

**WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE
GARFIELD MAYOR AND COUNCIL
April 8, 2025
6:00P.M.**

The Work Session Meeting of the Garfield Mayor and Council for April 8, 2025 was called to order by City Manager/City Clerk Erin Delaney at 6:00PM. The Statement of Compliance was read.

On Roll Call present members were: Councilmembers Rigoglioso & Delaney, Deputy Mayor Kane, Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond, and Mayor Garnto. Also present were City Manager/City Clerk Delaney, City CFO Nicholas Prochilo, City Engineer Kevin Boswell, and City Attorney Richard Malagiere.

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

Now, Therefore Be Advised, that the meeting requirements for this meeting have been met by publishing an annual meeting notice in The Record and Herald News and by posting such notice in the office of the City Clerk as well as in a public place within the Municipal Building, and by notifying interested citizens. Said notice was posted on January 2, 2025 and published on January 7, 2025.

Work Meeting Agenda Items:

Action Items:

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond and seconded by Deputy Mayor Kane to approve the March 25, 2025 Regular Meeting and March 31, 2025 Special Meeting minutes. The motions carried unanimously.

2. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING

R-181-25 Introduce Ord. #3066

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 201
(LITTERING) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF
GARFIELD CODE**

R-182-25 Introduce Ord. #3067

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 333, WATER,
ARTICLE I, RATES, OF THE REVISED GENERAL
ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

R-183-25 Introduce Ord. #3068

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 164 (GARBAGE,
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BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW ALTERNATIVE FUEL AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, 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 \$1,215,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, 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
- R-185-25 Introduce Ord. #3070
CALENDAR YEAR 2025 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

SECOND READING

- R-186-25 Introduce Ord. #3064
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 5 - BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD
- R-187-25 Introduce Ord. #3065
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AMENDING THE CITY CODE PART I (ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 5 (BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMISSIONS) TO ADOPT A NEW ARTICLE VII (RESIDENTS ADVISORY BOARD)

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

- R-188-25 Approval of Bills List
- R-189-25 Authorizing the Award of a Contract to Adamo Brothers for the Jewell Street Park Spray Ground Improvements
- R-190-25 Authorizing Payment of Payment Requisition No. 3 to Madina Restoration Inc., for Services Rendered in Connection with the Façade and Roof Rehabilitation Project Garfield Recreation Building
- R-191-25 Authorizing Payment of Payment Requisition No. 24 (GAR 2025-02) to National Metering Services, Inc., For Services Rendered in Connection with the Water Meter Replacement Program Phase 2
- R-192-25 Approving Sewer Payment Refund
- R-193-25 Approving Tax Overpayment Refund
- R-194-25 Authorizing the Purchase of Computer Equipment Upgrades with SHI International Corp.
- R-195-25 Authorizing the Purchase of an EV Bus in Accordance with Grant Guidelines with National Auto Fleet Group
- R-196-25 Authorizing Emergency Temporary Appropriations to Fund the Acquisition of Computer and Equipment Upgrades for a Total of \$150,000 Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20
- R-197-25 Requesting an Extension of Time to Award and Commence Construction on a NJDOT Project Known as Harrison Avenue Improvement Program (LTPF-23)
- R-198-25 Approving Handicap Parking Space
- R-199-25 Approval of 2025 Vehicle Sales Business Licenses

- R-200-25 Approving 2025 Vehicle Repair and Auto Body Repair Facility Licenses
- R-201-25 Approving Resignation Active Member – Fire Department
- R-202-25 Approving Resignation Active Member – Fire Department
- R-203-25 Approving Resignation Active Member – Fire Department
- R-204-25 Approving the Execution of a Contract with the Teamsters Local Union
No. 469
- R-205-25 Resolution to Approve the Consent Agenda

4. BUDGET INTRODUCTION

- R-206-25 Introduction of 2025 Municipal Budget

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-181-25**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3066
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 201 (LITTERING) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD CODE

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on, April 22, 2025 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3066**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 201 (LITTERING) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD CODE

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Garfield based upon feedback from the residents believes it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to Amend CHAPTER 201 of the City Code of the City of Garfield to provide more specific requirements for business to maintain the areas in front of their establishments throughout the City;

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

§201-16 (Maintenance of private premises and quasi-public places free of litter) is hereby amended by adding the following subsection (C) to the end of the existing section after (B):

- C. The owner, agent lessee, tenant, occupant or other person who manages or controls a building or lot where a business or trade is sited, or operating shall be responsible for keeping the area in front of the business free of debris and garbage. Specifically, the owner, agent lessee, tenant, occupant or other person who manages or controls a building or lot where a business or trade is sited, or operating is responsible for monitoring the area in front of the business and keeping it clear of garbage and debris and properly maintained at all times.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication in accordance with Law.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 8, 2025

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-182-25**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3067
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 333, WATER, ARTICLE I, RATES, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

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ATTEST: _____
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City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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Raymond	X			
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City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3067**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 333, WATER, ARTICLE I, RATES, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, Chapter 333, Water, Article I, Rates, establishes the rates for water usage in the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield desires to implement a rate increase for water services within the City of Garfield and special rates established for buildings outside the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, the last water rate increase was implemented on March 28, 2023,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, that Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 333, Water, Article I, Rates, is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION ONE:

§ 333-1. Private dwellings.

