

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the Conference Room in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso presided. City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica announced that the Work Session was being held in accordance with 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, Frank J. Calandriello, Erin N. Delaney and Richard Rigoglioso
Councilmembers Absent: Joseph Delaney
Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Robert Ferraro, Labor Counsel John Lavin, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell, Superintendent of Schools Nicholas Perrapato, Assistant Superintendent of Schools Anna Sciacca, School Business Administrator Dr. Edward Izbicki, School Board Attorney Kurt Geisler, Assistant School Board Attorney Amy Lefkowitz, and the following Board of Education Members: President Everett Garnto, Vice President Charles Nucifora, Frank O. Barber, Anthony Barckett, Richard Derrig, Allan Focarino, Jack Mazzola and Julio Quiles

RECUSAL OF MAYOR RIGOGLIOSO

At 6:31 PM, Mayor Richard Rigoglioso recused himself from the Work Session and Mayor Emeritus Louis G. Aloia chaired the Work Session from this point forward. It was duly noted for the record.

PROPOSED CUTS IN THE DEFEATED 2018-2019 SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET

The City Council and Cabinet met with School Officials and discussed proposed cuts in the 2018-2019 School Board Budget defeated at the polls on April 17, 2018.

ARRIVAL OF DEPUTY MAYOR JOSEPH DELANEY

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

SHORT RECESS, RETURN TO ORDER, EXIT OF SCHOOL OFFICIALS AND RETURN OF MAYOR RIGOGLIOSO

At 7:05 PM, a short recess was called. At 7:10 PM, the Work Session was again called to order by Mayor-Emeritus Aloia. At 7:15 PM, all School Officials left the Work Session, and Mayor Rigoglioso chaired the Work Session from this point forward. It was duly noted for the record.

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City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. The advertisement for Request for Qualifications from individuals or firms for videotaping of Council Meetings scheduled to be received on May 25, 2108.
2. The \$345,000 grant application for the Buildout of River Drive - Phase II before Bergen County Open Space Trust to be considered at their meeting scheduled to be held Thursday, June 14, 2018.
3. The proposed improvement projects including the repaving of the City Hall parking lot, the PSE&G utility program and lead water line replacement.
4. La Forteleza Restaurant located at 361 Midland Avenue, will be celebrating Mexican Independence Day in their parking lot on Sunday, June 16, 2018, and there will be no liquor served in the parking lot.

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5. The broadcasting of City Council Meetings on Cable TV.
6. Sustainability Grant which was obtained by the Green Team in the amount of \$10,000 for rainwater collection.
7. The Hoarding Task Force Meeting held yesterday in Fort Lee.
8. The Passaic Street Train Trestle Repair Project and the Painting Bids which have been received by New Jersey Transit Railroad.
9. The Feral Cat Colony Ordinance.
10. The Violation Notice served on the Signature Place Apartment Complex located at 950 River Drive, regarding a deficient Elevator.
11. The Schley Crossing Apartments being constructed as part of the City Redevelopment at south end of Walnut Street.
12. The proposed amendments to the Laundromat Ordinance.
13. The proposed repeal of Resolution No. 18-133 concerning Redevelopment in Columbus Park located at the intersection of Outwater Lane and Midland Avenue.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 18-151

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 8:20 PM on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, 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; (Collective Bargaining Negotiations with PBA Local No. 46, and with the White Collar Employee Union).
- * Tactics or techniques utilized in protecting the safety and property of the public or any investigation of violations or possible violations of the law; (issues at 159 Market Street and 33 Shaw Street regarding claims involving water infiltration, sewer line issues and request for sidewalk replacement).
- * Pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations or matters falling within attorney-client privilege; (negotiations to acquire a passenger van for Benda-Roehrich VFW Post No. 2867; dismissal of Murtha Lawsuit; issues at 159 Market Street and 33 Shaw Street regarding claims involving water infiltration, sewer line issues and request for sidewalk replacement).
- * Matter 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; (ruling that City Engineer Kevin Boswell is not a City employee).

