



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2024
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY CLERK

Joanne Rajoppi, County Clerk

1. Amending resolution 2021-803, a contract with Santorini Construction, Neptune NJ, for the Renovation and Remodeling of the Office of the Union County Clerk, in an additional amount of not to exceed \$159,332.42, for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$3,345,332.42. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

OFFICE OF THE UNION COUNTY PROSECUTOR

William Daniel, Prosecutor

1. Amending Resolution 2023-576, entering into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) providing the temporary mobility assignment of Assistant Prosecutor Tiffany Wilson from January 5, 2023 through January 5, 2024, to reflect an extension of the MOU through June 15, 2024; all other contract terms remain unchanged. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into contracts with Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners to serve as independent contractors as part of the Union County Sexual Assault Response Team for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
3. Amending Resolution 2023-1073, a contract with Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., (D/B/A/ Life Technologies), Waltham, MA, for the purchase of proprietary reagents, supplies, and service agreements for instrument maintenance necessary to perform DNA testing by the Union County Forensic Laboratory, to reflect a change in the account allocations only; all other terms of the contract remain unchanged. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

4. Amending Resolution 2023-1071, authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept funding from the State of New Jersey, Department of Children and Families for the Child Advocacy Development Grants - Treatment Services, Programs, Technology and Capital Improvement, to reflect a corrected award amount of \$117,412.00; all other terms remain unchanged. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept funding for the purpose described in the application from the State of New Jersey, Division of Administration, Department of Law and Public Safety, Office of the Attorney General under the SFY24 Law Enforcement Officers Training and Equipment Fund (LEOTEF) Grant Program, in the amount of \$9,275.00. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Amy Crisp Wagner, Deputy County Manager/Director

1. Amending Resolution 2023-1005, a contract with We Are One New Jersey Inc., Trenton, NJ, for the provision of social and human services that educate, empower, and uplift working families' under the We Are One New Jersey Project, to reflect an account number change only, all other contract terms remain unchanged. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
2. Amending Resolution 2023-1083, a contract with Millennium Strategies, Morristown, NJ, providing grant writing and procurement services, to reflect an increase in the amount of \$4,000.00 for a new total amount not to exceed \$102,000.00; all other contract terms remain unchanged. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
3. Amending Resolution 2022-63, authorizing the County Manager to exercise an option to the contract with All Covered, a division of Konica Minolta Business Solutions USA, Cherry Hill, NJ, for the purpose of providing technical services for the Bureau of Information Technologies, to reflect a two (2) month extension for a period beginning February 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$47,500, for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$622,660. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

Joseph Policay, Acting Director

1. Amending Resolution 2023-627, a contract with CME Associates of 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 located in the Township of Cranford, to increase the contract award in the amount of \$696,254.00 for a new total contract amount not to exceed \$1,377,275.00. **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**

2. Amending Resolution 2019-247, a contract with Matrix New World of Florham Park, New Jersey, for Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) Environmental Compliance Services and Remedial Investigation activities at the following locations: Department of Public Works Complex, Scotch Plains (RI); Galloping Hill Golf Course, Kenilworth; Warinanco Park, Roselle and Elizabeth; Houdaille Quarry, Springfield; Department of Public Works Complex, Scotch Plains (RA) and Cherry Street Maintenance Garage, Elizabeth; to increase the contract award in the amount of \$549,810.00 for a new total contract not to exceed \$1,808,305.00. **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with CME Associates, of Parlin, New Jersey to provide design, construction administration and inspection services for the 2025 Road Resurfacing Project for an amount not to exceed \$249,134.00. **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with PS&S of Warren, New Jersey to provide On-Call General Engineering Services commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2024-002). **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with CME Associates of Parlin, New Jersey to provide On-Call Environmental Engineering Services commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00. **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Dewberry Engineers, Inc of Bloomfield, New Jersey to provide On-Call Bridge Engineering Services commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2024-004). **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Bowman Consulting Group of Burlington, New Jersey to provide On-Call Traffic Engineering Services commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2024-005). **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with French & Parrello Associates of Wall Township, New Jersey to provide On-Call MEP Engineering Services commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2024-006). **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with USA Architects of Somerville, New Jersey to provide On-Call Architectural Services commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2024-007). **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**

10. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Remington & Vernick Engineers of Secaucus, New Jersey to provide On-Call Hydraulic Services commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2024-008). **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
11. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Colliers Engineering & Design of Mt. Arlington, New Jersey to provide On-Call Parks Services commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2024-009). **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
12. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with CME Associates, of Parlin, New Jersey to provide design, construction administration and inspection services for the New Spring Street Parking Lot Project in an amount not to exceed \$197,069.00 (Union County Engineering Project Number 2023-010). **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
13. Amending Resolution 2023-1036, a contract awarded pursuant to advertised public bidding (BA# 27-2021) in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., with H & S Construction and Mechanical, Inc, of Elizabeth, New Jersey to reflect a correction in the final contract amount from \$3,043,695.68 to \$3,043,596.68. **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
14. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract obtained through advertised public bidding (B.A. # 40-2023) in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Pennetta Industrial Automation, Little Ferry, NJ, for the purpose of providing Electronic & Electro-Mechanical Systems Services for twenty-four (24) consecutive months with the provision for one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension in an amount not to exceed \$108,550.00. **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**
15. Amending Resolution 2023-993, a contract with Electronic Manufacturers Recycling Management Company (MRM), to reflect the correct contract period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026 with options to extend the contract for two (2) additional 12-month periods with no other changes to the prior resolution or terms and conditions of the contract. **(Commissioner Joseph C Bodek)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCEBibi Taylor, Director

