



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THURSDAY, JULY 13, 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 certificate presentation will be made by the Board to the student participants of the 2023 Union County Summer Theatre Program.

A resolution presentation will be made to Melissa Logan, teacher at Jefferson Elementary School in Plainfield, upon receiving the Garden Club of America's 2023 Elizabeth Abernathy Hull Award for outstanding achievement in environmental education for children; and further recognizing Kate Flescher, President of the Plainfield Garden Club, for the tremendous efforts of the Plainfield Garden Club within the Plainfield community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

To the extent known, the following items will be discussed in Executive Session:

- 1) Confidential discussions concerning Shared Service Agreements; and
- 2) Attorney client privileged communication concerning the matter of HC Equities v. UC.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY CLERK

Joanne Rajoppi, County Clerk

1. Amending Resolution 2022-977, a contract with Full Service Mailers, Hackensack, NJ, to provide mail fulfillment services for the 2023 General Election to notify voters in certain districts that all ballots and elections information will now be bilingual in English and Spanish. This amendment is for an amount not to exceed \$65,585.66 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$281,217.66. (**Chairman Sergio Granados**)

2. Amending Resolution Number 2023-352, a contract with Royal Printing Services, West New York, NJ, for the 2023 General Election to print a letter to notify voters in certain districts that all ballots and elections information will now be bilingual in English and Spanish. This amendment is for an amount not to exceed \$12,602.00 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$2,553,332.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

William Daniel, Prosecutor

1. Amending Resolution 2023-50, authorizing the use of cooperative contracts, to increase the annual budgetary allocation for Gold Type Business Machines, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$364,909.50 to the Cooperative Purchasing vendor list, for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, for a new total amount not to exceed \$514,909.50. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY SHERIFF

Peter Corvelli, Sheriff

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a State Aid Agreement to apply for and accept a grant from State of New Jersey Department of Corrections for the provision of comprehensive Inmate Substance Abuse Treatment and Reentry Program Services for Union County Jail inmates for Fiscal Year 2024 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$3,500,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
2. Amending Resolution 2023-140, a contract with Lexis Nexis, to increase the contract amount for the purchase of law books, internet services and materials to include the Division of Corrections expenses for the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in the amount of \$1,422.00 for a total amount not to exceed \$53,517.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to accept funding from the NJ Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services Funding Award for State Fiscal Year 2024, 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, 2023 through June 30, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$367,800.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a memorandum of understanding between the County of Middlesex and the County of Union County to provide custody of juveniles placed at the Middlesex County Juvenile Detention Center from July 6, 2023 through September 30, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$36,000.00. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

BOARD OF ELECTIONSNicole DiRado, Administrator

1. Amending Resolution 2021-998, a lease agreement with Liberty Transportation & Storage Company, Inc., Berkeley Heights, New Jersey, for the purposes of providing warehouse space for the Union County Board of Elections to extend the lease term for five (5) additional years, commencing October 6, 2023 through October 5, 2028 in an amount not to exceed \$919,222.82 for a total amount of \$1,237,822.82. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with EasyVote, Wilmington, NC, for the purpose of providing a seal and asset tracking and project management suite for the contract period of August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2026 in an amount not to exceed \$77,528.50. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTAmy Crisp Wagner, Deputy County Manager/Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution 2023-598 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), the amount of \$500,000.00 for a new total not to exceed \$1,500,000.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2023-525, 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 include grant funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for the additional amount of \$900,000.00, for a new amount not to exceed \$9,700,733.48. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to modify the term of the LEAP County Coordinator Fellowship grant agreements from the original term of June 25, 2020 through December 31, 2021 to July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 to align the agreement period with the State's fiscal year. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to modify the term of the LEAP County Coordinator Fellowship grant agreements from the original term of March 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023, to July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022 to align the agreement period to the State's fiscal year. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to accept funding from the State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, under the Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP) Fellowship Coordinator Grant in the amount of \$ 55,890.00; and to further enter into an agreement to support the direct salary costs for a Shared Services Coordinator Fellow for one-year for the period July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENTJoseph Graziano, Director

1. Amending Resolution 2023-94, a contract with Dewberry Engineers Inc. of Bloomfield, New Jersey to provide On-Call Bridge Services commencing January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 for an additional amount of \$20,000.00 for a total contract not to exceed \$30,000.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2023-003). **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager and Deputy County Manager to submit and sign an application for Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant (EECBG Program). **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
3. Amending Resolution 2020-787, a contract with CME Associates, Monmouth Junction, New Jersey, to provide additional Licensed Site Remediation Professional Services (LSRP) related to the remediation of the former Trap and Skeet Facility at Lenape Park, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$681,021.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2011-029). **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Amending Resolution 2023-207, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Shade Environmental, LLC, of Maple Shade, New Jersey for the Union County Courthouse Tower Environmental Remediation, City of Elizabeth, County of Union, New Jersey. This Final Change Order #1 will decrease the contract amount by \$25,000.00 for a new total amount not to exceed \$39,200.00. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. 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 Agate Construction Company Inc. of Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey for the Randolph Road, Pl-11, Bridge Scour Protection, City of Plainfield, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$399,933.00. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. 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 CMS Construction Inc., of Plainfield, New Jersey for the Central Avenue, (Ra-20) Bridge Scour Protection, City of Rahway, County of Union, New Jersey for an amount not to exceed \$463,009.60. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**
7. Granting permission to the Borough of Mountainside (Westfield Chamber of Commerce & GWACC Foundation) to hang a banner from September 5, 2023 to September 18, 2023 and close Mountain Avenue from Mountainview Road to New Providence Road on September 17, 2023 from 6:00 am to 5:00 pm to advertise and conduct a Classic Car Show. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**

8. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with TAPinto Local LLC, New Providence, NJ for advertising and promotion of the Union County Recycling and Clean Communities Initiatives and promotion of the Union County Recycling events for the period of September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$50,400.00. **(Commissioner Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

1. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$285,030.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families - Division on Women for a program entitled: SAARC. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
2. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$367,800.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: DOC - Jail Mat Initiative Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
3. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$200,000.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Law and Public Safety for a program entitled: Hazard Mitigation Plan Update Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
4. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$314,285.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families for a program entitled: Human Services Advisory Council Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
5. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$164,253.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Human Services for a program entitled: SNAP American Rescue Plan Act. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
6. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$897,788.00 as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials for a program entitled: NJACCHO Enhancing Local Public Health Infrastructure Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
7. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$4,793,789.00 as a result of notification received from the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development for a program entitled: SuperNofa Continuum of Care Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
8. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$119,338.49 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury for a program entitled: Opioid Litigation Recovery Funds. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

9. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$57,063.94 as a result of notification received from the New Jersey Department of State for a program entitled: UCBOE - Seal Asset Tracking Management System. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
10. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$238,024.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection for a program entitled: County Environmental Health Act (CEHA) Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
11. Modifying the 2023 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$22,500.00 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Health for a program entitled: Comprehensive Cancer Control Grant. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Debbie-Ann Anderson, Director

1. Amending Resolution Number 2022-1064, a contract with New Hope Integrated Behavioral Health Care, Marlboro, NJ, for the purpose of providing two additional 12-hour educational sessions for the Union County Intoxicated Driver Resource Center program for an increase in the contract amount by \$3,600.00 for a new total contract not to exceed \$68,400.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to accept FY2022 SuperNOFO Continuum of Care (CoC) program competitive grant award funds in the amount not to exceed \$4,477,498.00 from U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) and to enter into subcontracts with various agencies as specified in the Spending Plan; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the awarded agencies as needed. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to the United Way of Greater Union County, Elizabeth, NJ to provide services under the Union County Family Support and Prevention (FSP) Program for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, with two (2) one-year renewal options, in the total amount not to exceed \$250,000.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and enter into agreement with the NJ Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) to secure Recreation Opportunities for People with Disabilities (ROID) Program grant funding in the amount of \$35,000.00 with a required County Match of not to exceed \$7,000.00 for a total program amount of not to exceed \$42,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
5. Amending Resolution 2023-282 to further extend the contract with Geographic Solutions, Palm Harbor, FL for continuation of Workforce Information Management Data Exchange System, for a period of six (6) months from July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, and to increase the contract amount by \$29,550.00, for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$88,650.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

6. Amending Resolution Number 2023-253 to reflect an increase in the Area Plan Contract Spending Plan for Year 2 of the 2022-2024 Area Plan in the amount of \$106,162.00 to reflect a new total of not to exceed \$7,199,801.00 for the period January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023. **(Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Victoria Durbin-Drake, Director

1. Amending Resolution 2023-74, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding (BA# UCCP 47-2022) in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Weldon Material, Westfield, NJ to reflect Change Order Number 1 increasing the contract amount by \$50,000.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$1,020,150.00. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to conduct the 2023-2024 Deer Management Program for Union County, relative to the reduction of the white-tailed deer population within certain areas of the County, and to restrict areas when conditions necessitate in an amount not to exceed \$17,500.00. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Groundwork Elizabeth for stream bank stabilization work at Rizzuto Park, Elizabeth, New Jersey at no cost to the County of Union. **(Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Dennis Burke, Acting Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Public Safety: Sea Box, Inc. 1 Sea Box Drive, Cinnaminson, New Jersey, for the purpose of purchasing specialty containers in an amount not to exceed \$414,025.00. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Bruce H. Bergen, County Counsel

1. Amending Resolution 2022-1100, to increase the appropriation to DeCotiis Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin LLP, Paramus, NJ for Special Legal Counsel in the matter entitled H.C. Equities v. UC, et als, in the amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$530,000.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

Edward Oatman, County Manager

1. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a settlement Term Sheet and all other necessary documents for settlement in the matter entitled H.C. Equities LP v. County of Union. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

2. Appointing Michael Scanio, Union County Department of Public Safety, as the Union County Emergency Management Coordinator for a three (3) year term commencing on April 28, 2023 through April 27, 2026. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**

COMMISSIONER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Recognizing the Elizabeth Colombian Lions Club for all the contributions their organization has made to the Colombian community and throughout Union County; and further recognizing Elizabeth Colombian Lions Club for the 2023 Colombian Flag Raising at Elizabeth City Hall on July 20, 2023. **(Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, Chairman Sergio Granados, & The Entire Board)**
2. Recognizing Lions Club International as they celebrate the Lions Charity Run on July 5th, 2023. **(Chairman Sergio Granados, Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, & The Entire Board)**
3. Recognizing Peruvians for Progress, Inc for their many contributions to the Peruvian community and the greater Union County community; and further recognizing Peruvians for Progress as they celebrate their 2023 Peruvian Flag Raising at Elizabeth City Hall on July 19, 2023. **(Chairman Sergio Granados, Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, & The Entire Board)**
4. Recognizing the 33rd Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26, 2023; and further acknowledging and celebrating the progress that has been made to empower millions of Americans with disabilities to live more independently and enjoy the freedom of choice, to pursue meaningful constructive, and gratifying lives by reaffirming the principles of equality and inclusion and recommitting our efforts to reach full ADA compliance. **(Vice Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
5. Congratulating Reverend Dr. Denison Harfield, Jr., Pastor of Wallace Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, and the delegation from Wallace Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, as well as the City of Summit, on the historic occasion of celebrating the church's remarkable 100th Anniversary. **(Chairman Sergio Granados, & The Entire Board)**
6. Offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the families of Newark firefighters Augusto "Augie" Acabou, 45, and Wayne "Bear" Brooks Jr., 49, who died in the line of duty in the Grande Costa D'Avorio cargo ship fire in Port Newark. **(Chairman Sergio Granados, Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, & The Entire Board)**
7. Recognizing the month of July, 2023 as "Disability Pride Month" commemorating the progress made in advancing the rights and dignity of individuals with disabilities, and to promote inclusivity, diversity, and acceptance. **(Chairman Sergio Granados, & The Entire Board)**

8. Offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Monty Brooks, former Linden Councilman and a Chester Holmes Humanitarian Award recipient, during their time of sorrow. **(Chairman Sergio Granados, Commissioner Joseph C Bodek, & 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
February 23, 2023
March 16, 2023
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REGULAR MEETINGS

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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.