

# UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

## THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2020 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. Thursday, April 2, 2020 Agenda Setting Session
- 2. Thursday, April 2, 2020 Regular Meeting
- 3. Thursday, April 23, 2020 Agenda Setting Session
- 4. Thursday, April 23, 2020 Regular Meeting

#### **ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION**

# 813-2020 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND "THE LAWS OF UNION COUNTY:

ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION" BY AMENDING: PART 1-THE UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, CHAPTER 1, UNION COUNTY GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE, ARTICLE III, BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS §1-13 POWERS OF THE BOARD; AND, ARTICLE XXIII, OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL §1-139, FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on the Ordinance being offered for adoption only.

#### FINAL READING STATEMENT

Freeholder Rebecca Williams, Policy Subcommittee Chairman, will move Ordinance Number 813-2020 for Final Reading and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law.

**ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION** 

## 814-2020 AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARY FOR COUNTY COUNSEL

#### PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on the Ordinance being offered for adoption only.

#### FINAL READING STATEMENT

Freeholder Sergio Granados, Fiscal Subcommittee Chairman, will move Ordinance Number 814-2020 for Final Reading and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law.

#### 2020 BUDGET TITLE & COLA/CAP BANK RESOLUTIONS

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT PORTION**

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on Resolution Numbers 2020-364 & 2020-365. Resolution Number 2020-364 allows governments to adopt the budget by title, rather than reading each line item of the budget; and further declares that the public hearing conditions set forth in N.J.S.A.:40A:4-8(1a)(1b) have been satisfied. Resolution Number 2020-364 authorizes the County to exceed the County tax levy limit and to establish a CAP Bank as allowed by state statute.

- **2020-364 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution determining that the 2020 Union County Budget shall be read by title and declaring that the public hearing conditions set forth pursuant to N.J.S.A.:40A: 4-8(1a)(1b) have been satisfied.
- **2020-365 FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS:** Resolution to exceed the County tax levy limit and to establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.14).

#### 2020 Union County Budget Adoption Resolution

#### OFFICIAL PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2020 UNION COUNTY BUDGET

The meeting is open to the public for the purpose of commenting on the 2020 Union County Budget resolution only. This public comment portion is the official Public Hearing on the 2020 Union County Budget.

**2020-366 FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS:** Resolution Adopting the 2020 County of Union Budget.

#### PRESENTATION BY THE BOARD

A Presentation will be made relative to the 2020 Union County Infrastructure Grant awards.

#### SUSPENSION OF RULES

Suspension of the rules to allow for the joining of both Public Comments on resolutions being offered for adoption, and Public Comments on any governmental issue that a member of the public feels may be of concern to the residents of the county.

#### **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

The following Resolutions are being offered for adoption:

- **2020-367 FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement for Tuberculosis Services with the New Jersey Medical School Global Tuberculosis Institute for a one-year period from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$89,624.94.
- **2020-368 FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON:** Authorizing the County Manager to accept and expend the New Jersey Department of Health Grant Award for Public Health Emergency Preparedness (LINCS Grant) in the amount of \$298,072 for a contract period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- **2020-369 FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON:** Authorizing the County Manager to apply for, accept and expend a grant award from the NJ Department of Health for continuing the Right to Know compliance program in Union County in an amount not to exceed \$16,401.00 from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.
- **2020-370 FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON:** Authorizing the County Manager to award the proposed contract obtained through advertised public bid: BA 10-2020, in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, NJSA 40A:11-1 et seq: Department of Public Safety: Beyer Ford, Morristown, New Jersey, for the purpose of purchasing one Ford F450 cab & chassis in the amount of \$36,668.00.
- **2020-371 FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON:** Authorizing the County Manager to amend resolution 2020-223, an agreement with PS&S, Warren, NJ, to alter the scope of the project regarding the expansion of the Union County Dispatch Center, Froehlich Bldg, Westfield, in the additional amount of \$57,698.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$310,053.00.
- **2020-372 FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS:** Resolution approving a plan amendment to the 457B Deferred Compensation Plan to add provisions under the CARES ACT.

- 2020-373 FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS: Resolution authorizing the publication, printing and distribution of a Notice of Sale and the publication of a Summary Notice of Sale and prescribing the forms thereof for \$59,700,00 bonds consisting of \$53,960,000 General Improvement Bonds of 2020, \$1,840,000 County Vocational-Technical School Bonds of 2020, (New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act) and \$3,900,000 County College Bonds of 2020, each issue date June 15, 2020, approving the preparation, distribution and execution of a preliminary and final official statement for such bonds, undertaking to provide continuing disclosure of financial information, covenanting to comply with the internal revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and authorizing various matters in connection with electronic bidding for the bonds.
- **2020-374 FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS:** Resolution combining several authorizations of bonds into a single issue and prescribing the details and bond form thereof for \$53,960,000 General Improvement Bonds of 2020 dated June 15, 2020.
- **2020-375 FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS:** Resolution combining several authorizations of bonds into a single issue and prescribing the details and bond form thereof for \$1,840,000 County Vocational-Technical School Bonds of 2020 (New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act) dated June 15, 2020.
- **2020-376** FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS: Resolution combining several authorizations of Bonds into a single issue and prescribing the details and Bond form thereof for \$3,900,000 County College Bonds of 2020 dated June 15, 2020.
- **2020-377 FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS:** Authorizing the County Manager to apply for, accept and execute the FY2020 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) COVID-19 CARES Act funding in the amount of \$430,446 from NJ Department of Community Affairs (NJDCA) for the grant period of April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2022 for the purpose of providing community programming for low income residents of Union County, and would also recognize and accept that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from NJDCA, does further authorize the execution of any such agreement.
- 2020-378 FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS: Amending Resolution 2020-189, extending a contract to Prevention Links of Roselle for professional services in the form of licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselors (LCADC) to provide clinical assessment, referral and program compliance for the Intoxicated Driver Resource Center (IDRC), to further extend the contract by two (2) months for a new contract period of January 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020, and to reflect additional contract dollars in the amount of \$12,015 for a new contract total not to exceed \$43,015.
- **2020-379 FREEHOLDER CHRISTOPHER HUDAK:** Resolution supporting pre-application to New Jersey State House Commission, pursuant to NJDEP/Green Acres regulations, for disposal of a quarter acre of contaminated land in Passaic River Park in Berkeley Heights, NJ.

- **2020-380 FREEHOLDER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUDED:** Resolution re-appointing the following members to the Union County Youth Service commission to another two (2) year term ending December 31, 2021: Thomas Beck, Executive Director of Jewish Family Services (Human Services Advisory Council Representative) and Donald M. Johnson, Supervisor City of Elizabeth Office of Youth Services (Community Based Organization Representative).
- **2020-381 FREEHOLDER ANDREA STATEN:** Resolution authorizing aerial dispensing operation county-wide by the Union County Bureau of Mosquito Control.
- **2020-382 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Amending Resolution 2019-239 a contract awarded to ES&S, Omaha, Nebraska, to reflect onsite personnel support services provided during the 2019 General Election day.
- **2020-383 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Authorizing the County Manager to enter into an agreement with ES&S, Omaha, Nebraska, for the purposes of providing onsite Election Day support for the year 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.
- **2020-384 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Authorizing the County Manager to award funding for the 2020 Infrastructure and Municipal Aid Grant Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000.00 to the twenty-one (21) municipalities in the County of Union.
- **2020-385 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution supporting the Township of Berkeley Heights' application for Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP) funding with the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Services (DLGS) relative to the shared service agreement with the County of Union for the provision of Department of Public Works Director Services.
- 2020-386 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA: Authorizing the County Manager through the Union County Department of Economic Development to provide documentation to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development in order to guarantee the County's ongoing participation in the CDBG, HOME and ESG programs. One of the requirements for said qualification includes authorization from the Freeholder Board consenting the County of Union's participation in these programs.
- 2020-387 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA: Resolution of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders concurring with the Union County Workforce Development Board's resolution 2020-7 approving the amendment to the Program Year 2019 Union County Workforce Area Budget, in the form attached hereto and made a part hereof, in accordance with Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Final Rules and in accordance with 20 C.F.R. 679.370(i).
- 2020-388 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA: Resolution of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders concurring with the Union County Workforce Development Board's resolution 2020-8 approving the Board to employ First-In, First-Out (FIFO) accounting practices to transfer WIOA expenses in the amount of \$709,756.25 from of Program Year 2019 to Program Year 2018 and thereby free-up the commensurate amount of available funds in Program Year 2019.

- 2020-389 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA: Resolution requesting the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, pursuant to WIOA sec. 121(c) and 20 CFR 678.500, 34 CFR 361.500, and 34 CFR 463.500, to enter into an umbrella Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), which includes an Infrastructure Funding Agreement (IFA), with the Union County Workforce Development Board and the American Job Center Partners in the one-stop delivery system as authorized by resolution 2020-6 of the Workforce Development Board on May 13, 2020.
- **2020-390 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders to concur with the with Resolution No. 2020-04 of the Union County Workforce Development Board to award a contract to the International Rescue Committee for employment and training services to refugees resettled in Union County in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for the time period beginning February 14, 2020 and ending January 31, 2021.
- **2020-391 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders to concur with Resolution No. 2020-05 of the Union County Workforce Development Board to award a contract to the Plainfield Public Library to expand opportunities for basic to intermediate digital literacy training to qualifying individuals in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 for the time period beginning March 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020.
- **2020-392 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Amending Resolution Number 2018-745, a Professional Engineering Service contract with T & M Associates of Middletown, New Jersey to provide ongoing LSRP Environmental Consulting Services associated with the Meisel Park Project for an additional two year period in an amount not to exceed \$ 13,350.00 for a new contract amount not to exceed \$ 72,400.00 (UC Engineering Project # 2011-030).
- **2020-393 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Authorizing the County Manager to amend Resolution Number 2020-102, dated January 23, 2020 to increase the appropriation to Kologi Simitz of Linden, NJ in the matter entitled Emmanuel Mervilus v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00.
- **2020-394 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Authorizing the County Manager to Amend Resolution 2020-211 dated February 20, 2020 to increase the appropriation to Aloia Law Firm of Bloomfield, NJ in the matter entitled Reginald Curry v. UC, et als. in an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00
- **2020-395 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** A Resolution appointing Laura Scutari, Amy Wagner and Claudia Martins as Commissioners to the Union County Insurance Fund Commission for a term commencing January 15, 2020 and ending on January 14, 2022 or for the remainder of their service in office as officials, whichever is less.
- **2020-396 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution authorizing the County Manager to enter into CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds Grant Subaward Agreements with Union County Municipalities.

#### FREEHOLDER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS

- **2020-397** FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Resolution congratulating the graduating students throughout Union County; and further recognizing their achievements during this unprecedented year, as a 2020 graduate.
- 2020-398 FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Resolution offering the Board's sincere condolences to the family of Charles (Charlie) Newman, former Director of the Union County Office for the Disabled; and further recognizing his dedicated service to the Disability Community of Union County and his outstanding leadership as the previous Director of the Union County Office for the Disabled within the Department of Human Services/Division of Individual & Family Support Services.
- **2020-399** FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS, VICE CHAIRMAN ANGEL G. ESTRADA & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Resolution urging the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to reverse their April 2, 2020 decision of closing down a military veterans' clinic in Elizabeth which serves over 1,200 patients and will limit the ability of veterans to access care in their community.
- **2020-400** FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS, VICE CHAIRMAN ANGEL G. ESTRADA & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Proclaiming the month of May as Haitian Heritage Month throughout the County of Union.
- **2020-401 FREEHOLDER CHRISTOPHER HUDAK:** Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Keith David, of Roselle, during their time of sorrow.
- **2020-402 FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI:** Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Eleanor Ruth Pringle, formerly of Cranford, during their time of sorrow.
- 2020-403 FREEHOLDER KIMBERLY PALMIERI-MOUDED, FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON, FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI, FREEHOLDER ANDREA STATEN, FREEHOLDER REBECCA LYNNE WILLIAMS, VICE CHAIRMAN ANGEL G. ESTRADA & THE ENTIRE BOARD: Resolution congratulating Theresa Gazaway on becoming New Providence's first female Police Chief.
- **2020-404** FREEHOLDER ANDREA STATEN, FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON & FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI: Resolution recognizing the month of May as "Mental Health Awareness Month" throughout Union County; and further encourage t.hose living with anxiety, depression, and co-occurring disorders and their loved ones find treatment, support, and resources.
- **VICE CHAIRMAN ANGEL G. ESTRADA, FREEHOLDER BETTE JANE KOWALSKI & FREEHOLDER ANGELA R. GARRETSON:** Resolution recognizing the month of May as "Older Americans Month" throughout Union County; and further recognizing the 2020 theme for Older Americans Month 2 is: Make Your Mark.

- **2020-406 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Danielle Ceceri, daughter of Kenilworth Councilwoman Kay Ceceri, during their time of sorrow.
- **2020-407 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA & THE ENTIRE BOARD:** Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Deborah Bye Kean, the former first lady of New Jersey and mother of Senator Thomas Kean Jr., during their time of sorrow.
- **2020-408 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA:** Resolution offering this Board's deepest sympathies to the family of Michele "Shellie" Brown, during their time of sorrow.
- 2020-409 CHAIRMAN ALEXANDER MIRABELLA & FREEHOLDER SERGIO GRANADOS:
  Resolution urging the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce
  Development, that all resources be brought to bear to expedite the process to
  approve all unemployment insurance claims and, in doing so, alleviate the pain and
  suffering overwhelming Union County residents.

FREEHOLDER REPORTS & COMMENTS

**ADJOURNMENT** 

# Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders 2020 Meeting Schedule

Please note that meetings are regularly held on Thursday evenings. Agenda Setting Sessions and Regular Meetings are held at 6:30pm 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 6:30pm 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 5, 2020 at 12:00 pm Assignment Judge Karen M. Cassidy's Courtroom, 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth, NJ 2020 MEETING SCHEDULE

AGENDA SETTING SESSION January 23, 2020	REGULAR MEETINGS January 23, 2020
February 6, 2020	February 6, 2020
February 20, 2020	February 20, 2020
March 5, 2020	March 5, 2020
March 26, 2020**	March 26, 2020**
April 2, 2020**	April 2, 2020**
April 23, 2020**	April 23, 2020**
May 14, 2020***	May 14, 2020***
May 21, 2020	May 21, 2020
June 4, 2020	June 4, 2020
June 18, 2020	June 18, 2020
July 23, 2020	July 23, 2020
August 13, 2020	August 13, 2020
September 3, 2020	September 3, 2020
September 10, 2020	September 10, 2020
October 1, 2020	October 1, 2020
October 15, 2020	October 15, 2020
November 5, 2020	November 5, 2020
November 12, 2020	November 12, 2020
December 3, 2020	December 3, 2020
December 10, 2020	December 10, 2020

<sup>\*</sup> March 18, 2020 Special Meeting at 5:30pm was held via conference call due to state of emergency relative to the COVID-19 coronavirus.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Meeting conducted remotely and electronically due to state of emergency relative to the COVID-19 coronavirus.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Meeting cancelled.