

A Work Session of the City Council was held on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 6:15 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 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, Joseph Delaney and Richard Rigoglioso  
Councilmembers Absent: Erin N. 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, Building Inspector Robert Schultz and Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The City Council and Cabinet met with Garfield YMCA Executive Director Patricia Gallagher and discussed proposed City Council endorsement of a Bergen County Community Development grant application in the amount of \$180,000.00 for roof replacement in the Natatorium of their building located at 33 Outwater Lane.

The City Council and Cabinet discussed a proposed City Council endorsement of Bergen County Development grants in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the Garfield Boys and Girls Club DIY Stem Program and in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the Garfield Boys and Girls Club Program Room Development at their building located at 490 Midland Avenue.

#### ARRIVAL OF COUNCILMEMBER ERIN DELANEY

At 6:30 PM, Councilmember Erin N. Delaney joined the Work Session and it was duly noted for the record.

#### FOOD TRUCK

The City Council and Cabinet met with Caesar Valdivia of the Lomo Truck of New Jersey, 501 Central Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey 07307 regarding a potential Mobile Food Handlers License in the City of Garfield.

#### RESIDENT PARKING AND HANDICAPPED PARKING PERMITS

The City Council and Cabinet met with Police Lieutenant Michael Marsh, Police Sergeant Claire Follari and Police Officer David Pikul regarding Resident Parking and Handicapped Parking Permits.

#### AIR BNB

The City Council and Cabinet discussed the proposed ordinance regarding Air BNB and short term rental of dwelling units and apartments.

#### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND REFUSE ORDINANCE

The City Council and Cabinet discussed a proposed amendment to Chapter 164 of the City Code entitled "Garbage, Rubbish and Refuse" to make property owners solely responsible for the violation of the ordinance.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

City Manager Thomas J. Duch reported on the following:

1. The City Hall Tree Lighting to be held Friday, December 6, 2019 at 6:30 PM.

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2. The Garfield Free Public Tree Lighting to be held Thursday, December 5, 2019.
3. The Boys and Girls Club Gala to be held Wednesday, December 4, 2019.
4. The Holiday Light and Decoration Contest.
5. The After School Program Christmas Party to be held at the Recreation Center on Friday, December 20, 2019 at 3:30 PM.
6. The Dedication Ceremony by the Albanian Alliance of New Jersey regarding a Statue of Mother Teresa at 441 Harrison Avenue on Saturday, November 30, 2019.
7. CDC Clearing House on line registration.
8. The Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund dividend of \$24,051.00 for the City of Garfield.
9. The proposed appointment of Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer Philip Amato.
10. Representatives of Green Acres are excited about the installation of an ADA Special Needs Playground in 20<sup>th</sup> Century Field.
11. The current police body cameras appear to be obsolete and the estimate of \$188,000 to purchase new body cameras for the Police Department.

Councilmember Erin N. Delaney reported on the following:

1. The proposed ordinance regulating vaping.
2. The proposed Feral Cat Colony ordinance.
3. The proposed adoption of the portion of Robert's Rules of Order regulating comments during a roll call vote of matters before the City Council.

City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell reported on the following:

1. The written report of the City Engineer dated November 26, 2019.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 19-348

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 8:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 26, 2019, 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; (meeting scheduled with representatives of the White Collar Collective Bargaining Unit).
- \* 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; (retirement of Police Captain Martin Gray; resignation of Department of Public Works employee Christopher Pagan).

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

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello  
Louis G. Aloia

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 8:10 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Calandriello moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Erin N. Delaney duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at 8:20 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

### 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 Erin Delaney duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

### RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 19-349

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING GOALS FOR CONTRACTING WITH VETERAN OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES, HIRING VETERANS IN THE MUNICIPAL WORKFORCE AND RECOGNIZING THE MILITARY SERVICE OF RESIDENTS IN THE CIVIC AFFAIRS OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law, N. J. S. A. 40A:11-1 et. Seq. (the "LPCL") permits counties and municipalities to establish by resolution qualified veteran-owned business enterprise (VOB) contracting programs; and

WHEREAS, the LPCL further authorizes municipalities to establish goals for the municipality in setting aside a certain percentage of the dollar value of total procurements to be awarded as contract to VOBs; and

WHEREAS, the LPCL provides that municipalities that have set goals for contracts awarded to VOBs shall make a good faith effort to attain any goal by tracking the award of contracts to VOBs; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Richard Rigoglioso and the City Council of the City of Garfield recognize the importance of publicly recognizing veterans for their service in the normal course of carrying out local government functions; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Richard Rigoglioso and the City Council of the City of Garfield have determined that, subject to the compliance with the LPCL and the other state regulations concerning procurement and New Jersey Civil Service rules concerning hiring that it is in the best interest of the City to encourage the participation of veterans in the business of local government, the workforce and in the civic affairs of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, that the City will make a good faith effort to achieve the following goals:

- 1) Proactively notify veteran-owned businesses registered with the State of New Jersey ([https://www20.state.nj.us/TYTR\\_SAVI/vendorSearch.jsp](https://www20.state.nj.us/TYTR_SAVI/vendorSearch.jsp)) of each public bid opportunity;
- 2) In the procurement of goods and services, in accordance with N.J. S. A. 40A:11-42 (d), the City shall make a good faith effort to award 6 of the total contract dollars to Veteran Owned Business Enterprises. In achieving this goal, the City shall consider the portion of any public contract awarded that may be performed by a VOB subcontractor;
- 3) In the hiring of employees, the City, subject to all applicable New Jersey Civil Service regulations shall make a good faith effort hiring achieve the goal of a minimum 5% veteran workforce;
- 4) A discount for veterans on local license and permit fees;
- 5) Preferred parking for veterans in municipally-owned lots;

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- 6) Promote State fee exemption for local metered parking;
- 7) A municipal commuter lot permit fee waiver/reimbursement for purple heart recipients; and
- 8) Hold at least one "Patriot Day" public celebration honoring the service of veterans on Memorial Day, Veterans Day and/or the anniversary of 9-11.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in order to achieve the goals established by this resolution the City shall make best efforts, in accordance with N. J. S. A. 40A:11-43, to advertise to the VOB community the City goals, to track the award of public contracts to VOB's or VOB subcontractor and assist those enterprises in the participation of the procurement process.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-350

WHEREAS, a Mother Teresa Statue Unveiling Ceremony will be held at 441 Harrison Avenue in Garfield on Saturday, November 30, 2019 at 10:00 AM, and  
WHEREAS, the Albanian Alliance of New Jersey is hosting this event, which will commence with a walk from Twentieth Century Field to the park on Harrison Avenue, and after the ceremony, there will be a lunch at the Venetian Restaurant at 546 River Drive in Garfield, and  
WHEREAS, Mother Teresa was born on August 26, 1910, in Skopje, the current capital of Macedonia, and she is of Albanian descent, and  
WHEREAS, in February 1965, Pope Paul VI bestowed the Decree of Praise upon the Missionaries of Charity, which prompted Mother Teresa to begin expanding internationally, and by the time of her death in 1997, the Missionaries of Charity numbered more than 4,000, in addition to lay volunteers, with 610 foundations in 123 countries around the world, and  
WHEREAS, in 1979, Mother Teresa received the Noble Peace Prize, among the many awards that were bestowed upon her during her life time,  
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that upon the occasion of the dedication ceremony of the statue of Mother Teresa, the Albanian Alliance of New Jersey is hereby CONGRATULATED to call Mother Teresa as one of their own, as a fellow Albanian, and to have her good deeds and praise and many public recognitions bring so much worthwhile and positive attention to the Albanian community.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) All Five Councilmembers

Resolution No. 19-351

Resolution Authorizing the Appropriate City Officials to Enter into a Contract with Philip Amato to serve as Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer for the City of Garfield  
WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is in need of the services of a Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer;  
WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council believe that it is in the best interest of the City to enter into a contract with Philip Amato to serve as Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer for the City of Garfield;  
WHEREAS, the cost for the services for 2020 is \$3,500.00 a year,  
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of City of Garfield authorizes the City Manager, Thomas J. Duch, to enter into a contract with Philip Amato to serve as Municipal Humane Law Enforcement Officer for the City of Garfield for the year 2020.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-352

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Danielle Mellor of 711 Midland Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 as an active member, effective October 23, 2019.

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield 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) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-353

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 1 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Paul Mellor of 711 Midland Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 as an active member, effective October 23, 2019.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield 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) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-354

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 5 has advised that they have accepted Matthew Sluja of 110 Sampson Street, Garfield, New Jersey 07026 as a regular member, effective April 2, 2019,

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) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-355

WHEREAS, Migdalia Santiago, on behalf of her husband, German Serrano, 22 Grand Street, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P1763658, 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 Grand Street commencing 252 feet east of the intersection of Grand Street and River Drive and run an additional 20 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) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-356

WHEREAS, Miguel Prado, 153 MacArthur Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P2163946, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and

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

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for "Handicapped Parking", located on the west curb line of MacArthur Avenue commencing 256 feet south of the intersection of MacArthur Avenue and Frederick Street and run an additional 20 feet south from that point.

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

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

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Resolution No. 19-357

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the Friends of the Garfield Free Public Library are hereby authorized to conduct a Wine and Cheese Fundraiser Event in the Spring of 2020 and any portions of Garfield City Code Chapter 73 entitled "Alcoholic Beverages" prohibiting such activities are hereby waived strictly for this event only as long as proper paperwork and sufficient insurance are obtained.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-358

RESOLUTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES TO CONFIRM ENDORSEMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$20,000 has been proposed by Garfield Boys & Girls Club for DIY Stem Program at 490 Midland Avenue in the municipality of Garfield, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of Bergen County and the City of Garfield, and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the City of Garfield hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 19-359

RESOLUTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES TO CONFIRM ENDORSEMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$15,000 has been proposed by Garfield Boys & Girls Club for Program Room Development at 490 Midland Avenue in the municipality of Garfield, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of Bergen County and the City of Garfield, and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the City of Garfield hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

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

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 19-360

RESOLUTION FOR MUNICIPALITIES TO CONFIRM ENDORSEMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$180,000 has been proposed by Garfield YMCA for Roof Replacement in the Natatorium at 33 Outwater Lane in the City of Garfield, and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and  
WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of Bergen County and the City of Garfield, and  
WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid CD funds.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the City of Garfield hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project; and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

On call of roll, Ayes 4, Abstain 1 -  
Councilmember Joseph Delaney

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-361

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION.  
WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development Block Grant totaling \$220,000.00 has been proposed by the City of Garfield for Joseph LaFaso Field/Belmont Oval Turf Replacement in the municipality of the City of Garfield, and  
WHEREAS pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and  
WHEREAS aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the City of Garfield, and  
WHEREAS this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid Community Development application.  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the City of Garfield hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project, and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Division of Community Development (Robert G. Esposito, Director; Bergen County Division of Community Development; One Bergen County Plaza, 4th Floor; Hackensack, NJ 07601) so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-362

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION.  
WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development Block Grant totaling \$400,000.00 has been proposed by the City of Garfield for Road Improvements to Monroe Street in the municipality of the City of Garfield, and  
WHEREAS pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and  
WHEREAS aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the City of Garfield, and  
WHEREAS this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid Community Development application.  
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the City of Garfield hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project, and  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Division of Community Development (Robert G. Esposito, Director; Bergen County Division of Community Development; One Bergen County Plaza, 4th Floor; Hackensack, NJ 07601) so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

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Resolution No. 19-363

Supporting the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2019 Year End Holiday Crackdown

Whereas, approximately one-third of all fatal traffic crashes in the United States involve impaired drivers; and

Whereas, impaired driving crashes killed 10,551 people in the United States in 2018; and

Whereas, impaired driving crashes cost the United States almost \$44 Billion a year; and

Whereas, during the past five years New Jersey's roadways experienced 36,778 crashes and 679 fatalities involving impaired drivers; and

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

Whereas, the year end holiday season is traditionally a time for social gatherings which 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 2019 Year End Holiday Crackdown*; and

Whereas, the project will involve increased impaired driving enforcement from December 6, 2019 through January 1, 2020; and

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

Therefore, be it resolved that the City of Garfield declares its support for the *Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over 2019 Year End Holiday Crackdown* from December 6, 2019 through January 1, 2020 and pledges to increase awareness of the dangers of drinking and driving.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-364

Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Fiscal Grant Cycle July 2020-June 2025

FORM 1B

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey.

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore, has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse through the County of Bergen;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The City of Garfield Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Garfield Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2021 in the amount of:

	DEDR \$13,933.00
Cash Match	\$ 3,483.25
In-Kind	\$10,449.75

2. The City of Garfield Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

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Resolution No. 19-365

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 TO D.S. MEYER ENTERPRISES, LLC CONTRACT IN CONNECTION WITH THE EMERGENCY SEWER REPAIR AT 266 MIDLAND AVENUE

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to D. S. Meyer Enterprises, LLC for an emergency sewer repair at 266 Midland Avenue in the amount of \$97,500.00 (Resolution #19-320); and;

WHEREAS, it was necessary to install one 6” lateral in connection with this emergency repair in the amount of \$1,400.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Change Order No. 1, in the amount of \$1,400, is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-366

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 & FINAL IN CONNECTION WITH WELL 1A WATER TREATMENT SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to Fred Devens Construction for a permanent Water Treatment System at Well 1A, and;

WHEREAS, in order to close out the project Change Order 2 is necessary to adjust as-built quantities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$15,371.24 (\$83,303.76 below the original contract amount of \$425,000) is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-367

WHEREAS, Triumph Equities, LLC is the owner of real property known on the Tax Map of the City of Garfield as Block 131, Lot 20, commonly known as 98 Outwater Lane, in the City of Garfield, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, has filed real property tax appeal for the year(s) 2019, bearing Docket No. 006433-2019; and

WHEREAS, Robert McNerney, the appraisal expert retained by the City of Garfield, and/or James Tighe, the Tax Assessor and the City Special Litigation Counsel, Lavin & Associates, P.C., have recommended that the appeal be settled; and

WHEREAS, said properties were assessed for the year(s) as follows:

Block 131, Lot 120 (Street Address- 98 Outwater Lane):

Year	Land	Improvements	Total
2019 Original Assessment	\$3,724,400	\$1,201,200	\$4,925,600

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the Special Litigation Counsel is hereby authorized to enter into a settlement of the real property tax by reducing the assessments as follows:

Block 131, Lot 20 (Street Address- 98 Outwater Lane):

Year	Land	Improvements	Total
2019 Settlement	\$3,724,400	\$475,600	\$4,200,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that no interest be paid on any refund or credit due the taxpayer provided it is paid within the statutory time period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Special Litigation Counsel is hereby authorized to sign a Stipulation of Settlement consistent with the terms of this Resolution.

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On call of roll, Ayes 5

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Frank J. Calandriello

Resolution No. 19-368

See

the

following

pages

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For

Capital

Budget

Amendment

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Resolution No. 19-369

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the following Bills No. 2211 to 2216 covering Community Policing Trust Fund and Trust Other totaling \$90,052.91 and the Current Fund Reserve totaling \$4,471.48 and the Current Fund totaling \$504,731.37 and the Water Fund totaling \$51,420.51 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$39,058.50 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$57,303.66 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 twenty five (25) items prior to the meeting be ratified.

See

the

following pages numbered \_\_\_\_\_

for

Bills

and

Claims

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 2824

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, November 12, 2019; 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 MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,238,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, 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 Calandriello duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

Ordinance No. 2825

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, November 12, 2019; 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 APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$300,000 FOR THE DESIGN, PERMITTING AND PROPERTY ACQUISITION PHASES OF THE RIVER DRIVE ROADWAY AND PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (PHASE 2) IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL 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 Calandriello 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 164 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED "GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND REFUSE"

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City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Councilmember Erin Delaney moved that this ordinance entitled: “AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 164 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND REFUSE” 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 December 10, 2019 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: Ayes 4, Abstain 1 – Councilmember Calandriello.

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Mr. Jeanette Casiano, 481 Harrison Avenue, spoke on speeding on Harrison Avenue and spoke on a fatal accident that occurred in front of her house on June 27<sup>th</sup>. She asked for speed bumps on Harrison Avenue to slow traffic down.

Ms. Dolores Capizzi, 107 Midland Avenue, congratulated the Council and City Manager for the Special Needs Playground to be installed in Twentieth Century Field. She said that it was an idea that she brought to the City years ago which was brought to her by her 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. She suggested that the students be acknowledged when the Playground is dedicated. She complained about the condition of the Fire House No. One driveway ramp next to her house. She questioned when the street and property improvements in front of her house would be done. She spoke on the need to regulate Air BNB and short term rentals.

Mr. Julio “Angel” Quilles, 95 Willard Street, spoke on the passing of former Councilman John Benanti and how he served his country in the Navy during World War II and during the Korean War. He suggested that something be named in his honor, such as a street.

Ms. Elaine Giardino, 109 Marsellus Place, spoke on crime in the City and how well the Police Department has taken care of her neighborhood in the First Ward. She claimed that a crime report from the Police Department showed that the Passaic Street area had the lowest crime in the City of Garfield. She spoke on how this area of the City is talked down and degraded. She claimed that Midland Avenue to Passaic Street has the lowest volume of crime in the entire City. She spoke on her love for the City of Garfield. She said that to find out that information after all that she and her neighbors have gone through, fighting inappropriate use of eminent domain, and what people say, she is really proud to be a part of that area of town that she said is put down in so many ways. She said that the neighbors really care about their neighborhood and do their best to keep an eye on things. She spoke on hoping that new people who might move into her neighborhood will want to be there for the kind of things that are created throughout Garfield. She spoke on creating situations that bring in people who care and want to stay around and have family here and frequent City businesses. She thanked everyone who works with her neighbors to make that happen and she asked for a large meeting where the citizens of Garfield are invited to find out what the plans are, not just learning bits and pieces, and explain things as it goes along, and everyone gets a chance to give their opinion, and hear City Officials and get insight into what is going on, and what the plans are, from City Officials. She spoke on citizens doing a lot of research, who care about Garfield, and wanting to be a part of making Garfield as best as it can be. She spoke on people who live here and care about Garfield wanting to remain and bring other people in. She spoke on the importance of creating a Garfield for the future, with citizens willing to work with City Officials, and to look at whatever plans there are, and help in whatever way possible, and for the door to be opened for the people of Garfield to participate.

Ms. Joan Banez, 20 Hepworth Place, spoke on Passaic Street being repaved in the future. She spoke on crime in Garfield and she spoke on what Mayor Rigoglioso had been quoted as saying in

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the past. She spoke on crime from Midland Avenue to River Drive and in other parts of town. She spoke on crime reports from the Police Department. She spoke on statements to her from the Deputy Mayor which she said were intimidating and “bullying”. She spoke on recording the Deputy Mayor on her cellphone to share with those who are unable to attend Council Meetings, and who do not have technology in their homes, and who may not be able to watch Council Meetings, during the times it is broadcast on Cable TV.

Mr. Richard Derrig, 71 Herman Street, thanked City Manager Duch for doing a great job getting all the grants that he does for the City. He spoke on the proposed \$7 million improvements to the Athletic Complex at Garfield High School and on the proposed three question referendum to be placed on the ballot at the April School Board Election in 2020. He spoke on an application before last night’s meeting of the Zoning Board of Adjustment involving the Mayor’s brother, and he spoke on the process to appoint members to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. He suggested that the application should have been heard by an out-of-town Zoning Board.

Mr. James Farias, 58 Somerset Street, spoke in favor of what the City has been doing in regard to the improvements to River Drive and the parks along the Passaic River. He spoke on how he would like to see the City go more “Green” in regard to any new buildings that are developed in the future, and not to go as high as six-stories. He spoke on wanting more Police walking a beat on Passaic Street. He spoke on littering in town. He spoke on finding people to put into community service. He spoke on working together as a group and on how communication is the key to success.

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City Manager Duch answered questions and explained issues that were raised by the public this evening.

Councilmember Aloia spoke on Harrison Avenue being a highway, and he spoke on disrespectful drivers. He spoke on the proposed installation of speed tables. He spoke on people having disregard for their neighbors. He spoke on Air BNB and short term rentals, and people needing to make a commitment to the town. He spoke on trying to come up with solutions. He spoke on neighbors looking out for their neighbors being the best policing there can be. He spoke on inviting students to the dedication of the Special Needs Playground. He spoke on the passing of former Councilman John Benanti. He spoke on the names of the men on the City Veterans Monument who gave their lives in military service to their country. He spoke on the possible use of Columbus Park at the intersection of Outwater Lane and Midland Avenue. He spoke on how the School Board has a \$100 million a year Budget and how in 10 years that is \$1 billion. He said that with all that money, the School Board should be able to fix their Athletic Fields. He spoke on publicly recognizing and giving thanks to people nominated by the Mayor and Council at the December 10<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. He spoke on the City Tree Lighting Ceremony scheduled to be held on December 6<sup>th</sup>, and the Library Tree Lighting Celebration being on December 5<sup>th</sup>. He wished everyone a Blessed Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Calandriello said that in reference to the proposed improvements to the Athletic Complex at Garfield High School, a referendum on the ballot is where it belongs. He spoke on how the project would be over \$8 million when interest is taken into account. He spoke on how the School Board should have improved the High School Athletic Fields over the years. He said that he would like a copy of the crime reports cited by Joan Banez. He spoke on how he believed that the Passaic Street area was the most troubled area of the City. He spoke on how it has been said that Redevelopment is needed in the First Ward of the City because of crime statistics. He spoke on the passing of former Councilman John Benanti. He spoke on the need to regulate Air BNB and short-term rentals in the City. He spoke on involving 5<sup>th</sup> grade students at any ceremony involving the dedication of a Special Needs Playground in Twentieth Century Field. He spoke on the need for action to address speeding and accidents on Harrison Avenue. He spoke on not voting in favor of Redevelopment on River Drive because he had not seen the Report until that very day he was asked to vote. He spoke on how Garfield is not missing opportunities, and how the City of Garfield has

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been progressing, and he is seeing a large number of approvals for Redevelopment. He said that Redevelopment should be done in a smart way, and professionally, and how Redevelopment is the future, but it has to be done right. He said that he sees so much going on in Garfield, that it is not stagnant. He spoke on a proposed Grand Opening Ceremony for the Dog Park in the Hobart Place Playground, and how that should be postponed until the Spring. He spoke on Governor Phil Murphy being in Garfield today at the VFW with the former U.S. Secretary of Homeland Security, Jeh Johnson, and with Congressman Bill Pascrell. He spoke on New Jersey being the State with the highest population density in the nation. He spoke on traffic in Garfield. He spoke on Garfield coming together as Municipality and how it is important to treat everybody with respect. He wished everybody a Happy Thanksgiving. He said that it is one of the great holidays in which we give thanks for what we have.

Councilmember Erin N. Delaney spoke on needing to address the speeding on Harrison Avenue sooner rather than later. She spoke on the Special Needs Playground finally progressing and moving forward. She spoke on the need to regulate and limit Air BNB and short-term rentals. She spoke on Open Public Records Act requests in regard to crime reports from the Police Department. She spoke in support of attending a large meeting in regard to what the City plans to do. She spoke on possibly involving high school students to pick up litter. She spoke on the Parking Ordinance concerning new construction that will be considered for adoption at the December 10<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. She spoke on a proposed Ordinance regarding Handicapped Parking Permits. She spoke on a proposed Ordinance concerning Feral Cat Colonies. She spoke on establishing a committee to address the 2020 Federal Census to make sure that Garfield is accurately counted for representation in the Legislature and for all the Federal funding that is at stake. She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and said that it is a wonderful time of year.

Deputy Mayor Joseph Delaney spoke on Redevelopment and the proposed improvements to the Athletic Fields at Garfield High School. He spoke on how Passaic Street was thriving when he was a kid. He spoke on interest on Bond Ordinances and he spoke on the proposed Referendums regarding the proposed improvements to the Athletic Fields at Garfield High School. He spoke on how the City Council appoints members to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. He spoke on how the Mayor, pursuant to statute, appoints members to the Planning Board. He thanked Councilwoman Erin Delaney for advocating for the Special Needs Playground. He spoke on attending the event hosted by Congressman Bill Pascrell today at the Garfield VFW. He spoke on the dedication of the Mother Teresa statue to be held this coming Saturday on Harrison Avenue. He spoke on the untimely passing of Wayne Harper, who was an active member of the Boys and Girls Club of Garfield Coaches Association. He spoke on him being a leader of the community and how he passed away suddenly. He spoke on Councilwoman Erin Delaney being recognized on December 4<sup>th</sup> at the Garfield Boys and Girls Club Wall of Champions Gala at the Venetian Restaurant on River Drive. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mayor Rigoglioso spoke on this Saturday's dedication of the statue of Mother Teresa on Harrison Avenue. He spoke on the need to address speeding and accidents on Harrison Avenue. He spoke on the crime statistics that he received from Police Chief Raymond Kovach. He spoke on the proposed referendum concerning the proposed improvements to the Athletic Fields at Garfield High School. He commented on his Brother owning a property on Jewell Street, which he owned before he was Mayor, which burned down before he was Mayor, and how his brother is rebuilding the property. He proposed holding a Summit during the Summer. He spoke on new businesses in town. He spoke on Saturday being "Support Your Small Businesses" Day. He spoke on Redevelopment in town and the need for dialogue, and how people may have different visions. He spoke on the need for Redevelopment on Passaic Street. He said that all agree that Redevelopment needs to happen to move Garfield in a better direction. He wished everyone a Happy and Healthy Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:30 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Calandriello moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Erin N. Delaney duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 5

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK