



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2022
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Williams presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 6:15 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed Chair Rebecca Williams, Vice Chair Christopher Hudak, Commissioner James E. Baker, Jr., Commissioner Angela R. Garretson, Commissioner Sergio Granados, Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski, Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner Alexander Mirabella and Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded were present.

Also present were County Manager Edward T. Oatman, County Counsel Bruce H. Bergen, Esq., and Clerk of the Board James E. Pellettiere.

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The prayer and salute to the flag were led by Clerk of the Board Pellettiere.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read by Clerk of the Board Pellettiere.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

Chair Williams called for a motion to approve the Communications. On a motion made by Commissioner Baker and seconded by Commissioner Garretson, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Thursday, September 15, 2022 - Agenda Setting Session
2. Thursday, September 15, 2022 - Regular Meeting

Chair Williams called for a motion to approve the September Minutes. On a motion made by Commissioner Kowalski and seconded by Commissioner Leon, roll call showed seven votes in the affirmative for the September 15th Agenda Setting and Regular Meeting Minutes, with Commissioner Garretson and Commissioner Mirabella abstaining.

ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION

Chair Williams noted that Ordinance No. 840-2022 was published to be heard at 6:30 PM, and asked Clerk of the Board Pellettiere if the Board should postpone the Final Reading of said until after the public comments and approval of Resolutions.

Clerk of the Board Pellettiere confirmed that the Final Reading for Ordinance No. 840-2022 could occur following the approval of resolutions and that it would be appropriate to continue on with the public comment portion and resolution adoption.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting was opened for the purpose of commenting on resolutions being offered for adoption and on any governmental issue that a member of the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the county.

Bruce Paterson, of Garwood, congratulated Firefighter Pat DiFabio of the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department on his recent retirement, noting that Mr. DiFabio served in the Department for over 70 years. Mr. Paterson made comments relative to Reso No. 2022-958 and monies expended on dispatch services. Mr. Paterson also made comments relative to 2022-976, 2022-978, 2022-979, & 2022-980 related to election-related expenses. He also made comments relative to Reso No. 2022-990. To close, he congratulated all the election candidates that won their respective election cycles.

There were no additional questions or comments from the public.

RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION

The following Resolutions were offered for adoption:

- 2022-932 COMMISSIONER JAMES BAKER JR:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Trinitas Regional Medical Center, Elizabeth, NJ for the provision of wraparound services to eligible Union County residents experiencing Opioid Use Disorder (OUD), under the NJ Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) FY2023 Alcohol and Drug Abuse Innovative (ADAI) funding in the amount not to exceed \$169,574.00 for the period October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

- 2022-933 COMMISSIONER JAMES BAKER JR:** Authorizing the County Manager to award renewal subcontracts under the 2023 Alcohol/Drug Abuse (A/DA) Grant for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$817,556.00, and further authorize the transfer of funds among the agencies listed during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the agencies fail to meet contractual obligations.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-934 COMMISSIONER JAMES BAKER JR: Authorizing the County Manager to apply for, accept funding and execute a contract with the State of New Jersey, Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA), FY2024 Alliance Grant to Prevent Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Program award in the amount of \$244,862.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-935 COMMISSIONER JAMES BAKER JR: Authorizing the County Manager to apply for, accept funding and enter into a contract with the State of New Jersey, Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (GCADA), FY2024 DMHAS Youth Leadership Grant in the amount of \$53,720.00 for the period of September 1, 2023 through September 30, 2025.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-936 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Amending Resolution 2022-284, a resolution authorizing departmental signatories for the Surrogate's Office for Calendar Year 2022.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed eight members of the Board voted in the affirmative, with Vice Chair Hudak abstaining.

2022-937 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Amending Resolution Number 2018-973 to exercise the County's second option to extend the contract by one (1) year, pursuant to RCCP 3-2018, to Primepoint LLC, Mt. Holly, New Jersey to continue to provide Integrated Human Resource and Outsourced Payroll System services for a period of December 1, 2022 through November 30, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$189,600.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-938 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Modifying the 2022 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$573,907.00 as a result of notification received from the United States Department of Justice for a program entitled: DNA Capacity Enhancement for Backlog Reduction (CEBR) Program.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-939 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Modifying the 2022 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$1,270,000.00 as a result of notification received from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services for a program entitled: FY2022 Cops Technology and Equipment Program.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-940 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Modifying the 2022 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$170,574.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: Alcohol/Drug Abuse Grant (A/DA) Innovative.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-941 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Modifying the 2022 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$500,000.00 as a result of notification received from the United States Department of Justice for a program entitled: BJA FY 22 Prosecuting Cold Cases Using DNA Grant.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-942 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Modifying the 2022 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$50,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: Operation Helping Hand - Overdose Data To Action Grant.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-943 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Modifying the 2022 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$18,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: Office On Aging State Aid Reimbursement Grant.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-944 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Modifying the 2022 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$61,471.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: Paratransit - Aging APC Grant.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-945 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Approving Transfer of Current Fund Appropriations.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-946 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Synergex International Corporation, Gold River, CA formerly known as Unitronix Data Systems, for the provision of software License and Software Maintenance for the Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services commencing on January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$152,209.97.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-947 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Urban League of Union County, Elizabeth, NJ to provide for the operation of a Financial Opportunity Center for eligible clients of the American Job Center who need assistance in enhancing their financial literacy and completing their training or job seeking services for the period of November 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$44,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-948 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into agreements with various community-based organizations for the purpose of providing shelter night stays and crisis intervention services for TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families), GA (General Assistance) and/or EA (Emergency Assistance) recipients at a per diem rate per family per night with a County Match appropriation in the amount not to exceed \$250,013.00 for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-949 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with St. Elizabeth Episcopal Church, Elizabeth, NJ to provide Code Blue warming center services for the period of November 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022 in the amount of not to exceed \$17,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-950 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into contract with St. Elizabeth Episcopal Church, Elizabeth, NJ to provide Code Blue warming center services for the period of January 1, 2023 to March 31, 2023 in the amount of not to exceed \$25,500.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-951 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Sponsoring the Linden General Pulaski Parade Committee's various 2022 Polish heritage events including the Annual General Pulaski Parade in the amount not to exceed \$3,000.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-952 COMMISSIONER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with USA Architects, Somerville, New Jersey to provide Architectural Services for the enclosure of the existing Ice Rink and construction of an open air rink at Warinanco Park, City of Roselle, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2021-010).

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-953 COMMISSIONER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI: Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding (BA# 34-2022), in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Parks and Recreation: J & C Ice Technologies, Flanders, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing an ice resurfacers, in the amount of \$140,690.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-954 COMMISSIONER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI: Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$4,000,000.00 to carry out a project to rehabilitate the Clark Reservoir.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-955 COMMISSIONER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with CivicPlus of Manhattan, KS for a Cloud Based Recreation Management Software System, pursuant to a competitive contracting process (RCCP#7-2022) for a contract commencing January 1, 2023 for an initial forty-eight (48) month contract through December 31, 2026, in the amount of not to exceed \$88,000.00, with an option to extend for an additional twenty-four (24) month period beginning January 1, 2027 through December 31, 2028.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-956 COMMISSIONER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI: Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract, to T & M Associates, Middletown, New Jersey to provide MEP Engineering Services for the Oak Ridge Park Kitchen Upgrade Project, Township of Clark, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$29,200.00 (Union County Project Number 2022-019).

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-957 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding (BA#3-2022) in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Faigon Electric Inc., of Piscataway, New Jersey for East Front Street Intersection Improvements at Watchung Avenue, Roosevelt Avenue, Richmond Street & Norwood Avenue. City of Plainfield, Union County, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$1,337,011.95 subject to the approval of the New Jersey Department of Transportation (UC Engineering Project #2016-008).

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-958 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Amending Resolution 2021-772, a Professional Engineering Service Contract to PS & S, of Warren, New Jersey, to provide additional services for the expansion of the Union County Dispatch Center for an additional amount of \$284,500.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$614,553.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-959 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Authorizing the County Manager to submit a grant application, on behalf of the County of Union, and if awarded, to enter into an Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) LA-2023 LBF Union County Main Project 20 – 2023 Local Bridges, Future Needs Program – LBFN 2023 in the amount of \$1,955,330.00 for the Trenton Avenue Bridge, over Elizabeth River, Structure 2004018, City of Elizabeth, County of Union, New Jersey (Union County Engineering Project Number 2021-001).

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-960 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Authorizing the County Manager to submit a grant application, on behalf of the County of Union, and if awarded, to enter into an Agreement with the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) LA-2023 CA Union County Main Project for 20 in the amount of \$7,129,921.00. Fiscal Year 2023 County Aid Fund Program (CA-2023- County of Union). (2024 Union County Road Resurfacing, Union County Engineering Project Number 2024-001)

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-961 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract obtained through advertised public bidding (BA #35-2022) in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Maffey's Security Group, Elizabeth, NJ, for the purpose of providing Security Systems Service for twenty-four (24) months commencing upon execution of the contract, with the provision for one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension, in the amount not to exceed \$465,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-962 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Amending Resolution Number 2021-197, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJ.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Pennetta Industrial Automation, Little Ferry, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 for Pipefitting & Heating Systems Repairs, Maintenance, and Installation Services. This change order will increase the original contract amount by \$49,500.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$298,500.00 (B.A. # 7-2019).

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-963 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract obtained through advertised public bidding (B.A. # 32-2022) in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Challenger Fence, Inc. Paterson, NJ, for the purpose of providing Fencing Systems services for twenty-four (24) months commencing upon execution of the contract, with the provision for one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension, in the amount not to exceed \$210,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-964 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Granting permission to the City of Linden to close Wood Avenue between Elizabeth Avenue and Elm Street on December 2, 2022 from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm to host its Annual Holiday Tree Lighting.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-965 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to hang a banner across Park Avenue from November 12, 2022 through December 31, 2022 to promote the "Fanwood-Scotch Plains Rotary Club Luminary Sale."

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-966 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to close a portion of Park Avenue from Westfield Avenue/East 2nd Street to Front Street including Forest Road, Grand Street and Mountain Avenue on Friday, November 11, 2022 for a Veteran's Day Event.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-967 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to close a portion of Park Avenue on Sunday, December 4, 2022 from 12:00 pm to 5:30 pm for a Tree Lighting Event and on Sunday, December 18, 2022 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm for a Menorah Lighting Event.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-968 COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON: Amending Resolution 2022-765, a contract awarded to MPC Bus Corporation, Garden City, NY to reflect adjustment to the appropriation accounts. (All other terms and conditions remain the same.)

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-969 COMMISSIONER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Hudson for the provision of comprehensive Inmate Substance Abuse Treatment and Reentry Program Services for Union County Jail inmates for an initial period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$3,500,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-970 COMMISSIONER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Shared Services Agreement between the County of Union and the County of Bergen for the relocation of the Union County Juvenile detainees on an as need basis for a contract period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2026 in a total amount not to exceed \$675,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-971 COMMISSIONER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED: Authorizing the County Manager to accept funding from the NJ Division of Mental Health Services and Addiction Services Funding Award for State Fiscal Year 2023, between the NJ State Department of Human Services and the County of Union Division of Corrections for the provision of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) services to Union County Jail inmates from the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$367,800.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-972 COMMISSIONER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED: Amending Resolution Number 2022-890, an MOU with the County of Morris Juvenile Detention Center for the custody/housing of Union County juveniles for the period of May 18, 2022 through December 31, 2022, to reflect an increase in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$25,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-973 COMMISSIONER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Shared Services Agreement with the Morris County Juvenile Detention Center to house juvenile detainees on an as needed basis from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-974 COMMISSIONER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Spec Rescue International, Virginia Beach, Virginia, to provide exercise support and training to members of the Metro Urban Search and Rescue (MUSAR) Task Force from the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Region, through the 2020 UASI grant, in an amount not to exceed \$41,280.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-975 COMMISSIONER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED: Authorizing the County Manager to accept and expend the FY2022 COPS Technology and Equipment Grant funds from the Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) to provide equipment to increase coverage on the NJ Interoperability Communications System (NJICS) in an amount not to exceed \$1,270,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-976 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Amending Resolution Number 2021-906, a contract with B & B Press Inc., Lebanon, New Jersey, to provide additional printing services for the 2023 Primary and General elections in the amount of \$30,784.41 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$675,869.11.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-977 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Amending Resolution Number 2022-502, a contract with Full Service Mailers, Hackensack, NJ, to provide mail fulfillment services for the 2023 Special Election in order to comply with a new law requiring a special notice to unaffiliated voters and for the Westfield Annual School Election in an additional amount not to exceed \$7,765.40 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$215,632.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-978 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Election Systems and Software, LLC (ES&S) for maintenance of the software, hardware, and other services relative to voting machines, paper vote tabulation machines, and electronic poll books for the Primary and General elections from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$36,821.60

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-979 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Intersection Media LLC, Secaucus, NJ, for the purpose of providing design and advertising space for the Union County Votes App at NJ Transit train stations in advance of the 2023 and 2024 Primary and General Elections for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$41,372.50

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-980 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with SOE Software Corporation (dba Scytl), Tampa, Florida, for the purpose of providing software licensing and maintenance for the County Clerk's Election Night Reporting Program for Primary, General, and Special elections for a contract period of March 31, 2023 through March 30, 2026 in the amount of \$22,524.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-981 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Wisolmerski Associates, Inc., Boca Raton, Florida, for the purpose of providing technical support to the recording, indexing and accounting systems of the Office of the County Clerk for the contract period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$36,030.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-982 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Edmunds GovTech, Northfield, NJ, to provide maintenance and technical support for the County's Financial Accounting and Electronic Requisition System for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$22,933.21.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-983 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Dell Computer Corporation, Round Rock, TX, for netbackup and essential maintenance for a three (3) year period beginning October 20, 2022 through

October 19, 2025 with an option to extend the contract for an additional two (2) year period, in the total amount not to exceed \$85,806.61.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-984 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Concurring with the Union County Workforce Development Board's action - Resolution Number 2022-36 - to approve the Revised Program Year 2022 Union County Workforce Development Area Budget for the purpose of assigning the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act grant the requisite indirect cost rate allowable under the approved Center Service Cost Allocation Plan.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-985 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Concurring with the Union County Workforce Development Board action - through UCWDB Resolution Number 2022-37 - to employ the First-In, First-Out (FIFO) accounting principles to transfer WIOA expenses in the amount of \$73,222.16 from Program Year 2022 to Program Year 2021 and thereby free-up the commensurate amount of available funds in Program Year 2022.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-986 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Concurring with Union County Workforce Development Board Resolution Number 2022-40 to award a contract to Union College in the amount of \$500,000 and also to Workforce Advantage in the amount of \$620,000 to provide WorkFirst New Jersey services to clients enrolled in the Program Year 2022 (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023), for a total amount not to exceed \$1,120,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-987 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Concurring with Resolution Number 2022-41 of the Union County Workforce Development Board's contract to Union County Vocational Technical Schools to operate the Simon Youth Academy to provide Out-of-School Youth an alternative educational program leading to a high-school diploma for the period of November 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023 under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Out-of-School Youth Grant in an amount not exceed \$333,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-988 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Resolution of the Union County Board of County Commissioners amending Resolution Number 2022-851, a concurring Resolution with the Union County Workforce Development Board to support

FutureWork Systems, LLC, for WIOA Data Reporting and Analysis services to the Union County American Job Center, to reflect compliance with pay-to-play law.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-989 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Amending Resolution 2022-786, a contract with Curry Davis Consulting Group, Fairburn, GA for the Administration of the Union County Emergency Rental Assistance Program (UCERAP) to administer the Union County Emergency Rental Assistance Program Round 2, to reflect an increase in an additional amount of \$9,249,483.47 (Vendor Admin Contract \$1,445,007.14) (Rental Assistance = \$7,804,476.33) , for a new amount not to exceed \$17,426,558.64; and further authorizing an advanced payment not to exceed an amount equal to the total amount of the contract divided by the number of months in the term of the contract in an amount not to exceed \$484,071.07.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-990 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Authorizing the County Manager to establish payments under the Lease Agreement for Cornerstone Psychiatric Unit, with Runnells BH Operating, Inc. for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$4,850,325.93.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-991 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Amending Resolution Number 2022-136 to increase the total acquisition cost for the Roselle Park EMS Building in the amount not to exceed \$4,266.00 to cover the County's agreed share of expenses for subdivision of the property prior to purchase, for a new total acquisition cost amount not to exceed \$764,266.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-992 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Appointing Jenny Davis Toth to serve as a Commissioner of the Union County Improvement Authority to fill an unexpired term ending January 31, 2025.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-993 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS: Amending Resolution Number 2022-486 approving the 2022-2023 (Year 48) Consolidated Action Plan to increase CDBG funding to utilize contingency funds for two (2) projects: Borough of Mountainside-Facilities increase in the amount of \$21,800.00 for a new total amount of \$36,800.00, and Summit Housing Authority-Facilities increase in the amount of \$7,000.00 for a new total amount of \$32,000.00.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

COMMISSIONER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

2022-994 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS, COMMISSIONER LOURDES M. LEON, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Congratulating the following honorees of the Hispanic Law Enforcement Association of Union County, Inc. (HLEAUC) at their 31st Anniversary Gala: Alison Gibson, Alexander Gonzalez, Rui Xavier, Luis Figueiredo, Micheal Nicolas, Maria Carvalho, and Randy Calero.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-995 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS, COMMISSIONER ANGELA R. GARRETSON, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Recognizing the Urban League of Union County as they celebrate their 46th Equal Opportunity Day Dinner & Gala and congratulate each of the 2022 honorees: Dr. Lamont O. Repollet, Whitney M. Young Jr. Award; Shemelia Taylor, I am Empowered Award; Neighborhood Health Services Corporation, Partnership Award - Community; Exothermic Molding, Partnership Award - Employer; Chase - Community Managers, Charles Paez, Tamara Suvil, and Donna Lowe Alexander, Partnership Award.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-996 COMMISSIONER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Offering this Board's deepest condolences to Jonathan Phillips, of Groundwork Elizabeth, on the passing of his mother, Roberta Grund Phillips, during his time of sorrow.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-997 COMMISSIONER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Offering this Board's sincere condolences to the family of Margaret K. Dooley, of Cranford, during their time of sorrow.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-998 COMMISSIONER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUDED, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Requesting that the County of Union be incorporated in Senate Bill 3206 and Assembly Bill 4711 requiring the Division of Travel and Tourism to promote Central Jersey overnight stays, and agritourism; requires allocation of federal funds for tourism to certain regions and activities in need of economic relief.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-999 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Congratulating the following honorees recognized by the NAACP Elizabeth Branch at their Freedom Fund Awards Gala on November 11, 2022: Detective Darin K Williamson (Ret.); Reverend George E. Britt, Amistad Collaborative; Reverend Dr. Wanda M. Lundy, 313+ Ancestors Speak Project; Reverend Yvonne Smith; People's Organization for Progress; Mayor Derek Armstead, City of Linden; Lateef Banks, U.S. Marine Corps; Senator Raymond Lesniak (Ret.), U.S. Army; Hassana E. Pretlow, U.S. Army; and Shalonda L. Tanner, U.S. Air Force.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-1000 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Recognizing Wendell Craig Woods for his 30+ years of dedicated service as the Minister of Music at Shiloh Baptist Church in Plainfield.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-1001 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Proclaiming November 10, 2022 as Adoption Day throughout the County of Union.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

2022-1002 CHAIR REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Congratulating Bishop Anthony W. Gilyard on twenty years of pastoring and forty years of preaching.

On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chair Hudak roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

Clerk of the Board Pellettiere read Ordinance 840-2022 by title.

840-2022 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND "THE LAWS OF UNION COUNTY: ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION" BY AMENDING, PART I -ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CHAPTER 1, UNION COUNTY GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE: ARTICLE XVI-DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, ARTICLE XVII- DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, ARTICLE XXI- DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, ARTICLE XXIII-OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL, ARTICLE XXIV-DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; AND PART II-POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION: CHAPTER 6-AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, CHAPTER 115 SAFETY CODE, CHAPTER 132 TOWING, AND CHAPTER 140 CONTRACTED OFF-DUTY EMPLOYMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.

BE IT ORDAINED. by the Union County Board of County Commissioners that the “Laws of Union County” are hereby amended, to be as follows:

PART I - ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

Chapter 1, UNION COUNTY GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE

ARTICLE XVI, Departments of Human Services

§ 1-92. Division of Children and Youth Services.

A. Under the direction and supervision of the Director of Human Services, the functions and responsibilities of the Division of Children and Youth Services shall include:

- (1) Coordinating, integrating, modifying and developing services for children and youth and administering select service programs, including but not limited to those mandated by law and rules and regulations appertaining thereto, including the Youth Service Bureau and temporary shelter services.
- (2) Providing information and referral services for the children and youth of Union County.
- (3) Identifying and assessing the needs of the children and youth in order to plan for and stimulate, in cooperation with governmental and voluntary agencies and citizens groups, solutions for present or potential problems of children and youth.
- (4) Striving to minimize children and youth involvement with the juvenile justice system.
- (5) Facilitating the development, extension, expansion and coordination of programs for children and youth, including but not limited to those children and youth that have been, are or have a high probability for becoming involved with the juvenile justice system.
- (6) Providing select services for children and youth, including but not limited to maintenance of crisis intervention capabilities, advocacy, and narcotics and drug abuse prevention and education.
- (7) Providing temporary shelter services for the care (shelter), without physical restriction, of juveniles who are homeless or abandoned awaiting court disposition, in accordance with state law and rules and regulations appertaining thereto.
- (8) Actively engaging in the Children’s Interagency Coordinating Counsel and serving as the liaison with the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, Children’s System of Care.

(9) Conducting community based planning, including updating needs assessment for the New Jersey Department of Children and Families.

(10) Performing such other duties as may be required by the Director of Human Services.

A. Division head. The Director of the Division of Children and Youth Services shall be the head of the Division and shall be responsible to the Director of Human Services for its operation.

B. Subdivisions. Within the Division of Children and Youth Services shall be the following subdivisions:

- (1) Family Crisis Intervention Union (FCIU)
- (2) Client Services & Community Outreach
- (3) Youth Services Commission
- (4) Union County Juvenile Expediting Team (UCJET)
- (5) Children's Mental Health Unit

ARTICLE XVII, Department of Administrative Services

§ 1-98. General purpose; departmental organization.

There shall be a Department of Administrative Services for the purpose of conducting personnel management and labor relations, purchasing, coordinating and monitoring the administration of all County insurance programs, motor vehicle fleet management, mailroom & messenger services and telecommunication services. The Director of Administrative Services shall be the head of the Department and shall be responsible to the County Manager for its operation. There may be a Deputy Director of the Department of Administrative Services who shall under the direction and supervision of the Director of the Department of Administrative Services assist in the orderly and efficient administration of the Department, performing whatever supervisory or administrative duties the Director deems necessary and proper.

A. The Department of Administrative Services shall include the following:

- (1) The Division of Personnel Management and Labor Relations.
- (2) The Office of Affirmative Action.
- (3) The Division of Purchasing.
- (4) The Division of Motor Vehicles and Telecommunications.
- (5) The Bureau of Asset Management and Labor Compliance.

§ 1-99. UNCHANGED.

§ 1-99.1 The Office of Affirmative Action.

- A. The Affirmative Action Officer shall head the Office, under the supervision of the Director of Administrative Services.
- B. The Office of Affirmative Action shall:
 - (1) Develop and monitor a productive affirmative action/equal employment opportunity program to meet requirements under federal and state law and regulations.
 - (2) Interpret and monitor the County's performance and compliance with equal employment opportunity laws and regulations and implementation of the County's AA/EEO Program.
 - (3) Prepare and submit the County's equal employment opportunity forms to federal authorities on a biennial basis (every odd-numbered year).
 - (4) Perform all other duties as required under Chapter 6 hereof, Affirmative Action.
 - (5) Perform such other duties as may be required by the Director of Administrative Services.

[This Article shall be effective January 1, 2023.]

ARTICLE XXI, Department of Public Safety

§ 1-127. Division of Emergency Services.

A., B. UNCHANGED.

C. Division organization. Within the Division there shall be the following Bureaus:

- (1) The Bureau of Operations.
- (2) The Bureau of Logistics.
- (3) The Bureau of Communications.
- (4) The Bureau of Fire Marshall.

D. - G. UNCHANGED.

H. The Bureau of Communications shall maintain the radio communication capabilities for the County of Union.

I. The Bureau of Fire Marshall

- (1) The County Fire Marshall shall be the head of the Bureau and shall report to the Director of Public Safety.

- (2) The Bureau of Fire Marshall, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-2, shall:
- (a.) Enforce the provisions of the “Uniform Fire Safety Act” (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-192 et seq.).
 - (b.) Provide for the appropriate training of fire personnel from the municipalities of the County of Union, continuing education in the field of fire science and such other assistance in fire-science-related matters that may be deemed appropriate through the Fire Service Training Academy.
 - (c.) Assist units of government including law enforcement, mental health agencies and families and individuals, with intervention in juvenile fire setting incidents.
 - (d.) Provide for the prevention of fire hazards and initiate programs for public awareness.
 - (e.) Perform such other duties as may be required by the Director of Public Safety.
- J. Coordinator of Emergency Management. There shall be a Coordinator of Emergency Management appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, subject to the approval of the State Director of Emergency Management and subject to his orders, as required by law.
- K. Deputy Coordinator of Emergency Management. There shall be a Deputy Coordinator of Emergency Management appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, subject to the approval of the State Director of Emergency Management and subject to his orders, as required by law.
- L. State Director to exercise supervision and control. The State Director of Emergency Management shall exercise supervision and control of the Coordinator of Emergency Management and Deputy, who may be removed by the State Director for cause. The Coordinator of Emergency Management and Deputy shall perform their duties in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. App. A: Ch. 9, and rules and regulations promulgated by the Governor.

ARTICLE XXIII, Office of the County Counsel

§ 1-146 The Office of Affirmative Action, shall be deleted in its entirety.

[This Article shall be effective January 1, 2023.]

ARTICLE XXIV, DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

§ 1-153. The Division of Strategic Planning

A. UNCHANGED.

B. UNCHANGED.

C. Subdivisions. Within the Division of Strategic Planning shall be the following subdivisions:

- (1) Office of Community Engagement and Diversity.
- (2) Office of LGBTQ Affairs.
- (3) Union County Office on Women.
- (4) Office of Business Development.
- (5) Bureau of Transportation Planning.
- (6) Bureau of Planning and Land Use.
- (7) Office of Veteran's Services.

§ 1-156. The Division of Community Services

A. UNCHANGED.

B. UNCHANGED.

C. Subdivisions. Within the Division of Community Services shall be the following subdivisions:

- (1) Bureau of Community Development.
- (2) Bureau of Housing.
- (3) DELETED.

PART II - POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION**Chapter 6, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION****§ 6-4. Affirmative Action Officer.**

A. UNCHANGED.

B. DELETED.

Chapter 115, SAFETY CODE

ARTICLE VIII- Encroachment of County Property

§ 115-46 to § 115-50. UNCHANGED.

§ 115-51. Enforcement.

The Director of Park and Recreation, or a designee, is hereby charged with the responsibility for the enforcement of this ordinance and may serve notice to any person in violation thereof, however, such notice shall not be a prerequisite for an issuance of a summons. The Union County Police or other enforcement agency, may be notified of any violations and shall investigate said violations. The Union County Police Department is independently authorized to issue any appropriate summonses for violations of this ordinance. The County Counsel and/or municipal prosecutors are hereby authorized to prosecute any legal proceedings as may be required.

§ 115-52 to § 115-54. UNCHANGED.

ARTICLE XI, BAN ON CARRYING CONCEALED WEAPONS

[NEW SECTION]

§ 115-56. Findings.

In New York Rifle & Pistol Assn. Inc. v. Bruen, the United States Supreme Court invalidated New York's "proper cause" requirement for obtaining a permit to carry a handgun in public, thereby impacting New Jersey's "justifiable need" requirement, an important part of New Jersey's common-sense firearms safety laws. These laws have resulted in New Jersey having one of the lowest firearm mortality rates in the country. Nonetheless, gun violence remains a public health crisis in Union County, throughout New Jersey and across the nation.

The vast majority of New Jersey residents do not support the relaxing of restrictions on who may carry a gun in public. Protecting the residents and visitors of Union County from gun violence continues to be of paramount importance to the Union County Board of County Commissioners and is a compelling government interest.

This law is written with the intent to enact restrictions to the full extent allowed by the U.S. Constitution and case law thereunder.

§ 115-57. Restrictions; penalties.

- (A.) No person shall be permitted to carry any firearm concealed or otherwise, in any Sensitive Area within Union County, New Jersey.

- (B.) This restriction shall not apply to law enforcement officers, on or off duty, in the course of their lawful and official duties.
- (C.) A person who violates or causes to be violated a provision of this article shall be subject to a penalty of imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days, or to a fine, or both, of \$500.00, for the first offense and \$1,000.00 for each subsequent offense.

§ 115-58. Sensitive Area.

“Sensitive Area” shall be defined as:

- (A.) All buildings or portion thereof, owned, controlled, leased or otherwise under the jurisdiction of the County, whether open to the public or not;
- (B.) Any Courthouse or building containing judicial functions of the state or County;
- (C.) Any building or portion thereof, which is the location of any program operated or funded by the County; including but not limited to Union County Vocational-Technical Schools and Union College;
- (D.) All recreational facilities and parks owned or operated by the County (excluding anyone driving a motor vehicle through a park on a public thoroughfare);
- (E.) Any vehicle owned or operated by or on behalf of the County while used for public transportation;
- (F.) Any polling place or location while open and operating for purposes of voting; and
- (G.) Any location, building or function of a similar nature to the above, owned or occupied by the County.

Chapter 132, TOWING

Sets forth standards, regulations and rates for police-requested and nonpreference towing and storage services. A complete copy of this ordinance, all rules and regulations, and any future amendments, are on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Board and the headquarters of the County Police.

[The attached amendment to this ordinance is incorporated as if fully set forth herein.]

Chapter 140, CONTRACTED OFF-DUTY EMPLOYMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**§ 140-1. OFF-DUTY WORK BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

The County establishes the following policy and procedures relating to the performance of services by off-duty law enforcement officers.

A. UNCHANGED.

B. **Costs and Fees**

1. - 3. UNCHANGED.

4. For services performed on County property or otherwise requested for directly with the County, officers shall be paid, at a rate of \$65.00 per hour. Payment to officers for such work shall be made through the County's payroll process in accordance with its regular practices. No officer shall be paid directly by any applicant. Any job that requires more than 4 officers shall include an assigned Officer in Charge, who shall be paid at a rate of \$75.00 per hour.

5. UNCHANGED.

6. The County shall charge an additional 10% administrative fee payable to the County for such work performed by its employees; and the TPA may thereafter charge an additional fee on a percentage basis, as authorized by the County.

7. UNCHANGED.

AND, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, in case any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order or judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance, and to this end, the provisions of each section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable;

AND, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that each section of this ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner provided by law, unless otherwise indicated.

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting was opened for the purpose of commenting on Ordinance Number 840-2022 only.

Bruce Paterson, of Garwood, asked for additional information regarding the cited changes. He also asked whether or not these revisions were a result of the state authority investigations.

Counsel Bergen advised that changes cited in Ordinance 840-2022 were a result of an internal review of the existing code by various departments, adding that the changes clarified and or simplified the various departments and their functions. He noted the inclusion of a new policy concerning restrictions on conceal carry on County property, adding that this was in response to a recent Supreme Court ruling. Counsel Bergen advised the Division of Youth Services under the Department of Human Services would now be known as the Division of Children and Youth Services. He advised that the Office of Affirmative Action would now fall under the Department of Administrative Services rather than the Office of County Counsel. He further advised that the Office of Veterans Affairs would now fall under the Division of Strategic Planning. He also noted the creation of a Bureau of Fire Marshalls that would be overseen by an appointed fire marshal as a means to assist municipalities and enforce existing fire -code laws. Counsel Bergen also noted the minor clarifications made relative to encroachment and towing.

There were no additional questions or comments from the public relative to Ordinance No. 840-2022.

FINAL READING STATEMENT

Vice Chair Christopher Hudak, Policy Subcommittee Chairman, moved Ordinance Number 840-2022 for Final Reading and authorized the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law.

On a motion made by Vice Chair Hudak and seconded by Commissioner Mirabella, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Garretson spoke relative to a recent incident involving an armed gunman and two wounded police officers in a neighboring municipality. She noted that she was happy about Ordinance No. 844-2022 addressing concealed carry on County property, adding that it sent a clear message to County residents relative to the Board and County's zero-tolerance relative to gun violence. She thanked the County and Board for being proactive and for their continued efforts relative to addressing gun-related crimes. To

close, Commissioner Garretson congratulated Chair Williams, Vice Chair Hudak, Commissioner Granados, and Commissioner Kowalski on their respective election wins.

Commissioner Leon congratulated her Commissioner colleagues Chair Williams, Commissioner Granados, and Commissioner Kowalski on their recent re-election wins, noting that she was honored to serve with them on the Board. She also congratulated Vice Chair Hudak on being elected as the County's new Surrogate. On another note, she reminded residents that on November 19th, the County would be partnering with the City of Plainfield for a screening of the film *The Tragedy of Macbeth*. She also noted that on November 25th the Model Railroad Club would be opening its doors for a special open-house and train show at the A. Paul Malloy Model Railroad Center in Union. She also spoke relative to the Trailside & Nature Center, adding that they would be offering an educational program entitled *Reptiles in New Jersey* on December 2 for residents 55 and older. Commissioner Leon also noted that Galloping Hill Golf Course in Kenilworth offered 20 heated-stalls for use by golfers throughout the County during the colder months. To close, she wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Commissioner Granados recognized his Commissioner colleagues, Chair Williams, Vice Chair Hudak, Commissioner Granados, and Commissioner Kowalski and congratulated them on their respective election wins. He also recognized all the 2022 election victors throughout the County as well as everyone that ran for public office. On another note, he advised residents that the County would be holding an Emergency Food Distribution for the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday on Saturday, November 19th at Kean University. He advised that this was a drive-up distribution, adding that the first 2,500 people would receive a special holiday food bundle with produce and all the trimmings. He noted that proof of residency was required. He thanked Village Supermarket and Gargiulio Produce for their continued partnership in these efforts. He encouraged residents contending with food insecurity to access the Community Food Banks website for additional resources. He added that COVID-19 vaccinations would be available during the event.

Commissioner Palmieri-Mouded had no comments.

Commissioner Kowalski also congratulated her Commissioner colleagues Chair Williams and Commissioner Granados on their election victories as well as Surrogate-elect Christopher Hudak. She recognized everyone that participated in the election, particularly those that ran, and thanked them for their willingness to run for public office. She noted the importance of participating in the democratic process as a means to make the changes we desire in our communities. On another note, she advised that the County, in collaboration with other local elected-officials, was exploring available funding opportunities relative to addressing mobility, congestion, and safety issues related to travel throughout the County. She encouraged residents to contact the Union County Transportation Planning Manager for more information. She closed by reiterating the importance of continuing to expand upon shared-services throughout Union County, noting a recent experience she had with the County's Dispatch Center.

Commissioner Baker congratulated his colleagues Chair Williams, Commissioner Granados, and Commissioner Kowalski on their election wins as well as new Surrogate-elect Christopher Hudak. He reminded residents about the importance of voting and thanked those that made their voices heard in the 2022 General Election. On another note,

he encouraged residents to take advantage of the County's new drop-off plastic film recycling program entitled Recycle Beyond the Bag, noting that this was the first countywide plastic film recycling initiative to launch in New Jersey. He further advised that the program was launched with an initial cohort of twelve municipalities, adding that Union County residents could utilize one of the cited drop-off locations for their plastic film, regardless of their town of residence. He noted that Fanwood and Summit drop-off locations were not accessible to non-residents.

Commissioner Mirabella advised that tomorrow, November 11th, the County would be observing Veterans' Day in honor of the sacrifice of Veterans across all branches of the United States Armed Forces that selflessly put their lives on the line to protect our freedoms. On another note, he congratulated his colleagues Chair Williams, Commissioner Granados, and Commissioner Kowalski on being elected for an additional term as Union County Commissioners. He added that being elected by such a large margin spoke to their previous work and the voters' confidence in their abilities to steer Union County in the right direction. He also congratulated Surrogate-elect Christopher Hudak on his successful run for Union County Surrogate, adding that he had the utmost confidence in his friend and colleague relative to his new position. Commissioner Mirabella also spoke relative to the UC Dispatch Center, noting it as a vital shared service tool that would result in significant cost-savings for the County and the municipalities involved as well as improve emergency response.

Vice Chair Hudak echoed the sentiments of Commissioner Mirabella in noting the UC Dispatch Center as a vital, cost saving resource for Union County and for the thirteen participating municipalities. He noted the County's commitment to expanding on Emergency Medical Services (EMS), adding that the County had just finalized the purchase of the Emergency Medical Services Building in Roselle Park which the County previously used as a satellite location for EMS services. He recognized Roselle Park Mayor Joseph Signorello III and other local officials for their support relative to this property acquisition that would assist in improving EMS response throughout Union County. He recognized the importance of expanding such services as a means of keeping the growing population of Union County safe. On another note, he congratulated his Commissioner colleagues and running mates, Chair Williams, Commissioner Granados, and Commissioner Kowalski on their successful election runs. He noted that he was able to attend an Adoption Day event at the Cherry Street Courthouse in Elizabeth earlier, his first as Surrogate-elect, adding that he looked forward to working in his new capacity. He also recognized County Clerk Joanne Rajoppi and Board of Elections Administrator Nicole DiRado and commended them for executing a fair, transparent, and timely election.

Counsel Bergen congratulated Chair Williams, Commissioner Granados, and Commissioner Kowalski on their re-election to the Commissioner Board. He also congratulated Surrogate-elect Christopher Hudak, adding that he had the utmost confidence in Commissioner Hudak's abilities and capabilities to rise to the challenges and demands of his new position.

County Manager Oatman also congratulated Chair Williams, Commissioner Granados, and Commissioner Kowalski on their re-election wins as well as Surrogate-elect

Christopher Hudak, adding that Commissioner Hudak would be greatly missed on the Board.

Chair Williams also echoed the sentiment of her colleagues and congratulated Commissioner Granados and Commissioner Kowalski as well as Surrogate-elect Christopher Hudak on their respective election wins. She thanked everyone for the support, noting that it was an honor to hold public office and continue serving the residents of Union County. On another note, she encouraged residents to attend a sensory-friendly performance of Jeff Boyer's Big Bubble Bonanza on Sunday, November 13th at the Union County Performing Arts Center in Rahway. Additionally, she advised that on November 30th, UCPAC would be hosting a performance of the NJ Ballet's The Nutcracker. To close, she reminded residents that the County would be screening the film The Tragedy of Macbeth on Saturday, November 19th at Plainfield's Performing Arts Center.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Williams asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. On a motion made by Commissioner Mirabella and seconded by Commissioner Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 P.M.

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 2022 MEETING SCHEDULE

REORGANIZATION MEETING - THURSDAY, JANUARY 6, 2022 at 6:30 pm
Administration Building, 6th Floor
Commissioner Meeting Room

AGENDA SETTING SESSION

January 20, 2022

February 3, 2022
February 17, 2022March 3, 2022
March 24, 2022April 7, 2022
April 28, 2022*May 12, 2022
May 26, 2022June 9, 2022
June 23, 2022

July 14, 2022

August 11, 2022

September 15, 2022

October 6, 2022
October 20, 2022

November 10, 2022

December 1, 2022
December 15, 2022**REGULAR MEETINGS**

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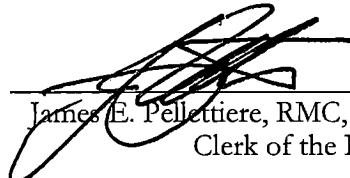
July 14, 2022

August 11, 2022

September 15, 2022

October 6, 2022
October 20, 2022

November 10, 2022

December 1, 2022
December 15, 2022
James E. Pelletiere, RMC, QPA
Clerk of the Board

* April 21, 2022 Agenda Setting Session and Regular Meeting have been rescheduled for April 28, 2022.

Please note that the County of Union's County Commissioners' meetings are to be regularly held on Thursday evenings and are scheduled to be held on the same evening, with the Agenda Setting Session to commence at 6:00pm and the Regular Meeting to commence as soon as possible after the Agenda Setting Session, unless otherwise noted.

All meetings are to be held in the Commissioner Meeting Room within the Administration Building, 6th floor located at 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth New Jersey, 07207. Due to the Covid-19 coronavirus concerns, County Commissioner meetings may be held remotely via Zoom webinar under the procedures conducted, as published, in 2021. If said procedures are deemed necessary, the Clerk of the Board will revise said Public Notice according to law.

Persons requiring a sign language interpreter should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 908-527-4140.