

**WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE
GARFIELD MAYOR AND COUNCIL
May 13, 2025
6:00P.M.**

The Work Session Meeting of the Garfield Mayor and Council for May 13, 2025 was called to order by City Manager/City Clerk Erin Delaney at 6:06PM. 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, City Attorney Richard Malagiere, and City Auditors Dieter & Robert Lerch.

**Councilman Rigoglioso arrived at 6:08PM and left at 7:52PM.*

***Councilman Delaney arrived at 6:08PM.*

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 April 22, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes. The motions carried unanimously by those present.

2. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING

R-226-25 Introduce Ord. #3076

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §226 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED, “PARKING” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING §226-1 ENTITLED “PARKING PROHIBITED” TO ADD A GENERAL RESTRICTION OF NO PARKING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M. ON SEMEL AVENUE (NORTH SIDE OF THE STREET) BETWEEN PROSPECT STREET AND PALISADE AVENUE

R-227-25 Introduce Ord. #3077

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 221 (NUISANCES) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO INCLUDE THE PROHIBITION OF CERTAIN CONDUCT AND ACTS OF AUTO BODY REPAIR FACILITIES WHICH CONSTITUTE NUISANCES

SECOND READING

R-228-25 Introduce Ord. #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

R-229-25

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)

R-230-25

Introduce Ord. #3071

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 73 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES” TO INCREASE LICENSE FEES

R-231-25

Introduce Ord. #3072

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 256 (RETAIL BUSINESS HOURS) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AMENDING §256-1 “PROHIBITED HOURS OF OPERATION” TO PROHIBIT THE TIME OF RETAIL BUSINESS OPERATION FROM 10:00PM TO 6:00AM AND TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS

R-232-25

Introduce Ord. #3073

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §226 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED, “PARKING” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING §226-2 ENTITLED “ERECTION OF SIGNS; DAMAGING SIGNS”

R-233-25

Introduce Ord. #3074

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §226 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED, “PARKING” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING §226-1 ENTITLED “PARKING PROHIBITED” TO ADD A GENERAL RESTRICTION OF A 2 HOUR PARKING LIMIT ON PALISADE AVENUE (BOTH SIDES OF STREET) BETWEEN MIDLAND AVENUE AND PASSAIC STREET AND MIDLAND AVENUE (EAST SIDE OF THE STREET) BETWEEN CHARLES STREET AND FREDERICK STREET

R-234-25

Introduce Ord. #3075

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 242 (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE) ARTICLE IV (LEAD-BASED PAINT) SECTION 242-15.1 (VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

3. 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING:

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for public comment on the introduced budget. No one wished to be heard.

City Manager/Clerk Delaney advised that a resolution to amend the introduced 2025 was placed before the Governing Body for their consideration. Ms. Delaney reviewed her e-mail with said request for a slight increase to the proposed budget, which would be \$125 an average household vs. \$97. She raised the following concerns: new police vehicles recently being billed by Enterprise that were mistakenly not included in the initial budget, two unexpected retirements within the Police Department to be specially accommodated and paid out in 2025, a trending increase in attorney fees, and unexpected emergencies such as sewer and building issues.

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond and Mayor Garnto stated that they feel they should not have to accept the burden of police vehicles ordered under previous administration.

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond inquired about the City's surplus, to which Ms. Delaney noted that the City does have a surplus, but in order to maintain a high bond rating they must maintain 10% of their municipal budget in surplus.

Councilman Delaney stated that he understands retirements can be costly, but will end up saving money in the long run. He said that he had no issue with the requested amendment as it is not a high increase and he does not want the City to end up in a deficit.

Mayor Garnto raised concerns that he feels the current administration is left with a difficult decision because the prior council adopted a 0% tax increase in 2024. He also questioned how the vehicle costs were not included in the initial budget. Mayor Garnto noted that he believes the City will be fine financially without the amendment due to better interest rates with the bank, payroll cost savings, and SRO cost savings.

City CFO Prochilo advised that the budget cannot be offset from revenues.

Councilman Delaney stated that the City prepared for the 0% tax increase and that, historically, the City sees a 0% tax increase every four years. He shared that the current council spent a significant amount of money within the first week of the year on signage and renaming a park. Councilman Delaney shared that he has no problem raising taxes as long as the City shows what they're being raised for and that he would feel more comfortable playing it safe and having more money.

City Manager/City Clerk Delaney took an informal vote as to whether or not the Mayor and Council would like to proceed with her suggested and recommended amendment. The majority did not want to proceed. Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond made a motion to remove the amendment from the agenda, which was seconded by Mayor Garnto and carried.

R-235-25 Adoption of 2025 Municipal Budget

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

R-236-25 Approval of Bills List

R-237-25 Approving Certain Professional Appointments Pursuant to the New Jersey Local Unit Pay to Play Law

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R-239-25 Authorizing the City Manager to Enter into An Agreement with Dan Dressel to Provide Architectural & Engineering Services for the Senior Center Wall Framing Repair & Door Replacement Project

- R-240-25 Authorizing Approval of Change Order #6 to Creamer-Sanzari, A Joint Venture for Construction Services Provided in Connection with Infrared Construction Work River Drive Improvements & Passaic River Bikeway (Phase 2)
- R-241-25 Authorizing the Acceptance of a Proposal from Montana Construction to Perform Services in Connection with Cleaning and Televising Approximately 3,000 Feet of Storm Sewer Lines on Banta Avenue Between Midland Avenue and Prospect Street
- R-242-25 Authorizing Construction Management Services in Connection with the Water Main and Service Line Replacement Project
- R-243-25 Approving Tax Overpayment Credit/Refund
- R-244-25 Approving Loading Zone
- R-245-25 Approving 2025 Vehicle Repair and Auto Body Repair Facility Licenses
- R-246-25 Approving Regular Active Member – Fire Department
- R-247-25 Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation
NJSA 40A:4-87
- R-248-25 Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation
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- R-249-25 Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation
NJSA 40A:4-87
- R-250-25 Authorizing the Submission of a FY2025 New Jersey Department of Transportation – Transportation Alternatives Set Aside Grant Application – Jewell Street Improvements
- R-251-25 Authorizing the Submission of a Bergen County Community Development Block Grant Application for Unprogrammed Funds – Garfield Senior Center Repairs
- R-252-25 Enabling Resolution for State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Green Acres Program – Columbus Park Improvements
- R-253-25 Approving Handicap Parking Space
- R-254-25 Resolution to Approve the Consent Agenda

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-226-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3076
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §226 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED, “PARKING” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING §226-1 ENTITLED “PARKING PROHIBITED” TO ADD A GENERAL RESTRICTION OF NO PARKING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M. ON SEMEL AVENUE (NORTH SIDE OF THE STREET) BETWEEN PROSPECT STREET AND PALISADE AVENUE

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, June 10, 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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.: 3076**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §226 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED, “PARKING” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING §226-1 ENTITLED “PARKING PROHIBITED” TO ADD A GENERAL RESTRICTION OF NO PARKING BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M. ON SEMEL AVENUE (NORTH SIDE OF THE STREET) BETWEEN PROSPECT STREET AND PALISADE AVENUE

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Garfield believes it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to Amend §226 of the City Code of the City of Garfield to impose a no parking restriction from 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. on the north side of Semel Avenue between Prospect Street and Palisade Avenue; and

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

SECTION 1. §226-1 of the City Code of the City of Garfield, entitled ‘Parking Prohibited’, is hereby amended to add subsection (5):

(5) No person shall park a vehicle on the north side of Semel Avenue between the hours of 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Monday through Friday between Prospect Street and Palisade Avenue.

SECTION 2. All ordinances of the City of Garfield, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. All other provisions of §226 of the Code of the City of Garfield are not further amended and remain in full force and effect.

The ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage.

SECTION 5. The City Manager is hereby empowered to take any and all actions incident and necessary to give effect to this Ordinance and to take all steps necessary to give immediate effect to this Ordinance.

ATTEST: _____

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

Introduced: May 13, 2025

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-227-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3077
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 221 (NUISANCES) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO INCLUDE THE PROHIBITION OF CERTAIN CONDUCT AND ACTS OF AUTO BODY REPAIR FACILITIES WHICH CONSTITUTE NUISANCES

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, June 10, 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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.: 3077**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 221 (NUISANCES) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO INCLUDE THE PROHIBITION OF CERTAIN CONDUCT AND ACTS OF AUTO BODY REPAIR FACILITIES WHICH CONSTITUTE NUISANCES

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Garfield (“City”) believes it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to Amend Chapter 221 of the City Code of the City of Garfield for the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that as the Zoning Code of the City, Article V (Use Regulations), Section 341-13(D) prohibits the operation of an “auto body repair shop” in all zones in the City except for legally operating pre-existing nonconforming auto body repair shops; and

WHEREAS, certain conduct or acts performed by the existing auto body repair shops annoy, disturb, injure or endanger the health, comfort, repose, peace or safety of residents within the City and/or violate City Ordinances and state law and regulation; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City believe that this Amendment will reduce or remove the odors, disturbances and noises which emanate from or are caused or exacerbated by auto body repair shops and/or reduce or remove hazardous materials which may emanate from the auto body repair shop’s premises and in certain circumstances rescind and/or remove the authorization of specific auto body repair shops to operate in the City; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of City have determined to be in the best interests, health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City that the following amendment to Chapter 221 be adopted as follows:

Chapter 221. Nuisances.
Article 1. General Provisions
§ 221-1. Word usage.

The term “auto body repair shop” or “auto body repair facility” as used herein shall mean any business or person that engages in the business of repairing, removing, installing, or painting in any way and to any extent any portion of the body, frame, engine or components of an automobile, truck or vehicle of any kind.

The term “auto body repair work” as used herein shall mean the repairing, removing, or installing of integral component parts of an engine, powertrain, chassis or body or the repairing, or painting in any way and to any extent of any portion of the body, frame, engine or components of an automobile, truck or vehicle of any kind.

The term “air pollution” as used herein shall mean the discharge or presence in the outdoor atmosphere of one or more air contaminants, noxious or other fumes, mists, dust, vapors, gasses, odors, or other emissions into the atmosphere in such quantities and duration as are or tend to be injurious to human health or welfare, animal or plant life or would be perceptible to persons in proximity and thereby interfere with the enjoyment of life or property.

§ 221-2. Prohibited conduct.

It shall be unlawful for any auto body repair shop to operate its business in contravention of this ordinance. Such conduct shall be considered a nuisance and in violation of the City Zone Code as well as any and all regulations under Chapter 32 (Vehicle Repair and Auto Body Repair Facilities).

§ 221-3. Nuisance acts.

N. The performance by an auto body repair shop of any autobody repair work outside of a spray booth or an enclosure or building.

O. The performance by an auto body repair shop of any auto body repair work which causes the release of air pollution wherever performed.

P. Any violation of state or federal air or water pollution or solid waste laws or regulations.

Q. Any violation of Chapter 328 of the City Ordinances and any and all laws and regulations cited therein addressing the requirements of an Auto Body Repair Facility.

§ 221-8. Violations and penalties.

A. Any person who shall violate any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to the maximum fines and penalties established under N.J.S.A. 40:49-5, and as same shall be amended from time to time. Each and every day a violation of this chapter shall exist shall constitute a separate violation.

B. Every person, firm or corporation including but not limited to franchisors and franchisees guilty of a violation of this chapter shall be punished by one or more of the following:

1. A fine not exceeding \$2,000.00 for each violation; imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days; and/or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days.
2. The imposition of a restraining order by the Superior Court of New Jersey suspending operations subject to the dictates of this Chapter without the need for imposition of a bond or any security providing for civil penalties and the award of attorney's fees to the City for obtaining same.
3. Revocation of any and all Zoning Permits including the revocation of any and all designation of pre-existing nonconforming use status.

§ 221-9. Inconsistent ordinances.

All ordinances of the City of Garfield, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

§ 221-10. Savings clause.

If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

§ 221- 11. Effect of amendment.

All other provisions of Chapter 221 of the Code of the City of Garfield are not further amended and remain in full force and effect.

§ 221- 12. Effective date.

The ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage.

§ 221-13. Incidental action required.

The City Manager is hereby empowered to take all actions, incident and necessary to give effect to this Ordinance and to take all steps necessary to give immediate effect to this Ordinance.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: May 13, 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-228-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3069
SECOND READING**

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

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

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, April 8, 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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

Tabled: April 22, 2025

Adopted: May 13, 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-229-25**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3070
SECOND READING**

WHEREAS, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk 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)**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, April 8, 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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: May 13, 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-230-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3071
SECOND READING**

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

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 73 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES” TO INCREASE LICENSE FEES

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, April 22, 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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.: 3071**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 73 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES” TO INCREASE LICENSE FEES

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Garfield believes it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to increase certain fees for liquor license applications for liquor licenses and renewals.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 73 of the City Code of the City of Garfield, entitled ‘Alcoholic Beverages’ is hereby amended to read as follows:

§73-2 Fee for plenary retail consumption license.

The annual fee for a plenary retail consumption license shall be in the sum of \$1,866.00

§73-3 Fee for plenary retail distribution license.

The annual fee for a plenary retail distribution license shall be in the sum of \$1,866.00

SECTION 2. All ordinances of the City of Garfield, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. All other provisions of Chapter 73 of the Code of the City of Garfield are not further amended and remain in full force and effect.

The ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 22, 2025

Adopted: May 13, 2025

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing.

Jason Read, Media, Pennsylvania, spoke on behalf of Wawa. He noted that the Wawa location in Garfield was previously approved to operate 24 hours a day and this ordinance would severely impact their business. Mr. Read spoke about gasoline sales during the proposed prohibited timeframe and the fact that Wawa serves Garfield's first responders. He went on to say that the 24-hour agreement is critical to their success and, if prohibited, will affect their staff as well. Mr. Read discussed redevelopment as Wawa was a key component to the redevelopment of this particular section/area. He shared that they invested a significant amount of money at the location and requested that the Mayor and Council consider having a dialogue and opportunity to meet to come up with a resolution.

Discussion ensued between Mr. Read and the Mayor & Council. The Mayor and Council shared their concerns about the deplorable conditions on site, security & crime concerns, aesthetic issues, etc. It was noted that it is a shame that it took the proposal of this ordinance for Wawa to come to a meeting and be willing to address some of the complaints.

Gordana Petrovska, Jewell Street, raised concerns about the noise at Wawa related to cars and music. She stated that she is not happy and agrees with the comments of the Council. Ms. Petrovska noted that she doesn't have anything against the store, however, it appears they do not have any control over their patrons.

Geri Ledford, Morris Avenue, said that she lives nearby to Wawa and was happy once they came into town. She noted that, while she hasn't experienced any of the issues as she does not normally go out at night, hearing the complaints is upsetting because she feels it can be an asset.

Al D'Anthony, Columbus Avenue, stated that between the hours 11PM-1AM the noise emanating from the Wawa property is loud due to fighting, music, cars, etc. He advised that trucks that go in and out of the complex oftentimes hit neighborhood cars and said he feels the Police Department has more important things to do rather than try to control the issues at Wawa.

Representatives from the Garfield Police Department were in attendance and provided reports for calls from 10PM-6AM. They gave a brief overview of the reason for said calls.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-231-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3072
SECOND READING**

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

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 256 (RETAIL BUSINESS HOURS) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AMENDING §256-1 "PROHIBITED HOURS OF OPERATION" TO PROHIBIT THE TIME OF RETAIL BUSINESS OPERATION FROM 10:00PM TO 6:00AM AND TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, April 22, 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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.: 3072**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 256 (RETAIL BUSINESS HOURS) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AMENDING §256-1 “PROHIBITED HOURS OF OPERATION” TO PROHIBIT THE TIME OF RETAIL BUSINESS OPERATION FROM 10:00PM TO 6:00AM AND TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Garfield (“City”) believes it is in the best interest of the City to Amend Chapter 256 of the City Code for the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that further regulating the hours of operation of retail stores in the City will contribute to the health, safety, welfare and improve the quality of life of City residents; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that this Amendment will reduce or avoid noise, inconvenience, disturbance and crime in the residential areas caused or exacerbated by allowing retail businesses to remain open in the late night and early morning hours; and

WHEREAS, it is determined to be in the best interests, health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City that retail businesses in the City conduct business during reasonable hours;

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that City Ordinance Section 256-1 et seq., be amended as follows:

SECTION 1. §256-1 is hereby deleted and replaced by the following section

256-1 Definition; Prohibited Hours of Operation.

A. “Retail Business” means and includes any business which holds itself out to the general public for the sale of retail goods and services including, but not limited to, the sale of gasoline, food, prepared foods, groceries, snacks items, tobacco, household items, and cannabis.

