

November 1, 2023
Brigantine, New Jersey

A Council meeting was held this date in Council Chambers at 5:00 P.M. with Mayor Sera presiding.

Present: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera.
Absent: None.

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Mayor Sera led the flag salute and Councilwoman Bew offered a prayer.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew approve the 10/18//2023 Council Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Meeting Minutes.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera: "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to approve the Payroll, Requisition List and Operating Expenses.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:" Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only

No comments were made.

End of public comment.

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Mayor Sera commented that there are a few Bond Ordinances on the agenda that will have no negative impact on taxes and stated that these ordinances lay the foundation for the capital improvement projects.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following ordinance.

City of Brigantine
Ordinance 15 of 2023
Bond Ordinance Providing for Various Improvements to the Water Utility System

Mayor Sera called for the public hearing of Ordinance 15 of 2023. The Ordinance was read by title by the Mayor.

No public comments were made.

Mayor Sera stated that a lot of the City's infrastructure is original and repairs are needed.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:" Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following ordinance.

City of Brigantine
Ordinance 16 of 2023
Bond Ordinance Providing for Various Capital Improvements

Mayor Sera called for the public hearing of Ordinance 16 of 2023. The Ordinance was read by title by the Mayor.

No public comments were made.

Mayor Sera stated that significant investments are being made toward the roads, recreation facilities and public buildings.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to introduce the following ordinance.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
ORDINANCE 17 OF 2023

AMENDING CHAPTER 143-3, ARTICLE II OF THE CODE AS IT RELATES TO
FEES

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-204

AUTHORIZING INTER-LOCAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ATLANTIC COUNTY
IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE PROGRAM INCOME – HOUSING
REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-205

AMENDING BUDGET BY INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND
APPROPRIATION FROM THE NJ STORMWATER ASSISTANCE GRANT

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-206

AMENDING BUDGET BY THE INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE AND
APPROPRIATION FROM NJ U DRIVE U TEXT U PAY GRANT

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-207

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH WALTERS MARINE CONSTRUCTION, INC, FOR
THE BULKHEAD REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-208

AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO CME ASSOCIATES FOR THE
DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE
RECONSTRUCTION OF THE LIMITED ACCESS ROAD, ATLANTIC BRIGANTINE
BLVD.

Mayor Sera commented that the residents have been requesting this for a number of years due to the issues with water accumulation.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-209

MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Riordan moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-210

TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE 2023 BUDGET

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-211

AUTHORIZING AWARD OF CONTRACT TO WEATHERBY CONSTRUCTION FOR THE
REMOVAL OF CUPOLA AND INSTALLATION OF ROOF AT CITY HALL

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-212

AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-213

APPROVING GRANT APPLICATION NJDCA FY24 AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN –
FIREFIGHTER GRANT

Fire Chief, Paul Fuller explained that this grant will go towards replacing old and expired PPE gear.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to introduce the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2023-214

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE AND ACIA
CONCERNING PROCUREMENT OF AN IRRIGATION DESIGN CONSULTANT FOR THE
LINKS AT GOLF LINKS

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane adopt the following requests.

A. VFW Veteran’s Day Parade Request

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan, Sera:” Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Council/Manager Discussion: City Manager, Tige Platt thanked Telecommunicator and Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator Jenn Zuma, who was in the audience, for her efforts on Resolution 2023-12, spoke about an issue with a Short-Term Rental property in the Golf Course Area that was shut down by the police department and stated that the parking permits for the Municipal parking lots may change to a mobile app called “Park Mobile”. Councilwoman Bew stated that the Presbyterian Church Election Night Diner proceeds will go toward resident Bill Schneider who is recovering from a stroke, announced that the Brigantine Rams have a home game this weekend and encouraged all to attend, spoke of the success of Trunk or Treat and the Halloween Parade thanking all that assisted and congratulated Mayor Sera and Defend Brigantine regarding the company Orsted pulling out of the Proposed Offshore Wind Project. Councilman Haney spoke about the Lighthouse District Improvement Project and commented on the Proposed Offshore Wind Projects. Councilman DeLucry spoke about the need for Resolution 2023-208. Councilman Kane spoke about Proposed Offshore Wind Project. Councilman Riordan congratulated Mayor Sera and Defend Brigantine regarding the company Orsted pulling out of the Proposed Offshore Wind Project, spoke about the Cultural Arts Commission Art Show at the Community Center, commented on the Veterans Parade on the 11th and announced the Chamber of Commerce Holiday Party on the 30th. Mayor Sera spoke about Orsted pulling out the Proposed Offshore Wind Project and thanked the Police Chief, Rich Casamento and the Police Department for the efforts in keeping everything running smooth at Trick or Treat.

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Public Comment

John Johson of 36 Coquille Beach Drive asked for an update on the repairs to the Public Works Building.

Larry Lepera of 215 27th Street expressed his concerns with Ordinance 14 of 2023 and commented on the Proposed Offshore Wind Project.

Andrea Sullivan of 2000 Ocean Avenue commented on the Proposed Offshore Wind Project, spoke about Ordinance 14 of 2023 and commented on the issues that took place with the rental on the Golf Course.

Keith Moore of 403 26th Street thanked council for Resolution 2023-202.

Anne Philips of 308 27th Street commented on Orsted pulling out the Proposed Offshore Wind Project, spoke about issues with rentals in Ventnor, questioned when the next Master Plan would be completed, suggested the Planning Board look over the Land Use Ordinance for problems regarding building height requirements and site setbacks and asked when the date was due for the next Master Plan.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:01 P.M.

Mayor Vince Sera

City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC