

TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

DATE: FEBRUARY 8, 2016 TIME: 7:00 P.M. MEETING ROOM, MUNICIPAL BUILDING

ATTENDANCE: PRESENT ABSENT

_____	_____	Mayor Popko
_____	_____	Deputy Mayor Benowitz
_____	_____	Committeeman Cann
_____	_____	Committeeman Carson
_____	_____	Committeeman Holliday
_____	_____	Township Clerk Eckert
_____	_____	Attorney Fahey
_____	_____	Chief Financial Officer Kocian
_____	_____	Public Works Director Buhrer
_____	_____	Police Chief Nucera

1. Salute to the flag and moment of silence.
2. Roll Call.
3. Open Public Meeting Announcement:

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner:

On January 4, 2016, advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board opposite the main entrance to the meeting room in the Municipal Building; was faxed to the the BURLINGTON COUNTY TIMES and THE TIMES; was filed with the Clerk of Bordentown Township; and was mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notice.

4. The proceedings of this meeting, which are open to the public, are being electronically recorded. Requisite minutes are kept for all meetings, whether open or closed to the public.
5. Resolution to meet in closed session:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown that it does hereby recess this Regular Meeting to meet in Closed Session for the purpose of discussing OPRA Potential Litigation; K. Johnson Team 85 Pilot Agreement Contract Matter and Professional Services Agreements for Township Webmaster and Special Counsel for Environmental Matters.

It is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session may be disclosed to the public upon the determination of the Township Committee that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality.

6. Mayor's Proclamation supporting Endeavors of Amber Mack, Mrs. New Jersey International.

7. Presentation of Phase 2 of the Bordentown Waterfront Community by Jeffrey Albert, Princewood Properties.
8. Administrative Review
 - a. Review of agenda
 - b. Review of correspondence

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

- a. Township Committee review and discussion of Consent Agenda Items.
 - b. Questions or comments from the audience on consent agenda items.
 - c. Motion, Second and Roll Call to adopt Resolutions #2016-039-9 through #2016-039-21.
9. Resolution #2016-039-9 entitled APPROVING THE TRANSACTION OF ITEMS OF ROUTINE BUSINESS: PAYMENT OF BILLS.
 10. Resolution #2016-039-10 entitled APPROVING THE TRANSACTION OF ITEMS OF ROUTINE BUSINESS: MINUTES OF MEETINGS.
 11. Resolution #2016-039-11 entitled AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES.
 12. Resolution #2016-039-12 entitled AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX SALE PREMIUM.
 13. Resolution #2016-039-13 entitled RESOLUTION APPROVING A TEMPORARY BUDGET AMENDMENT.
 14. Resolution #2016-039-14 entitled AMEND VETERANS PARK & JOSEPH LAWRENCE RECREATION AREA BASKETBALL COURT RENOVATIONS PROJECT WITH NICKOLAUS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY & CHANGE ORDER NO. 1.
 15. Resolution #2016-039-15 entitled AMEND 2014 BORDENTOWN ROAD PROGRAM WITH ARAWAK PAVING COMPANY & CHANGE ORDER NO. 2.
 16. Resolution #2016-039-16 entitled APPROVING RAFFLE LICENSE #RL:423.
 17. Resolution #2016-039-17 entitled RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE ADOPTION OF GREEN BUILDING PRACTICES FOR CIVIC, COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS.
 18. Resolution #2016-039-18 entitled BORDENTOWN TOWNSHIP COMPANION ANIMAL PLEDGE.
 19. Resolution #2016-039-19 entitled PLEDGE SUPPORTING NJ WILDLIFE ACTION PLAN.
 20. Resolution #2016-039-20 entitled RESOLUTION ADOPTING BORDENTOWN TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEE ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE POLICY.
 21. Resolution #2016-039-21 entitled RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION'S RESOLUTION TO CREATE AN ANTI-IDLING POLICY.

22. Township Committee discussion of 2016 Request to Conduct Aerial Larval/Adult Mosquito Control Activities.
23. Township Committee discussion of Rental Plots at Community Garden.
24. Township Committee and Staff Reports.
25. Public Participation.
Questions, comments or statements from members of the public in attendance.
26. Any additional matters or correspondence to be reviewed, discussed or acted upon at the discretion of the Township Committee.
27. Motion to Adjourn.

RESOLUTION #2016-039-9

APPROVING THE TRANSACTION OF ITEMS OF ROUTINE BUSINESS: PAYMENT OF BILLS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown that all of the bills listed to be paid on the list dated February 8, 2016, as submitted by the Office of the Treasurer are hereby approved for payment and the Office of the Treasurer is directed to pay the same.

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RESOLUTION #2016-039-10

APPROVING THE TRANSACTION OF ITEMS OF ROUTINE BUSINESS: MINUTES OF MEETINGS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown that the minutes of the Township Committee Closed Session Meeting of January 25, 2016, and the Regular Meeting of January 25, 2016, as submitted by the Clerk and posted on the bulletin board, be and are hereby approved as (_____ submitted) (_____ corrected).

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RESOLUTION #2016-039-11

AUTHORIZING REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT OF TAXES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown that, as requested by the Tax Collector, it hereby authorizes a refund of overpayment of 2016 taxes in the amount of \$1,496.27 to RUSHMORE LOAN MANAGEMENT SERVICES for Block 51.01 Lot 9 commonly known as 2 STANTON AVE.

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It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown at a meeting held on February 8, 2016.

COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

RESOLUTION #2016-039-12

AUTHORIZING REFUND OF TAX SALE PREMIUM

WHEREAS, Tax Sale Certificate #14-00011 was redeemed on FEBRUARY 3, 2016, in the amount of \$366.67.

WHEREAS, US BANK C/F PC6, LLC STERLING, paid tax sale premium, in the amount of \$800.00 for said lien.

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown that, as requested by the Tax Collector, it hereby authorizes a refund of tax sale premium, in the amount of \$800.00 to US BANK C/F PC6, LLC STERLING; for Lien 14-00011, Block 81 Lot 4 commonly known as 10 SHADY LANE.

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COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

RESOLUTION #2016-039-13

RESOLUTION APPROVING A TEMPORARY BUDGET AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19, the local municipal temporary budget for the year 2016 was approved on the 2nd day of January, 2016; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19, appropriations made for interest and debt redemption charges, capital improvement fund and public assistance are excluded from the 26.25% of the prior year budget cap; and

WHEREAS it is desired to amend said temporary budget in order to appropriate sufficient funds for the payment of the Township's capital improvement needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown, County of Burlington, that the following temporary appropriation be made:

Capital Improvement Fund	
Other Expense	\$137,500.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be filed forthwith in the Office of the Director of Local Government Services for certification of the local municipal temporary budget so amended.

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COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

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RESOLUTION #2016-039-14

AMEND VETERANS PARK & JOSEPH LAWRENCE RECREATION AREA BASKETBALL COURT RENOVATIONS PROJECT WITH NICKOLAUS CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - CHANGE ORDER NO. 1

WHEREAS, the Township Committee, by Resolution #2015-271-20H, awarded a contract to Gowerø, Inc., for the purpose of performing certain work and services with respect to the Veterans Park & Joseph Lawrence Recreation Area Basketball Court Renovations Project in the Township of Bordentown; and

WHEREAS, Turek Consulting, the Townshipø agent responsible for supervising the project as aforesaid, for the Township of Bordentown, has advised the Township Committee, by way of January 11, 2016, correspondence and change order request and the submission of the appropriate certification that the existing contract amount should be increased to reflect an increase in material necessary to complete the project to provide line striping; four-square and hop-scotch; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.4 provides that the Governing Body may authorize change orders and amend contracts in accordance with the procedures set forth in said regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has reviewed the aforementioned request and desires to act favorably with respect to same and to amend the contract accordingly and to approve the change order;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Township Committee, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby amends the aforementioned contract and increases the contract price by \$600.00 and the amended total \$16,850.00 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the aforementioned certification and January 11, 2016, correspondence and request being attached hereto as Exhibit A and made part hereof by reference hereto.
2. That the Township Committee hereby directs the Township Mayor and Clerk to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution and which are prepared by or reviewed by the Township Attorney.

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown at a meeting held on February 8, 2016.

COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

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RESOLUTION #2016-039-15

AMEND 2014 BORDENTOWN ROAD PROGRAM WITH ARAWAK PAVING COMPANY -
CHANGE ORDER NO. 2

WHEREAS, the Township Committee, by Resolution #2014-272-16C, awarded a contract to Arawak Paving, for the purpose of performing certain work and services with respect to the 2014 Road Improvement Program in the Township of Bordentown; and

WHEREAS, CME Associates, the Township's agent responsible for supervising the project as aforesaid, for the Township of Bordentown, has advised the Township Committee, by way of December 15, 2015, correspondence and change order request and the submission of the appropriate certification that the existing contract amount should be decreased to reflect an decrease in material necessary to complete the project; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:30-14.4 provides that the Governing Body may authorize change orders and amend contracts in accordance with the procedures set forth in said regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee has reviewed the aforementioned request and desires to act favorably with respect to same and to amend the contract accordingly and to approve the change order;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown, in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Township Committee, for the aforementioned reasons, hereby amends the aforementioned contract and decreases the contract price by \$32,623.92 and the amended total \$882,676.08 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the aforementioned certification and December 15, 2015, correspondence and request being attached hereto as Exhibit A and made part hereof by reference hereto.
2. That the Township Committee hereby directs the Township Mayor and Clerk to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution and which are prepared by or reviewed by the Township Attorney.

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COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

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RESOLUTION #2016-039-16

APPROVING RAFFLE LICENSE #RL:423

WHEREAS, the Bordentown Elks Lodge #2085 has filed an application with the Township of Bordentown to hold a raffle at the Lodge located at 11 Amboy Road in the Township of Bordentown on April 7, 2016, and payment of the required fees has been made;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown that Raffle License #RL:423 be issued to the Bordentown Elks Lodge #2085, with the stipulation that the proceeds be used towards charity and youth activities.

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COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

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RESOLUTION #2016-039-17

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE ADOPTION OF GREEN BUILDING PRACTICES FOR CIVIC,
COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

WHEREAS, buildings account for 39% of CO2 emissions ó more than either the transportation or industrial sectors. In addition, buildings account for nearly 12% of potable water use, 65% of waste output, and 71% of electricity consumption in the U.S. (U.S. Green Building Council).

WHEREAS, green building ó also referred to as sustainable or high-performance building -- is a collection of better design, construction, and operating practices that have the potential to reduce or eliminate the negative impacts of development on the environment and on human health. There are many examples of green building programs and guidelines that have been propagated at national, state, and municipal levels. They commonly address energy efficiency and carbon emissions reduction, water conservation, waste reduction, healthy and sustainably produced materials, indoor air quality, occupant productivity and health, and other components of green building and sustainable development.

WHEREAS, the purpose of this resolution is to enhance the public welfare and assure that commercial, residential and civic development is consistent with Bordentown Township's desire to create a more sustainable community by incorporating green building measures into the design, construction, operation and maintenance of buildings.

WHEREAS, the Township desires to set a leadership example in the area of green building through the implementation of energy efficiency audits and upgrades to the municipal building stock, continued procurement practicesí etc. (e.g. improve water conservation, reduce light pollution, increase construction waste recycling).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Bordentown hereby implements a Green Building Policy that will consider opportunities to incorporate green building measures into the design, construction, operation and maintenance of municipal buildings and facilities.

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COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

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RESOLUTION #2016-039-18

Bordentown Township Companion Animal Pledge

RECOGNIZING that cats and dogs are an integral and valuable part of all communities, and contribute to the well-being of humans, whether as companions, service animals, or therapy pets, and

UNDERSTANDING that municipalities have an important role in ensuring the well-being of animals while balancing the needs of pet owners and non-pet owners.

WHEREAS legislators and municipal officials report that the number of calls from citizens about animal related issues rival any other issue(s);

WHEREAS there are approximately 2.2 million owned dogs and 2.5 million owned cats in New Jersey;

WHEREAS New Jersey was the first state in the nation to develop an innovative state-wide spay/neuter program and all proceeds from the sale of Animal Friendly License Plates are used to reimburse participating veterinarians for spaying and neutering surgeries;

WHEREAS State responsibility for promoting responsible pet care and ensuring that pets do not suffer due to abuse, neglect, or lack of proper care in kennels, pet shops, shelters, and pounds (animal facilities) is vested in the Office of Animal Welfare within the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services;

WHEREAS The New Jersey Society to Prevent Cruelty to Animals (NJSPCA) and municipal Animal Cruelty Investigators (ACIs) are responsible for investigating and acting as officers for the detection, apprehension, and arrest of offenders against the animal cruelty laws;

WHEREAS New Jersey mandates training requirements for animal control officers and Animal Cruelty Investigators;

WHEREAS New Jersey impounds over 100,000 animals per year in animal shelters and impoundment facilities;

WHEREAS approximately 37% of the animals that enter New Jersey's impoundment facilities are euthanized, at a rate of around 3000 every month;

WHEREAS free-roaming unvaccinated cats and dogs present a potential health threat to humans through the spread of such zoonotic diseases as rabies, leptospirosis, toxoplasmosis, roundworms, animal bites, and environmental contamination from animal feces;

WHEREAS stray and unwanted pets place an enormous financial burden on municipalities and non-profit humane agencies organized to care for these animals; (To calculate an average per animal cost for your municipality, divide the total shelter expenditures - municipal animal control and shelter expenses - by the total number of animals served per year);;

WHEREAS it is more humane and cost-effective to reduce the number of unwanted animals than it is to impound and euthanize unwanted or unclaimed dogs and cats;

WHEREAS all dogs are required to be licensed in the municipality where they are housed and the majority of municipalities also require licensure of cats. (Current vaccination against rabies is a pre-requisite to licensure);

WHEREAS all municipalities are required to canvass their residents to locate unlicensed dogs;

NOW THEREFORE, we the Municipality of Bordentown Township, resolve to take the following steps with regard to our municipal responsibilities with the intent of making Bordentown Township a truly sustainable community.

It is our intent to do our utmost, within the bounds of our jurisdiction, to ensure that companion animals are treated humanely, respectfully, and responsibly through public education and through exercise of powers vested within New Jersey municipalities as follows:

Authority of municipalities:

Pursuant to New Jersey Statutes, all municipalities must appoint a certified animal control officer who shall be responsible for animal control within the jurisdiction of the municipality, including providing emergency veterinary care for injured stray animals and coverage outside of normal working hours;

The municipality in which an animal facility is located is responsible for issuing the license for that facility to operate;

The NJ Vicious Dog Law establishes a state-wide standard for municipalities to effectively address situations of vicious or potentially dangerous dogs, regardless of breed;

The Animal Population Control Program provides for low-cost spaying and neutering for pet owners adopting dogs and cats from New Jersey shelters, pounds, and animal adoption referral agencies and pet owners participating in one of several Public Assistance Programs.

The Municipality pledges to:

- Enforce all animal and rabies control statutes and regulations, including the requirement to pick up and impound all stray dogs and cats, excepting stray and feral cats in managed TNR programs.
- Work to improve the enforcement of animal cruelty statutes.
- Educate our community, including school children, about their responsibilities towards the pet animals they chose to keep.
- Institute, as appropriate, cat licensing ordinances and increase the percentage of licensed dogs and cats through ease of licensing and licensing enforcement measures.
- Identify and work to implement best practices to prevent unwanted breeding through effective animal control, availability of low-cost pet spaying and neutering services, public education, and pet-friendly rental and senior housing.
- Identify alternatives to euthanasia of adoptable companion animals, including utilizing foster homes, adoption networks and providing remedial behavior training services to existing and future owners.
- Assist in identifying resources to improve the conditions and increase the capacity of animal shelters and impoundment facilities and animal control services.

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COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

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RESOLUTION #2016-039-19

PLEDGE SUPPORTING NJ WILDLIFE ACTION PLAN

Recognizing that animals are an integral and valuable part of all communities and believing concern for the wellbeing of wild animals and wild species is a hallmark of a sustainable natural community Bordentown Township pledges its support for the New Jersey Wildlife Action Plan as outlined:

WHEREAS, New Jersey is home to a rich diversity of wildlife and ecologically significant natural communities,

WHEREAS, New Jersey's wildlife and wild places are under threat from development, fragmentation, invasive species and the impacts of people, WHEREAS, the populations of mammals, birds, invertebrates, fish, reptiles and amphibians that live in and migrate through New Jersey find themselves clinging to smaller and smaller pieces of wild clean lands and aquatic habitats,

WHEREAS, it is more cost-effective to prevent species from becoming imperiled than it is to recover them once their populations have declined, WHEREAS, a naturally functioning and healthy ecosystem represents a healthy environment for NJ wildlife and our citizens,

WHEREAS, the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife, other state and federal agencies, and many partners in conservation have worked together to develop a state Wildlife Action Plan for the benefit of biologists, wildlife experts, municipal leaders, land stewards, non-profit organizations, educators, planners, researchers, outdoor recreation enthusiasts, landowners and all the people who know the wild places of the state of New Jersey,

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Wildlife Action plan is a comprehensive action agenda for the conservation of native wildlife, the restoration of important lands and water, and public education targeting the needs of rare wildlife in New Jersey,

WHEREAS, the residents of, and visitors to, New Jersey also enjoy and benefit from New Jersey's wildlife and wild spaces.

NOW THEREFORE, the Township of Bordentown, resolves to take the following steps with regard to our municipal land-use decisions with the intent of making Bordentown Township an ecologically sustainable community. It is our intent to include these principles in our public lands management, our environmental resources inventory and to inform the next master plan revision and update our zoning accordingly.

We will identify imperiled species, critical habitat and unique ecosystems in our Environmental Resource Inventory.

Acknowledging that it is more cost-effective to protect species than recover species, we will protect populations of rare and imperiled species that live and breed in, and migrate through, the municipality and the habitats they depend upon.

Because habitat integrity is critical to healthy biodiversity we will manage publicly owned lands in accordance with wildlife management actions laid out in the New Jersey Wildlife Action Plan and will promote the management of all protected lands to promote biodiversity.

We will protect wildlife habitats and maintain connectivity of habitat when formulating an open space acquisition strategy, open space stewardship plans and through the municipal master plan including planning and zoning ordinances.

We will seek to minimize disturbance of critical wildlife populations and their habitats from human activities, subsidized predators and invasive species. When possible and appropriate, we will work with neighboring municipalities to implement the aforementioned principles across municipal boundaries.

When possible and appropriate, we will strive to monitor and implement appropriate management of municipal easements to ensure native vegetation and wildlife takes precedence over invasive and/or exotic species.

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COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

02/08/16

RESOLUTION #2016-039-20

RESOLUTION ADOPTING BORDENTOWN TOWNSHIP EMPLOYEE ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE POLICY

WHEREAS, in 2012, the Township of Bordentown, by resolution, chose to participate in the Sustainable Jersey Certification Program; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve the certification, the Township of Bordentown must adopt certain policies and procedures to gain points towards the certification; and

WHEREAS, the Bordentown Township Employee Environmental Performance Policy is one requirement under the Sustainable Jersey Certification Program in which all Township departments shall maximize opportunities to reduce the amount of waste they produce, recycle materials and conserve energy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown that it does hereby adopt the policy, attached hereto, as the Bordentown Township Employee Environmental Performance Policy effective upon adoption of this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Clerk shall forward a copy of this policy to all Township Employees upon its adoption.

It is hereby certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown at a meeting held on February 8, 2016.

COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

02/08/16

RESOLUTION #2016-039-21

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION'S RESOLUTION
TO CREATE AN ANTI-IDLING POLICY

WHEREAS, emissions from gasoline and diesel-powered vehicles contribute significantly to air pollution, including greenhouse gases, ozone formation, fine particulates; and

WHEREAS, numerous scientific studies have found links between exposure to fine particles and health effects including premature death, and increased incidents of asthma, allergies, and other breathing disorders; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency has classified diesel exhaust as likely to be carcinogenic to humans; and

WHEREAS, vehicle idling occurs in locations (e.g. school grounds, parking lots, distribution centers, strip malls, construction sites, businesses, etc.) where residents can be exposed to concentrated sources of air pollutant emissions; and

WHEREAS, for every gallon of gasoline used, the average car produces about 20 pounds of carbon dioxide (CO₂), the largest contributor to greenhouse climate change, with one-third of greenhouse gas emissions coming from the transportation sector; and

WHEREAS, petroleum-based gasoline and diesel fuel are nonrenewable fuels and should be used wisely and not wasted; and

WHEREAS, idling more than 10 seconds uses more fuel and emits more pollutants than turning an engine off and on again; and

WHEREAS, current state law prohibits the idling of vehicles for more than three minutes and studies have shown that an anti-idling policy will save fuel, prolong engine life, and improve air quality;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey supports the adoption of a strong anti-idling policy by government agencies, schools, businesses, and other organizations by:

1. Make enforcing existing violations and penalties under New Jersey's existing no-idling law a priority for all Township Police Officers pursuant to C. 39:3-70.2 and C. 26:2C-1;
2. Encouraging any gasoline or diesel-powered motor vehicle to turn off their engines immediately at schools and off-site school related events to minimize exposure of children to vehicle emissions;
3. Maintaining municipal vehicles to eliminate any visible exhaust and complying with the annual inspection requirement for those vehicles;

4. Promote the widespread use of emission controls in construction contracts (for example, see the "Diesel Emission Controls in Construction Projects: Model Contract Specification" developed by the Northeast Diesel Collaborative); and
5. Supporting broad education of the public about the health, environmental and economic impacts of idling and ways to reduce idling.

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COLLEEN M. ECKERT, RMC, TWP. CLERK

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