



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22, 2024
REGULAR 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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. April 10, 2024 - Agenda Setting Session
2. April 10, 2024 - Regular Meeting
3. April 24, 2024 - Agenda Setting Session
4. April 24, 2024 - Regular Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open 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.

RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION

The following resolutions are being offered for adoption:

- 2024-407 COMMISSIONER JAMES BAKER JR:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Interaction Insight Corporation through New Jersey State Contract T-0109/83891 for the purchase of telephone recording equipment for the Union County Sheriff's Office in the amount not to exceed \$149,854.00.
- 2024-408 COMMISSIONER JAMES BAKER JR:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with New Jersey Transit to secure grant funding in the amount of \$397,500.00 with a 100% cash match in the amount of not to exceed \$397,500.00 for a total of \$795,000.00 for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 for NJ Transit's Consolidated NJ- Job Access and Reverse Commute (NJ-JARC Round 11) Grant Program for SY2025.

- 2024-409 COMMISSIONER JAMES BAKER JR:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with NJ Department of Military and Veterans Affairs for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 for the purpose of transporting Union County veterans to veteran's medical facilities in the amount not to exceed \$12,000.00.
- 2024-410 COMMISSIONER JOSEPH C BODEK:** Amending Resolution 2020-483, a contract with USA Architects, Somerville, NJ to provide Design Services, Procurement Assistance, and Construction Administration for a Fire Sprinkler Installation project in the New Annex Courthouse building, Elizabeth, NJ, to increase the contract amount by \$104,644.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$323,969.00.
- 2024-411 COMMISSIONER JOSEPH C BODEK:** Granting permission to the Township of Scotch Plains to close Park Avenue on June 12, 2024 for the Patrick's Downtown Race to Summer 5K.
- 2024-412 COMMISSIONER JOSEPH C BODEK:** Granting permission to the Borough of Roselle Park to close Chestnut Street for the following events: May 27, 2024, 8:00 am to 1:00 pm for the 2024 Memorial Day Parade, September 28, 2024 , 8:00 am to 8:00 pm for the 2024 Arts Festival, October 30, 2024, 1:00 pm to 10:00 pm for the 2024 Mischief Night Concert and Program, December 7, 2024 and December 8, 2024 from 1:00 pm to 10:00 pm for the 2024 Christmas Tree Lighting and Winter Market; and further granting permission to hang a banner across Chestnut Street for the following advertisements: May 1, 2024 to June 1, 2024, 2024 Memorial Day Parade; June 1, 2024 to July 8, 2024, 2024 Independence Day Celebration; August 1, 2024 to September 9, 2024, 2024 Fiesta Hispana y Latina; September 8, 2024 to October 1, 2024, 2024 Arts Festival; October 1, 2024 to November 1, 2024, 2024 Mischief Night Concert and Program; November 1, 2024 to December 10, 2024, 2024 Christmas Tree Lighting and Winter Market.
- 2024-413 COMMISSIONER JOSEPH C BODEK:** Granting permission to the Borough of New Providence to close a portion of Springfield Avenue for the following events: May 27, 2024, 9:00 am to 11:00 am for Memorial Day; July 3, 2024, 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm for the Independence Day Celebration; October 27, 2024, 7:30 am to 7:00 pm for the Annual Street Fair; and November 29, 2-024, 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm for the Holiday Festival.
- 2024-414 COMMISSIONER JOSEPH C BODEK:** Granting permission to the Township of Berkeley Heights to close Springfield Avenue on July 16, 2024 from 6:00 pm to 2:00 am for the Mt. Carmel Festival.
- 2024-415 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS:** Amending Resolution 2024-171, a contract with the Urban League of Union County, Elizabeth, NJ for the provision of financial literacy services, to extend the contract for a period of two (2) months from April 1, 2024 through May 31, 2024.
- 2024-416 COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS:** Appointing Winona Cleveland to the Human Services Advisory Council (HSAC) for a three-year term of January 1, 2024 - December 31, 2026.

- 2024-417 COMMISSIONER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Re-appointing the following members to the Cultural & Heritage Advisory Board for a term starting on January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026: Maria Carvalho and Ruby Contreras.
- 2024-418 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS:** Amending Resolution 2023-503, a contract awarded through a public bidding process to Universal Protection Services, LLC, Bridgewater, NJ, for the purpose of providing security coverage to Cornerstone Behavioral Health Hospital of Union County, to exercise the second option to extend the contract for the period of July 1, 2024 through December 14, 2024 in the total amount not to exceed \$236,519.12.
- 2024-419 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Sponsoring the Township of Hillside's Juneteenth celebration to be held on June 15, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00.
- 2024-420 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Sponsoring the Urban League of Union County, Inc./Juneteenth Collective 1865's Juneteenth celebration to be held on June 23, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00.
- 2024-421 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Sponsoring the Portuguese American Civic Association's Portuguese Festival to be held on June 28 & 29, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000.00.
- 2024-422 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Sponsoring the Borough of Roselle Park's Independence Day Fireworks to be held on July 1, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00.
- 2024-423 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Sponsoring the Township of Springfield's 4th of July Celebration to be held on July 4, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.
- 2024-424 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Sponsoring the City of Plainfield's Independence Day Concert and Fireworks to be held on July 5, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$4,000.00.
- 2024-425 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Sponsoring the Puerto Rican Alliance of Elizabeth's Parade and Flag Raising to be held on July 13 & 14, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.
- 2024-426 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Sponsoring The Loving Arms Foundation's Hillside Outdoor Music Experience to be held on August 11, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$1,500.00.
- 2024-427 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUED:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., d/b/a Life

Technologies Corporation, Waltham, MA to purchase proprietary reagents supplies, equipment, validation services and service agreements for instrument maintenance for the period of May 1, 2024 through April 30, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$230,528.70.

- 2024-428 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Cellebrite Inc., Vienna, VA to purchase proprietary software for the contract period of June 1, 2024 through May 31, 2025 in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00.
- 2024-429 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Agilent Technologies, through STATE CONTRACT 17-FLEET-01042 for the purpose of purchase of two gas chromatograph-mass selective detectors (GC-MSD) and associated software and installation, in the amount not to exceed \$243,472.63.
- 2024-430 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Concurring with the Union County Workforce Development Board Resolution 2024-21 Authorizing the payment of indirect costs for PY22.
- 2024-431 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Concurring with the Union County Workforce Development Board Resolution 2024-22 authorizing the payment of indirect costs for PY23.
- 2024-432 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Concurring with the Union County Workforce Board Resolution 2024-23 authorizing the transfer of Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) expenses from PY23 to PY22.
- 2024-433 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Concurring with the Union County Workforce Development Board Resolution 2024-24 amending a contract with United Way of Greater Union County by transferring the expiring account balances in PY22.
- 2024-434 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Concurring with the Union County Workforce Development Board Resolution 2024-28 awarding funding to support the implementation, through a collaboration between the Workforce Advantage and Union College, of a Digital Literacy Training Program in Union County.
- 2024-435 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a license agreement with T & F Industries, Inc., of Union, NJ for temporary access to perform NJDEP required remediation in Zimmerman Park, Union Township, for the purpose of remediating ground water and other contamination.
- 2024-436 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Authorizing the County Manager to execute a Quitclaim Deed to vacate a public right-of-way on property within the Township of Springfield, adjoining the property designated on the tax map of

Springfield as Block 501, Lot 2, and Morris Avenue, of approximately .25 acres, no longer needed for a public purpose.

- 2024-437 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Amending Resolution 2023-971 to increase the appropriation to Kingston Coventry, LLC of Parsippany-Troy Hills, NJ for General Counsel services to the County of Union, by an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$155,000.00.
- 2024-438 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUEDED:** Amending Resolution 2024-395, appointing Andrew Casais to the Union County Vocational-Technical School Board of School Estimates, to correctly reflect the appointment to the Union County Vocational-Technical Board of Education.

COMMISSIONER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

- 2024-439 COMMISSIONER JAMES BAKER JR, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Congratulating Rahway artist Festina Amaturro, whose work will be displayed throughout 2024 at Newark Airport's Terminal A through a program led by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.
- 2024-440 COMMISSIONER JAMES BAKER JR, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Recognizing Ms. Gould's Art Class at Madison School in Rahway, upon hosting their Project Heart Program to highlight the importance and benefits of recycling for our communities.
- 2024-441 COMMISSIONER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Extending this Board's deepest condolences to the family of Camille Widdows of Cranford, during their time of sorrow.
- 2024-442 COMMISSIONER ALEXANDER MIRABELLA, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Congratulating the Union County Rugby Football Club as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary at Galloping Hill Country Club on June 8, 2024.
- 2024-443 COMMISSIONER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Endorsing RevolutionNJ and its mission to advance the role that history plays in public discourse, community engagement, education, tourism and scholarship in New Jersey, as they work to coordinate the commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States.
- 2024-444 VICE-CHAIRWOMAN LOURDES M. LEON, COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Congratulating the Eagle Scout honorees of Our Lady of Fatima Parish Scouts BSA Troop 101.
- 2024-445 VICE-CHAIRWOMAN LOURDES M. LEON, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Recognizing the Elizabeth Cubanos Lions Club on their mission to empower local volunteers to serve their communities as well as encourage peace and promote international understanding; and further recognizing the impact the Elizabeth Cubanos Lions Club has had on our local Union County residents as they celebrate the Cuban community and culture with a Cuban Flag Raising Ceremony on May 16th, 2024.

- 2024-446 VICE-CHAIRWOMAN LOURDES M. LEON, COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Honoring Evelio Salerno at the 51st Annual Guayabera Dance & Governor's Testimonial, hosted by the Elizabeth Cubanos Lions Club at the Arches Hall in Elizabeth on Saturday, June 8th, 2024.
- 2024-447 VICE-CHAIRWOMAN LOURDES M. LEON, COMMISSIONER SERGIO GRANADOS, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Recognizing the City of Elizabeth's Portugal Day Flag Raising to be held on May 31st, 2024.
- 2024-448 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUDED, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Proclaiming June 9, 2024, as "Race Amity Day" throughout Union County; and further recognizing Kristina Silvestry of Peace of Mind Yoga, Counseling and Wellness Center and her efforts in hosting a free day of events, including art exhibitions, fun activities, music, dance, and speakers in recognition of "Race Amity Day."
- 2024-449 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUDED, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Recognizing The MAX Challenge of Springfield/Union for their generous donation of ShopRite gift cards to the needy families of Union County through the Division of Social Services.
- 2024-450 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUDED, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Recognizing Marianne Wilson and the Kimberly Anne Wilson Foundation for their efforts in providing in-school support to students who are struggling with mental health challenges.
- 2024-451 CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUDED, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Recognizing May, 2024 as Lupus Awareness Month throughout Union County; and further congratulating the LUPUS Foundation of America for all of their efforts in raising awareness and establishing a comprehensive program of research, education, support services and advocacy to improve the quality of life for all people affected by lupus.
- 2024-452 COMMISSIONER CHAIRWOMAN KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUDED, & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Congratulating Maisie Shimko, from Girl Scout Troop 40792 of Scotch Plains, who will be honored for her Gold Award Project at their annual award ceremony on May 31, 2024.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND COMMENTS

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
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 Wednesday, October 9, 2024
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 Wednesday, November 13, 2024
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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.