

Englewood, N.J., April 8, 2008

A Formal Meeting of the City Council of the City of Englewood, Bergen County, New Jersey, was held this evening in the Municipal Court in the Public Safety Building commencing at 7:00 PM.

Present: Council President Ken Rosenzweig; Council members Charlotte Bennett Schoen, Scott Reddin, Jack Drakeford, and Gordon Johnson.

Absent: Mayor Michael Wildes.

Also present Robert Casey, City Manager; Lenore Schiavelli, City Clerk; William Bailey, City Solicitor.

President Rosenzweig called the meeting to order.

The City Clerk stated that adequate notice of this meeting was given by the posting, filing, and distribution of the notice as required by the Open Public Meetings Act.

President Rosenzweig asked those present to stand while the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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Mr. Reddin moved that the following resolution as be adopted. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Upon roll call, Mr. Drakeford voted "No"; all other Council members present voted "Yes". President Rosenzweig declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

The Local Budget of the City of Englewood, County of Bergen, for the fiscal year 2008. BE IT RESOLVED that the statement of revenue and appropriations (as included in the official Budget) shall constitute the Local Budget for the year 2008; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cancellation of unexpended balances of 2007 appropriations are approved and that all adjustments made to the Annual Financial Statement by the Chief Finance Officer are approved ; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said budget be published in The Press Journal in the issue of April 17, 2008 and a public hearing be held thereon May 6, 2008, and that the City Council of the City of Englewood does hereby approve the Annual Budget for the year 2008 in the sum of \$57,804,633.

Mr. Reddin moved that the following resolution as be adopted. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Council members present voted "Yes". President Rosenzweig declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

BE IT RESOLVED that the following raffle license is hereby approved:
Community Chest of Englewood to be held on May 1, 2008.

Mr. Reddin moved that the following resolution as be adopted. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Council members present voted "Yes". President Rosenzweig declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

WHEREAS the City Council is introducing a Bond Ordinance to provide for various improvements in City owned facilities; and

WHEREAS State law requires that any capital improvement must be included in the annual capital budget of the municipality and if it is not, then the capital improvement program must be amended to reflect this capital expenditure; and

WHEREAS the City has not yet adopted a Capital Budget for 2008 and consequently it is necessary to adopt a Temporary Capital Budget prior to the adoption of any Bond Ordinance in 2008; and

WHEREAS the City Manager recommends that the following Capital Budget be adopted with this capital Budget being supplemented when the final 2008 Annual Budget is established;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Englewood, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the recommendation of the City Manager is hereby accepted; and the following Capital Budget is hereby adopted:

CAPITAL BUDGET 2008

(a)Purpose:	Replacement of Public Library HVAC Systems	
	Appropriation and Estimated Cost:	\$470,000
	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:	\$447,600
	Period or Average Period of Usefulness:	15 years
	Amount of Down Payment:	\$ 22,400
(b)Purpose:	Replacement of air conditioning units at the City's Public Safety Complex, Police Department and Health Department	
	Appropriation and Estimated Cost:	\$256,700
	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:	\$244,400
	Period or Average Period of Usefulness:	15 years
	Amount of Down Payment:	\$ 12,300
(c)Purpose:	Replacement of heating system boiler and related pumps and installation of new electrical power system at City Hall	
	Appropriation and Estimated Cost:	\$268,800
	Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds or Notes:	\$256,000
	Period or Average Period of Usefulness:	15 years
	Amount of Down Payment:	\$ 12,800

6 YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

SUMMARY OF ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES AND AMOUNTS

Project title:	HVAC Building Improvements	
Estimated Total Cost		\$995,500
Budget Appropriations		
Current year		0
Prior Year		0
Capital Improvement Fund		\$47,500
Capital Surplus		0
Grants in Aid and other funds		0
Bonds and Notes		
Debt Authorized		\$948,000

Mr. Johnson moved that the following resolution as be adopted. Mr. Reddin seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all Council members present voted "Yes". President Rosenzweig declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

WHEREAS, application has been made for a Person-to-Person transfer of Plenary Retail Distribution License #0215-44-039-003 for premises located at 124 Grand Avenue, Englewood, New Jersey, from Heredia Maris, Executor of the Estate of Lilo Heredia, to Grand Liquor and Deli, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the transferee has paid to the City of Englewood the necessary fee and has properly advertised as required by law; and

WHEREAS, the City of Englewood has caused an investigation to be made and has not uncovered any violations; and

WHEREAS, initial investigation indicates the applicant is eligible for the requested License; and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed to the City the source of funds used in the purchase of the license and the licensed business; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Englewood, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the Person-to-Person transfer of Plenary Retail Distribution License #0215-44-039-003 for premises located at 124 Grand Avenue, Englewood, New Jersey, from Heredia Maris, Executor of the Estate of Lilo Heredia, to Grand Liquor and Deli, Inc., is hereby approved.

Mr. Reddin moved that the following resolution as be adopted. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion. Upon roll call, Mr. Drakeford voted "No"; all other Council members present voted "Yes". President Rosenzweig declared the motion carried and the resolution duly adopted.

WHEREAS the City must reduce its recurring costs so as to provide tax relief to local taxpayers and to meet new state requirements on limitations on expenditures and tax levy increases; and

WHEREAS a comparison of Englewood refuse collection practices with other Bergen County municipalities with populations greater than 15,000 indicates that in 12 of the 15 communities that responded, 80% do not provide rear yard take out refuse services; and

WHEREAS the City Manager and Director of Public Works have provided estimates that the elimination of rear yard collection of kitchen refuse (current ordinance and practice) would yield a long term cost savings of \$400,000 and the realignment of collection routes eliminating the transfer station would result in a long term cost savings of an additional \$190,000, all to be accomplished through the reduction of the workforce through attrition; and

WHEREAS the Public Works Department has other service needs, especially in park, street, and shade tree maintenance that must be addressed and the Recommended 2008 Budget includes appropriation increases to address some of these concerns; and

WHEREAS the City Council believes that the service needs of the City can best be addressed by reassigning manpower within the Public Works Department in 2008 with cost savings being realized through attrition over the next several years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Englewood, Bergen County, New Jersey, as follows:

1 The recommendation of the City Manager and Director of Public Works concerning the discontinuation of rear yard refuse collection service and the elimination of the transfer station is hereby accepted;

2. Starting Monday May 5, 2008, all refuse (kitchen, household and rubbish) as well as recyclables and bulk will be collected at the curb in front of the residence.

a. All residents are to be notified of this new policy and procedure change through the issuance of a flier to be received by Monday, April 20.

3. Rear yard collection of kitchen refuse will continue for those who are disabled and/or infirm and who have no one else in the home who can do this task. To receive this service a resident will provide a certification attesting as to their personal inability to place their kitchen and household refuse at the curb as well as the absence of any person residing in their residence who can accomplish this task.

4. For those who are capable of performing curbside refuse collection but wish to continue receiving rear yard collection of kitchen and household waste:

a. there will be a fee of \$50 per quarter (\$200 per year) payable in advance

b. the City will provide this service twice a week

c. the resident will be required to use a heavy duty plastic garbage bag as a liner inside their garbage pail. The City will remove the plastic bag and place it at the curb shortly before the morning collection.

d. The City will remove plastic garbage bags containing kitchen garbage waste. The resident will continue to place recyclables and any other refuse that they want removed during the normal collection cycles at the curb.

e. This take-out service does not reduce or eliminate the ability of the resident to place items at the curb for disposal in accordance with the existing policies and practices of the City.

Mr. Reddin introduced the following ordinance by title:

08-09 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE CAPITAL FUND SURPLUS OF THE CITY OF ENGLEWOOD TO PROVIDE SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND TO RECONSTRUCT THE ISLANDS ON WEST PALISADE AVENUE

He moved that the ordinance pass on first reading and be published once, in full, in the Press Journal and that a public hearing thereon be held May 6, 2008. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, all Council members present voted "Yes". President Rosenzweig declared the motion carried.

Mr. Reddin introduced the following ordinance by title:

08-10 BOND ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ENGLEWOOD, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND OTHER EXPENSES IN THE CITY OF ENGLEWOOD AND APPROPRIATING \$ 995,500 THEREFOR, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$ 948,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY OF ENGLEWOOD TO FINANCE THE SAME.

He moved that the ordinance pass on first reading and be published once, in full, in the Press Journal and that a public hearing thereon be held May 6, 2008. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, all Council members present voted "Yes". President Rosenzweig declared the motion carried.

Mr. Reddin introduced the following ordinance by title:

08-11 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 05-08 ESTABLISHING FEES FOR LICENSES, PERMITS AND OTHER APPLICATIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF ENGLEWOOD.

He moved that the ordinance pass on first reading and be published once, in full, in the Press Journal and that a public hearing thereon be held May 6, 2008. Mr. Johnson seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, all Council members present voted "Yes". President Rosenzweig declared the motion carried.

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President Rosenzweig opened the meeting to the public for comments or questions.

Following a motion duly made, seconded, and passed, the City Council went into closed session to discuss personnel issues.

Inasmuch as there was no further business to come before the City Council, the Council President adjourned the meeting.

City Clerk