

TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY



TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 P.M.

JUNE 7, 2021

VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

Via the internet, please click the link below to join the meeting:

<https://zoom.us/j/95262662770>

Via telephone, please dial 1(312)626-6799 or 1(646)558-8656

Use Zoom Meeting ID: 952-6266-2770, when prompted for a Participant ID, press #

A. CALL TO ORDER

The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied with respect to this meeting of the Township Council which is being held via Zoom video conferencing due to restrictions on indoor public gatherings resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Specifically, the time and date were included in the public meeting notice. This information, along with the public internet link and telephone call-in information was posted in the Municipal Building, and sent the official newspapers of the Township, the Verona-Cedar Grove Times and the Star Ledger and MyVeronaNJ.com, TAPinto and the Patch, the official online news source(s) of the Township, at least 48 hours preceding the start time of this meeting. The agenda and public handouts for this meeting can be viewed online at www.veronanj.org/councilmeetings. A public comment period will be held in the order it is listed on the meeting agenda and instructions on how to comment will be provided at the appropriate time.

B. ROLL CALL

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

1. Julius N. Coltre, Essex County Liaison
2. Proclamation – Gun Violence Awareness Day
3. Appointment – Library Board of Trustees
 - i. Benjamin Blinder Mayor’s Alternate Term Ending 6/30/2021
(Due to the resignation of Lester Anderson – no consent required)

E. REPORT OF THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER

F. COUNCILMEMBERS’ REPORTS

G. HEARING ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance No. 2021-17 Chapter 156 Blasting

H. PROPOSED ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance No. 2021-18 Bond - Providing for the Reexamination and Update of the Verona Township Master Plan and Zoning Code (\$176,000)
2. Ordinance No. 2021-19 Bond – Upgrades to the E911 System (\$233,000)
3. Ordinance No. 2021-20 Amending Chapter 140 (Bloomfield Avenue Parking Near Annin Lofts)
4. Ordinance No. 2021-21 Financial Agreement - Verona Sunset Urban Renewal, LLC

I. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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CONSENT AGENDA

J. MINUTES

1. May 17, 2021 – Regular Meeting
2. May 24, 2021 – Special Meeting

K. PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution No. 2021-082 Designating Verona Sunset Urban Renewal, LLC as Redeveloper of the Sunset Avenue Redevelopment Area
2. Resolution No. 2021-083 Chapter 159 - NJ Division of Highway and Traffic Safety Distracted Driving Grant
3. Resolution No. 2021-084 Chapter 159 – Clean Communities Grant
4. Resolution No. 2021-085 Chapter 159 – VMAC Grant
5. Resolution No. 2021-086 MCCPC Membership Renewal
6. Resolution No. 2021-087 Interlocal Agreement – Roseland Street Sweeping
7. Resolution No. 2021-088 Refund Escrow – [REDACTED]
8. Resolution No. 2021-089 Executive Session

L. LICENSES AND PERMITS

M. ADDENDUM

N. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Discussion on Recognizing Juneteenth
 - i. Resolution No. 2021-090 Observing Juneteenth
2. Open Space & Recreation Plan Presentation (*The Land Conservancy Group*)
3. Essex-Hudson Greenway Presentation (*Steven Neale*)
 - i. Resolution No. 2021-091 Support of the Essex-Hudson Greenway

O. PUBLIC COMMENT

P. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Pending, Ongoing, or Anticipated Litigation and Contract Negotiations pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (7)*
 - Essex Fells Water
 - Municipal Agreement Reimbursement
 - Water Utility

Q. ADJOURNMENT

*The Public Comment period for the public hearing for ordinances and the Consent Agenda is limited to just those specific items. However, the public may speak on any matter during the Hearing Adoption or Amendment of Ordinance (listed on the agenda as item "G"), Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items (listed on the agenda as item "I") or general Public Comment (listed on the agenda as item "O") on this agenda. At that time, anyone from the public wishing to speak will be prompted to raise his/her virtual hand. You may do so by pressing the "raise hand" button on your monitor or, if dialing in by phone, press *9. You will be recognized and advised that you are unmuted. Your comments will be limited to four (4) minutes.*

Any member of the public may submit written communication in lieu of addressing the Township Council live during the Hearing Adoption or Amendment of Ordinance (listed on the agenda as item "G"), Public Comment on Consent Agenda Items (listed on the agenda as item "I") or general Public Comment (listed on the agenda as item "O") by sending comments to the Township Clerk via electronic mail at TownshipClerk@VeronaNJ.org or by written letter delivered to the Township Clerk by 4:30 p.m. on the day of the meeting. All written comments shall be read aloud during the public meeting at the appropriate time.