

Mayor Kilpatrick opened the Council Meeting at 7:00 PM followed by a short prayer and salute to the flag.

- **STATEMENT OF NOTICE OF PUBLICATION**

Municipal Clerk Morelos announced that this May 9, 2022 Council Meeting had been advertised and posted in accordance with Open Public Meetings Act Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 by advertising in the Home News Tribune and the Star Ledger, notifying the Sentinel Publishing Co., posting on the bulletin board, and is on file in her office.

- **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Councilpersons Conti, Dwumfour, Maher, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts

Absent: None

Others Present: Mayor Victoria Kilpatrick
Daniel E. Frankel, Business Administrator
Denise Biancamano, C.F.O./Treasurer
Jessica Morelos, Municipal Clerk
Michael R. DuPont, Esq., Borough Attorney
Jay Cornell, P.E., Borough Engineer
Nicole Waranowicz, Asst. Municipal Clerk

Others Absent: None

- **PROCLAMATION & PRESENTATIONS**

- **†Buddy Poppies Proclamation**

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the annual distribution of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States has been officially recognized and endorsed by governmental leaders since 1922; and

WHEREAS, VFW Buddy Poppies are assembled by disabled veterans and the proceeds of this worthy fund-raising campaign are used exclusively for the benefit of disabled and needy veterans and the widows and orphans of deceased veterans; and

WHEREAS, the basic purpose of the annual distribution of Buddy Poppies by the Veterans of Foreign Wars is eloquently reflected in the desire to “Honor the Dead by Helping the Living”.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor of the Borough of Sayreville, do hereby urge the citizens of this community to recognize the merits of this cause by contributing generously to its support through the purchase of Buddy Poppies on the day set aside for the distribution of these symbols of appreciation for the sacrifices of our honored dead.

I urge all patriotic citizens to wear a Buddy Poppy as mute evidence of our gratitude to the men and women of this country who have risked their lives in defense of the freedoms which we continue to enjoy as American Citizens.

100 years of Buddy Poppies

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused this
Proclamation to be issued and the official seal of the
Borough duly affixed this 9th day of May, 2022.


Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor

Council President Maher moved the following proclamation be approved.
Seconded by Councilman Conti.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all
Ayes.

✦ 53rd Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Week

Proclamation

53rd ANNUAL PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK
May 1 - May 7, 2022

Whereas, The Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk, a time honored
and vital part of local government exists throughout the world, and

Whereas, The Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk is the oldest
among public servants, and

Whereas, The Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk provides the
professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies and agencies of
government at other levels, and

Whereas, Professional Municipal Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of
their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all.

Whereas, The Professional Municipal Clerk serves as the information
center on functions of local government and community.

Whereas, Professional Municipal Clerks continually strive to improve the
administration of the affairs of the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk
through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual
meetings of their state, provincial, county and international professional
organizations.

Whereas, It is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of
the Office of the Professional Municipal Clerk.

Now, Therefore, I, Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor of the Borough of
Sayreville, do recognize the week of May 1 through May 7, 2022, as Professional

Municipal Clerks Week, and further extend appreciation to our Professional Municipal Clerk, Jessica Morelos and to all Professional Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused this
Proclamation to be issued and the official seal of the
Borough duly affixed this 9th day of May, 2022

Victoria Kilpatrick

Councilwoman Dwumfour moved the following proclamation be approved.
Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Dwumfour, Conti, Maher, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all
Ayes.

✦ **Falun Dafa**

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a peaceful and advanced cultivation practice system that centers around the universal principles of Truthfulness, Compassion and Forbearance, and consists of five sets of gentle exercises, including meditation; and

WHEREAS, Falun Dafa was first introduced to the public by Mr. Li Hongzhi on May 13th, 1992; and has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to improving health in mind, body and spirit, and to enhancing the well-being of people from all walks of society, who follows its tenet; and

WHEREAS, All Falun Dafa activities, including classes and practices, are offered by volunteers, opened to the public, and free of charge; over 100 million practitioners in more than 100 countries have been benefited from practicing Falun Dafa; and

WHEREAS, Falun Dafa practitioners in the community, including Borough of Sayreville in New Jersey, across the United States celebrate the 30th anniversary of public introduction of Falun Dafa and World Falun Dafa Day;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Victoria Kilpatrick, of Borough of Sayreville do hereby proclaim May 13, 2022 to be Falun Dafa Day, Honoring truthfulness, compassion and forbearance.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused this
Proclamation to be issued and the official seal of the
Borough duly affixed this 9th day of May, 2022

Victoria Kilpatrick

Council President Maher moved the following proclamation be approved.
Seconded by Councilman Conti.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all
Ayes.

- **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Borough Attorney DuPont read the following Executive Session Resolution into
record.

RESOLUTION FOR CLOSED SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975
permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently
exist;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the
Borough of Sayreville, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The public portion of this meeting is hereby adjourned in order that the
Governing Body may meet in a closed, private session for approximately 5 minutes to
discuss the following matters:

- Litigation

2. Following the conclusion of said closed session, the Governing body shall
reconvene the open portion of this meeting to consider any other matters which may
be properly brought before it at this time.

3. The nature and content of discussion which occurs during closed session shall
be made public at the time the need for non-disclosure no longer exists.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the public be excluded and this
resolution shall take effect immediately.

/s/ Michele Maher, Council President

APPROVED:

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor

**Council President Maher moved the Executive Session Resolution be
adopted on Roll Call Vote. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.**

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all
Ayes.

Time: 7:12 PM

Reconvene:

Council President Maher made a **motion to reconvene**. Motion was seconded by
Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all
Ayes.

Time: 7:15 PM

- **APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL:**

Council President Maher moved the following minutes be approved, subject to correction if necessary:

☞ April 25, 2022 - Regular & Agenda Sessions

Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all Ayes.

• **OLD BUSINESS:**

a) PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2022 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

- Clerk announced that the 2022 Budget Approval and Public Hearing Notice had been advertised in the Home News Tribune on April 15, 2022, which gave notice of the date and time of this Public Hearing and put before the Council tonight the 2021 Municipal Budget Resolution #2022-99.
- Mayor opened the meeting to the public on the 2022 Budget and Resolution. She said that the questions must be confined solely to the Municipal Budget before us. School or County matters are not proper subjects of this hearing and cannot be discussed or answered here tonight.

There were no comments.

Mayor called for a Motion. Council President Maher moved the Public Portion be Closed. Seconded by Councilwoman Novak.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all Ayes.

Councilwoman Novak made a motion to adopt the 2022 Municipal Budget and Resolution #2022-99. Seconded by Council President Maher.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Novak, Conti, Dwumfour, Maher, Onuoha, Roberts, all Ayes.

b) Public Hearing on the following Ordinances:

Borough Clerk Morelos read the heading for the following ordinances listed for Public Hearing:

Public Hearing on Ordinance #12-22.

Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on Ordinance #12-22.

There were no appearances.

Council President Maher moved the Public Hearing be closed the Ordinance be adopted on second and final reading and advertised according to law. Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all ayes.

ORDINANCE #12-22

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER II "ADMINISTRATION"
OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF
THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE TO
ADD 2-32.7 "COMMUNITY GARDEN"**

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Sayreville are hereby amended as follows:

2-32.7 Sayreville Community Garden

2-32.7a Preamble

The Sayreville Community Garden is hereby established for the support of recreational community gardens for residents to grow their own produce through best gardening practices. Benefits include the preservation of green space as residents work collaboratively and share information in gardening techniques. In addition, the Sayreville Community Garden will provide an educational forum for members to expand horticultural knowledge by way of cross-cultural and intergenerational connections as well as foster pride in a community-wide organization.

2-37.7b. Fees

Gardeners allotted a plot in the Community Garden will pay a fee of \$50.00 per year to offset the cost of the Community Garden.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville, in the County of Middlesex, that **Chapter II, Administration**, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Sayreville, shall be amended to reflect such change.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

INTRODUCED/APPROVED ON FIRST READING

DATED: April 25, 2022

/s/Jessica Morelos, R.M.C.
Clerk of the Borough of Sayreville

/s/Michele Maher, Councilwoman
(Sponsor)
Borough of Sayreville

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

DATED: May 9, 2022

/s/Jessica Morelos, R.M.C.
Clerk of the Borough of Sayreville

/s/Michele Maher, Councilwoman
(Sponsor)
Borough of Sayreville

APPROVAL BY THE MAYOR ON THIS 9th DAY OF May, 2022.

/s/Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor
Borough of Sayreville

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

/s/MICHAEL DUPONT, ESQ., Borough Attorney

c) Appointments – None

• **NEW BUSINESS:**

a) Introduction of the following ordinances:

ORDINANCE #13-22

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING
CHAPTER VII OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES
OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE TO AMEND SECTION
7-3.7 HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES IN STREETS
(Public Safety Committee – Co. Dwumfour – Public Hearing 5-23-22)**

Councilwoman Dwumfour moved the Ordinance be approved on first reading, advertised according to law and a Public Hearing be scheduled for May 23, 2022. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Dwumfour, Conti, Maher, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all Ayes. Carried.

ORDINANCE # 14-22
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER II, "ADMINISTRATION",
TO AMEND SUBSECTION 2-15.5 "FEES"
OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES
OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE
(Recreation Committee- Co. Maher - Public Hearing 5-23-22)**

Council President Maher moved the Ordinance be approved on first reading, advertised according to law and a Public Hearing be scheduled for May 23, 2022. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all Ayes. Carried.

ORDINANCE # 15-22
**AN ORDINANCE VACATING ALL OF THE RIGHT,
TITLE AND INTEREST OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE
IN THE ENTIRETY OF A PAPER STREET KNOWN AS LAUREL STREET
(Planning & Zoning Committee- Co. Onuoha - Public Hearing 5-23-22)**

Councilman Onuoha moved the Ordinance be approved on first reading, advertised according to law and a Public Hearing be scheduled for May 23, 2022. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Onuoha, Conti, Dwumfour, Maher, Novak, Roberts, all Ayes. Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS

Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting for any questions or comments on Consent Agenda Resolutions.

There were no appearances.

Council President Maher made a motion to close the Public Portion and adopt the Consent Agenda Resolutions. Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti (Abstained from item #22-02318 on Resolution #2022-100), Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all Ayes.

BUDGET RESOLUTION 2022-99

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Sayreville, County of Middlesex that the budget herein before set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

(a) \$ 34,843,489.71 for municipal purposes, and

(b) \$ 0 for school purposes in Type I School Districts only (N.J.S. 18A:9-2) to be raised by taxation and,

(c) \$ 0 to be added to the certificate of amount to be raised by taxation for local school purposes in Type II School Districts only (N.J.S. 18A:9-3) and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.

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- (d) \$ 462,889.69 Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Levy.
- (e) \$0 Arts and Culture Trust Fund Levy
- (f)\$1,835,988.71 Minimum Library Levy (R.S. 40:54-8 et seq.)

| <u>AYES</u> | <u>RECORDED VOTE</u> | | |
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| | <u>NAYS</u> | <u>ABSTAINED</u> | <u>ABSENT</u> |
| Conti | | | |
| Dwumfour | | | |
| Maher | | | |
| Novak | | | |
| Onuoha | | | |
| Roberts | | | |

SUMMARY OF REVENUES

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| GENERAL REVENUES | |
| Surplus Anticipated | \$ 4,750,000.00 |
| Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated | \$ 25,562,381.10 |
| Receipts from Delinquent Taxes | \$ 900,000.00 |
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| AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES | \$ 34,843,489.71 |
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| AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION MINIMUM LIBRARY LEVY | \$ 1,835,988.71 |
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| TOTAL REVENUES | <u>\$ 67,891,859.52</u> |

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

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| GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS | |
| WITHIN "CAPS" | |
| (a & b) Operations Including Contingent Resolution 2022-99 | \$ 45,352,162.95 |
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| (e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures – Municipal | \$ 5,970,556.00 |
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| EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS" | |
| (a) Operations – Total Operations Excluded | |
| From "CAPS" | \$ 7,688,465.60 |
| (c) Capital Improvements | \$ 542,000.00 |
| (d) Municipal Debt Service | \$ 5,760,780.00 |
| (e) Deferred Charges – Municipal | \$ 70,000.00 |
| (m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes | \$ 2,507,894.97 |
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| SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS – TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY (N.J.S. 40A:4-13) | |
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| TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS | <u>\$ 67,891,859.52</u> |

It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the governing body on this 9th day of May, 2022. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the 2022 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-100

WHEREAS, all bills submitted to the Borough of Sayreville covering services, work, labor and material furnished the Borough of Sayreville have been duly audited by the appropriate committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that all bills properly verified according to law and properly audited by the appropriate committees be and the same are hereby ordered to be paid by the appropriate Borough officials.

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick, Mayor

/s/ Vincent Conti, Councilman

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman

/s/ Eunice Dwumfour, Councilwoman

/s/ Christian Onuoha, Councilman

/s/ Michele Maher, Councilwoman

/s/ Donna Roberts, Councilwoman

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor’s signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

Bill list of May 9, 2022 in the amount of \$6,972,136.72 in a separate Bill List File for 2022 (See Appendix Bill List 2022-A for this date).

RESOLUTION #2022-101

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE
IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A
SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT TO ST. STANISLAUS KOSTKA R.C. CHURCH
TO CONDUCT A PARISH CARNIVAL**

WHEREAS, St. Stanislaus Kostka R.C. Church has requested permission from the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sayreville to conduct a Parish Carnival on the property of St. Stanislaus Kostka’s Church and School from June 23, 2022 through June 25, 2022.

WHEREAS, it is the belief of St. Stanislaus Kostka R.C. Church that the Parish Carnival provides activities which are family and community oriented;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council agree that the event proposed will enhance community spirit; and

THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that St. Stanislaus Kostka R.C. Church is granted permission to conduct a Parish Carnival on the property of St. Stanislaus Kostka’s Church and School from June 23, 2022 through June 25, 2022 without posting any fees.

/s/ Michele Maher, Councilwoman

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(Recreation Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-102

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville are knowledgeable that the Borough requires the services of an appraiser to provide appraisal services and reports covering four (4) properties as outlined in his appraisal fee report; and

WHEREAS, the Laws of New Jersey provide for such services; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A11-5(1)(a) requires that a resolution authorizing such services without competitive bids must be publicly advertised.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sayreville hereby appoint the firm of Sockler Realty Services Group, Inc. and that they be paid for said services at a fee not to exceed \$18,500.00.

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk be and is hereby authorized to forward a true copy of this resolution to, Sockler Realty Services Group, Inc., 299 Ward Street, Suite C, Hightstown, NJ 08520.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-103

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,
AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICY HANDBOOK**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Sayreville has in effect a Personnel Policies Employment Handbook that was adopted by the Governing Body in 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Sayreville amended the Personnel Policies Employee Handbook in 2014 and desires to further amend and update the current Personnel Policies Employment Handbook as was amended in its entirety in 2014; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Sayreville that the following section is hereby amended which is attached hereto and made a part hereof:

➤ Section 1.17 Payroll Policy

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this amendment shall take effect immediately.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-104

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE NEW JERSEY LEGISLATURE TO
AMEND THE BUDGET CAP LAW TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR
INCREASING INSURANCE COSTS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45, et al, a municipality is required to limit any increase in its levy to 2.0% and any increase in appropriations to 2 ½% or the cost-of-living adjustment, whatever is less, over the prior year's final appropriations subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, all local public entities, including participating municipalities in the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund (MEL), has incurred an estimated \$50 million in COVID related worker's compensation claims and it is anticipated that these costs will continue to increase as a result of long-term COVID cases; and

WHEREAS, a 2021 New Jersey Department of Labor decision regarding worker's compensation funding has generated increased costs to the members of the MEL by over 10% in order to cover claims that were previously funded by the State pension system; and

WHEREAS, a recent amendment to the sexual molestation statute of limitations will increase total liability costs for members of the MEL system by an estimated amount of 6% in 2023; and

WHEREAS, the frequency of weather-related catastrophic claims and corresponding impacts are anticipated to increase property insurance costs by over 10% per year; and

WHEREAS, cyber liability events throughout the country have resulted in twice the amount of premium costs in 2022 and such costs are expected to accelerate at a pace far greater than the rate of inflation; and

WHEREAS, these increasing costs, regulations, policy decisions and environmental impacts are occurring when many other items and costs in municipal budgets are also increasing at an inflationary rate; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Sayreville that N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45 be amended to provide that appropriations in the first three years after the effective date of this amendment for liability insurance, worker's compensation insurance, cyber insurance, and property insurance be exempt from the Appropriation CAP and the Levy CAP.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the New Jersey Legislative representative for the Borough of Sayreville.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-105

BE IT RESOLVED that the proper Borough Officials are hereby authorized and directed to award a contract for the purchase of four (4) 2022 Chevrolet Tahoes to Mall Chevrolet, 75 Haddonfield Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 through ESCNJ Contract 20/21-09 in an amount not to exceed \$167,161.96 and lighting/sirens for vehicles from East Coast Emergency Lighting, Inc., 200 West Drive, Millstone Twp., NJ 08535 through NJ State Contract 17-Fleet-00761 in an amount not to exceed \$75,377.04.

/s/ Eunice Dwumfour, Councilwoman
(Public Safety Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-106

BE IT RESOLVED that the proper Borough Officials are hereby authorized and directed to award a contract for the purchase of an electronic sign for the Jerry Ust Recreational Complex to KC Sign & Awning, 142 Conchester Highway, Aston, PA 19014 through Hunterdon County Regional Education Service Commission Co-operative Contract #HcESC-SER-21-08 in an amount not to exceed \$36,620.00.

/s/ Michele Maher, Councilwoman
(Recreation Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

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/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

RESOLUTION #2022-107

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING RESOLUTION #2022-96 MEMORIALIZING THE
DECISION OF THE SAYREVILLE MAYOR & BOROUGH COUNCIL TO AFFIRM THE
RENT LEVELING BOARD RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2022 the Rent Leveling Board of the Borough of Sayreville adopted a Resolution to provide a maximum allowable limit on rental increases not to exceed three (3%) percent effective from April 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Crestview of Sayreville d/b/a Crestview Apartments; through its attorney, disputed the Resolution adopted by the Rent Leveling Board and requested approval of an initial maximum allowable rental increase to five (5%) percent for the Applicable Period consistent with the Rent Control Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Crestview of Sayreville amended its request for a rent increase to 3.3% in its subsequent filing; and

WHEREAS, the Rent Leveling Board, after reviewing the correspondence received from Crestview of Sayreville, remained steadfast in its position that the maximum allowable increase is to remain at three (3%) percent pursuant to the Board's February 8th Resolution ; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2022 Crestview of Sayreville, through its attorney, appealed the decision of the Rent Leveling Board; and

WHEREAS, on April 11, 2022, the Mayor and Council during its regular meeting, held a hearing regarding the Appeal and denied said appeal and upheld the decision of the Rent Leveling Board. The decision of the Mayor and Counsel was based on the submissions of both parties and arguments presented by the Rent Leveling Board counsel; and

THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the appeal of Crestview of Sayreville is hereby denied and the February 8, 2022 Resolution of the Rent Leveling Board is upheld.

/s/ Vincent Conti, Councilman
(Public Works Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

READ IN FULL

RESOLUTION #2022-108

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE
MAYOR AND BOROUGH CLERK TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM
OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF
SAYREVILLE AND THE SAYREVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, the Borough owns certain property, commonly known as Block 28.01, Lot 1.03 located in the Borough of Sayreville; and

WHEREAS, the Sayreville Board of Education owns certain property, commonly known as Block 498, Lot 1; Block 499 Lot 1 and Block 502, Lot 1 which consists of three (3) athletic fields, playground and a parking area for its recreational programs;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is in need of a new bus staging and service area, and the Borough is in need of athletic fields, playground and a parking area for its recreational programs; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is willing to lease its property (not including the teacher parking lots and Selover School, including front lawn) to the Borough and the Borough is willing to lease an approximate 7+/- acre portion of the Borough property to the Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, a Memorandum of Understanding was prepared between the Borough of Sayreville and the Sayreville Board of Education citing the details of the leasing; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Sayreville has reviewed and approved the Memorandum of Understanding between the parties; and

THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the proper Borough Officials are authorized and directed to execute the Memorandum of Understanding between the Borough and the Sayreville Board of Education.

/s/ Mary J. Novak, Councilwoman
(Admin. & Finance Committee)

Reviewed by the Borough Attorney and is approved as to form and the Resolution satisfies all of the legal requirements for the Mayor's signature.

/s/ Michael R. DuPont, Borough Attorney

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF SAYREVILLE

/s/ Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

/s/ Victoria Kilpatrick
Mayor

At this time Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting up to the public for questions or comments on this resolution.

There being no comments, Council President Maher moved the public portion be closed and the Resolution be adopted on Roll Call vote. Seconded by Councilman Conti.

Roll Call: Councilpersons Maher, Conti, Dwumfour, Novak, Onuoha, Roberts, all Ayes. Carried.

- **BOROUGH ATTORNEY - Michael DuPont- NONE**

- **PUBLIC PORTION**

At this time Mayor Kilpatrick opened the meeting to the public for questions or comments on any and all matters.

Those commenting were:

- Karen Bebert, 9 Burlington Road

Ms. Bebert thanked Sgt. Braile for being vigilante on the Johnson Lane issue. She stated that she has created a button for the Mayor and Council so that they can wear it during events. Ms. Bebert wished everyone a Happy Mother's Day.

- Alexa Harris, 47 East Kupsch Street

Ms. Harris questioned the community garden ordinance that was passed. Borough Clerk Morelos responded that the ordinance places the community garden under the Environmental Commission.

Ms. Harris suggested that the Environmental Commission be communicated with prior to the ordinance being passed. She stated at their last meeting they passed a recommendation for the Mayor and Council to oppose the Woodbridge gas plant and if they received it.

Mayor responded that they haven't received anything and explained the procedure for it.

Ms. Harris questioned if they were aware of the Woodbridge gas plant proposal.

Mayor responded no.

Ms. Harris went on to explain it.

Ms. Harris questioned the pollution on DuPont property that was donated to the Borough.

Further discussion ensued.

No further comments.

Council President Maher made a motion to close the Public Portion. Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

No further business Councilwoman Novak made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Roberts.

Roll Call: Voice Vote, all Ayes.

Time 7:53 P.M.

Jessica Morelos, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Date Approved: _____