Re: Daily Update

I. Outgoing Governor Christie Gives Final ‘State of the State’

Yesterday in Trenton, with one week left in office, Governor Christie delivered his eighth, and final, State of the State message to both Houses of the Legislature and all who were listening and watching, live, and at remote locations, via radio, television or the internet. In what can be considered the Governor’s Farewell Address, he highlighted progress New Jersey has made under his leadership. The Governor cited tax cuts, improvements in higher education, the response to superstorm Sandy, the Transportation Trust Fund reauthorization, and the limited increases in property taxes. In particular, the Governor announced the annual property tax in 2017 increased by only 1.64%. He went on to say that brings the seven year average (since the implementation of the 2% levy cap and 2% interest arbitration cap) to 1.98%, saving taxpayers over $18 billion.

Governor Christie also devoted a portion of his speech to advocate for the renewal of the cap on binding arbitration awards. He said, in part:

If we do not act in a bi-partisan way to renew the arbitration cap, your property taxes will skyrocket again. The cap expired nine days ago, our progress is at real risk and our Governorelect has refused to ask the Legislature to act before this cap expired. If our public safety officers were underpaid I could understand the debate. But, even after seven years of this cap, they remain the highest paid officers in our entire country while our taxpayers still pay the highest property taxes in America. Failure to renew this cap would be a failure of leadership -- a failure which would cost our citizens money they need to support their families. As a property taxpayer, I urge you to pass the arbitration cap and not return to the days of 7% annual increases in property taxes.

Click here for a copy of the Governor’s prepared remarks.

II. Mayors' Climate Summit

February 03, 2018 9:00 am to 1:30 pm
Rutgers University Bloustein School of Planning & Public Policy
33 Livingston Ave
New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Mayors and community leaders across New Jersey have taken up the challenge. Learn what we must achieve locally, and understand the specific steps to take today to succeed. It is vital for our
mayors and communities to take a leading role in preserving the environment and protecting the public health of our citizens. Three panels of experts, resource organizations, and local leaders discussing a pathway forward to enable New Jersey to succeed in meeting the challenges presented by climate change. This event is hosted by Mayor Phil Kramer of Franklin Township, Mayor Bruce A. Harris of Chatham Borough, and brought to you by NJ League of Conservation Voters Education Fund, Rutgers University Bloustein School of Planning & Public Policy, and Sustainable Jersey. For more information and to register, click here.

III. Register Now for These Upcoming Seminars and Webinars

a. Orientation for the Newly Elected, Re-elected, or Experienced

Saturday, January 20, 2018
8:30a.m.-3:30p.m. Hotel ML
915 Route 73

b. Budgeting for the Elected Official: Everything You Need to Know to Create, Balance, and Approve Your Municipalities’ Budget

Saturday, February 24, 2018 8:30a.m.-2:00p.m.
The Conference Center at Mercer

c. LEAGUE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Sexual Harassment in the Workplace: What You Need to Know
February 28, 2018
8:30a.m. to 12:30p.m
Doubletree Hotel
700 Hope Road
Tinton Falls, NJ 07724

CEU’s: CMFO/CCFO-4.0Off Mgmt/Anc; CTC-4.0 Gen/Sec;CPWM-4.0Govt; RMC-4.0 Prof Devel; QPA-4.0 Off Admin/Gen Duties; CPA-4.0 PD; NJCLE-4.0; PACLE-3.5; RPPO/RPPS-4.0M/S

d. League Professional Development Webinar

“A Quick Review of Budget and Audit Updates”
March 2, 2018 11:00a.m.-11:50a.m.
Location: Your Computer
CEU’s: CMFO/CCFO-1.0 Bud;CPWM-1.0 GOVT;RMC-1.0 Fin; QPA-1.0 Off Admin/Gen Duties RPPO/RPPS-1.0 M/S; CPA-1.0; NJCLE-1.0 http://nj-
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e. League Professional Development Seminar

“Budget, Ethics, and DLGS Updates on Best Practices and Procurement”
March 8, 2018 9:00a.m.-12:30p.m.
Conference Center at Mercer
1200 Old Trenton Rd
West Windsor, NJ 08550

CEU’s: CMFO/CCFO-1.0 Acct,1.0 Bud;1.0 Fin/Debt Mgmt;1.0 Eth;CTC-1.0 Eth,1.0 Gen/Sec;CPWM-2.0 Govt,1.0 Eth; RMC-3.0 Fin, 1.0 Eth; QPA-1.0 P/P, 2.0 Off Admin/Gen Duties;1.0 Eth;CRP-3.0; CPA-3.0 FIN, 1.0 ETH; Registrar-1.0; PACLE-3.5*NJCLE-4.0 including 1.0ETH;RPPO/RPPS- 2.0 M/S, 1.0 Eth, and 1.0 P/P http://nj-
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f. 26th Annual Mayors’ Legislative Day

Wednesday, March 14, 2018
The State House Annex
Committee Room 4
West State Street Trenton, New Jersey http://nj-
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Photo-Albums

g. League Professional Development Seminar

Is South Jersey Getting its Fair Share Of Public Goods? A Forum Discussion
March 20, 2018
9:00a.m.-12:30p.m
Hotel ML
915 Rte 73
Mount Laurel, NJ 08054

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h. LEAGUE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
Freedom Of Speech and Social Media in the Workplace

March 28, 2018
8:30a.m. to 12:30p.m
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700 Hope Road
Tinton Falls, NJ 07724

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i. Save the Date!

The One Day Mini Conference
June 15, 2018
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More Details to Follow

Looking for More Seminars? Visit http://nj-njslom.civicplus.com/373/Professional-Development-Seminars for more information and our current seminar

Very truly yours,

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