

CITY OF SALEM
COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 16, 2024
6:30 PM

OPENING 6:30 PM - Council President Cline

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Council President Cline

INVOCATION - Council President Cline

STATEMENT OF ADVERTISEMENT – Mr. Angeli read the following statement:
Notice of this meeting has been provided to the South Jersey Times and the Elmer Times and is posted on the City Hall Bulletin Board stating the time and the place of the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Groce, Kellum, Loatman, Long, Smith, Gage, Cline
Absent: Gregory

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

CERTAIN RULES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS AS READ BY THE CLERK

PUBLIC PORTION FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY:

Motion to go to open public portion on agenda items only:
Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

The public is instructed that this portion of the meeting is provided for comments and questions on Agenda items only. There will be a public portion later in the meeting for general comments and questions. Please state your name and address, street name only for the record.

No comments from the public.

Motion to close public portion on agenda items:

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION:

RES. 2024-69 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPEAL OF A SALEM COUNTY TAX
BOARD ORDER DATED DECEMBER 15, 2023

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

RES. 2024-70 TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES
Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

RES. 2024-71 A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CONCESSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF SALEM AND LITURGICAL PUBLICATIONS INC FOR THE
PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE CITY'S NEWSLETTER

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

RES. 2024-72 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALEM ACCEPTING MAINTENANCE BOND POSTED BY ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS INC.

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

RES. 2024-73 RESOLUTION TO HIRE A GRANT WRITER/GRANT ANALYST

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

RES. 2024-74 RESOLUTION ACCEPTING MATCHING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY OF SALEM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$492,570.22

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

RES. 2024-75 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY LABOR ATTORNEY TO BEGIN IMPACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE AFFECTED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT OF WHICH THE WATER/WASTE WATER UTILITY EMPLOYEES ARE MEMBERS AND DEVELOP AND FILE A LAYOFF PLAN WITH THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ON THE CITY'S BEHALF

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

RES. 2024-76 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

(7) *Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege*

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

RES. 2024-77 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALEM RELEASING RETAINAGE FOR FY2022 NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID RECONSTRUCTION OF SMITH STREET PROJECT TO ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS INC.

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

MAYORAL COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Council members and Department leaders are invited to comment on previously discussed business. This may include updates on Committee matters.

A motion was made to allow SUFS to pay a contractor to put a tarp over the leak in the roof at the Salem City Café. Kellum seconded the motion and all present voted in favor. Mr. Angeli said that the resolution would be Resolution 2024-78.

NEW BUSINESS:

Council members and Department leaders are invited to bring to the floor any new business to be discussed or reported on. This may include new Committee matters.

Mr. Angeli spoke about the DOT grant money for sidewalks, possibly moving some of the demo properties to Habitat and spoke about all the properties that would be transferred to NJAW in the sale.

PUBLIC PORTION:

Motion to open the public portion of the meeting.

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

Council President stated that the public is instructed that this portion of the meeting is provided for comments and questions on any matter. Please state your name and address, street name only for the record.

Kathy Parsons, Sinnickson street asked about the Smith Street road project. Mr. Angeli explained the process. Joyce Johnson asked about the demo properties and the process for having Habitat build on the properties. Mr. Angeli explained what that process would be.

Kathy Parsons asked why give them to Habitat after knocking them down. Various Council members spoke about the options and explained why habitat was one option to consider.

Motion to close the public portion of the meeting.

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion to go into Executive Session

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

Motion to close Executive Session

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Gage Second: Kellum Voice Vote All present voted in favor

Minutes respectfully submitted by:


Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2024-69**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPEAL OF A SALEM COUNTY TAX BOARD
ORDER DATED DECEMBER 15, 2023**

WHEREAS, on December 15, 2023, the Salem County Tax Board issued an Order for revaluation of all real property in the City of Salem to be completed by October 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has forty-five (45) from the date of the Order to challenge the Order in the Tax Court of the State of New Jersey.

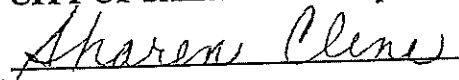
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and the State of New Jersey, that the City will file an appeal with the Tax Court to challenge the Salem County Board of Taxation's Order dated December 15, 2023.

ATTEST:



Ben Angeli, RMC

CITY OF SALEM



Sharen Cline, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Gage	X		X			
T. Gregory						X
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
C. Loafman			X			
J. Long			X			
C. Smith			X			
S. Cline			X			

I, Ben Angeli, Clerk of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of Salem on January 16, 2024.

1-16-24

Date



Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2024-70**

TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATION RESERVES

WHEREAS, various 2023 bills have been presented for payment this year, which bills represent obligations of the prior fiscal year and were not covered by order number and/or recorded at the time of transfers between the 2023 Budget in the last two months of 2023; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S. 40A:4-59 provides that all unexpended balances carried forward after the close of the fiscal year are available, until lapsed at the closed of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments or contracts incurred during the preceding fiscal year, and allow transfers to be made from unexpended balances to those which are expected to be insufficient during the first three months of the succeeding year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, State of New Jersey, (2/3 of the majority of the full membership concurring herein) that the transfers in the amount of \$98,700.00 be made between the 2023 Budget Appropriation Reserves of the General fund as follow:

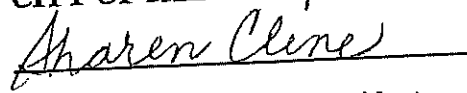
GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION RESERVES		TRANSFER FROM	TRANSFER TO
3-01-20-100-111	General Administration SW	997.83	-
3-01-20-110-111	MAYOR & COUNCIL S&W	522.48	-
3-01-20-110-299	MAYOR & COUNCIL MISCELLANEDUS	1,530.18	-
3-01-20-120-111	MUNICIPAL CLERK S&W	3,916.01	-
3-01-20-130-111	FINANCE SW	6,476.80	-
3-01-20-150-111	ASSESSMENT OF TAXES S&W	4,000.00	-
3-01-20-155-299	LEGAL MISC. EXPENSES	2,500.00	-
3-01-20-165-101	ENGINEERING SERVICES	4,000.00	-
3-01-20-170-299	ECONOMIC DEV MISCELLANEOUS	10,000.00	-
3-01-21-180-299	PLANNING BOARD OTHER EXP PROFESSIONALS	2,500.00	-
3-01-22-200-111	HOUSING ENF S&W	1,240.05	-
3-01-22-200-299	HOUSING MISCELLANEOUS	2,500.00	-
3-01-23-220-101	EMPLOYEE GROUP INSURANCE	0.00	68,000.00
3-01-25-240-100	POLICE DEPT. S&W	8,879.49	-
3-01-25-252-111	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT S&W	1,636.16	-
3-01-26-320-299	PROPERTY CLEAN UP	18,000.00	-
3-01-28-370-299	RECREATION OTHER EXP	7,000.00	-
3-01-31-430-101	ELECTRICITY	0.00	4,000.00
3-01-31-435-101	STREET LIGHTING	0.00	20,000.00
3-01-31-460-202	ALL OTHER GASOILNE	0.00	6,700.00
3-01-43-490-111	MUNICIPAL COURT S&W shet 15c	23,001.00	-
		98,700.00	98,700.00

ATTEST:



Ben Angeli, RMC

CITY OF SALEM



Sharen Cline, Council President

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E. Gage	X		X			X
T. Gregory						
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
C. Loatman			X			
I. Long			X			
C. Smith			X			
S. Cline			X			

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**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2024-71**

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A CONCESSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
CITY OF SALEM AND LITURGICAL PUBLICATIONS INC FOR THE PRINTING
AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE CITY'S NEWSLETTER**

WHEREAS, the City of Salem has a need to acquire the services of printing a municipal newsletter as a non-fair and open contract pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 or 20.5 as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, currently the City of Salem creates a "Newsletter" that is made available to all of our local residents four (4) times a year; and

WHEREAS, on or about December 8, 2023, Liturgical Publications Inc (LPI) proposed to create the municipal newsletter providing (6) six newsletters per year with a wider distribution network, and the term of the Agreement is for two (2) years; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer/Qualified Purchasing Agent has determined and certified the retail value of printing of the newsletter is \$4,000.00 per year not to exceed \$12,000.00 over two years in aggregate; and

WHEREAS, The Local Public Contracts Law, 40A:11-1 et seq., and the Public School Contracts Law, 18A:18A-1 et seq., define the term "concession" as the granting of a license or right to act for or on behalf of the contracting unit, or to provide a service requiring the approval or endorsement of the contracting unit, and which may or may not involve a payment or exchange, or provision of services by or to the contracting unit; and

WHEREAS, Concessions are specifically deemed to include, but are not limited to, the following: The right to publish a map, newsletter, directory, or calendar containing the meeting schedules and other information about contracting unit services or activities where the contractor sells advertising as full or partial payment for providing the service; and

WHEREAS, there is a public need for the concession as it is vital for a municipality to share information with its residents through a newsletter; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council took into consideration the benefit of having more informed residents through the publication of the newsletter and determined there are no risks or costs in authorizing the concession; and

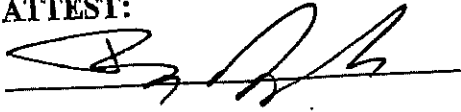
WHEREAS, the basis of award of the concession is based upon the most advantageous price amongst other factors through the use of informal quotations; and

WHEREAS, Liturgical Publications Inc has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that Liturgical Publications Inc has not made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the City of Salem in the previous one year, and that the contract will prohibit the Liturgical Publications Inc from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Salem authorizes Mayor Jody Veler and Ben Angeli, Registered Municipal Clerk to enter into a contract with Liturgical Publications Inc as described herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Business Disclosure Entity Certification and the Determination of Value be placed on file with this resolution, and a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Liturgical Publications,

ATTEST:



Ben Angeli, RMC

CITY OF SALEM



Sharen Cline, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Gage	X		X			X
T. Gregory						
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
C. Loatman			X			
J. Long			X			
C. Smith			X			
S. Cline			X			

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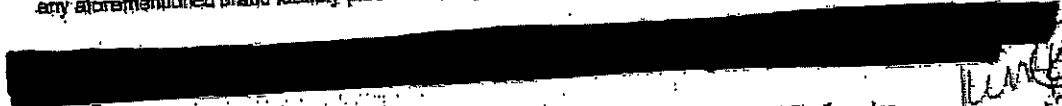
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City of Salem, NJ
17 New Market St
Salem, NJ 08079
856-935-0372

Liturgical Publications Inc
5 Progress Drive
Cromwell, CT 06416

KLK
12-29-23

Kelly Kennedy

By: _____ DATE: _____ ← SIGN HERE
Ms. Jody Velaz, Mayor

Kelly Kennedy
Communication Consultant

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2024-72**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALEM ACCEPTING MAINTENANCE BOND
POSTED BY ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS INC.**

