

AGENDA
COUNCIL CAUCUS MEETING
March 22, 2022

1. Call Meeting to Order

2. Sunshine Law - Notice of this meeting has been duly advertised in compliance with the provisions of the open public meetings law. Please be advised that this meeting will be recorded for possible later playback.

3. Flag Salute

4. Roll Call

5. Resolution 2023:95 Executive Session

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lindenwold that the Mayor and Council are now going into closed session to discuss Legal Updates, Personnel and Budget

6. First Reading Ordinance 2023-5 COLA

7. CONSENT AGENDA: The items listed below are considered routine by the Borough of Lindenwold and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no formal discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, this item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

Resolution 2023:96-99

Resolution 2023:96 Renew Liquor License 2022-2023

WHEREAS, the Division of Alcoholic Beverages required the Borough of Lindenwold to rescind the liquor license for Topica, LLC under Resolution 2022:211, and

WHEREAS, Topica, LLC completed and submitted a new twelve page application and proof of publication due to the untimely filing of the application, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold is now able to renew the pocket liquor license for Topica, LLC, #0422-33-009-005, for the renewal period of 2022-2023.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Lindenwold that the liquor license for Topica LLC, #0422-33-009-005, is hereby approved for the year 2022-2023.

Resolution 2023:97 -Transfer Pocket Liquor License Topica, LLC to Krish of Lindenwold NJ LLC

WHEREAS, an application has been filed for a person to person transfer of Plenary Retail Consumption License #0422-33-009-005, heretofore issued to Topica, LLC, and

WHEREAS, the submitted application form is complete in all respects, the transfer fees have been paid and the license has been properly renewed for the current license term, and

WHEREAS, the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all standards established by Title 33 of the New Jersey Statutes, regulations promulgated thereunder, as well as pertinent local ordinances and conditions consistent with Title 33, and

WHEREAS, the applicant has disclosed and the issuing authority reviewed the source of all funds used in the purchase of the license and the licensed business and all additional financing obtained in connection with the licensed business, and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor and Council of the Borough of Lindenwold does hereby approve, effective March 22, 2023 the transfer of the aforesaid Plenary Retail Consumption License to Krish of Lindenwold NJ LLC and does hereby direct the Borough Clerk to endorse the license certificate to the new ownership as follows: "This license, subject to all its terms and conditions, is hereby transferred to Krish of Lindenwold NJ LLC, effective March 22, 2023

Resolution 2023:98 Budget Transfers

Resolution 2023:99 Amend Salary J. Payano

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold recognizes employees who accept additional duties, responsibilities, and state certification, and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Payano successfully completed the necessary courses for the Municipal Finance Officer as well as passed the first half of the State Examination, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold wishes to acknowledge these achievements, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Lindenwold hereby amends the salary of Jeffrey Payano by \$10,000 with \$5,000 effective February 7, 2023 and an additional \$5,000 after the successful completion of the second half of the State Examination.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Lindenwold that Jeffrey Payano receives an additional \$10,000, with \$5,000 retroactive to February 7, 2023 and the balance upon completion of the second half of the State Examination.

8. Open to Public

9. Open to Council

10. Adjournment

**ORDINANCE 2023-05
CALENDAR YEAR 2023**

**ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the Borough of Lindenwold in the County of Camden finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2023 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Council hereby determines that a 1.0% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$155,921.49 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Council of the Borough of Lindenwold, in the County of Camden, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2023 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Lindenwold shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$545,725.23, and that the CY 2023 municipal budget for the Borough of Lindenwold be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.