

Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council October 24, 2022
Town Hall Council Chambers, 100 Central Avenue
Executive Session 6:00 P.M.
Public Session 7:00 P.M.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Councilperson:

Furgione -
Gribbin -
Oliva -
Olivo -
Rodio -
Wuillermin -
Mayor DiDonato -

PRESENT ALSO

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor
Bob Vettese, Public Works Manager

EXECUTIVE SESSION Resolution #138-2022

RESUME REGULAR MEETING-ROLL CALL

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Mark Hermann of ARH, Town Engineer

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this meeting has been posted and given to official newspapers. Please familiarize yourselves with the fire exits to the right and rear of the Council Chambers. Please do not proceed beyond the front benches without invitation from the Mayor to do so. Also, each person who wishes to address Council will be allotted 5 minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARD FOR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Executive Minutes September 26, 2022
Council Minutes September 26, 2022

PRESENTATION

Police Chief Kevin Friel – Retirement and hiring of Class II officers

DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Resolution #148-2022 – Capital Budget Amendment

CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the local capital budget for the year 2022 was adopted on the 20th day of June, 2022; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire to amend said adopted capital budget;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, that the following modification to the adopted capital budget of the Town of Hammonton be made :

General Capital Fund

<u>1) Purpose</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Debt Authorized</u>	<u>Grants</u>	<u>CIF Down payment</u>
Recreation Improvements Including Tennis Courts/Pickle Ball Court/ Lake Park Improvements and Various Recreation Upgrades	\$ 600,000	\$ 570,000		\$ 30,000
11 th Street Sidewalk Improvement Project	305,000	38,000	\$ 265,000 (a)	2,000
Veterans Place Bicycle Path Connector Phase II	785,000	38,000	745,000 (b)	2,000
Old Forks Road Roadway Improvements Project	<u>340,000</u>	<u>38,000</u>	<u>300,000 (c)</u>	<u>2,000</u>
	<u>\$ 2,030,000</u>	<u>\$ 684,000</u>	<u>\$1,310,000</u>	<u>\$ 36,000</u>

(a) NJDOT \$265,000

(b) NJDOT \$745,000

(c) NJDOT \$300,000

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration - Councilman Gribbin

Business & Industry – Councilman Olivo

Quality of Life – Councilman Oliva

Education - Councilman Oliva

Public Works & Transportation

Law & Order - Mayor DiDonato

Water & Sewer - Councilman Furgione

ENGINEER REPORT

1. Hammonton Middle School Tennis Courts (ARH #11-75005): In Progress
Bids for this project were received on September 21, 2022. The apparent low bidder was American Athletic Courts, with a bid of \$502,790.00. Our office has submitted a recommendation of award for consideration by Council.

Action Item:

Award a contract in the amount of \$502,790.00 to American Athletic Courts, Inc. for the Hammonton Middle School Tennis Courts Renovation Project.

PUBLIC WORKS INFORMATION ITEMS:

Roadway & Transportation Projects:

2. Valley Avenue – Broadway to Central (ARH #11-30159): In Progress
The Contractor has completed the installation of the utilities, curb, and sidewalk. The Contractor completed the base course pavement on October 18th. Site cleanup is being performed. We anticipate performing the surface course pavement in approximately one month, pending an evaluation of the roadway compaction. The Contractor has submitted Application for Payment #4, in the amount of \$253,530.15. We have reviewed and submitted to the Business Administrator for payment.
3. School House Lane – 3rd Street to Rt. 54 (ARH #11-40060): In Progress
The Contractor has completed the reconstruction of the storm sewer and sanitary sewer mains and is working in the installation of the water main. The road will be closed during construction due to the amount of disturbance within the roadway. Our office has worked with the Hammonton School Board, St. Joseph Academy, and the PWTC to investigate and address the utility connections at the Academy building. The Contractor has submitted Application for Payment #3, in the amount of \$285,718.76. We have reviewed and submitted to the Business Administrator for payment.
4. NJDOT FY2022 Municipal Aid: Old Forks Road (ARH #11-40061): In Progress
Our office has begun the preparation of the construction plans for the Old Forks Road project. We have met with Public Works Director Vettese and have scheduled a meeting with Councilman Furgione and Municipal Utilities Superintendent DeCicco to review the extension of water and sewer within the project limits.
5. Hammonton Bike Path Connector – Phase II (ARH #11-40052.07): In Progress
Our office has begun the preparation of the construction plans for the Bike Path project. We have prepared and submitted legal descriptions for an access easement across the frontage of the Cathedral Event Center. We have also met with Mr. Vettese to discuss the design progression and the location of the proposed improvements. Once the plans have been advanced, we will meet with Mr. Vettese again prior to the submission to the Pinelands for public development approval.
6. 11th Street Sidewalk Improvements (ARH #11-40062): In Progress
Our office has completed the preliminary design of the 11th Street Sidewalk project. This project will need to be submitted to the NJDOT for approval and authorization to bid. We will review with Mr. Vettese prior to the completion of the plans and specifications.

Environmental Projects:

7. K&K Linens Property / 224 Vine Street (ARH #11-01094.01): In Progress
Our office is currently redesigning the proposed parking lot, to provide additional parking spaces. We are working in collaboration with the Mr. Vettese to prepare the construction plans for the new lot.
8. Octagon Oil/Vine Street Parking Lot (ARH #11-01060): In Progress
The lab results have been received and reviewed by our office. The Remedial Action Permit (RAP) has been submitted to NJDEP. No additional action is necessary at this time.

9. Mazza Muffler Site / 104 S. Egg Harbor Road (ARH #11-01102): In Progress
Project plans and specifications for the demolition of the building have been completed. Confirmation of the grant funding has been received, and we will proceed with the public bidding of the project.

10. Skinner Property / 317 N. Egg Harbor Road (ARH #11-01074.01): In Progress
The Town has been notified that they have received a grant from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund for the remedial investigation of the Skinner property. Our office is preparing a scope of work for this project and will review with the Town in the near future.

11. Celona Site Remediation - 130 Railroad Avenue (ARH #11-01054): Complete
ARH completed the receptor evaluation at the site and completed the remedial investigation report.

SEWER/WATER INFORMATION ITEMS:

12. 2021/2022 Water Capital Projects (ARH #11-30167): In Progress
The Director of Public Works has been in contact with the property owners along Rt. 54, to obtain utility easements to allow the proposed water main to be relocated outside of the road. Our office has completed the field work and base maps and have prepared the legal descriptions and exhibits. Our office has begun revising the plans and specifications for the relocation of the water main. We have met with Mr. Vettese and have scheduled a meeting with Councilman Furgione and Mr. DeCicco to finalize the design.

The South First Road and White Horse Pike/Seagrove Avenue portions of this project remain on hold.

13. Water Quality Accountability Act Compliance (ARH #11-30166): In Progress
The NJDEP WQAA Capital Improvement Plan has been completed and submitted. The draft Asset Management Plan has been submitted to the Municipal Utilities Superintendent for review. We are currently working on the water audit.

14. Boyer Avenue Pump Station (ARH #11-50144): In progress
Our office has met with Mr. Vettese. Additional input has been received by the adjoining residents. We have the final changes to the plans and specifications and have scheduled a meeting with Councilman Furgione and Mr. DeCicco to review the construction cost estimate and scope of work. We will then coordinate with the Town to publicly bid this project.

GENERAL SITE AND RECREATION INFORMATION ITEMS:

15. Lake Park ADA Playground/Small Cities (ARH #11-01100): In Progress
Clearing, grading, paving, and construction of the retaining wall have been performed. The playground equipment has been built, and Contractor installed the poured in place rubber surface on October 20th.

The Town received additional funding for Phase II of the project. We have met with the Town and Architect representatives and are scheduling the survey work.

SOLICITOR REPORT

MAYOR REPORT

PWM REPORT

TOWN CLERK REPORT

1. Appoint Adam Barker Esq. of Barker Gelfand James and Sarvas as conflict prosecutor for 2022.
2. Change Civil Service title of Frank Sacco due to an administrative error from Code Enforcement Officer to Code Enforcement Trainee.
3. Approval of Best Practices Inventory for State Aide Funding.

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of Bond Ordinance 021-2022 – Recreation - 11th Street - Bike Path and Old Forks Road

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS 2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$2,030,000 THEREFOR (INCLUDING STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANTS TOTALING \$1,310,000) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$684,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements or purposes to be undertaken by the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey (the "Town"). For the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the aggregate sum of \$2,030,000, which sum includes grants in the amounts of \$265,000, \$745,000 and \$300,000, respectively, expected to be received from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation (the "265,000 DOT Grant", the "745,000 DOT Grant" and the \$300,000 DOT Grant" and sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "DOT Grants"), and \$36,000 as the aggregate amount of down payments for said improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. (the "Local Bond Law"). The down payments are now available by virtue of a provision or provisions in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Town for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and to meet the part of said \$2,030,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of the DOT Grants and said down payments, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$684,000 pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Town in a principal amount not exceeding \$684,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, include, but are not limited to, as follows:

Description	Appropriation	Authorization	down Payment	Useful Life
(i) Various recreation improvements, including, but not limited to, tennis courts and pickle ball court, Lake Park improvements and also various recreation upgrades;	\$600,000	\$570,000	\$30,000	15 years
(ii) 11th Street sidewalk improvement project in the Town; and (including the \$265,000 DOT Grant)	\$305,000	\$38,000	\$2,000	10 years

(iii) Phase II bicycle path connector along Veterans Place in the Town; (including the \$745,000 DOT Grant) and	\$785,000	\$38,000	\$2,000	15 years
(iv) Old Folks Road roadway (Including the \$300,000 DOT Grant) Improvement project in the Town. Such roadway improvements shall include but are not limited to, as applicable, milling, construction, reconstruction, repairing, restriping and resurfacing of said roadways, streetscape improvements, drainage improvements to said roadways,	340,000	\$38,000	\$2,000	10 years
TOTALS	\$2,030,000	\$684,000	\$36,000	

(b) The above improvements and purposes set forth in Section 3(a) shall also include, as applicable, surveying, construction planning, engineering and design work, preparation of plans and specifications, permits, bid documents, construction inspection and contract administration, environmental testing and remediation and also all work, materials, equipment, labor and appurtenances as necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

(c) The aggregate estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said improvements or purposes is \$684,000.

(d) The aggregate estimated cost of said improvements or purposes is \$2,030,000, the excess amount thereof over the said DOT Grants and the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, is the aggregate down payments for said purposes in the amount of \$36,000.

SECTION 4. Except for the DOT Grants, in the event the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and/or the County of Atlantic make a contribution or grant in aid to the Town for the improvements and purposes authorized hereby and the same shall be received by the Town prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then the amount of such bonds or notes to be issued shall be reduced by the amount so received from the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and/or the County of Atlantic. Except for the DOT Grants, in the event, however, that any amount so contributed or granted by the United States of America, the State of New Jersey and/or the County of Atlantic shall be received by the Town after the issuance of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 hereof, then such funds shall be applied to the payment of the bonds or notes so issued and shall be used for no other purpose. This Section 4 shall not apply, however, with respect to any contribution or grant in aid received by the Town as a result of using funds from this bond ordinance as "matching local funds" to receive such contribution or grant in aid.

SECTION 5. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the Chief Financial Officer of the Town (the "Chief Financial Officer"), provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date. The 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 the notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the signature of the Chief Financial Officer upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8.1. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchaser thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price and accrued interest thereon 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 notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the principal amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes so sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

SECTION 6. The Town hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable, for the Town. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Town 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 of the Town, a revised capital or temporary capital budget for the Town has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

SECTION 7. 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 and are improvements or purposes which the Town may lawfully undertake as general improvements or purposes, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of said improvements or purposes within the limitations of said Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of said bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 14.44 years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Town and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, and such statement shows that the gross debt of the Town as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds or notes provided for in this bond ordinance by \$684,000 and the said obligations authorized by this bond ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$406,000 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 improvements or purposes herein before described.

SECTION 8. The full faith and credit of the Town 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 Town, and the Town shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Town for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 9. The Town reasonably expects to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and paid prior to the issuance of any bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance with the proceeds of such bonds or notes. No funds from sources other than the bonds or notes authorized herein have been or are reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis or otherwise set aside by the Town, or any member of the same "Controlled Group" as the Town, within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-1(e), pursuant to its budget or financial policies with respect to any expenditures to be reimbursed. This Section 9 is intended to be and hereby is a declaration of the Town's official intent to reimburse any expenditures toward the costs of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof to be incurred and paid prior to the issuance of bonds or notes authorized herein in accordance with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

SECTION 10. The Town covenants to maintain the exclusion from gross income under section 103(a) of the Code of the interest on all bonds and notes issued under this ordinance.

SECTION 11. The Chief Financial Officer of the Town 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 Town and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Town. The Chief Financial Officer is further authorized to enter into an appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Town 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 Town 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 Town fails to comply with its undertaking, the Town shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

SECTION 12. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication hereof after final adoption and approval by the Mayor, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #139-2022 – Hire Police Officer under Senate Bill #3672

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON TO HIRE POLICE OFFICERS FOR EMPLOYMENT UNDER SENATE BILL NO. 3672.

WHEREAS, The Town of Hammonton, Atlantic County, State of New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as the Town) is a jurisdiction governed by Title 11A and the regulations and rules established under Title 4A of the Administrative Code, and

WHEREAS, the Hammonton Police Department may hire individuals as police officers who may or may not have taken an open competitive examination for the title of police officers under the provisions of Senate Bill 3672; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 3672 allows for individuals hired under the legislation to be hired as a provisional entry-level police officers, to an entry level law enforcement officers upon completion of the Full Basic Course for Police Officer Training within 9 months of a provisional entry-level appointment by the Town of Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton has duly established in writing, policies governing nepotism and governing conflicts of interest; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton has also adopted a similar “Opt In” Provision in 2021 under Hammonton Ordinance #009-2021; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton believes that “Opting In” to this program is in the interest of efficiency, expediency, diversity and promotes safety within the Town of Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, the “Opt In” provision shall remain valid until changed by a rescinding resolution of the governing body or revised state statute.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this 24th day of October 2022, by the governing body of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey authorizes the resolution a copy of which shall be transmitted to the New Jersey Civil Service Commission.

Resolution #140-2022- Tax Water Sewer Refunds

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON AUTHORIZING TAX/WATER/ SEWER REFUNDS

Whereas, the following accounts need to have amounts credited, transferred, cancelled, refunded or changed

<u>Block / Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
3001/1.01/c0061	Boone, Mia	61 Harbor Dr	\$1,062.14	refund/overpayment
4601/17	Bartholomew, Kerry	177 Route 206	\$1,233.05	Cancel/Tax Exempt
Various	Corelogic		\$22,210.63	refund/overpayments

Whereas, the above amounts have been corrected in the Edmunds Billing system for the Utilities and or tax module showing the correct amounts.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that the above refunds are authorized, as approved by the Tax Collector of the Town of Hammonton:

Resolution #141-2022- Authorize Method of Payment for Delinquent Taxes

Resolution Authorizing Method of Payment for Delinquent Taxes

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton conducts an accelerated tax sale each year; and

WHEREAS, any taxpayer who is delinquent as of November 28th of the current year shall be included in the accelerated sale; and

WHEREAS, to ensure full payment prior to the date of the accelerated tax sale, the Town must know that taxes have been paid in full;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey that all delinquent tax payments tendered on or after November 11, 2022, must be paid either by cashier's check, money order or cash.

Resolution #142-2022- Approving Tree lighting Ceremony

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ENDORSING
MAINSTREET HAMMONTON TOWN TREE LIGHTING EVENT**

WHEREAS, Saturday, December 3rd (rain date, Dec 4th) is the scheduled date for the MainStreet Hammonton Town Tree Lighting Event from 5 pm- 9pm. at the intersection of Bellevue and Central and we request the road closure of Central Avenue between Bellevue and Vine from 9am-10 pm; and

WHEREAS, Saturday, December 3rd, has been scheduled as the date for the MainStreet Hammonton carriage rides from 6:00 to 9:00 pm with the request of permitting the carriage route to begin at 310 Bellevue Ave and to then turn right onto School House Lane and permit us on this presently one way route and agree to the route listed below:

Carriage Route

Rides will begin in front of 310 Bellevue Avenue.
Proceed down Bellevue and turn right onto School House Lane

