# STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL AGENDA MEETING/REDEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP AGENDA MARCH 03 2022

7:00 P.M.

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The March 3, 2022 Stratford Borough Agenda Meeting/Redevelopment Workshop.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER:

#### **STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT:**

Notice of this meeting has been provided to the Courier Post and The Retrospect and is posted on the Borough Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and the place of the meeting.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

**MAYOR JOSH KEENAN COUNCIL PRESIDENT PATRICK GILLIGAN** COUNCILMAN STEPHEN GANDY **COUNCILMAN JAMES KELLY** COUNCILMAN MICHAEL TOLOMEO COUNCILWOMAN LINDA HALL COUNCILWOMAN TINA LOMANNO

JUSTIN STRAUSSER, BOROUGH SOLICITOR STEVEN BACH, BOROUGH ENGINEER RON MORELLO, POLICE CHIEF JOHN D. KEENAN JR, ACTING BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR BILL BRAY, BOROUGH CLERK

<b>PUBLIC PORTION F</b>	OR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:		
Motion to go to ope	en public portion on agenda items only:		
Motion: Second:		Voice Vote	
Motion to close pul	blic portion on agenda items:		
Motion:	Second:	Voice Vote	-
POLICE REPORT:			
ENGINEER REPORT	:		
APPROVAL OF MIN	IUTES:		
February 3, 2021	AGENDA MEETING		
February 3, 2021 EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING			
February 8, 2022	REGULAR MEETING		
Motion:	Second:	RCV:	

## **OLD BUSINESS:** REPORT #1

**UPCOMING PUBLIC HEARINGS OF ORDINANCES** 

ORD, 2022:03 ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD CODE

ENTITLED "ZONING"

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

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# STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL AGENDA MEETING/REDEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP AGENDA MARCH 03 2022

7:00 P.M.

REPORT #2

**UPCOMING INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES** 

ORD. 2022:04 ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT SUBMITTED BY STRATFORD DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATES, LLC AND AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD THROUGH ITS PROPER OFFICERS AND OFFICIALS TO ENTER INTO A WRITTEN AGREEMENT WITH THE APPLICANT FOR THE ABATEMENT OF LOCAL REAL ESTATE PROPERTY TAXES

**ORD. 2022:05** ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2017:07 OF THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD ENTITLED "REGISTRATION OF DEFAULTED MORTGAGE PROPERTY";

#### **RESOLUTIONS:**

RESOLUTIONS 2022:046 THROUGH 2022:057 WILL BE DONE AS A CONSENT AGENDA - Council can at this time request to remove any of the resolutions from the consent agenda and they can be voted on separately.

DEC 2022 046	AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY GRANT – SAFE PATHS TO SCHOOLS
RES. 2022-046	AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR DWI TASK FORCE GRANT
RES. 2022-047	
RES. 2022-048	AUTHORIZE VEHICLE AUCTION VIA GOVDEALS.COM
RES. 2022-049	RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE
	WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT, NJSA 10:4-12
	The matters for executive session will pertain to matters relating to Attorney Client
	Privilege – Laurel Mills LLC
RES. 2022-050	APPOINT TRASH & RECYCLING LABORER
RES. 2022-051	APPOINT POLICE OFFICER
RES. 2022-052	APPOINT POLICE OFFICER
RES. 2022-053	APPOINT SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
RES. 2022-054	AUTHORIZE 2022 CDBG APPLICATION - ADA ACCESSIBLE ENTRANCE IMPROVEMENTS
RES. 2022-055	AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE STRATEGIC PLAN
RES. 2022-056	APPROVE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT – John Paul II Carnival May 25-27, 2022
RES. 2022-057	APPROVE WAIVER OF CLAIMENT CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO NJAC
Motion:	Second: RCV:
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#### **COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

GOOD AND WELF	ARE:		
Motion to open th	e meeting to the public for Good a	nd Welfare:	
Motion:	Second:	Voice Vote	
Motion to close th	e public portion for Good and Wel	are:	
Motion:	Second:	Voice Vote	

# STRATFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL AGENDA MEETING/REDEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP AGENDA MARCH 03 2022

7:00 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION	<u>ଏ</u> :		
Motion to go into E	xecutive Session:		
Motion:	Second:	Voice Vote	
Motion to leave Exe	ecutive Session:		
Motion:	Second:	Voice Vote	
ADJOURN:			
Motion:	Second:	Voice Vote	

#### ORDINANCE 2022:03

# ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 17 OF THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD CODE ENTITLED "ZONING"; SECTION 17.48.040 AREA, YARD AND BUILDING REQUIREMENTS – SCHEDULE II.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body desires for the betterment of the community and the general health and welfare of its citizens making an amendment to Title 17 of the Borough of Stratford Code Entitled "Zoning", Section 17.48.040 Area, Yard and Building Requirements – Schedule II; and

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 01. Remove the existing top two rows of Schedule II and replace the top two rows of Schedule II with the following:

17.48.040 Area, yard and building requirements - Schedule II.

Minimum Minimum Minimum Minimum Minimum Minimum Maximum Zone Lot Area Frontage Front Yard Rear Yard Side Yard Both SideBuilding Setbacks Height Setback Setback Setback Feet Feet Feet Feet Feet Sq. Feet Feet R-2

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Existing Single-Family Attached Residential Homes are not permitted any alterations which could expand or enlarge their townhome building line in the front yard, rear yard, and/or side yard, nor are they permitted to increase the building height of the unit. This will include any new building, or structure which may include accessory use, living and non-living space, occupancy and non-occupancy such as but not limited to a carport, patio enclosure, concrete patio, or concrete or paved driveway space and/or area. This will encompass the rebuilding of any former Single-Family Attached Residential Home which may have been demolished or destroyed. Increase in any impervious coverage is prohibited.

SECTION 02. All Ordinances and provisions thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 03. If any article, section, sub-section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision or invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions or provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 04.	This Ordinan	ce shall take effect im	mediately after final	passage and publication	in accordance
with the laws of	f the state of N	ew Jersey.			
		VV/VV/2022	ATTEST:		
Josh Keenan MAYOR	Date	_XX/XX/2022	ATLST.	Bill Bray, R.M.C. Borough Clerk	

### NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at the Regular Meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford, in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, held on the 8th day of February, 2022. It will be further considered for final passage after public hearing thereon, at the meeting of the Governing Body to be held via electronic video conference provided by ZOOM or in the Borough Hall, in the Borough of Stratford on the 8th day of March, 2022 at 7:00 PM. To attended the meeting visit, https://us06web.zoom.us/j/6553784906 or enter Meeting ID: 655 378 4906 in the Zoom application. Copies of the ordinance will be made available during the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting at the Clerk's Office in the Borough Hall to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

Bill Bray, R.M.C. BOROUGH CLERK

# AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR 2022 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY GRANT, SAFE PATHS TO SCHOOL GRANT WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY & TRAFFIC SAFETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,300.00

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford Police Department will apply for the 2022 Pedestrian Safety Grant, Safe Paths to School in the amount of \$17,300.00 with the New Jersey Department of Highway and Traffic Safety; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by Mayor and Council is supportive of the Stratford Police Department's application for the 2022 Pedestrian Safety Grant, Safe Paths to School in the amount of \$17,3000.00 with the New Jersey Department of Highway and Traffic Safety.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.

## AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR 2022 DWI TASK FORCE GRANT WITH THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY & TRAFFIC SAFETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$38,780.00

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford Police Department will apply for the 2022 DWI Task Force Grant in the amount of \$38,780.00with the New Jersey Department of Highway and Traffic Safety; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by Mayor and Council is supportive of the Stratford Police Department's application for the 2022 DWI Task Force Grant in the amount of \$38,780.00 with the New Jersey Department of Highway and Traffic Safety.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF STRATFORD AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY NO LONGER NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE ON AN ONLINE AUCTION WEBSITE

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has determined that the personal property described on Schedule A attached hereto and incorporated herein is no longer needed for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford intends to utilize the online auction services of Liquidity Services DBA GovDeals located at www.govdeals.com; and

WHEREAS, the sales are being conducted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-36 and the guidance set forth in the Division of Local Government Services' Local Finance Notice 2019-15,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that the Borough of Stratford is hereby authorized to sell the surplus personal property as indicated on Schedule A on an online auction website entitled <a href="https://www.govdeals.com">www.govdeals.com</a> with a minimum bid of \$6,000.00; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the terms and conditions of the agreement entered into between Liquidity Services DBA GovDeals and the Borough of Stratford are available at www.govdeals.com and in the Stratford Borough Clerk's office; and be it further

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true as	nd
complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the	he
Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.	

# SCHEDULE A

1991 Ford F350 Ambulance Braun Body, 49,975 miles, VIN# 1FDKE30MOMHA20637

# RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, NJSA 10:4-12

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford is subject to certain requirements of the *Open Public Meetings Act*, NJSA 10:4-6 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-12, provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by Resolution, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford to discuss in a session not open to the public certain matters relating to the item or items authorized by NJSA 10:4-12b and designated below: (1) Matters required by Law to be Confidential: Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. (2) Matters Where the Release of Information Would Impair the Right to Receive Funds: Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the Government of the United States. (3) Matters Involving Individual Privacy: Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports, recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including, but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly. (4) Matters Relating to Collective Bargaining Agreements: bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body. (5) Matters Relating to the Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property or the Investment of Public Funds: Any matter involving the purchase, lease, or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed. (6) Matters Relating to Public Safety and Property: Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations of possible violations of the law. (7) Matters Relating to Litigation, Negotiations and the Attorney-Client Privilege:

The topic of discussion is related to Attorney/Client Privilege. Re Laurel Mills LLC

(8) Matters Relating to the Employment Relationship: Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.
(9) Matters Relating to the Potential Imposition of a Penalty: Any deliberations of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party bears responsibility.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford, assembled via electronic video conference in public session on March 3, 2022 that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on March 3, 2022 at approximately 7:00 p.m. for the discussion of matters relating to the specified items designated above. It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in Closed Session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Governing Body that public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.
CERTIFICATION
I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.
BILL BRAY, RMC BOROUGH CLERK

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has created a trash and recycling department for the benefit of the residents; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford reviewed the applications for the position of Laborers for this department; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Stratford has given preference to those applicants from the Borough of Stratford; and

**WHEREAS**, the following will be appointed as Laborer for the trash and recycling department effective February 24, 2022:

#### THOMAS R. STONE

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by Borough Council to appoint the abovenamed Laborer to the new trash and recycling department.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.

# RESOLUTION 2022:051 APPOINTMENT OF A POLICE OFFICER

WHEREAS, the Mayor & Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford finds that for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Municipality that the appointment of trained Police Officer is immediately needed to fill positions created by resignations and retirements.

WHEREAS, the candidate has served as a volunteer, attended both the Class 1 and Class 2 Special Police Officer Training for the Stratford Police Department.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor & Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford to appoint:

### Ronald Morello

As Full Time POLICE OFFICER at a starting Salary of \$50,190.07, pursuant to the Agreement between the Borough of Stratford & PBA Local 30. This hiring is authorized under the regulations promulgated under N.J.S.A 11A:4-1.3 of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission and or appointed under the Regulations of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission as authorized under Special Legislation S3672 and or from the Regular Appointment list of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission and subject to the completion of a working test period established by the New Jersey Civil Service Commission.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the fore	egoing Resolution to be a true and
complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meet	ting of the Governing Body of the
Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.	

# RESOLUTION 2022:052 APPOINTMENT OF A POLICE OFFICER

WHEREAS, the Mayor & Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford finds that for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Municipality that the appointment of trained Police Officer is immediately needed to fill positions created by resignations and retirements.

**WHEREAS**, the candidate has served as a volunteer, attended both the Class 1 and Class 2 Special Police Officer Training for the Stratford Police Department.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor & Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford to appoint:

#### **DYLAN JESS**

As Full Time POLICE OFFICER at a starting Salary of \$50,190.07, pursuant to the Agreement between the Borough of Stratford & PBA Local 30. This hiring is authorized under the regulations promulgated under N.J.S.A 11A:4-1.3 of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission and or appointed under the Regulations of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission as authorized under Special Legislation S3672 and or from the Regular Appointment list of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission and subject to the completion of a working test period established by the New Jersey Civil Service Commission.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk,	do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and
complete copy of a Resolution duly	adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the
Borough of Stratford held on March	3, 2022.

# RESOLUTION 2022:053 APPOINTMENT OF A SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS CLASS II

WHEREAS, the Mayor & Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford finds that for the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Municipality, the appointment of a Special Law Enforcement Officers Class II's is required to assist the regular police force of the Borough of Stratford; and

**WHEREAS**, an experienced Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers is required to serve the police department to fill an immediate vacancy that exists.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor & Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford to appoint **ZACHARY COLLINS** as Class II Special Law Enforcement Officers in accordance with 40A:14-146.14 at the rate of \$18.50 per hour as an hourly employee, without healthcare or other benefits accorded under the Agreement between the Borough of Stratford & PBA Local #30

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to b	e a tru	e and
complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing	Body o	of the
Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.		

## RESOLUTION OF BOROUGH OF STRATFORD AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2022 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, BOROUGH OF STRATFORD, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY – ADA ACCESSIBLE ENTRANCE IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the Camden County Improvement Authority provides funding for certain infrastructure improvements or services under Community Development Block Grant Funding; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body has chosen to submit an application for Program Year 2022;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has agreed to apply for funding for the following project:

ADA accessibilty entrance improvements to the Borough Hall, Justice Center, Senior Center and Library buildings

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Project Description Form for Program Year 2022 along with the Community Development Block Grant Agreement.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.

BILL BRAY, RMC	
BOROUGH CLERK	

### RESOLUTION 2022:055 SUBMISSION OF STRATEGIC PLAN FOR MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE GRANT

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The Stratford Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore, has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the Stratford Borough\_Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Stratford Borough Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Camden;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Stratford Borough Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Sterling Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year FY23 in the amount of:

DEDR \$13,390.00 Cash Match \$3,347.50 In-Kind \$10,042.50

2. The Stratford Borough Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.

### RESOLUTION 2022:056 APPROVE SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE – JOHN PAUL II CARNIVAL

WHEREAS, John Paul II School has applied to the Borough of Stratford an application for a Special Event License; and

**WHEREAS**, the Special Event License will be for their carnival to be held on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 through Friday May 27, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the various municipal departments have reviewed the application prior to presenting to the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the following conditions are being made of the applications which all must be satisfied in compliance with the Borough of Stratford Ordinance 2009:28;

Hours of operation: Wednesday & Thursday, May 25 & 26, 2022 - 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Friday, May 27, 2022 - 6:00 PM - 11:00 PM Event: John Paul II Carnival - 05/26/2020 - 05/30/2020

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by Mayor and Council to approve the Special Event License with the above conditions for the John Paul II Carnival.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.

# RESOLUTION APPROVING THE "WAIVING" OF THE CLAIMANT CERTIFICATION AS ALLOWABLE IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES PURSUANT TO N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6(c) AND N.J.A.C. 5:31-4.1

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16 requires that the governing body of any local unit shall not pay out any of its moneys unless:

- (a) The person claiming or receiving the same shall first present a detailed bill of items or demand, specifying particularly how the bill or demand is made up, with the certification of the party claiming payment that it is correct, (Claimant Certification); and
- (b) The payment carries a written or electronic certification of some officer or duly designated employee of the local unit having knowledge of the facts that the goods have been received by, or the services rendered the local unit, (Certification of Department Head); and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-9A.6(c) and N.J.A.C. 5:31-4.1 give local units discretion to not require claimant certification under certain circumstances, first where a local unit makes payment through standard EFT technologies or second, where the vendor or claimant does not provide such certification as part of its normal course of business, however the local unit shall have the discretion to require clamant certification as it deems necessary and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, generally, vendors do not provide such certification as part of their normal course of business, which creates confusion and delay in the processing of claims; and

**WHEREAS**, the claimant certification cannot be waived for the advance or reimbursement of employee expenses, or for services provided exclusively and entirely by an individual (e.g. sole proprietors).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, New Jersey, that pursuant to N.J.A.C 5:30-9A.6(c) and N.J.A.C. 5:30-4.1, the Borough of Stratford exercises its discretion to not require claimant certifications except as required for the advance or reimbursement of employee expenses, or for services provided exclusively and entirely by an individual; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution shall take effect upon its adoption for all claims paid subsequent to March 8, 2022.

#### CERTIFICATION

I, Bill Bray, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Stratford held on March 3, 2022.