Introduced: J. Goldberg
Seconded: J. Cervieri

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#### BOROUGH OF FORT LEE

#### ORDINANCE #2010-1

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 12 "BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE", AND REPLACING IT WITH CHAPTER 48 "ENVIRONMENTAL AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE"

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED,** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, being the governing body thereof, that Chapter 12 "Beautification Committee", of the Code of the Borough of Fort Lee be and is hereby repealed and replaced with the creation of Chapter 48 "Environmental and Beautification Committee" as set forth below:

### § 48-1 Establishment.

There is hereby established in the Borough of Fort Lee, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, an Environmental and Beautification Committee (hereinafter "the Committee"). The purpose of the Committee is to assist the Governing Body in its deliberative process by making recommendations relating to issues of aesthetic and environmental concerns in the Borough.

### § 48-2 Members.

The Committee shall consist of no more than fifteen (15) members appointed by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, all of whom shall be residents of the borough or business owners/executives of businesses located in Fort Lee, except that no more than two members shall be nonresidents. One member shall be a member of the Council, approved by the Council and such appointment shall be made annually at the Borough's Annual Reorganization Meeting. The Mayor shall annually select one member as Chairperson of the Committee and a second member as Vice-Chairperson. All members shall serve without compensation.

#### § 48-3 Terms of members.

- A. The term of office of the first Committee members shall be for one, two or three years, to be designated by the Mayor and Council in making the appointments, so that the terms of approximately 1/3 of the members will expire each year, and their successors shall be appointed for terms of three years and until the appointment and qualifications of their successors. Alternates shall have terms of three years. All appointments shall be made to take effect on January 1 of each year, for a full term of three years.
- B. The Mayor and Council, by Resolution, may remove any or all of the members of the Committee, with or without cause at any time and written charges served upon the member and after a hearing thereon at which the member will be entitled to be heard in person or by counsel.

C. A vacancy on the Committee occurring otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as an original appointment.

# § 48-4 Organization.

The Committee shall organize annually within 30 days of January 1, by the election of one of its members as secretary. The Committee shall have the right to make reasonable rules of procedure.

## § 48-5 Duties.

The Committee shall report solely, exclusively and directly to the Mayor and Council and generally, have the following duties, subject to the more specific instructions or limitations set forth by the Mayor or by Resolution of the Governing Body:

- 1. Make recommendations regarding any and all projects which the Committee has determined to be in the best interests of the borough.
- 2. Make recommendations regarding such improvements of property concerning presently pending applications for development, as may be in the best interests of the Borough of Fort Lee.
- 3. Make recommendations concerning the abatement of any and all unsightly property conditions.
- 4. Make recommendations concerning property maintenance violations.
- 5. Consult with the Department of Public Works, the Recreation Department and the Parking Authority concerning specific recommendations to be made to the Mayor and Council to upgrade and beautify borough property.
- 6. Make findings upon and recommendations concerning acquisition and use of property within the borough in order to maintain, improve, and protect the beauty of the community.
- 7. Make recommendations concerning the regulation, planting and care of trees and shrubbery now located or which may hereafter be planted in public streets, places and parks and make recommendations concerning the removal of any such tree or part thereof which may be dangerous to public safety.
- 8. Meet at least four times each year and forward minutes of its meetings to the Mayor and Council.
- 9. Conduct research into the use and possible use of the open land areas of the municipality.
- 10. At the specific direction and authorization of the Mayor and Council, coordinate the activities of unofficial bodies organized for similar purposes and advertise, prepare, print and distribute books, maps, charts, plans and pamphlets which in its judgment it deems necessary for its purposes.
- 11. Keep an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including open marshlands, swamps and other wetlands, in order to obtain information on the proper use of such areas.
- 12. Recommend plans and programs for inclusion in a Municipal Master Plan and the development and use of such areas.

- 13. Study and make recommendations concerning open space preservation, water resources management, air pollution control, solid waste management, noise control, soil and landscape protection, environmental appearance and protection of flora and fauna.
- 14. Any and all other duties and/or powers that may be delegated by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Fort Lee, by Resolution or Ordinance.
- **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.
- BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that this Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

ATTEST:	BOROUGH OF FORT LEE
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seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council does, in its judgment, deem it to be made in the best interest of the Borough that such appointment be made,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that James Viola, Sr. be and hereby is designated and appointed by the Borough Council as a member of the Parking Authority pursuant to Borough Ordinance 79-1 et seq. of the codified ordinances of the Borough of Fort Lee and pursuant to New Jersey Statutes in such cases made and provided, the term of such appointment to be for a period of five (5) years in accordance with the foregoing ordinance and statutes.

The Resolution was approved unanimously.

### MAYOR'S NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS

## 6-1 - Board of Adjustment

Mayor Sokolich nominated Harry Liapes, Michael Horton and Douglas Sugarman to serve as a member on the Board of Adjustment for a four (4) year term expiring December 31, 2014.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilwoman Kasofsky, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Daniel Murphy to serve as alternate member #1 on the Board of Adjustment for a two (2) year term expiring December 31, 2012.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Pohan, the nomination was confirmed unanimously.

## 6-2 - Advisory Committee for the Disabled

1340 Campus Parkway, Building B

Mayor Sokolich nominated Barbara Rivlin and Marilyn Sussman to serve as members of the Advisory Committee for the Disabled for three (3) year terms expiring December 31, 2013.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Sargenti, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

## 6-3 - Environmental and Beautification Committee

Mayor Sokolich nominated William Camal, James Gencarelli,

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Munir Rizwani and Byong J. Suh to serve as members of the Environmental & Beautification Committee for one (1) year terms expiring December 31, 2011.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Sohmer, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Marcia Cooper, Richard Radoian, John Klein and Phyllis Lowe, to serve as members of the Environmental and Beautification Committee for two (2) year terms expiring December 31, 2012.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Pohan, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Maria Cafasso, Anthony Lione, Paul Friedman and George Makroulakis to serve as members of the Environmental and Beautification Committee for three (3) year terms expiring December 31, 2013.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Pohan, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

#### 6-4 - Board of Ethics

Mayor Sokolich nominated Nat Infurna and Marvin Rothenberg to serve as members of the Board of Ethics for five (5) year terms expiring December 31, 2015.

On motion by Councilman Sohmer, seconded by Councilman Pohan, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.,

#### 6-5 - Fort Lee Film Commission

Mayor Sokolich nominated Jan Goldberg to serve as Council Liaison to the Fort Lee Film Commission for the year 2011.

On motion by Councilman Sohmer, seconded by Councilman

The Resolution was approved unanimously.

### MAYOR'S NOMINATIONS TO BOARDS

## 6-1 - Board of Adjustment

Mayor Sokolich nominated Richard Sierra to serve as a member on the Board of Adjustment for a four (4) year term expiring December 31, 2015.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Sohmer, the nomination was confirmed unanimously.

Mayor Sokolich nominated John Nitti to serve as alternate member #1 on the Board of Adjustment for a two (2) year term expiring December 31, 2013.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Sohmer, the nomination was confirmed unanimously.

# 6-2 - Advisory Committee for the Disabled

Mayor Sokolich nominated Patricia Ciccone, Eileen Goff, Roy Lippin, Sandra Pinkerton and Roberta Wailes to serve as members of the Advisory Committee for the Disabled for three (3) year terms expiring December 31, 2014.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Pohan, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

## 6-3 - Environmental and Beautification Committee

Mayor Sokolich nominated Ila Kasofsky to serve as Council Liaison to the Environmental and Beautification Committee for the year 2012.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Pohan, the nomination was confirmed unanimously.

Mayor Sokolich nominated James Gencarelli, Munir Rizwani, Brian Radoian and Byong J. Suh to serve as members of the

Environmental & Beautification Committee for three (3) years terms expiring December 31, 2014.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Sohmer, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

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### 6-4 - Fort Lee Film Commission

Mayor Sokolich nominated Jan Goldberg to serve as Council Liaison to the Fort Lee Film Commission for the year 2012.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri seconded by Councilman Sohmer, the nomination was confirmed unanimously.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Richard Koszarski and Nelson Page to serve as members of the Fort Lee Film Commission for two (2) year terms expiring December 31, 2013.

On motion by Councilman Cervieri, seconded by Councilman Goldberg, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

## 6-5 - Board of Health

Mayor Sokolich nominated Dr. Paul Friedman and Dr. Harris Levine to serve as members of the Board of Health for three (3) year terms expiring December 31, 2014.

On motion by Councilwoman Kasofsky, seconded by Councilman Pohan, the nominations were confirmed unanimously.

## 6-6 - Historic Site, Structure, Cultural and Landmark Committee

Mayor Sokolich nominated Councilman Harvey Sohmer to serve as a member of the Historic Site, Structure, Cultural, & Landmark Committee for a one (1) year term expiring December 31, 2012.

On motion by Councilman Goldberg, seconded by Councilman Pohan, the nomination was confirmed unanimously.

Mayor Sokolich nominated Donna Brennan, Bert Lief and Catherine Nest to serve as members of the Historic Site,