Proceed down School House Lane and turn right onto Vine Street
Proceed down Vine Street and turn right onto 3rd Street.
Proceed down 3rd Street and turn right onto Bellevue Avenue and return to 310 Bellevue.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that the MainStreet Hammonton Town Tree Lighting Event and Carriage Ride Event is acknowledged and endorsed with road closures, no parking, and police assistance contingent upon contacting Police Chief and Public Works Manager 2 months prior to event;

Resolution #143-2022 – Approve New Years Eve Event

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ENDORSING
MAINSTREET HAMMONTON NEW YEARS EVE BASH**

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton Organization has and continues to promote the Town of Hammonton with scheduled events in the downtown business district; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council has and continues to support the efforts of MainStreet Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, Saturday, December 31, 2022 is the scheduled date for the MainStreet Hammonton New Years Eve Bash from 10:00 p.m to 12:30 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, Mainstreet Hammonton is requesting use of the Town Hall parking lot, and Building and the closure of Central Avenue from Bellevue to Vine Street from 5:00 p.m to 1:30 a.m on December 31st, 2022.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that the Mainstreet Hammonton New Years Bash is acknowledged and endorsed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Hammonton will provide police assistance for this event.

Resolution #144-2022 – Approve Date Change for Green Day Event

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ENDORSING
HAMMONTON GREEN DAY FESTIVAL**

WHEREAS, Hammonton's Green Committee and MainStreet Hammonton have promoted and continue to promote the Town of Hammonton with scheduled events in the Town of Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, these organizations have forged positive relationships with other key organizations and institutions in Hammonton, particularly the Hammonton Education Foundation, St. Joseph's Academy, the Hammonton Lions Club, and the Hammonton High School Green Earth Club, and

WHEREAS these positive working relationships have helped to establish the annual Green Festival as an eagerly-anticipated staple among Hammonton's annual celebrations, and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council have and continue to support the efforts of these organizations to promote the Town of Hammonton and particularly their efforts at ensuring the environmental, economic, and cultural sustainability of the Town,

WHEREAS, the following Streets will be closed from 8 am to 6 pm:
2nd Street and Vine

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY that the Town of Hammonton authorizes

and endorses the Hammonton Green Day Festival to held at on Second Street between Bellevue and Vine Street on Saturday November 5, 2022 from 12 -4 pm with a rain date of Sunday November 6, 2022:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town of Hammonton will provide municipal services required for this event including police assistance if required.

Resolution #145-2022 – Various Refunds

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON
AUTHORIZING VARIOUS REFUNDS**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that the following refunds/close out of accounts are authorized as approved by the respective Department Heads of the Town of Hammonton:

Sunrun Services	\$ 240.00	Refund Permit
Rune Morales	\$ 54.00	Refund Permit

Resolution #146-2022 – Appoint Design Architect Per NPP Grant

**RESOLUTION REGARDING APPOINTMENT OF
Professional Services for Design Guidelines for Neighbor Preservation Grant**

Whereas, the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton wish to appoint Westfield Architects to undertake case studies and background research for Downtown Design Guidelines per the Neighborhood Preservation Grant Program (NPP).

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, authorize execution of this agreement with Westfield Architects for the Downtown Design Guidelines.

Be it further resolved, that copies of the agreement referenced herein shall be kept on file and made available for public inspection at the Municipal Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Resolution #147-2022 – Approval to purchase Vehicles for Fire Company

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT FOR THE AWARD
TO PURCHASE A 2023 CHEVY TAHOE AND A 2023 CHEVY SILVERADO**

WHEREAS, there exists a need to purchase Vehicles, for the Hammonton Volunteer Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department recommend, after comparing the price and particular suitability, that a contract be awarded to Mall Chevy to purchase the vehicles under state contract # T-2007 and T-0099, in the amount not to exceed \$100,000.; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the Operating Budget; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1-et seq. requires that the resolution authorizing the awarding of the contract without competitive bidding and the contract itself must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY that the Mayor and Town Clerk of the Town of Hammonton are hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with Mall Chevy, for the purchase of a 2023 Chevy Tahoe and a 2023 Chevy Silverado; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract is awarded without competitive bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 of the Local Public Contracts Law as State Approved Contract #'s T-2007 and T-0099; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract is subject to the mutual acceptance of the appropriate contact documentation between Mall Chevy and the Town of Hammonton.