1. Approving transfer of Current Fund Appropriations. **(Commissioner Rebecca Lynne Williams)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICESDebbie-Ann Anderson, Director

1. Amending Resolution 2023-929, authorizing the 2023 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Spending Plan, to reflect a five (5) month extension for a new grant and contract period of January 1, 2023 through May 31, 2024; with no other changes to the spending plan or terms of the agreement. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**

2. Authorizing the County Manager to extend the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding (BA #49-2021, Reso 2021-888) in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq; Department of Human Services: HFT Management Inc., for the purpose of providing advertising on Union County Paratransit System Vehicles, exercising the option to extend for one (1) twenty-four (24) month period of December 21, 2023 through December 20, 2025, as a revenue generating contract. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to both qualify, pursuant to a Request for Qualifications procurement process and enter into a contract with Dr. Tasharofi, Union County Healthcare Associates, Rahway, NJ to serve as Medical Director of the Union County Pediatric Immunization Clinic located at 40 Parker Road, Elizabeth for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in the amount of not to exceed \$26,000.00. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**
4. Amending Resolution 2023-835, a contract with Community Access Unlimited, Elizabeth, NJ for Supportive Services for customers of the American Job Center, to extend the contract for a period of three (3) months through March 31, 2024 March 31, 2024; all other contract terms remain unchanged. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with The Mount Olive Baptist Church, Plainfield, New Jersey to provide warming center services for homeless individuals of Union County on designated Code Blue Nights for the period of January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$53,000.00. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless, Elizabeth, NJ for the 2024 Homeless Outreach and Shelter Program for the period of January 1, 2024 to June 30, 2024 in the amount of not to exceed \$50,000.00. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**
7. Amending Resolution 2023-927, approving the County Code Blue Emergency Shelter Initiative to address the needs of homeless individuals during periods of extreme weather conditions, to add the services of four (4) shelters to the list of Code Blue vendors for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, with no change in the total appropriation. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Victoria Durbin-Drake, Director

1. Resolution authorizing the County Manager to renew the one (1) year residential lease for caretaker of the County's Feltville Village. **(Vice-Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to renew the one (1) year residential lease for the caretaker of the County's Watchung Stables. **(Vice-Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**

3. Authorizing County Manager to Execute a License Agreement with T & F Industries, Township of Union, NJ allowing them access to Zimmerman Park to remediate contamination on the property. **(Vice-Chairwoman Lourdes M. Leon)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and execute a grant application from the NJDEP/Green Acres program for a Supplemental Funding Request for Acquisition Projects in the amount of \$6,536,450.00. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Dennis Burke, Acting Director

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Trigyn Technologies, Inc., Edison, New Jersey for a vaccination management system for the contract period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$120,000.00. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**
2. 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 2022 and 2023 UASI grants, in an amount not to exceed \$172,685.25. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with TriTech Software Systems (CentralSquare Technologies LLC), Lake Mary, FL, for maintenance/support renewal for the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) and Records Management System (RMS) for the Department of Public Safety and the Sheriff's Office for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$191,168.48. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**
4. Authorizing the County of Union to apply for and accept the New Jersey Office of Emergency Telecommunications within the Office of Information Technology FY-2024 Next Generation 9-1-1 Grant in the amount of \$300,806.98, for the grant period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**
5. Amending Resolution 2022-670, a contract awarded pursuant to advertised public bidding (BA# 24-2022) in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., with Continental Hardware, Inc., Newark, NJ, for the provision of providing Lumber and Associated Materials, to reflect an additional account number and a concurrent allocation transfer with no increase in contract amount; all other contract terms remain unchanged. **(Commissioner James Baker Jr)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Bruce H. Bergen, County Counsel

1. Authorizing the Office of the County Counsel to engage and compensate experts such as court reporters, expert witnesses, examining physicians and other litigation support and specialists which are essential to the defense of the County of Union during the year 2024 in amount not to exceed \$33,000.00. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with LexisNexis, a division of RELX Inc., Philadelphia, PA for the purchase of law books, internet services and materials as is necessary for various departments, constitutional offices and agencies within the County of Union for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$61,432.00. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Gann Law Books, Newark, NJ for the purchase of law books and materials as is necessary for various departments, constitutional offices and agencies within the County of Union for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$46,700.00. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
4. Amending Resolution 022-257, a contract with Florio, Perrucci, Steinhardt, Cappelli, Tipton & Taylor, LLC, New Providence, NJ, to represent Lt. Gaetano Bracciale in the matter entitled Beverly D. Figueroa v. County of Union, et al, to reflect an increase for an additional amount not to exceed \$27,350.00 for a new contract total amount not to exceed \$34,850.00 **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

