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August 17, 2016
Wildwood Crest, NJ

Prior to the opening of the Special Meeting, Mrs. Gould led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Borough of Wildwood Crest, Cape May County, New Jersey, was held in the Municipal Court Room at 9:00 a.m. On roll call, the following answered to their names:

Gould – Cabrera – Groon - Yes

Mr. Groon read the following statement: In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, the notice requirements have been satisfied as to the time, place and date of holding said SPECIAL meeting by posting notice on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall and by mailing and EMAILING same to the Gazette-Leader, the Herald and The Press on August 10, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Groon next announced the one-way in and the one-way out method of ingress and egress in case of emergency.

It was noted that no other business, discussion, or public comments will be permitted at this time, except specifically with respect to the item listed above, due to the limitations imposed on this meeting by the notice authorizing same pursuant to the full provisions of the open public meetings act.

THE CLERK READ THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION No. 755-16

Authorizing Executive/Closed Session in accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, specifically N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et. seq.) requires all meetings of the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest to be held in public, except that N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) sets forth nine (9) types of matters that may lawfully be discussed in "Executive or Closed Session," i.e., without the public being permitted to attend; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest has determined that ONE (1) issue is permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) to be discussed without the public in attendance to be discussed during the Executive or Closed Session to be held on **Wednesday, August 3, 2016** at 9:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, the nine (9) exceptions to public meetings set forth in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b) are listed below, and next to each exception is a box within which the number of issues to be privately discussed that fall within that exception shall be written, and after each exception is a space where additional information that will disclose as much information about the discussion as possible without undermining the purpose of the exception shall be written:

_____ **“(1) Any matter which, by express provision of Federal law, State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from public discussion.”** The legal citation to the provision(s) at issue is: _____ and the nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____

_____ **“(2) Any matter in which the release of information would impair a right to receive funds from the state or federal government.”** The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____

_____ **“(3) Any material the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as any records, data, reports,**

recommendations, or other personal material of any educational, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing, relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned (or, in the case of a minor or incompetent, his guardian) shall request in writing that the same be disclosed publicly." The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____

“(4) Any collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions of which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of terms and conditions with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.” The collective bargaining contract(s) discussed are between the Borough and _____

“(5) Any matter involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of bank rates or investment of public funds where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.” The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____

“(6) Any tactics and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public provided that their disclosure could impair such protection. Any investigations of violations or possible violations of the law.” The nature of the matter, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is _____

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“(7) Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation in which the public body is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties as a lawyer.” The parties to and docket numbers of each item of litigation and/or the parties to each contract discussed are _____ and the nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is Potential Contract Negotiation for Borough Administrator position.

“(8) Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions or employment, evaluation of the performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request, in writing, that such matter or matters be discussed at a public meeting.” Subject to the balancing of the public's interest and the employee's privacy rights under *South Jersey Publishing Co. v. New Jersey Expressway Authority*, 124 N.J. 478, the employee(s) and nature of the discussion, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality are _____

“(9) Any deliberation of a public body occurring after a public hearing that may result in the imposition of a specific civil penalty upon the responding party or the suspension or loss of a license or permit belonging to the responding party as a result of an act or omission for which the responding party bears responsibility.” The nature of the matter, described as specifically as _____

possible without undermining the need for confidentiality is

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners shall reconvene the public meeting at the conclusion of the authorized closed or executive session, which may or may not include formal action as a result of the discussion(s) held.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, assembled in public session on the date of the meeting of the governing body set forth herein above, that a closed session shall be held for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above involving the Borough of Wildwood Crest. The governing body shall convene a closed session discussion immediately upon passage of this resolution and it is anticipated that the deliberations conducted in closed session shall be disclosed to the public upon conclusion of the matter and/or after determination of the Board of Commissioners that the public interest will no longer be served by such confidentiality and that the meeting will return to open session at the conclusion of the discussion and formal action may be taken if/as authorized. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk, at the present public meeting, shall read aloud enough of this resolution so that members of the public in attendance can understand, as precisely as possible, the nature of the matters that will be privately discussed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk, on the next business day following this meeting, shall furnish a cop of this resolution to any member of the public who requests one at the fees authorized by N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1, et. seq.

Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Cabrera, that the resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould - Cabrera – Groon Yes

After returning from Closed Session, and there being no further comments from the public, Mr. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Cabrera, that the meeting be adjourned. The time was 11:16 a.m.

Dated: August 24, 2016

Patricia A. Feketics, Municipal Clerk
