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UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

ORDINANCE NO: 671-2008
DATE OF INTRO: 9/25/2008
DATE OF ADOPTION: 10/9/08

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, NEW ADDITIONAL FURNISHINGS, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$33,441,260 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE STATE GRANTS, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The County of Union (the "County"), State of New Jersey is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, new additional furnishings, new communication and signal systems equipment and new information technology and telecommunications equipment in, by and for said County, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. The cost of the improvements and acquisitions includes all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

SUFFICIENCY OF FUNDS - D/P
Albert S. Youngblood

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INTRODUCTION				RECORD OF VOTE				FINAL ADOPTION							
FREEHOLDER	Aye	Nay	Abs	Pass	Ord.	Sec	NP	FREEHOLDER	Aye	Nay	Abs	Pass	Ord.	Sec	NP
HOLMES	X							HOLMES	X						
KOWALSKI	X							KOWALSKI	X						
PROCTOR							X	PROCTOR							X
SCANLON	X							SCANLON	X					X	
SULLIVAN	X							SULLIVAN							X
VAN BLAKE	X					X		VAN BLAKE	X						
WARD	X							WARD	X						
MIRABELLA VICE-CHAIRMAN	X				X			MIRABELLA VICE-CHAIRMAN	X				X		
ESTRADA CHAIRMAN	X							ESTRADA CHAIRMAN	X						

APPROVED AS TO FORM

 COUNTY ATTORNEY

I hereby certify the above is an original ordinance adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union on the aforementioned date.

 CLERK

I hereby certify this is a true copy of a ordinance adopted by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Union on the aforementioned date.
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Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements and acquisitions described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the State grants and the down payment appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvements and acquisitions shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefitted.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements and acquisitions is not a current expense of said County.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the State grants hereinafter appropriated, and (3) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (5) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Department of Economic Development, Division of Information Technologies
 - Acquisition of new information technology and telecommunications equipment for the use of various County departments, offices and agencies, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 911,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 45,550
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 865,450
Period of Usefulness	5 years

B. Department of Economic Development, Division of Communications
 - Acquisition of new communication and signal systems equipment for the use of various County departments, offices and agencies, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 258,020
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 12,901
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 245,119
Period of Usefulness	10 years

C. Runnells Specialized Hospital – Replacement of flooring at One West, acquisition and installation of a nurse call system and wall guards for resident/patient rooms and acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of HVAC units and equipment, food preparation and delivery equipment, patient lifts and scales, patient specialty chairs, various medical equipment, privacy curtains and washers and dryers.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 815,550
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 40,778
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 774,772
Period of Usefulness	10 years

D. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities, Division of Engineering - Undertaking of the County Traffic Signal Rehabilitation Program at various locations, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 2,639,890
State Grant Appropriated	\$ 250,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 119,495
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 2,270,395
Period of Usefulness	10 years

E. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities, Division of Engineering – Construction of the Lenape Park Bike Trail.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 550,000
State Grant Appropriated	\$ 500,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 47,500
Period of Usefulness	15 years

F. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities, Division of Engineering – Acquisition of new information technology equipment and new additional furnishings consisting of computer equipment and office furniture.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 50,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 47,500
Period of Usefulness	5 years

G. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities, Division of Facilities Management - The undertaking of various improvements to public buildings consisting of (i) upgrading elevators at various public buildings, (ii) replacement of roofs at various public buildings, (iii) plumbing and electrical improvements at various public buildings, (iv) ADA-compliance upgrades at various public buildings, and (v) upgrading mechanical systems at various public buildings. It is hereby determined and stated that said public buildings being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 2,317,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 115,875
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 2,201,625
Period of Usefulness	15 years

H. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities, Division of Facilities Management - The undertaking of various improvements to public buildings consisting of (i) upgrading the fire detection system in the Union County Jail and (ii) upgrading fire alarm systems and controls in various public buildings.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 772,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 38,625
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 733,875
Period of Usefulness	10 years

I. Department of Engineering, Public Works and Facilities, Division of Facilities Management – Fire safety renovations and upgrades at the Union County Courthouse. It is hereby determined and stated that said public building being improved is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$15,090,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 754,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$14,335,500
Period of Usefulness	15 years

J. Department of Parks and Community Renewal, Division of Parks - The undertaking of various park and recreation improvements consisting of (i) design phase for the extension of the cart garage at Ash Brook Golf Course, (ii) restoration of Masker's Barn and installation of interpretive exhibits and signage for the Visitors Center at the Deserted Village of Feltville, (iii) improvements to various facilities in the Watchung Reservation, (iv) replacement of roofs at various park buildings, (v) communication and instructional program improvements at Trailside Nature and Science Center, (vi) installation of athletic field lighting at Rutgers Avenue Field (Hillside) and Nomahegan Park (Cranford), (vii) development and implementation of a master plan for the improvement of the Watchung Reservation bridle trails, (viii) erosion control improvements at Lake Surprise (Watchung Reservation) and (ix) reconstruction of the Echo Lake Service Yard.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 4,120,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 206,001
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 3,913,999
Period of Usefulness	10 years

K. Department of Parks and Community Renewal, Division of Parks - Acquisition of new additional or replacement recreational equipment, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 412,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 20,600
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 391,400
Period of Usefulness	15 years

L. Department of Administrative Services, Division of Public Works - Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 748,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 37,400
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 710,600
Period of Usefulness	5 years

M. Various Departments, Offices and Agencies - Acquisition of new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, and new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 1,224,750
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 61,238
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 1,163,512
Period of Usefulness	5 years

N. Department of Human Services - Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new information technology equipment and new additional furnishings consisting of (i) a mobile data terminal system and a drive cam system for Paratransit, (ii) kitchen air curtains for the Meals on Wheels Program, (iii) furniture for the Youth Services Bureau and (iv) furniture for the Elizabeth One-Stop Employment Center.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 460,700
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 23,035
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 437,665
Period of Usefulness	5 years

O. Department of Public Safety, Division of Police - Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and new communication and signal systems equipment, as set forth on a list on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and hereby approved and incorporated herein by this reference thereto.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 577,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 28,850
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 548,150
Period of Usefulness	10 years

P. Department of Public Safety, Division of Police - Acquisition of new information technology equipment consisting of computer network enhancements and recovery system.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 123,600
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 6,180
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 117,420
Period of Usefulness	7 years

Q. Department of Public Safety, Division of Correctional Facilities – Installation of perimeter security fencing at the Union County Jail.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 257,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 12,875
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 244,625
Period of Usefulness	15 years

R. County Clerk's Office – Undertaking of the index books records preservation project.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 154,500
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 7,725
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 146,775
Period of Usefulness	5 years

S. Sheriff's Office - Reconstruction of the Springfield Firearms Range.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 334,750
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 16,738
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 318,012
Period of Usefulness	10 years

T. Union County Vocational-Technical Schools -Undertaking various renovations and improvements to facilities, including boiler upgrades (campus-wide), electrical system updates (campus-wide), lighting, fencing, signage and other exterior building and grounds improvements (campus-wide) and repair or replacement of rest rooms (West Hall) and acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of instructional equipment and machinery for various educational programs. It is hereby determined and stated that (A) all resolutions to be filed by the Board of Education of the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools and the Board of School Estimate of Union County Vocational-Technical Schools in order to request the Board of Chosen Freeholders to raise funds for the aforesaid purposes have been filed and (B) no down payment is required for such purposes pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:54-31.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 1,624,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 1,624,000
Period of Usefulness	10 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$33,441,260
Aggregate State Grants Appropriated	\$ 750,000
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 1,553,366
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$31,137,894

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$545,280 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. The sum of \$250,000 received or to be received as a grant from the New Jersey Department of Transportation (the "NJDOT") is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the traffic signal improvements authorized in Section 4.D above.

Section 7. The sum of \$500,000 received or to be received as a grant from the NJDOT is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the construction of a bike trail authorized in Section 4.E above.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$1,553,366, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said County, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$1,553,366 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 9. To finance said purposes, bonds of said County of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$31,137,894 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 10. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said County of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$31,137,894 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 11. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, by the County Manager and by the County Treasurer and shall be under the seal of said County and attested by the Clerk or Deputy Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the County Treasurer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 12. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 12.21 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 13. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of said County, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said County, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$31,137,894 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 14. Any funds received from private parties, the State of New Jersey or any of its agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes (other than the NJDOT grants hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purposes, but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 15. The County intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements and acquisitions described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the County incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the County hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 16. The full faith and credit of the County are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the County, and the County shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the County for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 17. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders and is available for public inspection.

Section 18. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.