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) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Work Session May 15, 2018, Continued

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:50 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Erin Delaney moved to adjourn the Work Session. Councilmember Calandriello 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, May 15, 2018 at 8:55 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso 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: Louis G. Aloia, Frank J. Calandriello, Erin N. Delaney, Joseph Delaney and Richard Rigoglioso

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Robert Ferraro and City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell

STATEMENT BY MAYOR RIGOGLIOSO

Mayor Richard Rigoglioso read the following statement: "Good Evening and thank you for coming. During my campaign last year, my main talking point was to improve Garfield overall as a City. Currently, there has been a debate about whether or not to redevelop Columbus Field. It seems that everybody assumed that we planned on replacing a part of the field with housing. I have always said that while striving to improve Garfield, that I would always be open to hearing the resident's voice, and it seems the residents are opposed to replacing part of the field with housing. At our last council meeting, there was a great turnout of residents who voiced their opinions on this issue, and I greatly appreciated everybody showing up. I would like to state that the only reason housing was even mentioned or thought of; was that it would serve as a means to redeveloping the sports complex at Garfield High School. After speaking with the planning board attorney and the redevelopment attorneys, as well as doing my own research in order to give the issue its due diligence, as I promised at the last meeting, I have come to the conclusion that Columbus Field will stay with Green Acres and there will be no residential or commercial units being built on this land. However, it will remain in the redevelopment zone for the sole purpose of the future potential, where a developer may come along and personally finance a remodeling of Columbus Field into a multifunctional park/field without using any taxpayer money. There has been a committee formed by residents, they may have some great ideas on how to use this field. I have yet to hear these ideas, however I am willing and eager to listen. This committee has been meeting and brainstorming as to how the field should best be utilized. It is good to see the residents discussing an issue that they feel is very important. There is a vibrant buzz around town, and for good, bad, or indifferent, it shows signs of life and I am very optimistic about the future of our City. Remember, no matter how large a City is, and no matter where it is located, a City still needs people to thrive and survive. Cities are living entities, and it is common for a City to begin showing signs of age and decay over time. Redevelopment and revitalization projects are crucial to the success of Garfield, because it stimulates the economy, enhances property values, instills a sense of civic pride, helps current businesses, and attracts new ones. The particular needs of Garfield are unique. We have older homes that are in disrepair. We have unused or vacant manufacturing properties from years passed. We also have underdeveloped land that could well serve the commercial and residential interests of our City. This list represents the vision of the City Council, along with myself, on how to improve and sustain the City of Garfield for years to come, specifically improving the town's properties, facilities, and amenities. I will continue my significant search for a positive impact to our community. Finally, I would like to thank Deputy Mayor Joe Delaney and Councilwoman Erin Delaney for the support of my ongoing quest to improve the lives of our residents and the landscape of our City."

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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 Erin Delaney duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 18-152

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the defeated school budget held on April 17, 2018, and; WHEREAS, the City of Garfield council authorized the Chief Financial Officer to analyze and recommend to the council further reductions in the 2018-2019 school budget and;

1. The original tax levy on the ballot for the current expense portion of the Board of Education budget was \$29,506,412;
2. The amount of reductions to the current expense portion of the tax levy shall be \$250,000;
3. The amount of tax levy being certified by the City Council for the base, current expense budget shall, therefore be \$29,256,412.
4. Debt service in the amount requested is also approved by the governing body;
5. The specific line item reductions which are recommended by the Mayor and Council are as follows:

Health Benefits	\$70,000.00	Legal	\$20,000.00	Electricity	\$30,000.00
Equipment	\$55,000.00	Supplies Materials	\$15,000.00		
Telephone	\$10,000.00	Social Security	\$50,000.00		

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the school budget, as reviewed and revised, presents sufficient funds to provide a through and efficient education within the District as required by law; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution, no later than Wednesday May 16, 2018, to the Garfield Board of Education of the City of Garfield, the Bergen County Superintendent of Schools, the Bergen County Board of Taxation and to the City of Garfield Tax Assessor; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to prepare, based upon the contents of this resolution, the necessary forms for admission to the County of Bergen, including formA-4F or other forms reasonably required in order to effectuate the provision of this Resolution.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Recused 1 – Mayor Rigoglioso

(Sgd) Erin N. Delaney
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 18-153

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2018, the Garfield Police Department is participating in the Bergen County “Chief for a Day” initiative; and WHEREAS, the members of the Garfield Police Department play an integral role in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of the City of Garfield; and WHEREAS, it is important that all citizens know and understand the duties and responsibilities of law enforcement in their community; and WHEREAS, as an honorary “Chief for a Day” Benjamin Romano will learn about the inner-workings of law enforcement and explore the important work that Garfield Police Officers face on a daily basis; and WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the City of Garfield along with our community observe June 1, 2018 as BENJAMIN ROMANO APPRECIATION DAY to honor his interest in law enforcement. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, on behalf of its citizens, do hereby proclaim June 1, 2018 as:

BENJAMIN ROMANO APPRECIATION DAY

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) All Five Councilmembers

Resolution No. 18-154

WHEREAS, the Garfield Pulaski Association will be holding their 66th Annual Polish Celebration Dinner on June 3, 2018 at the Royal Manor Restaurant located at 454 Midland Avenue, in Garfield, New Jersey, and

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WHEREAS, the honorees of this Dinner include Thomas J. Duch, Esq., the 2018 Grand Marshal of the Pulaski Day Parade for the entire Tri-State Region of New Jersey, New York and Connecticut, and

WHEREAS, Victoria Drzymala, is this year's Miss Polonia, and she is a Junior at Garfield High School, a Parishioner of Saint Stan's Church in Garfield and is a Life Guard and Swim Instructor at the Garfield YMCA, and

WHEREAS, Katarina Kondratowicz, is this year's Miss Junior Polonia, and she attends Corpus Christi School, is a fifth grade student, attends Polish School at Most Sacred Heart in Wallington, plays soccer for SC Vistula Garfield, and loves to ski, and

WHEREAS, Abigail Grochowski, is this year's Little Miss Polonia, and she is in kindergarten, attends Polish School, and loves dancing and singing,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that CONGRATULATIONS are hereby extended to Thomas J. Duch on being named 2018 Grand Marshal of the Pulaski Day Parade for the entire Tri-State Region, to Victoria Drzymala on being named 2018 Miss Polonia, to Katarina Kondratowicz on being named 2018 Miss Junior Polonia and to Abigail Grochoski on being named 2018 Little Miss Polonia.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) All Five Councilmembers

Resolution No. 18-155

WHEREAS, Garfield Rotary Club President Danuta Kotowska-Sheika and Garfield 100th Anniversary Celebration Co-Chairs Michael Garcia and James Clark are being honored by the Garfield Rotary Club with a Beefsteak Dinner at the Royal Manor Restaurant located at 454 Midland Avenue in Garfield on Thursday, June 7, 2018, and

WHEREAS, all three honorees are being awarded a "Walter D. Head Fellowship", named after the first New Jersey Rotarian to become International President of Rotary and one of the founders of the United Nations, and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council are desirous of publicly acknowledging these fine individuals on their justly deserved awards,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that DANUTA KOTOWSKA-SHEIKA, MICHAEL GARCIA AND JAMES CLARK are hereby CONGRATULATED on their awards from the Garfield Rotary Club and for personifying the Rotary ideal of "Service Above Self" and demonstrating the highest qualities of character and concern for our fellow human beings.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) All Five Councilmembers

Resolution No. 18-156

WHEREAS, every day, 96 Americans are killed by gun violence and on average there are nearly 13,000 gun homicides every year; and

WHEREAS, Americans are 25 times more likely to be killed with guns than people in other developed countries; and

WHEREAS, protecting public safety in the communities they serve is the Mayor and Council's highest responsibility; and

WHEREAS, support for the Second Amendment rights of law-abiding citizens goes hand-in-hand with keeping guns away from dangerous people; and

WHEREAS, Mayors, City Council and Law Enforcement officers know their communities best, are the most familiar with local criminal activity and how to address it, and are best positioned to understand how to keep their citizens safe; and

WHEREAS, in January 2013, Hadiya Pendleton, a teenager who marched in President Obama's second inaugural parade and was tragically shot and killed just weeks later, should have been now celebrating her 21st birthday; and

WHEREAS, to help honor Hadiya – and the 96 Americans whose lives are cut short and the countless survivors who are injured by shootings every day – a national coalition of organizations

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On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-160

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted Imanuel E. Perez of 94 Midland Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a Junior Member, effective March 28, 2018, 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 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-161

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted Miguel A. Ortiz of 9 Spencer Place, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a Junior Member, effective March 28, 2018, 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 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-162

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 2 has advised that they have accepted Hayley M. Meola of 427 Grace Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 as a regular member, effective April 2, 2018, 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. 2 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-163

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted Malachi Dye of [REDACTED] as a regular member, effective April 2, 2018, 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. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-164

WHEREAS, Levon L Yenikomshuyan, 45 Belmont Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1922078, 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 east curb line of Wessington Avenue commencing 51 feet north of the intersection of Wessington 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) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

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has designated June 1st, 2018, the first Friday in June, as the 4th National Gun Violence Awareness Day; and,

WHEREAS, the idea was inspired by a group of Hadiya's friends, who asked their classmates to commemorate her life by wearing orange; they chose this color because hunters wear orange to announce themselves to other hunters when out in the woods and orange is a color that symbolizes the value of human life; and,

WHEREAS, anyone can join this campaign by pledging to Wear Orange on June 1st, the first Friday in June 2018, to help raise awareness about gun violence; and,

WHEREAS, by wearing orange on June 1, 2018 Americans will raise awareness about gun violence and honor the lives of gun violence victims and survivors; and,

WHEREAS, we renew our commitment to reduce gun violence and pledge to do all we can to keep firearms out of the wrong hands, and encourage responsible gun ownership to help keep our children safe.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey declares the first Friday in June, June 1, 2018, be and is hereby PROCLAIMED 'NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY' in the City of Garfield.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) All Five Councilmembers

Resolution No. 18-157

WHEREAS, Father Peter Palmisano is celebrating the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, and

WHEREAS, in May of 1993, Peter Palmisano was ordained a priest at age 35, and prior to that he taught in the Hoboken School System, and

WHEREAS, his first assignment was Saint Joseph Church in Oradell, New Jersey from 1993 to 1999 as Parochial Vicar, followed by an assignment at Most Blessed Sacrament in Franklin Lakes, New Jersey from 1999 to 2004 as Parochial Vicar, and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield was fortunate that his next assignment was as Pastor of Our Lady of Mount Virgin Church right here in Garfield, and

WHEREAS, Father Peter was also the Knights of Columbus Chaplain from 2004-2017 and is the National Chaplain of the American Special Children's Pilgrimage Group, which is an organization that works with special needs children, which is a cause near and dear to Father Peter, and

WHEREAS, a celebratory mass and reception will be held on June 3, 2018 in his honor to commemorate this special anniversary,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that Father Peter Palmisano is hereby congratulated as he observes the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood which marks a significant milestone in his exemplary ministry of love, devotion, and service.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) All Five Councilmembers

Resolution No. 18-158

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 5 has advised that they have accepted Brendan M. Carroll of 142 Plauderville Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a Junior Member, effective May 1, 2018,

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. 5 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-159

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted Wendy N. Perez of 227 Mac Arthur Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a Junior Member, effective March 28, 2018,

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.

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Resolution No. 18-165

WHEREAS, Minique Connolly, 46 Hartman Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1968223, 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 Hartman Avenue commencing 151 feet east of the intersection of Hartman Avenue and Shaw Street and run an additional 25 feet east 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) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-166

WHEREAS, Amy M DeFazio-Rugar, 97 MacArthur Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1944533, 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 west curb line of MacArthur Avenue commencing 52 feet south of the intersection of MacArthur Avenue and Grand Street and run an additional 25 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) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-167

WHEREAS, Francine J Sansone Vogel, 51 Bogart Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1520452, 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 west curb line of Bogart Avenue commencing 66 feet north of the intersection of Bogart Avenue and River Drive 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) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-168

WHEREAS, Barbara Mazzei-DiMuro, 149 MacArthur Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1929432, 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 west curb line of MacArthur Avenue commencing 308 feet south of the intersection of MacArthur Avenue and Frederick Street and run an additional 22 feet south from that point.

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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) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-169

WHEREAS, Suds-N-Spin Laundromat, 85 Outwater Lane filed an application for a laundromat license for the year 2018, and

WHEREAS, the local inspectors CERTIFY that they have conformed with provisions of Ordinance No. 1288,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue a license to Sud-N-Spin Laundromat, 85 Outwater Lane, for the year 2018.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-170

WHEREAS, NYC Laundry LLC, 18 Plauderville Avenue filed an application for a laundromat license for the year 2018, and

WHEREAS, the local inspectors CERTIFY that they have conformed with provisions of Ordinance No. 1288,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue a license to NYC Laundry LLC, for the year 2018.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-171

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, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018:

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES

License No.	0221-33-007-007	Tina Liquors, LLC t/a MVP 402 River Drive
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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) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-172

WHEREAS the City of Garfield will be hosting a Street Fair on August 5, 2018;

WHEREAS the Street Fair will be located on Midland avenue between Outwater Lane and Elizabeth Street;

WHEREAS the Garfield Police Department recommends that, on the above mentioned date, the City shall close the portion Midland Avenue between Outwater Lane and Elizabeth Street;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield hereby authorizes the Garfield Police Department to close the portion of Midland Avenue, between Outwater Lane and Elizabeth Street on August 5, 2018.

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On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 18-173

WHEREAS the City of Garfield will be hosting a Street Fair on August 5, 2018;
WHEREAS the Street Fair will be located on Midland Avenue between Outwater Lane and Elizabeth Street;

WHEREAS the Council is of the opinion that specialty and mobile food vendors would greatly enhance the Street Fair; and

WHEREAS the Council is of the opinion that all specialty and mobile food vendors should be issued a one day Street Fair License; and

WHEREAS the Health Inspector has advised that all vendors must comply with the current Municipal and County Health Code requirements prior to any mobile food vendor being granted a one day license to participate in the Street Fair; and

WHEREAS the Health Department requirements are as follows:

- o Health inspection report for the mobile food truck from the Municipality the truck is currently licensed;
- o A copy of the vehicle registration;
- o Fee of \$50.00; completion of "Application for Temporary Mobile Food Handler Permit" attached hereto.

The above listed items are to be submitted first to Thomas Duch, City Manager c/o Andrew Pavlica, City Clerk, who will submit the approved application to the Garfield Health Department, 60 Elizabeth Street, Garfield, New Jersey in order to obtain the Permit.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield does hereby authorize the City Manager to enter and issue one day food vendor license to any entity who meets the criteria noted herein as established by the Health Department.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 18-174

A Resolution Authorizing Antea Group to Install, Maintain and Sample One Monitoring Well in the City's Right-of-Way Within The City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey.

WHEREAS, Antea Group is conducting an environmental investigation on behalf of BP, regarding BP Station 04115 located at 45 Monroe Street, Garfield, NJ, in accordance with the NJDEP Technical Requirements for Site Remediation and the Administrative Requirements for the Remediation of Contaminated Sites. The investigation is being completed with the oversight of a Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP), and;

WHEREAS, Antea Group has requested a resolution from the City for the installation of one (1) vertical delineation monitoring well in an electronic mail to the City Engineer, dated April 19, 2018, and;

WHEREAS, to monitor offsite, down gradient groundwater, the location of the monitoring well will be in the City's right-of-way at 29 Grand Street, and;

WHEREAS, delineation of offsite soil and groundwater is required by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) and the Licensed Site Remediation Professional (LSRP). The results of the proposed monitoring well will determine the extent of and monitor and existing groundwater and soil contamination plume, and;

WHEREAS, to evaluate offsite down gradient groundwater, Antea Group proposes to install one (1) monitoring well within the City of Garfield sidewalks/right-of-ways (i.e., driveway apron between sidewalk and street) as depicted on the attached figure. The monitoring well and installation will consist of the following: obtaining a utility mark-out prior to field work activities, clearing the proposed location to a depth of 6.5' with "Air Knife" technology to confirm the absence of underground utilities, drilling one (1) four (4)-inch diameter boring to approximately 40 feet, and installing (2)-inch diameter PVC well with slotted screen. A track mount drill rig and vacuum vehicle will be utilized for drilling work. All clearing and drilling is to be performed by a New Jersey Licensed Driller.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Antea Group is hereby authorized to install one (1) permanent monitoring well within the City's property subject to the following conditions:

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1. Antea Group shall hold the City harmless from any actions concerning their operation and all appropriate permits are secured.
2. Copies of all test results shall be forwarded to the City Clerk at the time this information is also transmitted to the NJDEP.
3. At the conclusion of this operation and upon approval of the NJDEP to close this well, all appropriate closure operations shall occur.
4. Antea Group shall be responsible for the maintenance of this monitoring well until it is properly sealed and abandoned pursuant to NJDEP criteria.
5. Antea Group and its subcontractors will take extra care to minimize any potential disturbance during monitoring well installation activities and will restore the disturbed areas to the satisfaction of the DPW Superintendent.
6. Antea Group will coordinate traffic control through the Garfield Police Department and Garfield DPW.
7. All proposed work will be conducted at no cost to the City of Garfield.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 18-175

A RESOLUTION TERMINATING THE CITY ENGINEER AS AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY AND AMENDING A MONTHLY RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH BOSWELL ENGINEERING

WHEREAS, the City Engineer is an employee of the City, and;

WHEREAS, the City also pays a monthly stipend in the amount of \$1500/month to Boswell Engineering to compensate the firm for general engineering matters not covered by the individual employment agreement with the City Engineer, and;

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has requested the termination of the individual employee designation and amendment of the general retainer agreement to be \$3500/month or \$42,000/year which is less than the current sum of the individual employment contract and general retainer payment,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City terminates the current employment of the City Engineer as of April 30, 2018 and further amends the monthly retainer agreement from the current amount of \$1500/month to the amount of \$3500/month.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Erin N. Delaney

Resolution No. 18-176

WHEREAS, the rules of procedure of the Planning and Zoning Boards of Adjustment of the City of Garfield state that a deposit shall be made to cover Engineering and Attorney fees, and