Resolution #149-2022- Budget Transfers

TRANSFER OF BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey, that there be and hereby is authorized the following transfer from the 2022 Budget appropriations **with an effective date of November 1, 2022**:

CURRENT FUND

From: Court - Salary & Wage Expense	\$ 18,200.00
From: Group Insurance Operating Expense	\$ 10,000.00
From: Bldgs / Grds Operating Expense	\$ 20,000.00
From: Police Salary & Wages	\$ 30,000.00
To: Disability Operating Expense	\$ 5,000.00
To: Admin Salary & Wage Expense	\$ 6,600.00
To: Finance Salary & Wage Expense	\$ 600.00
To: Social Security Operating Expense	\$ 6,000.00
To: Airport Operating Expense	\$ 18,000.00
To: Radio Salary & Wages Expense	\$ 32,000.00
To: Highway Operating Expense	\$ 10,000.00

Resolution #150-2022 – Support Grant Submission NJDOT

SUPPORT SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FOR NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (NJ DOT) TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is applying for funding for pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements to the Bellevue Avenue – Northwest Connector System; and,

WHEREAS, the project will help to continue and improve the promotion and encouragement of pedestrian and bicycle access and safety for the residents of and visitors to the Town of Hammonton; and,

WHEREAS, maintenance of the sidewalks, once rehabilitated, will be assumed by the Town of Hammonton with the exception of (1) local ordinances that place maintenance responsibility with each individual property owner, and (2) those crosswalks on State or County Highways;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Town of Hammonton that it hereby supports the submission of a grant application for the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program within the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation and authorizes the Mayor, Business Administrator / Municipal Clerk, to execute any and all documents necessary and related to the submission of said grant application or grant agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the persons whose names, titles, and signatures appear below are authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith:

Resolution #151-2022- Small Cities Grant Approval

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN
FY2023 Small Cities Programs
Public Facilities Fund: Infrastructure Improvement Project**

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is applying for a Small Cities grant under the Public Facilities Fund and if awarded intends to enter into Grant Agreements with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, these Grant Agreements will require the Town of Hammonton to comply with all federal regulations with respect to citizen participation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that:

The Citizen Participation Plan developed by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Small Cities CDBG Program, is adopted by the Town of Hammonton; and

The Town of Hammonton will follow all regulations set forth in that document throughout the term of the Grant Agreement cited above, if awarded.

Resolution #152-2022- Approval Small Cities Grant Management Plan

**GRANT MANAGEMENT PLAN
FY2023 Small Cities Programs
Public Facilities Fund: Infrastructure Improvements in the Community**

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is applying for a Small Cities grant from the Public Facilities Fund (PF) and, if awarded funding, will entered into a Grant Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Town is required to submit a Grant Management Plan as part of each Small Cities application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, that:

The Grant Management Plan prepared by the Town and submitted to DCA Small Cities with the application for infrastructure improvements is hereby adopted to identify Tammy Wetzel of Triad Associates as the Project Coordinator and Municipal Clerk Frank Zuber as the Program Director and Official Contact Person.

This is to certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Council of the Town of Hammonton which was held on October 24, 2022.

Resolution #153-2022 – Award Contract Tennis Courts

**AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE
HAMMONTON MIDDLE SCHOOL TENNIS COURT RENOVATION PROJECT
TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hammonton, in conjunction with the Hammonton Board of Education have determined a need to renovate the existing Tennis Courts located at the Hammonton Middle School; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton has advertised the project for receipt of bids in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law; and

WHEREAS, bids for the project have been received, on September 21, 2022 at the Municipal Building of the Town of Hammonton; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bidder for the project was American Athletic Courts Inc., whose Bid total was \$502,790.00; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton hereby awards the renovation of the existing Tennis Courts located at the Hammonton Middle School to American Athletic Courts Inc., whose Bid total was \$502,790.00:

That the Mayor and / or Municipal Clerk of the Town of Hammonton are hereby directed to sign any and all contracts associated with the project.

PUBLIC HEARD

MEETING ADJOURNED