

NOTICE OF ELECTION
LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP
OCEAN COUNTY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1, TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SHALL HOLD ITS ANNUAL ELECTION ON FEBRUARY 18, 2017, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 2:00 P.M. AND 10:00 P.M., OR LONGER IF NECESSARY, AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING PROPOSITIONS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE LEGAL VOTERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1:

- 1) TO VOTE UPON TWO (2) COMMISSIONERS, EACH FOR A THREE (3) YEAR TERM, FOR THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1;
- 2) TO VOTE UPON THE FOLLOWING BUDGET FOR 2017; AND
- 3) TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE THE HEREIN BELOW SET FORTH PROPOSAL.

BUDGET 2017

A. OPERATING APPROPRIATIONS

(1) CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES

Salary and Wages.....	\$1,712,520.00
Fire hydrants.....	535,000.00
Insurance.....	80,000.00
Fringe Benefits.....	1,291,093.00
Professional Services.....	146,000.00
Advertising and promotion.....	50,000.00
Length of Service Awards Program.....	150,000.00
Travel expenses.....	5,000.00
Elections.....	15,000.00
Training & education.....	30,000.00
Operating materials & supplies.....	165,000.00
Utilities.....	160,000.00
Office expenses.....	30,682.00
Uniforms.....	85,000.00
Membership dues & subscriptions.....	4,000.00
Purchased assets.....	140,000.00
Buildings maintenance & repairs.....	22,759.00
Buildings maintenance & repairs offset with revenue.....	117,241.00
Vehicles/equipment maintenance & repairs.....	32,513.00
Vehicles/equipment maintenance & repairs offset with revenue.....	167,487.00
TOTAL CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSES.....	4,939,295.00

B. CAPITAL AND DEBT SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.....	90,000.00
RESERVE FOR FUTURE CAPITAL OUTLAYS.....	0.00
PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS	0.00
INTEREST PAYMENTS	0.00
TOTAL CAPITAL & DEBT SERVICE APPROPRIATIONS.....	190,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS.....	5,029,295.00

C. LESS TOTAL REVENUES & FUND BALANCE UTILIZED.....

AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION.....	4,695,240.00
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PROPOSAL

Shall the Commissioners be authorized to release \$284,728.00 of Restricted Fund Balance and to use said amount in the District's 2017 Budget. Said amount will be reallocated in the 2017 Budget as follows: \$117,241.00 Building Maintenance and Repairs and \$167,487.00 Vehicles/Equipment Maintenance and Repairs. This reallocation will have no impact on the amount to be raised by taxation.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

A "yes" vote will authorize the Fire District to use \$284,728.00 of Restricted Fund Balance. These funds have been previously appropriated for capital improvement projects that have since been completed. Because the funds were previously restricted for these completed capital projects, this amount can be reallocated with approval of the voters by referendum. The funds will be reallocated in the 2017 Budget to the following line items: \$117,241.00 Building Maintenance and Repairs and \$167,487.00 Vehicles/Equipment Maintenance and Repairs. The release of these funds and reallocation will have no impact on the amount to be raised by taxation. If the referendum is approved (a "yes" vote), the 2017 Budget will include \$284,728.00 in the above stated line items.

A "no" vote means that the Restricted Fund Balance will remain restricted and unavailable for use in future budgets. Any future funding for these projects would be raised through taxation.

SAID VOTING SHALL TAKE PLACE AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING COURT ROOM - FIRST FLOOR, LAKEWOOD TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 231 THIRD STREET, LAKEWOOD, NEW JERSEY. FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1 COMPRISES ALL ELECTION DISTRICTS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD.

MEIR COHEN, SECRETARY
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FIRE DISTRICT NO. 1
TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD

