

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 6:25 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, 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: Louis G. Aloia, Glenn A. Mati and Tana M. Raymond  
Councilmembers Absent: Frank J. Calandriello and 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), and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. The Redeveloper's expected contribution to the construction of a new Police Station.
2. The City Engineer dispute with the proposed laundromat at 45 Outwater Lane concerning sewer fees.
3. The resignation letters he received from four firefighters from Fire Company No. Two.
4. The meeting he had today in Hackensack with Bergen County Executive James Tedesco regarding the proposed Redevelopment of the Passaic Street/ First Ward area.

#### ARRIVAL OF CITY ENGINEER BOSWELL AND COUNCILMEMBER CALANDRIELLO

At 6:30 PM, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell and Councilmember Frank J. Calandriello joined the Work Session and it was duly noted for the record.

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5. The body shop on the corner of Belmont Avenue and River Drive are parking cars off their property and they appeared in court today and were fined \$1,000.00.

Deputy Mayor Glenn A. Mati reported on the following:

1. The need to assess unlawful dwelling fines.

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

6. The proposed resolution appointing Deputy Mayor Mati as City Council Liaison to the Garfield Volunteer Fire Department.
7. P.B.A. Local No. 46 President Dennis Serritella would like the Off Duty Police Ordinance to be amended and spelled out in more detail.
8. The County Executive invited Mayor Raymond to a Mayor's Matters event which is a question and answer style kickoff breakfast to meet your advocates. It is scheduled to be held at Met Life Stadium on January 14, 2016 from 7:30 AM to 9:30 AM.
9. The Meals with a Mission "Fill an Empty Plate for a Family in Need" program. A \$5.00 donation feeds a family for a week.
10. The fliers that were being put out around town that read "Water Contamination Alert" from the Tapwater Research Group. The City Manager will put out a reverse 9-1-1 call to refute this flier.
11. The proposed increasing of City Water Rates.

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City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. The suspected loss of water due to a water line break into the Saddle River in the Primex Plastics area at or near 85 River Drive.

ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER DELANEY

At 7:00 PM Councilmember Joseph Delaney joined the Work Session and it was duly noted for the record.

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City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

12. The Streetscape grant with the TAP money and how the lights on Passaic Street are leased by PSE&G so it is their responsibility to maintain them. He did an inventory and compiled a list of broken lights and drafted a letter to ask PSE&G to repair the broken lights.

Deputy Mayor Glenn A. Mati reported on the following:

2. He met with the City Manager and Babe Ruth League representatives along with representatives from P.S.E. & G. regarding excessive bills the Babe Ruth League received. The meter had not been read for years and when it was finally read, they owed a tremendous amount of money. They were billed at the highest rate but the Public Service representatives agreed to bill them at the appropriate rate and they will receive a credit for the overbilling. The Babe Ruth League seemed satisfied with the results of the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 15-467

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 7:30 P.M. on Tuesday, December 8, 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; (Blue Collar Collective bargaining negotiations; White Collar 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; (possible lawsuit re: Primex Plastics water leak on in the area of 85 River Drive).
- \* Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (letter of retirement and signed agreement from the Police Chief Kevin Amos; possible lawsuit re: Primex Plastics water leak in the area of 85 River Drive).
- \* 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: (issues with Department of Public Works Personnel; letter of retirement and signed agreement from Police Chief Kevin Amos).

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CLOSED SESSION

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 5

(Sgd) Glenn A. Mati  
Joseph Delaney

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:05 PM, there being no further business, the Work Session was adjourned.

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 8:10 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 Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Representative Robert Ferraro of the Law Firm of Bruno and Ferraro (for City Attorney John J. Bruno), and City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell

### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

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

On call of roll, Ayes 5

### RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 15-468

WHEREAS, the Garfield Junior Boilermakers of the Boys and Girls Club of Garfield Pee Wees Division sported a 6-0 regular season record and won two playoff games in route to their first NNJJFL Super Bowl Championship.

WHEREAS, the team is comprised of Fabian Barrera, Joseph Byrne, Brian Davidson, Jake Demeester, Jaydyn Dowd, Carmine Evelina, Dalton Falone, Nicholas Felipe, Ryan Ferreira, Joshua Figueroa, Julian Flores, Malaki Fuentes, Jason Gil, Aaron Gilkes, Marcus Hernandez, Shawn Jackson, Nigel Jennings, Jayden Jennings, Andrew Kopf, Sean Lee, Adrian Martinez, Jaiden McNeil, Thomas Messina, Carlos Morales, Anthony Nolasco, Mekhi Perry, Aiden Peterson, Mikolaj Safin, A'Meire Simpson, Elijah Sookram, Nicholas Stoll, Ylan Tapper, Eric Tedesco, Dvonne Thorpe, Rayshon Tisder, Dayshon Tisder, Javier Vargas, Ismael Vertedor under the direction of their outstanding coaches Jimmy Eisenman, Jason Dowd, Glenn Falone, Jason Walker, Mike Zaccone, Eddie McConnell, Jack Sowinski, Greg Gilkes; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of publicly recognizing the outstanding accomplishments of the 2015 Garfield Junior Boilermakers Pee Wee Division,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that CONGRATULATIONS are hereby extended to the Garfield Junior Boilermakers Pee Wee Division of the Boys and Girls Club of Garfield for an outstanding undefeated championship season.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) All Five Councilmembers

At this time, CERTIFIED copies of Resolution No. 15-468 were presented to the Garfield Junior Boilermakers Pee Wee Division players.

Resolution No. 15-469

WHEREAS, the Garfield Junior Boilermakers Cheerleaders of the Garfield Recreation Department Pee Wees Division helped cheer on the Pee Wees to an undefeated 6-0 undefeated season and winning their first NNJJFL Super Bowl Championship, and

WHEREAS, the squad is comprised of Miah Alaimo, Zaniyah Bateman, Anajah Brown, Jalissa Dragojevic, Janelle Figueroa, E'Lanna Henry, Arianna Hernandez, Taylor Kovacs, Gabriella Leger, Lianna Mendoza, Miriam Molina, Kori Rogers, Janiyah Suarez, Christina Sullivan, Leah Williams, Alexis Zollinger; and

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of publicly recognizing the outstanding team spirit and support of the 2015 Garfield Junior Boilermakers Cheerleaders Pee Wee Division,

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that CONGRATULATIONS are hereby extended to the Garfield Junior Boilermakers Pee Wee Cheerleaders for an outstanding championship season.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) All Five Councilmembers

At this time, CERTIFIED copies of Resolution No. 15-469 were presented to the Garfield Junior Boilermakers Pee Wee Division cheerleaders.

Resolution No. 15-470

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Gray was appointed Garfield City Historian in 1989, and  
WHEREAS, "Liz" Gray graduated from William Paterson University with a BA in Sociology and an MA in Social Sciences and has been a part time professor at William Paterson University, Kean University, Fairleigh Dickenson University, Felician College and Passaic and Bergen County Community Colleges, and

WHEREAS, "Liz" also spent 17 years as a Social Studies teacher at Garfield High School, retired in 2012, and now serves on the Garfield Board of Education, and

WHEREAS, she has served on the staffs of New Jersey Senators Gabriel Ambrosio and Paul Sarlo, and on the staffs of New Jersey Assemblymen Richard Vistotcky and Fred Scalera, and

WHEREAS, She has been the Director of Professional Services for Easter Seals, an Executive Board Member of the Garfield Chamber of Commerce, the Legislative Chair for the Garfield Federation of Teachers, as well as having served as their Committee Political Education Chair, has served as the Affirmative Action Representative for Garfield High School for many years, served as a Vice President for the New Jersey American Federation of Teachers K-12, as well as their COPE Co-Chair, graduated from Rutgers University United Labor School and, to date, is one of the Vice Presidents of the Bergen County Central Trades and Labor Council,

WHEREAS, she has two sons, David and Martin, and two grandchildren, Cassidy and Jesse,  
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that Elizabeth Gray is hereby CONGRATULATED on her TWENTY FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE as Garfield City Historian and thanked for always having a desire to serve our Community and taking such a strong interest in the lives of the students, parents, citizens and taxpayers of our City.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) All Five Councilmembers

At this time, a CERTIFIED copy of Resolution No. 15-470 was presented to Elizabeth Gray.

EXIT OF COUNCILMEMBER DELANEY

At 8:50 PM, Councilmember Joseph Delaney left the Regular Meeting, and it was duly noted for the record.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 15-471

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that the Work Session Meeting of the Garfield City Council scheduled for Tuesday, December 22, 2015 has been cancelled with the Regular Meeting to commence on Tuesday, December 22, 2015 at 1:30 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, New Jersey 07026.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

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Resolution No. 15-472

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the following is the list of regularly scheduled meetings of the City Council for the year 2016, with Work Sessions commencing at 6:00 PM, and the Regular Meetings commencing at 8:00 PM, except when a Legal Holiday, Election or Special Occasion is involved as listed:

Thursday,	January 7, 2016	Firematic Meeting
Tuesday,	January 12, 2016	
Tuesday,	January 26, 2016	
Tuesday,	February 9, 2016	
Tuesday,	February 23, 2016	
Tuesday,	March 8, 2016	
Tuesday,	March 22, 2016	
Tuesday,	April 12, 2016	
Tuesday,	April 26, 2016	
Tuesday,	May 17, 2016	
Tuesday,	May 31, 2016	
Tuesday,	June 14, 2016	
Tuesday,	June 28, 2016	
Tuesday,	July 12, 2016	
Tuesday,	July 26, 2016	
Tuesday,	August 9, 2016	
Tuesday,	August 23, 2016	
Tuesday,	September 6, 2016	
Tuesday,	September 20, 2016	
Tuesday,	October 11, 2016	
Tuesday,	October 25, 2016	
Wednesday,	November 9, 2016	(Change due to Election Day)
Tuesday,	November 22, 2016	
Tuesday,	December 6, 2016	
Tuesday,	December 20, 2016	

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a CERTIFIED and exact copy of this approved resolution to all the official City newspapers and to cause to have copies posted on the bulletin boards in City Hall and at the Garfield Free Public Library.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-473

WHEREAS, as of January 1, 2006 the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play Law” enacted by the New Jersey State Legislature, became effective; and  
WHEREAS, pursuant to the local public contracts law, contracts for the provision of Professional services are not subject to competitive bidding, however, they are subject to the requirements of the above referenced law if the contract is anticipated to exceed \$17,500.00, and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20-1, et seq a municipality may not award a contract with a value in excess of \$17,500.00 to a business entity that has made a contribution within one (1) year of the date of the contract that is reportable by the recipient pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1, et seq to a municipal political party committee in that municipality if a member of that party is serving in elective public office when such contract is awarded or to any candidate committee of any person who is serving in an elective public office of the municipality when such contract is awarded, unless the contract is awarded under a “fair and open process”; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it would be in the best interests of the City to make certain professional appointments pursuant to a “fair and open process”.

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

1. The City Attorney is authorized and directed to prepare a Legal Notice and Criteria for Submission of Qualifications for the following positions:

City Auditor	Grant Consultant (2)
City Bond Counsel	Computer Services Consultant
City Planner	Municipal Prosecutor
City Architect	Municipal Public Defender
City Real Estate Appraiser for Tax Appeals	Animal Control Officer
Risk Management Consultant	

2. These requests for qualifications shall solicit submissions which shall be due at 3:00PM on Friday, January 22, 2015 .
3. Appointments to these professional positions shall be considered at the Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 26, 2015.
4. The Criteria for selection shall be as permitted by the aforementioned Law and contracts shall be awarded on the basis most advantageous to the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to post the Legal Notice and Criteria for Submission of Qualifications on the City of Garfield website for a period of not less than ten(10) days prior to the due date described in this Resolution; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution together with copies of the Legal Notice and Criteria to the City Attorney as well as to all professionals currently holding the positions described in this Resolution.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-474

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has avised that they have accepted Trevor Messina of 160 Hartmann Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 as a regular member, effective November 25, 2015, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that the action taken by Fire Company No. 1 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 15-475

RESOLUTION APPOINTING DEPUTY MAYOR GLENN A. MATI AS THE CITY COUNCIL’S LIAISON TO THE GARFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

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WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of the City of Garfield recognize the important and vital services provided by the Garfield Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of the City of Garfield believe that the services provided by the Garfield Fire Department could be further facilitated by appointing an official to serve as a link to assist in the communication and cooperation between the City Government and the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council of the City of Garfield believe that Deputy Mayor Glenn A. Mati, due to his extensive experience serving on the Garfield City Council and as a Volunteer Fire Fighter, is well suited to fill the position; and

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:

Deputy Mayor Glenn A. Mati is hereby appointed, effective immediately, to serve as the liaison between the Garfield City Council and the Garfield Fire Department.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-476

WHEREAS, Gordon Scott Reid, residing at 225 Midland Avenue, Apartment 9A, has requested to be appointed as a constable, and he has met the requirements of C. 200, laws of 1971 (NJSA 40A:9-120 et. seq.) and he has been recommended for appointment by City Manager Thomas Duch,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that Gordon Scott Reid, residing at 225 Midland Avenue Apartment 9A, Garfield, NJ is hereby appointed a constable for the year 2016.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-477

WHEREAS, Robert Ridarick, residing at 91 Belmont Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07045 has requested to be appointed as a Constable, and a Class Two Officer and he has met the requirements of C. 200, laws of 1971 (NJSA 40A:9-120 et. Seq.) and he has been recommended for appointment by City Manager Thomas Duch,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that Robert Ridarick, residing at 91 Belmont Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07045 is hereby appointed a Constable and a Class Two Officer for the year 2016.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-478

WHEREAS, Edward Dolack, residing at 113 Lincoln Avenue, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407 has requested to be appointed as a Constable, and a Class Two Officer and he has met the requirements of C. 200, laws of 1971 (NJSA 40A:9-120 et. Seq.) and he has been recommended for appointment by City Manager Thomas Duch,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that Edward Dolack, residing at 113 Lincoln Avenue, Elmwood Park, NJ 07407 is hereby appointed a Constable and a Class Two Officer for the year 2016.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-479

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is a member of the Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund; and  
WHEREAS, as a member in this fund, the City of Garfield must appoint a Fund Commissioner and an Alternate to represent the City on all matters before the Fund; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, county of Bergen and State of New Jersey that City Manager Thomas J. Duch is hereby appointed as J.I.F.

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Fund Commissioner and Andrew J. Pavlica, City Clerk be and is hereby appointed as Alternate J.I.F. Fund Commissioner for the City of Garfield of the Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund for the year 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward a copy of this approved Resolution to the Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund, Risk Management Consultant and to the Office of the City Manager.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-480

Resolution Supporting the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2015 Year End Holiday Crackdown  
Whereas, impaired drivers on our nation’s roads kill more than 10,000 people each year and cost our society more than \$37 billion annually; and

Whereas, 27% of motor vehicle fatalities in New Jersey in 2013 were alcohol-related; and

Whereas, an enforcement crackdown is planned to combat impaired driving; and

Whereas, the season at the end of the year is traditionally a time of social gatherings which often include alcohol; and

Whereas, the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway Traffic Safety, has asked law enforcement agencies throughout the state to participate in the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Year End Holiday Crackdown; and

Whereas, the project will involve increased impaired driving enforcement from December 11, 2015 through January 1, 2016; and

Whereas, an increase in impaired driving enforcement and a reduction in impaired driving will save lives on our roadways;

Therefore, be is resolved that the City of Garfield declares it’s support for the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2015 Year End Holiday Crackdown from December 11, 2015 through January 1, 2016 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-481

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the provisions of Chapter 73-17 of the code of the City of Garfield concerning the hours of service and sales, specifically the portion regulating the hours an establishment holding a Plenary Retail Consumption License may stay open for business, is hereby suspended strictly for the 2016 New Year’s Day Holiday and that permission is hereby granted to said establishments to remain open an additional three hours until 5:00 AM on January 1, 2016,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward a CERTIFIED and exact copy of this approved Resolution to the Garfield Police Chief.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-482

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER THOMAS J. DUCH TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO ACCEPT A PARCEL OF LAND FROM MUSCARELLE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER, INC. IN ORDER TO DEDICATE SAID LAND AS A ROADWAY FOR THE EXTENSION OF WALNUT STREET

WHEREAS, Meridia Transit Crossing, Garfield LLC (“Meridia) has received approval from the Garfield Planning Board to develop property known as Block 119.03 Lot 49 in the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, as part of the approval from the Planning Board, Meridia is required to have a secondary ingress and egress through Walnut Street; and

WHEREAS, The Margaret P. Muscarelle Child Development Center, Inc. (“Muscarelle”) has claim to part of the property which would form the extension of Walnut Street, and

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WHEREAS, Muscarelle and Meridia have agreed to certain terms so that Muscarelle will convey its interest in the extension of Walnut Street to the City of Garfield,  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, that the City Manager, Thomas J. Duch, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Meridia and Muscarelle to accept the said extension of Walnut Street and to dedicate the said property for road purposes.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-483

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO JOHN LAVIN FOR WORK OUTSIDE OF LABOR COUNCEL POSITION ON THE FREDRICK KROWL LITIGATION

WHEREAS, the City Labor Counsel, John Lavin worked numerous hours on the Fredrick Krowl Litigation; that were not included in his job description:

WHEREAS, the City Labor Counsel, John Lavin requests compensation for working said hours; beyond his duties, and

WHEREAS, the City Manager is desirous of satisfying the outstanding invoices; and he requests City Council approval; before authorizing payment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the City Manager is hereby authorized to issue payment in the amount of \$7,875.19 to John Lavin in satisfaction of the invoice due and payable.

On call of roll, Ayes 3,  
Nays 1 – Councilmember Calandriello,  
Absent 1 – Councilmember Delaney

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-484

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to carry out the following directives for the year 20016:

1. Charge 8% interest per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of delinquency and 18% per annum on any amount in excess of \$1,500.00.
2. Charge 18% interest on tax title liens as per R.S. 54:4-67.
3. Allow a grace period of ten days before charging interest, as provided by R.S. 54:4-67, except that if the office of the Tax Collector is closed on the tenth day following the due date for a tax payment, then the grace period shall be extended to include the first business day thereafter.
4. Allow no discount for pre-payment of taxes.
5. Charge an additional end of year penalty of 6% as provided by R.S. 54:4-67 on all delinquencies of unpaid taxes, interest, and other municipal charges, when the total exceeds \$10,000.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-485

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN APPROVED STATE CONTRACT VENDORS FOR CONTRACTING UNITS PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury; and

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WHEREAS, the City of Garfield has the need on a timely basis to purchase goods or services utilizing State contracts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield intends to enter into contracts with the attached Referenced State Contract Vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all the conditions applicable to the current State contracts;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Garfield authorizes the Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from those approved New Jersey State Contract Vendors on the attached list, pursuant to all conditions of the individual State contracts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the governing body of the City of Garfield pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Chief Finance Officer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duration of the contracts between the City of Garfield and the Referenced State Contract Vendors shall be from July 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-486

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the Chief Financial Officer shall and is hereby authorized to make the following transfers as per instructions from the Chief Financial Officer:

Account Name	Account Number	Transfer From	Transfer To
Police Traffic Division	5-01-25-242-242-000		10,000.00
Volunteer Fire Dept O/E	5-01-25-255-255-063		75,000.00
Recreation O/E	5-01-28-370-370-063		25,000.00
Zoning Board O/E	5-01-21-185-185-063		10,000.00
Bond Principle	5-01-45-920-000-000		10,000.00
Bond Interest	5-01-45-930-000-000		3,200.00
Revenue Administration O/E	5-01-20-145-145-063	10,000.00	
Dept. of Public Works	5-01-26-290-290-011	20,000.00	
Municipal Court S/W	5-01-43-490-490-011	13,200.00	
Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield	5-01-23-225-225-001	20,000.00	
Passaic Valley Sewer Comm.	5-01-31-455-455-000	20,000.00	
Solid Waste	5-01-26-305-305-000	50,000.00	
		<u>133,200.00</u>	<u>133,200.00</u>

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-487

WHEREAS the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received a request from the following property owners for a refund due to over paid taxes for the year 2015.

RESOLUTIONS

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, that the proper offices are hereby authorized to issue a check refunding this over payment and forward same to the Receiver of Taxes for the purpose of noting her records and for mailing to the property owner.

BLOCK	LOT	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
7.01	24	Corelogic Real Estate Tax Service	O/P	\$2,540.00
70	6	Corelogic Real Estate Tax Service	O/P	\$161.39
78	36	Corelogic Real Estate Tax Service	O/P	\$1,250.82
96	43.01	Corelogic Real Estate Tax Service	O/P	\$2,270.00
141	21.09	Corelogic Real Estate Tax Service	O/P	\$600.00

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

Resolution No. 15-488

Resolution Re: Emergency Appropriation - Water Utility

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen with respect to a broken pipe resulting in additional water purchases from Passaic Valley Water Commission, and no adequate provision was made in the 2015 Budget for the aforesaid purpose, and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 provides for the creation of an emergency appropriation for the purpose above mentioned, and

WHEREAS, the total emergency appropriations created in 2015 including the appropriation to be created by this resolution is \$250,000 and three percent of the total operations (including utility operating appropriations) in the budget for the year 2015 is \$958,864.

WHEREAS, the foregoing appropriation together with prior appropriations does not exceed three percent of the total current appropriations (including utility operating appropriations) in the budget for 2015.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-48:

1. An emergency appropriation be and the same is hereby made for:

Water Utility	
Operating	
Other Expenses	<u>\$ 250,000</u>

2. That said emergency appropriation shall be provided in full in the 2016 budget.
3. That the Chief Financial Officer has certified that the expenditures to be financed through this resolution are related to the aforementioned emergency.
4. That an “Emergency Note” not in excess of the above amount be authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-48 and in accordance with the provision of N.J.S.A. 40A:4-51.
5. That an “Emergency Note” shall be executed by the Chief Financial Officer and by the City Clerk.
6. That said note may be renewed from time to time and such notes and any renewals thereof shall be payable on or before December 31, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that two certified copies of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Glenn A. Mati

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Resolution No. 15-489

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the following bill No. 1875 to 1876 covering, Trust Other totaling \$2619.19 and the Current Fund totaling \$504,424.00, and the Current Water Fund totaling \$7,890.54, 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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Following Pages Numbered \_\_\_\_\_

For

Bills

And

Claims

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 2727

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, November 24, 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:

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE AND AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 1268 ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE TRAFFIC AND PARKING” IN THE CITY OF GARFIELD BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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 4,  
Absent 1 – Councilmember Delaney

Ordinance No.

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REVISE CHAPTER 48-28 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “RATES OF COMPENSATION; ADMINISTRATIVE FEE; PAYMENT FOR SERVICES,” TO CHANGE THE RATE OF COMPENSATION FOR OFF DUTY POLICE OFFICERS

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

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

Mr. Everett Garnto, 51 Jewell Street, spoke on how he felt the Ordinance should be amended.

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

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

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

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Mr. John Easom, 103 Gaston Avenue, asked that each Council Meeting be announced via NIXLE to the public on the day of the meeting.

Mr. Everett Garnto, 51 Jewell Street, asked questions concerning the proposed six foot high fence along Columbus Avenue by the WaWa Convenience Store.

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Mr. George Leles, 9 Sullivan Court, Mahwah, spoke about his coffee company at 97 Gaston Avenue between Frederick Street and Clark Street and on trying his best to be a good neighbor. He spoke on a Coat Drive.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Calandriello said that he feels NIXLE should provide notice of meetings and elections. He said that he would like the City Manager to follow through to encourage participation. He said that Coremark has been a good developer to the City. He said that they have paid \$500,000.00 in Redeveloper Fees for infrastructure improvements. He said that he has great faith in them in eventually getting the fence installed. He spoke about all the children and high school students who participated in the Passaic River Cleanup which totaled about 200 kids. He said that he saw a blue tent on the river bank which sheltered a homeless person that he feels needs to be addressed.

Councilmember Aloia spoke on the proposed use of NIXLE to advise the public of Council Meetings. He said that a Police presence makes a difference at the WaWa Convenience Store. He said that Coremark will step up to the plate regarding the installation of a fence and shrubbery. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday.

Deputy Mayor Mati spoke about honoring the Junior Boilermakers and Liz Gray this evening. He said that this is a special time of year. He said that the City met with PSE&G representatives about electric bills for the Babe Ruth League. He said that new light meters should benefit them a great deal. He said that his son will be home from the military this Friday. He wished everyone a safe and healthy Holiday and Merry Christmas.

Mayor Raymond spoke about the wonderful tree lighting ceremony held the other night at City Hall. She thanked the Police, Fire Department and everyone who participated. She said that it was a really exciting night and the kids were so happy. She said that the next regular meeting will be on December 22, 2015 at 1:30 PM. She asked everyone to say an extra prayer for peace in the World. She wished everyone "Blessed Holidays".

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:30 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 – Councilmembers Delaney

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK