

August 21, 2024  
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 Riordan asked for a moment of silence for Kim Sutton.

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Councilman Haney asked for a moment of silence for Geraldine Kilroy.

City Clerk Lynn Sweeney read the statement pertaining to the Open Public Meetings Act.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE

RESOLUTION 2024-147  
EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLVES THAT:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey permits the discussion of certain matters within an Executive Session, as an exception to certain provisions of said laws; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Brigantine wishes to discuss certain matters which qualify as exceptions in Executive Session.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE THAT:

1. There is hereby authorized an Executive Session of the City Council of the City of Brigantine, for the purpose of discussing certain matters which qualify under said Open

Public Meetings Act. No action binding upon the City Council will be disclosed to the public when legally permitted and when the public interest will no longer be served by keeping such matters confidential.

2. This resolution shall take place immediately.

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

Motion Carried.

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City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC read the statement pertaining to the Open Public Meeting Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, excluding the public from a meeting in certain circumstances.

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Council returned from executive session at 5:42 P.M.

Municipal Solicitor George Morris reported that Council discussed the following topics in executive session: one matter of litigation.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to approve the 8/7/2024 Council Meeting Minutes.

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to approve the requisition list, operating expenses and payroll.

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

Motion Carried.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only.

No public comments were made

Close of Public Comment.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
ORDINANCE 13 OF 2024

SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 127 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
CONCERNING BULKHEAD PERMIT FEES

No public comments were made.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
ORDINANCE 14 OF 2024

SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 210-37 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
CONCERNING LICENSING AGREEMENTS

No public comments were made.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
ORDINANCE 15 OF 2024

AMENDING CHAPTER 39 OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING THE BRIGANTINE GARDEN  
CLUB ADVISORY BOARD

No public comments were made.

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 2024-148

PROVIDING FOR THE COMBINATION OF CERTAIN ISSUES OF GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2024A, OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE, INTO A SINGLE ISSUE OF BONDS AGGREGATING \$16,000,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT

Mayor Sera explained that the next few Resolutions involve the City going from short term debt to long term debt.

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2024-149

PROVIDING FOR THE COMBINATION OF CERTAIN ISSUES OF SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2024C (SCHOOL BOND RESERVE ACT, P.L. 1980, C. 72) OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE, INTO A SINGLE ISSUE OF BONDS AGGREGATING \$7,400,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2024-150

PROVIDING FOR THE COMBINATION OF CERTAIN ISSUES OF WATER-SEWER UTILITY BONDS, SERIES 2024B OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE, INTO A SINGLE ISSUE OF BONDS AGGREGATING \$7,000,000 IN PRINCIPAL AMOUNT

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2024-151

DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF \$30,400,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2024, CONSISTING OF \$16,000,000 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2024A, \$7,000,000 WATER-SEWER UTILITY BONDS, SERIES 2024B, AND \$7,400,000 SCHOOL BONDS, SERIES 2024C (SCHOOL BOND RESERVE ACT, P.L. 1980, C. 72), OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE, AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR SALE

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2024-152

AUTHORIZING SECOND AMENDMENT TO MUNICIPALLY SPONSORED AFFORDABLE HOUSING AGREEMENT

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2024-153

AWARD OF CONTRACT TO ROBERTS ENGINEERING FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE EMERGENCY GENERATORS

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2024-154

GOVERNING BODY’S CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to approve the following requests:

- A. VFW Raffle License #1077
- B. South Jersey Cancer Fund Raffle License #1078

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

Motion Carried.

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Council Manager Discussion: Superintendent of Public Works, John Doring thanked all that attended the Beach Clean Up and the ceremony for Joe Campitelli. Councilwoman Bew congratulated Deputy City Manager Ryan Hurst on completing the Triathlon, thanked the Green Whales and Police, Fire & Public Works Departments for all they did to make the Triathlon a success, commended Clean Communities for the successful Beach Clean Up, invited all to the Farmers Market on Saturday and congratulated Councilman Lettieri for being the winner at the Boat Parade Festival. Councilman Haney congratulated the Triathlon participants, congratulated the Beach Patrol for the South Jersey Lifeguard Competition Second Place accomplishment, spoke about the hearing hosted by Congressman Jeff VanDrew that was held at the North School and spoke affectionally of the life and accomplishments of Geraldine Kilroy. Councilman DeLucry wished everyone an enjoyable end of summer. Councilman Kane spoke about the Lifeguard Competition and congratulated the BCBP, spoke highly of Superintendent of Public Works, John Doring and the Public Works employees for the success of the Beach Clean Up, commented on the success of the Farmers Market, spoke about the Triathlon and how well it was run, commented on the

Golf Course and spoke of the good season they are having and spoke about the hearing held at the North School with Congressmen Jeff VanDrew. Councilman Riordan spoke about the many events that took place in town recently, such as the Chicken BBQ, Triathlon, Farmers Market, Beach Clean Up, Food Truck Festival and Boat Parade. Mayor Sera spoken about the Congressional Hearings on Offshore Wind Industrialization that were held at the North School, stating that Congressman VanDrew thanked all the City and School departments especially Police and Fire for their help in coordinating a very safe environment, spoke about the testimony from the hearing, stated that there are now 40 municipalities that have passed resolutions to oppose offshore wind, spoke of the success of the Triathlon thanking Public Works, Green Whales and Deputy City Manager, Ryan Hurst for the work they did to make it so successful, commented on the Lifeguard Races and the triumph on the second place finish and commended all the departments that worked to make it such a success and stated that the DEP was in town to do testing at the closed gas station and they are awaiting the results.

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#### Public Comment:

John Johnson of 36 Coquille Beach Drive spoke highly of the Public Works Building now that it has been worked on and asked for clarification about a 4<sup>th</sup> Ward storm water pump location and Mayor Sera stated it is still in the early planning stages.

Mike Kogut resident of 465 West Shore Drive asked for assistance with a blind curve near his property; requesting a new sign be put up before the curve and/or a speed check point. Mayor Sera stated he did receive emails from neighbors regarding this issue and they are discussing it with the Police Department.

Andrea Sullivan of 2000 Ocean Ave requested a 7-day minimum stay for short-term rentals.

Anne Phillips of 308 27<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about the Congressional Hearings and commented on the lack of support from the County Board of Commissioners, asked for a status of the lawsuit the City has regarding the short-term rentals and spoke about the definition of “resort house” stating she disagrees with the definition that is in the Code. Mr. Morris stated it is still an active lawsuit and that he stands behind the definition. Mayor Sera commented that he has had many discussions regarding Offshore Wind with the County Executive and has stated that he is not in support of Offshore Wind but stated he needs to hear from every municipality and Mayor Sera commented that he has spoken to 14 of the 23 and gave an update on the process.

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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 6:30 P.M.

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Mayor Vince Sera

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City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC