



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS


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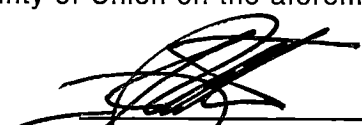
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COMMISSIONER	Aye	Nay	Abs	Pass	Ord.	Sec	NP	COMMISSIONER	Aye	Nay	Abs	Pass	Ord.	Sec	NP								
BAKER, JR.							✓	BAKER, JR.	✓														
BODEK	✓							BODEK	✓														
GARRETSON	✓							GARRETSON	✓														
KOWALSKI	✓					✓		KOWALSKI	✓														
LEON	✓							LEON	✓														
MIRABELLA	✓							MIRABELLA	✓					✓									
WILLIAMS	✓							WILLIAMS	✓														
PALMIERI-MOUDED VICE CHAIRWOMAN	✓				✓			PALMIERI-MOUDED VICE CHAIRWOMAN	✓				✓										
GRANADOS CHAIRMAN	✓							GRANADOS CHAIRMAN	✓														

APPROVED AS TO FORM

 COUNTY ATTORNEY

I hereby certify the above is an original ordinance adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Union on the aforementioned date.

 CLERK

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The County of Union (the "County"), State of New Jersey is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new additional furnishings, new communication and signal systems equipment, new information technology and telecommunications equipment and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said County, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. The cost of the improvements and acquisitions includes all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements and acquisitions described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the State grants and the down payment appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvements and acquisitions shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefitted.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements and acquisitions is not a current expense of said County.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the State grants hereinafter appropriated, and (3) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (5) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners - Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of a portable stage.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$353,500
Down Payment Appropriated \$17,675
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$335,825
Period of Usefulness 15 years

B. Department of Economic Development, Bureau of Information Technologies - Acquisition of new information technology and telecommunications equipment for the use of various County departments, offices and agencies, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$1,919,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$95,950
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$1,823,050
Period of Usefulness 5 years

C. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities Management, Division of Engineering - Undertaking of road, intersection, bridge and culvert improvement projects at various locations, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$14,533,900
State Grants Appropriated \$9,085,251
Down Payment Appropriated \$272,432
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$5,176,217
Period of Usefulness 10 years

D. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities Management, Division of Engineering - Undertaking of (i) environmental monitoring and remediation (including permit applications) at various underground storage tank sites, former landfill sites and other County facilities, (ii) removal of underground storage tanks and (iii) inspection of underground storage tanks.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$6,161,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$308,050
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$5,852,950
Period of Usefulness 15 years

E. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities Management, Division of Engineering - Undertaking of various engineering, architectural and other services in connection with various infrastructure and building projects.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$1,600,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$80,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$1,520,000
Period of Usefulness 15 years

F. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities Management, Division of Engineering - Construction of a parking lot on Spring Street.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$116,150
Down Payment Appropriated \$5,808
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$110,342
Period of Usefulness 15 years

G. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities Management, Division of Facilities Management - Supplemental funding for the demolition of the existing County Parking Deck on Elizabethtown Plaza and the construction of a new Parking Deck on

such site. It is hereby determined and stated that the County has heretofore appropriated the aggregate sum of \$25,300,000 for such improvement pursuant to Ord. No. 817-2020 adopted on September 3, 2020, as supplemented by Ord. No. 839-2022 adopted on October 6, 2022.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$12,625,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$631,250
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$11,993,750
Period of Usefulness 30 years

H. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities Management, Division of Public Works - Acquisition of new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, and new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$1,515,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$75,750
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$1,439,250
Period of Usefulness 5 years

I. Department of Parks and Recreation - Restoration of House 4 at Deserted Village.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$203,260
State Grant Appropriated \$191,248
Down Payment Appropriated \$601
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$11,411
Period of Usefulness 10 years

J. Department of Parks and Recreation - Restoration of the Church/Store Building at Deserted Village.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$40,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$2,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$38,000
Period of Usefulness 10 years

K. Department of Parks and Recreation - Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of an all-terrain utility cart with plow.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$40,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$2,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$38,000
Period of Usefulness 5 years

L. Department of Parks and Recreation - Undertaking of renovations to the Ash Brook Golf Course Clubhouse. It is hereby determined and stated that said public building being improved is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$1,515,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$75,750
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$1,439,250
Period of Usefulness 15 years

M. Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Park Maintenance - Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, as set forth on a list on

file with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$1,156,150
Down Payment Appropriate \$57,808
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$1,098,342
Period of Usefulness 10 years

N. Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Park Maintenance - Undertaking of various park and recreation improvements consisting of (i) acquisition and installation of a weather station on County property, (ii) various engineering, architectural and other services in connection with the preparation of the Warinanco Park Infrastructure Upgrade Plan, (iii) various engineering, architectural and other services in connection with infrastructure upgrades at Unami Park, and the undertaking of such upgrades, (iv) various engineering, architectural and other services in connection with various park and recreation projects, (v) resurfacing playgrounds at various locations, (vi) improvements to rest rooms at various locations, (vii) installation of benches, tables, bike racks, water fountains, trash/recycle cans and other park amenities at various locations, (viii) construction of playgrounds at various locations, (ix) various improvements to the Green Brook Extension at Green Brook Park, (x) replacement of existing fencing and installation of new fencing at various locations, (xi) reconstruction and upgrading of the skate park at Esposito Park, (xii) planning and undertaking of culvert improvements at various locations, (xiii) rehabilitation of various baseball fields and (xiv) improvements to walking paths at various locations.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$4,540,745
Down Payment Appropriated \$227,038
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$4,313,707
Period of Usefulness 15 years

O. Sheriff's Office, Division of Corrections - Replacement of overhead roll-up doors at the Jail on Elizabethtown Plaza.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$101,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$5,050
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$95,950
Period of Usefulness 15 years

P. Sheriff's Office, Division of Corrections - Acquisition of new communication and signal systems equipment consisting of a telephone and radio recording system.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$50,500
Down Payment Appropriated \$2,525
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$47,975
Period of Usefulness 10 years

Q. Surrogate's Office - Acquisition of new communication and signal systems equipment consisting of audio/visual conferencing equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$15,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$750
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$14,250
Period of Usefulness 10 years

R. Surrogate's Office - Acquisition of new information technology and telecommunications equipment consisting of wifi-system upgrade equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$25,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$1,250
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$23,750
Period of Usefulness 5 years

S. Union County Improvement Authority - Providing funding to the Union County Improvement Authority (the "Authority") in connection with the Capital Lease Program being undertaken by the Authority.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$5,050,000
Down Payment Appropriated \$252,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$4,797,500
Period of Usefulness 15 years

T. Union County College - Renovation and expansion of the physical education facility at the Cranford Campus, including expansion of the existing gym, addition of locker rooms, renovation of existing classrooms and administrative offices and acquisition of original furnishings and equipment therefor. It is hereby determined and stated that (A) all resolutions to be filed by the Board of Trustees of Union County College and the Board of School Estimate of Union County College in order to request the Board of County Commissioners to raise funds for the aforesaid purpose have been filed, (B) no down payment is required for such purpose pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-19(2)(b), (C) Union County College may apply for debt service aid from the State of New Jersey pursuant to Chapter 12 of the Laws of 1971 of New Jersey (N.J.S. 18A:64A-22.1 et seq.) for the improvement described in the preceding sentence, (D) if such Chapter 12 State Aid is received, it shall be applied to the payment of principal and interest on bonds or notes issued by the County for such project and (E) such public building being improved is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$4,612,677
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$4,612,677
Period of Usefulness 15 years

U. Union County Vocational-Technical Schools - Undertaking of the following improvements: (i) upgrading of the Courtyard and (ii) roof replacement at various buildings. It is hereby determined and stated that (A) all resolutions to be filed by the Board of Education of the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools and the Board of School Estimate of Union County Vocational-Technical Schools in order to request the Board of County Commissioners to raise funds for the aforesaid purposes have been filed, (B) no down payment is required for such purposes pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:54-31 and (C) such public buildings being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$505,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$505,000
Period of Usefulness 15 years

V. Union County Vocational-Technical Schools - (i) Undertaking of various safety and security upgrades (district-wide) and (ii) acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of (a) instructional equipment and machinery for various educational programs and (b) non-instructional equipment. It is hereby determined and stated that (A) all resolutions to be filed by the Board of Education of the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools and the Board of School Estimate of Union County Vocational-Technical Schools in order to request the Board of County Commissioners to raise funds for the aforesaid purposes have been filed and (B) no down payment is required for such purposes pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:54-31.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$707,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized \$707,000

Period of Usefulness 10 years

W. Union County Vocational-Technical Schools -Acquisition of new additional furnishings and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of (i) classroom furniture (district-wide) and (ii) vans. It is hereby determined and stated that (A) all resolutions to be filed by the Board of Education of the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools and the Board of School Estimate of Union County Vocational-Technical Schools in order to request the Board of County Commissioners to raise funds for the aforesaid purposes have been filed and (B) no down payment is required for such purposes pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:54-31.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$202,000

Bonds and Notes Authorized \$202,000

Period of Usefulness 5 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$57,586,882

Aggregate State Grants Appropriated \$9,276,499

Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated \$2,114,187

Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes

Authorized \$46,196,196

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$2,499,127 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. The aggregate sum of \$9,085,251 received or to be received as grants from the New Jersey Department of Transportation ("NJDOT") is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the infrastructure improvements authorized in Section 4.C above.

Section 7. The sum of \$191,248 received or to be received as a grant from the New Jersey Historic Preservation Trust is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvement authorized in Section 4.I above.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$2,114,187, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said County, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$2,114,187 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 9. To finance said purposes, bonds of said County of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$46,196,196 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter

determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 10. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said County of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$46,196,196 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 11. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, by the County Manager and by the County Treasurer and shall be under the seal of said County and attested by the Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the County Treasurer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 12. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 17.36 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 13. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of said County, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said County, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$46,196,196 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes