



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2018
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sergio Granados presided over the meeting and called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

ROLL CALL

Roll call showed Chairman Sergio Granados, Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski, Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen, Freeholder Angel G. Estrada, Freeholder Angela R. Garretson, Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella, and Freeholder Rebecca Williams were present.

Also present were County Manager Edward Oatman, County Counsel Robert E. Barry, Esq., and Clerk of the Board James E. Pellettiere.

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

The prayer and salute to the flag were led by Clerk of the Board Pellettiere.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

The statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act was read by Clerk of the Board Pellettiere.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

Note and File

Chairman Granados noted that the Board would approve the communications at the September 13, 2018 Regular Meeting.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Michael Yuska, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. A Resolution approving the 2018 Policy Against Workplace Discrimination & Harassment.
(Chairman Sergio Granados)

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Ron Charles, Director

Director Charles made comments relative to his first Resolution. He stated that the past 17 years, the County has contracted with CEC for the drug and alcohol substance abuse program. He advised that the program is funded 100% by the Department of Corrections (through a grant). He further advised that approximately 100 inmates receive a variety of counseling services including

resume writing, job skills and behavior modification training. He noted the success of the program and advised it assists in the lower recidivism rate in Union County.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution #2016-1029, adopted 12/22/16, an agreement with CEC at GEO Group, Inc. Boca Raton, Florida to extend the agreement with CEC, Inc. for an additional 1 (one) year and for an additional amount of \$2,500,000.00 for the purpose of providing comprehensive Inmate Substance Abuse Treatment and Residential Correctional Facility Services for Union County Jail inmates for the contract period July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.00. This contract is funded through the State of N.J. via grant. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

Freeholder Hudak stated he's supportive of the program, noting that the County lost funding for the program around eight years ago. He made comments relative to CEC being acquired by the GEO group, one of the largest private prisoner operators in the country, and noted his concerns of the very public incidences in various institutions throughout the nation. He stated that he was confident the County has established a good relationship with the management at CEC, but inquired as to the Department's action relative to the oversight of the company to ensure that such incidents do not happen to the County's inmates and employees.

Director Charles advised that the GEO Group is divided into two Divisions: the Correction Division and GEO Care Division. He advised that the County is covered under the GEO Care (Division) because of the nature of the contract (substance abuse). He advised that the contract allows the County to have direct oversight; noting that his department would have a social worker and custody staff onsite once or twice a week. He advised that he also would be onsite once a week.

Director Charles stated that he is familiar with the Delaney Hall facility, noting that the County inmates would be located at the south side of the building (newer version) and that it meets all the required standards.

Freeholder Hudak stated that the County has trusted this facility for inmates looking for treatment, noting that it is a good idea, and one that the Board has consistently supported. He requested Director to be diligent in his oversight of GEO Inc., and to report to the Board if he sees conditions deteriorating at Delaney Hall.

Freeholder Estrada asked if the \$2.5 million dollars covers only 100 individuals.

Director Charles said he negotiated a lesser per diem rate with CEC, noting that the contract calls for a sliding scale between the highest rate of \$78 per diem per day to the lowest rate of \$73 dollars. He advised the previous contract called for \$80 per diem per day. He advised that the amount covers custody, medical, education, recreation and counseling services.

Freeholder Estrada asked if the rate is for a full-time service.

Director Charles advised that was the case.

Freeholder Estrada inquired as to the length of the program (for the inmates).

Director Charles stated that the individuals are there as long as the courts allow them, noting that some people are there 2-3 months, some are there 5-6 months, and some are there for almost a year. He advised that as long as they are in custody, and they fit the classification of the program, they are enrolled in the program.

Freeholder Estrada inquired as to the success rate of the program.

Director Charles stated that he would get him the rates, but noted that CEC hired Baylor University to do a recidivism rate study and it indicated a 20% rate compared to the national average of 70%.

Freeholder Estrada requested the Director to get additional (specific) information in terms of their performance.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with Adapt Pharma, Inc. Radnor, PA to purchase Narcan (Naloxone HC) Nasal Spray through a State N.J. Grant to provide a synthetic antagonist to narcotic drugs administered to reverse the effects of Opioids for the Union County jail population for the contract period September 6, 2018 through December 31, 2019 in an amount not to exceed \$22,500.00. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

Freeholder Hudak asked the Director if this to purchase Narcan for use in the jail.

Director replied that was correct.

Freeholder Hudak asked the Director have the County ever purchased Narcan.

Director Charles said the County has purchased a small amount through its medical vendor and that they were awarded a grant through the Department of Corrections, noting that they call it a medical assistance treatment program where Suboxone, Vivitrol and Narcan can be purchased. He stated that the County's supervisory staff has been trained by the Department of Health. He added that they also have been trained to teach others. He advised that this contract is for the purchasing of Narcan so that all supervisors who have had the training can have it on their person. He advised that they have had three cases where they needed to use Narcan; noting that the individuals were not current inmates, but rather individuals being admitted from other police departments or visitors.

Freeholder Hudak asked the Director to clarify that the three instances he referred to were not for people in custody, but rather people visiting those in custody.

Director Charles clarified that one instance involved a visitor, and the other two instances involved two individuals that were being brought in from other police departments for booking.

Freeholder Hudak asked if the \$22,500 was fully granted funded or if it required a County Match.

Director Charles advised that the total grant is in the amount of \$200,000, noting that the \$22,500 is the maximum amount allowed for the purchase of the Narcan. He noted that the Narcan lasts about two years, and advised that the grant allows his Department to donate the Narcan to the Sheriff Department and the County Police for their use if they realize they are approaching its expiration date.

Freeholder Garretson made comments relative to the two incidents of the use of Narcan (where the local police departments were transporting the individuals to the County jail), and asked the Director if he knew which towns do not have Narcan. She stated that it is good that the County has the resources to address such instances at its facility, noting that the County may be able to assist or encourage local departments in their efforts in addressing this epidemic.

Director Charles said he will get the information to her tomorrow morning.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENTAmy Wagner, Deputy County Manager/Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to effectuate payment of utilities and a central plant charge to JG Elizabeth II, LLC for the approximately 3,836 square feet of space (Room 1158, at the Mill at Jersey Gardens Mall, Elizabeth) during the period of May 2018 through July 31, 2018 in the amount of \$3,470.22 **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for the FY 2019 Subregional Transportation Planning (STP) Supplemental Support Program of the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) for \$21,600.00. The FY 2019 Subregional Transportation Planning (STP) Supplemental Support Program covers a twelve month period from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

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

1. Amending Resolution Number 2017-220, adopted March 9, 2017, a Professional Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) Service contract with T&M Associates of Middletown, New Jersey, to provide ongoing LSRP Environmental Services associated with the Meisel Park Project for an amount not to exceed \$9,450.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$59,050.00. (NJDEP Case # 99-04-28-1512 and 01-08-29-146-05; SRP Pl #130838; Union County Engineering Project #2011-030). **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Jalloh asked the Director how long there has been a need for a Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP) for Meisel Park.

Director Graziano advised that the LSRP is good for two years, noting that they continue to “cap” test the soil until they close the case. He advised that he has no way of knowing how long the case will remain open.

Freeholder Jalloh asked the Director if he knew when the County started testing the soil (at Meisel Park).

Director Graziano advised that he didn't know off-hand, but assured him that he would get the information to him.

Freeholder Jalloh asked if the \$59,000 amount was the total amount spent on the LSRP services for Meisel.

Director Graziano stated that the additional \$9,450 is good for the next two years, adding that the \$59,000 represents the total amount from the beginning (of the testing).

Freeholder Bergen advised that he believed the LSRP at Meisel Park began in 1990 or 1991, noting that he was recently at the park and noticed the signage.

Freeholder Jalloh inquired if the same LSRP has been on the project since 1990/1991.

Director Graziano advised the LSRP travels with the project, not the firm.

Freeholder Jalloh asked the Director if the \$59,000 was the amount spent from the beginning.

Director Graziano advised he would confirm that and relay such to the Board.

Freeholder Hudak asked the Director what happens in the event the LSRP retires.

County Engineer Thomas Mineo advised that it (the government entity) can use the firm of the LSRP or the firm that follows the person, noting a number of factors that would determine the choice of firm.

Freeholder Hudak asked whose discretion is used in determining the award of the next LSRP.

Engineer Mineo advised that it depends on the discretion of the engineering firm, noting that they would make the case that they have the ability to continue the work. He advised that the engineering firm would have relevant backup and would have had other individuals working on the project. He advised that both the firm and the individual LSRP is on file with the State (for the specific project).

Freeholder Hudak ask Mr. Mineo to clarify that if the LSRP is a sole practitioner, and he or she went out business the County would have to start the process from the beginning. However, if the individual LSRP is part of an engineering firm, the County can move forward with the engineering firm without starting the process from the beginning.

Director Mineo advised that was correct. He noted that in this particular case the LSRP was with T&M, and the woman changed firms, but the backup person had been with T&M from the onset and was extremely familiar with the project. In this instance, because the firm wanted to keep the project (and advised their capability to continue), the County isn't looking to follow the individual LSRP.

Freeholder Hudak made comments, generally speaking, relative to the County's various LSRP projects throughout the County and encouraged the Department to meet with County Counsel to prepare (the County) in the event some of the LSRPs leave their firms or are set to retire at some point.

Freeholder Estrada made comments relative to the history of the LSRP and commented on the documents filed with the State, noting his discussions with an LSRP on a particular project involving a gas station.

Engineer Mineo stated that the LSRP can be changed, but noted that while the information is readily available, it involves a great deal of information, noting that there is a cost associated with change.

Chairman Granados advised the Director (and Engineer) to get some more information as soon as possible.

2. Amending Resolution Number 2015-744 adopted on September 10, 2015, BA#11-2015, a contract awarded through advertised public bidding process in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 11-1 et seq., Ritacco Construction, of Belleville, New Jersey for the Replacement of Short Hills Avenue Culvert, SP-39, Township of Scotch Plains; approving Change Order Number 1 in an amount not to exceed \$67,860.00 for a new

contract amount not to exceed \$494,860.00. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-006C) **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**

3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an Agreement between the County of Union and Town of Westfield for the installation of illuminated pedestrian warning signals at 3 intersections: West Broad Street / Marion Avenue; South Avenue / Boulevard; and North Avenue / Tuttle Parkway, in compliance with State of New Jersey standards and the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD). **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Jalloh stated the Board received a substantial amount of complaints from residents in Westfield regarding the pedestrian crosswalks, noting a large number of residents came to a Freeholder meeting to complain. He stated his concerns that the County didn't work with the residents during the process of these warning signals.

Director Graziano advised that the project the Freeholder was referring to was different, clarifying that this contract is for illuminated signals for pedestrian and not "Hawk lights/traffic signals".

Freeholder Jalloh asked if the Township of Westfield is 100% on board with this project.

Director Graziano replied that they were and has passed their resolution, noting the County has to adopt a resolution to concur as it is in the County's right of way.

Freeholder Mirabella asked the Director how many other towns are doing similar projects (illuminated pedestrian lights).

Director Graziano advised that in addition to Westfield, New Providence and Cranford have done similar projects.

