

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Essex County Country Club owns certain property located at Lot 1, Block 156, on the Tax Map of the Township of West Orange, County of Essex, State of New Jersey which consist of approximately 175.77 acres; and

WHEREAS, ECCC has certain tax appeals pending for the last four (4) years which were scheduled to commence trial on November 8, 2021; and

WHEREAS, ECCC has also filed a tax appeal for 2021 and would have rights to file same for 2022, 2023 and 2024; and

WHEREAS, various professionals and experts were retained to analyze the assessments and issues involved; and

WHEREAS, Charles Blau, Esq. of Blau & Blau vigorously represented the Township with regard to the appeals;

WHEREAS, the Township Attorney and John Gross, Chief Financial Officer, conferred with Mr. Blau concerning various settlement discussion; and

WHEREAS, ECCC was seeking to reduce the assessment from approximately \$16,233,700 million to approximately \$11.2 million which, if successful, would have resulted in a tax refund in excess of \$750,000;

NOW, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the attached Tax Adjustment Agreement effective January 1, 2022 be and is hereby approved; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute the Tax Adjustment Agreement and the Municipal Clerk be and is hereby authorized to attest to the Mayor's signature.

Karen Carnevale, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk

Cindy Matute-Brown
Council President

Adopted: December 14, 2021