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Town Council Adopts 2012 Budget Delivers Unprecedented Zero-Percent Tax Increase for Third Straight Year

August 21, 2012 - West Orange, NJ -- In a 4-1 vote, the Town Council today adopted the 2012 municipal budget put forth by Mayor Robert D. Parisi. It is the Township's third budget in a row with a zero-percent (0%) tax increase.

The 2012 tax rate will remain the same as last year, and does so while preserving all services to residents without impacting the municipal portion of the average homeowner's taxes.

The total 2012 municipal budget is \$70.4 million, which is approximately \$2.7 million under the maximum budget allowed by current state law, and \$1.8 million less than last year's total budget.

Since the inception of the 2% CAP, West Orange has not increased municipal taxes for three straight years, doing so without the use of any exemptions.

"Delivering a solid budget with a zero-percent tax increase was the main objective for this administration and I thank the members of the Town Council for their support," Parisi said. "We will strive to continue providing affordable and efficient services to the taxpayers of West Orange."

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