4. Amending Resolution Number 2018-322, adopted on April 19, 2018, BA#22-2017, 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 Tony & Son, Inc., of Colonia, New Jersey, approving Change Order Number 1 (final) for the Replacement of Hussa Street Bridge over Peach Orchard Brook, City of Linden, County of Union, New Jersey. This change order will reduce the original contract amount by (\$109,290.99) for a new contract amount not to exceed \$479,974.01. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2015-019) **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
5. Amending Resolution Number 2017-1029 adopted December 21, 2017, LBFN 2018-00019 for the Replacement of Pemberton Avenue Bridge over Cedar Brook, PI75, City of Plainfield, reflecting changes in the language in accordance with the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation (NJDOT) for grant application and agreements associated with the Local Bridge Future Need (LBFN) Program. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2010-006A) **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
6. Amending Resolution Number 2017-1030 adopted December 21, 2017 LBFN 2018-00017 for the Replacement of Mountain Avenue Bridge over Stream 3-61-1, Be26, Township of Berkeley Heights, reflecting changes in language in accordance with the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation (NJDOT) for grant application and agreements associated with the Local Bridge Future Need (LBFN) Program. (Union County Engineering Project #2013-004) **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**

7. Amending Resolution Number 2017-031 adopted December 21, 2017, LBFN 2018-00021 for the Replacement of Shunpike Road Bridge over Stream 10-35, City of Summit, reflecting changes in the language in accordance with the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) for grant application and agreements associated with the Local Bridge Future Need (LBFN) Program. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-041) **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
8. Amending Resolution Number 2017-032 adopted December 21, 2017, LBFN 2018-00020 for the Replacement of Lawrence Avenue Bridge over Stream 10-29, Mo3, Borough of Mountainside, reflecting changes in language in accordance with the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation (NJDOT) for grant application and agreements associated with the Local Bridge Future Need (LBFN) Program. (Union County Engineering Project Number 2016-042) **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40:A11-1 et seq to: Maffey's Security Group, Elizabeth, NJ (BA#39-2018) for the purpose of providing Security Systems Service, Installation and Maintenance for the Department of Engineering, Public Works & Facilities Management, Division of Facilities Management; UC Sheriff's Office; UC Prosecutor's Office for twenty-four (24) consecutive months, with the provision for one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension, not to exceed \$487,500.00 **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
10. Resolution concurring with the Township of Springfield granting permission to the Springfield Patriot Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Township of Springfield to close Mountain Avenue between Morris Avenue and Caldwell Place on Sunday, September 30, 2018 from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday, October 14, 2018 for the Fall Festival and Car Show. Also, granting permission to hang a banner across Mountain Avenue at the intersection of North Trivett Avenue from August 25, 2018 to October 14, 2018. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
11. Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Laws, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq; to Louis Barbato Landscaping, Holbrook, NY 11741 (BA-UCCP# 33-2018) for the purpose of providing and planting trees throughout Union County Parks and Roadways for the Department of Engineering, Public Works & Facilities Management, Division of Public Works \$43,650 and Department of Parks and Recreation, Division of Park Maintenance, \$66,537 for a twelve month (12) contract amount not to exceed \$110,187. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
12. Resolution concurring with the Township of Berkeley Heights granting permission to the Berkeley Heights Volunteer Rescue Squad to hang a banner across Springfield Avenue and Plainfield Avenue from September 18, 2018 through October 31, 2018 to advertise the Squad's Annual Membership Drive. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
13. Resolution ratifying permission granted to the Township of Scotch Plains to hang a banner across Park Avenue at the intersection of Front Street and Park Avenue from August 10, 2018 to September 5, 2018 for the Annual St. Bartholomew's Labor Day Italian Festival which will be held August 31, 2018 through September 5, 2018. Also, granting permission to

the Township of Scotch Plains to close a portion of Park Avenue and portion of Front Street and Park Avenue for the following events: Sunday, October 7, 2018 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Scotch Plains Day Sunday, December 2, 2018 12:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**

14. Resolution ratifying permission granted to the Town of Westfield to close North Ave., W. at the intersection of E. Broad Street for the 9/11 Commemoration Ceremony at the Memorial located on North Ave., on September 11, 2018 from 6:45 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Bibi Taylor, Director

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Resolution modifying the 2018 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$735,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation for a Program Entitled: LBFN2018 Replacement Pemberton Avenue Bridge over Cedar Brook, P175, Plainfield Project. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen)**
2. Resolution modifying the 2018 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$558,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation for a program entitled: LBFN 2018 Replacement Lawrence Avenue Bridge over Stream 10-29, Mountainside Project. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen)**
3. Resolution modifying the 2018 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$408,887 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation for a program entitled: LBFN 2018 Replacement Mountain Avenue Bridge over Stream 3-61-1, Be 26, Berkeley Heights Project. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen)**
4. Resolution modifying the 2018 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$502,500 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation for a program entitled: LBFN 2018 Replacement Shunpike Road Bridge over Stream 10-35, Su53, Summit Project. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen)**
5. Resolution modifying the 2018 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$2,500,000 as a result of notification received from the State of New Jersey, Department of Corrections for a program entitled: Department of Corrections State Aid. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen)**
6. Resolution modifying the 2018 Union County adopted budget in the amount of \$21,600 as a result of notification received from the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) for a program entitled: Subregional Transportation Planning Supplemental Support Program. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

Debbie-Ann Anderson, Director

Director Anderson stated her first resolution is for the CLEAR Program which was established in 2017 in partnership with the Sheriff's Office, the Prosecutor's Office and Prevention Links (a

nonprofit provider) in an amount of \$50,000. She stated that the CLEAR Program is a recovery program for individuals that are addicted to opioids who volunteer to come into the Sheriff Department for an alternative to incarceration. She noted that to date the CLEAR Program has assisted 41 individual Union County residents since January.

Director Anderson made comments relative to her eleventh resolution; noting that there is a shortage of psychiatrists to provide the County with overnight, weekend and emergency psychiatric services at Cornerstone.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract to Prevention Links of Roselle, New Jersey, for the Union County Community Law Enforcement Addiction Recovery (CLEAR) Program linking Union County residents to recovery supports to combat substance abuse, in the total amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the period of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. **(Freeholder Angela R. Garretson)**

Freeholder Garretson noted that the Director indicated that there were 41 individuals serviced in the County, and inquired as to how many individuals from out of the County were serviced.

Director Anderson advised that three out-of-county individuals were serviced, noting that they all were from Newark. She added that the total would be 44 individuals serviced.

2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for funding and enter into an agreement with NJ Transit to secure SFY19 grant funding in the amount of \$886,022 for the Senior Citizens and Disabled Residents Transportation Assistance Program (SCDRTAP) for the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 for the provision of curb-to-curb transportation for seniors age sixty and older, persons with disabilities and/or economically disadvantaged residents of Union County. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into agreement with NJ Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) to secure Recreation Opportunities for People with Disabilities (ROID) Program Grant funding in the total amount of \$35,000 with a required County Match of \$7,000 for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
4. Amending Resolution 2018-522, adopting the 2018 GAP Spending Plan, to increase overall funding in the amount of \$39,088 as specified on the spending plan for a new total of \$547,088; no other changes. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

Freeholder Mirabella asked for an explanation as to the increase in the GAP Spending Plan.

Director Anderson advised that this was an overall increase from the State, adding that there were no County charges associated. She advised that the State had additional funding for the Aging population and advised that the Center for Hope Hospice has a need for such funding as they are the only entity in the County assisting low income individuals.

Freeholder Mirabella asked if the State decided to give more funds to different Counties to incorporate into their plan.

Director Anderson replied that was correct.

Freeholder Mirabella asked how the Department will incorporate the funds into its plan.

Director Anderson replied the County would provide funds to Hospice and Homecare Services to provide services to the uninsured and underinsured sixty-and-older population.

Vice Chairman Kowalski inquired if it is true that there has been more funding for such services (in general) from this (Murphy) Administration.

Director Anderson advised that was correct.

5. Amending Resolution 2018-679, increasing the 2016-2018 Area Plan, to reflect an additional increase in funding only in the amount not to exceed \$98,958 for a new grand total not to exceed \$5,127,912 to be allocated as outlined and charged to account numbers specified for the same contract year three period of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 with no other changes to the 2016-2018 Area Plan. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to approve the 2018-2019 HEARTH Emergency Solutions (HES) Grant Program Spending Plan in the total amount not to exceed \$341,253 for subcontracted services to be provided during the period of August 1, 2018 to July 31, 2019; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any of the various agencies fails to meet its contractual obligation. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
7. Authorizing the County Manager to accept 2017 SuperNOFA Continuum of Care (CoC) competitive grant award Tier 2 funds in the total amount not to exceed \$421,426 from US Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) and to award subcontracts with varied one-year time frames as specified on the Spending Plan; further authorizing the transfer of funds among the awarded agencies during the contract period should service needs change and/or if any fails to meet its contractual obligation. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to designate the Union County Intoxicated Driver Resource Center (IDRC) under the Union County Department of Human Services, Division of Planning, located at Administration Building, 4th floor, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, NJ 07207 for the purpose of providing state mandated education, alcohol/drug abuse evaluation, and treatment referral for persons charged and/or convicted of Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)/Driving Under the Influence (DUI) for 1st offenders, 3rd offenders and repeat offenders during the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019; as required by the New Jersey Department of Health, Intoxicated Driver Program (IDP). **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a lease agreement with The Gateway Family YMCA, Elizabeth Branch, to rent space for the 2019 Intoxicated Driver Resource Center (IDRC) education classes to be held at 1564 Irving Street, Rahway, New Jersey, at a rate of \$520 per day for a minimum of 50 scheduled days during the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019 in the total amount not to exceed \$26,000. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**
10. Authorizing the County Manager to designate and enter into agreement with Straight and Narrow, Inc., Passaic, NJ, for the purpose of providing State-mandated education, alcohol/drug substance abuse evaluation, and treatment referral for Union County persons charged and/or convicted of Driving While Intoxicated (DWI)/Driving Under the Influence

(DUI) for 2nd offenders and repeat offenders referred to Straight and Narrow, Inc.'s forty eight (48) hour program at its Intoxicated Driver Resource Center (IDRC) located at 182 First Street, Passaic, New Jersey during the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**

11. Amending Resolution 2018-281 for additional psychiatric services on Cornerstone Units for the period of August 20, 2018 through December 31, 2018 for an additional \$121,000.00, for a new total amount not to exceed \$196,000. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Ron Zuber, Director

Parks Maintenance Director Michael Brennan represented the Department.

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into agreement, with Overhead Hoist & Crane Inc. dba Moye Handling Systems Inc of Somerville, NJ for the Installing and Repair services for Trolley at the Quarry, Springfield, NJ, for service needed as result of inspection, in the amount not to exceed \$6,994.72. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**
2. Amending Resolution Number 2016-719, a contract with Rec1 of Alpharetta, Georgia for a Cloud Based Recreation Management Software System, to reflect a change in name only to CivicPlus, Inc. of Manhattan, KS. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

Robert Barry, County Counsel

1. A Resolution approving the 2018 Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity Manual. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

Freeholder Jalloh asked if there were any changes being made.

County Counsel Barry stated there are a number of changes, noting that the manual had not been updated in some time. He advised that while it is quite voluminous, most of the changes reflect state and federal requirements. He advised that he would provide a summary to the Board.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER

Edward Oatman, County Manager

There were no questions or comments by the Board.

1. Authorizing the County Manager to adjust and/or change the Internal Position Control Schedules. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

1. Authorizing the sponsorship of the Independent Author's Book Expo to be held on October 6, 2018 in the amount of \$500. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**

2. Authorizing the sponsorship of the General Pulaski Memorial Committee of St. Theresa's Annual General Pulaski Memorial Parade held on October 10, 2018 in the amount of \$4,000. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**
3. Authorizing the sponsorship of the Town of Westfield's AddamsFest to be held on October 26, 2018 in the amount of \$4,000. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**
4. Authorizing the sponsorship of the City of Linden's Halloween Parade Committee for their annual parade to be held on October 28, 2018 in the amount of \$4,000. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**
5. Authorizing the sponsorship of the Borough of New Providence's Street Fair to be held on October 28, 2018 in the amount of \$500. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**
6. Authorizing the sponsorship of the Borough of New Providence's Holiday Festival to be held on November 23, 2018 in the amount of \$2,500. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen & the Entire Board)**
7. Congratulating YWCA Union County's 40th anniversary celebration on October 4, 2018. **(Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen)**

Freeholder Angela Garretson, Freeholder Angel Estrada, Chairman Sergio Granados and Vice Chairman Kowalski asked to be added as a co-sponsor. Chairman Granados advised the resolution should come from the Entire Board.

8. Congratulating Loretta Joan Iungerman of Roselle Park upon the occasion of her 100th birthday celebration. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh, Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen, Freeholder Angela Garretson and Freeholder Alexander Mirabella asked to be added as a co-sponsor. Chairman Granados suggested this resolution be from the entire Board.

9. Recognizing and congratulating EZ Ride upon its 35th anniversary celebration. **(Freeholder Angel G. Estrada)**

Freeholder Angela Garretson asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

10. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Abelardo Garcia of Elizabeth, founder of the La Voz newspaper upon the occasion of his passing. **(Freeholder Agnel G. Estrada and Chairman Sergio Granados)**

Vice Chairman Kowalski, Freeholder Estrada and Chairman Granados asked to be added as a co-sponsor.

11. Congratulating Pastor Christopher Michael Jones upon his 10th Pastoral anniversary at the First Baptist Church of Hillside, New Jersey. **(Freeholder Angela R. Garretson)**
12. Congratulating Linden High School Teacher Barbara Brady upon being named "Union County Teacher of the Year." **(Freeholder Christopher Hudak & Freeholder Mohamed S. Jalloh)**

Vice Chairman Kowalski asked to join as a co-sponsor.

13. Proclaiming the Month of September as National Suicide Prevention Month, and the week of September 9th through September 15th as National Suicide Prevention Week throughout the County of Union; and further recognizing the efforts of Care Contact for raising awareness to Suicide Prevention. **(Freeholder Alexander Mirabella)**

Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Freeholder Mohamed Jalloh, Freeholder Angela Garretson, Freeholder Rebecca Williams, to join as a co-sponsor. Chairman Granados suggested this resolution be from the entire Board.

14. Proclaiming the month of September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. **(Freeholder Rebecca Lynne Williams)**

Freeholder Mohamed Jalloh, Freeholder Angela Garretson, Freeholder Angel Estrada, and Chairman Sergio Granados asked to join as a co-sponsor.

15. Proclaiming the month of September as Gynecologic Awareness Month. **(Freeholder Rebecca Lynne Williams)**

Freeholder Angela Garretson, Freeholder Angel Estrada and Chairman Sergio Granados asked to join as a co-sponsor. Chairman Granados suggested this resolution be from the entire Board.

16. Congratulating the Union County Master Gardeners upon celebrating their 30th anniversary of the Master Gardener program. **(Vice Chairman Bette Jane Kowalski)**

Freeholder Angela Garretson asked to join as a co-sponsor.

17. Opposing the Trump Administration's 360-degree Federal Surveillance that would impact the ability of legal immigrants to gain citizenship if they received assistance through certain public programs. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

Freeholder Christopher Hudak, Freeholder Bruce Bergen, Freeholder Rebecca Williams, Freeholder Jalloh, and Freeholder Angela Garretson asked to join as a co-sponsor. Chairman Granados suggested this resolution be from the entire Board.

18. Proclaiming Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15th to October 15th, 2018 throughout the County of Union. **(Chairman Sergio Granados & the Entire Board)**
19. Congratulating Union County College upon the occasion of its 85th anniversary celebration on October 16, 2018. **(Chairman Sergio Granados & the Entire Board)**
20. Appointing Miguel A. Merino to serve as a member to the Union County College Board of Trustees for a term beginning July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2022. **(Chairman Sergio Granados, Freeholder Bruce H. Bergen & Freeholder Rebecca Williams)**
21. Congratulating Elizabeth Police Officer Leo Nunes for rescuing a one-year old girl after falling into a swimming pool. **(Chairman Sergio Granados)**

Freeholder Bruce Bergen will have a Sponsorship for the next Regular Meeting.

Freeholder Rebecca Williams will have an additional Resolution for the next Regular Meeting.

Freeholder Mohamed Jalloh will have an additional Resolution for the next Regular Meeting.

Chairman Sergio Granados will have an additional Resolution amending the Cityside Archives.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

1. Attorney-Client privileged communications relative to on-going litigation and potential settlement in the matter of Buckley et al. v. Union County Sheriff's Office; and
2. Attorney-Client privileged communication and discussion of possible settlement in the matter of Stephen Repella v. UC, et als; and
3. Attorney-Client privileged communication and discussions relative to on-going negotiations with Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority for potential Intergovernmental Agreement.

County Counsel Barry stated that pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act a public body may enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing certain enumerated subjects. He advised that the Board will now enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing: (1) Attorney-Client privileged communications relative to on-going litigation and potential settlement in the matter of Buckley et al. v. Union County Sheriff's Office; and (2) Attorney-Client privileged communication and discussion of possible settlement in the matter of Stephen Repella v. UC, et als; and (3) Attorney-Client privileged communication and discussions relative to on-going negotiations with Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority for potential Intergovernmental Agreement.

He stated that the minutes of the Executive Session shall be separated from the minutes of the Open Public Session. He stated that the minutes of the Executive Session, redacted as appropriate and necessary, shall be available in approximately 30 days, and advised the Clerk of the Board shall retain the original minutes until such time as the confidential limitations have been removed, at which time they shall be made available. He stated that upon the affirmative vote of the majority of the members present the Board may retire into Executive Session and advised that the Board would not take formal action on any matters discussed.

Chairman Granados asked for a motion to enter Executive Session. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chairman Kowalski, roll call showed 9 members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

Chairman Granados asked for a motion to return to the Agenda Meeting. On a motion made by Freeholder Mirabella and seconded by Vice Chairman Kowalski, roll call showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Granados asked for a motion to adjourn. On a motion made by Freeholder Jalloh and seconded by Freeholder Hudak, a voice vote showed nine members of the Board voted in the affirmative. Meeting was adjourned at 8:39pm.

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS 2018 MEETING SCHEDULE

Please note that meetings are regularly held on Thursday evenings. Agenda Setting Sessions and Regular Meetings are held at 7:00pm in the Freeholders’ Meeting Room, Administration Building, 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, 6th Floor, Elizabeth, New Jersey, unless otherwise specified. In the event an Agenda Setting Session and Regular Meeting are held on the same night, the Agenda Setting Session will commence at 7:00pm and the Regular Meeting will commence as soon as possible after the Agenda Setting Session.

Persons requiring a sign language interpreter should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 908-527-4140.

REORGANIZATION MEETING - SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018 at 12:00 pm
 Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy’s Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ

AGENDA SETTING SESSION

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 February 1, 2018
 February 15, 2018
 March 1, 2018*
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REGULAR MEETINGS

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*March 1, 2018 Agenda Setting Session was cancelled and rescheduled for March 8, 2018 at 7pm. The originally scheduled Regular Meeting for March 8, 2018 at 7:00pm was rescheduled to immediately start following the completion of the Agenda Setting Session.

**May 10, 2018 Agenda Setting Session was cancelled and rescheduled for May 3, 2018 at 7pm.

***June 14, 2018 Regular Meeting was cancelled and rescheduled for June 7, 2018 to commence immediately after the conclusion of the scheduled June 7, 2018 Agenda Setting Session.

****July 19, 2018 Regular Meeting was cancelled and rescheduled for July 12, 2018 to commence immediately after the conclusion of the scheduled July 12, 2018 Agenda Setting Session.

*****August 16, 2018 Regular Meeting was cancelled and rescheduled for August 9, 2018 to commence immediately after the conclusion of the scheduled August 9, 2018 Agenda Setting Session.