

December 6, 2023

**BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH
MONMOUTH COUNTY**

RESOLUTION 2023-292

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE MAYOR ASSESS PROTOCOLS AND
PROCEDURES FOR THE ISSUANCE OF VIOLATIONS
IN THE BOROUGH, ARISING FROM COMPLAINTS TO AGENCIES OF THE
MUNICIPALITY TO THE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

_____ offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Borough Council that Agencies allegedly have, at times, identified the origination of a complaint to the individuals who are suspected of being in violation of certain laws and ordinances; and members of the Governing Body have breached the confidentiality of Executive Session Meetings; and

WHEREAS, continuing this practice puts the Borough at liability for any divisive action which may be taken against the originator of the complaint; and

WHEREAS, the continuance of this practice also dissuades residents from registering complaints, and creates issues concerning confidential topics being discussed at the Governing Body level; and

WHEREAS, the representatives of these Borough Agencies and the Governing Body should properly identify the ordinances in question, and anonymity of the person or persons who registered the complaint; and

WHEREAS, because the Borough is a small community, it is important for the Governing Body to avoid conflicts between neighbors, and maintain appropriate confidentiality; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body believes that this proposed procedure change will advance the aforesaid goals for all residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Borough Council hereby requests that the Mayor, through the Borough Administrator or the Borough Attorney or whatever means the Mayor may find necessary, prepare proper protocols and procedures which will maintain the anonymity of any person or persons originating said complaints; and confidentially.
2. The Borough Council hereby requests that a draft of the requested protocols and procedures be available to the Borough Council by the second Council meeting of 2024.

Seconded by Councilperson _____ and adopted upon the following vote:

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Ms. DeNoble
Mr. Gubitosi
Ms. Mahoney
Mr. Weber
Mayor Fox

CERTIFICATION

I, Erica Kostyz, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Bradley Beach, Monmouth County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Governing Body at the December 6, 2023 Council Business Meeting.

Erica Kostyz
Municipal Clerk