

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 6:15 PM in the Conference Room in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Tana M. Raymond presided. City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica announced that the Work Session was being held in accordance with provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act and that adequate notice was provided by mail and fax to the official City newspapers and to other interested parties and by posting the meeting notice on the bulletin boards in City Hall.

Councilmembers Present: Frank J. Calandriello, Louis G. Aloia, Glenn A. Mati and Tana M. Raymond
Councilmembers Absent: Joseph Delaney
Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Representative Robert Ferraro of the Law Firm of Bruno and Ferraro (for City Attorney John Bruno), Labor Counsel John Lavin, Nicole A. Ogrosso of Boswell Engineering and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano

ELECTIONS

The City Council and Cabinet discussed the proposed ordinance to move the Municipal Election from May to November and the proposed resolution to move the Board of Education Election from April to November.

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City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. The renewal of the contract with the Mid-Bergen Regional Health Commission for \$25,200 a year.
2. The Arabica Coffee Company was issued a summons on May 15, 2015 and the matter is scheduled to be heard in Garfield Municipal Court on June 29, 2015. The Bergen County Health Department was called in and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection came in and conducted an inspection of the facility. There is a certain filtration device that needs to be installed there and they were given a period of time to apply for the permit. It seems that they were in Department of Environmental Protection compliance when they opened more than ten years ago, but they are not in compliance now. They could be fined for up to \$10,000 for non-compliance so that is why there is expectation that they will get in compliance.
3. The request by Police Chief Kevin Amos for additional police officers. There will be no hiring prior to finalization of the collective bargaining with PBA Local No. 46.
4. The City Engineer and the County will be present for all future meetings held each Thursday in City Hall regarding the PSE&G Energy Strong Program. There is a need to coordinate this project especially in regard to County Roads to maximize as much paving of City streets as possible.
5. The Green Acres Grant awarded to the City for \$1,100,000 requires an equal match from the City, so he will apply to Bergen County Open Space to leverage as much money as possible. The City will apply for permanent canopy dugouts and an astro turf field for Twentieth Century Field.
6. New School No. 10 on Marsellus Place needs a catch basin across from Holy Name Church to Harrison Avenue at a cost of about \$60,000. He would like to make that catch basin a part of the Road Improvement Streetscape Project.

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City Engineer Representative Nicole A. Ogrosso reported on the following:

1. The written Report of the City Engineer dated June 23, 2015.

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

7. Richard Loveless from the New Jersey Department of Transportation is attempting to assist in addressing the deterioration of the property by the hole in the fence by Fleishcer's Brook at the Middle School off Lanza Avenue.
8. The return of Future Sanitation in providing Recycling Collection Services for the City.
9. The cost of the new Video Screen to Video Conference the processing of prisoners will be \$8,400.00. The Municipal Court has approved \$4,200.00 in fine money towards the project.
10. Proposed improvements to the roof of Fire House No. Three on Gaston Avenue.
11. As part of the Redevelopment Agreement with the City of Garfield, James Demetrakis, the Developer of HP Garfield at 950 River Drive, has commenced the plans for the new Police Station. The new plans for the station are 3,000 square feet bigger than the plans for the prior building. There is a spread sheet analysis of what Mr. Demetrakis agreed to in regard to the construction of the Police Station and what is being planned.

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Resolution No. 15-243

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to exclude the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion that such circumstances now exist,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that a "Closed Session" is hereby called at 7:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 23, 2015 to discuss the following as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- * Collective bargaining agreements including the negotiation of the terms and thereof with employees or representatives of employees of the public body; (PBA Local No. 46 collective bargaining negotiations).
- * Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (Police Investigation involving school girls who were ordered by a boy to beat up another girl; proposed relocation of Police Department to the "Price Rite" site at 59 Outwater Lane until the new Police Station is constructed; ABC Disciplinary hearing of Bania U Cygana, 175 Jewell Street).
- * Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (proposed retirement of Police Chief Kevin Amos; proposed settlement of Kipp Avenue lawsuit; proposed settlement of Frederick Krowl lawsuit).
- * Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplinary action of personnel unless the individual in the right request a public meeting in writing; (proposed retirement of Police Chief Kevin Amos; disciplinary matter involving Police Officer Marriggi Lopez; Resolution of DPW employee Kenneth Robertson matter).

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters so discussed will be disclosed to the public as soon as and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Delaney

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER DELANEY

At 7:30 PM, Councilmember Joseph Delaney joined the Work Session during Closed Session and it was duly noted for the record.

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:00 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Mati moved to adjourn the Work Session. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 8:15 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Tana M. Raymond presided. City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act and that adequate notice was provided by mail, fax and email to the official City newspapers and to other interested parties and by posting the meeting notice on the bulletin boards in City Hall.

Councilmembers Present: Frank J. Calandriello, Louis G. Aloia, Joseph Delaney, Glenn A. Mati and Tana M. Raymond

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica and City Attorney Representative Robert Ferraro of the Law Firm of Bruno and Ferraro (for City Attorney John J. Bruno)

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT TO THOSE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ACHIEVED PERFECT SCORES ON THE NEW JERSEY ASSESSMENT OF SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE TEST

The Mayor and Council and Middle School Principal Ann Sciacca presented Certificates of Academic Achievement to students who achieved perfect scores on the New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge Test.

