



Our Green West Orange



2022 Report Card on Town Council Voting Record

| Resolutions Before the Council | DATE | Cindy MATUTE- BROWN | Susan McCARTNEY | Michelle CASALINO | Tammy WILLIAMS | Bill RUTHERFORD |
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| | | GRADE | GRADE | GRADE | GRADE | GRADE |
| 269-22 Resolution Authorizing Cerbo's Parsippany Greenhouses, Inc., Parsippany, NJ 07054 for the Fall 2022/Spring 2023 Tree Planting at Various Locations. \$82,500 Passed 5-0. OGWO: NO PLAN! Leaving it in the hands of the DPW a known tree-cutting entity. It's 200 trees. Town engineer said 300 trees, having trouble finding places to plant but doing a study to see what is needed. | Oct-25-22 | C | C | C | C | C |
| Resolution 232-22- Resolution Designating Hackman Capital Partners, LLC as Conditional-Redeveloper for the Film Services Overlay District (FSOD) of the Downtown Redevelopment Plan and Authorizing the Negotiation of a Redevelopment Agreement. Passed 5-0. OGWO: No transparency, no public input, no standards, no visual concepts, no planner's opinion. | Sept 6, 2022 | F | F | F | F | F |
| Ordinance 2690-22- Bond Ordinance primarily for \$4.5M for artificial turf at O'Connor Park. Voted down. Needed 4 votes. Failed 3-2. OGWO: Opposed to artificial turf as a toxic health risk, wasteful, and environmentally damaging. | July 19, 2022 | A | F | F | F | A |
| At the May 31, 2002 Budget Workshop Council agreed that township will strip Community House of its \$40,000 grant because they didn't fill out the paperwork. On July 19 th , they refused to reverse it in the budget resolution approval. OGWO: It deprived children of programs. | July 19, 2022 | F | F | F | F | F |
| Motion to cancel Zoom access to Town Council meetings when in-public meetings resumed made by Councilwoman Casalino and seconded by Councilwoman Williams. Passed 5-0. Decision reversed after public outcry. OGWO: All public meetings now allow a Zoom option. | May 10, 2022 | C | C | C | C | C |
| Resolution 124-22 - Sale of the public Library to Joe Alpert of West Orange Senior Housing, LLC, 1 Parker Plaza, Fort Lee, NJ. for \$1M. Passed 4-1. OGWO: The developer named his price without an appraisal and no public bidding. A resident's litigation is pending. | April 26, 2022 | F | F | F | F | A |
| Renewal of Chief Financial Officer, John Gross's contract for three years. Passed 4-1. OGWO: An outgoing administration should not be leaving behind long term contracts with employees. His salary is \$265K. He was allowed to be the CFO of Dover, New Jersey as well. | April 26, 2022 | A | F | F | F | F |
| Ordinance 2680-22 BILLBOARD on Route 280. A motion to introduce An Ordinance Amending the Executive Drive-Rooney Circle Redevelopment Plan of the Township of West was made by Councilwoman Matute-Brown. There was no second. The motion failed. OGWO: This Billboard would have been a 48-foot electronic screen hovering over Route 280 causing distraction, accidents and death. Councilmembers got C grades for this because they allowed the billboard proposal to get this far after months of residents objecting. | April 5, 2022 | C | C | C | C | C |
| Ordinance 2676-22 Amending the Steep Slope Ordinance. Passed 5-0. OGWO: An ordinance without enforcement does not protect our hills from rock slides. The Zoning and Planning Boards can issue variances to developers to destroy steep slopes. | March 1, 2022 | F | F | F | F | F |
| Overall Grade | | Cindy MATUTE- BROWN | Susan McCARTNEY | Michelle CASALINO | Tammy WILLIAMS | Bill RUTHERFORD |
| A= 100, C=50 F=0 | | 350/9 | 150/9 | 150/9 | 150/9 | 350/9 |
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| Final Grade | | D | F | F | F | D |