



**BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE
MAYOR AND COUNCIL AGENDA
SPECIAL WORK SESSION**

**April 2, 2014
7:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Notice of this special meeting, in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Law, 1975, C. "231", was posted at Borough Hall on March 31, 2014 and two newspapers, The Record and The Ridgewood News, were notified on March 31, 2014.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jeffrey R. Goldsmith
Council President Donna Abene
Councilman Corrado Belgiovine
Councilman Eric Bloom
Councilwoman Jacqueline Gadaleta
Councilman Carlos Rendo
Councilman Robert Rosenblatt

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Proposed townhouse (THO) overlay zone

CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 14-76

Resolution Authorizing the Borough of Woodcliff Lake to Pay \$7,000.00 to the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office for the Matrix Study in settlement of litigation

ADJOURNMENT

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE
TO ENTER INTO A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

RESOLUTION No. 14-76
April 2, 2014

Council Member	Motion	Second	Yea	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Rosenblatt						
Abene						
Bae						
Bader						
Bloom						
Gadaleta						
Mayor Goldsmith						

WHEREAS, the Borough of Woodcliff Lake has been served with a Complaint in the matter captioned Borough of Park Ridge v. Borough of Montvale, Borough of Woodcliff Lake, Office of the Bergen County Prosecutor and Matrix Consulting, LTD. in the Superior Court of New Jersey bearing Docket No. BER-C-341-13 (the "Litigation"); and

WHEREAS, the complaint alleges that the Bergen County Prosecutor, the Borough of Montvale, the Borough of Park Ridge and the Borough of Woodcliff Lake entered into an undated Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") whereby the parties agreed to retain the services of a consultant, Matrix Consulting, LTD to perform a study to determine the feasibility of consolidating the law enforcement services provided by the Borough of Park Ridge, Borough of Montvale and Borough of Woodcliff Lake, said services to be paid for by the Bergen County Prosecutor; and

WHEREAS, the complaint further alleges that Matrix Consulting, LTD performed the study but was not paid in full for its services; and

WHEREAS, in response to the Complaint the Defendants each filed cross and counterclaims against each other, including the Office of the Bergen County Prosecutor's cross-claim alleging it was not responsible for the payment of the feasibility study performed by Matrix Consulting, LTD and that the municipalities were liable for the repayment of all monies previously paid to Matrix Consulting, LTD by the Bergen County Prosecutor; and

WHEREAS, the parties have proposed to settle the Litigation by each municipality contributing a payment of seven thousand (\$7,000.00) dollars to Matrix Consulting, LTD; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Bergen County Prosecutor has agreed to forbear any claim for payment that might be due for monies it previously paid to Matrix Consulting, LTD; and

WHEREAS, the Borough believes it is in the best interests of the Borough to settle the Litigation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to settle the Litigation and to execute any agreements in furtherance thereof.

CERTIFICATION

I, Deborah Dakin, Acting Clerk of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake in the County of Bergen and the State of New Jersey do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution is a true copy of the original resolution duly passed and adopted by the Mayor and Council at the meeting of April 2, 2014.

DEBORAH DAKIN
Acting Borough Clerk