NONE

**ADMINISTRATION/EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

NONE

**CORPORATION COUNSEL**

NONE

**DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION & FINANCE**

- A.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A 40A:11-2(6) AND THE FAIR AND OPEN PROCESS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 TO POWELL CAPITAL MARKETS INC. AS FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD – \$11,050.00 –COMPTRROLLER.

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- B.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE ADOPTION OF GENERAL FUND EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE FY 2008 BUDGET IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A 40A:4-20 FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2007 – **\$5,328,767.19 – COMPTROLLER.**
- C.** RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS TO PURCHASE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE – **TAX ASSESSOR.**
- D.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL TO ISSUE A REFUND FOR OVERBILLED TAXES ON BLOCK 110 LOT 12 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 684 WEST 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET – **\$1,407.64 – TAX COLLECTOR.**
- E.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF THE ISSUANCE OF 16 DUPLICATE TAX SALE CERTIFICATES PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 99 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1997 HEREIN LISTED ON THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE – **TAX COLLECTOR.**
- F.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL TO ISSUE A REFUND FOR DUPLICATE TAXES PAID ON BLOCK 629 LOT 34 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 702-22 DORBETT PLACE – **\$1,766.24 – TAX COLLECTOR.**
- G.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL TO ISSUE A REFUND FOR DUPLICATE REDEMPTION PAID ON BLOCK 419 LOT 1 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 280-82 SENECA PLACE – **\$1,113.00 – TAX COLLECTOR.**
- H.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A REFUND FOR OVERPAID TAXES ON BLOCK 319 LOT 12 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 305-07 ORANGE PLACE – **\$1,231.52 – TAX COLLECTOR.**
- I.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE ISSUANCE OF REFUNDS FOR DUPLICATE TAXES ON THREE PROPERTIES HEREIN CITED ON THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE – **\$4,127.84 – TAX COLLECTOR.**
- J.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A REFUND DUE TO A COUNTY BOARD TAX EXEMPTION ON BLOCK 642 LOT 25 COMMONLY KNOWN AS 328-30 FRANKLIN PLACE – **\$6,173.56 – TAX COLLECTOR**
- K.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE ISSUANCE OF REFUNDS FOR OVERBILLED TAXES ON THREE PROPERTIES HEREIN CITED ON ATTACHED SCHEDULE – **\$4,582.21 – TAX COLLECTOR**
- L.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF REFUNDS FOR PAYMENT OF DUPLICATE TAXES ON TWENTY FIVE (25) PROPERTIES HEREIN CITED ON THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE – **\$36,428.57 – TAX COLLECTOR**
- M.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE ISSUANCE OF REFUNDS FOR DUPLICATE TAXES PAID ON THREE PROPERTIES HEREIN CITED ON ATTACHED SCHEDULE – **\$4,005.58 – TAX COLLECTOR**
- N.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A CONTRACT TO THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICE INC., FOR THE PROVISION OF HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT YEAR XXXIII (FY 2007/2008) COMPREHENSIVE HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CHAP) – **\$63,000.00 – PURCHASING DIVISION.**
- O.** APPROVE AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD A BID CONTRACT TO DEE-EN ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING, 3012 TREMLEY POINT ROAD, LINDEN, NJ FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A GENERATOR FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE – **\$75,500.00 – PURCHASING DIVISION.**

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- P. AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF AN AVAYA TELEPHONE SYSTEM FROM OFFICE SOLUTIONS, INC., 217 MOUNT HOREB ROAD, WARREN, NJ, STATE CONTRACT NO. A42285 – \$527,000.00 – PURCHASING DIVISION.

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS & SAFETY

- Q. AUTHORIZE APPROVAL FOR THE PURCHASE OF BODY ARMOR VESTS FOR ON STATE CONTRACT FROM ATLANTIC TACTICAL, 14 WORLDS FAIR DRIVE, SOMERSET, NJ – \$26,486.54 – DIRECTOR’S OFFICE.
- R. APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR INSERVCO INSURANCE SERVICES TO PAY THE BALANCE FOR REPAIR OF A 1999 KME MID-MOUNT LADDER FIRE TRUCK FROM THE CITY’S SELF-INSURANCE FUND, CLAIM NO. 1940001923 – \$64,182.43 – DIRECTOR’S OFFICE.

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS & URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- S. AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD AND THE COUNTY OF UNION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE 2007 LEAF COMPOSTING PROGRAM/PROJECT OPERATED BY NATURE’S CHOICE CORPORATION AT THE UNION COUNTY CONSERVATION CENTER. – DIRECTOR’S OFFICE.
- T. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL TO GRANT PERMISSION FOR FREE PARKING IN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT FROM MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2007 THROUGH WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2008 – DIRECTOR’S OFFICE.
- U. AUTHORIZE APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A BUDGET INCREASE AMENDMENT APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY URBAN ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM, ZONE ASSISTANCE FUND FOR A FISCAL YEAR 2008 ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET – \$25,296.00 – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.
- V. APPROVE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PLAINFIELD CITY COUNCIL TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE ADOPTION OF BIDDER PRE-QUALIFICATION REGULATIONS RELATED TO THE EXTERIOR REHABILITATION AND REPAIR OF PLAINFIELD CITY HALL. – PLANNING DIVISION.
- W. APPROVAL AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO BROWNFIELDS REDEVELOPMENT SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BROWNFIELDS PETROLEUM ASSESSMENT GRANT – \$9,000.00. – PLANNING DIVISION.
- X. APPROVAL AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A NON-FAIR AND OPEN CONTRACT TO BROWNFIELDS REDEVELOPMENT SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY BROWNFIELDS HAZARDOUS ASSESSMENT GRANT. – \$9,000.00. – PLANNING DIVISION.
- Y. AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF THE SUBMISSION OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM YEAR XXXIV (2008-2009) FUNDING PRIORITIES – COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

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### PUBLIC OFFICER

- Z.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 915 LOT 57, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1206-10 LANSDOWNE TERRACE - \$408.31 - INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- Z1.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 758 LOT 12, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 942-44 KENYON AVENUE - \$408.32 - INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- Z2.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 642 LOT 4, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 926-28 PUTNAM AVENUE - \$440.82 - INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- Z3.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 556 LOT 17, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 724-26 WALLACE PLACE - \$694.62 - INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- Z4.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 307 LOT 34, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 347-49 EAST THIRD STREET - \$853.96 - INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- Z5.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 614 LOT 22, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 619 EAST SIXTH STREET - \$288.88 - INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- Z6.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 910 LOT 4, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1126-28 EAST SEVENTH STREET - \$527.75 - INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- Z7.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 714 LOT 4, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 205-07 WEST SEVENTH STREET - \$596.15 - INSPECTIONS DIVISION.
- Z8.** AUTHORIZE APPROVAL OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE LIEN PLACEMENT FOR PROPERTY CLEAN UP OF BLOCK 609 LOT 1, COMMONLY KNOWN AS 400-02 EAST FIFTH STREET - \$3,458.51 - INSPECTIONS DIVISION.

### IX. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING:

**MC 2007 - 17** ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF SALARIES AND WAGES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14, CHAPTER 11 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY 1971 (PBA SUPERIOR OFFICERS) (SALARY AMENDMENT NO. 07-08-09) - PERSONNEL DIVISION.

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**MC 2007 - 18** ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF SALARIES AND WAGES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14, CHAPTER 11 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY 1971 (PBA RANK AND FILE) (SALARY AMENDMENT NO. 07-08-09) – PERSONNEL DIVISION.

**MC 2007 - 19** ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF SALARIES AND WAGES ADOPTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 14, CHAPTER 11 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY 1971 (ESTABLISHING THE TITLES OF COMPUTER SERVICE TECHNICIAN AND SENIOR COMPUTER SERVICE TECHNICIAN) – PERSONNEL DIVISION.

**MC 2007 - 20** ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE 10, BUS STOPS, SCHEDULE XII, BY ELIMINATING A CERTAIN BUS STOP AT REEVE TERRACE, OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF PLAINFIELD, 1971 – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

### **CITIZENS PARTICIPATION:**

CITIZENS ARE WELCOME TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL ON ANY GOVERNMENTAL ITEM OF CONCERN TO THEM, WHETHER OR NOT IT IS SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA ABOVE.

DURING THIS PORTION OF THE AGENDA, A TOTAL OF THIRTY (30) MINUTES HAS BEEN ALLOCATED FOR **ALL** PUBLIC COMMENTS TO BE PRESENTED. IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD, COME TO THE PODIUM AND GIVE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS TO THE CLERK FOR THE RECORD. THE AMOUNT OF DISCUSSION ON ANY SINGLE SUBJECT, AS WELL AS THE AMOUNT OF TIME ANY SINGLE SPEAKER IS ALLOWED, WILL BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) MINUTES. LARGE GROUPS ARE URGED TO SELECT SOMEONE TO REPRESENT THEM.

### **X. ADJOURNMENT:**

**TOTAL # OF RESOLUTIONS – 34**

**TOTAL # OF ORDINANCES – 4**



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**ATTENDANCE RECORD FOR MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY**  
**AGENDA FIXING SESSION**

2007 COUNCIL (11/19/2007) MEMBERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	ARRIVAL TIME
BURNEY, RASHID			
CARTER, LINDA			
DAVIS, DONALD CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE-OF-THE-WHOLE			
GIBSON, HAROLD			
SIMMONS, ELLIOTT			
STORCH, CORY			
VAN BLAKE, RAYLAND COUNCIL PRESIDENT			
WYATT, LADDIE CLERK TO THE COUNCIL			

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLAINFIELD MUNICIPAL COUNCIL WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 21, 2007, AT 8 O'CLOCK P.M. IN THE MUNICIPAL COURT-COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 325 WATCHUNG AVENUE.**



# THE PLAINFIELD CITY COUNCIL

**SHARON M. ROBINSON-BRIGGS**  
Mayor

**MARC D. DASHIELD**  
City Administrator

**DANIEL A. WILLIAMSON**  
Corporation Counsel



**RAYLAND VAN BLAKE**  
City Council President

*The City Council welcomes your attendance and citizen participation at this meeting. In fairness to others, we respectfully ask your observance of the following:*

1. *Please state your name and home address for the record.*
2. *Groups or organizations wishing to make a presentation are asked to designate one spokesperson in the interest of time and to avoid repetition.*
3. *When more than one citizen is heard on any matter, please avoid repetition in your comments. Careful attention to the previous speaker's remarks will be helpful in this regard.*
4. *Your City Council carefully considers all the facts before a decision is made. Brief statements, therefore, are most helpful in reaching a decision based on sound judgment.*

## CITY OF PLAINFIELD VISION STATEMENT

*A vibrant, affordable, and diverse city of opportunity  
in which all citizens enjoy their neighborhoods, feel safe, and know they will be heard.*