

BOROUGH OF RED BANK

COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

RESOLUTION NO. 16-184

**A RESOLUTION OBJECTING TO THE PROPOSED
MONMOUTH COUNTY RELIABILITY PROJECT**

Councilwoman Horgan offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS, the Borough of Red Bank and its residents have very serious concerns about numerous aspects of the proposed Monmouth County Reliability Project, namely:

- Possible serious health risks to residents
- Negative impact on property values
- Adverse impacts to the National Register of Historic Places listed and eligible historic districts and properties
- Aesthetic degradation of the region
- Dangers posed by damage or destruction of equipment/power lines during severe weather events
- Unclear demonstration of the need for the project; and

WHEREAS, this is a State issue that will be decided by the Board of Public Utilities; and

WHEREAS, we ask that Jersey Central Power & Light (JCP&L) offer alternative designs that would improve the energy infrastructure without negatively impacting our residents and request that formal presentations be made at public meetings in each of the affected towns.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Red Bank in the County of Monmouth, that the Council opposes the proposed Monmouth County Reliability Project as currently designed and we call upon JCP&L to provide a plan for the stabilization, replacement and modernization of its existing facilities and power lines in developed municipalities such as Red Bank.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Senator Jennifer Beck, Assemblywoman Joann Downey, Assemblyman Eric Houghtaling, the Board of Public Utilities and Jersey Central Power and Light.

Seconded by Councilman Taylor and adopted on roll call by the following vote:

	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Councilwoman Burnham	(x)	()	()	()
Councilman Ziprich	()	()	()	(x)
Councilwoman Horgan	(x)	()	()	()
Councilwoman Schwabenbauer	(x)	()	()	()
Councilman Taylor	(x)	()	()	()
Councilman Whelan	(x)	()	()	()

Dated: July 27, 2016