

RESOLUTION
of the
BOROUGH OF NEW PROVIDENCE
Resolution No. 2020-086

Council Meeting Date: 03-09-2020

Date Adopted: 03-09-2020

TITLE RESOLUTION APPROVING REQUEST OF THE NEW PROVIDENCE
BUSINESS COMMUNITY TO SPONSOR COMMUNITY EVENTS
DURING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2020

Councilperson Cumiskey submitted the following resolution, which was duly seconded by Councilperson DeSarno.

WHEREAS, the New Providence Business Community wishes to sponsor the following community events:

- New Providence/Sharing NJ 5K Race – June 7th
- Independence Day Celebration – July 3rd
- Family Fun Night/Concert Series – July 16th, July 23rd, July 30th, August 4th
- Downtown Scarecrow Stroll and Contest – October 12th – November 1st
- Downtown Trick or Treat – October 31th
- Street Fair – October 25th
- NP Holiday Festival featuring the Christmas Walk, International Celebrations, Fireworks and Small Business Saturday – November 27th and November 28th

and;

WHEREAS, the New Providence Business Community wishes to utilize borough property as well as local and county roadways; and

WHEREAS, the New Providence Business Community requests permission to work with and utilize the services of borough departments such as Police, Public Works, EMS, Fire Department and Administrative Personnel when planning events.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of New Providence that they hereby approve the request of the New Providence Business Community to sponsor community events during the calendar year 2020.

APPROVED, this 9th day of March, 2020.

RECORD OF VOTE

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	NOT VOTING
CUMISKEY	X			
DESARNO	X			
GEOFFROY	X			
MATSIKLOUDIS	X			
MUÑOZ	X			
ROBINSON	X			
MORGAN			TO BREAK COUNCIL TIE VOTE	

I hereby certify that the above resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Borough Council held on the 9th day of March, 2020.

Wendi B. Barry, Borough Clerk



February 26, 2020

New Providence Governing Body
Borough of New Providence
360 Elkwood Avenue
New Providence, NJ 07974

Dear Mayor Morgan and Members of Borough Council:

As you know, the New Providence Business Community sponsors several large community events throughout the year. This year we are planning seven community events, as detailed in the following pages. All the events are designed to provide entertainment for residents and visitors, build foot traffic in our downtown, highlight New Providence businesses and the town as a whole, and provide a vehicle for our businesses to thank those who support them throughout the year.

We are eager to begin planning for these events and are seeking borough council approval. We would like to utilize borough property (Centennial Park for the Summer Concerts and/or Holiday Festival, light poles for the Scarecrow Stroll and Contest) and some ancillary borough support services (Police, DPW, EMS, Fire Department, and borough staff for the July 3 Celebration, Summer Concerts, Street Fair, and Holiday Festival), and also use local and county roads. As in the past, we would work closely with borough personnel as we plan the events and associated logistics.

Thank you for your consideration. We would be happy to meet with you to answer any additional questions or address any issues that you may have. We look forward to working with you again this year.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cindy Reis".

Cindy Reis
New Providence Business Community Manager

2020 New Providence Business Community Events

June

New Providence/Share NJ 5K Race – June 7 – The *NP/Share NJ 5K Race to Save Lives Through Organ and Tissue Donation* will take place on Sunday morning, June 7, 2020. The 5K Celebration of Life is a special time of healing for those whose lives have been touched by organ and tissue donation. NJ Sharing Network invites you to spend a morning with their loving and supportive community, whether you walk, run, volunteer, or simply cheer on the crowd. This fun filled, family oriented day will include music, awards, prizes and amazing activities for all ages. The race draws more than 10,000 entrants and spectators! The event includes children's races with prizes, music, vendor tables for onsite promotions, food, and prize donations.

This race remembers those who gave, honors those who received and offers hope to those who continue to wait...for the Gift of Life. The event is presented in conjunction with the NJ Sharing Network, a non-profit, federally-certified, state-approved organ procurement organization responsible for the recovery of organs and tissue for the 4,700 New Jersey residents currently awaiting transplantation. It is part of the national recovery system, which is in place for the over 110,000 people on waiting lists.

July

Independence Day Celebration – July 3 - The New Providence Independence Day Celebration returns to the Borough on Tuesday, July 3 and will include more activities than ever before. *As one of the biggest borough events, this celebration attracts nearly 5,000 people.* There will be “Chalk on South,” as well as other entertainment. The fabulous Fireworks will begin at approximately 9:30 PM. South Street will be closed from Gales Drive to Springfield Avenue for people to enjoy the festival. Local businesses can remain open to showcase their wares and provide giveaways and refreshments to patrons.

Family Fun Night Concert Series – July/August - This annual concert series has been revamped to feature family friendly entertainment. Held on Thursday evenings, these highly anticipated and well attended concerts also feature a magician and a face painter to entertain kids and free hot dogs and ice cream for all. *The last concert will be performed in conjunction with National Night Out (NNO).* Police officers, firefighters and emergency medical technicians will have their equipment on display and will be on hand to interact with the community. This is an opportunity for the entire family to meet the people who serve and protect them. This event is targeted specifically to New Providence residents. Approximately 200 - 300 families attend each event.

Concert Schedule (tentative):

July 16

July 23

July 30

Aug. 4 – National Night Out

October

Downtown Scarecrow Stroll and Contest, October 12 – November 1

New Providence Business hosts the annual Scarecrow Contest, bringing a festive feel to our downtown! The contest encourages New Providence residents, businesses, civic organizations, school groups, sports teams, and families to build the wildest, cleverest, funniest scarecrows they can imagine (within contest guidelines). The scarecrows will be on display throughout the downtown to bring the community and businesses together, encourage walking, and provide a great opportunity to visit our fantastic stores and restaurants.

Downtown Trick or Treat – Saturday, October 31, 1 – 3 PM

Downtown New Providence merchants invite all ghosts, goblins, princesses, and other characters to come downtown to trick-or-treat in their costumes on Saturday, October 27. Stores with orange pumpkins on their doors or in their windows will greet trick-or-treaters with candy and fun surprises. This event brings hundreds of people into our downtown.

Street Fair – Sunday, October 25, 10 AM – 5 PM

Held in the main center of the borough, the fair promises a day of fun for the entire family and draws a crowd of over 5,000 people! The streets are filled with various exhibits, vendors, and activities. Children will have opportunities to visit the petting zoo or experience other fun activities, such as face painting and storytelling. Food vendors will sell refreshments and delicious food throughout the day. Local residents and visitors come to enjoy the food and entertainment.

November

NP Holiday Festival featuring the Christmas Walk, International Celebrations, Fireworks, and Small Business Saturday – November 27 and 28

This festival is the LARGEST borough event, drawing well over 6,000 residents and visitors! The annual Christmas Walk, an evening gathering traditionally held on the Friday after Thanksgiving in the downtown area, is part of the even bigger and better Holiday Festival. The Friday evening festival will feature the arrival of Santa with the NP Marching Band; various customs and celebrations from around the world; activities and entertainment; merchant giveaways; and fantastic fireworks! The event continues the next day with Small Business Saturday. This huge event takes place in downtown New Providence and offers food, music, snow, raffles, giveaways, and more!