

**O-19-60**  
**11/6/19**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BAYONNE TO ENTER INTO A LEASE WITH BAYONNE LITTLE LEAGUE AND BAYONNE CAL RIPKEN LEAGUE FOR THE USE OF PORTIONS OF BLOCK 392, LOTS 1, 2 & 3 (MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE BAYONNE LITTLE LEAGUE SITE) AND BLOCK 474.02, LOT 1.01 (MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS KNOWN AS THE CAL RIPKEN LEAGUE SITE) FOR YOUTH RECREATION BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bayonne ("the City") is a Municipal Corporation of the State of New Jersey, with offices located at 630 Avenue C, Bayonne, New Jersey ; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is authorized to enter into lease agreements for nominal consideration with non-profit corporations or associations for the use of vacant lots and open spaces for gardening or recreation purposes pursuant to **N.J.S.A. 40 A: 12-14(c)** and **N.J.S.A. 40 A:12-15f(j)**; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bayonne has long had a fruitful and symbiotic relationship with both Bayonne Little League and Bayonne Cal Ripken League; and

**WHEREAS**, both Bayonne Little League and Bayonne Cal Ripken League have long utilized City-owned property to conduct their programs (Bayonne Little League utilizing portions of Block **391**, Lots **1, 2 & 3** and Cal Ripken Bayonne League utilizing Block **474.02**, Lot **1.01**) and develop Bayonne's youth baseball and softball players; and

**WHEREAS**, Bayonne Little League and Bayonne Cal Ripken League will be combining their efforts and facilities to operate under the aegis of one entity ("Bayonne Youth Baseball and Softball") for the 2020 baseball and softball seasons; and

**WHEREAS**, Bayonne Youth Baseball and Softball is hereby recognized as the City of Bayonne's recreation baseball and softball provider for the 2020 season; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Bayonne ("the Lessor") is of the opinion that it is in the best interest of all concerned, especially our city's children, that Bayonne Little League and Bayonne Cal Ripken League, operating together as Bayonne Youth Baseball and Softball, continue to utilize City-owned property to operate their baseball and softball programs by way of a formal lease consistent with the mandates of both **N.J.S.A. 40A:12-14(c)** and **N.J.S.A. 40 A:12-15f(j)**; and

**WHEREAS**, Bayonne Little League and Bayonne Cal Ripken League, operating together as Bayonne Youth Baseball and Softball ("the Lessee") understand that the properties leased to non-profit corporations or associations are to be used for recreational purposes only; and

**WHEREAS**, the lease term shall be for **one (1) year** beginning as of **November 1, 2019 and ending October 31, 2020**, subject to the City's right to terminate the lease at its convenience without cause by providing ninety (90) days prior notice; and

**WHEREAS**, the consideration for the lease shall be one dollar (\$1.00) a year and other good and valuable considerations;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Municipal Council of the City of Bayonne that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a lease agreement with Bayonne Little League and Bayonne Cal Ripken League, operating together as Bayonne Youth Baseball and Softball, for the term of **one (1) year** for the properties known as portions of Block **391**, Lots **1, 2 & 3** and Block **474.02**, Lot **1.01**, for the consideration of \$1.00 and other good and valuable consideration, for the purpose of operating and maintaining a recreation baseball and softball for the children of the City of Bayonne, and upon such other terms which may be negotiated by and acceptable to the Law Director of the City of Bayonne; and, be it further

**ORDAINED**, that all Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed; and, be it further

**ORDAINED**, that this Ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner as provided by law.