- A. The water rates for private dwelling houses per quarter shall hereinafter be as follows:
1. One-family dwelling: \$47.48 per quarter for 10 CCF or less.
 - a. For water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter, the following excess usage rates shall apply:
 - i. \$3.153 up to 60 CCF.
 - ii. \$3.220 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - iii. \$3.276 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - iv. \$3.343 over 100 CCF.
 2. Two-family dwelling: \$77.48 per quarter for 20 CCF or less.
 - a. For water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter, the following excess usage rates shall apply:
 - i. \$3.153 up to 60 CCF.
 - ii. \$3.220 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - iii. \$3.276 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - iv. \$3.343 over 100 CCF.
 3. Three-family dwelling: \$107.48 per quarter for 30 CCF or less.
 - a. For water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter, the following excess usage rates shall apply:
 - a. \$3.153 up to 60 CCF.
 - b. \$3.220 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - c. \$3.276 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - d. \$3.343 over 100 CCF.
 4. Four-family dwelling: \$137.48 per quarter for 40 CCF or less.
 - a. For water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter, the following excess usage rates shall apply:
 - a. \$3.153 up to 60 CCF.
 - b. \$3.220 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - c. \$3.276 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - d. \$3.343 over 100 CCF.
- B. For each family in one house exceeding four families, add \$30.00 per quarter and 10 CCF or less for each additional family.
- C. Special rates for senior citizens. For all properties owned by senior citizens and which qualify for a senior citizen tax deduction pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:4-8.40 et seq., the rates shall be as follows:

1. One-family dwelling: \$23.74 per quarter for 10 CCF or less.
2. All other rate provisions, including excess usage rate, shall be as set forth above.

§ 333-2. Factories and small businesses.

- A. The minimum rate for factories, restaurants, taverns and other small businesses shall be \$59.99 per quarter for 5 CCF.
- B. For all water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter the excess usage rates shall be:
 1. \$3.153 up to 60 CCF.
 2. \$3.220 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 3. \$3.276 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 4. \$3.343 over 100 CCF.

§ 333-3. Churches and parochial schools.

- A. The water rates for all churches and schools shall be \$59.99 per quarter.
- B. For all water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter the excess usage rates shall be:
 1. \$3.153 up to 60 CCF.
 2. \$3.220 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 3. \$3.276 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 4. \$3.343 over 100 CCF.

§ 333-4. Schools.

The water rates for schools shall be as follows:

School	Fire	Water
All Pre-Schools	\$102.62	\$221.17
No. 4	\$102.62	\$221.17
No. 5	\$102.62	\$221.17
No. 6	\$102.62	\$221.17
No. 7	\$102.62	\$221.17
No. 8	\$102.62	\$221.17
No. 9	\$102.62	\$221.17
No. 10	\$102.62	\$221.17
Middle School	\$205.24	\$772.23
High school	\$205.24	\$772.23

§ 333-5. Municipal and public buildings.

The water rates for all municipal and public buildings shall be a flat quarterly rate of:

<u>Building:</u>	<u>Rate:</u>
All City Owned Buildings	\$0.00
All Firehouses	\$0.00
Public Library	\$96.97

§ 333-6. Buildings under construction.

The water rates for buildings under construction shall be \$221.17.

§ 333-7. Buildings three stories or greater.

- A. The minimum rate for apartments, mills, factories, school buildings or any dwelling or other building of unusual type three stories or more shall be \$405.00 per quarter for 5 CCF.
- B. For all water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter the excess usage rates shall be:
 - 1. \$3.153 up to 60 CCF.
 - 2. \$3.220 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - 3. \$3.276 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - 4. \$3.343 over 100 CCF.

§ 333-8. Standby charges for businesses.

Standby charges for businesses shall be \$437.91 per quarter. Standby charges for businesses located outside the City of Garfield shall be \$505.55 per quarter.

§ 333-9. Special rates for buildings outside City.

- A. For water consumed and furnished to buildings located outside the City limits of the City of Garfield, the rate shall be \$63.88 per 10 CCF.
- B. For all water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter the excess usage rate be: \$6.388 per CCF

§ 333-10. Fire service connections; detector check valve.

- A. There are hereby established the following rates for fire service connections to the municipal water system of the City of Garfield installed for the use of private persons, firms, corporations or other entities. The rates for each quarter in every year shall be paid by the owner of any house, tenement, building, structure or lot when the utility is available for use at said house, tenement, building, structure or lot.

Size of Connection (inches):	Quarterly Charge:
2	\$132.45
2 1/2	\$197.43
3	\$329.87
4	\$397.35
6	\$1,058.36
8	\$1,212.05
10	\$1,980.53
12	\$2,635.38

- B. Any private person, corporation or other entity which maintains a fire service connection to the municipal water system of the City of Garfield shall be required to install a detector check valve at the location of the connection. This detector check valve shall be installed at the cost and expense of the person, firm, corporation or other entity. The City of Garfield Water Department shall have the right at any reasonable time, to inspect said detector check valve in order to ensure that it is operating properly.

§ 333-11. Quarterly service charges.

- A. There are hereby established the following quarterly service charges by meter size as follows:

<u>Size of Connection (inches):</u>	<u>Quarterly Charge:</u>
5/8	\$ 12.61
3/4	\$ 12.61
1	\$ 31.53
1 1/2	\$ 63.05
2	\$ 100.88
3	\$ 189.15
4	\$ 315.25
6	\$ 630.50
8	\$1,008.80
10	\$1,261.00
12	\$1,576.25

- B. The Water Department shall charge the owner or water consumer a service fee as set forth herein in addition to the normal charges for consumption of water. These service charges are to be paid by the owner of any house, tenement, building, structure or lot where said water utility is available for use at the house, tenement, building, structure or lot.
- C. The quarterly service charge shall entitle the water consumer or property owner to have a service connection from delivery main to curb box repaired and maintained by the Garfield Water Department, provided that said curb box is not located on the private property of the owner or consumer. Repair and maintenance by the Garfield Water Department shall include the cost of relaying any service main where required at the discretion of the Water Department, and the breaking and replacement of any pavement where necessary. The responsibility of the Garfield Water Department shall include the repair of any leaks occurring between the delivery main and the curb box.
- D. The responsibility of service connections from the curb box into the metered premises shall be determined by the location of the curb box:
1. If the curb box is located within the curb line and on the private property of the owner or consumer, it shall be the responsibility of the owner or consumer. However, water meters for service connections less than or equal to one inch shall be the responsibility of the Garfield Water Department.
 2. If the curb box is located on property other than that of the owner or consumer, it shall be the responsibility of the Garfield Water Department.
- E. The owner of the property or consumer at the premises where a meter has been installed by the Garfield Water Department shall protect from freezing, abuse and neglect or other injury, water meters, service pipes and sundry equipment. Where replacement, repair or adjustment of any meter becomes necessary due to an act of repeated neglect of or intentional damage by the owner or consumer at any premises, such expense to the Water Department based on the Garfield Water Department's time and materials shall be charged to and collected from the owner or consumer at said premises.
- F. Defective materials installed by the Garfield Water Department, where there has been no neglect, abuse or other damage caused by the owner or consumer, shall be the responsibility of the Garfield Water Department.

§ 333-12. Billing periods; lien for charges.

- A. Quarters.
1. Charges for use of water and service shall be quarterly and the quarters of each year shall be divided into specific periods as follows:
 - a. January, February and March.
 - b. April, May and June.
 - c. July, August and September.
 - d. October, November and December.
 2. If an application is made to connect or disconnect within any of the quarters, a full quarterly rate shall be charged, with no prorating by reason of the commencement of use or ending of use at a time which shortens the full quarter.
- B. The Water Department shall render quarterly bills within 10 days after the end of each quarter for the various services covered under this chapter, and the persons liable for the payment thereof shall make payment to the Water Collector of the City of Garfield before the expiration of 30 days after the end of the quarter. Failure to pay upon the due date shall render the owner liable to a penalty in the sum of 10% per annum upon the amount due.
- C. The owner of any house, tenement, building, structure or lot, when said utilities herein mentioned are available for the use of said house, tenement, building, structure or lot, shall be liable for the payment of the charges fixed herein, and the charges shall be a lien upon said house, tenement, building, structure or lot until paid and satisfied
- D. In the event that payment for water charges is in arrears for two billing quarters, the City of Garfield shall send to the owner, occupier, user or responsible party (that person, firm or corporation to whom water charges are being billed), a notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, and also by regular mail. Said notice shall advise the responsible party, as described above, that water service will be terminated 30 days from the date of the notice if full payment, including all accrued interest, is not made. In the event that full payment is not received within that thirty-day period, the water service shall be discontinued until payment in full has been made as aforesaid. In the event that service is discontinued, in addition to the payment of all outstanding charges and interest, there shall be an additional charge of \$150.06 for reconnection. This fee must be paid in full prior to reconnection of service.
- E. If any charge remains in arrears for six months, the Water Department shall notify the Tax Collector of the details thereof, and the Tax Collector shall draw a statement showing such arrearages and file the same in his office, whereupon said charge shall be a lien upon the real estate to which the utility was furnished and in connection with which the charges were incurred to the same extent as taxes are a lien upon real estate in the municipality and shall be collected and enforced by the same officers and in the same manner as liens for taxes.

§ 333-13. Right to enter into separate contracts.

The City reserves the right to enter into separate contracts with any person, firm or corporation provided for within the terms of this chapter for the use of water and water service.

§ 333-14. Exclusive right to connect to City water main.

The City of Garfield shall have the exclusive right to connect and tap in a service to water mains owned and maintained by the City of Garfield. The following rates shall prevail for connecting such service and/or tapping the City of Garfield water mains:

Size of Connection (inches)	Connection Fee Per Service or Tap
3/4	\$1,102.28
1	\$1,653.41
2	\$2,204.55
4	\$3,306.83
6	\$4,960.24
8	\$8,267.06

§ 333-15. Bypass meters.

There are hereby established the following rates for bypass meters used in connection with the municipal water system of the City of Garfield. The following rates for each quarter in every year are to be paid by the owner of any house, tenement, building, structure or lot when said utility is available for the use of same:

Size (inches)	Quarterly Rate
1 1/2 to 2	\$437.34

SECTION TWO:

Severability. The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. Should any section, paragraph, subparagraph, provision, sentence, or part hereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional, said finding shall not affect any other section, paragraph, subparagraph, provision, sentence, or part thereof and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION THREE:

Effective Date. Following final passage, adoption and publication as provided by law, the water rates established in this Ordinance shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

ATTEST: _____

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

Introduced: April 8, 2025

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-183-25**

**TABLED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3068
FIRST READING**

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BE IT RESOLVED, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on, April 22, 2025 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

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ATTEST: _____
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Record of Council Vote to Table

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was tabled by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

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WHEREAS the Governing Body of Garfield based upon feedback from the residents believes it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to Amend CHAPTER 164 of the City Code of the City of Garfield to provide more specific requirements on securing garbage receptacles and their placement.

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

§164-3 (Hours for placement at curb, residential properties; violations and penalties) is hereby amended deleting the introductory paragraph and replacing it with the following language:

The property owner shall be prohibited from placing any garbage, refuse, solid waste, recyclables or any other materials placed at the curb/sidewalk area in front of and/or on the side of his/her/their properties for disposal or pickup at the curb prior to 3:00 p.m. of the day before said pickup is scheduled. Each individual property owner who violates this section shall be punished as follows:

§164-5 (Storage and placement) is hereby amended as follows and indicated:

- A. Storage. Garbage, refuse, solid waste, recyclables or any other materials awaiting collection shall be deposited in a covered container(s) or receptacle(s) with the lids in good working order securely fastened onto the containers or receptacles with no garbage or refuse overflowing, in accordance with Chapter 201 of the City Code, which shall be kept in an upright position and regularly disinfected. Overflowing containers or receptacles or loose bags or garbage placed outside of containers or receptacles is strictly forbidden.
- B. Placement. Refuse receptacles are to be stored on the side of buildings or houses at least fifteen (15) feet from the curb; refuse receptacles may be stored in the front of buildings or houses only if they are in an enclosed storage container or behind a fence so as not be visible from the street ; or kept in such place or placed out of public view and so as not to become a nuisance to the occupants of any dwelling.
- C. Dumpsters. Any establishment requiring the use of dumpsters shall do so in accordance with Chapter 287, Article V, of the City Code.
- D. Penalties. Each property owner who violates this section shall be subject to the following penalties:
 - (1) First offense: a \$150 fine, payable by mail or in person or online. Court appearance is not required.
 - (2) Second offense within a twelve-month period: a \$250 fine, payable by mail or in person or online. Court appearance is not required.
 - (3) Third offense within a twelve-month period: a fine of \$500 and a mandatory court appearance. The City Municipal Judge shall have the authority to sentence the offending party to not less than eight hours and no more than 30 hours of community service.
 - (4) Fourth offense and each offense thereafter within a twelve-month period: a fine of not less \$1,000 and not greater than \$2,000 and a mandatory court appearance. The City Municipal Judge shall have the authority to sentence the offending party to not less than 100 hours and no more than 200 hours of community service.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication in accordance with Law.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Tabled: April 8, 2025

Introduced:

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3069**

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW ALTERNATIVE FUEL AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, 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 \$1,215,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE A STATE GRANT, 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

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "City") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire new information technology equipment and a new alternative fuel automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said City, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. The cost of the improvements includes all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the State grant and the down payment appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said City.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the State grant hereinafter appropriated, and (3) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (5) the period of

usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Acquisition of a new alternative fuel automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of an electric bus for the use of the Senior Center.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 325,000
State Grant Appropriated	\$ 193,948
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 6,252
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 124,800
Period of Usefulness	5 years

B. Undertaking of various improvements at Jewell Street Spray Park.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 535,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 25,500
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 509,500
Period of Usefulness	15 years

C. Installation of security cameras at Columbus Park.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 205,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 9,800
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 195,200
Period of Usefulness	10 years

D. Acquisition of new information technology equipment consisting of computer upgrade equipment for the use of various City departments, offices and agencies.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 150,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 7,200
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 142,800
Period of Usefulness	5 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$1,215,000
State Grant Appropriated	\$ 193,948
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 48,752
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 972,300

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$140,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 6. The sum of \$193,948 received or to be received as a grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the vehicle acquisition authorized in Section 4.A hereof.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$48,752, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said City, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$48,752 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$972,300 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 9. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$972,300 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 10. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said City and attested by the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 11.24 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 12. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said City, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$972,300 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 13. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes (other than the State grant hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purposes, but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 14. The City intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the City incurs such

costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the City hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 15. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the City, and the City shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the City for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 16. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the City Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 17. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST: _____

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

Introduced: April 8, 2025

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-185-25**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3070
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

**CALENDAR YEAR 2025 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on, May 13, 2025 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3070**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2025 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2025 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that a 1.0% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$346,231 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2025 budget year, the final appropriations of the City of Garfield shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by up to 3.5 %, amounting to \$1,211,807, and that the CY 2025 municipal budget for the City of Garfield be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 8, 2025

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing. No one wished to be heard.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-186-25**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3064
SECOND READING**

WHEREAS, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 5 - BOARDS,
COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES
OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, March 25, 2025 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

WHEREAS, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3064**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 5 - BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield (the “City”) maintains in Part 1, Administrative Regulations, Chapter 5 entitled “BOARDS, COMMITTEES and COMMISSIONS” of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of City residents at this time to amend the City Code, Chapter 5 entitled “BOARDS, COMMITTEES and COMMISSIONS”, Article V entitled “EVENT PLANNING AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE” (the “Committee”) to allow the membership on the Committee, which currently permits up to 25 members, to permit up to 40 members; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City has further determined that it is further desirable to amend Chapter 5 entitled “BOARDS, COMMITTEES and COMMISSIONS”, Article V entitled “EVENT PLANNING AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE” to allow that 2 of the 40 members of the Committee may be members of the City Council whose terms shall be concurrent with their terms as members of the City Council;

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, that Part 1, Administrative Regulations Chapter 5 entitled “BOARDS, COMMITTEES and COMMISSIONS”, Article V entitled “EVENT PLANNING AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE” is hereby amended to include as follows:

Section 1. The following sections or subsections and current text of those sections or subsections of City Ordinance General Legislation, Chapter 5 entitled “BOARDS, COMMITTEES and COMMISSIONS”, Article V entitled “EVENT PLANNING AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE” is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 5-28 entitled “Membership”.

The Event Planning and Recreation Advisory Committee shall consist of up to 40 members, with a diverse range of business interests, two of whom may be members of the City Council. All the members, except for the two members of the City Council who must be residents of Garfield, may or may not be residents of the City of Garfield. Committee members shall serve without compensation.

§ 5-29. entitled “Appointment; qualifications and term; quorum”, subsection B. The term of office shall be three years, except for the members of the City Council whose term or terms shall expire concurrently with the expiration of their term or terms as a member of the City Council. The terms of the original appointments shall be from one to five years to the end that no more than eight terms will expire in any one year.

Section 2. The remainder of Chapter 5 entitled “BOARDS, COMMITTEES and COMMISSIONS”, Article V entitled “EVENT PLANNING AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE” is ratified and remains in full force and effect.

Section 3. If any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid in any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the other sections or provisions of this Ordinance, except so far as the section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder of any portion thereof.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinance inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication in accordance with Law.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 25, 2025

Adopted: April 8, 2025

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing. No one wished to be heard.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-187-25**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3065
SECOND READING**

WHEREAS, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AMENDING THE CITY CODE PART I (ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 5 (BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS) TO ADOPT A NEW ARTICLE VII (RESIDENTS ADVISORY BOARD)

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, March 25, 2025 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

WHEREAS, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3065**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AMENDING THE CITY CODE PART I (ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 5 (BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS) TO ADOPT A NEW ARTICLE VII (RESIDENTS ADVISORY BOARD)

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield (the “City” or “Garfield”) maintains Part I Administrative Legislation, CHAPTER 5 (Boards, Committees and Commissions) in its body of ordinances; and

WHEREAS, under Chapter 5 (Boards, Committees and Commissions), there are six Articles (I – VI) set out; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of Garfield finds that it is in the best interest of the City to amend Part I, Chapter 5, to add a NEW Article VII entitled RESIDENTS ADVISORY BOARD as follows:

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of Garfield, that Part I Administrative Legislation, CHAPTER 5 (Boards, Committees and Commissions) is hereby amended to add Article VII “Residents Advisory Board” as follows:

§ 5-40. Findings; purpose.

The Mayor and City Council have determined that it is in the public interest to officially recognize a Residents Advisory Board with membership from each of the City’s Five Wards as a mechanism to provide efficient and real-time communication to the Mayor and City Council regarding issues of concern City wide. Accordingly, the Mayor and City Council will be able to provide attention to the issues raised.

§ 5-41. Creation.

Pursuant to the authority vested in the City Council of the City of Garfield under and by virtue of N.J.S.A. 40:81-13 et seq., there is hereby created the Residents Advisory Board of the City of Garfield.

§ 5-42. President and Vice President.

A. The Mayor shall appoint a President and Vice President of the Residents Advisory Board each of whom shall be a City resident and a resident for at least three (3) years prior to the appointment. The President and Vice President shall thereafter propose two (2) Garfield residents from each of the City’s five (5) Wards (10 people in total) to the Mayor and City Council for appointment from the pool of residents who have submitted an application as set out immediately below.

B. The term of office for the President and Vice President shall be for two years. Regardless of what month an appointment is made, the two-year term for the President and/or Vice President shall end December 31 of the second calendar year of the term.

C. If a vacancy in any term shall occur, otherwise than by expiration of the term, it shall be filled by appointment as above provided for the unexpired term.

D. The Mayor, or his/her designee, shall be an ex officio member thereof.

E. The President and Vice President of the Board must be residents of the City and shall, before assuming office, take and subscribe to an oath that he or she will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his or her office.

§ 5-43. Membership.

A. The Residents Advisory Board shall consist of up to ten (10) members of the City of Garfield, not including the President and Vice President, each of whom resided in the City for at least 1 year prior to appointment. Board members will serve without compensation.

B. To be considered for a position on the Residents Advisory Board, a qualified City

resident must complete an application form and submit same to the President of the Residents Advisory Board.

C. The President and Vice President shall select candidates from the applications submitted; ten residents (2 from each of the City's five (5) wards) and recommend a slate of ten (10) applicants to the Mayor and Council. The Mayor and Council may interview candidates by way of a committee of less than three City Council members in coordination with the President and Vice President of the Board. The Mayor and Council shall appoint members (2 from each Ward) to serve for a one-year term. Regardless of what month an appointment is made, the one-year Member term shall end December 31 of the calendar year of the appointment.

D. Notwithstanding, the Mayor and City Council may re-appoint member(s) for additional term(s) without having the member(s) re-apply as often as it may deem appropriate and as long as the Board's make up consists of two (2) members from each of the City's Wards. There will be no holdovers.

E. The members of the Board must be residents of the City and shall, before assuming office, take and subscribe to an oath that he or she will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of his or her office.

§ 5-44. Duties.

A. The Residents Advisory Board shall have the power and duty to:

- Create subcommittees as necessary.
- Make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council and other City departments, commissions, boards and agencies in order to improve the quality of life in the City of Garfield.
- Engage with City residents to gather issues of concern ward by ward.
- Make recommendations on funding opportunities and priorities to the Mayor and City Council as well as other departments, commissions, boards and agencies.
- Identify, discuss and document key issues ward by ward.
- Hold a public forum or town hall meeting for each City Ward at least once per year.
- Report to the Mayor and City Council on at least an annual basis.

B. The President of the Residents Advisory Board shall have the following powers and duties:

- Organize and oversee meetings.
- Set the agenda
- Serve as the spokesperson of the Board to the Mayor and City Council.

C. The Vice President of the Residents Advisory Board shall have the following powers and duties:

- Act in the capacity of the President in his/her absence.
- Assist the President with coordination and meetings.

§ 5-45. Cooperation of City officials; access to information.

The Residents Advisory Board shall receive, from all officers and official bodies of the City, such assistance as may be required by it in performing its duties. The Committee shall have access to City public information and records, which may assist in the performance of its duties.

§ 5-46. Meetings and Report to Mayor and City Council.

The Residents Advisory Board shall meet no more often than once per month and shall make

written report/recommendation to the Mayor and Council no more frequently than quarterly and no less frequently than annually. The Residents Advisory Board may call an emergency meeting at any time with the approval of the Mayor.

§ 5-47. Expenditures.

The Residents Advisory Board shall expend no money without the approval of the Mayor and Council.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication in accordance with Law.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 25, 2025

Adopted: April 8, 2025

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond noted that she votes no on bills related to Passaic Valley Water Commission.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-188-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the Current Year Reserve totaling \$6,380.25 and the Current Fund totaling \$3,189,398.89 and the Water Reserves totaling \$0.00 and the Water Fund totaling \$54,469.29 and the Grants totaling \$0.00 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$14,395.32 and the Water Capital Fund totaling \$0.00 and the Trust Accounts totaling \$6,700.95 and the Developer’s Escrow totaling \$0.00 per attached Computer Lists, dated April 8, 2025 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, totaling \$3,271,344.70 to the meeting be ratified.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 7, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-189-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

**AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO ADAMO BROTHERS FOR THE
JEWELL STREET PARK SPRAY GROUND IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield publicly bid the above referenced project on April 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received for this project; and

WHEREAS, the lowest, responsible bidder is as follows:

Adamo Brothers	Base Bid:	\$336,575.00
1033 Alexander Avenue	Alternate Bid:	\$79,500.00
Ridgefield, NJ 07657	Total Bid:	\$416,075.00

WHEREAS, Adamo Brothers submitted the lowest bid in the amount of \$416,075.00 (Base Bid \$336,575.00 + Alternate Bid \$79,500.00); and

WHEREAS, Boswell Inc., as the Project Engineer for this improvement, has reviewed the bid with the contractor and confirmed the bid to be in order; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the City has verified the existence of funds in the appropriate account; and

WHEREAS, Boswell Inc., recommends the award of this project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Garfield hereby authorizes the award of this contract to Adamo Brothers in the total amount of \$416,075.00 (Base Bid \$336,575.00 + Alternate Bid \$79,500.00) to be paid out of account C-04-55-250-000-020.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 7, 2025

Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-190-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PAYMENT REQUISITION NO. 3 TO MADINA RESTORATION INC., FOR SERVICES RENDERED IN CONNECTION WITH THE FACADE AND ROOF REHABILITATION PROJECT GARFIELD RECREATION BUILDING

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a bid to Madina Restoration Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Madina Restoration Inc., provided services for this project for work completed through April 7, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby authorizes the payment of Requisition No. 3 in the amount of \$42,068.00 to Madina Restoration Inc., for services rendered in connection with the project to be paid out of G-01-41-723-000-471, C-04-55-000-246-000 and 5-01-44-901-901-005.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 7, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-191-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PAYMENT REQUISITION NO. 24 (GAR 2025-02) TO
NATIONAL METERING SERVICES, INC., FOR SERVICES RENDERED IN
CONNECTION WITH THE WATER METER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM PHASE 2**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to National Water Metering Services, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, National Water Metering Services, Inc., provided services for this project for work completed through January 31, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield hereby authorizes the payment of Requisition No. 24 (GAR 2025-02) in the amount of \$69,119.40 to National Water Metering Services, Inc., for services rendered in connection with this project to be paid out of account C-06-55-222-947-001.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 7, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-192-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

APPROVING SEWER PAYMENT REFUND

WHEREAS, the Receiver of Sewer Collections reports that she has received a request from the following property owner for an ACH refund due to the property being sold in the year 2025;

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 payment and forward same to the Receiver of Sewer Collections for the purpose of noting her records and for mailing to the property owner, to be paid out of account T-07-056-286-000-801

ACCOUNT #	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
2126	New North Property LLC	ACH Refund	\$35.00

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 7, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-193-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

APPROVING TAX OVERPAYMENT REFUND

WHEREAS, the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received a request from the following property owners for an ACH refund due to the property being sold in the year 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the proper offices are hereby authorized to issue checks refunding over payments and forward same to the Receiver of Taxes for the purpose of noting her records and for mailing to the property owner, to be paid out of account 5-01-17-001-004

BLOCK	LOT	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
211.01	26	New North Property LLC	ACH Refund	\$2,207.00

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 7, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-194-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

**AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT UPGRADES WITH
SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP.**

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

WHEREAS, New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance, is a group of Governmental Organizations, Boards of Education and other public bodies located in the United States, who pool their purchasing power together to receive discounted prices on a wide range of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is a member of the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance co-op; and

WHEREAS, City Hall and the Police Department are in need computer equipment upgrades to maintain the security of the City's IT infrastructure and protect against cyber risks; and

WHEREAS, said equipment is available for purchase through the New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance co-op under Contract CK04 with the SHI International Corp; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield desires to enter into an agreement with SHI International Corp to provide the computer equipment upgrades in accordance with the terms and conditions of the current contract CK04 for the purchase price of \$69,167.85 to be paid out of account C-04-55-250-000-040;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Garfield, as follows:

1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a contract with New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Contract SHI International Corp in the amount of \$69,167.85 to provide computer equipment upgrades in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract CK04.
2. A Certificate showing the availability of funds for the Contract authorized hereby shall be provided by the Chief Financial Officer.
3. The City Clerk is directed to forward certified copies of this Resolution to (i) SHI International Corp; (ii) the City's IT officer; and (iii) the City's Chief Financial Officer.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 7, 2025

Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-195-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

**AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AN EV BUS IN ACCORDANCE WITH GRANT
GUIDELINES WITH NATIONAL AUTO FLEET GROUP**

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

WHEREAS, Sourcewell, is a group of Governmental Organizations, Boards of Education and other public bodies located in the United States, who pool their purchasing power together to receive discounted prices on a wide range of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is a member of the Sourcewell co-op; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield has a need to purchase an EV Bus, in accordance with an authorized grant received; and

WHEREAS, said piece of equipment is available for purchase through the Sourcewell co-op under Contract 091521-NAF with the National Auto Fleet Group; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield desires to enter into an agreement with the National Auto Fleet Group, 490 Auto Center Drive, Watsonville, CA 95076 to provide the EV Bus in accordance with the terms and conditions of the current contract 091521-NAF for the purchase price of \$274,395.00 to be paid out of account C-04-55-250-000-010;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Garfield, as follows:

1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Sourcewell Contract National Auto Fleet Group in the amount of \$274,395 to provide one EV Bus in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract 091521-NAF.
2. A Certificate showing the availability of funds for the Contract authorized hereby shall be provided by the Chief Financial Officer.
3. The City Clerk is directed to forward certified copies of this Resolution to (i) the National Auto Fleet Group, 490 Auto Center Drive, Watsonville, CA 95076; (ii) the Township's Recreation Director; and (iii) the City's Chief Financial Officer.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 7, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-196-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

**AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS TO FUND THE
ACQUISITION OF COMPUTER AND EQUIPMENT UPGRADES FOR A TOTAL OF
\$150,000 PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the “City”), desires to adopt a resolution providing for emergency temporary appropriations pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 to fund the Acquisition of a Computer and Equipment Upgrades in the amount of \$150,000 (the “Emergency Temporary Appropriation”); and

WHEREAS, the payment of such Emergency Temporary Appropriation is a purpose for which an appropriation may lawfully be made for the period between the beginning of the current fiscal year and the date of the adoption of the budget for said year; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the Emergency Temporary Appropriation will be funded as a capital acquisition by the City adopting a Bond Ordinance pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Emergency Temporary Appropriation is being made to meet a pressing need for public expenditure to protect or promote the public health, safety, morals or welfare of the citizens of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (by not less than two-thirds of the full membership of the governing body members affirmatively concurring) that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 as follows:

1. The recitals are fully incorporated herein by this reference.
2. The Emergency Temporary Appropriation in the amount of \$150,000 is hereby made for the purpose of funding emergency contracts for the:
 - a. Acquisition of a Computer and Equipment Upgrades \$150,000

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 of the Local Budget Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1 et seq., as amended and supplemented. The emergency temporary appropriation is being made to meet a pressing need for public expenditure to protect or promote the public health, safety, morals or welfare of the citizens of the City prior to the adoption of the 2025 annual budget year.
3. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq., said Emergency Temporary Appropriation shall be funded through the adoption of a Capital Ordinance prior to the adoption of the 2025 Budget.
4. A certified copy of this resolution shall be filed for approval with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-197-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

**REQUESTING AN EXTENSION OF TIME TO AWARD AND COMMENCE
CONSTRUCTION ON A NJDOT PROJECT KNOWN AS HARRISON AVENUE
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (LTPF-23)**

WHEREAS, the NJDOT awarded a grant with 2023 funding known as “Harrison Avenue Improvement Program” in the amount of \$675,000; and

WHEREAS, the City has been advised the deadline to award the contract was March 8, 2025; and

WHEREAS, delays were encountered due to a watermain and lead service replacement project occurring within the “Harrison Avenue Improvement Program” project limits which needs to be completed by prior to construction commencing on the “Harrison Avenue Improvement Program” project; and

WHEREAS, the watermain and lead service replacement project is currently under construction and will be completed prior to the “Harrison Avenue Improvement Program” construction start; and

WHEREAS, the delays necessitate a request to extend the award deadline from March 8, 2025 to September 8, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the City requests approval to extend the deadline to award this contract until September 8, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Manager/City Clerk Erin Nora Delaney is authorized to send a certified copy of this resolution and execute an accompanying letter for said extension request on behalf of the City of Garfield, which constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-198-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

APPROVING HANDICAP PARKING SPACE

WHEREAS, Vesta Bennett-Brown, of 9 Blakeley Place Floor 1, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P2991653, has filed an application for a handicap parking sign to be placed at her address; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has investigated 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 “Handicap Parking”, located on the west curb line of Blakeley Place commencing 112 feet north of the intersection of Willard Avenue and Blakeley Place and continue an additional 20 feet north from that point; and

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

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-199-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

APPROVAL OF 2025 VEHICLE SALES BUSINESS LICENSES

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that Erin N. Delaney, City Manager/City Clerk, is hereby authorized to issue the following licenses for Vehicle Sales Business for the year 2025 described in application, duly filed:

Tri State Auto Group LLC	\$	365.00
86 Jewell Street		
Garfield, New Jersey 07026		

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-200-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

**APPROVING 2025 VEHICLE REPAIR AND AUTO BODY REPAIR FACILITY
LICENSES**

WHEREAS, the following applicants have submitted their application for a vehicle repair and auto body repair license for the year 2025;

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>DATE FOR ISSUANCE/APPROVAL</u>
Lanza Automotive	186 Lanza Avenue	January 1, 2025
Garfield Auto Repair	330 Midland Avenue	January 1, 2025
European Performance Center	175 Passaic Street	January 1, 2025
Metro Body & Fender Inc.	619 Midland Avenue	January 1, 2025

WHEREAS, it is certified that they have conformed with provisions of Ch. 330, Vehicle Repair and Auto Body Repair Facilities, adopted 9-12-2023 by Ord. No. 3005;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue licenses to the above-named applicants, effective on the date for issuance/approval listed above.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-201-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

APPROVING RESIGNATION ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Jose Qurino of 133 Ackerman Avenue, Clifton, New Jersey as an active member, effective March 3, 2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-202-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

APPROVING RESIGNATION ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of John Keating Jr. of 1848 Silverton Road, Toms River, New Jersey as an active member, effective December 6, 2024;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-203-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

APPROVING RESIGNATION ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of John Gervato of 3227 Osborn Terrace, Toms River, New Jersey as an active member, effective December 6, 2024,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-204-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

**APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH THE TEAMSTERS LOCAL
UNION NO. 469**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield (hereafter the “City”) and The Teamsters Local Union No. 469 (hereafter the “Teamsters”) previously entered into collective negotiations pursuant to the requirements of the Public Employers and Employees Act, *N.J.S.A. 34:13A-1*, as required pursuant to the terms of the expiring collective bargaining agreement between the parties; and

WHEREAS, the Teamsters and the City previously completed negotiations on economic issues and set forth the terms of their agreement in an Agreement, a true copy of which is on file in the Office of the City Manager; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement has been approved by the Teamsters and was presented to the City for its formal approval; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement reflects the terms and conditions negotiated between the City and the Teamsters, which was approved on July 23, 2024; and

WHEREAS, it was necessary for said Agreement to be adopted into the format of an official contract at both the request of the City and the Teamsters;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Garfield accepts the form of the Contract presented between the City of Garfield and the Teamsters concerning the terms and conditions of employment of the persons covered under the Contract for the period of time beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027 as on file in the Office of the City Manager; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council authorizes the City Manager and City CFO to sign and to attest such form of Collective Bargaining Agreement, at a mutual time agreed upon between the City Manager and the Teamsters; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Agreement shall be countersigned by the Teamsters Local Union No. 469 and the seal of the City affixed thereto as evidence of the City’s approval.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 8th day of April 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-205-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND**

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the actions noted in the Consent Agenda, Resolutions R-188-25 through R-205-25 be and are hereby approved and the proper officers are directed to take necessary action on same.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
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City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-206-25**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO**

INTRODUCTION OF 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

MUNICIPAL BUDGET NOTICE

Section 1.

Municipal Budget of the _____ CITY _____ of _____ GARFIELD _____, County of _____ BERGEN _____ for the Fiscal Year 2025

Be it Resolved, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2025;

Be it Further Resolved, that said Budget be published in the _____
The Record _____

in the issue of _____ April 14 _____, 2025

The Governing Body of the _____ CITY _____ of _____ GARFIELD _____ does hereby approve the following as the Budget for the year 2025:

Ayes	Nays	Abstained

RECORDED VOTE
(Insert Last Name)

Notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was approved by the _____ COUNCIL MEMBERS _____ of the _____ CITY _____ of _____ GARFIELD _____, County of _____ BERGEN _____, on _____ April _____ 8 _____, 2025.

A Hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at _____ City Hall _____, on _____ May _____ 13 _____, 2025 at _____ 6:00 _____ o'clock _____ P.M., at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2025 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

APPROVED: APRIL 8, 2025

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond	X			
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Dated

Police Department:

Chief Delaney and Captain Bohannon were in attendance to address Mayor and Council concerns. They made a suggestion to address residential parking on Palisade Avenue, which satisfied all parties. The attorney was advised to draft an ordinance. Furthermore, additional topics included: speed bumps, cross walks, stop signs, parking enforcement training, helmets & bicycle safety, and window coverage for storefronts.

Reports of the Cabinet and City Council:

City Engineer's Report:

City Engineer Kevin Boswell advised that he is currently finalized the sketch for Pizza Mania and will have it priced out immediately following. Additionally, he noted that he will also sketch out a design for what is needed to address flooding on Irving Place. Mr. Boswell stated that the area was built with a general lack of drainage and inlets would be needed. He suggested the work be added to a future road program as he expects it to be over \$100,000.00. Mr. Boswell then shared that River Drive is almost complete, however, the NJDOT is working on ADA ramps as well as a few other odds & ends. Ms. Delaney requested that Boswell reach out to the County as the Mayor and Council would like to see a crosswalk installed by the park. Mr. Boswell said that the Prospect Street project is moving along and the lines are all complete, with tie-ins to follow. He noted that Harrison Avenue should be starting soon and Jewell Street Splash Park was just awarded.

Tyler Gibson – Financial Professional:

Tyler Gibson made a brief presentation regarding financial services that both he and his firm can provide to City employees. Ms. Delaney advised that she would connect him with staff, should they be interested in wealth management assistance.

Auto Vehicle Sales Business:

Jean Baladi, who owns an auto vehicle sales business, spoke to the Governing Body about a business operating next to his property. He raised concerns about the business operating at that location as it is an R-2 Zone. Ms. Delaney advised that a business has operated there for over 30 years, therefore, it is essentially currently grandfathered in as a non-conforming use – to which the City Attorney agreed. Discussion ensued regarding the conditions of said business/property as well as Mr. Baladi's property.

Class 5 Cannabis Retail Presentation:

Entheon Capital made a brief presentation regarding opening a Class 5 Cannabis Retail establishment on River Drive.

Reports of the Cabinet and City Council (continued):

City Council's Report:

Deputy Mayor Kane went over the numbers of the list of businesses that he received from Ms. Delaney and the Health Department. He noted that he needs input from the Governing Body as far as what they would like the limits to be so that an ordinance can be adopted. Furthermore, he inquired as to why it costs the City money to recycle.

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond stated that she heard that court fines are being lowered in court and that she hopes there is no special treatment being given.

Mayor Garnto followed up on the calendars that are printed by Woodland Park. The Mayor and Council requested that the City reach out to Woodland Park to inquire about who handles the printing and if they are fully funded by sponsors. Mayor Garnto then advised that he met with representatives from Greater Bergen Community Action to discuss some of their projects. He noted that he followed up with them on the maintenance and cleaning of the River to Rail projects on Passaic Street. Mayor Garnto shared that they discussed a grant that they received for the triangle building near Passaic Street, which would require a variance for parking during the day as there is no on-site parking. Mayor Garnto advised that he was not in favor of such a variance. He did share that their work with BVMI was impressive, however, he does not feel that it is necessary for the City Health Department to be under the same roof and pay rent when the City has a health department that is suitable. The majority of the Governing Body agreed. Mayor Garnto also touched base on new bank rates negotiated with Spencer Savings Bank and an award

ceremony for the City's work won the Post Ford Monument. He requested that a middle school student be honored at the April 22nd meeting and that the attorney have the ordinance drafted related to convenience stores as soon as possible.

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond inquired about the curb repair to be done at 41 Palisade Avenue. She also requested that the lines be repainted at the corner of Palisade Avenue and Passaic Street. Lastly, Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond inquired with the City Attorney in regard to adopted an ordinance holding businesses accountable to clean and maintain their properties, specifically on Passaic Street. She concluded her report by commended the Officer in Charge for his quick attention to parking issues on Midland Avenue.

Report of the City Manager:

Discussion:

1. **Fitness Court Launch** – City Manager/City Clerk noted that a requirement of the grant received for the fitness court located at Columbus Park is to host a launch event. She said that the Recreation Director will be working on the logistics of the event.
2. **GoRail Group Letter** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney stated that Mayor Garnto and Deputy Mayor Kane met with a GoRail representative who is looking for municipalities to sign off on a group letter that supports their initiative, which is supported by Congresswoman Pou. The Mayor and Council were in favor of signing said letter.
3. **DPW Building** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that she feels the City should reach out to the Bergen County Improvement Authority (BCIA) to assist with funding for the DPW Building. She noted that she would like to get pricing for temporary repairs to the building and have the green light to start the process with the BCIA.
4. **Paid Parking Program** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney informed the Governing Body that under the prior administration, research was conducted related to a paid parking program for metered spots. She shared the costs of the kiosks and overall concept of the program. Ms. Delaney noted that she would send further details via e-mail for the Mayor and Council to review and consider. The Mayor and Council advised that they are interested in moving forward with such a program and would like to continue discussions

Resolution:

1. **RevolutionNJ 250th Anniversary** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed a draft resolution that municipalities are considering adopted for the 250th Anniversary for the State of New Jersey in 2026. The Mayor and Council requested that they have more time to review and consider the resolution.

Departmental Reports:

1. **Clerk's Office March 2025** – No discussion ensued.
2. **Building Department March 2025** – No discussion ensued.
3. **Millennium Strategies through March 2025** – No discussion ensued.
4. **Recreation Department March 2025** – No discussion ensued.

Public Comment:

Paul Zito, Shaw Street, briefly touched base on the State "Clunker Law" and raised concerns about conditions of a property located at 25 Shaw Street. Additionally, he raised his concerns about the anticipated parking issues once the new School #5 is built.

Geri Ledford, Morris Avenue, discussed an issue that she experience related to two pot holes in town damaging her vehicle. She advised that she submitted a claim to the County. Ms. Delaney advised that she would send Ms. Ledford the City's tort claim notice and PSE&G claim portal.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Kane and seconded by Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond to adjourn. The motions carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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

These meeting minutes were approved at the April 22, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Mayor & Council.