

ORDINANCE NO. 12-2024 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BURLINGTON AND RASHAUNA JOHNSON FOR BLOCK 138, LOTS 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42 AND 43

WHEREAS, the City of Burlington (the “City”) is organized as a Mayor-Council form of government pursuant to the Optional Municipal Charter Law, N.J.S.A. 40:69A; and

WHEREAS, the City is the owner of property located at 104 through 116 Mechanics Street, identified on the Tax Map of the City of Burlington as Block 138, Lots 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, and 43 (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Redevelopment and Housing Law, specifically N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-8, a municipality is authorized to lease its property to further the execution of a Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted the “New Yorkshire Redevelopment Plan” in July of 2011, by way of Ordinance No. 09-2011, which amended the 1998 Yorkshire Plan and provided revised development objectives, design guidelines, and other elements governing redevelopment within the plan area (“the 2011 New Yorkshire Plan”); and

WHEREAS, the City and Rashauna Johnson have negotiated a Lease Agreement (“Lease”) for use of the Property; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that such a Lease would benefit the goals of the New Yorkshire Redevelopment Plan, including the elimination of chronic illegal dumping of trash and other debris; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Lease, Lessee shall pay rent to the City in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per month for a term of three (3) years; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Burlington has determined that entering into said lease agreement would benefit the City and its residents.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council for the City of Burlington as follows:

SECTION 1. The Common Council of the City of Burlington hereby authorizes the leasing of the property located at 104 through 116 Mechanics Street, identified on the Tax Map of the City of Burlington as Block 138, Lots 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, and 43.

SECTION 2. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a lease agreement for the above-referenced property between the City and Rashauna Johnson upon final review and approval by the City Solicitor and to receive the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per month for a term of three (3) years.

SECTION 3. The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute any additional documents as may be necessary to facilitate the herein Ordinance.

SECTION 4. All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent they are inconsistent herewith.

SECTION 5. If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph or subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after final passage by Council or twenty (20) days after approval by the Mayor, whichever comes first.

Passed Common Council,

George Chachis, President
Common Council

Approved,

Barry W. Conaway, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk

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