

# City of Newark

*City Hall  
920 Broad Street  
Newark, New Jersey 07102*



## Meeting Agenda - Final

### SPECIAL MEETING

**Tuesday, January 14, 2025**

**10:00 AM**

**Council Chamber**

### Municipal Council

*Council Member Patrick O. Council  
Council Member Carlos M. Gonzalez  
Council Member Dupré L. Kelly  
Council Member Luis A. Quintana  
Council Member Anibal Ramos, Jr.  
Council Member Louise Scott-Rountree  
Council Member Michael J. Silva*

*President C. Lawrence Crump*

*Kecia Daniels, City Clerk    Abraham Negrón, Deputy City Clerk*

**CALL TO ORDER****STATEMENT ON OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

*In accordance with New Jersey P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, Section 5, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the Star Ledger, the Jersey Journal and the public at large; establishing the date, time and location of this meeting, by posting on the designated bulletin board in City Hall and by filing with the Office of the City Clerk, the schedule of regular meetings and conferences of the Newark Municipal Council as adopted as 7R8-a on December 4, 2024. In addition, the agenda for this meeting was disseminated on January 10, 2025 at the time of preparation and posted on the website of the City of Newark.*

**ROLL CALL**

**AGENDA RESOLUTION CODES PER DEPARTMENT**

- 1 Administration**
- 2 Economic and Housing Development**
- 3 Engineering**
- 4 Finance**
- 5 Health and Community Wellness**
- 6 Law**
- 7 Mayor's Office**
- 8 Municipal Council and City Clerk**
- 9 Public Safety**
- 10 Public Works**
- 11 Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Senior Services**
- 12 Water Sewer Utility**

## 7. RESOLUTIONS

### 7R1 Administration

**7R1-a(s)**    [24-1717](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Administration/Office of Management and Budget  
**Action:** ( ) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Temporary Emergency Appropriation  
**Purpose:** Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)  
**Funding Source:** United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)  
**Appropriation Amount:** \$5,894,807.00  
**Budget Year:** 2025  
**Contract Period:** September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid ( ) State Vendor ( ) Prof. Ser. ( ) EUS  
( ) Fair & Open ( ) No Reportable Contributions ( ) RFP ( ) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale (X) Grant ( ) Sub-recipient ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Funds to be accepted by Legistar File ID 24-1699, submitted under separate cover by the Department of Administration.  
Operating Agency: Office of the Mayor and Other Agencies, Office of Homeless Services  
Two-Thirds vote of full membership required.

**7R1-b(s)**    [24-1718](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Administration/Office of Management and Budget  
**Action:** ( ) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Temporary Emergency Appropriation  
**Purpose:** Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)  
**Funding Source:** United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)  
**Appropriation Amount:** \$602,188.00  
**Budget Year:** 2025  
**Contract Period:** September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid ( ) State Vendor ( ) Prof. Ser. ( ) EUS  
( ) Fair & Open ( ) No Reportable Contributions ( ) RFP ( ) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale (X) Grant ( ) Sub-recipient ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Funds to be accepted by Legistar File ID 24-1699, submitted under separate cover by the Department of Administration.  
Operating Agency: Office of the Mayor and Other Agencies, Office of Homeless Services  
Two-Thirds vote of full membership required.

**7R2 Economic and Housing Development**

**7R2-a(s)**    [24-1735](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Economic and Housing Development  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide On-Call Environmental Consulting/Management Services  
**Entity Name:** Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.  
**Entity Address:** One Gateway Center, 15th Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07102  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$75,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2024 Budget/Department of Economic and Housing Development/NW026, Account #32100, B2024  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( X ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    (X) RFP    ( ) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**

**7R2-b(s)**    [24-1736](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Economic and Housing Development  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide On-Call Environmental Consulting/Management Services  
**Entity Name:** Lewis Consulting Group, Inc.  
**Entity Address:** 2604 Atlantic Avenue, Suite 600, Wall, New Jersey 07719  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$75,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2024 Budget/Department of Economic and Housing Development/NW026, Account #32100, B2024  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    (X) RFP    ( ) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**

**7R2-c(s)**    [24-1738](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Economic and Housing Development  
**Action:** (X) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide Planning Consultant Services.  
**Entity Name:** Clarke Canton Hintz, PC  
**Entity Address:** 100 Barrack Street, 3rd Floor, Trenton, New Jersey  
08608  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$85,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2024 Budget/Community and Economic Development  
Trust Fund  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
(X) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**

**7R2-d(s)**    [24-1739](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Economic and Housing Development  
**Action:** (X) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide Planning Consultant Services.  
**Entity Name:** Colliers Engineering & Design, Inc.  
**Entity Address:** 101 Crawfords Corner Road, Suite 3400, Holmdel,  
New Jersey 07733  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$85,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2024 Budget/Community and Economic Development  
Trust Fund  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
(X) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**

**7R3      Engineering**

- 7R3-a(s)**      [25-0020](#)      **Dept./ Agency:** Engineering  
**Action:** ( ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide Engineering Services to prepare the Design Documents, Bid Documents and handle Construction Management for the renovation of the new Newark Drop-in and Resource Center at 1136 Raymond Boulevard, Newark, New Jersey 07102.  
**Entity Name:** SK2 Architects LLC  
**Entity Address:** 2160 N Central Road, Suite 210, Fort Lee, New Jersey 07024  
**Contract Amount:** not to exceed \$204,245.00  
**Funding Source:** Treasury Grant 051-G24-M24E0  
**Contract Period:** One (1) year from the date of a written Notice to Proceed issued by the Acting Director of the Department of Engineering and/or her designee or until completion of construction  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
(X) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    (X) RFP    ( ) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
RFP Advertised: May 10, 2024  
Date Proposals Due: June 7, 2024  
Proposals Received: Two (2)

- 7R3-b(s)**    [25-0023](#)    **Dept./ Agency:** Engineering  
**Action:** ( ) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Rescind Resolution # 7R3-a adopted on July 10, 2024  
**Purpose:** To rescind the professional service contract award to DRG Architects, AIA, Inc.  
**Entity Name:** Design Resources Group Architects, AIA, Inc.  
**Entity Address:** 270 Davidson Avenue, Suite 303, Somerset, New Jersey 08873  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$239,000.00  
**Funding Source:** Treasury Grant 051-G24-M24E0  
**Contract Period:** One (1) year from the date of a written Notice to Proceed issued by the Acting Director of the Department of Engineering and/or her designee or until completion of construction  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid ( ) State Vendor (X) Prof. Ser. ( ) EUS (X) Fair & Open ( ) No Reportable Contributions ( ) RFP ( ) RFQ ( ) Private Sale ( ) Grant ( ) Sub-recipient (X) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Original Resolution 7R3-a was adopted on July 10, 2024.  
This Resolution rescinds the contract award due to Design Resources Group Architects, AIA, Inc. failure to execute the contract.
- 7R6**        **Law**
- 7R6-a(s)**    [25-0028](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Law  
**Action:** (X) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide legal services concerning Litigation Defense Counsel Matters.  
**Entity Name:** Antonelli, Kantor, Rivera, PC  
**Entity Address:** 354 Eisenhower Parkway, Suite 1000, Livingston, New Jersey 07039  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$100,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2025 Budget/Law Department - NW011, Department 040, Division 0401, Account 71260, Budget 2025  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid ( ) State Vendor (X) Prof. Ser. ( ) EUS (X) Fair & Open ( ) No Reportable Contributions ( ) RFP (X) RFQ ( ) Private Sale ( ) Grant ( ) Sub-recipient ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Partial Certification of Funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.



**7R6-b(s)**    [25-0040](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Law  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide legal services concerning Litigation Defense Counsel Matters  
**Entity Name:** Brooks & Berne, PLLC  
**Entity Address:** 625 Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson, Blvd., Suite 240, Newark, New Jersey 07102  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$100,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2025 Budget/Law Department - NW011, Department 040, Division 0401, Account 71260, Budget 2025  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( X ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Partial Certification of Funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.

**7R6-c(s)**    [25-0047](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Law  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide legal services concerning Litigation Defense Matters.  
**Entity Name:** Carmagnola & Ritardi, LLC  
**Entity Address:** 60 Washington Street, Suite 300, Morristown, New Jersey 07960  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$100,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2025 Budget/Law Department - NW011, Department 040, Division 0401, Account 71260, Budget 2025  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( X ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Partial Certification of Funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.

**7R6-d(s)**    [25-0049](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Law  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide legal services concerning Litigation Defense Counsel Matters.  
**Entity Name:** Chasan, Lamparello, Mallon & Cappuzzo, PC  
**Entity Address:** 300 Lighting Way, Suite 200, Secaucus, New Jersey 07094  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$150,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2025 Budget/Law Department - NW011, Department 040, Division 0401, Account 71260, Budget 2025  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( X ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Partial Certification of Funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.

**7R6-e(s)**    [25-0050](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Law  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide legal services concerning Litigation Defense Matters.  
**Entity Name:** DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP  
**Entity Address:** 61 South Paramus Road, Suite 250, Paramus, New Jersey 07652  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$150,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2025 Budget/Law Department - NW011, Department 040, Division 0401, Account 71260, Budget 2025  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( X ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Partial Certification of Funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.

**7R6-f(s)**     [25-0053](#)     **Dept/ Agency:** Law  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide legal services concerning Litigation Defense Counsel Matters.  
**Entity Name:** Lite DePalma Greenberg & Afanador, LLC  
**Entity Address:** 570 Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson, Blvd., Suite 1201, Newark, New Jersey 07102  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$300,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2025 Budget/Law Department - NW011, Department 040, Division 0401, Account 71260, Budget 2025  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( X ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Partial Certification of Funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.

**7R6-g(s)**     [25-0054](#)     **Dept/ Agency:** Law  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide legal services concerning Litigation Defense Matters.  
**Entity Name:** Michael A. Armstrong & Associates  
**Entity Address:** 79 Mainbridge Lane, Willingboro, New Jersey 08046  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$125,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2025 Budget/Law Department - NW011, Department 040, Division 0401, Account 71260, Budget 2025  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( X ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Partial Certification of Funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.

**7R6-h(s)**    [25-0056](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Law  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide legal services concerning Litigation Defense Counsel Matters.  
**Entity Name:** Michael A. Armstrong & Associates  
**Entity Address:** 79 Mainbridge Lane, Willingboro, New Jersey 08046  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$125,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2025 Budget/Law Department - NW011, Department 040, Division 0401, Account 71260, Budget 2025  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( X ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Partial Certification of Funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.

**7R6-i(s)**    [25-0057](#)    **Dept/ Agency:** Law  
**Action:** ( X ) Ratifying    (X) Authorizing    ( ) Amending  
**Type of Service:** Professional Services Contract  
**Purpose:** To provide legal services concerning Litigation Matters.  
**Entity Name:** Simmons Law, LLC  
**Entity Address:** 105 Lock Street, Suite 203, Newark, New Jersey 07103  
**Contract Amount:** Not to exceed \$100,000.00  
**Funding Source:** 2025 Budget/Law Department - NW011, Department 040, Division 0401, Account 71260, Budget 2025  
**Contract Period:** January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025  
**Contract Basis:** ( ) Bid    ( ) State Vendor    (X) Prof. Ser.    ( ) EUS  
( X ) Fair & Open    ( ) No Reportable Contributions    ( ) RFP    (X) RFQ  
( ) Private Sale    ( ) Grant    ( ) Sub-recipient    ( ) n/a  
**Additional Information:**  
Partial Certification of Funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.

**MOTIONS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**KECIA DANIELS  
CITY CLERK OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY**