



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THURSDAY, JUNE 29, 2023
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

PRESENTATIONS BY THE BOARD

A resolution presentation will be made by the Board to the Boys & Girls Club recognizing the week of June 26-June 30, 2023, as National Boys & Girls Club Week.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Thursday, May 11, 2023 - Regular Meeting
2. Thursday, May 11, 2023 - Agenda Setting Session
3. Thursday, May 25, 2023 - Regular Meeting
4. Thursday, May 25, 2023 - Agenda Setting Session

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

William Daniel, Prosecutor

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) providing the temporary mobility assignment of Assistant Prosecutor Tiffany Wilson from July 5, 2023 through January 5, 2024. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager, through the Union County Prosecutor's Office, to enter into an agreement with Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., d/b/a Life Technologies Corporation, Waltham, MA to purchase proprietary reagents supplies, equipment, and service agreements for instrument maintenance for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$159,391.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with NicheVision Forensics, LLC, Akron, OH for the purchase software upgrades in an amount not to exceed \$30,945.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept funding from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2023 for the project titled Operation Helping Hand Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$105,263.15 for the period of September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Laura Scutari, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to exercise the extension option pursuant to Resolution Number 2021-635 with the Clear Law Institute, Arlington VA to provide mandatory online Workplace Discrimination Training for County employees, for the period of November 1, 2023 through October 31, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$33,750.00 per year for a total amount not to exceed \$67,500.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a stop-loss insurance contract to Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey, Newark, NJ through BGIA/Acisure, Woodbridge, NJ, as the County's Health Insurance Consultant/Broker of Record for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$3,500,000.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into Addendum No. 2 to the Master Service Agreement with the State of New Jersey, Administrative Office of the Courts for Mailroom Services for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, (revenue generating). **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Amy Crisp Wagner, Deputy County Manager/Director

1. Concurring with Resolution Number 2023-12 of the Union County Workforce Development Board authorizing the Program Year 2021 Workforce Development Area Budget indirect expenses. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Concurring with Resolution Number 2023-13 of the Union County Workforce Development Board authorizing the Program Year 2022 Workforce Development Area Budget indirect expenses. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
3. Concurring with Resolution Number 2023-14 of the Union County Workforce Development Board authorizing the transfer of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act expenses from Program Year 2022 to Program Year 2021. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

4. Concurring with Resolution Number 2023-15 of the Union County Workforce Development Board entering into a contract with Union College of Union County for the provision of an Affiliate American Job Center Site Provider for Career Services to Adults and Dislocated Workers under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
5. Concurring with Resolution Number 2023-17 of the Union County Workforce Development Board authorizing the implementation of a temporary budget. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
6. Concurring with Resolution Number 2023-18 of the Union County Workforce Development Board authorizing the Union County Department of Human Services to continue providing American Job Center services as set forth in the Contract until such time that the Union County Workforce Development Board awards a new contract(s) for the provision of American Job Center services. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution 2023-524 to request additional funds from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSLFRF) established by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide emergency housing and rental assistance to households that have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic in conjunction with the County's Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP), in the amount of \$400,000.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
8. Concurring with Resolution No. 2023-19 of the Executive Committee of the Union County Workforce Development Board authorizing the extension of the contract period for the provision of Work First New Jersey programs from the existing contract period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 to a revised contract period of July 1, 2022 to September 30, 2023. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Joseph Graziano, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to execute Agreement No. 2023-DT-BLA-202 with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Intersection Improvements along East and West 7th Street (CR 601) and Intersection of East Front Street (CR 620) and Leland Avenue in City of Plainfield, County of Union. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept funding from the NJ Department of Transportation, Local Transportation Projects Fund 2023 for the Union County Guiderail Replacement Project which will improve/replace 271 guiderail segments located throughout the County. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**

3. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Smith-Sondy Asphalt Construction Company of Wallington, New Jersey for the 2023 Road Resurfacing Project, Various Municipalities, County of Union, New Jersey in an amount not to exceed \$5,623,659.43 (BA# 7-2023; Union County Engineering Project # 2021-011) **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to exercise the twenty-four (24) month option to extend the contract pursuant to Resolution 2021-449, originally obtained through advertised public bidding (B.A. # 30-2021) with Vanore Electric, Inc., Hackensack, NJ, for the purpose of Electrical Systems Services at various locations for the period of July 16, 2023 through July 15, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to exercise the twenty-four (24) month option to extend the contract pursuant to Resolution 2021-448, originally obtained through advertised public bidding (B.A. # 29-2021) with Eagle Building Services, LLC, Newark, NJ, for the purpose of Window Cleaning Services at various locations for the period of July 30, 2023 through July 29, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$135,000.00. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Flatbush Moving Van Company, Linden, NJ, procured through NJ State Contract # 22-GNSV2-25460, for the purpose of providing Moving Services at various County locations in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Cliffside Body Corporation, Fairview, through ESCNJ #20/21-55 for the purpose to remove and replace dump truck bodies in the amount not to exceed \$500,000.00. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
8. Granting permission to the City of Linden to close Wood Avenue from Blancke Street to Elm Street on Saturday, June 24, 2023 from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm for the Eighth Annual Unity Day with a rain date of Sunday, June 25, 2023. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
9. Granting permission to the City of Linden to close Wood Avenue from Elizabeth Avenue to Elm Street on Tuesday, August 1, 2023 from 2:00 pm to 10:00 pm for the Annual National Night Out. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
10. Amending Resolution Number 2022-97, a contract with Lorco Petroleum Services, Elizabeth for recycling of used motor oil and motor oil filters to increase the contract by an additional amount of not to exceed \$1,500.00, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 through September 30, 2023. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCEBibi Taylor, Director

1. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$126,900.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: Prosecutor's Office MOU Temporary Mobility Assignment. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
2. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$35,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: Recreational Opportunities For Individuals With Disabilities (ROID). **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
3. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$55,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: 2023 Emergency Management Assistance (EMAA) Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
4. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$4,295.60 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness for a program entitled: Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
5. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$17,676.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs for a program entitled: Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) CWA. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
6. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$105,263.15 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 (OHH) Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
7. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$415,507.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health for a program entitled: Childhood Lead Exposure Prevention Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
8. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$3,500,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Corrections for a program entitled: Department of Corrections State Aid Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
9. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$891,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of State for a program entitled: UCBOE 2023 Poll Worker Pay Reimbursement. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICESDebbie-Ann Anderson, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Community Coordinated Child Care of Union County, Inc., Rahway, New Jersey, for the Union County Child Care Subsidy program for the period of June 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$37,500.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Community Access Unlimited, Elizabeth, New Jersey to promote youth, teen and community development through prevention programs including self-empowerment and youth leadership, Interfaith initiatives and collaboration among community programs for youth and families for the period of June 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in the amount of not to exceed \$75,000.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Redishred Acquisition Inc. aka PROSHRED Security, Roseland, NJ for the purpose of shredding and disposal of documents for the Union County Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) in the approximate amount of \$17,676.00 for the purpose of LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) CWA Administration for the period of October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Rahway Business Machines, Avenel, NJ for the purpose of repairing HP LaserJet printers for the Union County Department of Human Services, Division of Social Services in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding (BA # 22-2023) in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Human Services/Division of Social Services: Legacy Health US LLC, Hackensack, NJ, for the purpose of providing Immunization Clinic Equipment and Supplies for twenty four (24) consecutive months commencing on July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2025, in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATIONVictoria Durbin-Drake, Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a License Agreement with Cranford Jaycees to have its annual four-mile Firecracker Run at the County's Nomahegan Park on Tuesday, July 4, 2023, rain or shine. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**

2. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a License Agreement with the Township of Cranford to have its Fourth of July Fair and Fireworks display at the County's Nomahegan Park on Sunday, July 2, 2023, rain or shine. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a License Agreement with the Borough of North Plainfield to have its Community Day Fireworks at the County's Green Brook Park on Saturday, July 1, 2023, with a proposed rain date of Sunday, July 2, 2023. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a License Agreement with the Borough of Roselle to have its annual Music Fest at the County's Warinanco Park on Saturday, July 8, 2023, rain or shine. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a License Agreement with the Township of Springfield to have its Fourth of July Fair and Fireworks display at the County's Meisel Avenue Park on Tuesday, July 4, 2023, with a proposed rain date on the next clear day. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Johnson Controls Inc., Edison, New Jersey, for the upgrade of a HVAC/Supervisory Controller Panel at Galloping Hill Golf Course Club House for the Department of Parks & Recreation, in the amount not to exceed \$29,897.00. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a License Agreement with the Bergen Rockland Eruv Association, LLC, Monsey, NY, to install an Eruv Wire in the Rahway River Park System in Clark and Rahway, NJ. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to Accept Used Parks Equipment Donated by the City of Linden. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a License Agreement with the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA allowing them to utilize the Walter E. Ulrich Memorial Pool during off hours for swim practice and other programs, through May 31, 2024. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Dennis Burke, Acting Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$200,000.00 from the New Jersey State Police Office of Emergency Services for the purpose of updating the Countywide Hazard Mitigation Plan. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Spec Rescue International, Virginia Beach, Virginia, to provide specialized training to members of the Metro Urban Search and Rescue (MUSAR) Task Force from the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Region, through the 2021 and 2022 UASI grants, in an amount not to exceed \$82,725.00. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**

3. Authorizing the County Manager to accept three (3) Motorola APX 800 radios from the New Jersey Emergency Medical Services Task Force Support Group for Emergency Medical Services response coordination **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**

COMMISSIONER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Concurring with the Township of Berkeley Heights Resolution #192-2023 applying for the NJ DOT FY2024 Safe Streets to Transit Grant Program to improve the sidewalk network and lighting along Springfield Avenue, Berkeley Heights. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski, & The Entire Board)**
2. Concurring with the Township of Union's grant application to the United States Department of Transportation (US DOT) Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) 2023 Planning and Demonstration Grants. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski, & The Entire Board)**
3. Congratulating Reverend John J. Paladino upon leaving Saint Bartholomew's Academy after 18 years of service to the Parish. **(Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, & The Entire Board)**
4. Offering the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Paul Emposimato Jr., who passed away on June 15th, 2023. **(Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, & The Entire Board)**
5. Honoring the life of Donald A. Carrelli, as the Westfield Chess Club hosted the Donald A. Carrelli Memorial Chess Tournament at the Westfield YMCA on July 3, 2022. **(Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, & The Entire Board)**
6. Recognizing the talents of Jay La'Porte, of Elizabeth, for sharing his poetry with the County of Union at its various Pride Month events. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams, & The Entire Board)**
7. Offering the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Darnell Randolph, of Plainfield, who passed away on June 16th, 2023. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams, & The Entire Board)**
8. Sponsoring the General Pulaski Parade Committee of St. Theresa's Polish Heritage Festival being held on September 16, 2023 and various cultural events throughout the year in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
9. Sponsoring the Portuguese Instructive Social Club's Outdoor Festivals being held on June 24, 2023, September 16, 2023, and September 23, 2023 in a total amount not to exceed \$2,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
10. Sponsoring the Township of Scotch Plains' Independence Day Celebration being held on July 1, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**

11. Sponsoring the Township of Cranford's Annual Independence Day Celebration being held on July 2, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
12. Sponsoring the City of Plainfield's Annual Independence Day Celebration being held on July 4, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
13. Sponsoring the NAACP Hillside Branch's Jazz Festival being held on July 19, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
14. Sponsoring the Youth Legacy Leaders' Back to School Community Event being held on August 19, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$500.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
15. Sponsoring the City of Linden's Annual Halloween Parade being held on October 22, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
16. Sponsoring the Township of Hillside's Portuguese Day Festival being held on June 24, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
17. Sponsoring the Township of Hillside's Juneteenth Event held on June 17, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
18. Sponsoring the Citizens Going Forward's Goodwill Festival held on June 3, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
19. Sponsoring the Elizabeth Portugal Day Parade Committee Festivities held on June 2, 2023 (Flag Raising) and June 4, 2023 (Parade) in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
20. Sponsoring the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Association of Westfield's Juneteenth Celebration held on June 17, 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$500.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
21. Amending Resolution Number 2023-439, sponsoring the Frank O. Mazza Civic Association's Peterson Cultural Festival, to reflect an increase in funding in the amount of \$1,000.00 for a new sponsorship amount not to exceed \$3,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
22. Resolution appointing Manuel T. Figueiredo to the Union County Utilities Authority for a five-year unexpired term ending on January 31, 2024. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
23. Congratulating Bruce Bergen, County Counsel, on 40 years of dedicated service as the longest running Rotarian of the Cranford Rotary. **(Chairman Sergio Granados, & The Entire Board)**

24. Recognizing Clifton People Jr. for his many years of dedicated service to the Union County Utilities Authority. **(Chairman Sergio Granados, & The Entire Board)**

ADJOURNMENT

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 2023 MEETING SCHEDULE

REORGANIZATION MEETING - THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023 at 6:00 pm
Union County Courthouse- 2 Broad Street. Elizabeth

AGENDA SETTING SESSION

January 26, 2023
February 9, 2023
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March 16, 2023
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December 21, 2023

Please note that the 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 this 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.