November 9, 2023

The Remote and in Person Regular Meeting of Common Council of Egg Harbor City was held on Thursday, November 9, 2023 at 7:00pm. Council President Ricci opened the meeting and the following members of Council were present: Kasey Attianese, Ingrid Nieves Clark, Steve Dash, Nanette Galloway, Donna Heist, Kim Hesse, and Karl Timbers.(Mayor Jiampetti and Councilman Mason Wright were not present)

Council President Ricci stated the meeting has been properly advertised and posted in accordance with Public Law 75, Chapter 231.

Council President Ricci stated the meeting is being conducted via Zoom, conference call and in person. The meeting is also being recorded to air on the Egg Harbor City website, Channel 97 and Facebook.

Upon motion of Hesse, seconded by Attianese and carried, the October 12, 2023 Council meeting minutes were approved.

Council President Ricci asked if anyone from the public had any comment on anything on the agenda, excluding the public hearings, and there was no comment.

Presentation: Mark O'Connor a representative from the Ben to the Shore Bike Tour came before Council. Mr. O'Connor explained the mission of the Ben to the Shore Bike Tour, and presented a check to Key Rec in the amount of \$7,500.00.

Mayors Report: In the Mayor's absence, City Clerk Meg Steeb read the Mayor's report, a copy of the report is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes.

Committee Chair Reports: Council Pres. Ricci gave an update on the Teamster Contract negotiations. Councilwoman Heist stated a new employee was hired in the Department of Public Works, and his start date is November 20, 2023. Councilman Dash gave an update on the Building/Code Enforcement Department. Councilwoman Attianese read the final EHC Lake report for 2023. Councilwoman Hesse gave an update on the Rotary. Councilwoman Galloway gave an update on EHC Sustainable, the Green Team and the USDA Community Forestry Grant.

Chief of Police Report: Chief Aylwin gave an update on the EHCPD.

CFO Report: N/A CFO Jodi Kahn was on vacation.

City Clerk Report: City Clerk Meg Steeb stated she received a request from the Kickapoo Improved Order of Redman, 37 London Avenue to hand out free hot chocolate and tea at the EHC Log Cabin during the EHC Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 16th. Dash made a motion to approve the request of the Kickapoo Improve Order of Redman, seconded by Attianese and carried the request was approved.

City Attorney Report: City Attorney Angela Costigan gave an update on the Tower Site Project. Costigan explained the ordinances on the agenda for introduction and public hearing.

Engineer Report: The City Engineer Ryan McGowan gave an update on the Weisbecker building demolition and stated the bids where open today an all where over budget. McGowan advised Council to reject all bids and rebid the project. McGowan gave an update on the Tower Site Project.

Motion to Approve: Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Heist and carried, the Mayor's Wellness Walk was approved.

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Attianese and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #178-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #178-2023

AUTHORIZE TRIAD ASSOC. TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE FOR THE NJDCA SMALL CITIES PUBLIC FACILITIES APPLICATION SFY2024

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Attianese and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #179-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yess,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #179-2023

IDENTIFY CDBG FAIR HOUSING OFFICER FY2024 PUBLIC FACILITIES PROGRAMS – MEG STEEB

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Hesse and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #180-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #180-2023

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH NJDCA FOR AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) COMPLIANT INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT CITY HALL

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Hesse and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #181-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #181-2023

TO COMMIT CONTRACTING PROCUREMENT PROCESS PURSUANT TO NJSA 40A:11-4.1 THROUGH 40A:11-4.5 FOR CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, CONTINGENT UPON AN FY2024 SMALL CITIES GRANT AWARD FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) COMPLIANT INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS AT CITY HALL

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Attianese and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #182-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #182-2023 GRANT MANAGEMENT PLAN

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Clark and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #183-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #183-2023

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN FY2024

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #184-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Galloway-yes,Dash-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #184-2023 AUTHORIZE R & V TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION PLAN ARCHWAY GREENE PARK PROJECT

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Attianese and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #185-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #185-2023

CHANGE ORDER #2 ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS INC. PROJECT NJDOT FY2021 RECONSTRUCTION OF CHICAGO AVENUE 100-200 BLOCKS OF CHICAGO AVENUE

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Hesse and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #186-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #186-2022 BUDGET TRANSFERS

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Timbers and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #187-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timber-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #187-2023

APPROVE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION/FENCE AT POLICE PARKING LOT

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #188-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #188-2023

REJECT ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR THE DEMOLITION OF WEISBECKER CLEANERS-135 PHILADELPHIA AVENUE

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #189-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #189-2023

PARTICIPATION IN A SHARED SEERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CITIES OF ATLANTIC CITY, MARGATE AND PLEASANTVILLE FOR ACCEPTANCE OF PARTIAL GRANT FUNDING FOR POTHOLE REPAIR EQUIPMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Hesse and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #190-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #190-2023

FY2025 MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Dash and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #191-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes were approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #191-2023

APPROVING EHC TOWING CONTRACTOR FOR 2024 HYWAY TOWING & RECOVERY LLC

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Dash and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #192-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #192-2023

HIRE EMPLOYEE-CASEY NIESSEN

Upon motion of Hesse, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #193-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

AUTHORIZING REFUND OF EHC CONCESSION STAND SECURITY AND ELECTRICITY DEPOSIT

Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Hesse and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #194-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #194-2023

AUTHORIZE REFUND OF COMMERCIAL CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY FEE TO JOHN MEZZATESTA

Upon motion of Hesse, seconded by Heist and carried by a roll call vote, Resolution #195-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

RESOLUTION #195-2023

SUPPORT FOR SUITABILITY OF A STATE LICENSED CANNABIS BUSINESS BY BLIZZY BAKD LLC

Introduce Ordinance

ORDINANCE #17-2023

AMENDING THE GENERAL CODE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR AND ENACTING CHAPTER 269 TO PROHIBIT ILLICIT CONNECTIONS TO THE MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM WATER SYSTEMS OPERATED BY THE CITY Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Attianese and carried, Ordinance #17-2023, attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was introduced and passed first reading. Upon motion of Attianese, seconded by Heist and carried, the Notice of Introduction of Ordinance #17-2023 will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on November 15, 2023 for a Public Hearing on December 14, 2023.

Public Hearing:

ORDINANCE #16-2023

AMENDING THE GENERAL CODE OF THE CITY OF EGG HARBOR AND ENACTING CHAPTER 268 TITLED STORAGE OF SALT AND OTHER DE-ICING MATERIAL ON PRIVATELY OWNED PROPERTY

Dash made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Ordinance #16-2023, the motion was seconded by Heist and carried. Council Pres. Ricci asked if anyone from the public had comment, amd there was no comment from the public. Heist made a motion to close the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Attianese and carried. Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Dash and carried by a roll call vote, Ordinance #16-2023, attached hereto and made a part of this meeting was adopted, and the Notice of Adoption will be advertised in the Hammonton Gazette on November 15, 2023.(Attianese-yes,Clark-yes,Dash-yes,Galloway-yes,Heist-yes,Hesse-yes,Timbers-yes,Ricci-yes)

Upon motion of Dash, seconded by Clark and carried by a roll call vote, the Bill List attached hereto and made a part of these minutes was approved.(Atianese-yes, Clark-yes, Dash-yes, Galloway-yes, Heist-yes, Hesse-yes, Timbers-yes, Ricci-yes)

Mayor and Council Comments: Mayor and Council gave their condolences to Councilman Timbers over the recent loss of his mother, recognized Veterans Day and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Hesse mentioned the Great American Smoke Out, and encouraged smokers to stop smoking for 24 hours. Hesse mentioned the Mayors Walk on November 18th. Attianese and Clark gave an update on the EHC Crusaders. Timbers thanked everyone for the condolences.

Public Comment: Tracey Mulherin, 314 Arago Street came before Mayor and Council. Ms. Mulherin asked for an update on the Bike Path. The Mayor and City Engineer McGowan gave an update on the Bike Path.

Upon motion of Heist, seconded by Attianese and carried, the meeting was adjourned. Respectfully Submitted, Meg Steeb/City Clerk, RMC