**Ordinance 14-02**

**BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE**

**BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2014**

**ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

**APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK**

**(N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14)**

**WHEREAS,** the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% or the cost of living adjustment, whichever is less, unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

**WHEREAS,** the cost of living adjustment for calendar year 2014 budgets is calculated at 0.5% pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.2; and

**WHEREAS,** N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake in the County of Bergen finds its advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2014 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

**WHEREAS,** the Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.0% increase in the budget of said year, amount to $263,051 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

**WHEREAS,** the Mayor and Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED,** by the Borough Council of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmative concurring, that, in the 2014 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Woodcliff Lake shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to $306,893, and that the 2014 municipal budget for the Borough of Woodcliff Lake be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance;

and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding year; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

**ROLL CALL:**

Introduction: Mr. Belgiovine

Second: Mrs. Abene

Ayes: Mrs. Abene, Mr. Belgiovine, Mr. Bloom, Mrs. Gadaleta, Mr. Rendo,

Mr. Rosenblatt

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

ATTEST: Deborah A. Dakin

Acting Borough Clerk