



# City of Newark

City Hall  
920 Broad Street  
Newark, New Jersey 07102

## Legislation Text

File #: 20-1342, Version: 1

**Dept/ Agency:** Finance

**Action:** ( ) Ratifying (X) Authorizing ( ) Amending

**Purpose:** Stipulation of Settlements for Tax Appeals

**List of Property:**

**(Tax Payer/Address/Block/Lot/Ward/Assmnt./Year/Refund Amount)**

AT&T Communications of NJ, Inc./74/34.01/87-99 William Street/Central/\$6,800,000/2013/- \$135,365.52

AT&T Communications of NJ, Inc./74/34.01/87-99 William Street/Central/\$6,800,000/2014/- \$142,149.84

AT&T Communications of NJ, Inc./74/34.01/87-99 William Street/Central/\$6,800,000/2015/- \$151,684.56

AT&T Communications of NJ, Inc./74/34.01/87-99 William Street/Central/\$6,800,000/2016/- \$157,689.60

AT&T Communications of NJ, Inc./74/34.01/87-99 William Street/Central/\$6,800,000/2017/- \$163,190.40

AT&T Communications of NJ, Inc./74/34.01/87-99 William Street/Central/\$6,800,000/2018/- \$169,287.12

AT&T Communications of NJ, Inc./74/34.01/87-99 William Street/Central/\$5,800,000/2019/- \$210,014.24

**Additional Information:**

AT&T Communications of NJ, Inc. tax refund to be applied 50% credit and 50% refund.

Total tax refund and credit: -\$1,129,381.28

**WHEREAS**, there are now pending before the Tax Court of New Jersey direct appeals challenging real property assessments and actions to review judgments of the Essex County Board of Taxation with regard to properties listed on the attached Schedule A, December 2020 Credits; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Newark retained the law firm of Decotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, to represent the interests of the City in these actions; and

**WHEREAS**, after a review of the appraisals of both the City and the taxpayer and an analysis of prior County Board and Tax Court actions as they affect these properties, and after careful consideration of these facts, it is the opinion of the Tax Assessor and the Corporation Counsel, and/or his designee, upon recommendation of the law firm Decotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP ("Outside Counsel"), that these settlements are in the best interests of the City of Newark.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:**

1. The Corporation Counsel and/or his designee, the law firm of Decotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, on behalf of the City of Newark are authorized to execute a Stipulation of Settlement with regard to certain properties as set forth in Schedule A, December 2020 Credits, after receipt of all documents deemed appropriate.

2. The City Clerk shall serve a copy of this resolution upon the Tax Assessor, Corporation Counsel and the Director of the Department of Finance.

### STATEMENT

Resolution authorizing the Corporation Counsel, and/or his designee, the law firm of Decotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP, to execute a Stipulation of Settlement with regard to Tax Appeals on certain properties set forth in Schedule A, December 2020 Credits.