WHEREAS, funds have been received from Costantino & Rosa Conte, 45 Summit Ave, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 Block 84/Lot 13 in the amount of \$27.50 for Engineering Fees and \$0.00 for Attorney fees since 12/19/16 for a total amount of \$27.50 and said funds are being held in the Developer's Escrow Fund, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has investigated these deposits and had determined that they are due to the above individual;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that these monies be refunded to the above named claimant.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 18-177

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, has adopted a resolution implementing Length of Service Awards Program (LOSAP), in 2001 to Section 457 (e)(11)(13) of the Internal Service Code of 1986 and:

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and has forwarded a certified list(s) to the Mayor and Council; certified by the Fire Department Chief(s) and to disclose all Volunteer Fire Department recipients who have met the minimum requirements to receive such funds and;

WHEREAS, a certified list containing the names of the recipients are attached to this resolution in which the auditors have recommended in the audit that this list be available for review in the form of a resolution;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Financial Officer, has certified funds are available in the 2018 appropriation, and has further audited the documents submitted by the Volunteer Fire Department and has determined that the documents meet the intent of the 2017 audit requirements.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-178

WHEREAS the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received a request from the following property owners for a Refund due to overpayment for the year 2018.

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
23	29	Community Housing in Partnership Inc.	O/P	\$10,024.00

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-179

WHEREAS the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received a request from the following property owner for Tax Court Judgment for the year 2016.

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 overpayment 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
202	19	Ellen Heine	TCJ	\$ 2,031.00

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-180

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that an application is made to the Commissioner of Transportation for aid under the 2018 Transportation Alternatives Program for:

Garfield Neighborhood Revitalization Streetscape
and Pedestrian Safety Project Phase 2

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council has determined that such application should be prepared by Capital Alternatives Corporation, the grants specialists engaged by the City of Garfield for assistance in such matters, therefore;

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BE IT RESOLVED, that Capital Alternatives Corporation is authorized to prepare, assemble and submit the necessary documentation on behalf of the City of Garfield for the stated project.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Louis G. Aloia

Resolution No. 18-181

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 18-133

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2018 the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield passed resolution no. 18-133 entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY DETERMINING THAT THE PROPERTY GENERALLY KNOWN AS BLOCK 119.04, LOT 1, ALSO KNOWN AS 394 OUTWATER LANE, AS SHOWN ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD QUALIFY AND ARE DETERMINED TO AS AN AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT, SPECIFICALLY A NON-CONDEMNATION REDEVELOPMENT AREA, PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ. "

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council believe that it is in the best interest of the City to clarify and modify RESOLUTION NO. 18-133; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council believe it is important to maintain the designation of the property as an area in need of redevelopment in order to enhance funding capabilities for the property,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of City of Garfield hereby affirms the finding that the Property located on Block 119.04, Lot 1, also known as 394 Outwater Lane, referred to herein as the Property, meets the criteria and qualifies as an "area in need of redevelopment" and which shall be a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area pursuant to the Redevelopment Law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby amend and clarify the said resolution to require that any redevelopment at the Property would continue to utilize the Property as an area for public recreational use, and shall remain on the Recreation and Open Space Inventory of the City of Garfield.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Erin N. Delaney
Joseph Delaney

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Resolution No. 18-182

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the following bill No. 2097 to 2098 covering Community Policing Trust Fund, Dog Trust Fund totaling \$1,566.60 and the Current Fund Reserve totaling \$385.00 and the Current Fund totaling \$305,369.64 and the Water Fund Current totaling \$156,391.05 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$50,681.50 and Water Capital Fund totaling \$1,404.00 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 thirty three (33) items prior to the meeting be ratified.

See

the

following

pages numbered _____

for Bills and Claims

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No.

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, March 13, 2018; 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, the public hearing on this ordinance was held March 27, 2018 at which meeting the ordinance was tabled, the ordinance was also tabled on April 3, 2018, and on April 24, 2018; and the City Council can now proceed with the final passage:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REVISE CHAPTER 310 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED "TOW TRUCKS"

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Councilmember Joseph Delaney moved to lay said ordinance on the table until the Regular Meeting to be held June 12, 2018. Councilmember Erin Delaney duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 3, Nays 1 – Councilmember Aloia, Abstain 1 – Councilmember Calandriello

Ordinance No. 2785

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, April 24, 2018; 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:

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE TREE PLANTING PROGRAM IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$270,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

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

There being none, Mayor Rigoglioso declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Aloia 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 Joseph Delaney duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

Councilmember Erin Delaney introduced in writing the following ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 191 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED "LAUNDROMATS", SPECIFICALLY CHAPTER 191 THEREIN ENTITLED "HOURS OF OPERATION"

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

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Councilmember Erin Delaney moved that this ordinance entitled: "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 191 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED "LAUNDROMATS", SPECIFICALLY CHAPTER 191 THEREIN ENTITLED "HOURS OF OPERATION" 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 May 29, 2018 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 Joseph Delaney was on roll call adopted by the following vote and the motion was declared adopted and said ordinance passed on first reading: On call of roll, Ayes 5.

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Ms. Lisa Logan, 140 Main Street, commended the City Council on their vote regarding the resolution passed this evening concerning Columbus Park. She complained about the condition of the softball fields in Twentieth Century Field when it rains. She complained about when the officers of the Girls Softball League cancel games too soon based on the anticipated weather.

Ms. Jeanette Casiano, 481 Harrison Avenue, complained about speeding and accidents near the intersection of Harrison Avenue and Outwater Lane. She complained about potholes in town.

Mr. Edward Devine, 159 Market Street, asked questions about trees to be planted along the City Riverwalk along River Drive.

Mr. Anthony Morales, 90 Passaic Street, spoke on a tree that fell on Passaic Street during a storm. He spoke on how the people spoke and changed the Council's vote on Columbus Park. He spoke on the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration scheduled to be held on October 13, 2018. He spoke on being a liaison to the business community on Passaic Street. He spoke on the need to improve the athletic fields in the Garfield High School Stadium.

Mr. Dennis Malicki, 59 Maitland Place, said he could not be more proud of the Council's vote on tonight's resolution on Columbus Park. He said that he is extremely proud to be from the City of Garfield where the Mayor and Council listen to the people. He said that he commends this City Council. He admitted that he wrote a leaflet that was circulated in the community. He said that tonight is a night to be proud of and joyful and he said that he never meant to offend anybody, personally. He thanked the Mayor and Council for listening and for their vote.

Mr. Donte Dorta, 41 Harrison Avenue, spoke in appreciation of the City Council's vote tonight regarding Columbus Park. He said that the Council's vote means a lot. He thanked the Mayor and Council for their vote.

Ms. Christine Drakeford, 96 Shaw Street, spoke in appreciation of the City Council's vote regarding Columbus Park. She thanked the Mayor and Council for listening and voting the way they did and she said that it means a lot.

Ms. Denise Bianchi, 59 Lizette Street, spoke on the Lizette Street Playground and alleged encroachments to the Park by the abutting Venetian Restaurant.

Ms. Genenieve Anastos, 78 Dewitt Street, spoke on the City-owned "Railroad Property" that is leased to the Venetian Restaurant for parking. She complained about "drag racing" in the Venetian Parking Lot. She spoke on flooding in the area. She spoke on Property Maintenance issues.

Mr. Thomas Sykes, 61 Lizette Street, said that one of the reasons that he purchased his house was due to the Lizette Street Playground being located in the neighborhood.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Aloia spoke on addressing child safety in the City parks especially in regard to thunderstorms. He spoke on speeding on Harrison Avenue and the road condition of Harrison Avenue. He spoke on how one side of the street is located in Garfield and the other side of the street is located in Lodi. He spoke on the Recreation Department doing their best to timely unlock fences and open City Parks when they are needed to be opened. He spoke on the Hispanic Celebration scheduled to be held on October 13, 2018. He spoke on the parking issues in the Venetian Restaurant parking lot. He commended everyone who contributed to the discussion concerning Columbus Park including Dennis Malicki, the Boys and Girls Club, the City Recreation Director, and the Garfield YMCA. He thanked everyone for stepping up. He spoke on the group offering ideas. He spoke on the proposed installation of basketball courts, the proposed walking path and proposed amphitheater in Columbus Park.

Councilmember Calandriello said that he did not pass out a political flier in the town, as he was accused. He said that he passed out a letter written by a resident from the heart. He said that it was about the truth and about transparency. He said that if he had to do it again, he would do so in a heartbeat. He said that it was about doing something and taking a bad idea that was being pushed through and people rising up and standing up and stopping it. He said that the City has to go to the next phase. He said that there is a Committee out there to offer ideas of what the residents want. He said that the City Council can then move forward and see what the costs are and see what the City can afford to get done. He said that all the comments were well received here. He spoke on Genny Anastos being a watchdog in the Hollow and the DeWitt Street and Lizette Street area. He spoke on the Venetian Restaurant being rather responsive whenever the City advises them of issues that need to be addressed. He spoke on the annual Memorial Mass, Communion Breakfast and ceremony for deceased Garfield Police Officers scheduled to be held on Sunday, May 20, 2018. He spoke on the next weekend being Memorial Day Weekend when the City recognizes its fallen Veterans. He said that it is a very special day. He said that on Sunday, May 27th, there is gathering at Fire House No. Two and the City Officials and Firefighters march from Belmont Avenue down Wessington Avenue to the Firefighters Memorial in front of City Hall and have a recognition for them. He spoke on the times that the country is in for the men and women in uniform and he said that there had been peace for many years. He said that the United States was not in conflicts and was not in wars. He said that that is not the case in recent years and that there are veterans whose families do make sacrifices for their service. He spoke on past veterans from Garfield who have been injured or who have lost their lives. He spoke on how Memorial Day will be observed in Garfield on Sunday, May 27, 2018.

Councilmember Erin Delaney spoke on being considerate when cancelling Softball Games. She spoke on speeding throughout town and she spoke on the enforcement of speed limits. She spoke on the installation of trees along the Riverwalk Park. She spoke on the observance of Hispanic Heritage Month on October 13th. She spoke on the need for improvements to the Garfield High School Athletic Fields. She spoke on her position with regard to the need to improve Columbus Park. She said that she will always have an open mind and listen to the public for as long as she sits as a Councilwoman. She spoke on Garfield being known as "The City of Champions" and she said that that does not always mean athletic championships. She said that she would love to see something in Columbus Park for the City's Special Needs community. She spoke on the City Council Resolutions for Benjamin Romano being "Police Chief for the Day" on June 1st; for City Manager Duch being honored as the Grand Marshal for the Pulaski Day Parade for New Jersey, New York and Connecticut; for Danuta Kotowska-Sheika being honored as President of the Garfield Rotary Club; and for Father Peter Palmisano on his 25 years in the priesthood. She spoke on June 1st being Gun Violence Awareness Day and she reminded everyone to wear orange on that day. She spoke on the City applying for grant money for the Riverwalk along River Drive. She spoke on the Green Team securing a Sustainable New Jersey grant in the amount of \$10,000, and going to the grant announcement event last week. She said that it was a very proud moment for her. She spoke on going down to Trenton and meeting with New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy. She said that it was a nice opportunity to go down to Trenton and have a voice on issues important to Garfield. She spoke on some great contests the City has had in the past year including the Christmas Tree Decorating and Halloween Decorating. She said that this Spring, the City will hold a Landscaping Decorating Contest. She spoke on the upcoming Memorial Day Parade, the upcoming Memorial Mass for deceased Garfield Police Officers and the upcoming Rotary Beefsteak on June 7th. She apologized for not being able to attend the next Council Meeting due to a family vacation in Europe which was one of the last gifts given by her late Grandfather.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Deputy Mayor Joseph Delaney spoke on the use of the Girls Softball Fields. He spoke on the Resolution adopted this evening concerning Passaic Street and the grant for the Garfield Neighborhood Revitalization Streetscape and Pedestrian Safety Project - Phase 2. He spoke on Redevelopment moving in a positive way in the City. He spoke on the Lizette Street Playground. He apologized for not being able to attend the next Council Meeting due to a family vacation to Europe. He said that he loves the City of Garfield, but he also loves his Family. He said that he feels bad for missing the next few events in the City. He spoke on June 1st being Gun Violence Awareness Day. He complimented the kids of Garfield High School for the way they recognized the kids who passed away recently due to gun violence in Parkland, Florida.

Mayor Rigoglioso said that he will be wearing orange on June 1, 2018. He spoke on the need to stand up for kids who are bullied. He spoke on the need to address the Lizette Street Playground. He spoke on the Garfield Memorial Day Parade. He spoke on the Mud Run scheduled to be held May 26th in Twentieth Century Field, which will raise money for the Garfield VFW. He thanked the Garfield Boys and Girls Club who put together a Mother's Day Brunch which he said he heard was fantastic and he apologized for not attending. He spoke on the Hispanic Heritage Month event to be held on October 13th. He spoke on the Garfield YMCA having its Movies Under the Stars on June 15th. He spoke on the Garfield Rotary Club having its Beefsteak on June 7th. He spoke on the Pulaski Day Dinner to be held on June 3rd at the Royal Manor Restaurant honoring City Manager Tom Duch as the Grand Marshal of the Pulaski Day Parade in October. He congratulated Garfield City Clerk Drew Pavlica on being named "Municipal Clerk of the Year" by the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey at their Annual Conference held on May 3rd. He asked everyone to give City Clerk Pavlica a round of applause in recognition of this high honor.

ADJOURNMENT

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

On call of roll, Ayes 5

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK