RECESSED MEETING
MAYOR AND COUNCIL
Thursday, December 19, 2019/
January 7, 2020  @ 6:00 p.m.

The recessed meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee was held on the above date in the Council Chambers, Memorial Municipal Building, 309 Main Street, Fort Lee, NJ.

PRESENT: Mayor Sokolich, Council Members Sohmer, Yoon, Suh, Sargenti, Kasofsky, Cervieri

ALSO PRESENT: Alfred Restaino, Borough Administrator
Evelyn Rosario, Borough Clerk
Kevin Conti, Borough Attorney

MAYOR’S STATEMENT

Let the minutes reflect that this is a continuation of the regularly scheduled Mayor and Council meeting of December 19, 2019.

Let the minutes also reflect that the 2020 Fort Lee Mayor and Council Reorganization Meeting will commence after the recessed meeting is completed.

Let the minutes reflect that adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in the following manner:

1. On December 23, 2019 notice of this continued meeting was e-mailed to the Record and The Jersey Journal and posted on the Borough Hall bulletin board at 309 Main Street, Fort Lee, NJ. This notice was also posted to the Borough website.

MAYOR’S REPORT AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

“Good evening everyone. How are you? This first portion of the meeting is going to be what we refer to as our Sine Die meeting. It is a continuation of our last meeting in December, just to clean up some additional work and action that the Mayor and Council needs to take and technically during the course of the 2019 fiscal year. So, we are going to go through a few resolutions. I am going to wave my opening statement and we are going to get through this as quickly as possible.”

RESOLUTIONS

R-1 Approving Budget Transfers

Councilman Cervieri introduced, and Councilman Sargenti seconded, the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE APPROVING 2019 BUDGET APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, that the following 2019 budget appropriation transfers are hereby made, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58, not less than two-thirds of the full membership of the Governing Body concurring:
The Resolution was approved on the following roll call:

AYES: Council Members Sohmer, Yoon, Suh, Sargenti, Kasofsky, Cervieri

R-2 Authorizing Outstanding Credits on the Tax Collector’s Books for 2018 to be Credited Back to Surplus

Councilman Cervieri introduced, and Councilman Sohmer seconded, the following resolution:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING OUTSTANDING CREDITS FOR THE YEAR 2018 TO BE CREDITED BACK TO SURPLUS $278,435.09

WHEREAS, there are outstanding credits on the Tax Collector’s books for the period January 1 through December 31, 2018; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of
Fort Lee, that these credits be, the balance credited back to surplus in the amount of $278,435.09 as per listing kept in the office of the Tax Collector-Treasurer.

The Resolution was approved on the following roll call:

**AYES:** Council Members Sohmer, Yoon, Suh, Sargenti, Kasofsky, Cervieri

**R-3 Approving Cancellation of Outstanding Debits and Credits on the Tax Collector’s Books for 2018 in the Amount of $10.00 and Less**

Councilman Cervieri introduced, and Councilman Sohmer seconded, the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF ALL DEBITS AND CREDITS OF TEN DOLLARS ($10.00) OR LESS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2018 – DECEMBER 31, 2018**

WHEREAS, there are a number of outstanding debits & credits on the Tax Collector’s books for the period January 1 through December 31, 2018, in amounts of ten dollars ($10.00) or less,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough Of Fort Lee, that all debits & credits of ten dollars ($10.00) or less be and are hereby canceled, as per listing kept in the office of the Tax Collector-Treasurer.

The Resolution was approved on the following roll call:

**AYES:** Council Members Sohmer, Yoon, Suh, Sargenti, Kasofsky, Cervieri

**R-4 Authorizing the Chief Financial Officer to Cancel Outstanding Open Checks in Various Accounts for 2018**

Councilman Cervieri introduced, and Councilman Sohmer seconded, the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF FORT LEE AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS TOTALING $6,822.98 FOR THE YEAR 2018**

WHEREAS, there remain checks outstanding on the Borough of Fort Lee’s banking records for 2018 and prior years; and

WHEREAS, every attempt has been made by the Chief Financial Officer to have the checks cleared;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough Of Fort Lee, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to cancel the following outstanding amounts in the various accounts (see attached schedule of voided checks for details), in the total amount of **$6,822.98**

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<td>Police Activity Trust - Treasury</td>
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**Grand Total:** $6,822.98
The Resolution was approved on the following roll call:

AYES: Council Members Sohmer, Yoon, Suh, Sargent, Kasofsky, Cervieri

COUNCIL REPORTS

The Council deferred their report until the Annual Reorganization Meeting which started immediately after this meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilwoman Kasofsky, and carried unanimously, the meeting was opened to the public for discussion.

There being no public discussion, the public hearing was closed on motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilwoman Kasofsky.

The recessed meeting was adjourned on motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Suh and carried at 6:09 p.m.

Evelyn Rosario, RMC
Municipal Clerk