Borough of Surf City

Governing Body Meeting Minutes

Mayor F. Hodgson called the meeting to order, reading the following statement. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting of the Borough Council has been provided to three newspapers and published in the Asbury Park Press on January 11, 2024.

Roll call reflected the following members present: Councilman Joseph DeBenedetto, Councilman Peter M. Hartney, Council President William D. Hodgson, Councilman Gerry P. Little, Councilman John D. McMenamin, Councilwoman Jaqueline L. Siciliano, and Mayor Francis R. Hodgson. Absent: none

Councilwoman Siciliano moved to approve the February 14, 2024, minutes. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved.

The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilman Hartney moved to approve Ordinance 2024-05 as introduced and read by title. Councilman McMenamin seconded the motion. The ordinance authorizes a 3.5 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$249,900.00 over the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law.

ORDINANCE 2024-05

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND ESTABLISH A CAP BANK BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY.

The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Councilwoman Siciliano moved to open the public hearing for Ordinance 2024-01. Councilman Little seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the hearing was open. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: Mr. Hartney. Absent: none.

There were no comments. Councilwoman Siciliano moved to close the public hearing. Councilman McMenamin seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the hearing was closed. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: Mr. Hartney. Absent: none.

Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to approve the final reading of the Ordinance 2024-01

by title. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, Ordinance 2024-01 was adopted. This bond authorizes the spending for a new ambulance for the Surf City Volunteer Fire Co #1 & EMS.

BOND ORDINANCE 2024-01

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF AN AMBULANCE, APPROPRIATING \$300,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$285,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY.

The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: Mr. Hartney. Absent: none.

Councilwoman Siciliano moved to open the public hearing for Ordinance 2024-04. Councilman Little seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the hearing was open. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

There were no comments. Councilwoman Siciliano moved to close the public hearing. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the hearing was closed. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: Mr. Hartney. Absent: none.

Councilman Hartney moved to approve the final reading of the Ordinance 2024-04 by title. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, Ordinance 2024-04 was adopted. This bond authorizes the spending for a beach patrol truck.

BOND ORDINANCE 2024-04

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A BEACH PATROL VEHICLE, APPROPRIATING \$40,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$38,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY.

The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: Mr. Hartney. Absent: none.

Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to approve Resolution 2024-62. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the minutes were approved.

The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Mayor F. Hodgson read the following notice. Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution were approved by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, on March 13, 2024.

A Budget and Tax Resolution hearing will be held at Borough Hall, 813 Long Beach Boulevard, Surf City, New Jersey, on April 10, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. At that time and place, taxpayers or other interested persons may present objections to the budget and tax resolution for 2024.

Resolutions 2024-63 through 2024-68 were considered and approved, as attached.

Mayor F. Hodgson read the January 2024 Chief Financial Officer and Municipal Court reports.

Councilman McMenamin updated everyone on the sanitation truck and provided the February 2024 sanitation report.

Councilman DeBenedetto announced that he would host a 12:00 p.m. meeting with the pickleball committee on April 3, 2024, to discuss logistics and rules. The Borough roof is almost completed. The Beach Patrol Lifeguard in Training Program is very impressive. We have two full programs. This program will allow LITs to become lifeguards in Surf City. The Gator program is hiring for the weekends.

Council President Wm. Hodgson would provide the report next month, as the Chief had a family emergency and did not provide him with the same.

Councilwoman Siciliano provided the report from the Acting Superintendent. Tomorrow, she will meet with County officials to review upcoming projects. On March 22, 2024, the NJDOT will meet at the 9th Legislative District to discuss the Route 72 project.

Councilman Hartney reported that the beach mats were delivered. The County will repair/maintain the streetside dune walkovers. The Beach Badge Reservation System went live on March 1, 2024. The Borough is hiring badge checkers and assistant supervisors. We continue to work with the Resilient NJ team. On May 25, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., the 25th Borough Memorial Service will occur at Veteran's Park. The annual Fireworks will be on July 3, 2024.

Mayor F. Hodgson informed the public that the NJ Resiliency Committee's professionals proposed charging a toll on the bridge to raise funds for the committee.

Councilman Little read the water and sewer report for February 2024. The department is waiting for a new valve for Well 7. They disassembled and cleaned a check valve on N. 6th Street. Forty-two markouts and a few meter pit replacements were also completed.

The Borough received two of the following bench requests.

- John Mack requested a memorial bench for his grandfather at N. 8th Street and the Bay.
- Deborah Kavourias requested a memorial bench for her sister at S. 1st Street and the Ocean or Bay.

Councilman Hartney moved that the Acting Superintendent oversee the project. Council President Wm. Hodgson seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the requests were approved. The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to approve paying the bills. Councilman Little seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative of the members present, bills were approved to be paid.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, N.J., that the appurtenances known as "Scheduled Payment Reports" containing vouchers to be paid in the total amounts of:

Water & Sewer \$59,576.46

Current \$832,676.20

Payroll Account \$228,497.22

Dog License Account \$9.00

Ice Cream Vendor Account \$0.00

Escrow Release \$0.00

Tax Certificate Account \$0.00

Are hereby ordered paid, and the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to draw an order upon the Borough Treasurer.

Date: March 13, 2024/s/Francis R. Hodgson, Mayor

The roll call reflected the following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Mayor F. Hodgson called for any comments from the public.

Donna McDowell thanked the Council for bonding the new ambulance.

Susanne Gilbert expressed concern about the timing of the traffic lights on Central Boulevard, between N. 8th, and N. 9th Streets.

Councilman Hartney moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman DeBenedetto seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the meeting was adjourned. The roll call reflected the

ORDINANCE 2024-05

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK AUTHORIZED BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN. (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City in the County of Ocean finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2024 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.5 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$249,900.00 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, in the County of Ocean, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2024 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Surf City shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5 %, amounting to \$242,900.00, and that the CY 2024 municipal budget for the Borough of Surf City be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

following votes for approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Little, Mr. McMenamin, and Mrs. Siciliano. Nays: none. Abstentions: none. Absent: none.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Hannemann, RMC/CMR/QPA

Borough Clerk/Administrator

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

SECTION III

If any word, phrase, clause, section, or provision of this ordinance shall be found by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, illegal, or unconstitutional, such word, phrase, clause, section, or provision shall be severable from the balance of the ordinance and the remainder of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV

This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final adoption according to law.

NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on the first reading at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 10:00 AM in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

Further notice is given that said Ordinance will be considered for final passage and adoption after a public hearing, to be held at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council on Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 7:30 P.M. in the Municipal Building, 813 Long Beach Blvd., Surf City, New Jersey, at which time and place, any person desiring to be heard upon the same will be given the opportunity to be so heard. Full copies are available in the Municipal Clerk's office during regular business hours.

CHRISTINE HANNEMAN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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Little			/				
McMenamin		1	/				
Siciliano			✓				

BOROUGH OF SURF CITY COUNTY OF OCEAN

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF AN AMBULANCE, APPROPRIATING \$300,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$285,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be undertaken in and by the Borough of Surf City, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey (the "Borough"). For the improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$300,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor, including the sum of \$15,000 as the down payment for said purposes as required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in the Capital Improvement Fund of one or more previously adopted budgets.
- Section 2. In order to finance the costs of said improvements or purposes not provided for by the application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not to exceed \$285,000, pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.
- Section 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for which the obligations are to be issued consist of the acquisition of an ambulance, together with all purposes necessary, incidental or appurtenant thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with contracts, plans, specifications or requisitions therefor on file with or through the Borough Clerk, as finally approved by the governing body of the Borough.
- (b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$285,000, as stated in Section 2 hereof.
- (c) The estimated cost of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$300,000, which is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor. The excess of the appropriation of \$300,000 over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor being the amount of said \$15,000 down payment for said purposes.
- Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer of the Borough, provided that no note shall mature

and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

- Section 7. Any grant or similar moneys from time to time received by the Borough for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements within the appropriation herein authorized or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are received and so used.
- Section 8. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and, unless paid from other sources, the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.
- Section 9. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

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Wm. Hodgson			S				
Little		✓	J				
McMenamin			J				
Siciliano	✓		V				

later than one (1) year from its date. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer, who shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of such notes occurs, such report shall include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

- Section 5. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:
- (a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not a current expense and are improvements or purposes that the Borough may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
- (b) The average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the amount of the obligations authorized for said purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is ten (10) years.
- (c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such Statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$285,000 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.
- (d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$15,000 for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs, legal fees and other items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included as part of the cost of said improvements and is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for said improvements.
- (e) To the extent that moneys of the Borough are used to finance, on an interim basis, costs of said improvements or purposes, the Borough reasonably expects such costs to be paid or reimbursed with the proceeds of obligations issued pursuant hereto.
- Section 6. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget

BOROUGH OF SURF CITY COUNTY OF OCEAN

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-04

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF A BEACH PATROL VEHICLE, APPROPRIATING \$40,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$38,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be undertaken in and by the Borough of Surf City, in the County of Ocean, New Jersey (the "Borough"). For the improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$40,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor, including the sum of \$2,000 as the down payment for said purposes as required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in the Capital Improvement Fund of one or more previously adopted budgets.
- Section 2. In order to finance the costs of said improvements or purposes not provided for by the application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not to exceed \$38,000, pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.
- Section 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for which the obligations are to be issued consist of the acquisition of a beach patrol vehicle, together with all purposes necessary, incidental or appurtenant thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with contracts, plans, specifications or requisitions therefor on file with or through the Borough Clerk, as finally approved by the governing body of the Borough.
- (b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$38,000, as stated in Section 2 hereof.
- (c) The estimated cost of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$40,000, which is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor. The excess of the appropriation of \$40,000 over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor being the amount of said \$2,000 down payment for said purposes.
- Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer of the Borough, provided that no note shall mature

later than one (1) year from its date. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer, who shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of such notes occurs, such report shall include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

- Section 5. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:
- (a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not a current expense and are improvements or purposes that the Borough may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.
- (b) The average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the amount of the obligations authorized for said purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is five (5) years.
- (c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such Statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$38,000 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.
- (d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$2,000 for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs, legal fees and other items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included as part of the cost of said improvements and is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for said improvements.
- (e) To the extent that moneys of the Borough are used to finance, on an interim basis, costs of said improvements or purposes, the Borough reasonably expects such costs to be paid or reimbursed with the proceeds of obligations issued pursuant hereto.
- Section 6. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget

INTRODUCTION AND APPROVAL OF THE 2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET & MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE

Municipal Budget of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean for the Fiscal Year 2024.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following statements of revenue and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2024;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Budget be published in the Beach Haven Times on March 21, 2024.

The Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the Fiscal year 2024:

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution were approved by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, on March 13, 2024.

A hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at Borough Hall, 813 Long Beach Boulevard, Surf City, New Jersey, on April 10, 2024, at 7:30 p.m., at which time and place taxpayers or other interested persons may present objections to said budget and tax resolution for the year 2024.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on March 13, 2024, at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers at 813 Long Beach Boulevard Surf City, NJ.

CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

- Section 7. Any grant or similar moneys from time to time received by the Borough for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements within the appropriation herein authorized or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are received and so used.
- Section 8. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and, unless paid from other sources, the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.
- Section 9. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

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Siciliano		J	✓					

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, WAIVING THE RIGHT OF THE GOVERNING BODY TO EXAMINE AND CERTIFY THE 2024 MUNICIPAL BUDGET LOCALLY AND REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES TO CONDUCT THE EXAMINATION AND CERTIFICATION.

WHEREAS, Section 13 of P.L. 1996, c.113, now codified as N.J.S.A. 40A:4-78(b). authorizes the Local Finance Board to adopt rules that permit municipalities in sound fiscal condition to assume the responsibility, normally granted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, of conducting the annual budget examination required by the local budget law and

WHEREAS, the local examination process grants the Chief Financial Officer and the Governing Body the responsibility and authority traditionally held by the Director to review and approve a municipal budget and

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services has determined that the Borough of Surf City is eligible for local examination approval of its budget based on the Borough's fiscal soundness and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, has issued Local Finance Notice CFO-98-1, which requires a municipality wishing to waive its right to locally examine the Municipal Budget to pass a resolution requesting the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to conduct such an examination; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City believes that an examination of the Municipal Budget by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services provides an additional safeguard to the taxpaying public and ensures the continued sound fiscal condition of the Municipality which has led to the determination by the Director that the Borough is eligible for self-review and certification in the first place; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council desire to request that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services examine and certify the 2024 municipal budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. That the Governing Body does hereby waives its right to locally examine and certify the 2024 Municipal Budget of the Borough of Surf City.
- 2. The Governing Body requests a review and certification of the 2024 Municipal Budget by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

3. The Municipal Clerk shall forward two (2) certified copies of this resolution to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services and a certified copy to the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Surf City.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on March 13, 2024, at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers at 813 Long Beach Boulevard Surf City, NJ.

CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisin in that the Borough of Surf City is expected to enter in contracts, commitments or payments prior to the 2024 budget and no adequate provision has been made in the 2024 temporary budget for the aforesaid purposes, and

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for said purpose, and

WHEREAS, the total emergency temporary appropriation resolutions adopted in the year 2024 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$721,378.00 in the Current Fund, and \$275,000 in the Water/Sewer Utility Fund as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20:

1. Emergency temporary appropriations be and the same are hereby made in the amount of \$755,736.68 in the Current Fund and \$275,000.00 in the Water/Sewer Utility Fund as Follows:

Current Fund:

General Government Functions:	
General Administration	
Salaries & Wages	20,000.00
Other Expenses	20,000.00
Mayor & Council	
Salaries & Wages	15,000.00
Other Expenses	4,000.00
Municipal Clerk	
Salaries & Wages	5,000.00
Other Expenses	4,000.00
Financial Administration (Treasury)	
Other Expenses	-
Municipal Court	
Salaries & Wages	5,000.00
Insurance:	
Liability Insurance	-
Worker Compensation Insurance	25,000.00
Employee Group Insurance	50,000.00

Public Safety Functions:	
Police	
Salary & Wages	25,000.00
Police Dispatch/911	
Other Expenses	5,000.00
Municipal Prosecutor's Office	,
Other Expenses	1,500.00
Public Works Functions:	,
Streets & Roads Maintenance	
Salaries & Wages	40,000.00
Solid Waste Collection	,
Salaries & Wages	5,000.00
Other Expenses	25,000.00
Buildings & Grounds	,
Other Expenses	10,000.00
Vehicle Maintenance (includes police vehicles)	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Salaries & Wages	2,500.00
Health & Human Services Functions:	,
Public Health Services (Board of Health)	
Other Expenses	15,000.00
Envrionmental Health services	
Salaries & Wages	500.00
Maintenance of Parks	
Salaries & Wages	5,000.00
Other Expenses - Other Facilities	500.00
Beach & Boardwalk Operations	
Other Expenses	30,000.00
Other Expenses & Bulk Purchases:	55,555.55
Street Lighting	5,000.00
Natural Gas	5,000.00
Gasoline	2,500.00
Landfill/Solid Waste Disposal Costs:	_,,
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Other Expenses	40,000.00
Statutory Expenditures:	
Police & Fireman's Retirement System of NJ	337,148.00
Public Employees Retirement System	7,730.00
Unemployment Insurance	2,500.00
Code Enforcement Administration:	2,300.00
Construction Official:	
	2,500.00
Salary & Wages Other Expenses	5,000.00
Other Expenses Other Code Enforcement Functions	3,000.00
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Total Current Fund	\$ 721,378.00
Water/Sewer Utility Fund:	
Operating	
Other Expenses	275,000.00
Total Water/Sewer Utility Fund	275,000.00

- 2. Said emergency temporary appropriations will be provided for in the 2024 budget.
- 3. That one certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director, Division of Local Government Services.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a proclamation duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on March 13, 2024, in the Council Chambers at 813 Long Beach Boulevard Surf City, NJ 08008.

CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor Hodgson is authorized to proceed with sending his 2024 Spring letter to the Borough taxpayers.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on March 13, 2024, at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers at 813 Long Beach Boulevard Surf City, NJ.

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WHEREAS, Victor Rice with the Borough of Surf City waived his health benefits; and

WHEREAS, Victor Rice wishes to reinstate his health insurance benefits in accordance with Ordinance 3-12.2 through 3-12.5, effective as of April 1, 2024; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the request to reinstate his health insurance benefits in accordance with Ordinance 3-12.2 through 3-12.5 be and is hereby approved.

CERTIFICATION

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WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the direction of the Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, under Ordinance 2-11.2, the purchase may be issued over the amount of \$2,000 with the approval of the Mayor & Council; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Surf Governing Body that the Department of Finance issue the final purchase orders for the following items in the corresponding approximate amounts.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Department</u>	Approx. Amount	<u>Vendor</u>
Street Sweeping	Streets & Roads	\$4,460.00	Reilly Sweeping LLC
2012 Sanitation Truck Repairs	Sanitation	\$5,123.44	Hunter Truck Clarksburg

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that the applications for probationary membership in the Surf City Volunteer Fire Co. submitted by Kenneth Perry and Anthony Orzo are hereby approved.

CERTIFICATION

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