COMMISSIONER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

2024 Board of County Commissioners

OFFICE OF OPEN SPACE, RECREATION AND HISTORICAL PRESERVATION

Victoria Durbin-Drake, Administrator

2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and execute a grant application from the NJDEP/Green Acres Program to carry out a restoration and landscape improvement project at the Homestead Farmhouse at Oak Ridge Park, Clark, NJ in the amount of \$479,800.00. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and execute a grant application from the NJDEP/Green Acres Program to carry out an all-inclusive playground improvement project at Warinanco Park, in the Borough of Roselle and the City of Elizabeth, NJ in the amount of \$1,250,000.00 **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and execute a grant application from the NJDEP/Green Acres Program to carry out a playground improvement project at Rahway River Park, in the City of Rahway and the Town of Clark, NJ in the amount of \$605,100.00. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados)**

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE

6. Recognizing the City of Elizabeth's African-American History Month Proclamation Signing Program held on February 5, 2024. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados, & The Entire Board)**
7. Recognizing the month of January as Muslim Heritage Month. **(Commissioner Sergio Granados, & The Entire Board)**

8. Offering this Board's deepest condolences to the family of Debra Fernandes-Lehotsky during their time of sorrow. **(Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, & The Entire Board)**
9. Extending this Board's deepest condolences to the family of Teresa Ann Politano, who passed away on January 24, 2024. **(Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, & The Entire Board)**
10. Congratulating Union County Vocational-Technical Schools on being awarded the Lighthouse Award which recognizes school districts and charter schools in New Jersey for illuminating the path toward education improvement and equitable outcomes on January 19, 2024 **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, & The Entire Board)**
11. Recognizing William H. Thomas, of Scotch Plains, as he celebrates his 90th birthday on February 1, 2024. **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, & The Entire Board)**
12. Resolution recognizing the following honorees of the Union County Baseball Association 87th Annual Hot Stove Dinner held on January 28, 2024: Thomas Langan (John Langan Memorial Award); George Visconti (Chris Zusi Memorial Award); Ryan Matlosz (Hall of Fame Inductee); Brian Chapman (Hall of Fame Inductee); John Wagner (Hall of Fame Inductee); 1987 Roselle Park High School Baseball Team (Outstanding Achievement); 1982 Linden High School Baseball Team (Outstanding Achievement); and Al Santorini (Special Guest Speaker). **(Chairwoman Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, & The Entire Board)**

PUBLIC HEARING

A presentation will be made by Kristopher Krzyston and Gail Lalla of T&M Associates, Middletown, NJ relative to the County of Union's Department of Parks and Recreation application for: Funding through the State of NJ Urban Parks Program [and the Green Acres Program] for improvements at Rahway River Park located at 3 Parkway Drive (Block 179.01, Lot 48) in the Township of Clark and the City of Rahway, Union County, New Jersey; and Funding through the State of NJ Green Acres Stewardship Program for improvements at Oak Ridge Park located at 136 Oak Ridge Road (Block 3, Lot 1) in the Township of Clark, Union County, New Jersey; and Funding through the State of NJ Green Acres Jake's Law Grant for improvements at Warinanco Park located at 822-828 Vine St, in the City of Elizabeth and Borough of Roselle Park.

The hearing is now open to the public for commenting on the aforementioned three (3) County of Union's Department of Parks and Recreation applications to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, State of New Jersey Green Acres Program.

ADJOURNMENT

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 2024 MEETING SCHEDULE

REORGANIZATION MEETING - THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024 at 6:00 PM Union County Courthouse- 2 Broad Street. Elizabeth

AGENDA SETTING SESSION

Thursday, January 25, 2024
Wednesday, February 7, 2024
Wednesday, February 21, 2024
Wednesday, March 13, 2024
Wednesday, March 27, 2024
Wednesday, April 10, 2024
Wednesday, April 24, 2024
Wednesday, May 8, 2024
Wednesday, May 22, 2024
Wednesday, June 5, 2024
Wednesday, June 19, 2024
Wednesday, July 17, 2024
Wednesday, August 14, 2024
Wednesday, September 11, 2024
Wednesday, September 25, 2024
Wednesday, October 9, 2024
Wednesday, October 23, 2024
Wednesday, November 13, 2024
Wednesday, December 4, 2024
Wednesday, December 18, 2024

REGULAR MEETINGS

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Wednesday, Nov. 13, 2024
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2024
Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2024

Please note that the County Commissioners' meetings, with the exception of the January 25, 2024 meetings, are to be regularly held on Wednesday evenings. These meetings 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. Persons requiring a sign language interpreter should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 908-527-4140.