APPROVED AS AMENDED: May 7, 2018

WEST WINDSOR TOWNSHIP COUNCIL BUSINESS SESSION March 26, 2018

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: President Miller called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

This is to advise that the notice requirement provided for in the "Open Public Meetings Act" has been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given and transmitted to The Times and Princeton Packet; filed with the Clerk of the Municipality; and posted in the West Windsor Township Municipal Building at North Post and Clarksville Roads on January 5, 2018. Closed Session was noticed on March 19, 2018.

ATTENDEES: President: Miller; Council: Bahree, Geevers, Hamilton, Manzari; Mayor: Marathe; Business Administrator: Schmid; Township Attorney: Herbert; Township Clerk: Young, Land Use Attorney: Schmierer (arrived at 6:25 p.m. and left at 6:56 p.m.); Manager of Land Use: Surtees (left at 6:56 p.m.); Chief of Police: Garofalo (arrived at 7:00 p.m. and left at 7:22 p.m.); Chief Financial Officer: Louth

CLOSED SESSION:

Motion to go into closed session: Manzari Second: Geevers RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari <u>aye</u> Miller

Ms. Young read the closed session resolution into the record:

Whereas, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a Public Body to go into closed session during a Public Meeting, and

Whereas, the Township Council of West Windsor Township has deemed it necessary to go into closed session to discuss certain matters which are exempted from the public; and

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Whereas, the regular meeting of this Township Council will reconvene; and

Whereas, the below stated subject matter shall be made available at such time as the issues discussed therein are resolved and its disclosure would not subvert any particular exception for convening a closed session.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Township Council of the Township of West Windsor will go into closed session for the following reason(s) as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12: For the discussion of Affordable Housing Litigation and Update, the Settlement Agreement related to Avalon Bay Communities, Management Agreement with Green Acres, Property Acquisition, and Personnel related to a change in the Salary Ordinance.

Meeting reconvened at 6:56 p.m.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG

Ms. Young led the salute to the flag.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS AND/OR TOPIC FOR PRIORITY CONSIDERATION

Proclamation for Autism Awareness Month and World Autism Awareness Day

Mayor Marathe read the proclamation into the record.

Ms. Dena Bogen of Autism Speaks accepted the proclamation.

Discussion ensued over moving forward the Municipal Budget Introduction; however Ms. Louth, Chief Financial Officer was not available at that time. Council agreed to move the Introduction of the Municipal Budget forward after the discussion regarding Senate Bill 446.

Chief Garofalo - Public Safety Presentation

Chief Garofalo advised that he is working with Dr. Aderhold, Superintendent for the West Windsor-Plainsboro School District. He spoke about the safety drills that were recently done and the measures that will be taken to improve safety measures.

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Chief Garofalo spoke about the School District's consideration of hiring a Class 3 Type Officer and outlined the benefits of this action. He also advised of the "Alice Training" which is the next step in school security.

Mayor Marathe explained that the hiring of the officer would be a School Board decision.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Sanjev Rajaram, 5 Rushton Court, advised that the problem is the individual behind the gun and not the gun or the law. He outlined gun control statistics.

Mr. Bob Murray, 20 Lorrie Lane, asked that the resolution be pulled from the agenda and discarded. Prohibition and war on drugs did not work. What we need to solve this current problem is involvement. He noted that everyone must get involved and work with the School Board, the Police and all of our resources to determine a course of action.

Ms. Melinda Van Dillen, 105 Southfield Road, spoke about the need for violence prevention, noting that the Council can amplify the voice of the community.

Mr. John Hinsdale, 38 Quaker Road, spoke in support of opposing Senate Bill 446.

Ms. Aleta Ricciardi, 40 Van Wyck Drive, spoke about the resolution carrying the voices of West Windsor residents.

Mr. Paul Pitluk, 69 Rainflower Lane, spoke about comments on the on-line "Peeps Page" for West Windsor residents, and said Washington should hear that West Windsor doesn't want S446.

<u>Ms. Andrea Pitluk, 69 Rainflower Lane</u>, shared her emotional experience when attending the March for Our Lives in Washington D.C.

Mr. Richard Kaye, 66 Coneflower Lane, suggested residents contact their State and Federal representatives so they will understand the wishes of the community.

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Mr. John Perla, 10 Millstone Road, spoke about the school drills and the fear they instill. He noted that gun control is a local issue.

<u>Mr. Wayne Tindall, 1712 Old Trenton Road</u>, advised that West Windsor is historically a gun safe town. He advised that Council could drown in resolutions if they were to take on every national issue. There are many local issues including affordable housing that Council should be focusing on.

Ms. Sandra Donovan, 20 Sapphire Lane, encouraged residents to speak to their State and Federal representatives regarding this issue because they have the power to make the difference. She asked that Council focus on local issues over which they have control.

Ms. Brandi Hebert, 8 Woodhollow Road, spoke about the need for leadership at the local level regarding gun control issues.

Ms. Eliana Hebert, 8 Wood Hollow Road, advised that most individuals do not fully understand the need for school safety.

<u>Mr. Tolentino Diaz, 59 Van Wyck Drive</u>, advised that he is shocked to see what America has become and the need to go back to the grass roots of what this Country was founded on: simpler times, helping each other out.

Ms. Jennifer Kelley, 35 Windsor Drive, spoke about the school walk-out in support of gun control.

<u>Ms. Kani Ilangovan, 18 Indian Run</u>, spoke about the incident that happened recently in Princeton. She noted that he opposes Senate Bill 446.

Ms. Bharati Ganesh, 8 York Road, spoke about mandating sensible gun control policies. She noted that this is not a partisan political issue; speaking out as a Council is part of Council's job.

Ms. Debra Wolosky, 38 Slayback Drive, supports the resolution opposing Senate Bill 446.

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Mr. Venkat Karimanasseri, 152 Fisher Place, noted that he was in favor of gun control and spoke about the need to help those suffering from mental illness.

Ms. Grace Power, 77 Lillie Street, spoke about the march in Washington D.C. and called for better gun control. She read statistics regarding violence and the use of weapons.

Ms. Andrea Mandel, 46 Ellsworth Drive, spoke about costs for Council discussions and offered suggestions to make West Windsor a better community.

Mr. Eugene Fridkin, 37 Galston Drive, advised that residents should be putting pressure on Congress for better gun control laws and Council should stay focused on local issues.

Ms. Tirza Wahrman, 5 Stonlea Drive, advised that Senate Bill 446 does affect the local community. She spoke about the second amendment and the misunderstanding of what it means.

Mr. Andy Bromberg, 24 Providence Drive, advised that there is community support for passing the resolution.

Mr. Mark Pepper, 43 Providence Drive, advised that there is a national gun violence epidemic. He noted that he supports the resolution.

Mr. Peter Perla, 10 Millstone Road, advised that he was moved by words spoken in support of the resolution.

Ms. Shin-Yi Lin, 8 Harrison Drive, spoke strongly in favor of passing the resolution opposing Senate Bill 446.

Mr. Ted Ross, 131 South Mill Road, spoke in favor of passing the resolution.

Dr. YZ Zhang, 3 Findley Lane, gave his rationale for supporting the passing of the resolution.

A motion was made to change the order of the agenda to move forward the discussion on the resolution opposing U.S. Senate Bill 446 and supporting gun control legislation pending in the New Jersey Legislature.

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Motion to move the discussion forward: Hamilton Second: Miller RCV: <u>nay</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>nay</u> Manzari aye Miller

2018-R097 Support for Opposing U.S. Senate Bill 446 and Supporting Gun Control Legislation Pending in the New Jersey Legislature

Motion to table the resolution: Manzari Second: Bahree

Mr. Herbert advised that the resolution on the table needs discussion and debate before it can be tabled.

Ms. Hamilton thanked everyone for coming out this evening to support this resolution. She spoke about making the community safe, and how West Windsor is feeling the pain of gun violence. Ms. Hamilton advised that this is a local issue that cannot be ignored, and the need for the community's collective voices in support of opposing Senate Bill 446.

Ms. Geevers explained that she spoke to different people about this issue and learned there are many facets to gun violence concerns. She advised that Senate Bill 446 should reflect the practices of the State of New Jersey. Ms. Geevers noted her concerns with what the next topic of discussion will be on the agenda under discussion, and advised that Council cannot "cherry-pick" what gets discussed and what is not discussed. She noted that there is a difference of opinion on where Council's focus should be.

Ms. Manzari advised that she was not stunned to see the number of residents that showed up because President Miller emailed them and urged them to attend. She noted that people are afraid for their families and children, and she has worked with the schools to increase security. Ms. Manzari outlined a conversation she had with a law enforcement officer, and noted that the New Jersey laws have serious flaws. She advised that

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the Township Council has no authority over this matter and the residents need to contact their state and federal legislators about state and federal laws.

Ms. Bahree advised that a sensible gun law needs to be established. She noted that Council has no authority over this matter. Ms. Bahree explained that Council needs to keep a clear head on this matter, and advised that she is mindful to do the job she was appointed to perform.

Mayor Marathe spoke against passing the resolution on the grounds of only making you "feel good". He advised that you don't need resolutions to make you perform better at your elected position.

Mayor Marathe advised of the School Board's efforts to protect and make the schools safer. He spoke about the Federal government changing position on issues that have made this Country a mess. Mayor Marathe urged elected officials to be consistent. He also addressed the need to make change through the Election process, West Windsor politics, budget discussions, and making hard choices. Mayor Marathe urged Council to oppose the resolution on the table.

President Miller advised that there are many pressing issues of importance, but none have evoked emotions and actions all over the country like the matter of gun control. She spoke about other meetings that had a large attendance, but none compared to the attendance of this evening, and of the "grass roots" efforts seen this evening. President Miller advised that this meeting forum is for everyone to come and speak their minds. She explained that "grass roots" efforts can bring change, and she urged Council to pass the resolution, because Federal and State elected officials do pay attention to local officials' actions.

Motion to table the resolution: Manzari Second: Bahree RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>abs</u> Geevers, abstained <u>nay</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari <u>nay</u> Miller

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Motion fails to table the resolution.

Ms. Geevers made additional comments about the resolution, and suggested a letter be written in place of the resolution. She noted that there is concern about additional resolutions coming forward under "New Business", such as this current resolution. Ms. Geevers advised that Council needs time to digest the information and a vote should not be taken on the night a resolution is discussed.

President Miller offered to hold a Work Session for additional discussion regarding the resolution and its wording.

Motion to add the resolution 2018-R097 to the agenda: Hamilton Second: Miller RCV: nay Bahree aye Geevers aye Hamilton nay Manzari aye Miller Motion to approve resolution 2018-R097: Hamilton Second: Miller RCV: nay Bahree aye Geevers aye Geevers aye Hamilton nay Manzari aye Miller Motion to change the order of the agenda to move forward the Introduction of the Municipal Rudget and Can Bank Ordinance:

Introduction of the Municipal Budget and Cap Bank Ordinance: Hamilton Second: Geevers RCV: aye Bahree aye Geevers aye Hamilton aye Manzari aye Miller

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INTRODUCTION OF MUNICIPAL BUDGET

2018 Municipal Budget:

2018-12 AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

Motion to introduce: Hamilton Second: Geevers RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari <u>aye</u> Miller The Public Hearing will be held on April 23, 2018.

2018 BUDGET INTRODUCTION

Motion to Introduce: Hamilton Second: Geevers RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari <u>aye</u> Miller

The Public Hearing will be held on April 23, 2018.

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

Ms. Schmid provided an update on trash pickup and yard debris removal. She noted that the Municipal Offices will be closed, on March 30, 2018 in observance of the Good Friday holiday.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Geevers spoke about attending the "March for Our Lives" she attended on March 24, 2018 in West Windsor.

Ms. Bahree noted that she attended the following:

- Girl Scouts Robotics Fair
- Village School Science Fair
- "March for Our Lives"

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CHAIR/CLERK COMMENTS

President Miller spoke about the Fire House Chili Competition at the West Windsor Volunteer Fire House. She noted that she also attended the "March for Our Lives" in Community Park in West Windsor.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

President Miller opened the Public Hearing.

Motion to close public hearing: Geevers Second: Hamilton RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari <u>aye</u> Miller

Motion to adopt: Hamilton Second: Geevers RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari aye Miller

2018-10 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR (1999) AMENDING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN REGULATING PROVISIONS IN THE RP-5 ZONING DISTRICT OF THE PRINCETON JUNCTION REDEVELOPMENT PLAN CHAPTER 200 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR

President Miller opened the Public Hearing.

²⁰¹⁸⁻⁰⁹ ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM THE HUNTER FAMILY REAL ESTATE TRUST LOCATED AT BLOCK 16.12, LOT 23 - 18 North Post Road - \$18,000.00

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Motion to close public hearing: Geevers Second: Hamilton RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari <u>aye</u> Miller Motion to adopt: Geevers

Second: Hamilton RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari aye Miller

2018-11 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR (1999) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PRINCETON JUNCTION BY CLARIFYING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO DISTRICT RP-5

President Miller opened the Public Hearing.

Motion to close public hearing: Geevers Second: Hamilton RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari <u>aye</u> Miller Motion to adopt: Geevers Second: Hamilton RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari <u>aye</u> Miller

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CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

2018-R096 Advice and Consent of Appointment for Melissa Pirrera as an Alternate 2 Member of the Board of Recreation Commissioners

MINUTES

BILLS & CLAIMS

Motion to approve consent agenda: Manzari Second: Hamilton RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari aye Miller

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM ADMINISTRATION AND COUNCIL/CLERK

- 2018-R091 Authorizing the Mayor and Clerk to Execute a Contract with Sunset Creations Inc. for EAB Management Street Tree Replacement Year Two of the Project - \$164,900 (a portion of the cost is reimbursed through a State Grant)
- 2018-R092 Granting the Request from West Windsor Gardens II LLC for Full Release of Performance Guarantees for Private On-Site Landscape Improvements for The Glen (PB10-01)
- 2018-R093 Granting the Request from West Windsor Gardens II LLC for Full Release of Performance Guarantees for Public Improvements to Clarksville Road and Meadow Road Intersection (PB05-03MR)
- 2018-R094 Denial of Request from West Windsor Gardens II LLC for Full Release of Performance Guarantees for The Glen Sales Trailer Removal and Restoration (PB-10-01)

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2018-R095 Certification of Compliance With the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's In Accordance With N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5

Motion to approve Resolutions 2018-R091 through 2018-R095: Hamilton

Second: Geevers

RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari aye Miller

COUNCIL REPORTS/DISCUSSION TOPICS/NEW BUSINESS

2018-014 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE SALARY AND WAGE PLAN FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR AND PROVIDE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION THERE OF - FACILITIES MAINTENANCE MANAGER

Motion to add the ordinance to the agenda: Hamilton Second: Bahree

RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree

<u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari aye Miller

Motion to introduce: Hamilton Second: Bahree RCV: <u>aye</u> Bahree <u>aye</u> Geevers <u>aye</u> Hamilton <u>aye</u> Manzari <u>aye</u> Miller

The Public Hearing will be held on April 9, 2018.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. John Hinsdale, 38 Quaker Road, noted that he was incorrect on Council not wanting to take action of the Resolution 2018-097. He thanked Council for taking action.

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Mr. John Church, 11 Princeton Place, voiced his opinion against resolution 2018-R097 and stated that Council should not be passing resolutions telling our U.S. Senators how they should or should not vote.

Mr. Sanjev Rajaram, 5 Rushton Court, noted his support for Resolution 2018-R097. He suggested that Council have more cohesion amongst themselves, and noted that they are doing a good job.

Mr. Venkat Karimanasseri, 152 Fisher Place, applauded the Police Division for their professionalism. He stated that the resolution was for pure optics and a waste of time.

Dr. YZ Zhang, 3 Findley Lane, congratulated Council on approving Resolution 2018-R097.

Mr. Matt Weber, 8 Harrison Drive, thanked Council for voting in favor of Resolution 2018-R097.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn: Bahree Second: Hamilton VV: All approved

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Sharon L.

Township Clerk West Windsor Township