WHEREAS, a certain project has been constructed within the City of Salem commonly known as the FY'2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Reconstruction of Smith Street; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem's Engineer for this project, Remington and Vernick has recommended the amount and placement of a Maintenance Bond for this project at this time; and

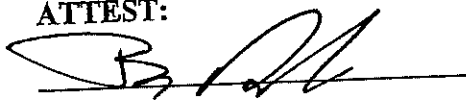
WHEREAS, the proposed form of Maintenance Bond for this project is in the amount recommended by the Engineer, \$192,237.64, and for the time period of two (2) years from the date of acceptance of the substantial completion (August 1, 2023); and

WHEREAS, the surety for the Maintenance Bond, Harco National Insurance Company, is a sound and recognized surety for such bonds, and the form and amount of the Bond is acceptable to the City of Salem.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, State of New Jersey that the form of Maintenance Bond presented by Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. for the project known as FY'2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Reconstruction of Smith Street in the face amount of \$192,237.64 is hereby accepted, and shall remain in full force and effect for a period of two (2) years from the date of the substantial completion (August 1, 2023) and, said Maintenance Bond shall remain in full force and effect until released by the Governing Body of the City of Salem.

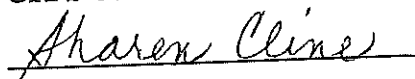
IT IS HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED that should, for any reason, the principal, Asphalt Paving Systems Inc. and/or the surety, Harco National Insurance Company, seek to have the Bond terminated or released during the two (2) year period, that thirty (30) day notice must be provided to the Clerk of the City of Salem, and the City of Salem reserves all rights that it has for the posting of said Bond has against both the principal and surety.

ATTEST:



Ben Angeli, RMC

CITY OF SALEM



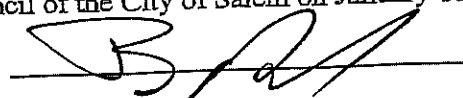
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C. Loatman			X			
J. Long			X			
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REMINGTON
& VERNICK
ENGINEERS

RVE HQ:
2059 Springdale Road
Cherry Hill, NJ 08003
O: (856) 795-9595
F: (856) 795-1882

December 22, 2023

Mr. Ben Angeli, RMC, City Administrator/Clerk
City of Salem
17 New Market Street
Salem, New Jersey 08079

Re: City of Salem
FY' 2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Reconstruction of Smith Street
Maintenance Bond #0822309
RVE #1713 T 046

Dear Mr. Angeli:

Enclosed, please find Asphalt Paving Systems' Maintenance Bond #0822309, for the above referenced project. Acceptance of this two (2) year Maintenance Bond will release the Performance Guarantee for this project. The construction completion date was August 1, 2023.

Please have the Clerk's office prepare a Resolution for Council approval which accepts this two (2) year Maintenance Bond and releases the Performance Guarantee for this project.

Upon passage of the Resolution, please send a certified copy to our office for our records.

If you should have any questions or require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS

Dustin Schopen, P.E.
Project Manager / Engineer

DS/kn

Enclosure(s)

cc: Kenia Nunez-Acuna, CFO/QPA
Mandy Renner, City of Salem
Andrea Rhea, Esq.
Tim Staszewski, RVE
Len Cinaglia, RVE
Joshua Kennedy, RVE

FULL RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIENS

WHEREAS, the undersigned is a contractor, supplier or other person furnishing work, services, materials or equipment upon real estate owned by the City of Salem, State of New Jersey in furtherance of that certain FY' 2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Reconstruction of Smith Street sponsored by the City of Salem (hereinafter referred to as "Owner").

Receipt is acknowledged of \$ 192,237.64, which represents full payment, for work, services, materials and/or equipment furnished and installed by us at the above referenced project, the undersigned does hereby waive, release and relinquish the Owner and the Building/Land from any and all claims and/or construction liens pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2A:44A-1 *et seq.* relating to this Project, to the extent of \$ 192,237.64.

We agree to hold the Owner and the Building/Land harmless against any claim made or lien filed by any of our material suppliers and contractors who performed work or supplied materials for the Project to-date.

In addition, the undersigned warrants: (a) that any claims for payment for work, services, materials and/or equipment furnished in the construction or repair of the aforesaid real estate and improvements have not been assigned; (b) that all laborers, contractors and suppliers of the undersigned who have furnished work, services, materials and/or equipment in the construction or repair of the aforesaid real estate and improvements have been fully paid and that none of such laborers, contractors or suppliers have or will have any claim, demand or lien against the aforesaid real estate and improvements; and (c) that no financing statement, chattel mortgage, security interest, conditional bill of sale or retention of title agreement has been given or executed or will be given or executed for or in connection with any materials, appliances, machinery, fixtures or furnishings placed upon or installed, or to be placed upon or installed, in the aforesaid real estate and improvements by the undersigned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed and sealed this Full Release and Waiver of Liens this

18 day of DECEMBER, 2023

Paid to date: \$ 192,237.64

NAME OF CONTRACTOR/SUPPLIER: ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS, INC.

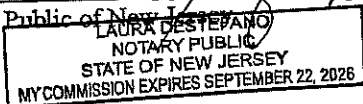
By: ROBERT CAPOFERRI

Title: OWNER - PRESIDENT

Sworn and subscribed to

before me this 18th day of December 2023

Laura M. Stefano
Notary Public of New Jersey



PREVAILING WAGE PAYMENT CERTIFICATION

This form must be executed by Contractor and submitted with final voucher prior to final payment.

PROJECT FY' 2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Reconstruction of Smith Street

TO City of Salem
(NAME OF OWNER AS IT APPEARS IN CONTRACT)

RE: Contract for Certification of Contractor of Payment of Prevailing Wages to Workmen Pursuant to New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 Laws of 1963 of New Jersey and all other claims.

The undersigned Contractor hereby certifies that any and all workmen employed by the undersigned Contractor and all Subcontractors have been paid in full and prevailing wages for their respective crafts or trades as determined and computed by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry, of the State of New Jersey, and that all suppliers and material men have been paid in full all amounts claimed by them, and there remains no outstanding claim, lien, or dispute; nor any contingent claim by any of the foregoing:

DATED: 12/18/23 ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS, INC.
CONTRACTOR

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

COUNTY OF ATLANTIC

ROBERT CAPOFERE being duly sworn according to law, upon his oath disposes and says that he is the OWNER - PRESIDENT (Owner-pres. or authorized agent) of ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS, INC. (name of corporation) that he has read the aforesaid statement of certification and knows the content thereof, and that the same is true of his own knowledge and this affidavit is being executed by him pursuant to the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act (Chapter 150 of Laws of 1963).

[Signature]
Signature

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 18th day of December 20 23

[Signature]
Notary Public of New Jersey

LAURA DESTEFANO
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES SEPTEMBER 22, 2026

MAINTENANCE BOND

Harco National Insurance Comany

Raleigh, NC

BOND NO. 0822309

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That **Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc.**

as Principal, hereinafter called Contractor, and Harco National Insurance Company, as Surety, hereinafter called Surety, are held and firmly bound unto **City of Salem**

as Obligee, hereinafter called Owner, in the penal sum of **One Hundred Ninety Two Thousand Two Hundred Thirty Seven 64/100 - (\$192,237.64)** for the payment whereof Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

WHEREAS, Contractor has by written agreement, dated **October 25, 2022** entered into a contract with Owner for **FY2022 NJDOT MA – Reconstruction of Smith Street**

in accordance with the General Conditions, the Drawings and Specifications, which contract is by reference incorporated herein, and made a part hereof, and is referred to as the Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, the condition of this obligation is such that, if Contractor shall remedy any defects due to faulty materials or workmanship which shall appear within a period of **two (2) year(s)** from the date of substantial completion of the work provided for in the Contract, which was **August 1, 2023** then this obligation to be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that Owner shall give Contractor and Surety notice of observed defects with reasonable promptness.

SIGNED and sealed this **9th** day of **November, 2023**

IN THE PRESENCE OF :

Kenneth Messina
Kenneth Messina, Secretary

Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc.

(Seal)
Principal

Title **Robert Capoferri, President**

Harco National Insurance Company

By *Steven G. Raffuel*
Steven G. Raffuel, Attorney-in-Fact

POWER OF ATTORNEY
HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY
INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY
Member companies of IAT Insurance Group, Headquartered: 4200 Six Forks Rd, Suite 1400, Raleigh, NC 27609

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New Jersey, and having their principal offices located respectively in the cities of Rolling Meadows, Illinois and Newark, New Jersey, do hereby constitute and appoint

STEVEN G. RAFFUEL

Princeton, NJ

their true and lawful attorney(s)-in-fact to execute, seal and deliver for and on its behalf as surety, any and all bonds and undertakings, contracts of indemnity and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, which are or may be allowed, required or permitted by law, statute, rule, regulation, contract or otherwise, and the execution of such instrument(s) in pursuance of these presents, shall be as binding upon the said **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY**, as fully and amply, to all intents and purposes, as if the same had been duly executed and acknowledged by their regularly elected officers at their principal offices.

This Power of Attorney is executed, and may be revoked, pursuant to and by authority of the By-Laws of **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY** and is granted under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY** at a meeting duly held on the 13th day of December, 2018 and by the Board of Directors of **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** at a meeting held on the 13th day of December, 2018.

"RESOLVED, that (1) the Chief Executive Officer, President, Executive Vice President, Senior Vice President, Vice President, or Secretary of the Corporation shall have the power to appoint, and to revoke the appointments of, Attorneys-in-Fact or agents with power and authority as defined or limited in their respective powers of attorney, and to execute on behalf of the Corporation and affix the Corporation's seal thereto, bonds, undertakings, recognizances, contracts of indemnity and other written obligations in the nature thereof or related thereto; and (2) any such Officers of the Corporation may appoint and revoke the appointments of joint-control custodians, agents for acceptance of process, and Attorneys-in-fact with authority to execute waivers and consents on behalf of the Corporation; and (3) the signature of any such Officer of the Corporation and the Corporation's seal may be affixed by facsimile to any power of attorney or certification given for the execution of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, contract of indemnity or other written obligation in the nature thereof or related thereto, such signature and seals when so used whether heretofore or hereafter, being hereby adopted by the Corporation as the original signature of such officer and the original seal of the Corporation, to be valid and binding upon the Corporation with the same force and effect as though manually affixed."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY** have each executed and attested these presents on this 31st day of December, 2022



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
County of Essex

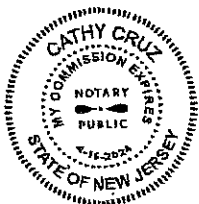
Kenneth Chapman
Executive Vice President, Harco National Insurance Company
and International Fidelity Insurance Company

STATE OF ILLINOIS
County of Cook



On this 31st day of December, 2022, before me came the individual who executed the preceding instrument, to me personally known, and, being by me duly sworn, said he is the therein described and authorized officer of **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY**; that the seals affixed to said instrument are the Corporate Seals of said Companies; that the said Corporate Seals and his signature were duly affixed by order of the Boards of Directors of said Companies.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand affixed my Official Seal, at the City of Newark, New Jersey the day and year first above written.



Cathy Cruz a Notary Public of New Jersey
My Commission Expires April 16, 2024

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned officer of **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY** and **INTERNATIONAL FIDELITY INSURANCE COMPANY** do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of the Power of Attorney and affidavit, and the copy of the Sections of the By-Laws of said Companies as set forth in said Power of Attorney, with the originals on file in the home office of said companies, and that the same are correct transcripts thereof, and of the whole of the said originals, and that the said Power of Attorney has not been revoked and is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on this day, **November 9, 2023**

Irene Martins, Assistant Secretary

HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY
1701 GOLF ROAD, SUITE 1-600, ROLLING MEADOWS, IL 60008

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES, SURPLUS AND OTHER FUNDS
AT DECEMBER 31, 2022

ASSETS

Bonds (Amortized Value)	\$102,874,915
Stocks (Preferred Stocks)	4,295,218
Stocks (Common Stocks)	814,084,691
Cash, Bank Deposits & Short-Term Investments	60,471,579
Other Invested Assets	8,819,426
Unpaid Premiums & Assumed Balances	137,085,120
Deferred Premiums, Agents Balances & Installments booked	13,474,014
Reinsurance Recoverable from Reinsurers	199,602,884
Reinsurance - Funds Held by or deposited with reinsured companies ..	11,122,630
Current Federal & Foreign Income Tax Recoverable & Interest	970,150
Investment Income Due and Accrued	1,568,572
Receivables from Parent Subsidiaries & Affiliates	14,533,189
Other Assets	1,834,611
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$1,370,736,999</u>

LIABILITIES, SURPLUS & OTHER FUNDS

Losses (Reported Losses Net as to Reinsurance Ceded and Incurred But Not Reported Losses)	\$193,234,836
Reinsurance payable on paid losses & loss adjustment expense	19,375,741
Loss Adjustment Expenses	41,894,027
Commissions Payable, Contingent Commissions & Other Similar Charges ..	6,862,698
Other Expenses (Excluding Taxes, Licenses and Fees)	55,455
Taxes, Licenses & Fees (Excluding Federal Income Tax)	2,087,610
Current federal and foreign income taxes	0
Net Deferred Tax Liability	5,825,659
Unearned Premiums	145,821,961
Advance Premium	570,389
Ceded Reinsurance Premiums Payable	143,069,103
Funds held by Company under reinsurance treaties	14,995,636
Amounts Withheld by Company for Account of Others	50,882,329
Payable to Parent Subsidiaries & Affiliates	4,127,577
Other Liabilities	5,058,571
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$633,861,592</u>
Common Capital Stock	\$3,500,004
Gross Paid-in & Contributed Surplus	670,781,834
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	62,593,569
Surplus as Regards Policyholders	<u>\$736,875,407</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, SURPLUS & OTHER FUNDS	<u>\$1,370,736,999</u>

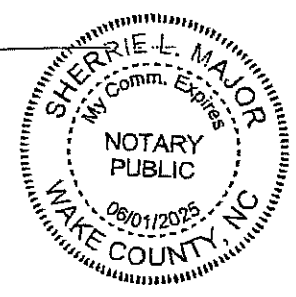
I, John Mruk, Treasurer of HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, certify that the foregoing is a fair statement of Assets, Liabilities, Surplus and Other Funds of this Company, at the close of business, December 31, 2022, as reflected by its books and records and as reported in its statement on file with the Insurance Department of the State of Illinois.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affixed the seal of the Company, this 21st day of March, 2023.
HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

J. M. Mruk

SIGNED AND SWORN to before me on this 21st day of March, 2023.

Sherrie L. Major
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF North Carolina



NEW JERSEY SURETY DISCLOSURE STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATE
pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2A:44-143
(for use when surety has a Certificate from the U.S. Department of the Treasury in accordance
with 31 U.S.C. s9305)

HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY surety on the attached bond hereby certifies the following:

(1) The surety meets the applicable capital and surplus requirement of R.S. 17:17-6 as of the surety's most current annual filing with the New Jersey Department of Insurance.

(2) The capital and surplus, as determined in accordance with the applicable laws of this State, of the surety participating in the issuance of the attached bond is in the following amounts as of the calendar year ended December 31, 2022, which amounts have been certified by Johnson Lambert LLP, 4242 Six Forks Road, Suite 1500, Raleigh, NC 27609, and are included in the Annual Statement on file with the New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance, 201 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY

POLICYHOLDERS' SURPLUS at December 31, 2022	736,875,407
DEDUCTIONS for investment in Subsidiary	101,208,718
POLICYHOLDERS' SURPLUS ALLOWED	635,666,689

(3) With respect to each surety participating in the issuance of the attached bond that has received from the United States Department of the Treasury a certificate of authority pursuant to 31 U.S.C.s9305, the underwriting limitation established therein on July 1, 2023 is as follows:

HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY 63,567,000

(4) The amount of the bond to which this statement and certification is attached is \$ 192,237.64

(5) If, by virtue of one or more contracts of reinsurance, the amount of the bond indicated under item (4) above exceeds the total underwriting limitation of all sureties on the bond as set forth in item (3) above, then for each such contract of reinsurance:

(a) The name and address of the reinsurer under that contract if applicable, and the amount of that reinsurer's participation in the contract is: N/A

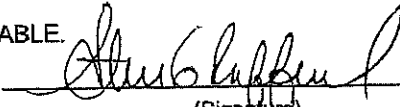
(b) Each surety that is party to any such contract of reinsurance certifies that each reinsurer listed under item (5) (a) satisfies the credit for reinsurance requirement established under P.L. 1993, c.243 (c.17:51B-1 et seq.) and any applicable regulations in effect as of the date on which the bond to which this statement and certification is attached shall have been filed with the appropriate public agency.

CERTIFICATE

(to be completed by an authorized certifying Agent or Attorney-in-Fact for each surety on the bond)

Steven G. Raffuel, as **Attorney-in-Fact** for Harco National Insurance Company

an insurance company domiciled in the State of Illinois, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that, to the best of my knowledge, the foregoing statements made by me are true, and ACKNOWLEDGE that, if any of those statements made by me are false, this bond is VOIDABLE.



(Signature)

Steven G. Raffuel

(Printed Name)

Attorney-in-Fact

(Title)

November 9, 2023

(Date)



State of New Jersey
Department of Banking and Insurance

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

Date: **May 02, 2023**

NAIC Company Code: **26433**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE **HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY**, HAVING COMPLIED WITH THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AND ANY SUPPLEMENTS OR AMENDMENTS THERETO WITH RESPECT TO THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF INSURANCE, IS LICENSED TO TRANSACT IN THIS STATE UNTIL THE 1st DAY OF MAY, 2024, THE LINES OF INSURANCE SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED BELOW:

- 01 - Fire and Allied Lines
- 10 - Aircraft Physical Damage
- 11 - Other Liability
- 12 - Boiler and Machinery
- 13 - Fidelity and Surety
- 15 - Burglary and Theft
- 16 - Glass
- 17 - Sprinkler Leakage and Water Damage
- 19 - Smoke or Smudge
- 02 - Earthquake
- 20 - Physical Loss to Buildings
- 22 - Mechanical Breakdown/Power Failure
- 03 - Growing Crops
- 04 - Ocean Marine
- 05 - Inland Marine
- 06 - Workers Compensation and Employers Liability
- 07 - Automobile Liability Bodily Injury
- 08 - Automobile Liability Property Damage
- 09 - Automobile Physical Damage



MARLENE CARIDE

COMMISSIONER OF

BANKING AND INSURANCE

COMPANY NAME: HARCO NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY NAIC COMPANY CODE: 26433

STATUTORY HOME ADDRESS:
1701 GOLF ROAD
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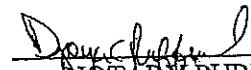
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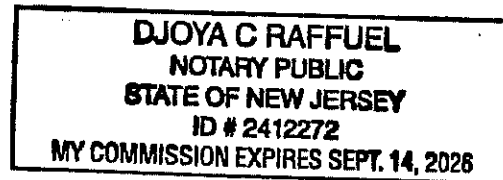
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURETY

STATE OF New Jersey

COUNTY OF Mercer

On November 9, 2023, Steven G. Raffuel to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she is an Attorney In Fact of Harco National Insurance Company the corporation described in and which executed the within instrument; that he/she knows the corporate seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to the within instrument is such corporate seal; and that he/ she signed the said instrument and affixed the said seal as Attorney In Fact by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation and by the authority of his/her office under Standing Resolutions thereof.


NOTARY PUBLIC



**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2024-73**

RESOLUTION TO HIRE A GRANT WRITER/GRANT ANALYST

WHEREAS, the City of Salem Governing body has determined that the City is in need of a Grant Writer/Grant Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the position was properly advertised; and

WHEREAS, multiple candidates were interviewed; and

WHEREAS, it was determined that Tracey Harris was and is the most qualified person for the position of Grant Writer/Grant Administrator; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to appoint Tracey Harris as the City of Salem Grant Writer/Grant Administrator.

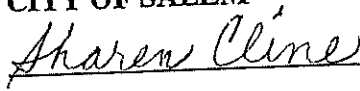
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Tracey Harris is hereby appointed as the Grant Writer/Grant Administrator for the City of Salem on a full-time basis at a yearly salary of \$70,000.00.
2. Tracey Harris shall perform all of the duties as outlined in the offer of employment letter.
3. Tracey Harris' appointment shall begin on January 22, 2024.

ATTEST:


Ben Angeli, RMC

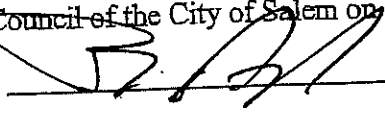
CITY OF SALEM


Sharon Cline, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Gage	X		X			
T. Gregory			X			X
V. Groce			X			
C. Loatman			X			
J. Long			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
C. Smith			X			
S. Cline			X			

I, Ben Angeli, Clerk of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of Salem on January 16, 2024.

1-16-24
Date


Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2024-74**

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING MATCHING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN
ACT OF 2021 FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY OF SALEM IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$492,570.22**

WHEREAS The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) is a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill signed by President Biden on March 11, 2021 to provide funding for COVID-19 response and recovery; and

WHEREAS, within the ARPA, the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) allocates funding for all counties and municipalities in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, while Counties and metropolitan cities (as defined in the ARPA) received this funding directly, Municipalities with populations of less than 50,000 instead received the funding through the State of New Jersey; and

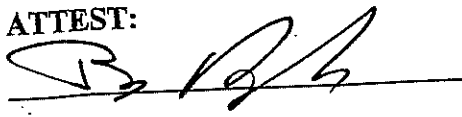
WHEREAS, the County of Salem was awarded Fiscal Recovery Funds in the amount of \$12,117,555.00; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to distribute its funding to help meet the direct needs of individual municipalities within the County, the County of Salem formally requested each municipality within the County of Salem to submit an application, listing qualified projects and amounts of funding, for the purpose of matching said funding with the like amount of Salem County's awarded Fiscal Recovery Funds for projects qualified based on the Interim Final Rule; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem submitted applications for matching fund projects in the amount of \$492,570.22, the matching funding of which was approved by the County through adoption of County Resolution 2023-495 by unanimous vote on December 6, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Salem to accept the matching funds from the County of Salem in the amount of \$492,570.22.

ATTEST:



Ben Angeli, RMC

CITY OF SALEM



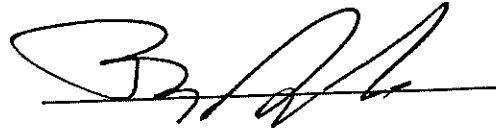
Sharon Cline, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Gage	X		X			
T. Gregory						X
V. Groce			X			
C. Loatman			X			
J. Long			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
C. Smith			X			
S. Cline			X			

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1-16-24

Date

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben Angeli', written over a horizontal line.

Ben Angeli, RMC



Board of County Commissioners

Administrative Committee

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM TO TRANSFER A PORTION OF ITS ARPA FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS TO ELMER BOROUGH, LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP, PENNSVILLE TOWNSHIP, SALEM CITY, AND UPPER PITTSBORO TOWNSHIP

WHEREAS, The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) is a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus bill signed by President Biden on March 11, 2021 to provide funding for COVID-19 response and recovery; and

WHEREAS, within the ARPA, the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (Local Fiscal Recovery Funds) allocates funding for all counties and municipalities in the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, while Counties and metropolitan cities (as defined in the ARPA) received this funding directly, Municipalities with populations of less than 50,000 instead received the funding through the State of New Jersey; and

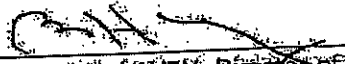
WHEREAS, the County of Salem was awarded Fiscal Recovery Funds in the amount of \$12,117,555.00; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to distribute its funding to help meet the direct needs of individual municipalities within the County, the County of Salem formally requested each municipality within the County of Salem to submit an application, listing qualified projects and amounts of funding, for the purpose of matching said funding with the like amount of Salem County's awarded Fiscal Recovery Funds for projects qualified based on the Interim Final Rule; and

WHEREAS, Elmer Borough, Lower Alloways Creek Township, Pennsville Township, Salem City, and Upper Pittsgrove Township submitted applications for matching fund projects, the matching funding of which was approved by the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Salem County Board of County Commissioners authorizes transfers of its ARPA Fiscal Recovery Funds as follows:

1. Elmer Borough in the amount of \$136,906.47;
2. Lower Alloways Creek Township in the amount of \$154,244.26;
3. Pennsville Township in the amount of \$1,200,000.00;
4. Salem City in the amount of \$492,570.22;
5. Upper Pittsgrove Township, \$155,000.00.


BENJAMIN H. LAURY, Director of the
Board of County Commissioners

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true resolution adopted by the Salem County Board of County Commissioners on December 6, 2023.

Stacy L. Pennington
 STACY L. PENNINGTON
 Clerk of the Board

RECORD OF VOTE

COMMISSIONER	RESOLUTION MOVED	RESOLUTION SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Ramsay		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
G. Taylor			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
D. Timmerman			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
G. Osman, Jr.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
K. Laury			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

indicates Vote

Department/Initials: Kah

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2024-75**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY LABOR ATTORNEY TO BEGIN IMPACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE AFFECTED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT OF WHICH THE WATER/WASTEWATER UTILITY EMPLOYEES ARE MEMBERS AND DEVELOP AND FILE A LAYOFF PLAN WITH THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION ON THE CITY'S BEHALF

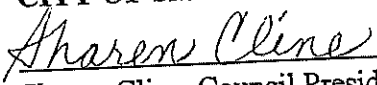
WHEREAS, the City of Salem employs personnel in its Water/Wastewater Utilities Department; and
 WHEREAS, the City has appointed RUDERMAN & ROTH, LLC as Labor Attorney for 2024; and
 WHEREAS, the City of Salem entered into an Agreement of Sale with New Jersey American Water Company for the Water/Wastewater Utility; and
 WHEREAS, for reasons of efficiency and economy for the operation of the City, the Water/Wastewater positions are no longer necessary because of the Agreement of Sale; and
 WHEREAS, while the City continues to look for other means to efficiently operate the City, there is a need to eliminate all positions in the Water/Wastewater Utility.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes RUDERMAN & ROTH, LLC to immediately begin impact negotiations with the appropriate collective bargaining unit representing the position in the Water/Wastewater Utility as mandated by NJAC 4A:8-1 et. seq. for the reduction in force to fulfill the City's regulatory obligations prior to instituting layoffs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council authorizes RUDERMAN & ROTH, LLC to develop and file with the Civil Service Commission, pursuant to NJAC 4A:8-1 et. seq., a comprehensive layoff plan for the employees of the Water/Wastewater Utility Department in the City of Salem.

ATTEST:

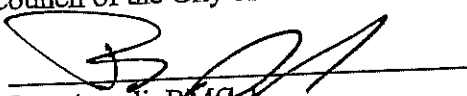
 Ben Angeli, RMC

CITY OF SALEM

 Sharon Cline, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Gage	X		X			X
T. Gregory			X			
V. Groce			X			
C. Loatman			X			
J. Long			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
C. Smith			X			
S. Cline			X			

I, Ben Angeli, Clerk of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of Salem on January 16, 2024.

1-16-24
 Date


 Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2024-76**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE SESSION

(7) Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq requires all meetings of a public body to be held in public, but permits a public body to go into a closed session during a public meeting to discuss certain matters as follows:

(1) **Matters Required by law to be confidential:** Any matter which by express provision of the Federal law or State statute or rule of court shall be rendered confidential or excluded from the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act.

(2) **Any matter in which the release of information would impair the right to receive federal funding.**

(3) **Matters involving individual privacy:** Any matter, the disclosure of which constitutes an unwarranted invasion of individual privacy such as records, data, reports, recommendations or other personal material of any education, training, social service, medical, health, custodial, child protection, rehabilitation, legal defense, welfare, housing relocation, insurance and similar program or institution operated by a public body pertaining to any specific individual admitted to or served by such institution or program, including, but not limited to information relative to the individual's personal and family circumstances, and any material pertaining to admission, discharge, treatment, progress or condition of any individual, unless the individual concerned .

(4) **Matters pertaining to a collective bargaining agreement:** Any matter involving a collective bargaining agreement, or the terms and conditions which are proposed for inclusion in any collective bargaining agreement, including the negotiation of the terms and conditions thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body.

(5) **Matters relating to the purchase, lease acquisition of real property or investment of public funds:** Any matter involving the lease, purchase or acquisition of real property with public funds, the setting of banking rates or investment of public funds, where it could adversely affect the public interest if discussion of such matters were disclosed.

(6) **Matters of public protection:** Any tactic and techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public, provided that their disclosure could impair such protection.

(7) **Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege:** Any matter of pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiation other than in (4) above in which the City is or may become a party. Any matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required for the attorney to exercise ethical duties as a lawyer.

(8) **Matters relating to the employment relationship:** Any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of , promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the public body, unless all of the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected request in writing that such matter or matters be discussed in public.

(9) **Deliberations after public hearing:** Deliberations by the City occurring after a public hearing that may result in a civil penalty or the suspension or loss of a license or permit of a responding party.;
and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is necessary to go into a closed session to discuss certain matters relating to the items as permitted by N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Salem that the Council will go into closed session to discuss the following, described as specifically as possible without undermining the need for confidentiality in accordance with the aforesaid provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, after which it will reconvene in the public:

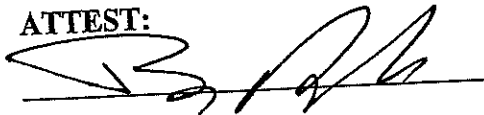
(7) *Matters relating to litigation, negotiations and attorney-client privilege -Update on negotiations involving the Campbell Community Center*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk is directed to read aloud the description(s) as written above for each of the items to be discussed during closed session and provide the public an estimated time that the public session will reconvene.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council will go into closed session only for the above stated reason(s).

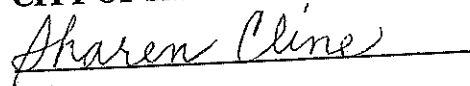
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the minutes of the closed session will be made available to the public when the need for confidentiality no longer exists.

ATTEST:



Ben Angeli, RMC

CITY OF SALEM



Sharon Cline, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Gage	X		X			
T. Gregory			X			
V. Groce			X			
C. Loatman			X			
J. Long			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
C. Smith			X			
S. Cline			X			

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1-16-24
Date



Ben Angeli, RMC

**CITY OF SALEM
RESOLUTION 2024-77**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALEM RELEASING RETAINAGE FOR FY2022
NJDOT MUNICIPAL AID RECONSTRUCTION OF SMITH STREET PROJECT TO
ASPHALT PAVING SYSTEMS INC.**

WHEREAS, a certain project has been constructed within the City of Salem commonly known as the FY'2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Reconstruction of Smith Street; and

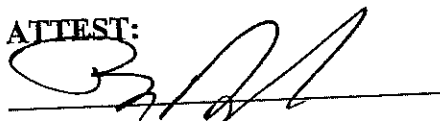
WHEREAS, the City of Salem's 2023 Municipal Engineer for this project, Remington and Vernick has issued a letter stating that the project is completed; and

WHEREAS, the City of Salem's 2023 Municipal Engineer for this project, Remington and Vernick has issued a letter and documentation recommending payment be made to Asphalt paving Systems, Inc in the amount of \$14,561.37; and

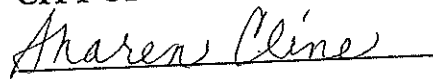
WHEREAS, the CFO has certified that the funds are available (Acct# C-04-55-DCA-106).

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Salem, County of Salem, State of New Jersey that final payment be made to Asphalt Paving Systems, Inc. for the project known as FY'2022 NJDOT Municipal Aid Reconstruction of Smith Street in the amount of \$14,561.

ATTEST:


Ben Angeli, RMC

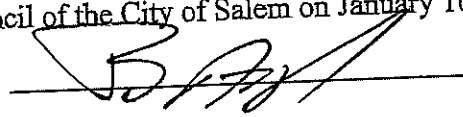
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Sharen Cline, Council President

COUNCIL	MOVED	SECONDED	Y	N	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
E. Gage	X		X			X
T. Gregory						
V. Groce			X			
S. Kellum		X	X			
C. Loatman			X			
J. Long			X			
C. Smith			X			
S. Cline			X			

I, Ben Angeli, Clerk of the City of Salem, in the County of Salem, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Common Council of the City of Salem on January 16, 2024.

1-16-24
Date


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