

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 7, 2025
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING NO. 6

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held on April 7, 2025, and was called to order by Mayor Guindi at 7:00 PM with the following Council Members in Attendance:

Mayor and Council Roll Call	Present	Absent	Excused Tardy
<i>Mayor Peter S. Guindi</i>	X		
<i>Councilwoman Donna Balazs</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Matthew DeSantis</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Hank Dziemian</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Nick Giannakopoulos</i>	X		
<i>Councilman James Gurchensky</i>	X		
<i>Council President Tony Ciulla</i>	X		

Also attending this meeting were Chief Financial Officer Joseph Zanga, Business Administrator Art Londensky, DPW Director Adriano Soares, Fire Chief William Smith, Borough Attorney Andrea Wyatt, and Borough Engineer Eric Robinson

IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 231 OF PUBLIC LAW OF 1975, NOTICE OF THIS MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING, 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE HOME NEWS TRIBUNE ON JANUARY 5, 2025, POSTED ON THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING BULLETIN BOARD, THE BOROUGH WEBSITE, THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING AT 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Guindi lead the salute to the Flag and a moment of silence.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Guindi read the following Proclamation:

Proclamation

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

April 13 – 19, 2025

Whereas emergencies can occur at any time that require police, fire or emergency medical services; and,

Whereas when an emergency occurs the prompt response of police officers, firefighters and emergency medical technicians are critical to the protection of life and preservation of property; and,

Whereas the safety of our police officers, firefighters and emergency medical technicians are dependent upon the quality and accuracy of information obtained from citizens who telephone the South River Police Department's emergency communications center; and,

Whereas Public Safety Telecommunicators are the first and most critical contact our citizens have with emergency services; and,

Whereas Public Safety Telecommunicators are the single vital link for our police officers and firefighters by monitoring their activities by radio, providing them information, and ensuring their safety; and,

Whereas Public Safety Telecommunicators of the South River Police Department have contributed substantially to the apprehension of criminals, suppression of fires and treatment of patients; and,

Whereas each dispatcher has exhibited compassion, understanding and professionalism during the performance of their job in the past year.

Now, therefore, I, Mayor Peter S. Guindi along with the members of the Council of the Borough of South River do hereby proclaim April 13 through 19, 2025, to be.

National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in South River

In honor of the men and women whose diligence and professionalism keep our community and citizens safe.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Borough of South River, NJ, this 7th day of April 2025.

Peter S. Guindi, Mayor

PRESENTATION

LEW Environmental- Lead Paint Inspection- Kenny speaks on a law that was put in place on July 22, 2022 that all municipalities had 2 years to establish a program and start doing inspections that was targeting 2 unit rentals. That date has been extended to July of 2025. This company has created a program that works with over 100 municipalities in conjunction with DCA. There is no charge to the municipality and this company will do all the billing, education, inspections. Everything will be sent directly to the rental units along with collecting the state fee for the municipality. If South River would like to add a municipality fee, this company will collect that as well and forward it to South River. The only fee that can be incurred is if there is no rental registration program.

AGENDA SESSION

- Discussion on Ordinances- Borough Attorney Andrea Wyatt and CFO Joseph Zanga speak on the ordinances on the agenda. Ordinance 2025-8 balances the budget and ordinance 2025-9 amends zoning.

INTRODUCTION OF THE 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

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2025-123

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER MUNICIPAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2025

Resolution #2025-123

MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE

Section 1.

Municipal Budget of the _____ BOROUGH _____ of _____ SOUTH RIVER _____, County of _____ MIDDLESEX _____ for the Fiscal Year 2025

Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2025;

Be it Further Resolved, that said Budget be published in the _____ Home News Tribune _____

in the issue of _____ April 24th _____, 2025

The Governing Body of the _____ BOROUGH _____ of _____ SOUTH RIVER _____ does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2025:

RECORDED VOTE
(Insert Last Name)

Ayes

Balazs
De Santis
Dziemian
Giannakopoulos
Gurchensky
Ciulla

Nays

Abstained

Absent

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the _____ COUNCIL MEMBERS _____ of the _____ BOROUGH _____ of _____ SOUTH RIVER _____, County of _____ MIDDLESEX _____, on _____ April 7th _____, 2025.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at _____ Public Safety Building _____, on _____ May 5th _____, 2025 at _____ 7:00 o'clock _____ P.M. _____ at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2025 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Sheet 2

ORDINANCE-- SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING

ORDINANCE 2025-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 350 OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER ENTITLED "ZONING"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 350 of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Zoning" is hereby amended so as to amend Section 350-10 entitled "Nonconforming lots, structures and uses" so as to delete Subsection (G) entitled "Restoration" in its entirety.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 4. After introduction of this ordinance, the Borough Clerk shall send a copy of this ordinance to the South River Land Use Board for its review and comment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-64. The

Borough shall send a copy of the ordinance to the Middlesex County Planning Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-16.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

Council President Ciulla motioned to waive the full reading; seconded by Councilwoman Balazs. All in Favor. The Clerk read Ordinance 2025-09 by title only. Mayor Guindi opened the floor for public hearing of Ordinance 2025-09 only.

Being no public came forth, Council President Ciulla motioned to close public hearing of said Ordinance; seconded by Councilman Dziemian. All in Favor.

Adopted 4-7-25

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>	X		X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

ALYSSA HAGER, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2025-10 by title only.

ORDINANCE 2025-10

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER,
CHAPTER 193 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” BY AMENDING SECTION 193-
31.1, SCHEDULE IIA “HANDICAPPED PARKING” THEREOF**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, that Chapter 193 of the Code of the Borough of South River entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” be amended by amending Section 193-31.1, Schedule IIA as follows:

SECTION 1. Schedule IIA. HANDICAPPED PARKING

Street	Side	Location
Kathryn Street	South	289 Feet West of Marie St, extending 22 feet Thereof

SECTION 2. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause of provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, clause, or provision so adjudged and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

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SECTION 3. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption, and publication according to law.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on April 7th, 2025, and will be considered for second reading and final passage at the regular meeting of said Governing Body to be held on the 5th day of May, 2025, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter can be reached, at the Council Chamber of the Criminal Justice Building located at 61 Main Street, South River, New Jersey, and/or virtually via Zoom meeting code 826 6082 9597: password: 000000 at which time all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning this ordinance.

Introduced 4-7-25

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2025-11 by title only

ORDINANCE 2025-11

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
SOUTH RIVER, SO AS TO AMEND CHAPTER 155 ENTITLED "FEES"**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex,
and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 155 of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Fees" is hereby
amended so as to amend Section 155.19.1 entitled "Section 22-62, Recreation program and park fees" as follows:.

§ 155.19.1 Section 22-62, Recreation program and park fees.

A. Baseball:

(1) Baseball League: \$75.

(2) T-Ball: \$50.

B. Basketball:

(1) Basketball League: \$75.

(2) Basketball Fundamentals: \$50.

C. Softball \$75.

D. Wrestling: \$100.

E. Street hockey and Street Hockey Fundamentals: \$75.

F. Aerobics, men's fitness, zumba and yoga: \$35.

G. Soccer & Soccer Fundamentals: \$75.

H. Tennis: \$75.00

I. Summer Recreation Early Dropoff Program

(1) One child: \$100.

(2) Two children: \$150.

(3) Three or more children: \$200.

J. Cheerleading Gymnastics:

(1) One Session: \$45.

(2) Mommy and Me Program: \$45.

(3) Teams:

a. Varsity Cheer: \$1,000.

b. ImpACT Cheer: \$500.

c. Under 6: \$250.

d. Pop Warner Cheer \$ 130.

e. Pop Warner Flag Football Cheer: \$75.

f. Crossover Comp Cheer to PW Cheer: \$25

K. Volleyball-Adult and Youth: \$60.

L. Football:

- (1) Flag Football: \$75.
- (2) Pop Warner Football: \$175.
- (3) Pop Warner Flag Football: \$75.00

A sibling discount will be offered in the amount of \$25.00 for any family registering more than 1 child.

M. Agility Class- Adult and Youth: \$50.

N. Art: \$80.

O. Banquet Price:

- (1) Adult: \$40.
- (2) Child: \$25.

P. Running and Track: \$45.

For Appendix A-P the following additional fees may apply.

- (1) After registration closed: \$10.
- (2) For nonresidents: \$10.

Q. Athletic field lighting fees:

1. When any sports team, league or organization seeks to reserve the use of a Borough athletic field at night(s), with the use of lighting, it shall be charged a lighting fee of \$25.00 per hour for the use of the electricity on lighted fields.
2. Fees shall be billed in one-half-hour increments per use, rounded up, based on the amount of the time reserved.
3. All fees will be collected up front, based on the amount of field time reserved, at the beginning of each season.
4. If there are any hours paid for and not used, due to rainouts or other cancellations, said fees shall be refunded in a reasonable time following the end of the sports season.
5. Borough Sponsored Recreation Leagues and Borough Schools shall be exempt from the lightening fee in Section Q(1). Borough Recognized Youth Sport Organizations will be exempt from the fee in Section Q(1) pursuant to the terms of the grant agreement.

R. Athletic field use fees:

1. When any sports team or league seeks to reserve the use of a Borough athletic field, it shall be charged a fee for the use as set forth below:

Grass Fields:

- \$25 per two-hour increment for resident teams or Non-Profit organizations;
- \$50 per two-hour increment for non-resident or For-Profit organizations.

Grekoski Park Baseball Field:

- \$150 per two-hour increment for resident teams or Non-Profit organizations;
 - \$200 per two-hour increment for non-resident or For-Profit organizations.
2. All fees will be collected up front, based on the amount of field time reserved, at the beginning of each season.
 3. If there are any dates paid for and not used, due to rainouts or other cancellations, said fees shall be refunded in a reasonable time following the end of the sports season.
 4. Borough Sponsored Recreation Leagues and Borough Schools shall be exempt from the lightening fee in Section R(1). Borough Recognized Youth Sport Organizations will be exempt from the fee in Section R(1) pursuant to the terms of the grant agreement.

S. All head coaches will receive a free registration for that particular sport. If the sport requires equipment/uniforms/choreography/music, the coach will be responsible for the difference.

T. Teams that violate agreement may have their field rental suspended or removed.

U. At the discretion of the Director of Parks and Rec, the Director shall have the ability to place Jr. Coaches on cheer teams to assist with the development of our younger participants. If a Jr. Coach is selected, he or she will receive a \$200 credit that will be applied to the participants account. If the participant is not registered for cheerleading, he or she may request in writing that the \$200 credit be applied to a family's member account.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

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<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2025-12 by title only

ORDINANCE 2025 –12

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
SOUTH RIVER, SO AS TO AMEND CHAPTER 193 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC”**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex,
and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 193 of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic," is hereby amended and supplemented so as to amend Article IV “Special Zones and Areas” so as to add § 193-17.3 entitled, “Municipal Parking designated,” to read entirely as follows:

§ 193-17.3 Municipal Parking Designated.

A. With the exception of Borough of South River vehicles, and personal vehicles owned and/or operated by municipal personnel, it shall be unlawful and a violation of the provisions of this chapter:

1. To park any vehicle at or on any place in the parking area located at 53-55 Washington Street for any reason other than municipal business to be conducted at 48 Washington Street.

2. To obstruct, impede or interfere with, in any manner whatsoever, the free and orderly passage of traffic in the parking area of vehicles parked or reserved for the movement of traffic within or to or from the parking area.
3. For the purposes of this section the following definitions are applicable:
 - a. Parking Area: The parking lot located 53-55 Washington Street.
 - b. Park or Parking: The standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, upon or in the designated parking area except for the temporarily standing for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers or in obedience to traffic regulations, signs or signals or any involuntary stopping of the vehicle by reason of causes beyond the control of the operator of the vehicle.

B. With the exception of Borough of South River vehicles, and personal vehicles owned and/or operated by municipal personnel, it shall be unlawful and a violation of the provisions of this chapter:

1. To park any vehicle at or on any place in the parking area located at 55 Reid Street for any reason other than municipal business to be conducted at 55 Reid Street.
2. To obstruct, impede or interfere with, in any manner whatsoever, the free and orderly passage of traffic in the parking area of vehicles parked or reserved for the movement of traffic within or to or from the parking area.
3. For the purposes of this section the following definitions are applicable:
 - c. Parking Area: The parking lot located 55 Reid Street.
 - d. Park or Parking: The standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, upon or in the designated parking area except for the temporarily standing for the purpose of and while actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers or in obedience to traffic regulations, signs or

signals or any involuntary stopping of the vehicle by reason of causes beyond the control of the operator of the vehicle.

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<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

DEPARTMENTAL/PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Borough Engineer Eric Robinson

- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Aid Program and NJDOT FY 2024 Local Aid Program**
 - The borough received a \$681,405.00 grant Leonardine Ave. from the OBT to Grand Ave., Prentice Ave., from Willet Ave. to Sheldon Ave., & Beryl St. from Cleveland Ave. to Wilcox.
 - The NJDOT has awarded the Borough a grant in the amount of \$606,980.00 for the Improvements to Darrow Street from Virginia Street to Bright Street, Dailey Street from Ferris Street to John Street and John Street from Colfax Street to George Street.

- The contractor plans to return next week to perform the sanitary sewer repairs. Leonardine Avenue has been milled and paved. The contractor is performing the Curb & Sidewalk application work and will be installing the fences in both parks.
- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Transportation Projects Grant**
 - The Borough received a \$575,000 grant for the improvements to Albourne Street from Ferris Street to Seppi Avenue, Franklin Street from Wilson Avenue to Pulawski Avenue and Olchaskey Avenue from Kamm Avenue to Prentice Avenue. We are working on the project design.
- **NJDOT FY 2025 Local Aid Program**
 - The Borough received a \$506,913 grant for the following roads:
 - Prentice Avenue from Willett Avenue to Sheldon Avenue;
 - Tice Avenue from the Old Bridge Turnpike to David Street;
 - Cleveland Avenue from Virginia Street to Terminus.
 - We submitted a proposal for our professional services associated with same.
- **2023 Electrical Substation Maintenance**
 - The contractor has completed the testing and maintenance. We processed a second Progress Payment. They are working on the reports which will be submitted to us when completed.
- **NJDEP Stormwater Assistance Grant Application**
 - Our survey department has completed the work on the current phase of the project. We submitted a proposal addressing the 2025 requirements and a proposal for our services associated with same.

Chief Financial Officer Joseph Zanga

- States the Annual Financial Statement has been filed and is on the Borough website.
- Speaks on resolution 2025-111.

Mayor Guindi speaks on health insurance increase and CFO Zanga responds.

DPW Director Adriano Soares

- DPW is in the process of filling potholes.

Police Chief Mark Tinitigan

- Speaks on resolutions 2025-113 and 2025-114.

Fire Chief William Smith

- All apparatuses are in service.
- There have been 108 fire alarms this year.

Borough Clerk Alyssa Hager

- No report

Borough Attorney Andrea Wyatt

- No report

Business Administrator Londensky

- Speaks on the progress of the meter project.
- Speaks on the Battery Storage project.

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS

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Councilman DeSantis

- There will be a BOE meeting on 3/17 at 7 pm.
- Rec spring sports are still open for registration.
- There will be a recreation meeting on 4/8 at 55 Reid Street.

Councilman Gurchensky

- Check the OOA website and sign up for events.
- NJ Tax Relief will be at the OOA on 5/8 to speak on the Senior Freeze.

Council President Ciulla

- The next EDC meeting will be on 3/13.

Councilman Giannakopoulos

- Speaks on the utility meeting and how there was no increase to South River.
- Speaks on the LED project.
- If something says it is flushable, it is not. Please do not flush anything other than toilet paper down your toilet.

Councilman Dziemian

- There will be a Neighborhood Watch meeting every 3 months.

Councilwoman Balazs

- The free Rabies Clinic will be on 3/29. 12-2 is for dogs and 2-3 is for cats. They will also be selling licenses if you need to register your animal.
- Please check the library website for all their upcoming activities.

Mayor Guindi

- No report

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Guindi opened the floor for Public Comment.

Ed Trygar, 44 Johnson Pl, Mr. Trygar speaks on the agreement the borough has with VREEL and states the borough is paying for free internet advertising. Mr. Trygar speaks on the accounts the payments came from, and CFO Zanga explains what the accounts are. Mr. Trygar speaks on where this money can be going rather than using it for free internet advertising.

Chris, 107 Main St, speaks on the parking issues by the church and would like there to be permit parking.

Kim and Michael Tita, 45 David St, speaks on the school traffic and explains that their personal vehicles have been hit or damaged. Mayor Guindi states he will follow up with this issue.

Jasmine Green, 109 Main St, speaks on the parking issue in South River. She had received tickets for parking by the meters because she could not park by her home. Ms. Green reads ordinance 1994-24 regarding alternate parking.

Lisa Sprogis, 26 Fairview Ave, speaks on the school parking issue.

Being that no one else came forward for public comment, Mayor Guindi requested motion to close. Council President Ciulla motioned to close; seconded by Councilwoman Balazs. All in Favor.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

- None

Mayor Guindi states that 2 new resolutions will be added to the agenda, 2025-148 and 2025-149

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS 2025-124 TO 2025-149

WHEREAS RESOLUTION 2025-01 AUTHORIZES THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO UTILIZE A CONSENT AGENDA TO ADOPT VARIOUS RESOLUTIONS OF A ROUTINE AND NONCONTROVERSIAL NATURE AT ONE TIME. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE BELOW LISTED RESOLUTIONS ARE HEREBY ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL IN WHOLE AS IF THE SAME WERE INDIVIDUALLY ACTED UPON.

The Borough Clerk read the resolution titles on the consent agenda.

RESOLUTION 2025-124

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY MUNICIPAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, the introduced 2025 Municipal Budget has not been finally adopted; and

WHEREAS, additional emergency temporary budget appropriations are required for the normal operation of the government and NJSA 40A:4-20 allows for the creation of emergency temporary appropriations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively consenting) that in accordance with the provisions of NJSA 40A:4-20 emergency appropriations be made for:

CURRENT FUND

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	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
<u>DEPARTMENT</u>		
<u>GENERAL GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONS:</u>		
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Cable Television	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
COMMUNICATIONS & TECHNOLOGY		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 16,000.00
HUMAN RESOURCES		
Other Expense	\$ 20,000.00	\$40,000.00
MAYOR AND COUNCIL		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 9,000.00	\$18,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 4,000.00	\$11,000.00

BOROUGH CLERK		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 33,000.00	\$60,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$11,000.00
Codification of Ordinances	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 8,000.00
ELECTIONS		
Other Expenses	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 37,000.00	\$60,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 20,000.00	\$40,000.00
COLLECTION OF TAXES		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 20,000.00	\$40,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 8,000.00	\$10,000.00
ASSESSMENT OF TAXES		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 12,000.00	\$18,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$15,000.00
LEGAL SERVICES		
Other Expenses	\$ 40,000.00	\$80,000.00
ENGINEERING SERVICES AND COSTS		
Other Expenses	\$ 25,000.00	\$105,000.00
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT		
Other Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
<u>LAND USE ADMINISTRATION:</u>		
PLANNING BOARD		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 7,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 9,000.00	\$15,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 9,000.00
INSURANCE		
Liability Insurance	\$300,000.00	\$550,000.00
Workers Compensation	\$ 50,000.00	\$120,000.00
Group Health	\$300,000.00	\$1,000,000.00
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY FUNCTIONS:</u>		
POLICE		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 900,000.00	\$2,000,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 120,000.00
SPECIAL POLICE		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 75,000.00	\$ 130,000.00

Other Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
SCHOOL GUARDS		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 90,000.00	\$140,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
POLICE DISPATCH/911		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 75,000.00	\$200,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 250.00	\$ 6,000.00
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT		
Other Expenses	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 5,000.00
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Other Expenses	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
MUNICIPAL COURT		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 55,000.00	\$100,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR		
Other Expenses	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
CODE ENFORCEMENT		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 21,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
<u>PUBLIC WORKS FUNCTIONS:</u>		
ROAD REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE		
Salaries and Wages	\$200,000.00	\$400,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
GARBAGE AND TRASH REMOVAL		
Salaries and Wages	\$220,000.00	\$500,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
PUBLIC BUILDING & GROUNDS		
Other Expenses	\$ 50,000.00	\$150,000.00
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 65,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 80,000.00	\$200,000.00
<u>HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FUNCTIONS:</u>		
BOARD OF HEALTH		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 7,500.00
Other Expenses	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 3,500.00
County Health Program	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
OFFICE ON AGING		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 70,000.00

Other Expenses	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 9,500.00
ANIMAL CONTROL		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 5,000.00	\$10,000.00
<u>PARKS AND RECREATION FUNCTIONS:</u>		
RECREATION		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
MAINTENANCE OF PARKS		
Salaries and Wages	\$110,000.00	\$200,000.00
Other Expenses	\$10,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
CELEBRATION OF PUBLIC EVENTS, ANNIVERSARY OR HOLIDAY		
Fireworks	\$ 0.00	\$ 12,000.00
Memorial Day Parade	\$ 0.00	\$ 750.00
Senior Events	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 11,000.00
CULTURAL ARTS		
Other Expenses	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 4,000.00
UTILITY EXPENSES AND BULK PURCHASES		
Telephone	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Heating Oil	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Gasoline	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Postage	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Office Supplies	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Computer Maintenance	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
SEWER DEPARTMENT		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 45,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 30,000.00
LANDFILL/SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL		
Sanitary Landfill Contract	\$100,000.00	\$350,000.00
<u>Appropriation offset by Dedicated Revenues:</u>		
Uniform Construction Code		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
Other Expenses	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 20,000.00
Accumulated Absences	\$ 0.00	\$ 20,000.00
<u>Statutory Expenditures:</u>		
Public Employees Retirement System	\$ 0.00	\$ 385,000.00
Social Security	\$ 83,000.00	\$ 170,000.00
Police and Firemen Retirement System	\$ 0.00	\$1,408,049.00
Defined Contribution Pension Plan	\$ <u>1,250.00</u>	\$ <u>5,000.00</u>

Total Operations within "CAPS"	\$3,624,000.00	\$9,875,299.00
EXCLUDED FROM "CAPS"		
County Sewerage Authority Contract	\$500,000.00	\$900,000.00
Maintenance of Free Public Library	\$100,000.00	\$400,000.00
<u>Interlocal Municipal Service Agreements:</u>		
M.C.I.A. – Recycling	\$ 95,000.00	\$250,000.00
Radio Safety Communications System	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 25,000.00
Emergency Medical Services	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
<u>Public and Private Programs offset by Revenues:</u>		
County of Middlesex:		
Physical Grant	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
Assistive Technology Grant	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Information and Assistance: Grant	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Information and Assistance: Match	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,680.00
Socialization and Recreation	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 15,000.00
Mental Health Grant	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 31,500.00
Mental Health Match	\$ 0.00	\$ 38,300.00
Capital Improvements – Parks	\$ 550,000.00	\$ 700,000.00
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 250,000.00
Total – Outside "CAPS":	\$1,290,000.00	\$2,662,480.00
Total Current Fund Appropriations	<u>\$4,914,000.00</u>	<u>\$12,542,779.00</u>
<u>ELECTRIC UTILITY</u>		
<u>Operating:</u>		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 550,000.00	\$ 900,000.00
Purchase of Power	\$ 1,800,000.00	\$4,000,000.00
Operating	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 400,000.00
Insurance	\$ 550,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00
Professional Services	\$ 406,000.00	\$ 600,000.00
<u>Capital Improvements</u>		
Capital Outlay	\$ 0.00	\$ 400,000.00
<u>Statutory Expenditures:</u>		
Social Security	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 70,000.00
Total Electric Utility Appropriations:	<u>\$ 3,804,000.00</u>	<u>\$7,618,000.00</u>
<u>WATER UTILITY</u>		
<u>Operating:</u>		
Salaries and Wages	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 500,000.00
Purchase of Water	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 600,000.00
Operating	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 300,000.00
Insurance	\$ 250,000.00	\$ 600,000.00
Professional Services	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 300,000.00
Accumulated Absences	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,000.00

Statutory Expenditures:

Public Employees Retirement System	\$ 0.00	\$ 160,000.00
Social Security	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Total Water Utility Appropriations:	<u>\$1,083,000.00</u>	<u>\$2,508,000.00</u>

PARKING UTILITY

Operating:

Salaries and Wages	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
Operating	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Professional Services	\$ 800.00	\$ 4,000.00

Statutory Expenditures:

Social Security	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Total Parking Utility Appropriations:	<u>\$ 13,300.00</u>	<u>\$ 33,500.00</u>

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-125

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING
A CONSTRUCTION CODE DEPARTMENT REFUND**

WHEREAS, the official Construction records of the Borough of South River, New Jersey show certain adjustments, recessions, amendments, cancellations, corrections, refunds, and uncollectible should be made on certain accounts due to various reasons; and

WHEREAS, the Construction Department recommends these changes as listed below; and

Block	Lot	Reason	Name& Address	Property Location	Amount
281	2	Overcharge For permit	Masemeta Komah & Naeem Andrews 74 Jeffrie Avenue South River, NJ 08882	74 Jeffrie Avenue	\$28.00

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Borough of South River Mayor and Council hereby authorize the Borough Construction Department to make the necessary adjustments as indicated.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-126

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REQUISITION OF FUNDS FOR PAYMENT TO THE CUSTODIAN OF THE SCHOOL MONIES

WHEREAS, pursuant to the applicable Statutes of the State of New Jersey, the Local School District is required to requisition funds for Operating Expense and Debt Service Expense from the Borough; and

WHEREAS, a requisition dated March 18, 2025 has been received from the Local School District for the following amount:

CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSE:	\$1,522,545.00
RESTORED FUNDS:	0.00
DEBT SERVICE EXPENSE:	<u>\$0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,522,545.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw the above stated amount from the proper accounts and pay to the Custodian of the School Monies the amount so drawn pursuant to the applicable Statutes of the State of New Jersey by May 9, 2025.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			

<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-127
RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO CME ASSOCIATES FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO
IMPROVEMENTS TO GREKOSKI PARK – INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that CME Associates is authorized to perform professional engineering services for necessary NJDEP permits in compliance with Freshwater Wetland Protection Act, Flood Hazard Area Control Act, and Wetland Delineation related to Improvements to Grekoski Park Inclusive Playground, as outlined in the Borough Engineer’s letter dated March 5, 2025, at a cost not to exceed \$65,470.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in account 5-01-99-300-231.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-128
AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT
MILLTOWN – MUNICIPAL COURT

WHEREAS, the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., (the “Act”) and N.J.S.A. 2B:12-1 pertaining to the operation of municipal courts permit units of local government to share services

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for a particular purpose and to effectuate agreements for any service or circumstance that will aid and encourage a reduction of local expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River and the Borough of Milltown are public bodies corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey and are authorized under New Jersey law to enter into a Shared Services Agreement pursuant to the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River and the Borough of Milltown desire to enter into a shared services agreement for municipal court services; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the Borough of South River and the Borough of Milltown have negotiated a Shared Services Agreement, copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit A, and the terms of which are incorporated into this resolution as if set forth at length herein; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River find it would be in the best interest of the residents and taxpayers of the Borough to authorize the execution of the Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Milltown in substantially the form annexed hereto and made a part hereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the appropriate officials be and are hereby authorized to execute the Share Services Agreement with the Borough of Milltown for municipal court services in substantially the form of the Shared Services Agreement annexed hereto and made a part hereof.
2. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to forward a duly certified copy of this Resolution to the Mayor and Borough Clerk of the Borough of Milltown; and
3. The Borough Clerk is further directed to forward a duly certified copy of this Resolution and Executed Agreement to the Administrative Office of the Courts.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2025-129
AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT
EAST BRUNSWICK – WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Township of East Brunswick and the Borough of South River in 1991 entered into a Supply and Pumping Agreement establishing minimum daily contract supplies (DCS) and a maximum which may be provided; and

WHEREAS, the initial DCS was 400,000 gallons per day (gpd) with increases in August of 1992 to 750,000, 975,000 gallons per day (gpd) in January 2004, 950,000 gallons per day (gpd) in January 2010, and 850,000 gallons per day (gpd) in January 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River wishes to amend the Supply and Pumping Agreement to decrease to 650,000 gallons (gpd) per day to the Daily Contract Supply (DCS) in accordance with paragraph 9 of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Borough by this resolution requests a decrease to 650,000 gallons (gpd) per day to the Daily Contract Supply (DCS) in accordance with paragraph 9 of the agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey according to the following:

1. The Borough hereby requests a Daily Contract Supply (DCS) of 650,000 GPD which is within the terms and conditions of the contract since the East Brunswick Water Utility has advised that it can supply such gallonage.
2. The new Daily Contract Supply (DCS) shall become effective on the first day of April 1, 2025 and continue until further requests are made to East Brunswick Township by the Borough.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-130
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF CARA PORTEE TO THE POSITION OF PART TIME DISPATCHER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint Cara Portee to the position of Part Time Telecommunicator/Dispatcher within the South River Police Department, at a rate of \$20.00/hr., effective as of April 2nd, 2025, pending results of a comprehensive background and fingerprint investigation, medical examination and drug screen.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-131
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A CLASS III SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR THE
BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as a Special Law Enforcement Officer Class III (SLEO III) for the term of April 15, 2025 to December 31, 2025:

Todd D. Kutcher

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-132
RESOLUTION OF LOCAL SUPPORT FOR SUITABILITY OF CANNABIS BUSINESS TO NURTURING
LEAVES LLC

WHEREAS, operators of a proposed cannabis business are required to demonstrate local support for the suitability and appropriateness of its business location from a municipality pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-5.1(g) and/or pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 24:6I-7.2(4); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 17:30-5.1, the Borough of South River has adopted Ordinance No. 2021-08 creating Chapter 120 as amended, to license and regulate cannabis businesses and Ordinance No. 2021-07 amending Chapter 350 and Ordinance 2025-04 amending Chapter 350 to authorize certain marketplace classes of licensed cannabis businesses in designated zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, Nurturing Leaves, LLC, has sought such a resolution of support to apply for a State license to operate a licensed Cannabis Class 5 Retail facility at the address 700 Old Bridge Turnpike, (unit that is closest to lot 4.04) South River, NJ 08882; and

WHEREAS, the applicant's location is in an appropriate location as set forth in Ordinance 2025-04 for a Retail Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has reviewed and considered the request of Nurturing Leaves, LLC to conduct the cannabis business at the location described above; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that it has authorized the type of cannabis business license being sought by the License-Applicant to operate within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined the proposed location is suitable and appropriate for the proposed activity related to the operations of the proposed cannabis business to be conducted; and

WHEREAS, to the extent the Borough has imposed a limit on the number of licensed cannabis businesses within its jurisdiction, the issuance of a license to the License-Applicant by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission would not exceed that limit as of the date of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to authorize the issuance of the resolution of local support for Nurturing Leaves, LLC, for a Class 5 Retail facility at the location proposed herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the governing body does hereby authorize the issuance of this resolution of local support for Nurturing Leaves, LLC, for the purposes described herein.
2. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Municipal Clerk to the applicant, Nurturing Leaves, LLC, and the State of New Jersey.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			

Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President Ciulla	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-133
RESOLUTION OF LOCAL SUPPORT FOR SUITABILITY OF CANNABIS BUSINESS TO HIGH END
CANNABIS CORPORATION

WHEREAS, operators of a proposed cannabis business are required to demonstrate local support for the suitability and appropriateness of its business location from a municipality pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:30-5.1(g) and/or pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 24:6I-7.2(4); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 17:30-5.1, the Borough of South River has adopted Ordinance No. 2021-08 creating Chapter 120 as amended, to license and regulate cannabis businesses and Ordinance No. 2021-07 amending Chapter 350 and Ordinance 2025-04 amending Chapter 350 to authorize certain marketplace classes of licensed cannabis businesses in designated zoning districts; and

WHEREAS, the applicant, High End Cannabis Corporation, has sought such a resolution of support to apply for a State license to operate a licensed Cannabis Class 5 Retail facility at the address 109 Water Street, South River, NJ 08882; and

WHEREAS, the applicant's location is in an appropriate location as set forth in Ordinance 2025-04 for a Retail Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has reviewed and considered the request of High End Cannabis Corporation to conduct the cannabis business at the location described above; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that it has authorized the type of cannabis business license being sought by the License-Applicant to operate within its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined the proposed location is suitable and appropriate for the proposed activity related to the operations of the proposed cannabis business to be conducted; and

WHEREAS, to the extent the Borough has imposed a limit on the number of licensed cannabis businesses within its jurisdiction, the issuance of a license to the License-Applicant by the Cannabis Regulatory Commission would not exceed that limit as of the date of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Borough wishes to authorize the issuance of the resolution of local support for High End Cannabis Corporation, for a Class 5 Retail facility at the location proposed herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the governing body does hereby authorize the issuance of this resolution of local support for High End Cannabis Corporation, for the purposes described herein.
2. That a certified copy of this resolution shall be provided by the Municipal Clerk to the applicant, High End Cannabis Corporation, and the State of New Jersey.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-134

**RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LAWNMOWER TO JOHN
GUIRE SUPPLY, LLC**

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River duly advertised for the receipt of bids for the purchase of a lawnmower; and

WHEREAS, in response to the invitation to bid, one (1) bid was received on April 1, 2025, John Guire Supply, LLC \$25,524.45; and

WHEREAS, the bid has been reviewed by the Borough and it has been determined that John Guire Supply, LLC submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid in accordance with the bid specifications, said bid being \$25,524.45; and

WHEREAS, the governing body desires to award a contract for the purchase of a lawnmower to John Guire Supply, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

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1. That the governing body does hereby awards a contract to John Guire Supply, LLC., the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for the purchase of a lawnmower at Bid for \$25,542.45.
2. That the Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute and attest to, respectively, a contract with John Guire Supply, LLC in accordance with the bid submitted by John Guire Supply, LLC.
3. That the governing body specifically approves the bid specifications, designs and plans prepared in connection with this project.
4. That a Certificate of Availability of Funds executed by the Chief Financial Officer is annexed hereto. The following are the line-item appropriations or ordinances which constitute the availability of funds for this contract: C-06-19-009-101 in the amount of \$3,837.80 and C-06-21-010-101 in the amount of \$21,686.65.
5. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, DPW Director, and John Guire Supply, LLC.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on April 7, 2025

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-135

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A CROSSING GUARD FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

WHEREAS, Chief Mark Tinitigan recommends the appointment of Charles M. Strickland as a School Crossing Guard pending the successful completion of a comprehensive medical examination and drug screen; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River Council has the desire to appoint Charles M. Strickland as a School Crossing Guard pending successful said results.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of South River Mayor and Council do hereby appoint Charles M. Strickland as a School Crossing Guard effective April 22, 2025 to December 31, 2025 pending the successful completion of a comprehensive medical examination and drug screen.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk provide a certified Resolution to the following:

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- Police Chief Mark Tinitigan
- CFO Joseph Zanga
- Administrator Arthur Londensky

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-136

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF JASON FARINA AS A FIREFIGHTER FOR THE SOUTH RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT RETROACTIVE TO FEBRUARY 4, 2025

I, Peter S. Guindi, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint Jason Farina as a Regular Member of Engine Company One, of the South River Fire Department of the Borough of South River retroactive to February 4, 2025.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X				X	

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-137
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF 2025 SPRING RECREATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint the following to positions for the 2025 Spring Recreation Department Employees effective as of April 7, 2025.

Volleyball Instructors:

Malcom Cumberbatch	\$50.00/class
Daniel Devers	\$20.00/class
Rosa Maria Isabel Arias Alvarez	\$20.00/class

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-138
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF ZEPHIRINUS STANISLAS AS LABORER A FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER SANITATION DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the South River Director of Public Works, Adriano Soares, recommends Zephirinus Stanislas for the position of Laborer A within the Sanitation Department with a starting salary of \$19.89 per hour pursuant to the Local 255 United Service Workers Union Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River Mayor and Council desire to approve said recommendation of appointment for Zephirinus Stanislas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Borough of South River Mayor and Council hereby authorize the appointment of Zephirinus Stanislas for the position of Laborer A within the Borough of South River Sanitation Department with a starting salary of \$19.89 per hour pursuant to the Local 255 United Service Workers Union Contract on or about April 8, 2025.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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RESOLUTION 2025-139
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON AGING FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as member of the Advisory Council on Aging for the term of April 7, 2025, through December 31, 2025.

John Rizco 4/7/25 to 12/31/25

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-140

RESOLUTION APPOINTING METER READER EMPLOYEES

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint Nicholas Sapata to part-time position of meter reader at a rate of \$18.00/per hour effective March 26, 2025 and revise Nicholas Dulski rate of pay to \$20.00/per hour effective April 8, 2025:

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-141

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN UTILITY REFUNDS

WHEREAS, the official utility records of the Borough of South River, New Jersey show certain refunds which include electric, water and consumer deposits (CD); and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Utility Revenue recommends that the following refunds should be made to the consumer noted herein below listed; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Collector of Utility Revenue is hereby authorized to make the following refunds and adjustments indicated below and any attached list.

<u>ACCOUNT #</u>	<u>PAYABLE TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF CHECK</u>
66-999-004-169 WATER CURRENT	GLORIA E. & DEJEN & CHRISTIAN GARCIA ARRELLANES 17 CHARLES ST	\$249.90

		SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	
65-999-007-105	CD	CARLOS ALBERTO DEASSIS EDIMAR SOARES 166 WHITEHEAD AVE APT 2 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$129.59
65-999-008-896	CD	KEILA PERALTA CEPEDA ZAHEER JR. LALMOHAMED 17 E LINCOLN PL NORTH BRUNSWICK, NJ 08902	\$100.67
65-999-009-213	CD	CRUZ CHAD CHAVIS 635 AMBOY AVE APT 214 EDISON, NJ 08837	\$90.80
65-999-008-488	CD	GABRIEL C. DASILVA	\$200.00
65-999-008-488	ELEC PREVIOUS	LAURA BATISTA DASILVA 112 WHITEHEAD AVE APT 3 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$170.63
65-999-008-818	CD	ROSALINA T. DASILVA ROSELI GOMES DASILVA 110 GEORGE ST APT 3 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$67.16
65-999-008-426	CD	ALICE MELO & JONATHAN DESOUZA 32 B CHARLES ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$118.70
65-999-001-652	CD	MICHAEL DISALVO RIVERVIEW DR B1 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$158.53
65-999-008-275	CD	LAMONT HARRIS PO BOX 2755 PLAINFIELD, NJ 07062	\$52.10
65-999-009-691	ELEC CURRENT	HARRY JUDSON JR 29 CLARK ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$4.10
65-999-007-904	CD	JAMY LAURY 74 DIVISION ST APT 11 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$29.64
65-999-009-439	CD	MARK BOLOS & KIROLLOS MIKHAIL 10 SUMMIT RD APT F10B SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$147.45

66-999-000-503	WATER CURRENT	JOHN D. PARILLO 1945 SPRING ST NORTH BRUNSWICK, NJ 08902	\$102.98
65-999-006-513	CD	RAFAEL PAYANO & MARIO ROSARIO 108 JACKSON ST SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$343.59
65-999-911-780	ELEC PREVIOUS	PRO CAP 8, LLC 2500 MCCLELLAN AVE SUITE 200 PENNSAUKEN, NJ 08109	\$87.64
66-999-967-725	WATER CURRENT	JOANN & TERENCE PURDON 9 MELROSE PL SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$87.33
65-999-003-918	CD	REGINA STRENGER 943 VILLAGE DR W APT A NORTH BRUNSWICK, NJ 08902	\$148.30
65-999-909-998	ELEC CURRENT	VASIEIY VAYNAGIY	\$64.22
66-999-978-109	WATER CURRENT	445 SPOTSWOOD ENGLISHTOWN RD MONROE TWP, NJ 08831	\$805.72

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<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-142

RESOLUTION APPROVING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO FIREHOUSE SUBS PUBLIC SAFETY FOUNDATION GRANT

WHEREAS, the mission for Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation is to impact the lifesaving capabilities, and the lives of local heroes and their communities, which is accomplished by providing lifesaving equipment and prevention education tools to first responders and public safety organizations; and

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WHEREAS, the maximum request for the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation Grant is \$45,000.00, with no matching funds required by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River desires to apply for and obtain funding from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation for the purchase of firefighter turnout gear and related personal protective equipment (PPE), as recommended by the South River Fire Department.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED,

1. That the Borough of South River does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and,
2. Recognizes and accepts that the Foundation may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the Foundation, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Foundation, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Borough of South River and the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate officials are authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X				X	

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-143
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the March 10th, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes are approved.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			

<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-144
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BILLS AND CLAIMS LIST

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey that all bills, claims and statements against the Borough, in the total amount of \$2,406,976.88 and previously paid claims in the amount of \$3,444,130.20 listing attached, have been duly itemized, audited, approved and signed by the proper officers of the Borough, be and the same are hereby ordered paid.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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RESOLUTION 2025-145

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE APPOINTMENTS OF THE OFFICE OF
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

WHEREAS, Resolution 2025-99 was adopted on February 24, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the governing body wishes to amend the Office of Emergency Management appointments that were adopted in Resolution 2025-99.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the following individuals are hereby appointed to the Office of Emergency Management for a term beginning January 1, 2025, and ending on December 31, 2027:

1. Joseph Szebenyi, *Office of Emergency Management Coordinator*
2. Mark Tinitigan, *Deputy Office of Emergency Management Coordinator*
3. Peter Sewcanski, *Deputy Office of Emergency Management Coordinator*
4. Thomas Droppa, *Assistant*

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-146

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF AN EMPLOYEE AS SUMMER HELP TO
THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint the following to the part-time position of summer help in the Department of Public Works at a rate of \$18.00/per hour for the period of April 8, 2025, to October 3, 2025.

Eric LaBella

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			

Councilman Dziemian			X			
Councilman Giannakopoulos			X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President Ciulla	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-148

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER TO ENTER INTO A MUNICIPAL SHARED SERVICES LEGAL DEFENSE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq., authorizes the Borough of South River to enter into a agreement for various governmental services with the other municipal entities; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-5 requires such a contract to be authorized by resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River and other municipal entities that are current members of the Middlesex County JIF have agreed upon various terms for the sharing of the attorney services related to the State of New Jersey Department Of Banking and Insurance Final Order, I/M/O Proceedings by the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance (“Department”) Order dates March 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the governing body to authorize the execution of a Municipal Defense Agreement with the municipal entities that are current members of the Middlesex County JIF.

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

1. That the governing body does hereby authorize the execution of Municipal Defense Agreement with the municipal entities that are current members of the Middlesex County JIF.
2. That the Mayor and the Borough Clerk of the Borough of South River are hereby authorized to execute and attest, respectively, a Municipal Defense Agreement with the municipal entities that are current members of the Middlesex County JIF, in a form acceptable to the Borough attorney, and any other documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.
3. The term of this Shared Services Agreement shall be from April 1, 2025 – March 31, 2026 subject to renewal/extension by consent of the parties.
4. The award of this contract is contingent upon the approval from the Chief Financial Officer as to funds being available in 5-01-20-155-205; and

5. That a copy of the agreement shall be kept on file and made available for public inspection at the Borough Clerk's Office during normal business hours.
6. That a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Borough Administrator, the Chief Financial Officer and the Borough Attorney.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on April 7, 2025.

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-149

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SOUTH RIVER PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES USE PERMIT TO SOUTH RIVER PRIMARY SCHOOL, PTA

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River issues permits for the use of the South River Parks and Recreation Facilities to various organizations; and

WHEREAS, the South River Primary School, PTA, a 501(c)(3) entity, has requested to utilize Grekoski Park on April 26, 2025, from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm for a fundraiser event; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council desires to authorize the permit to for SRPS, PTA to utilize Grekoski Park on April 26, 2025 from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm for a fundraiser event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the South River Primary School, PTA is authorized to utilize Grekoski Park on April 26, 2025, from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm for a fundraiser event.

2. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Recreation Director of South River Primary School, PTA and the Borough Administrator.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2 ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			

Councilman Dziemian			X			
Councilman Giannakopoulos			X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President Ciulla	X		X			

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Borough of South River

****Council President Ciulla abstained from voting on resolutions 2025-136, 2025-142, and purchase orders 24-02886, 25-00819, 25-00588, 25-00595, and 25-00715.**

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS (For the Good and Welfare of the Borough)

Councilman DeSantis

- The flag football program has 155 children

Councilwoman Balazs

- Thank you to all First Responders and Crossing Guards.
- Happy Passover and Happy Easter

Councilman Gurchensky

- Thank you to all public safety officers.
- Speaks on the Neighborhood Watch.
- Lyons Club Diner on 4/30. \$115 per person.

Councilman Dziemian

- On 4/12, there is a parish picnic at St. Peter & Paul Church from 10-2.
- There will be a free concert on 5/4 at 2 pm at the Imperial Music Center.

Councilman Giannakopoulos

- No report

Council President Ciulla

- The weather is nice, please be safe outside with children around.
- Happy Passover and Happy Easter.
-

Mayor Guindi

- Speaks on social media. Please light up your house to help prevent breakins.
- Speaks on the ongoing issue with school parking.
- The weather is nice, the children are out. Please be careful.
- Happy Easter.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

2025-147

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Chapter 231, Public Law 1975 permits the exclusion of the general public from a meeting of the Governing Body under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River are of the opinion such circumstances presently exist.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex of the State of New Jersey, that the public be excluded upon the hereinafter specific subject matter and that such subject matter to be so discussed is as follows:

- Property Acquisition
- Litigation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such record of the above discussion will be made public when confidentiality is no longer required. The Borough Council of the Borough of South River may or may not take formal action at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

Adjourn to Executive Session at 7:59 pm

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>	X		X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>			X			

Reconvene to Public Session at 8:31 pm

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman Balazs</i>			X			
<i>Councilman DeSantis</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President Ciulla</i>	X		X			

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business; Mayor Guindi requested motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Balazs motioned to adjourn; seconded by Council President Ciulla. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Hager

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Borough Clerk