



Borough of Watchung

15 Mountain Boulevard
Watchung, New Jersey 07069

RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, January 6, 2022

6:00 P.M.

MAYOR

Keith S. Balla

COUNCIL

Ronald Jubin, Ph.D.

Wendy Robinson

Pietro (Pete) Martino

Freddie Hayeck

Curt S. Dahl

Christine B. Ead

James J. Damato
Business Administrator

Edith G. Gil
Borough Clerk

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN-PERSON AND BROADCASTED LIVE VIA ZOOM. PUBLIC COMMENTS MAY BE SUBMITTED IN-PERSON, THROUGH ZOOM OR VIA EMAIL TO THE BOROUGH CLERK. BELOW ARE INSTRUCTIONS:

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RE-ORGANIZATION MEETING AGENDA**

JANUARY 6, 2022 - 6:00 P.M.

MAYOR’S STATEMENT: This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Under the provisions of N.J.S.A.10:4-6 et seq., notice of the time and place of this meeting was given by way of the Revised Annual Meeting Notice to the Courier News, Echoes Sentinel, the Star Ledger, posted at Borough Hall and on the Borough’s website. Public Comments will be accepted in-person, through zoom or by email to the Borough Clerk. For those joining through Zoom, please note that upon arrival you are automatically muted. If you wish to speak during the public portion, you will need to click on the “raise your hand” feature. For those joining us through the conference call line, you will need to press *6 to unmute yourself.

**SALUTE TO THE FLAG and MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN,
SERVING HOME AND ABROAD**

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE AND OFFICE

Curt S. Dahl	Council Member
Christine B. Ead	Council Member

INVOCATION – Rev. Msgr. William Benwell, St. Mary’s Church – Stony Hill

ROLL CALL

Jubin [] Robinson [] Martino [] Hayeck [] Dahl [] Ead []

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE AND OFFICE

Matthew King	Rescue Squad Captain
Jeiner Betancourt	Rescue Squad First Lieutenant

NOMINATION FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

The resolutions listed below were submitted to the Governing Body for review and will be adopted by one motion.

- R1: Designation of Official Newspapers – Echoes Sentinel, Courier News, Star Ledger, and TAP into Watchung (Electronic News Source)
- R2: Adoption of Annual Calendar of Meeting Dates
- R3: Designation of Depositories – Investors Bank
- R4: Re-establish Petty Cash Funds – Borough Clerk, Police Chief

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- R5: Adoption of 2022 Temporary Budget
- R6: Payment of Property Taxes and Establishing Payment Procedures
- R7: Appointment of JIF Commissioner
- R8: Appointment of Fire Chief and Assistant Chief

NON-CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

- R9: Awarding Professional Services Contract – Tax Appeal Attorney, DiFrancesco Bateman
Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C.
- R10: Awarding Professional Services Contract – Prosecutor, DiFrancesco Bateman
Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C.
- R11: Awarding Professional Services Contract – Labor Counsel, DiFrancesco Bateman
Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C.
- R12: Awarding Professional Services Contract - Borough Attorney, Weiner Law
- R13: Awarding Professional Services Contract – Professional Engineer, CME Associates
- R14: Awarding Professional Services Contract – Bond Counsel, Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A.
- R15: Awarding Professional Services Contract – Auditor, Suplee, Clooney & Company
- R16: Awarding Professional Services Contract – IT Consultant, Marmic Associates
- R17: Appointments of Volunteers to Boards, Committees, Commissions
- R18: Appointing Municipal Court Judge – Brian Levine, Esq.
- R19: Awarding Professional Services Contract – Risk Manager, Reliance Insurance Group

RECOGNITION OF EMPLOYEE SERVICES

- 50 Years: Gary Greves, Fire Department
- 15 Years: Scott Otto, Fire Department
- 10 Years: Albert DeSandolo, Fire Department
- 5 Years: Nicholas Salvemini, Fire Department

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MAYOR'S ADDRESS

COUNCIL REMARKS

PUBLIC PORTION

BENEDICTION - Rev. Msgr. William Benwell, St. Mary's Church – Stony Hill

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the Mayor and Council will be held on Saturday, January 8, 2022 at 8:30 A.M.

