

**SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
GARFIELD MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JANUARY 6, 2026
4:30P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER:

2. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE:

Whereas, Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of the State of New Jersey requires at the commencement of every meeting a Statement of Compliance be read by the presiding officer.

Now, Therefore Be Advised, that the meeting requirements for this meeting have been met by transmitting & posting a special meeting notice in The Record and Herald News and by posting such notice in the office of the City Clerk as well as in a public place within the Municipal Building, and by notifying interested citizens. Said notice was transmitted on January 4, 2026.

3. ROLL CALL:

4. RESOLUTIONS:

R-32-26	Appointment of Zoning Board of Adjustment Member
R-33-26	Appointment of Zoning Board of Adjustment Member
R-34-26	Re-appointment of Zoning Board of Adjustment Member
R-35-26	Appointment of Zoning Board of Adjustment Alternate Member
R-36-26	Appointment of Zoning Board of Adjustment Alternate Member
R-37-26	Appointment of Zoning Board of Adjustment Alternate Member
R-38-26	Re-appointment of Garfield Housing Authority Member
R-39-26	Re-appointment of Library Board of Trustees Member
R-40-26	Appointment of Library Board of Trustees Member
R-41-26	Appointment of Library Board of Trustees Member
R-42-26	Re-appointment of Redevelopment Agency Member

5. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS:

Sun Mellawa – Planning Board Alternate – 2-year term ending December 31, 2027

Jeffrey Alfonso – Planning Board Alternate – Unexpired term ending December 31, 2026

6. PUBLIC HEARING:

7. MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS:

8. ADJOURNMENT:

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-32-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the appointment of:

Anthony Lio

to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2029 be and is hereby confirmed.

APPROVED: JANUARY 6, 2026

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso				
Delaney				
Kane				
Raymond				
Garnto				

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at the Special Meeting held on the 6th day of January 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-33-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the appointment of:

Carmin C. Breonte

to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2029 be and is hereby confirmed.

APPROVED: JANUARY 6, 2026

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**CITY OF GARFIELD
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RESOLUTION R-34-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

RE-APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the re-appointment of:

John Easom

to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a four-year term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2029 be and is hereby confirmed.

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**CITY OF GARFIELD
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RESOLUTION R-35-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ALTERNATE MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the appointment of:

Michael Alfonso

to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as Alternate #1 for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2027 be and is hereby confirmed.

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**CITY OF GARFIELD
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RESOLUTION R-36-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ALTERNATE MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the appointment of:

Allan Focarino

to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as Alternate #2 for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2027 be and is hereby confirmed.

APPROVED: JANUARY 6, 2026

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**CITY OF GARFIELD
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RESOLUTION R-37-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ALTERNATE MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the appointment of:

Rosemarie Williams

to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as Alternate #4 for an unexpired term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026 be and is hereby confirmed.

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**CITY OF GARFIELD
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RESOLUTION R-38-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

RE-APPOINTMENT OF GARFIELD HOUSING AUTHORITY MEMBER

WHEREAS, Edward Dabal has previously served on the Garfield Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, said term expired in 2025; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dabal has continued to serve on the Authority;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the appointment of:

Edward Dabal

to the Garfield Housing Authority for a five-year term beginning October 19, 2025 and ending October 18, 2030 be and is hereby confirmed.

APPROVED: JANUARY 6, 2026

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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**CITY OF GARFIELD
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RESOLUTION R-39-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

RE-APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the re-appointment of:

Thomas Derr

to the Library Board of Trustees for a five-year term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2030 be and is hereby confirmed.

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**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-40-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the appointment of:

Allan Focarino

to the Library Board of Trustees for an unexpired term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2026 be and is hereby confirmed.

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**CITY OF GARFIELD
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RESOLUTION R-41-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the appointment of:

Jill Lee

to the Library Board of Trustees for an unexpired term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2027 be and is hereby confirmed.

APPROVED: JANUARY 6, 2026

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**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-42-26**

RESOLUTION BY:

SECONDED BY:

RE-APPOINTMENT OF REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEMBER

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the re-appointment of:

Arthur Andreano

to the Redevelopment Agency as Commissioner for a five-year term beginning January 1, 2026 and ending December 31, 2030 be and is hereby confirmed.

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