

September 6, 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. Councilwoman Bew asked for a moment of silence for Jack Parker. Police Chief Rich Casamento asked for a moment of silence for retired Police Captain Ray Cox.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE

RESOLUTION 2023-174  
EXECUTIVE SESSION

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRIGANTINE RESOLVES THAT:

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meeting 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.

Council retired to executive session at 5:00 P.M.

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Council returned from executive session at 5:27 P.M.

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Municipal Attorney Micheal Herbert reported that Council discussed the following topics in executive session: one matter of personnel, one matter of shared services and one contract matter.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane approve the 08/16/2023 Council Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Meeting Minutes.

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney 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 public comments were made.

Close of Public Comment.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2023-175

INSERTION OF SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE  
ATLANTIC MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT

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 2023-176

AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE NORTH JERSEY WASTEWATER  
COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM OF PASSAIC VALLEY SEWERAGE COMMISSION

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

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2023-177

AUTHORIZING THE FINAL /CHANGE ORDER #1 TO THE CONTRACT WITH WEST  
BAY CONSTRUCTION FOR SEWER COLLAPSE REPAIRS AT 34 ½ STREET ALLEY BY  
OCEAN AVENUE

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 2023-178

REAL ESTATE TAX REFUND

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, DeLucry, Kane, Riordan: “Yes”.  
Sera: “Abstain” on Block 3705/Lot 7. “Yes”: to all others.

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2023-179

SUPPORTING ATLANTIC COUNTY RESOLUTION REGARDING OPPOSING ACY AS  
MIGRANT SHELTER

Mayor Sera explained that the lack of resources is concerning.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Riordan, Sera: “Yes”.  
DeLucry: “No”.

Motion Carried.

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

CITY OF BRIGANTINE  
RESOLUTION 2023-180

AUTHORIZING AWARD OF EMERGENCY CONTRACT TO MUNICIPAL  
MAINTENANCE CO. FOR REPLACEMENT AND UPGRADE OF THE SANITARY  
SEWER PUMPS AT “A” STATION LOCATED AT ROOSEVELT BLVD. AND BAYSHORE  
AVENUE

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

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri adopt the following requests.

- A. So. Jersey Cancer Raffle License #1018
- B. So. Jersey Cancer Raffle License #1019
- C. So. Jersey Cancer Raffle License #1020
- D. Elk's Raffle License #1021
- E. St. Thomas Raffle License #1022
- F. St. Thomas Raffle License #1023
- G. Elk's Raffle License #2428
- H. Primal Surf Fall Surf SUP Tournament 2023 Request
- I. Riptide Striper Derby Request
- J. Green Whales 5K

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

Motion Carried.

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Council/Manager Discussion: Fire Chief Paul Fuller reminded all of the 911 Memorial Services. Superintendent of Public Works, John Doring reminded all of the upcoming beach cleanup and shredding event. Councilwoman Bew gave a Recreation Commission update, stated that the Fall Farmers Market will be September 30<sup>th</sup> & Holiday Market on November 18<sup>th</sup> and commented on the Links. Councilman Lettieri spoke about the Beach Replenishment Project. Councilman Haney announced the hazardous material drop-off at the ACUA, spoke about the Short-Term Rental Committee and commented on Resolution 2023-179. Councilman DeLucry spoke about the Short-Term Rental proposed changes. Councilman Kane thanked all the departments for the work they did over the summer. Councilman Riordan announced a Cultural Arts Fine Arts Festival on Saturday, commented on the success of an event run by Defend Brigantine Beach, praised the Chamber of Commerce for all the events, reminded all that Family Reunion Weekend will be October 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> and spoke about Resolution 2023-179. Councilwoman Bew reminded council of the Rams football team kick off dinner and commented on the Short-Term rental issue. Mayor Sera praised the Beach Patrol for all they did over Labor Day weekend with the extra crowded beaches and spoke about the Short-Term rental issues and proposed changes.

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Public Comments.

Andrea Sullivan of 2000 Ocean Ave. spoke about short-term rental issues in their neighborhood.

Janice Saudergas of 463 West Shore Drive spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Larry LePere of 215 7<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

John Sahl of 72 Sailfish Drive commented on short-term rental proposed changes.

John DeMari of 308 19<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about short-term rental issues.

George Chambers of 336 Seashore Lane spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Elizabeth Rietz of 907 Sheridan Boulevard spoke about short-term rental issues in their neighborhood.

Dan Belote of 4410 Whalerman spoke about short-term rental issues in their neighborhood.

Rosemarie Ricardo of 164 8<sup>th</sup> Street South spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

A resident who stated they were a landlord spoke the short-term rental proposed changes.

Kathleen Sturgeon of 241 37<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.  
Lucy Gilmore of 102 30<sup>th</sup> Street South spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Bill Doble of 502 East Evans Boulevard spoke about short-term rental proposed changes.

Dottie Bolinsky of 15 Lafayette Place spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

A resident spoke about short-term rental issues in their neighborhood.

Elena Vaganos of 312 20<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about short-term rental issues.

Lauren Flounders of 300 East Brigantine Avenue spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Jim Coia of 305 20<sup>th</sup> Street South spoke about short-term rentals in their neighborhood.

Bonnie Nikituk of 204 2<sup>nd</sup> Street North the spoke about short-term rental proposed changes.

David McDermott of 510 Lafayette Boulevard spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

A resident of 204 8<sup>th</sup> Street North spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Jodie Thomas of 3010 Ocean Avenue spoke about short-term rental issues.

Gail Weisberg of 3901 Ocean Avenue spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Dan Buckley of 315 20<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about short-term rental issues.

Anne Phillips of 308 27<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Joe Goldberg a resident of Absecon spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

John Wattington of Long Beach Island spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Jack Tierney of 220 5<sup>th</sup> Street North spoke about the proposed short-term rental proposed changes.

Krisitn Vom of 13 Ontario Drive spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

A resident of 11 Bramble Drive spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Lawrence Kosta of 210 34<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Brian Holtinger of 304 20<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about short-term rental issues in their neighborhood.

A resident spoke about the short-term rental issues proposed changes.

Christy Keiffer of 124 4<sup>th</sup> Street South spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Nicole Votta of 101 6<sup>th</sup> Street South spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Anita Coia of 305 20<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about short-term rental issues in their neighborhood.

Louise Groeber of 301 20<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about short-term rental issues in their neighborhood.

Maryanne Branciforti of 10 Sheridan Place spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Melissa Galli of 112 12<sup>th</sup> Street North spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Henry Waldron of 314 20<sup>th</sup> Street spoke about the short-term rental proposed changes.

Close of Public Comment.

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Mayor Sera thanked everyone for coming to the meeting, he stated that they will continue to work on the short-term rental issues.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney 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 9:43 P.M.

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Mayor Vince Sera

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City Clerk, Lynn Sweeney, RMC