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R1**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Star Ledger, Echoes Sentinel and Courier News be and are hereby designated as the official newspapers for the year 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that TAPinto Watchung be designated as an official electronic newspaper for the year 2022.

Council President

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R2**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the following schedule of meeting dates for the 2022 calendar year, including the 2023 Re-Organization Meeting, are hereby confirmed.

- January 20
 - February 3, 17
 - March 3, 17
 - April 7, 21
 - May 5, 19
 - June 2, 16
 - July 14
 - August 11
 - September 1, 15
 - October 6, 20
 - November 3, 21*
 - December 1, 15
- January 5, 2023 (Re-Organization Meeting) to be held at 6:30 P.M.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that while in-person council meetings can safely be held, following all State and CDC recommendations, they shall be held at 7:30 P.M. in the Council Chamber at Borough Hall, 15 Mountain Boulevard, Watchung, New Jersey and said meetings shall also be virtually available to the public.

Council President

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R3**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED By the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the following be designated as depositories for the year 2022:

Investors Bank

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that checks issued by the Borough of Watchung be signed by three officers as noted below, except payroll checks, which only require the signature of the Chief Financial Officer or Deputy Treasurer.

One signature from the Mayor and	Mayor Finance Chair	Keith S. Balla
One signature from the Finance Department:	Chief Financial Officer Deputy Treasurer	William J. Hance Elvia Horsfall
One signature from the Borough Clerk's Office:	Borough Clerk Deputy Clerk	Edith G. Gil Regina Angelo

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that checks issued by the Borough of Watchung Municipal Court be signed as noted below:

One signature from The Municipal Court's Office:	Court Administrator	Jodi Mack
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Council President

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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C: W. HANCE

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R4**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that based on prior approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services, Petty Cash Accounts be re-established as follows:

Chief of Police	\$300.00
Borough Clerk	\$100.00

Council President

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG

RESOLUTION: R5

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung that the following appropriations shall constitute the temporary budget for the year 2022: with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 of the Local Budget Law which provides that the total of \$5,185,000.00 shall not exceed the temporary appropriations to provide for the period between January 1, 2022 and the adoption of the budget.

	<u>Salaries & Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>
Borough Council	\$6,000.00	\$10,000.00
Administrative & Executive	\$34,000.00	\$15,000.00
Borough Clerk	\$51,000.00	\$15,000.00
Elections		\$500.00
Financial Administration	\$38,000.00	\$9,000.00
Auditor		\$15,000.00
Assessment of Taxes	\$23,000.00	\$10,000.00
Collection of Taxes	\$15,000.00	\$3,000.00
Legal Services & Costs		\$30,000.00
Engineering Services & Costs	\$29,000.00	\$30,000.00
Public Buildings	\$30,000.00	\$15,000.00
Bulk Pickup		\$500.00
Planning Board	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Zoning Board of Adjustment	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00
Recycling		\$15,000.00
Insurance:		
Group Insurance for Employees		\$300,000.00
Workers Compensation		\$45,000.00
Other Insured Premiums		\$50,000.00
Fire		\$25,000.00
Uniform Fire Safety Act	\$10,000.00	\$2,000.00
Police	\$891,009.20	\$55,000.00
Construction Code		
Building Inspector	\$25,000.00	\$5,000.00
Plumbing Inspector	\$6,000.00	
Fire Protection Official	\$6,500.00	
Electrical Inspector	\$6,000.00	
Emergency Management Services	\$1,500.00	\$500.00
First Aid Organization		\$500.00
Sewer System	\$12,000.00	\$5,000.00
Sewer Interlocal Agreements		\$100,000.00
Board of Health	\$500.00	\$25,000.00
Dog Regulation		\$2,000.00
Streets & Roads	\$205,000.00	\$50,000.00
Gas & Oil		\$45,000.00
Street Lighting		\$14,000.00

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RESOLUTION: R5**

	<u>Salaries & Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>
Traffic & Beautification		\$500.00
Environmental Commission		\$500.00
Historical Commission		\$500.00
Recreation Commission	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
County Library		\$12,000.00
Utilities		\$4,000.00
Public Defender	\$100.00	
Electricity		\$32,000.00
Public Employees Retirement System		\$140,000.00
Police & Fireman Retirement System		\$200,000.00
DCRP Employer Contribution		\$5,000.00
Contribution to Social Security System		\$120,000.00
Municipal Alliance Contribution		\$500.00
Municipal Court	\$20,000.00	\$25,000.00
Safe and Secure Communities-Local	\$10,000.00	
Water		\$3,000.00
Heating Fuel		\$10,000.00
Fire Hydrant Service		\$50,000.00
Telephone		\$15,000.00
Sub Total:	\$1,434,609.20	\$1,521,000.00
Total		\$2,955,609.20
Capital Improvement Fund		\$10,000.00
Payment of Notes		\$200,000.00
Note Interest		\$50,000.00
Payment of Bond Principal		\$1,100,000.00
Interest on Bonds		\$700,000.00
EIT Loan:Principal & Interest		\$80,000.00
Green Trust Loan:Principal & Interest		\$30,455.60
Best Lake Dam Loan		\$46,637.40
EDA Principal & Interest		\$12,297.80
Sub Total		<u>\$2,229,390.80</u>
Grand Total		<u>\$5,185,000.00</u>

Council President

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R6

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Taxes shall be collected quarterly on February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1, 2022.
2. Payment of taxes shall be remitted to the Tax Collector of the Borough of Watchung.
3. Interest shall be charged and calculated at the rate of 8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of the delinquency, and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00 to be calculated from the date the tax was payable until the date the actual payment is received.
4. There shall be a 10-day grace period, after which unpaid taxes will be charged interest from the due date.
5. Redemption fee for Tax Sale Certificate to the Municipality as follows:
 - a. 2% on certificates \$200.00 to \$4,999.99
 - b. 4% on certificates \$5,000.00 to \$9,999.99
 - c. 6% on certificates of \$10,000.00 or more
6. Redemption amounts shall be obtained from the Tax Collector. The property owners shall be entitled to receive two redemption calculations free of charge per calendar year. Subsequent calculations and calculations for the lienholder shall be charged of \$50 per calculation.
 - a. Duplicate Tax Sale Certificate or Certificate of Redemption - \$100
 - b. In lieu of publication, notice of tax sale to be mailed - \$25 per mailing
7. A fee of \$20.00 shall be charged on each returned payment.
8. Duplicate bill fee of \$5.00 shall be charged upon request, excluding property owners.
9. The Tax Collector is authorized pursuant to P.L. 1979, Chapter 82, as amended by P.L. 1996, Chapter 113 (C.40A:9-154.1) to cancel a refund and/or balance of any municipal charge of less than \$10.00 without further action of the Governing Body.
10. Be it further resolved that a 6% year-end penalty be assessed on the last day of the fiscal year on delinquent accounts when in excess of \$10,000.
11. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to publish a copy of this resolution.

Council President

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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C: W. HANCE, D. GAEBELE,

**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R7**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the appointment of Borough Administrator James J. Damato as Commissioner to the Suburban Municipal Joint Insurance Fund (JIF) for 2022, be and is hereby confirmed.

Council President

Keish S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R8**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the following appointments are hereby confirmed for one-year terms, ending December 31, 2022:

Fire Chief

Albert DeSandolo

Assistant Fire Chief

Charles Pivnichny

Council President

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R9**

WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the services of the Professional listed below for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. provides for the Borough of Watchung to solicit proposals through the fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received solicited proposals on November 30, 2021 and said proposals were reviewed by the Mayor, Administrator, and CFO/QPA and the Mayor has recommended DiFrancesco Bateman Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C. as the Borough's Tax Appeal Attorney for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has determined that the value of the contracts may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Watchung has certified that funds are available in the following account: General Operating Budget

William J. Hance, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute individual contracts for the services of the following Professionals in their area(s) of expertise, in accordance with the proposals submitted:

Award to: DiFrancesco Bateman Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C.
15 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, NJ 07059

Amount: \$165.00 per hour, not to exceed \$50,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these contracts have been awarded upon recommendation by the Administration, after review and based on the merits and abilities of these professionals to provide the goods or services as described herein. These contracts are being awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of these contracts within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R10

WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the services of the Professional listed below for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. provides for the Borough of Watchung to solicit proposals through the fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received solicited proposals on November 30, 2021 and said proposals were reviewed by the Mayor, Administrator, and CFO/QPA and the Mayor has recommended DiFrancesco Bateman Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C. as the Borough's Prosecutor for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has determined that the value of the contracts may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Watchung has certified that funds are available in the following account: General Operating Budget

William J. Hance, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute individual contracts for the services of the following Professionals in their area(s) of expertise, in accordance with the proposals submitted:

Award to: DiFrancesco Bateman Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C.
15 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, NJ 07059

Amount: Not to exceed \$39,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these contracts have been awarded upon recommendation by the Administration, after review and based on the merits and abilities of these professionals to provide the goods or services as described herein. These contracts are being awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of these contracts within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R11**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. provides for the Borough of Watchung to solicit proposals through the fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received solicited proposals on November 30, 2021 however the Mayor has authorized that additional proposals be solicited to expand the field of qualified firms with a due date of February 10, 2022; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the month-to-month services of the Professional listed below until such time a contract has been awarded for the year 2022 and the Mayor has recommended DiFrancesco Bateman Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C. as the Borough's Labor Counsel on a month-to-month basis; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Watchung has certified that funds are available in the following account: General Operating Budget

William J. Hance, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for Labor Counsel services for the following Professionals in their area(s) of expertise, in accordance with the proposal submitted:

Award to: DiFrancesco Bateman Kunzman, Davis, Lehrer & Flaum, P.C.
15 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, NJ 07059
Amount: Not to exceed \$10,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this contract is being awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. for a month-to-month as-needed basis and that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of this contracts within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R12**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. provides for the Borough of Watchung to solicit proposals through the fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received solicited proposals on November 30, 2021 however the Mayor has authorized that additional proposals be solicited to expand the field of qualified firms with a due date of February 10, 2022; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the month-to-month services of the Professional listed below until such time a contract has been awarded for the remainder of 2022 and the Mayor has recommended Weiner Law Group, LLP as the Borough's Attorney on a month-to-month basis; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Watchung has certified that funds are available in the following account: General Operating Budget

William J. Hance, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for the services of Borough Attorney in their area(s) of expertise, in accordance with the proposal submitted:

Award to: Weiner Law Group, LLP, 629 Parsippany Road, Parsippany, NJ 07054.
Amount: Not to exceed \$10,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this contract is being awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. for a month-to-month as-needed basis and that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of this contracts within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R13**

WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the services of the Professional listed below for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. provides for the Borough of Watchung to solicit proposals through the fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received solicited proposals on November 30, 2021 and said proposals were reviewed by the Mayor, Administrator, and CFO/QPA and the Mayor has recommended CME Associates as the Borough's Engineer for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has determined that the value of the contracts may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Watchung has certified that funds are available in the following account: General Operating Budget

William J. Hance, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute individual contracts for the services of the following Professionals in their area(s) of expertise, in accordance with the proposals submitted:

Award to: CME Associates, 3141 Bordentown Avenue, Parlin, NJ 08859
Amount: \$181.00 per hour, not to exceed \$300,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these contracts have been awarded upon recommendation by the Administration, after review and based on the merits and abilities of these professionals to provide the goods or services as described herein. These contracts are being awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 *et seq.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of these contracts within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, *et seq.*).

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R14**

WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the services of the Professional listed below for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. provides for the Borough of Watchung to solicit proposals through the fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received solicited proposals on November 30, 2021 and said proposals were reviewed by the Mayor, Administrator, and CFO/QPA and the Mayor has recommended Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A. as the Borough's Bond Counsel for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has determined that the value of the contracts may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Watchung has certified that funds are available in the following account: General Operating Budget

William J. Hance, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute individual contracts for the services of the following Professionals in their area(s) of expertise, in accordance with the proposals submitted:

Award to: Wilentz, Goldman & Spitzer, P.A., 90 Woodbridge Center Drive,
Suite 900, Box 10, Woodbridge, NJ 07095-0957

Amount: Not to exceed \$25,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these contracts have been awarded upon recommendation by the Administration, after review and based on the merits and abilities of these professionals to provide the goods or services as described herein. These contracts are being awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 *et seq.*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of these contracts within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R15**

WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the services of the Professional listed below for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. provides for the Borough of Watchung to solicit proposals through the fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received solicited proposals on November 30, 2021 and said proposals were reviewed by the Mayor, Administrator, and CFO/QPA and the Mayor has recommended Suplee, Clooney & Company as the Borough's Auditor for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has determined that the value of the contracts may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Watchung has certified that funds are available in the following account: General Operating Budget

William J. Hance, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for the services of the following Professionals in their area(s) of expertise, in accordance with the proposals submitted:

Award to: Suplee, Clooney & Company, 308 East Broad Street, Westfield, NJ 07090
Amount: Not to exceed \$40,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these contracts have been awarded upon recommendation by the Administration after review and based on the merits and abilities of these professionals to provide the goods or services as described herein. These contracts are being awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of these contracts within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R16**

WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the services of the Professional listed below for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. provides for the Borough of Watchung to solicit proposals through the fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received solicited proposals on November 30, 2021 and said proposals were reviewed by the Mayor, Administrator, and CFO/QPA and the Mayor has recommended Marmic Associates as the Borough's IT Consultant for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has determined that the value of the contracts may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Watchung has certified that funds are available in the following account: General Operating Budget

William J. Hance, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute a contract for the services of the following Professionals in their area(s) of expertise, in accordance with the proposals submitted:

Award to: Marmic Associates, 13 Sneider Road, Warren, NJ 07059
Amount: \$11,880.00 maintenance contract
\$125.00/hr. for additional services at a rate not to exceed \$40,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these contracts have been awarded upon recommendation by the Administration, after review and based on the merits and abilities of these professionals to provide the goods or services as described herein. These contracts are being awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of these contracts within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R17**

WHEREAS, Mayor Keith S. Balla has recommended the appointment of certain individuals for various terms as listed below

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the following appointments are hereby confirmed:

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Doyle J. Hunsinger, III., Regular Member 4-year term, ending 12/31/2025
Richard Brown, Regular Member 4-year term, ending 12/31/2025

BOARD OF HEALTH

Charlene Virgilio, Regular Member 3-year term, ending 12/31/2024
Joel S. Cohen, MD, Regular Member 3-year term, ending 12/31/2024
Robert Blair Riedinger, Alternate #1 2-year term, ending 12/31/2023

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

Charles Delaney Ending 12/31/2022
Mary Ann Weber Ending 12/31/2022
William Hance Ending 12/31/2022

COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Carolyn Solon, OEM Coordinator Ending 12/31/2022
Cindy Homer, Resident Ending 12/31/2022

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Coraleine Kitt Ending 12/31/2024

GREEN BROOK FLOOD CONTROL COMMISSION

Freddie Hayeck Ending 12/31/2022

GREEN TEAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE **(1 Year Terms ending on 12/31/2022)**

Charlie Neiss
Joan Tak
Renata Blumberg
Denise Soppas
William Hance
Baburao Koneru

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HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Chris Vander Fliet
Freddie Hayeck Sr.
John E. Malchow
Maureen Greenbaum
Stephen Pote
Don Monetti
Tim Logan
Rick Stomber
David Scharf
Robert A. Mayers

(1 Year Terms ending on 12/31/2022)

Regular Member
Alternate #1
Alternate #2

LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tamara Benc
Margaret Ellis
Gail B. Tafaro O'Donnell

3-year term, ending 12/31/2024
3-year term, ending 12/31/2024
Filling vacancy, ending 12/31/2022

MUNICIPAL & COUNTY WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
(1 Year Term ending on 12/31/2022)

Borough Engineer
Christine B. Ead, Council Member

PLANNING BOARD

Pietro Martino
Don Speeney
Ellen Spingler
Troy Sims, Alternate #1

Class III
Class IV
Class IV
Class IV

1-year term, ending 12/31/2022
4-year term, ending 12/31/2025
4-year term, ending 12/31/2025
4-year term, ending 12/31/2023

TRAFFIC AND BEAUTIFICATION

Phyllis Juette
Gail Tafaro O'Donnell
Teresa DeFilippis
Vondre Mott
Julie Schlotterbeck
MaryAnn Weber
Sandra Epstein
Kim DiDonato
Catherine Leigh
Matthew Murphy

(1 Year Term ending on 12/31/2022)

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**WATCHUNG HILLS
MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE**

(1 Year Terms ending on 12/31/2022)

Freddie Hayeck, Council Member
Lindsay Goodloe

YOUTH SERVICES COMMISSION

(1 Year Term ending on 12/31/2022)

Richard Pepe
George Alexis
Karin Kidd
Denise Fichner
Lisa Delventhal
Linda Monetti
Nicole DiTota
Brian McLaughlin

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R18**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Watchung has a shared municipal court with the Borough of North Plainfield and the shared municipal court requires the appointment of a Municipal Court Judge and the Borough of Watchung wishes to make such an appointment.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Mayor hereby nominates, and the Borough Council hereby appoints **Brian Levine, Esq.** as **Municipal Judge** for the Borough of Watchung for the annual salary of sixty-six thousand forty dollars (\$66,040.00), of which the Borough of Watchung's share of said salary is thirty percent (30%) of nineteen thousand eight hundred twelve dollars (~~\$19,812.00~~).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Judge Levine's appointment shall begin January 1, 2022 and he shall continue to serve a three (3) year term ending December 31, 2024 and until a successor is qualified and appointed and that this resolution is hereby ratified to January 1, 2022.

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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**BOROUGH OF WATCHUNG
RESOLUTION: R19**

WHEREAS, it is necessary to retain the services of the Professional listed below for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. provides for the Borough of Watchung to solicit proposals through the fair and open process; and

WHEREAS, the Borough received solicited proposals on November 30, 2021 and said proposals were reviewed by the Mayor, Administrator, and CFO/QPA and the Mayor has recommended Reliance Insurance Group as the Borough's Risk Manager for the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Finance Officer has determined that the value of the contracts may exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Watchung has certified that funds are available in the following account: General Operating Budget

William J. Hance, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Watchung, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute individual contracts for the services of the following Professionals in their area(s) of expertise, in accordance with the proposals submitted:

Award to: Acrisure, LLC dba Reliance Insurance Group, 1460 Route 9 North, Suite 310,
Woodbridge, NJ 07095

Amount: 6% of annual assessment

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these contracts have been awarded upon recommendation by the Administration, after review and based on the merits and abilities of these professionals to provide the goods or services as described herein. These contracts are being awarded through a "fair and open process" pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise the award of these contracts within ten days from the date hereof in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, et seq.).

Council Member

Keith S. Balla, Mayor

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