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THE LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

Non-Profit Connection Fee Hearing

April 1, 2025

- I. Senator Singer opened the hearing at 10:00 A.M. in the conference room of the Lakewood Township Municipal Utilities Authority, 390 New Hampshire Avenue, Lakewood, New Jersey.
- II. It was announced that in accordance with Chapter 231, Public Law, adequate notice of this Water and Sewer Connection Fee Hearing was given and that a notice of this scheduled hearing was filed with the Township Clerk and posted in the Municipal Building in a place accessible to the public and was published in the Asbury Park Press on February 14, 2025 and the Lakewood Shopper on February 12, 2025.
- III. **Roll Call of Commissioners**
On roll call the following Commissioners were present: Mrs. Fish, Mrs. Miller, Mr. Theibault, Mr. S. Flancbaum, Committeeman Lichtenstein and Senator Singer. Both Mr. S. Flancbaum and Committeeman Lichtenstein were seated. The following professionals and key personnel were present: Gerwin Bauer, Auditor, Mr. Justin Flancbaum, Executive Director, Mr. Donald Sondak, Chief Financial Officer/Human Resources Director, Mr. Colin Farrell, CEng MIEI Director of Engineering, Mr. Adam Ponsi, P.E., Mr. Bob Farina, Director of Operations, and Mr. Harry Robbins, Operations Manager.
- IV. **Non-Profit Organizations Deploying First Responders or Engaged in Emergency Management Services Connection Fee Hearing**

1. Testimony from Professionals

Mr. Pfeffer began by explaining that we are holding this hearing today to expand the class of nonprofits eligible to receive a reduction in connection fees to now include nonprofit organizations deploying first responders or engaged in emergency management services.

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Mr. Pfeffer swore in Mr. Gerwin Bauer as an expert witness and established his identity as a Certified Public Accountant in the State of New Jersey and auditor of the Authority. Mr. Pfeffer asked Mr. Bauer if he had the opportunity to review the data to determine if there would be any impact if we were to expand the class of eligible people, the non-profits who received a reduction. Mr. Bauer responded that he looked at the projection and he sees a very minimal if any, impact to the Authority or to Operations.

Mr. Pfeffer asked if there were any questions. There were none.

2. The Chairman Opened the Hearing to the Public

No response from the public.

3. The Chairman Closed the Hearing to the Public.

4. Resolution No. 25-26 Adoption of Reduced Connection Fees for Non-Profit Organizatons Deploying First Responders or Engaged in Emergency Management Services.

A **motion** was made by Mrs. Fish and seconded by Mr. S. Flancbaum. On **roll call**, all seated members voted, "**Yes**". **Adopted.**

v. ADJOURNMENT was made at 10:03 AM

A **motion** was made by Mrs. Fish and seconded by Mr. S. Flancbaum. On **roll call**, all seated members voted, "**Yes**". **Adopted.**

Respectfully submitted,

Robyn Gray,
Secretary, LTMUA