

AGENDA
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YONKERS
STATED MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2020



Committee of the Whole 6:30 P.M.
Stated Meeting 7:00 P.M.
Electronically Remote Due to COVID-19 Pandemic
This meeting is being conducted in accordance with executive order 202.1

TIME: _____

PRESENT: PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL
 MIKE KHADER

DISTRICT:

 2 MAJORITY LEADER CORAZON PINEDA-ISAAC
 5 MINORITY LEADER MICHAEL B. BREEN

COUNCIL MEMBERS:

DISTRICT:

 1 SHANAE V. WILLIAMS
 3 TASHA DIAZ
 4 JOHN RUBBO
 6 ANTHONY MERANTE

Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a minute of silence to invoke God's guidance and Blessing upon our deliberations.

Minutes of the stated meeting held on May 12, 2020 and approved on motion of Majority Leader Pineda-Isaac.

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RESOLUTION

1. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING A PLANNED URBAN REDEVELOPMENT (PUR) SPECIAL USE PERMIT FROM MAY 14, 2020 THROUGH JULY 10, 2021 FOR A PROPOSED 440 UNIT RESIDENTIAL BUILDING WITH 443 PARKING SPACES AT THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 57 ALEXANDER STREET AT BLOCK 2610 LOTS 50, 53 AND 57 AND BLOCK 2605 LOT 51 PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 43, ARTICLE VII OF THE YONKERS ZONING ORDINANCE.

WHEREAS, on May 14, 2019, the City Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 58-2019 approving a Planned Urban Redevelopment (PUR) Special Use Permit on property identified as 57 Alexander St; and

WHEREAS, said PUR Special Use Permit is soon to expire and the applicant has timely sought to extend said Permit; and

WHEREAS, the request for a one year extension of said PUR Special Use Permit has been submitted to, and approved by the City of Yonkers Planning Board on March 11, 2020; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the application and the record before it, this City Council believes it to be in the best interest of the City to approve the action taken by the Planning Board, and grant said extension, subject to all special use permit conditions, if any, originally approved by the Planning Board, and contained in its resolution, which conditions specifically were made a part of the City Council's resolution unanimously adopted on May 14, 2019.

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RESOLUTION (CONTIUNED)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Yonkers, in meeting assembled and in accordance with Chapter 43, Section 43-55, that upon the record and findings of the Planning Board with respect to the request submitted pursuant to Article VII, Section 43-72 (C) and Section 43-112 of the Zoning Code of the City of Yonkers for an extension from May 14, 2020 through July 10, 2021, of the PUR Special Use Permit at Block 2610 Lots 50, 53 and 57 and Block 2605 Lot 51 on the Tax Assessment Map of the City of Yonkers on property known as 57 Alexander Street, the decision and action of the Planning Board of the City of Yonkers are hereby approved, subject to conditions, if any, as set forth in the Planning Board's resolution to approve the original application and the extension thereof, adopted on March 11, 2020; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER**

SPONSOR: Administration

TITLE OF BILL: A resolution approving the extension of a Planned Urban Redevelopment (PUR) Special Use Permit, for the development of a 440 apartment building containing 443 parking spaces at Section 2, Block 2610, Lots 50, 53, 57 and Block 2605, Lot 51 on the Official Tax Map of the City of Yonkers, at the property known as 57 Alexander Street, Yonkers, New York, pursuant to Article VII of the Zoning Code of the City of Yonkers

PURPOSE: As stated above.

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS: As stated above.

JUSTIFICATION: The City Council must approve the act of approval of the Planning Board if such approval is to be effective.

IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS: None.

CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT: N/A

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: No legislative history.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: There will be a positive fiscal impact if this legislation is enacted.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This resolution will take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER

SUBJECT: : X POSITIVE FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

TITLE: A resolution approving the extension of a Planned Urban Redevelopment Special Use Permit, for the development of a 440 apartment building containing 443 parking spaces at Section 2, Block 2610, Lots 50, 53, 57 and Block 2605, Lot 51 on the Official Tax Map of the City of Yonkers, at the property known as 57 Alexander Street, Yonkers, New York, pursuant to Article VII of the Zoning Code of the City of Yonkers

BUDGET IMPACT

(To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department)

A) General Fund Board of Education Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Cost: _____

Total Current Year Revenue: _____

Source of Funds (Check one): Current Appropriations Additional Appropriations

Transfer of Existing Appropriations Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ _____

Describe:

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ _____

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ _____

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

C) FISCAL IMPACT: None.

Prepared By: Corporation Counsel

Title: _____

Department: Law Department

Signature: _____

Reviewed By: FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: /s/ John Liszewski, Commissioner

Date: 04/ /2020

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2. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

A RESOLUTION EXTENDING A PLANNED URBAN REDEVELOPMENT (PUR) SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR ONE YEAR FROM DECEMBER 13, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 13, 2020 FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE EXTELL PLANNED URBAN DEVELOPMENT PUR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE FOLLOWING TEMPORARY USES PENDING PERMANENT SITE DEVELOPMENT: TV, MOVIE, VIDEO OR AUDIO STUDIO, BUS STORAGE YARD/TRANSPORTATION SERVICE BUSINESS AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL STORAGE AT THE PROPERTIES KNOWN AS 159 ALEXANDER STREET (BLOCK 2615, Lot 18); 35 BABCOCK PLACE & 161 ALEXANDER STREET(BLOCK 2620, LOTS 1, 35 & 36); 39-A WATER GRANT (BLOCK 2620, LOT 40); 39-B, 40, 41 & 41-B WATER GRANT STREET (BLOCK 2625 LOTS 15, 17, 21 & 23); 42, 42-A, 42-B WATER GRANT STREET (BLOCK 2630, LOTS 1, 2, 3 & 10), PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 43, ARTICLE VII OF THE YONKERS ZONING CODE.

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2018, the City Council unanimously adopted Resolution 89-2018 approving an amendment to the Extell Planned Urban Redevelopment (PUR) Special Use Permit on properties identified as 159 & 161 Alexander Street, 35 Babcock Place, 39-A, 39-B, 40, 41, 41-B, 42, 42-A and 42-B Water Grant Street; and

WHEREAS, one year has expired since the amendment to the PUR Special Use Permit was adopted and the applicant has sought timely to extend said amendment to the PUR Special Use Permit; and

WHEREAS, the request for a one year extension has already been submitted to, and approved by the City of Yonkers Planning Board on November 22, 2019; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the application and the record before it, this City Council believes it to be in the best interest of the City to approve the actions taken by the Planning Board, and grant said extension, subject to any special use permit conditions, if any, originally approved by the Planning Board, and contained in its resolution, which conditions specifically were made a part of the City Council's resolution unanimously adopted on June 26, 2018.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Yonkers, in meeting assembled and in accordance with Chapter 43, Section 43-55, that upon the record and findings of the Planning Board with respect to the request submitted pursuant to Article VII, Section 43-72 (C) and Section 43-112 of the Zoning Code of the City of Yonkers for an extension from December 13, 2019 through December 13, 2020, of the amendment to the Extell Planned Urban Redevelopment Special Use Permit at Block 2615 Lot 18; Block 2620 Lots 1, 35, 36 & 40; Block 2625 Lots 15, 17, 21, & 23 and Block 2630 Lots 1, 2, 3 & 10 on the Tax Assessment Map of the City of Yonkers on property known as 159 & 161 Alexander Street, 35 Babcock Place & 39-A, 39-B, 40, 41, 41-B, 42, 42-A, & 42-B, the decision and actions of the Planning Board of the City of Yonkers are hereby approved, subject to conditions, if any, as set forth in the Planning Board's original resolution to approve the application adopted on June 26, 2018; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that, this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER

SPONSOR:

TITLE OF BILL: A RESOLUTION EXTENDING A PLANNED URBAN REDEVELOPMENT (PUR) SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR ONE YEAR FROM DECEMBER 13, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 13, 2020 FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE EXTELL PLANNED URBAN DEVELOPMENT PUR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE FOLLOWING TEMPORARY USES PENDING PERMANENT SITE DEVELOPMENT: TV, MOVIE, VIDEO OR AUDIO STUDIO, BUS STORAGE YARD/TRANSPORTATION SERVICE BUSINESS AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL STORAGE AT THE PROPERTIES KNOWN AS 159 ALEXANDER STREET (BLOCK 2615, Lot 18); 35 BABCOCK PLACE & 161 ALEXANDER STREET(BLOCK 2620, LOTS 1, 35 & 36); 39-A WATER GRANT (BLOCK 2620, LOT 40); 39-B, 40, 41 & 41-B WATER GRANT STREET (BLOCK 2625 LOTS 15, 17, 21 & 23); 42, 42-A, 42-B WATER GRANT STREET (BLOCK 2630, LOTS 1, 2, 3 & 10), PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 43, ARTICLE VII OF THE YONKERS ZONING CODE.

PURPOSE: As stated above

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS: As stated above.

JUSTIFICATION: The City Council must approve the affirmative action of the Planning Board if such approval is to become effective.

IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS: None.

CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT: N/A

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: No legislative history.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: There is no fiscal impact against the City if this legislation is enacted.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This resolution will take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER

SUBJECT: : X NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

TITLE: A RESOLUTION EXTENDING A PLANNED URBAN REDEVELOPMENT (PUR) SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR ONE YEAR FROM DECEMBER 13, 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 13, 2020 FOR THE AMENDMENT TO THE EXTELL PLANNED URBAN DEVELOPMENT PUR SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW THE FOLLOWING TEMPORARY USES PENDING PERMANENT SITE DEVELOPMENT: TV, MOVIE, VIDEO OR AUDIO STUDIO, BUS STORAGE YARD/TRANSPORTATION SERVICE BUSINESS AND CONSTRUCTION MATERIAL STORAGE AT THE PROPERTIES KNOWN AS 159 ALEXANDER STREET (BLOCK 2615, Lot 18); 35 BABCOCK PLACE & 161 ALEXANDER STREET(BLOCK 2620, LOTS 1, 35 & 36); 39-A WATER GRANT (BLOCK 2620, LOT 40); 39-B, 40, 41 & 41-B WATER GRANT STREET (BLOCK 2625 LOTS 15, 17, 21 & 23); 42, 42-A, 42-B WATER GRANT STREET (BLOCK 2630, LOTS 1, 2, 3 & 10), PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 43, ARTICLE VII OF THE YONKERS ZONING CODE.

BUDGET IMPACT

(To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department)

A) General Fund Board of Education Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Cost: _____ Total Current Year Revenue: _____

Source of Funds (Check one): Current Appropriations Additional Appropriations

Transfer of Existing Appropriations Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual

Amount:\$ _____ Describe:

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount:\$ _____

Current Year: Next 5 years:

Anticipated Savings: Annual

Amount:\$ _____ Current Year:

Next 5 years:

C) FISCAL IMPACT: None.

Prepared By: Corporation Counsel

Title: _____

Department: Law Department

Signature: _____

Reviewed By: FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: /s/ John Liszewski, Commissioner

Date: / /2020

**SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER**

SPONSOR: COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS

CO-SPONSOR: COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, COUNCILWOMAN DIAZ

TITLE OF BILL: A LOCAL LAW AMENDING ARTICLE XIV OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF YONKERS ENTITLED "DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND CONSERVATION" IN RELATION TO PROVIDING WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF MATTERS INVOLVING REGULATION, USE, FEES AND CHARGES WITH RESPECT TO PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES

PURPOSE: To provide written notice to the City Council of matters involving regulation, use, fees and charges with respect to parks and recreation facilities.

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS: City of Yonkers Charter, Article XIV, Section C14-6(E)

JUSTIFICATION: To provide written notice to the City Council of matters involving regulation, use, fees and charges with respect to parks and recreation facilities, to provide the City Council time to review and provide timely comments on such matters.

IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS: n/a

CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT: n/a

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: New

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: Neutral

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediate.

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RESOLUTION

3. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YONKERS TO APPROVE A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR ROCK CRUSHING OPERATIONS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VIII § 43-73(J) OF THE YONKERS ZONING CODE AT PROPERTY LOCATED AT SECTION 6, BLOCK 6382, LOT 50 (KNOWN AS 100A OAK STREET).

WHEREAS, Metro Green, LLC ("Metro Green"), the lessee of property more particularly described as Section 6, Block 6382, Lot 50 on the Official Tax Map of the City of Yonkers (known as 100A Oak Street) (the "Property"), submitted an application ("Application") with the consent of the fee owner of the Property for Site Plan and Special Use Permit approval for an existing rock crushing operation to the Yonkers Planning Board (the "Planning Board") in connection with Metro Green's existing soil, rock, and concrete recycling facility pursuant to Article IX and Article VIII § 43-73(J) of the Zoning Code of the City of Yonkers; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board held a public hearing on the Application on March 11, 2020 ("Planning Board Public Hearing"), in which no members of the public spoke in opposition to the Application; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board approved the Site Plan and Special Use Permit Application by unanimous vote pursuant to a Resolution dated May 6, 2020 ("Planning Board Approval Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Yonkers previously approved Metro Green's Zoning Petition, requesting a Zoning Map Amendment to rezone the Property from the Commercial, Storage, and Light Manufacturing "CM" zoning district to the Industrial "I" zoning district by Resolution dated December 9, 2019; and

WHEREAS, upon referral by the Planning Board following its approval of the Special Use Permit Application, and the forwarding of a copy of the Transcript of the Planning Board Public Hearing and said Planning Board Approval Resolution and Findings to this City Council pursuant to Section 43-55 of the Zoning Code of the City of Yonkers, the City Council believes it to be in the best interests of the City to grant said Application; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Yonkers, in meeting assembled, that the proposed Special Use Permit should be granted, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that, based upon the Record and findings of the Planning Board with respect to the Application, as well as the entire record before this City Council during its review of the requested rezoning of the Property, the decision and actions of the Planning Board of the City of Yonkers are hereby approved, and this approval is subject to any conditions set forth in the Planning Board Approval Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all of the conclusions, findings, and conditions contained in the March 11, 2020 Public Hearing, the Planning Board Approval Resolution dated May 6, 2020 are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part hereof; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SPECIAL USE PERMIT FOR THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS 100A OAK STREET, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 6, BLOCK 6382, LOT 50 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS "I" ZONE DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION.

■ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

BUDGET IMPACT

(To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department)

A) General Fund Board of Education Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Cost: _____

Total Current Year Revenue: _____

Source of Funds (Check one): Current Appropriations Additional Appropriations

Transfer of Existing Appropriations Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify

Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual

Amount: \$ _____

Describe:

Potential Related Revenues: Annual

Amount: \$ _____

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

Anticipated Savings: Annual

Amount: \$ _____

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel: _____

Prepared By: Mark E. Constantine, Esq.

Title: Counsel to the Minority Leader

Department: Office of the City Council

Minority Leader

Signature: /s/ Mark E. Constantine, Esq.

Reviewed By: _____
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: _____

Date: _____

If you need more space, attach additional sheets.

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4. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED ESSENTIAL WORKERS BILL OF RIGHTS

WHEREAS, on April 13, 2020, United States Senator Elizabeth Warren and Representative Ro Khanna unveiled a proposal for an Essential Workers Bill of Rights; and

WHEREAS, the Essential Workers Bill of Rights seeks to protect frontline workers during the COVID-19 pandemic, many of whom are working in high-risk conditions without appropriate equipment, safety standards, or job protections; and

WHEREAS, these essential workers include, but are not limited to, doctors, nurses, home care workers and other healthcare workers, grocery store and drug store employees, domestic workers, food service workers, federal, state, and municipal employees, janitorial staff, farm workers, delivery drivers, warehouse workers, transportation workers, and child care workers; and

WHEREAS, reports indicate that these essential workers may be contracting COVID-19 at a higher rate than the general public; and

WHEREAS, the proposed 10-point bill of rights includes provisions pertaining to health and safety protections, robust premium compensation, protections for collective bargaining agreements, truly universal paid sick leave and family and medical leave, protections for whistleblowers, an end to worker misclassification, health care security, support for child care, treating workers as experts, and will hold corporations accountable for meeting their responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the lawmakers have called the next relief package to be passed by Congress to include the policies outlined in the Essential Workers Bill of Rights; and

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WHEREAS, as stated by Senator Warren, essential workers are the backbone of our nation's response to coronavirus, and we have a responsibility to make sure essential workers have the protections they need, the rights they are entitled to, and the compensation they deserve; and

WHEREAS, as stated by Representative Khanna, this crisis needs to open our eyes to the value of workers who are often invisible, and we need to give them the pay and benefits they deserve; and

WHEREAS, it is pertinent that essential workers receive these protections during the COVID-19 pandemic;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yonkers City Council, by this Resolution, hereby supports the proposal of the Essential Workers Bill of Rights; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to the offices of Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Senator Charles Schumer, and Congressman Eliot Engel.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER**

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED ESSENTIAL WORKERS BILL OF RIGHTS

NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

BUDGET IMPACT

(Completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department or Council Staff)

A) General Fund Board of Education Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

<i>Total</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Cost:</i>	_____
<i>Total</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Revenue:</i>	_____

Source of Funds (Check one): Current Appropriations Additional Appropriations

Transfer of Existing Appropriations Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount:\$ _____

Describe:

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount:\$ _____

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount:\$ _____

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel: _____

Prepared By: Hon. Williams
Title: Councilmember
Department: City Council

Reviewed By: _____
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

If you need more space, attach additional sheets.

**SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER**

SPONSOR: COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS

CO-SPONSOR: COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, COUNCILMEMBER DIAZ

TITLE OF BILL: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED ESSENTIAL WORKERS BILL OF RIGHTS

PURPOSE: To protect the essential workers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS: All provisions that relate to rights of essential workers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

JUSTIFICATION: To protect all essential workers that are risking their lives while working on the frontline of the COVID-19 pandemic.

IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS: N/A.

CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT: N/A.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: N/A.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: Neutral

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act shall take effect IMMEDIATELY

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5. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS DECLARING SUPPORT FOR THE LETTER TO CONGRESS, DATED MAY 12, 2020, REQUESTING FUNDING FOR STATES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN UPCOMING FEDERAL CARES PACKAGE

WHEREAS, COVID-19 has caused a global crisis on a scale that we have not seen in generations; and

WHEREAS, municipalities across the nation, including the City of Yonkers, have been hit hard by tax revenue loss during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, there is a legitimate concern that the economic disruption caused by COVID-19 pandemic will have disastrous effects across the entire country in the coming weeks, months, and years; and

WHEREAS, working people are on the frontlines of this pandemic and are doing their jobs during this difficult time, including, but not limited to, healthcare providers and workers that are continuing to care for the sick, janitors that are still keeping buildings clean while airport workers are risking their health to help Americans travel safely, and public employees that are still leaving their homes to ensure Americans continue to receive the services they rely upon; and

WHEREAS, many working families in our communities were struggling to make ends meet even before the COVID-19 pandemic hit, and due to income inequality on the rise and the cost of living continuing to increase, many Americans were forced to work multiple jobs just to cover their basic needs; and

WHEREAS, our nation's largest and wealthiest corporations must also take responsibility for the health of our nation, for the communities on whose work they depend, and for the long-term financial health and security of all workers in our country; and

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WHEREAS, without significant economic assistance from the federal government, many currently middle-class working families are at risk of falling into poverty through no fault of their own; and

WHEREAS, state and local governments are in desperate need of additional funding, because as our nation's economy grinds to a halt, state and local governments are on the front lines, using their finite resources to fight COVID-19 while helping their residents stay safe, healthy, and financially stable; and

WHEREAS, nearly 600 state and local legislators, treasurers, mayors and others, including former Yonkers City Councilmember Christopher Johnson, sent a letter to Congress, dated May 12, 2020, requesting immediate action by the federal government to ensure the healthy safety and financial security of working people; and

WHEREAS, the letter calls on Congress to provide at least \$500 billion in additional aid for state and local governments, as well as funds for reimbursing public employers for paid sick and other leave, for hazard pay for public-sector essential workers and for states to further expand unemployment insurance benefits; and

WHEREAS, the letter requests support for state and local governments, specifically requesting for: direct support to state and local governments; increasing Medicaid resources; providing local and state employers with the same support provided to private industry; supporting child care systems; protecting democracy during the pandemic; providing further investment in unemployment insurance; increasing SNAP and WIC; and keeping people on payrolls;

WHEREAS, the federal government must ensure the health, safety, and financial security of working people across our country regardless of how they look, where they're from, or what they do for a living;

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that this Legislative Body declares its support for the letter addressed to Congress, dated May 12, 2020, requesting support for state and local governments;

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RESOLUTION (CONTINUED)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to the offices of the not-for-profit Democratic Municipal Officials (DMO) organization, and the offices Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Senator Charles Schumer, and Congressman Eliot Engel.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER**

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS DECLARING SUPPORT FOR THE LETTER TO CONGRESS, DATED MAY 12, 2020, REQUESTING FUNDING FOR STATES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN UPCOMING FEDERAL CARES PACKAGE

BUDGET IMPACT

(Completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department or Council Staff)

A) General Fund Board of Education Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

<i>Total</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Cost:</i>	_____
<i>Total</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Revenue:</i>	_____

Source of Funds (Check one): Current Appropriations Additional Appropriations

Transfer of Existing Appropriations Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ _____
Describe: _____

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ _____
Current Year: _____
Next 5 years: _____

Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ _____
Current Year: _____
Next 5 years: _____

C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel: _____

Prepared By: _____ Title: _____ Department: _____ Signature: _____	Reviewed By: _____ FINANCE DEPARTMENT Signature: _____ Date: _____
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**SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER**

SPONSOR: MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, COUNCILMEMBERS RUBBO, DIAZ, AND WILLIAMS

TITLE OF BILL: RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS DECLARING SUPPORT FOR THE LETTER TO CONGRESS, DATED MAY 12, 2020, REQUESTING FUNDING FOR STATES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN UPCOMING FEDERAL CARES PACKAGE

PURPOSE: To support the letter to Congress requesting funding for states and local governments.

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS: All re: requesting additional funding for states and local governments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

JUSTIFICATION: Due to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on state and local governments, including the City of Yonkers, the City Council is declaring support for the May 12, 2020 letter to Congress requesting that additional funding is provided in the federal CARES package.

IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS: N/A.

CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT: N/A.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: N/A.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: Neutral

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act shall take effect IMMEDIATELY

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6. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Yonkers, in meeting assembled:

That the settlement by the Corporation Counsel in the amount of Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000.00) of the action entitled, "Shayla Ortiz and infant by her Parents and Natural Guardians Pablo Ortiz and Leslie Gonzales and their Attorney, Harris Law, plaintiff, against THE CITY OF YONKERS, Defendant", for personal injuries and medical expenses arising out of an alleged incident on September 5, 2017 during which plaintiff allegedly sustained injuries when the infant, a bicyclist was caused to fall from her bike due to a defective sidewalk condition in the Unity Park Playground at Post Avenue in the City of Yonkers. Be and the same hereby is approved and the Comptroller of the City of Yonkers is directed to draw his warrant in the amount of Sixty Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000.00 - (Distributed \$23,491 made payable to Harris Law; \$5,804 made payable to Harris Law; \$5,804.41 made payable to New York State Department of Health and \$35,704.55 made payable to PABLO ORITZ and LESLIE GONZALES) as the parents and natural guardians of Shayla Ortiz, jointly with an Officer of the Apple Bank

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7. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS
DECLARING THE MONTH OF MAY 2020 "ALS AWARENESS
MONTH"**

WHEREAS, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or ALS, and known by many as Lou Gehrig's disease, is a progressive fatal neurodegenerative disease that attacks nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord; making even the simplest movements – walking, speaking, gesturing – nearly impossible; and

WHEREAS, approximately 30,000 individuals in the United States are afflicted with ALS at any given time, with more than 6,000 new cases appearing each year; and

WHEREAS, approximately 15 new cases of ALS are diagnosed every day, with a person losing their battle with the disease every 90 minutes; and

WHEREAS, the average life expectancy of a person with ALS is two to five years from the time of diagnosis; and

WHEREAS, ALS strikes people regardless of race, sex, age, or ethnicity; and

WHEREAS, finding the causes of, and cure for, ALS will prevent the disease from robbing hundreds of thousands of Americans of their dignity and lives; and

WHEREAS, aggressive treatments of the symptoms of ALS can extend the lives of those living with the disease; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Quinn, a native and resident of the City of Yonkers who was diagnosed with ALS in 2013, co-founded the famous ALS Ice Bucket Challenge with his friend and fellow ALS campaigner Pete Frates, who unfortunately passed away from the disease last December, and continues to advocate for a cure for the deadly disease; and

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WHEREAS, the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge was a tremendous event that raised \$115 million in the summer of 2014 that brought awareness to the devastating disease and helped spur a large increase to the ALS Association's budget to conduct important and impactful research; and

WHEREAS, raising public awareness of this disease can facilitate the discovery of a cure, and bring much needed attention and dollars for support and services for families in New York State and the City of Yonkers that are dealing with ALS; and

WHEREAS, the month of May has been designated as National Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Awareness Month since 1992, when the United States Senate passed Joint Resolution 174, and has since been observed nationwide year, with events designed to promote research and provide improved support for those coping with the disease and the families who care for them;

NOW IT BE RESOLVED, that this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations to recognize May 2020 as ALS Awareness Month in the City of Yonkers.

**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER**

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS DECLARING THE MONTH OF MAY 2020 "ALS AWARENESS MONTH"

■ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

BUDGET IMPACT

(Completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department or Council Staff)

A) General Fund Board of Education Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Cost: _____

Total Current Year Revenue: _____

Source of Funds (Check one): Current Appropriations Additional Appropriations

Transfer of Existing Appropriations Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify Accounts: _____

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ _____

Describe:

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ _____

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ _____

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel:

Prepared By:

Title:

Department:

Signature: _____

Reviewed By: _____

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: _____

Date:

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**SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM
SUBMITTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION §C4-6 OF THE CHARTER**

SPONSOR: COUNCILMEMBER RUBBO

TITLE OF BILL: RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS DECLARING THE MONTH OF MAY 2020 "ALS AWARENESS MONTH"

PURPOSE: To declare the month of May 2020 ALS Awareness Month

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS: all re: declaration of ALS Awareness Month

JUSTIFICATION: to recognize the month of May 2020 as "ALS Awareness Month"

IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS: N/A

CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT: None

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY: N/A

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS: Neutral

EFFECTIVE DATE: This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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8. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following applicant(s) are hereby appointed and/or reappointed to the office of Commissioner of Deeds for a period of two years to expire May 31, 2022.

Laurence Angelo Scerno
57 Saratoga Avenue
Yonkers, New York 10705

Retired

RENEWAL

GermanA. Santana
82 Bennett Avenue
Yonkers, New York 10701

Administrative Assistant

RENEWAL

Gina Saglimbeni
54 Kettle Avenue
Yonkers, New York

Clerk 111 Data Entry

RENEWAL

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