

TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY



TOWNSHIP COUNCIL AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING

7:00 P.M.

APRIL 5, 2021

VIA ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE

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

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

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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 – Child Abuse Prevention Month
3. Proclamation – Autism Awareness Month

E. REPORT OF THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER

1. Manager Appointments
 - a. Rent Control Administrator Jennifer Kiernan Effective 3/28/2021
 - b. Rent Control Board Secretary Jennifer Kiernan Expiring 6/30/2021
(confirmation of previous appointment)

F. COUNCILMEMBERS' REPORTS

G. HEARING ADOPTION OR AMENDMENT OF ORDINANCES

H. PROPOSED ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance No. 2021-12 Salary Ordinance – Rent Control Board

I. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA

J. MINUTES

1. March 22, 2021 – Regular Meeting

K. PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

1. Resolution No. 2021-052 Certifying the Township of Verona's Compliance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5

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2. Resolution No. 2021-053 Supporting S-3522
3. Resolution No. 2021-054 Anticipating Miscellaneous Revenues in the 2021 Municipal Budget
4. Resolution No. 2021-055 Refund Tax Court Judgement - [REDACTED] Avenue
5. Resolution No. 2021-056 Executive Session

L. LICENSES AND PERMITS

M. ADDENDUM

N. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Resolution No. 2021-057 Introduction of 2021 Municipal Budget
2. Discussion on Cannabis Legislation/Local Regulation
3. Discussion on proposed Blasting Ordinance
4. Discussion on proposed In-Building Radio Communication Ordinance
5. Discussion on proposed Property Maintenance Ordinance

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)
 - Docket No. ESX-L-4773-15
(In All Declaratory Judgement Actions Filed by Various Municipalities, County of Essex, Pursuant to the Supreme Court's Decision in In re Adoption of N.J.A.C. 5:96, 221 N.J. 1 (2015))
 - Essex Fells Water
 - Water Utility
 - Municipal Condominium Reimbursements
 - 5G Consultant
 - Somerville Agreement
2. Personnel Matters pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (8)

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.