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Councilmember Calandriello moved to approve the Reports of the Cabinet as presented orally and in writing during the Work Session held earlier this evening. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

COMMUNICATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica reported that in a letter to him from Mayor Tana M. Raymond dated June 23, 2015, the Mayor made the following appointments to the Planning Board:

- Mr. Gerald Walis, 77 Hartmann Avenue, as a Class II Member, to succeed himself, effective immediately, said term to expire July 1, 2016.
- Mr. James Clark, 262 Semel Avenue, as a Class IV Member, to succeed himself, effective immediately, for the full four year term, said term to expire January 1, 2019.
- Mr. Michael Wisnovsky, 3 Wendy Terrace, as a Class IV Member, to succeed himself, effective immediately, for the full four year term, said term to expire January 1, 2019.
- Mrs. Lynn Nasarenko, 173 Jacob Street, as the Second Alternate Member, effective immediately, to succeed Catherine McCullough, for the unexpired term, said term to expire January 1, 2016.

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Resolution No. 15-244

A RESOLUTION RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 15-242 WHICH ESTABLISHED THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE GARFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE FIRST TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 15-242 was passed without giving the Garfield Board of Education proper notice prior to its passing; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield believe it is in the best interest of the City to rescind Resolution No. 15-242; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 15-242 is hereby rescinded.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Abstain 1 – Councilmember Calandriello

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

PUBLIC HEARING ON RESOLUTION TO MOVE THE
SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS FROM APRIL TO NOVEMBER

Mr. Anthony “Tom” Barckett, 182 Lincoln Place, Vice President of the Board of Education, said that nobody on the Board of Education is against what the City Council is trying to do, but the savings in 2014 would be \$26,793 for a Referendum and the April Board of Education Election; and the savings in 2013 would be \$13,836 for the April Board of Education Election. He said that he is concerned that if the School Board Election is moved to November, there will be a 2% Cap, but if the Election is in April, the voters get to vote the School Budget up or down. He said that he is not against moving the School Board Election from April to November but savings may not be an issue.

Mr. Charles Nucifora, 126 Midland Avenue, said that he does not believe changing the date of the School Board Election in any way is going to enhance the process. He said that it costs about \$13,836 x 4 or about \$52,000 over four years. He compared that to the estimated cost of about \$46,000 a year for a City Council Election once every four years. He said that if the Council is looking to save money, they are not saving money. He said that he does not like the idea, that as a citizen he does not have a right to say how his money is spent voting on the School budget, if the School Board Election is moved to November. He said that he does not have a right to say how his money is spent by the Council, because the City Council Budget is not put up for an Aye or Nay vote before the voters. He said that the School Budget has to go before the people, so if the people do not like what the School Board is doing, the voters can vote it down, and we have to live with what is mandated by our constituents. He said that the right way to do things in America is to give the people an opportunity to have a say on how their money is spent. He said that there are things that can be done to save money and this is not a good way to do it. He said that as a citizen, he does not want his right taken away from him to say no or yes on the budget. He said that if you look at the figures, and if you can be 2% every year without having the constituents having a vote on the budget, it is not 2% every year, the money is compounded each year. He said that it has been asked why should there be a School Board Election of 747 people voting. He said that it is not the School System’s fault that it was an unopposed Election this year, therefore, there was not much interest in the School Board Election. He said that the last Council Election, there were over 3,000 people voting because there was an interest with more people running than seats open.

Mr. Richard Giacomarro, 436 Van Bussum Avenue, said that he is the President of the Board of Education. He said that there are two problems with this proposed resolution. He said that it would take away his right to vote on his taxes. He said that he cannot believe that out of a \$25 million School Budget, that \$25,000 or so cannot be used to spend on a School Board Election. He said that he is terribly opposed to taking away his right as a citizen to vote on his taxes.

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Councilmember Calandriello said he understands the argument for voting on the budget. He said that the fact that Garfield is in an Abbott School District puts the City in a totally different situation. He said that before the 2% cap, the numbers were put out, the budgets would be defeated and then when the Council would sit down and say, “Okay we want to trim so much off the budget”, we would then be confronted with the fact that we are receiving so much State Aid that the State would have the capability to overrule the cuts made by the City Council. He said that while he does understand what is being said, our situation is a little different because when we are given the mandate from the public to cut the budget and we say “Okay, we are going to trim it”, and the Council has to look at the consequences of: number one, the State restores the cuts. He said that the City is in a difficult situation, and he does understand that. He said that that is not the sole purpose of why he endorsed the Resolution at the last meeting. He said that the Councilmembers were put in the situation when they came to the meeting and all of a sudden there is a resolution to change the

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date of the Board of Education Election and a resolution to change the date of the City Council Election. He said that the policy has been that the City Council receives copies of the resolutions prior to the meeting. He said that he came to the meeting and Resolutions and Ordinances are signed. He said that his point is: Does he want greater voter turnout, and absolutely, he wants it on the Council level, and he wants it on the School Board level. He said that if we are going to save money on the Council level then we should save money with each election down the line. He said that he did not endorse it at this time. He said that he wants to see where we are going with the Council Election date change and these two issues are related. He said that the City has a form of government where the City Council election is in May and there was a proposal to change it to November. He said that he is comfortable with the way it is now but if he has to deal with moving it to November, then he feels we should save money right down the line. He said that he challenges why it was put on the table. He said that there were no communications and these things should be provided in advance so we could talk about it and have an idea what is coming up at the meeting. He said that he will think about what was said at the microphone. He said that there was some sound logic and if in the future it rises, he will make another decision but right now he will not endorse that resolution.

Councilmember Aloia said that he agrees that it is all or none. He said that he will be in favor of tabling this resolution and the City Council Ordinance. He said that it is good that the Board of Education members are here, it has come to the Council's attention that the new school on Passaic Street needs a catch basin and he would appreciate it if the School System will assist with the \$60,000 for a new catch basin for the development of that school. He said that if there is an attitude of working in a partnership, we would most appreciate the School System helping the Council Budget with that catch basin that the Council had no intention of doing, that needs to be done. He said that the City can use financial help from the School Board. He said that in regard to the Election, it is either all or none and since none seems to be the consensus, that is where his vote will go.

Councilmember Delaney said all or none is what he wants also which is why he did endorse this resolution and that is why he voted on the previous resolution. He said that he feels that as an elected official, it is his job and duty to encourage people to vote and to save money for the taxpayers, to spend money on other areas, where we need it, for policemen and for teachers. He said that about 600 people voted in the last Board of Education Election out of 13,000 registered voters. He said that that it is not fair. He spoke on how the City is one of the few towns to have April School Board Elections. He said that many towns are moving away from May elections to November elections. He said that the entire State has most of the elections in November, mostly to save money and to get people to turn out to vote. He said that he feels that it is an injustice to the people of Garfield that we do not have the elections in November. He said that change is good for everyone and that if we stay stagnant, then we become stale. He said that it is our job, as elected officials, to move the City forward, to save money and encouraging people to vote, and you do that by endorsing this resolution. He said that he wants to change all City elections to November.

Councilmember Mati said that he has been thinking long and hard when this all began. He said that he came to the same conclusion as the School Board Members. He said that the fact is this, you can save money in different places. He said that we all try long and hard to save money but sometimes we can be penny wise and pound foolish. He said that he believes in the right to vote. He said that he believes that people should be able to come out to vote on the budget, yes or no. He said that history tells us that it changes from year to year and some Budgets pass and some Budgets fail. He said that a lot of people that came out in the last School Board Election, even though it was around 700 people, he believes they came out to vote on the Budget. He said that this year, the School Budget passed, and last year the Budget failed. He said that he looks at the elderly people at the Senior Citizens Buildings getting rides and doing all they can to get out to vote and they do not complain about how many elections there has to be, they just make sure they get out to vote. He said that we send these guys overseas to protect our right to vote. He said his son who is in the military serving in Japan made sure he had an absentee ballot. He said that if it is due to a lack of effort and the people are lazy and they do not want to come out to vote, that is their right, but at least they do have the right to vote. He said that people want to come out to express their opinion on things that matter to them and they have the right to vote on the School Budget. He said that we are

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spending the taxpayer money and they have the right to have a say on how the money is spent. He said that yes we can save a few dollars but we can save the money elsewhere too. He said that he will not take away the right to vote so that is why he will not support the resolution.

Mayor Raymond said that she just heard a lot of rhetoric. She spoke on Resolutions that have appeared on the floor that she never saw before they were presented. She said that as far as School Board Elections are concerned, she feels that every taxpayer should have the right to vote and express their opinion on the School Budget. She said that many Budgets in the past have been defeated because people felt the Budget was too high and she does not want to take that right away from the citizens - the right to vote on how their money is spent regarding the School System. She said that if the Board of Education wants to change the election to November, that is really up to the School Board. She said that that should not be up to the Council. She said that as far as the low turnout at School Elections the School Board Elections were uncontested which tells her that people are content with what is going on with the Board of Education, otherwise they would put their name in and they would run or they would support candidates to run for the election. She said that as far as she is concerned, if the Board of Education wants to change their Election, they will do so, but she is not going to vote to do that.

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A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE GARFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR THE FIRST TUESDAY AFTER THE FIRST MONDAY IN NOVEMBER

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 authorizes changing the election date of school board members from the third Tuesday in April to the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November (the General Election); and

WHEREAS, Such action requires the adoption of a resolution by a school district or the municipality or municipalities constituting such district, as set forth in P.L. 2011, c. 202; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 requires that the change to a November election remain in effect for four years; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 eliminates the annual voter referendum on the proposed general fund tax levy (i.e., the base budget which is at or below the statutory tax levy cap) in school districts where board of education members are elected at the General Election; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2011, c. 202 requires that an additional general fund tax levy proposal (i.e., for an expenditure in excess of the tax levy cap) be presented to voters as a separate question at the General Election; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield believe that the financial interest of its constituents is safeguarded by the state's tax levy cap and the thorough review of the proposed school budget by the Executive County Superintendent and the Executive County School Business Administrator; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield believe that more citizens will participate in the selection of school board members at the General Election than on the third Tuesday in April and that the higher level of participation will foster positive interest in our public schools; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield is committed to the non-partisan status of school board membership and the nonpartisan conduct of school elections, and believes this principle will not be compromised by conducting board member elections in November.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202, the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield hereby changes the annual election date for school board members from the third Tuesday in April to the November General Election, beginning in 2016; and be it further

RESOLVED, That, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202, the annual organization meeting of the Garfield Board of Education will take place in the first week of January following the November General Election and that the Board of Education's next organization meeting will take place in the first week of January 2017; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that, pursuant to P.L. 2011, c. 202, members of the Garfield Board of Education whose terms would have expired by May 2016 will continue to serve in office until the January 2017 organization meeting; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be transmitted to the Bergen County Clerk; the Bergen County Board of Elections and/or Superintendent of Elections; The Department of State, Division of Elections; the Department of Education's Executive County Superintendent; and the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution also be provided to the New Jersey School Boards Association and New Jersey State League of Municipalities.

The Resolution to move the School Board Election from April to November did not have at least two signatures on it, so it was not put on the floor for consideration, and no vote was taken.

Resolution No. 15-245

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that Councilmember Glenn Mati of 129 Sampson Street is hereby appointed as a Class III Member of the Planning Board, effective immediately to succeed himself, for a one year term, said term to expire July 1, 2016.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-246

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 14-217, Joseph Delaney was appointed to the Garfield Redevelopment Agency for a term that expired May 13, 2015,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that pursuant to Ordinance No. 2338 codified as Chapter 56 of the Code of the City of Garfield that:

Joseph Delaney of 15 Garden Court North is hereby appointed as a Commissioner to the Garfield Redevelopment Agency, to succeed himself, for a one year term, said term to commence May 14, 2015 and expire May 13, 2016.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Abstain 1 – Councilmember Calandriello

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-247

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 14-218, Ernest P. Rosolen was appointed to the Garfield Redevelopment Agency for a term that expired May 13, 2015,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that pursuant to Ordinance No. 2338 codified as Chapter 56 of the Code of the City of Garfield that:

Ernest P. Rosolen of 25 Pershing Street is hereby appointed as a Commissioner to the Garfield Redevelopment Agency, to succeed himself, for a one year term, said term to commence May 14, 2015 and expire May 13, 2016.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 10-107, Raymond Simione was appointed to the Garfield Redevelopment Agency for a term that expired on May 13, 2015,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that Raymond Simione of 74 Maitland Avenue is hereby appointed to the

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Garfield Redevelopment Agency, to succeed himself for a five year term, said term to expire May 13, 2020.

On call of roll, Ayes 2, Abstain 3-
Councilmembers Calandriello, Aloia and Delaney

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati
Tana M. Raymond

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Resolution No. 15-248

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 5 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Ana Verdade, of 16 Commerce Street, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as an active member, effective May 5, 2015.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 5 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved,

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-249

WHEREAS, Natalie Callirgos, on behalf of her mother, Nella Caballero, 18 Commerce Street, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1282350, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at her address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for "Handicapped Parking", located on the south curb line of Commerce Street commencing 190 feet west of the intersection of Commerce Street and Palisade Avenue and run an additional 20 feet west from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-250

WHEREAS, Anthony Cangelosi Jr, 70 Malcolm Aveue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1274418 has field application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for "Handicapped Parking" located at the east curb line of Malcolm Avenue commencing 179 feet south of the intersection of Malcolm Avenue and Frederick Street and run an additional 22 feet south from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-251

WHEREAS, Claire Garcia, 77 Summit Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1442437 has field application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking” located at the west curb line of Summit Avenue commencing 257 feet north of the intersection of Summit Avenue and Belmont Avenue and run an additional 25 feet north from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-252

WHEREAS, John J. Harlop, 69 Wood Street, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1450739, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the west curb line of Wood Street commencing 162 feet south of the intersection of Wood Street and Banta Avenue and run an additional 20 feet south from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-253

WHEREAS, John Prencik, 139 Dewey Street, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1411877, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the north curb line of Dewey Street commencing 545 feet west of the intersection of Dewey Street commencing 545 feet west of the intersection of Dewey Street and Walnut Street and run an additional 25 feet west from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-254

WHEREAS, Josephine Rienzi, 395 Mac Arthur Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1453169, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the west curb line of MacArthur Avenue commencing 34 feet south of the intersection of Mac Arthur Avenue and Arnot Street and run an additional 22 feet south from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

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Resolution No. 15-255

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST DANITA STECYK AND STANISLAW WOJDAT D/B/A BANIA U CYGANA

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, upon the recommendation and request of the Garfield Police Department, authorize the filing of disciplinary charges against Danita Stecyk and Stanislaw Wojdat d/b/a Bania U Cygana; and

WHEREAS, Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License No. 0221-33-055-005 has been issued to Danita Stecyk and Stanislaw Wojdat d/b/a Bania U Cygana; and

WHEREAS, Said Licensee operates the premises located at 175 Jewell Street in the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, an incident has been reported by the Garfield Police Department that on May 10, 2015 the Licensee has sold alcoholic beverages after the legal hour in violation of a in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:2-38.1-2 and §73-17.A-B of the City Code of the City of Garfield.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Licensee shall appear before the Garfield ABC Board, at the Garfield City Council Chambers, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ, on September 22, 2015, at 6:00 PM for the purpose of considering disciplinary charges against the Licensee as a result of the above referenced infractions.

2. The City Clerk shall, and is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to the City Attorney, the Garfield Police Department, the Licensee and the State Division of Alcohol Beverage Control.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 15-256

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the following licenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2016:

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES

License No.	0221-33-001-004	J&S Fregata, LLC t/a The Fregata 67 Scudder Street
	0221-33-008-008	Garfield Brick Oven Pizzeria and Ice Cream LLC 149 Van Winkle Avenue
	0221-33-012-005	Garfield Restaurant Corp t/a Déjà Vu 50 River Drive
	0221-33-016-005	G and B LLC t/a The Royal Manor 454 Midland Avenue
	0221-33-028-014	Katz Unlimited LLC t/a Side Trax 133 Monroe Street
	0221-33-030-004	Yogiji Enterprises Inc. t/a Boggy's Bar & Liquors 142 Division Avenue

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- 0221-33-033-010 Firehouse Grill, LLC
t/a The Firehouse
42 Plauderville Avenue
- 0221-33-040-002 Drazek Inc.
t/a BJ's Polonia
126 Ray Street
- 0221-33-047-005 Kazwell Co. Inc.
t/a Garfield Bar & Liquor
46 Wood Street
- 0221-33-051-006 CP Sunrise LLC
t/a The Midnight Sun
323 Semel Avenue
- 0221-33-055-005 Stecyk Danuta and Wojdat Stanislaw
t/a Bania U Cygana
175 Jewell Street
- 0221-33-057-004 Detour, Inc.
t/a Detour Bar
437 Lanza Avenue
- 0221-33-058-001 Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church of the
Three Saints
t/a Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church of the
Three Saints
464 Outwater Lane
- 0221-33-066-009 G F Mazzola Inc.
Filippos & Jacks Kicks Ristorante & Sports Bar
250-252 Midland Avenue
- 0221-33-078-005 Shreeji Enterprise Inc.
t/a River Drive Bar & Liquor
85 River Drive

PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSES

- License No. 0221-44-003-006 Viki Siddhi and Vicky LLC
t/a Belmont Liquors
79 Belmont Avenue
- 0221-44-029-005 Ranpar, LLC
t/a Whoopee Liquor & Soda Store
194 Van Winkle Avenue
- 0221-44-034-008 Worldwide Liquors LLC
t/a Worldwide Liquors
68 Van Winkle Avenue
- 0221-44-064-003 Mahant Liquors, Inc.
t/a Joe's Liquors
114 Outwater Lane

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing renewals are granted on the condition that said renewal shall not constitute approval of anything at variance with the records of the City Council or any person-to-person transfer, place-to-place transfer or change of corporate structure approved prior to the passage of this resolution.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 15-257

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that Andrew J. Pavlica, City Clerk, is hereby authorized to issue the following licenses for Vehicle Sales for the year 2015 described in application, duly filed:

Baladi Auto Sales 339 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 500.00
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	\$ 500.00
Mike's Auto Sales, LLC 413 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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Payless Auto Wholesale 601 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00
M.J. Traders LTD. 602-610 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00
Urbin Auto Sales 577 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00
Falls View Motors Co. Inc. 86 Jewell Street Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00
Riverview Auto Sales 848 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00
Elegant Automotive Group LLC 2 Passaic Street Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00
Mazzola's Auto & Truck Sales, Inc. 425-429 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00

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Nahas Auto Center, Inc. 376 Midland Avenue Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00
Dymora Auto, LLC 381 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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Kaytors 379 River Drive Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00
Shaw Motors, Inc. 6 Plauderville Avenue Garfield, NJ 07026	\$ 365.00
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	\$ 365.00

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-258

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD DESIGNATING THE PORTION OF MIDLAND AVENUE BETWEEN OUTWATER LANE AND HARRISON AVENUE AS THE AVENUE OF HEROES

WHEREAS, current and former members of United States Army, Marines, Air Force, Navy and all other armed forces bravely perform their duties and protect our Country out of a sense of duty, loyalty and love for the United States of America, and

WHEREAS, current and former member of the Volunteer Firefighters, Police and other first responders of the City of Garfield bravely perform their responsibilities out of a sense of duty, devotion and love for the City of Garfield, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wishes to honor these people for the heroic acts,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, as follows:

The portion of Midland Avenue between Outwater Lane and Harrison Avenue is hereby designated as the Avenue of Heroes.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-259

A Resolution Authorizing the Bidding of the 2015 Road Improvement Program, City of Garfield BE IT RESOLVED, the City Engineer and the City Clerk are hereby authorized to advertise for the receipt of bids for the 2015 Road Improvement Program.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Abstain 1 – Councilmember Delaney

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 15-260

WHEREAS, bids were received by the City Clerk in the Conference Room in City Hall on Friday, May 29, 2015 at 10:00 AM for the Summer Food Program conducted by the Garfield Recreation Department; and

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WHEREAS, present at the bid opening was Anthony Furfaro, Recreation Director, Veronica Potenza for the Recreation Department, State Inspector Vanessa Ho and City Clerk, Andrew J. Pavlica; and

WHEREAS, only one bid was received and that bid was from Maschio's Food Services, Inc., 525 E. Main Street, Chester, NJ 07930 in the amount of \$121,075.50, based on the unit price of \$2.60 per lunch, \$1.85 for Breakfast and \$1.00 per P.M. Snack; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer, has certified to the existence of funds for this expenditure since the program is funded in full by a Federal Grant administered through the New Jersey Bureau of Child Nutrition; and

WHEREAS, the bid has been reviewed and recommended for award by the Chief Financial Officer, and the appropriate City Officials; and

WHEREAS, this program is in the best interests of the health and welfare of the children qualifying for the program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that a Contract for the Summer Food Service Program be and is hereby awarded to Maschio's Food Services, Inc., 525 E. Main Street, Chester, NJ 07930 in the total amount of their bid of \$121,075.50;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Attorney be and he is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and/or review the appropriate Contract documents for execution by the Mayor and City Clerk; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of this approved Resolution to the Interim Chief Financial Officer, Roy Riggitano, the Director of the Recreation Department, Anthony Furfaro, the City Attorney and Maschio's Food Services, Inc.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-261

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO ENTER INTO AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF EAST RUTHERFORD TO PROVIDE AND SHARE HEALTH SERVICES TWICE A MONTH FOR A CHILD HEALTH CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council of Garfield believe it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to enter into an inter-local agreement with the Borough of East Rutherford to provide health services of a technical and professional nature twice a month to certain residents of the City of East Rutherford; and

WHEREAS, the health services will take place at the Garfield Health Department, 60 Elizabeth Street, Garfield, NJ 07026; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of New Jersey has sought to encourage its municipal subdivisions to interact and share services; and

WHEREAS, State law authorizes local units to enter into contracts with other local units of government for the provision of services and goods; and

WHEREAS the Borough of East Rutherford will pay the City of Garfield an annual fee of \$2,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield has reviewed the proposed contract for said purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on the 23rd day of June 2015, the Mayor and Council of City of Garfield authorizes Mayor Raymond, to enter into an agreement with the Borough of East Rutherford for said inter-local services.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 15-262

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) has grant funding available to hire up to three (3) police officers in the City of Garfield through the FY 2015 COPS Hiring Program (CHP); and

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WHEREAS, the City of Garfield desires to protect and further the public interest by obtaining grant funding to hire up to three (3) additional police officers to fill vacancies and replace retiring police officers; and

WHEREAS, the CHP grant will pay \$125,000 of the salaries, fringe and benefits for each of the three (3) newly hired police over a period of three (3) years, the total grant funding shall be \$375,000 and the City of Garfield shall be responsible for the balance additional money required to fund the positions; and

WHEREAS, the CHP requires the City of Garfield to retain all police officers hired pursuant to the CHP grant for a minimum of one (1) additional year after the expiration of the three years of grant funding; and

WHEREAS, if the City of Garfield does not file a FY 2015 COPS Hiring Program application it may be ineligible for the next round of grant funding; and

WHEREAS, an application for such funds may not be filed nor funds spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, authorization of this application is in the best interest of the City of Garfield:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD that it hereby authorizes the submission of an application for a United States Department of Justice, Division of Community Oriented Policing Services 2015 Hiring Program grant application in the amount of \$375,000;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon receipt of the grant agreement from the United States Department of Justice, the signature of the Mayor and/or any other municipal official and Chief of Police, or their successors in said titles, which is required on the agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith, is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon receipt of the fully executed grant agreement from the United States Department of Justice, the expenditure of funds is hereby authorized pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the City of Garfield and the United States Department of Justice.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-263

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the governing body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts and financial transactions, and

WHEREAS, The Annual Report of Audit for the year 2014 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk as per the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and a copy has been received by each member of the governing body, and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey is authorized to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs, as per R.S. 52:27BB-34, and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall by resolution certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all the members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled:

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and,

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed as a minimum the Annual Report of Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled:

General Comments
Recommendations

as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body, and

WHEREAS, Such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, as per the regulations of the Local Finance Board, and

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WHEREAS, All members of the governing body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board, and WHEREAS, Failure to comply with the promulgations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52 – to wit:

R.S. 52:27BB-52 – “A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both, in addition shall forfeit his office.”

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the governing body of the City of Garfield, hereby states that it has complied with the promulgation of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey dated July 30, 1968 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-264

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, that Investors Bank as a designated depository of the City of Garfield be and it is hereby requested, authorized and directed to honor all checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money drawn in the name of the City of Garfield, where bearing or purporting to bear the signature of the following City Officials:

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| 1. Tana M. Raymond, | Mayor |
| 2. Andrew J. Pavlica, | City Clerk |
| 3. Rosemarie Cokinos | City Treasurer |
| 4. Roy Riggitano, | Interim CFO |
| 5. Thomas J. Duch, | City Manager |
| 6. Glenn A. Mati, | Deputy Mayor |

Or where bearing or purporting to bear the facsimile or manual signature of City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, in addition to the facsimile or manual signature of the Mayor Tana M. Raymond and the manual signature of City Treasurer Rosemarie Cokinos,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Investors Bank shall be entitled to honor and to charge this City for all such checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money regardless of by whom or by what means the actual signatures or purported facsimile signatures thereon may have been affixed thereto, if such signatures or facsimile signatures resemble the specimens from time to time filed with Investors Bank by the City Clerk of the City of Garfield.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-265

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF ACTING DEPUTY MAYOR

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Ordinance, Glenn A. Mati was appointed Deputy Mayor for the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of state and local law, the Deputy Mayor shall serve in the place of the Mayor and perform all functions of the Mayor in the Mayor's absence; and

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WHEREAS, on Saturday, June 27, 2015, it will be necessary and appropriate to temporarily appoint Joseph Delaney as Deputy Mayor for the City of Garfield in order to perform the marriage ceremony of Pawel Jakobik and Katarzyna Krystyna Bornowska, and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Councilman Joseph Delaney be and is hereby appointed Deputy Mayor for the City of Garfield to perform the marriage ceremony of Pawel Jakobik and Katarzyna Krystyna Bornowska, and
2. This temporary appointment shall be solely for the purpose of performance of this marriage ceremony and for no other reason. Similarly, no additional authority is granted hereby other than to perform said ceremony and to execute any and all documents which may be necessary in order to effectuate the provision of this Resolution and to confirm the performance of the marriage ceremony as described above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Councilman Joseph Delaney.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-266

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF ACTING DEPUTY MAYOR

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Ordinance, Glenn A. Mati was appointed Deputy Mayor for the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of state and local law, the Deputy Mayor shall serve in the place of the Mayor and perform all functions of the Mayor in the Mayor's absence; and

WHEREAS, on Saturday, June 27, 2015, it will be necessary and appropriate to temporarily appoint Joseph Delaney as Deputy Mayor for the City of Garfield in order to perform the marriage ceremony of Jan Piotr Kata and Aneta Joanna Bosek, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

3. Councilman Joseph Delaney be and is hereby appointed Deputy Mayor for the City of Garfield to perform the marriage ceremony of Jan Piotr Kata and Aneta Joanna Bosek, and
4. This temporary appointment shall be solely for the purpose of performance of this marriage ceremony and for no other reason. Similarly, no additional authority is granted hereby other than to perform said ceremony and to execute any and all documents which may be necessary in order to effectuate the provision of this Resolution and to confirm the performance of the marriage ceremony as described above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Councilman Joseph Delaney.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-267

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer, and the City Treasurer have identified (2) checks that were processed for deposits and;

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Whereas, two checks identified as Vicci's Perfect Pizza & Chicken Check #130 in the amount of \$250.00 and a check from identified as 0091 for \$100.00 for Wedding DaCruz-Guerrero also bounced and;

Whereas, replacement checks have not been issued and it is desires for the treasurer to remove as outstand deposits and;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Health Department, CFO, and Treasurer are hereby authorized to remove from the bank reconciliations said bad checks and also to remove a aggregate amount of \$350.00 from the deposit portion of the bank reconciliation identified as Spencer Savings Bank, Current Account #800741811.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati
Frank J. Calandriello

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Resolution No. 15-268

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the following bills No. 1821 to 1825 covering, Dog Trust Fund, Trust Other, Community Policing Trust totaling \$21,719.41 and the Current Fund totaling \$3,321,891.46, and the Current Fund Reserve \$2,062.50 and the Current Water Fund totaling \$137,964.15, and the General Capital Fund totaling \$72,755.08 and the Water Capital Fund totaling \$3,375.00 per attached Computer Lists, be ordered paid and the proper officers are hereby authorized to issue checks for same provided there are funds in the respective appropriations, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer in issuing checks in payment on the Ratification List, which includes seventeen (17) items prior to the meeting be ratified.

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For

Bills

And

Claims

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 2713

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, May 26, 2015; it was duly published; a copy was posted on the bulletin board in City Hall; copies were made available to the general public and having complied with the law, this ordinance was not read in full and the City Council can now proceed with the public hearing and final passage:

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS ON RESIDENTIAL OUTDOOR FIRES

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Raymond declared a public hearing on same and asked if there were any objections.

There being no objections, Mayor Raymond declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Mati moved that said ordinance do now pass on final passage and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the statement or notice required by law. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

Ordinance No.

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, May 26, 2015; it was duly published; a copy was posted on the bulletin board in City Hall; copies were made available to the general public and having complied with the law, this ordinance was not read in full and the City Council can now proceed with the public hearing and final passage:

ORDINANCE TO HOLD REGULAR MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS ON THE DAY OF GENERAL ELECTIONS

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Raymond declared a public hearing on same and asked if there were any objections.

There being no objections, Mayor Raymond declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Aloia moved to lay the Ordinance on the table. Councilmember Calandriello duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 2, Nays 2 – Councilmembers Delaney and Raymond, Abstain 1 – Councilmember Mati

MOTION DEFEATED

Councilmember Delaney moved that said ordinance do now pass on final passage and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the statement or notice required by law. Mayor Raymond duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 2, Nays 2 – Councilmembers Delaney and Raymond, Abstain 1 – Councilmember Mati

ORDINANCE DEFEATED

Councilmember Mati introduced in writing the following ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 221 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO PREVENT THE OBSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC PROPERTY

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

ORDINANCES

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Councilmember Mati moved that this ordinance entitled: “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 221 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO PREVENT THE OBSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC PROPERTY” do now pass on first reading and remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection until public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which shall be held July 14, 2015 at 8:00 PM in the City Hall in Garfield and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the notice of such hearing in The Record, at least seven days prior to the hearing.

The motion, duly seconded by Councilmember Aloia, was on roll call adopted by the following vote and the motion was declared adopted and said ordinance passed on first reading: Ayes 5.

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Mr. Charles Nucifora, 126 Midland Avenue, said that he likes the improvements made to the Council Chamber. He said that the smell is putrid from the Solid Waste Transfer Station located at 19-35 Atlantic Street. He complained about the noise at the Transfer Station and said that the smell has been horrible because the weather has been so hot lately. He congratulated the City Council for bringing back the Memorial Day Parade.

Mr. Anthony “Tom” Barckett, 182 Lincoln Place, complimented the City Council on the improvements made to the Council Chamber. He said that the Board of Education will pay for the new storm drain that is needed by new School No. Ten being constructed at Marsellus Place and Passaic Street. He said that he commends the City Council for what they are trying to do in regard to Elections. He said that there is a tremendous amount of talent on the City Council. He said besides the current Mayor, there are former Mayors sitting up on the dais. He said that right now, the Council works together under this form of government. He said that he served under a partisan form of government. He said that he had to do things that he did not want to do because of party politics. He said that if the Council wants to change the date of elections, fine, but he is opposed to changing to partisan government and partisan politics. He said that the City does not need partisan politics. He said that under this form of government, Garfield has a City Manager who has power and the City has a great man in Tom Duch. He said that in other forms of government, the Administrator has no power and the Party Boss has the power. He said that he implores the Council to try to work together and he implored them not to change from a Municipal Manager form of government to partisan politics.

Mr. Enrico Benigno, 111 Spring Street, praised the City Council for remodeling the Council Chamber. He said that he applauds the Mayor and Council for having it remodeled at no cost to the taxpayers because it is paid for by the redevelopers. He asked the City Council to not take away his right to vote on the School Board Budget and he asked the City Council to keep this Municipal Manager form of government.

Mr. Angel Quiles, 95 Willard Street, thanked the Mayor and Council for naming a portion of Midland Avenue as “The Avenue of Heroes”. He spoke about trespassers who have entered Old Fire House No. Three located at 58 Willard Street.

Ms. Judy Fraser, 88 Prospect Street, spoke on the Candlelight Vigil to be held tomorrow at 7:30 PM at Friendship Baptist Church on Gaston Avenue in Garfield in memory of the nine people who were shot and killed on June 18, 2015 at the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, South Carolina.

EXIT OF COUNCILMEMBER DELANEY

At 9:20 PM, Councilmember Joseph Delaney left the Regular Meeting and it was duly noted for the record.

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Ms. Marlene Rodrigues-Chmiele, 4 Farnham Avenue, spoke on her daughter being brutally attacked by three girls who were ordered by a boy to attack her daughter. She said that her daughter is afraid to go to school. She spoke against the repeal of the curfew ordinance. She spoke on gangs in Garfield. She said that her daughter was a victim of a brutal attack. She questioned why the kids are allowed to walk the streets. She questioned what the City was going to do about these kids. She said that she feels that if the kids are suspended from school, than they should not be allowed to play sports.

Mr. Richard Rigoglioso, 13 Summit Avenue, spoke on the School System being on top of this attack and this matter and these kids. He spoke on a proposal to host a Food Truck Mash Up in Twentieth Century Field, perhaps on National Night Out on Tuesday, August 4, 2015.

Mr. John Easom, 103 Gaston Avenue, spoke on the Council Meeting being cancelled two weeks ago due to a lack of quorum and he proposed using Nixle to advise the public of this next time and for other City matters.

Ms. Renee Campbell, 8 Summit Avenue, asked questions concerning the PSE&G Energy Strong Program which has resulted in so many roads being ripped up in town in order to lay pipe for new gas lines throughout the City. She spoke on the need to repave all the roads when the Program is completed.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Calandriello said that if the Council would go for moving both the School Board Election from April to November, and the May City Council Election to November, he would vote to move both to November. He said that there is a Change of Government movement going on. He said that this form of government is made for May Elections because it is nonpartisan. He said that you can run for office if you want and you do not need the nod of the Party Power Bosses. He said that Redevelopment has made a lot of progress in town. He said that the City is in good financial shape. He said that there are a lot of good things that have happened in Garfield. He said that recently there were one or two people from Garfield who got shot at Cloud 9 Lounge in Passaic and there are a lot of bad people out there. He commented on the recent shooting tragedy in South Carolina and said that it cannot go on.

Councilmember Aloia said that the Councilmembers probably all vote together 95% of the time. He commented on the girl who was beaten and said that the community needs to start taking care of its neighbors. He said the Memorial Day Parade was great and the re-naming of the street was impressive. He said that there is a need to get the message out when social events are out there.

Councilmember Mati said that he voted "abstain" to move the Elections to November because he felt the public should change the Election dates, not the Councilmembers. He said that not that long ago, County Clerk John Hogan came to a Garfield City Council Work Session and put up a chart to show how the City Council and Board of Education candidates would appear on the Ballot in November and he said that it was confusing. He said that the Council Election Ballot in May is not confusing. He said that the Board of Education Ballot in April is not confusing. He said that he is in favor of keeping the Elections the same as they are now. He said that he is happy that the Memorial Day Parade is up and running again. He said that he is proud of his son who is serving in the military.

Mayor Raymond said there was a lot of good dialogue this evening. She said that if the Board of Education wants their Election changed, they should change it. She said that she is fine with moving the May City Council Elections to November. She said that she wants a professional running the City. She said that if the Change of Government goes through, it will be the politicians running the City. She spoke on the reinstatement of the Memorial Day Parade.

Regular Meeting June 23, 2015, Continued

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:30 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Mati moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Calandriello duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Delaney

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK