# <u>The following notice appeared on the Township Committee's April 28, 2020 Conference and Official Meeting Agendas</u>

# TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD SUNSHINE NOTICE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING April 28, 2020

Due to the ongoing public health emergency, and the Governor's Executive Orders related to the same, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford will conduct all meetings remotely and by electronic means for the foreseeable future. The Township Committee will continue to meet on their regularly scheduled meeting dates and times.

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 (the "Open Public Meetings Act") and consistent with the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services guidelines, the Township Committee Meetings will be open to the public by electronic means. Residents can view the meetings on TV-35, and via livestream on TV-35's Facebook Page.

Residents who wish to participate in the virtual meeting for purposes of making a public comment or to participate in any scheduled public hearing should follow the instructions and complete the registration form available at the Township of Cranford's website at <a href="https://www.cranfordnj.org/minutes-and-agendas">https://www.cranfordnj.org/minutes-and-agendas</a>.

The Minutes of the **Conference Meeting** of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, State of New Jersey on **April 28, 2020** at **7:01 p.m.** remotely and by electronic means.

THIS MEETING IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE "OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT" AS ADEQUATE NOTICE OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PROVIDED BY E-MAILING THE ANNUAL SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS TO THE WESTFIELD LEADER, THE UNION COUNTY LOCAL SOURCE, THE STAR LEDGER, AND TAP INTO CRANFORD, BY POSTING SUCH ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE ON A BULLETIN BOARD IN THE TOWN HALL RESERVED FOR SUCH ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THE FILING OF SAID NOTICE WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK OF CRANFORD. FORMAL ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AT THIS MEETING.

**Present:** Mayor Patrick Giblin

**Deputy Mayor Prunty** 

Commissioner Thomas H. Hannen, Jr. Commissioner Jean-Albert Maisonneuve

Commissioner Mary O'Connor

**Absent:** None

The Township Committee held the Conference Meeting by video/telephone conference (as per the public notice, remotely and by electronic means.)

Administrator Jamie Cryan, Township Attorney Ryan Cooper and Township Clerk Patricia Donahue were present.

#### **Public Comments**

Mayor Giblin opened the public comments portion of the meeting and asked if there were any questions or comments. Township Attorney Ryan Cooper stated that no emails had been received from members of the public. Hearing no comments, Mayor Giblin closed the public comments portion of the meeting.

#### **Review Official Meeting Agenda**

Mayor Giblin explained that the late starter resolution, Resolution No. 2020-199, was placed on the Official Meeting agenda that afternoon in response to the afternoon release of Governor Murphy's Executive Order No. 130. Mayor Giblin stated that Executive Order No. 130 established an extension of the grace period for second quarter property taxes from May 11, 2020 to June 1, 2020. Mayor Giblin stated that in recognition of the economic hardship suffered by some residents and businesses due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the proposed Resolution No. 2020-199 would institute a grace period concluding on June 1<sup>st</sup> for the payment of second quarter property taxes.

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## <u>Late Starter – Legal Update</u>

Dated: April 28, 2020

Township Attorney Cooper provided an update on the Affordable Housing Case Management Conference.

Township Attorney Ryan Cooper stated that the scheduled May date for the Fairness Hearing (pertaining to the settlement agreement with Fair Share Housing Center) had been cancelled. He explained that the Fairness hearing was supposed to occur in May and the Compliance hearing had been scheduled to occur in October. Mr. Cooper stated that the Fairness Hearing and the Compliance hearing would now both occur on October 5<sup>th</sup>.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, seconded by Deputy Mayor Prunty and passed, the Township Committee adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

The Township Committee moved to conduct the Official Meeting at 7:30 p.m. (as per the public notice, remotely and by electronic means.)

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Donahue Township Clerk