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July 10, 2019
Wildwood Crest, NJ

The Mayor led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Borough of Wildwood Crest, Cape May County, New Jersey, was held in the Municipal Court Room at 5:30 p.m. On roll call the following answered to their names:

Gould - Thompson - Cabrera - YES

Mr. Cabrera 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 meeting by posting notice on the bulletin board in the Borough Hall and by e-mailing and same to the Gazette-Leader, Herald of Cape May County and The Press on October 25, 2018.

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

Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that Ordinance No. 1308 be placed on second reading and final passage by title only.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

ORDINANCE NO. 1308
REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE
ISSUANCE OF \$5,900,000 REFUNDING BONDS OF THE
BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST, IN THE COUNTY OF
CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY.

Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson that a public hearing be held on Ordinance No. 1308.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

Hearing nothing from the public, Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson that that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1308 now be closed.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson that Ordinance No. 1308 be passed on second and final reading and advertised according to law.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson, that Ordinance No. 1309 be placed on second reading and final passage by title only.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

ORDINANCE NO. 1309
ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING CHAPTER
47A, PARKS OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
WILDWOOD CREST TO PROHIBIT FISHING AND
CRABBING ON THE KAYAK LAUNCH FACILITY

Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson that a public hearing be held on Ordinance No. 1309.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

Hearing nothing from the public, Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson that that the public hearing on Ordinance No. 1309 now be closed.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson that Ordinance No. 1309 be passed on second and final reading and advertised according to law.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING ORDINANCE BY TITLE:

ORDINANCE NO. 1310

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST
REPEALING SECTIONS 4-2, 4-3, AND 4-4 OF CHAPTER 4 OF THE
CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST THAT PROHIBIT
THE ADVERTISEMENT OF BYOB BY RESTAURANTS, DINING
ROOMS OR OTHER COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS**

Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson that Ordinance No. 1310 be passed on first reading, advertised according to law, be brought up for second and final reading and public hearing on July 24, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 193-19

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING A MASTER
LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC
FOR THE PLACEMENT OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS
FACILITIES IN THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest adopted Ordinance No. 1305 Amending and Supplementing Chapter 85 of the Borough of Wildwood Crest Land Use Ordinance to Regulate Wireless Communication Facilities in the Public Rights-of-Way on June 19, 2019 with an effective date of July 16, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1305 will require, among other conditions and requirements, a Master License Agreement with the Borough for use of the Public Rights-of-Way for the placement of wireless communication facilities; and

WHEREAS, New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC desires to enter a Master License Agreement in the form attached hereto as **EXHIBIT “A”**, with the Borough of Wildwood Crest to utilize the Public Rights-of-Way for the installation of wireless communications facilities; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §253(a) and (c), of the Federal Telecommunications Act which preserves a local municipality’s ability to “manage the public rights-of-way” and to control and regulate the “placement, construction and modification of personal wireless service facilities;” and

WHEREAS, consent is required from New Jersey municipalities for the placement of small cell equipment and wireless cabinets in the public rights-of-way pursuant to N.J.S.A. §48:3-19, and for the erection of wireless poles within the public rights-of-way pursuant to N.J.S.A. §48:17-10; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to approve the Master License Agreement and grant its consent pursuant to the above referenced authority, and further subject to all of the terms and conditions of this Resolution, the Master License Agreement and Ordinance No. 1305, which are incorporated herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The above recital paragraphs are incorporated herein as if set forth at length.
2. That the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and empowered to execute the attached Master License Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC for the purposes set forth therein which shall not become effective until July 16, 2019.
3. The Master License Agreement and the consent granted herein, is further contingent upon the effective date of Ordinance No. 1305, and compliance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Master License Agreement and Ordinance No. 1305.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 194-19

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST IDENTIFYING SMALL CITIES
FAIR HOUSING OFFICER**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest is applying for a Fiscal Year 2020 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant in an amount not to exceed \$400,000 from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for financial assistance for removal of mobility barriers to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest must make efforts to affirmatively further fair housing; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest has reviewed various actions that would be acceptable to the New Jersey State Department of Community Affairs and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest has made assurances in the grant agreement that;

1. It will comply with the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and regulations issues thereto; and
2. It will comply with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and the regulations issued pursuant thereto; and
3. It will comply with the Fair Housing Act of 1968 and will affirmatively further fair housing; and
4. It will comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Municipal Clerk shall be designated as the Small Cities Program Fair Housing Compliance Officer for the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fair Housing Officer shall contact the US HUD Regional Office of Housing and Equal Opportunity and the NJ Division on Civil Rights, inform those agencies of his/her appointment as Fair Housing Officer and request Fair Housing Information; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Fair Housing Officer shall provide fair housing advisory services and assistance and referral advice to persons requesting such assistance from the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Wildwood Crest will publish in the local newspaper of record and post at the Borough Municipal Building a public notice announcing the appointment of the Fair Housing Officer and the availability of local fair housing advisory services.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 195-19

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST APPROVING PUBLIC FACILITIES
GRANT MANAGEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest will apply for \$400,000 in Fiscal Year 2020 CDBG funds for removal of mobility barriers in order to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA);

WHEREAS, the NJ Department of Community Affairs requires Wildwood Crest Borough to prepare a Grant Management Plan to define project staffing and project activities; and

WHEREAS, the NJ Department of Community Affairs requires Wildwood Crest Borough to officially adopt its Grant Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has prepared a Grant Management Plan for its Fiscal Year 2020 Public Facilities project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest adopts the Grant Management Plan prepared by Blauer Associates for the Fiscal Year 2020 Public Facilities project.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 196-19

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST ADOPTING A STATE MODEL
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR DCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest is an applicant for a Department of Community Affairs Fiscal Year 2020 Small Cities Community Development Project for an amount not to exceed \$400,000 for removal of mobility barriers in order to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and will enter into a grant agreement for said grant if approved; and

WHEREAS, that grant agreement will require the Borough of Wildwood Crest to comply with all federal regulations with respect to citizen participation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest has reviewed the State Model Citizen Participation Plan prepared for Small Cities CDBG grantees.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The State Model Citizen Participation Plan developed by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Small Cities CDBG is adopted by the Borough of Wildwood Crest; and
2. The Borough of Wildwood Crest will follow all regulations set forth in that document throughout the term of the grant agreement cited above.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 197-19

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING GRANT APPLICATION SUBMISSION

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for an amount not to exceed \$400,000 for removal of mobility barriers in order to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and will enter into a grant agreement for said grant if approved.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That the Borough of Wildwood Crest does hereby authorize the application for such a grant.
2. The Borough of Wildwood Crest recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Borough of Wildwood Crest and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.
3. That the persons whose names, titles, and signatures appear below 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:

_____ (SIGNATURE)	_____ (SIGNATURE)
Don Cabrera (TYPED NAME)	Patricia A. Feketics (TYPED NAME)
Mayor (TITLE)	Municipal Clerk (TITLE)

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera -- YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 198-19

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 2- FY 2018 NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM – ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO RAMBLER ROAD STREET END

WHEREAS, Charles Marandino, LLC, of Milmay, New Jersey was awarded the contract known as FY 2018 NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM – ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO RAMBLER ROAD STREET END via Resolution No. 72-19 on February 6, 2019 for \$220,431.25; and

WHEREAS, upon recommendation from Marc DeBlasio of DeBlasio & Associates (the Borough Engineer), the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest authorized Change Order Number 1 – FY 2018 NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM – ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO RAMBLER ROAD STREET END, via Resolution No. 112-19 on April 3, 2019 increasing the original contract of \$220,431.25 by \$32,749.75 making the amended contract amount \$253,181.00; and

WHEREAS, Marc DeBlasio of DeBlasio & Associates, has reviewed and approves Change Order No. 2, which will Install and Modify ADA Lifeboat Pad, Additional Handicapped parking, and As-built Quantity Adjustments, which will result in a decrease of \$41,163.07 to the amended contract amount of \$253,181.00 for a revised contract amount of \$212,017.93.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, that said Change Order Number 2- FY 2018 NJDCA SMALL CITIES PROGRAM – ADA IMPROVEMENTS TO RAMBLER ROAD STREET END reducing the total contract amount by \$41,163.07 and revising the contract price to \$212,017.93 be and the same is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the above recital paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference as if set forth at length.
2. That the Mayor and Borough Clerk of the Borough of Wildwood Crest are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest said change order documents on behalf of the Borough of Wildwood Crest.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 199-19

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH VAN NOTE-HARVEY ASSOCIATES, P.C., A DEFENDANT IN LITIGATION KNOWN AS BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST V. VAN NOTE-HARVEY ASSOCIATES, P.C., MANDERS MERIGHI PORTADIN FARRELL ARCHITECTS, LLC, BIAGI, CHANCE, CUMMINS, LONDON, TITZER, INC., DELL-TECH INC., TJB AIR CONDITIONING AND HEATING, AND JOHN DOES 1-10

WHEREAS, the Borough of Wildwood Crest is the plaintiff in litigation entitled Borough of Wildwood Crest v. Van Note-Harvey Associates, P.C., Manders Merighi Portadin Farrell Architects, LLC, Biagi, Chance, Cummins, London, Titzer, Inc., Dell-Tech, Inc., TJB Air Conditioning and Heating, Docket No. CPM-L-341-16 concerning claims against those entities for faulty construction in connection with the renovation to the Crest Pier (the “Litigation”); and

WHEREAS, the Borough special counsel, Rona Zucker Kaplan, Esquire, of the firm of Cooper Levenson, Attorneys at Law, 1125 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 320, Atlantic City, New Jersey, has negotiated a settlement agreement and recommended that the litigation as it pertains to the defendant VAN NOTE-HARVEY ASSOCIATES, P.C., be settled in accordance with the proposed Settlement Agreement and General Release attached hereto as Exhibit “A” (the “Settlement Agreement”); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners, based upon the recommendation by its special counsel, desires to accept such recommendation and settle the Litigation against the defendant and further determines that such settlement with the defendant VAN NOTE-HARVEY, P.C., in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement is in the best interest of the Borough and the public; and

WHEREAS, the Settlement Agreement will resolve the dispute between the Borough and one of the defendants in the Litigation, the claims of the Borough against the remaining and VAN NOTE-HARVEY, P.C., however, claims remain active until such time as the Settlement Agreement is fully executed by both parties and release of the Settlement Agreement at this time would adversely affect the Borough’s and public’s interest in the Litigation and it is therefore not in the best interest of the Borough or the public to release the Settlement Agreement until final conclusion of and dismissal of all claims in connection with the Litigation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, that the Settlement Agreement and General Release attached hereto as Exhibit “A” is hereby approved, and that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Settlement Agreement and to take all necessary action to effectuate the terms thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Settlement Agreement shall not be released until such time as a final decision has been rendered and all rights of appeal are exhausted or a binding settlement resolving all claims against all defendants in the Litigation has been made and further provided that such release would not be in conflict with the purposes of N.J.S.A. 10:4-2 of the Open Public Meetings Act.

EXHIBIT A

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 200-19

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING WAIVING FEE FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORT SERVICES

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2019, Emergency Medical Transport Services were called for an incident located at 6200 Pacific Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the incident involved a Borough of Wildwood Crest employee as well as bicyclist Francis J. Vanore, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, Section 32A-5 Emergency Medical Transport Services and Charges, Subsection F (1) (d) Treatment and Release shall be billed in the amount of \$100.00; and

WHEREAS, the Wildwood Crest employee insisted on calling the Emergency Medical Services as a precautionary measure to evaluate Mr. Vanore, Jr. and after doing so, Mr. Vanore, Jr. refused emergency medical transport services; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest have opted to waive the Treatment and Release fee of \$100.00; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The above recital paragraphs are incorporated herein as if set forth at length.
2. The waiver of Treatment and Release fee in the amount of \$100.00 as billed by Cape Professional Billing is hereby granted and a copy of this resolution will be sent to Cape Professional Billing.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 201-19

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT TO WILDWOOD GABLES YACHT CLUB

WHEREAS, on July 5, 2019, Wildwood Gables Yacht Club, 7410 New Jersey Ave, Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260, applied for a Special Events Permit for the purpose of a Boat Parade to be held on July 20, 2019, from 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm, at Sunset Lake; and

WHEREAS, Wildwood Gables Yacht Club has supplied all documentation required under Ordinance No. 1304, including the requisite Certificate of Insurance, and has further pledged to comply with all applicable rules and regulations pertaining to the conduct of said Special Event; and

WHEREAS, the application has been reviewed by the Board of Commissioners, upon verification by appropriate members of staff as to completeness of the application, scheduling compatibility, and

WHEREAS, in the spirit of supporting tourism for the Wildwoods and the Wildwood Crest Community, the Commissioners have agreed to waive the application fee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, New Jersey that the Borough Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to issue a Special Events Permit to Wildwood Gables Yacht Club, 7410 New Jersey Ave, Wildwood Crest, NJ 08260, for the purpose of a Boat Parade to be held on July 20, 2019, from 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm, at Sunset Lake.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera – YES

THE CLERK READS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 202-19

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST AUTHORIZING SUPPORTING OF PATH TO PROGRESS RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC AND FISCAL POLICY WORKGROUP

WHEREAS, New Jersey faces a daunting fiscal crisis; and

WHEREAS, for two decades, while county and municipal governments made the proper pension payments, New Jersey governors from both parties severely underfunded the pension system for teachers and State government workers; and

WHEREAS, while local government pension systems are funded at the national average, the State's unfunded liability for pensions and retiree health benefits now tops \$150 billion – four times the size of the State budget; and

WHEREAS, actuaries project the State will have to increase its pension contribution from \$3.2 billion in this year's budget to \$6.7 billion to reach the Actuarially Required Contribution (ARC) by FY 2023; and

WHEREAS, health care costs continue to rise, and New Jersey and its local governments cannot sustain the unparalleled platinum-level benefits that they provide to their employees; and

WHEREAS, the State has held municipal aid flat, moved the Energy Tax Receipts out of the Property Tax Relief Fund, and with the sunset of Chapter 78 relief and the 2% arbitration cap; and

WHEREAS, the State must bring pension and health care costs under control in order to hold down property taxes.

WHEREAS, the Path to Progress recommends re-establishing the Legislature's County and Local Government Study Commission, which disbanded in 1992 and consolidate it with the Local Unit Alignment, Reorganization and Consolidation Commission (LUARCC); and

WHEREAS, one of the key recommendations of LUARCC was to merge smaller municipalities with larger ones to yield cost savings; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest vehemently opposes any merger recommendation as part of the Path to Progress Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May, expresses its support for the recommendations of the Path to Progress report issued by the New Jersey Economic and Fiscal Policy Workgroup with the exception of merging smaller municipalities with larger municipalities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution is forwarded to Assemblyman R. Bruce Land and Assemblyman Matthew Milam, Senator Bob Andrzejczak, Senate President Sweeney, Assembly Speaker Coughlin, Senator Paul Sarlo, Senator Steve Oroho, Assembly Majority Leader Greenwald, Assemblywoman Eliana Pintor-Marin, Senator Tony Bucco, Senator Troy Singleton, Senator Dawn Addiego, the Governor of State of New Jersey, the New Jersey Association of Counties, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

Mrs. Gould motions, Mr. Thompson seconds that the foregoing resolution be adopted.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera – YES

BILLS: Mrs. Gould motioned, seconded by Mr. Thompson that all bills properly authorized, as submitted, be paid.

Vote: Gould -- Thompson -- Cabrera – YES

CORRESPONDENCE:

Several emails regarding Aster Road were received. They essentially asked for the Borough to reconsider turning the blinking light back to a working light. Chief McGrath indicated that the light was changed to blinking last year to prevent traffic from heading East on Crocus Road. He indicated that the risk of turning the light back on does not outweigh the benefit. Cars will undoubtedly turn on Crocus Road to avoid the light thus making it hazardous. He further indicated that the argument of vehicles going around other vehicles being dangerous at Aster Road is not a reason to turn the light back on; in fact, this happens at every street corner in the crest. The Chief added that they could enforce more at the area as well as Buttercup Road and

Park Blvd to keep traffic speeds lower. Commissioner Thompson added that a speed limit sign could be placed there. The Commissioners were in agreement to keep the light blinking.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Commissioner Gould praised the Wildwood Crest Lifeguards for their recent win.

Dennis Travascio, 112 E. Louisville Avenue, inquired about Resolution No. 2,3,5 and 8. The Administrator indicated they were all required in advance of applying for DCA Grant. The Clerk read in part Resolution No. 2 in attempt to clarify. It was pointed out that Resolutions 2-5 were all required DCA resolutions. Resolution No. 8 was a settlement agreement with Van Note Harvey.

DISCUSSION:

NEW BUSINESS:

-Letter of Discharge of partially chlorinated wastewater/ MUA mechanical failure- The Mayor detailed what transpired, he requested an investigation and the Borough is waiting on the outcome and more importantly, how to prevent it from re-occurring.

-Parking for RVs –Commissioner Thompson indicated there is an issue with parking RVs on private property and feels the ordinance needs to be reviewed and perhaps amended. The Solicitor gave a brief description of the current ordinance regarding RVs. The Mayor added that the Borough should investigate how other coastal municipalities deal with the issue. The Chief of Police added that the spirit of the law was intended to make sure Wildwood Crest did not turn into a trailer community. The Commissioners agreed that the current ordinance needs to be reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS:

-Donation of Sick Time- The Administrator indicated that the proposal will be going to Civil Service for review shortly and they have 30 days for review.

Referendum permitting one consumption liquor license in business zone- No movement.

Vacancy on the Green Team / PLANNING BOARD

There are still vacancies on the Green Team and Planning Board.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The Mayor once again opened the floor for public commentary.

John Davis, 9004 Seaview Avenue, requested that the Governing Body look at the current landscape ordinance and what materials the current ordinance permits. He indicated the he is spending a tremendous amount of money renovating a home for his family and would like to use a synthetic grass. His request was denied because it was not in the code. The Mayor asked the Solicitor to research what other towns are allowing and Commissioner Thompson would like to know the results of the testing surfaces.

After hearing nothing further from the public, Mrs. Gould motioned and Mr. Thompson seconded that the meeting be adjourned. All were in favor. The time was 10:15 a.m.

Dated: July 24, 2019

Patricia A. Feketics, Borough Clerk