B. It shall be unlawful to conduct any Retail Business upon any premises in the City between the hours of 10:00 P.M. and 6:00 A.M. Every Retail Business within the City shall be closed to the public, and business with the public therein shall be and is hereby prohibited after the hour of 10:00 P.M. and before the hour of 6:00 A.M. of any day.

C. It shall be unlawful to keep open for the public or to admit or allow the public to remain on or within any premises used as a Retail Business after the hour of 10:00 P.M. and before the hour of 6:00 A.M. of any day.

SECTION 2. Section 256-2 (Exceptions) is hereby modified to add subsection C as follows:

C. The 200-foot Retail Business location restriction shall be measured in all directions from the corners of the property on which the Retail Business is operated to the nearest property line of the residential property or residential zone.

SECTION 3. Section 256-3 is hereby deleted and the following section put in its place.

256-3 Enforcement, violations and penalties.

Every person, firm or corporation including but not limited to franchisors and franchisees guilty of a violation of this chapter shall be punished by one or more of the following:

A. A fine not exceeding \$2,000.00 for each violation; imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days; and/or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days.

- B. The imposition of a restraining order and permanent injunction by the Superior Court of New Jersey suspending operations subject to the dictates of this Chapter without the need for posting of a bond or any undertaking or security and providing for civil penalties and the award of attorney's fees to the City for obtaining said relief.

SECTION 4. All ordinances of the City of Garfield, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

SECTION 6. All other provisions of Chapter 256 of the Code of the City of Garfield are not further amended and remain in full force and effect. The ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage.

SECTION 7. The City Manager is hereby empowered to take any and all actions incident and necessary to give effect to this Ordinance and to take all steps necessary to give immediate effect to this Ordinance.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 22, 2025

Adopted: May 13, 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-232-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3073
SECOND READING**

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

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §226 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED, “PARKING” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING §226-2 ENTITLED “ERECTION OF SIGNS; DAMAGING SIGNS”

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, April 22, 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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.: 3073**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §226 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED, “PARKING” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING §226-2 ENTITLED “ERECTION OF SIGNS; DAMAGING SIGNS”

WHEREAS the Governing Body of the City Garfield (“City”) believes it is in the best interest of the City to Amend §226 of the City Code of the City of Garfield and replace certain language to make it more accurate; and

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

SECTION 1. §226-2 of the City Code of the City of Garfield, entitled “Erection of signs; damaging sings” is hereby amended to remove the existing language and replace it with the below language:

§ 226-2. Erection of signs; damaging signs.

Suitable signs not less than 18 by 24 inches, bearing the words PARKING PROHIBITED 226-1, together with any qualifications or restrictions of such parking, if any, and conspicuously displayed, shall be posted on said lands by the owner or person in control thereof where this chapter is effective. Defacing, removing or damaging such signs when posted shall constitute a violation not exceeding \$500.00

SECTION 2. All other provisions of §226 of the Code of the City of Garfield are not further amended and remain in full force and effect.

The ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage.

SECTION 5. The City Manager I hereby empowered to take any and all actions incident and necessary to give effect to this Ordinance and to take all steps necessary to give immediate effect to this Ordinance.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 22, 2025

Adopted: May 13, 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-233-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3074
SECOND READING**

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

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §226 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED, “PARKING” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING §226-1 ENTITLED “PARKING PROHIBITED” TO ADD A GENERAL RESTRICTION OF A 2-HOUR PARKING LIMIT ON PALISADE AVENUE (BOTH SIDES OF STREET) BETWEEN MIDLAND AVENUE AND PASSAIC STREET AND MIDLAND AVENUE (EAST SIDE OF THE STREET) BETWEEN CHARLES STREET AND FREDERICK STREET

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, April 22, 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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.: 3074**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND §226 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED, “PARKING” SPECIFICALLY AMENDING §226-1 ENTITLED “PARKING PROHIBITED” TO ADD A GENERAL RESTRICTION OF A 2-HOUR PARKING LIMIT ON PALISADE AVENUE (BOTH SIDES OF STREET) BETWEEN MIDLAND AVENUE AND PASSAIC STREET AND MIDLAND AVENUE (EAST SIDE OF THE STREET) BETWEEN CHARLES STREET AND FREDERICK STREET

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Garfield believes it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to Amend §226 of the City Code of the City of Garfield to impose a 2-hour parking restriction on certain portions of Midland Avenue and Palisade Avenue; and

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

SECTION 1. §226-1 of the City Code of the City of Garfield, entitled ‘Parking Prohibited’, is hereby amended to add subsections (3) and (4) as follows:

(3) No person shall park a vehicle for longer than 2 hours upon any of the following streets or portions thereof as specified:

<u>Name of Street</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Hours/Days</u>	<u>Location</u>
Midland Avenue	East side	9AM-4PM Mon. to Sat.	Charles and Frederick
Palisade Avenue	Both sides	9AM-4PM Mon. to Sat.	Midland and Passaic

(4) Notwithstanding subsection 3, the 2-hour parking prohibition on Palisade Avenue shall NOT apply to residents or business owners whose business is on any street or portion thereof upon which parking is restricted on Palisade Avenue who have obtained a parking permit. In the case of a business owner, a maximum of two parking permits will be issued.

SECTION 2. All ordinances of the City of Garfield, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. All other provisions of §226 of the Code of the City of Garfield are not further amended and remain in full force and effect.

The ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage.

SECTION 5. The City Manager and Police Department is hereby empowered to take any and all actions incident and necessary to give effect to this Ordinance and to take all steps necessary to give immediate effect to this Ordinance.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 22, 2025

Adopted: May 13, 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-234-25**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3075
SECOND READING**

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

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 242 (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE)
ARTICLE IV (LEAD-BASED PAINT) SECTION 242-15.1 (VIOLATIONS AND
PENALTIES) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, April 22, 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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.: 3075**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 242 (PROPERTY MAINTENANCE)
ARTICLE IV (LEAD-BASED PAINT) SECTION 242-15.1 (VIOLATIONS AND
PENALTIES) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City Garfield (“City”) believes it is in the best interest of the City to Amend Section 242-15.1 of the City Code of the City of Garfield and replace certain language to increase the fines for noncompliance; and

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

SECTION 1. §242-15.1 of the City Code of the City of Garfield, entitled “Violations and penalties” is hereby amended to remove the existing language and replace it with the below language:

§ 242-15.1 Violations and penalties.

Violations and penalties. Any property owner who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this article and has failed to conduct the required inspection or initiate and remediation as required by N.J.S.A. 52:27D-437.1 et seq., the property owner shall have 30 days to cure the violation. If a property owner fails to cure the violation after 30 days, the property owner shall be subject to a penalty not to exceed \$1,000.00 per week until the required inspection has been conducted, or remediation efforts have been initiated.

The ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage.

SECTION 2. The City Manager and Fire Prevention Bureau are hereby empowered to take any and all actions incident and necessary to give effect to this Ordinance and to take all steps necessary to give immediate effect to this Ordinance.

ATTEST: _____

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

Introduced: April 22, 2025

Adopted: May 13, 2025

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-235-25**

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

ADOPTION OF THE 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby adopt the 2025 Municipal Budget set forth herein and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization in the amount of \$46,454,516.00 for municipal purposes:

SECTION 2 - UPON ADOPTION FOR YEAR 2025

RESOLUTION

Be it Resolved by the **GARFIELD** COUNCIL MEMBERS of the **BERGEN** COUNTY that the budget hereinbefore set forth is hereby adopted and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated of the sums therein set forth as appropriations, and authorization of the amount of:

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| (a) \$ | 28,494,522.00 | (Item 2 below) for municipal purposes, and |
| (b) \$ | - | (Item 3 below) for school purposes in Type I School Districts only (N.J.S.A. 18A:9-2) to be raised by taxation and, |
| (c) \$ | - | (Item 4 below) to be added to the certificate of amount to be raised by taxation for local school purposes in |
- Type II School Districts only (N.J.S.A. 18A:9-3) and certification to the County Board of Taxation of the following summary of general revenues and appropriations.
- | | | |
|--------|--------------|---|
| (d) \$ | - | (Sheet 43) Open Space, Recreation, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund Levy |
| (e) \$ | - | (Sheet 44) Arts and Culture Trust Fund Levy |
| (f) \$ | 1,274,926.00 | (Item 5 Below) Minimum Library Tax |

RECORDED VOTE
(Insert last name)

Ayes	Nays	Abstained

1. General Revenues		SUMMARY OF REVENUES	
Surplus Anticipated		08-100	\$ 4,000,000.00
Miscellaneous Revenues Anticipated		13-099	\$ 11,735,068.00
Receipts from Delinquent Taxes		15-499	\$ 950,000.00
2. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)		07-190	\$ 28,494,522.00
3. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:			
Item 6, Sheet 42		07-195	\$ -
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-14)		07-191	\$ -
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY			\$ -
4. To Be Added TO THE CERTIFICATE FOR THE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR SCHOOLS IN TYPE II SCHOOL DISTRICTS ONLY:			
Item 6(b), Sheet 11 (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-14)		07-191	\$ 1,274,926.00
5. AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION MINIMUM LIBRARY TAX		07-192	\$ 46,454,516.00
Total Revenues		13-299	\$ -

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

5. GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS:			
<u>Within "CAPS"</u>			
(a & b) Operations Including Contingent			XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
(e) Deferred Charges and Statutory Expenditures - Municipal			XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
(g) Cash Deficit			
		\$ 32,089,962.00	
		\$ 4,332,870.00	
		\$ -	
Excluded from "CAPS"			XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
(a) Operations - Total Operations Excluded from "CAPS"		\$ 4,086,718.00	
(c) Capital Improvements		\$ 190,000.00	
(d) Municipal Debt Service		\$ 4,029,966.00	
(e) Deferred Charges - Municipal		\$ 125,000.00	
(f) Judgments		\$ -	
(n) Transferred to Board of Education for Use of Local Schools (N.J.S.A. 40:48-17.1 & 17.3)		\$ -	
(g) Cash Deficit		\$ -	
(k) For Local District School Purposes		\$ -	
(m) Reserve for Uncollected Taxes		\$ 1,600,000.00	
6. SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS - TYPE I SCHOOL DISTRICT ONLY (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-13)			
Total Appropriations			\$ 46,454,516.00

It is hereby certified that the within budget is a true copy of the budget finally adopted by resolution of the Governing Body on the _____ day of _____, 2025. It is further certified that each item of revenue and appropriation is set forth in the same amount and by the same title as appeared in the 2025 approved budget and all amendments thereto, if any, which have been previously approved by the Director of Local Government Services.

Certified by me this _____ day of _____, 2025, _____ edelaney@garfieldnj.org, Clerk
Signature

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

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-236-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the Current Year Reserve totaling \$19,413.10 and the Current Fund totaling \$5,500,822.08 and the Water Reserves totaling \$2,666.16 and the Water Fund totaling \$146,361.05 and the Grants totaling \$1,600.00 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$16,885.00 and the Water Capital Fund totaling \$.00 and the Trust Accounts totaling \$23,076.57 and the Developer’s Escrow totaling \$6,854.38.00 per attached Computer Lists, dated May 13, 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 \$5,717,678.34 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

May 12, 2025

Dated

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-237-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**APPROVING CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS PURSUANT TO THE
NEW JERSEY LOCAL UNIT PAY TO PLAY LAW**

WHEREAS, pursuant to a previously adopted resolution, the qualified evaluation committee has determined that it would be in the best interests of the City to make certain professional appointments pursuant to a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of the new Jersey Local Pay to Play Law; and

WHEREAS, a legal notice and statement of criteria for submission of qualifications were prepared and issued by the City which solicited submissions by the various professionals no later than May 7, 2025; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the aforesaid notice statements of professional qualifications were, in fact submitted; and

WHEREAS, contracts with these professional may be entered into by the City of Garfield without the necessity of competitive bidding since these contracts are professional services which are exempt from competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A-11-5(1);

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

1. Social Sphere Strategies LLC. is hereby appointed as Social Media Public Relations Specialist for the City of Garfield in the amount not to exceed \$40,000.00 to be paid from 5-01-20-141-141-063.

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appointments shall be for a period of eight (8) months, from May 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, and each appointment is subject to confirmation by the Chief Financial Officer that sufficient funds exist for the purposes.

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

May 12, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-238-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**APPROVING CERTAIN PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS PURSUANT TO THE
NEW JERSEY LOCAL UNIT PAY TO PLAY LAW**

WHEREAS, pursuant to a previously adopted resolution, the qualified evaluation committee has determined that it would be in the best interests of the City to make certain professional appointments pursuant to a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of the new Jersey Local Pay to Play Law; and

WHEREAS, a legal notice and statement of criteria for submission of qualifications were prepared and issued by the City which solicited submissions by the various professionals no later than May 8, 2025; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the aforesaid notice statements of professional qualifications were, in fact submitted; and

WHEREAS, contracts with these professional may be entered into by the City of Garfield without the necessity of competitive bidding since these contracts are professional services which are exempt from competitive bidding pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A-11-5(1);

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

1. Paparozzi Associates, Inc. is hereby appointed as a Municipal Planner for the City of Garfield with compensation to be determined via resolution on an as needed basis.

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the appointments shall be for a period of eight (8) months, from May 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, and each appointment is subject to confirmation by the Chief Financial Officer that sufficient funds exist for the purposes.

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

May 12, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-239-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT
WITH DAN DRESSEL TO PROVIDE ARCHITECTURAL & ENGINEERING
SERVICES FOR THE SENIOR CENTER WALL FRAMING REPAIR & DOOR
REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to enter into an agreement with Dan Dressel, Architect to provide architectural and engineering services for the Senior Center Wall Framing Repair & Door Replacement project; and

WHEREAS, the terms of the agreement are outlined in proposal documents submitted by Dan Dressel, Architect; and

WHEREAS, the agreement is for professional services and as a result is exempt from the public bidding process;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of City of Garfield hereby authorizes the City Manager, Erin N. Delaney, to enter into an agreement with Dan Dressel, Architect to provide architectural & engineering services for the Senior Center Wall Framing Repair & Door Replacement project as outlined in their proposal for a total of \$8,800.00 to be paid out of account C-04-55-000-242-000.

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

May 12, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-240-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER #6 TO CREAMER-SANZARI, A
JOINT VENTURE FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES PROVIDED IN CONNECTION
WITH INFRARED CONSTRUCTION WORK RIVER DRIVE IMPROVEMENTS &
PASSAIC RIVER BIKEWAY (PHASE 2)**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to Creamer-Sanzari, A Joint Venture in the original contract amount of \$9,148,908.90; and

WHEREAS, Change Order #6 in the amount of \$15,000.00 is necessary for the infrared construction work by Creamer-Sanzari, A Joint Venture, for the River Drive Improvements and Passaic River Bikeway (Phase 2) project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that Change Order #6 increasing the amount of this project by \$15,000.00 be and is hereby approved to be paid out of account C-04-55-999-000-944.

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

May 12, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-241-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FROM MONTANA
CONSTRUCTION TO PERFORM SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH CLEANING
AND TELEVISIONING APPROXIMATELY 3,000 FEET OF STORM SEWER LINES ON
BANTA AVENUE BETWEEN MIDLAND AVENUE AND PROSPECT STREET**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is in receipt of a proposal from Montana Construction dated April 28, 2025 to perform services in connection with the cleaning and televising of storm sewer lines on Banta Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Montana Construction is authorized by the City of Garfield to provide services for the cleaning and televising of approximately 3,000' of storm sewer lines on Banta Avenue between Midland Avenue and Prospect Street in accordance with the aforementioned proposal; and

WHEREAS, Montana Construction will complete this work in one (1) day for a cost of \$5,000.00/day. In the event of downtime or additional work their hourly rate will be \$693.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield hereby authorizes Montana Construction to perform these services in the amount of \$5,000.00 to be paid out of account C-04-55-000-250-000.

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

May 12, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-242-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN CONNECTION
WITH THE WATER MAIN AND SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has provided design services in connection with the above-referenced project; and

WHEREAS, these services were originally authorized under Resolution # 18-290 and the project scope substantially changed due to the availability of a Federal matching grant in the amount of \$2,400,000; and

WHEREAS, the project was recently bid and awarded for a contract amount of \$2,982,320.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the City Engineer is hereby authorized to perform Construction Management services for this project for a fee not to exceed \$240,000.00 to be paid out of accounts C-06-55-598-000-926 and C-06-55-236-000-000.

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

May 12, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-243-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVING TAX OVERPAYMENT CREDIT/REFUND

WHEREAS the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received a refund request from the following property owner due to house sold for 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 over payment 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 5-01-55-160-999-999.

BLOCK	LOT	Qualifier	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
211.01	26		New North Property LLC	ACH Refund	\$2,210.70

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

May 12, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-244-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVING LOADING ZONE

WHEREAS, Olsen Tafa, owner of Directs Fence Company LLC, 154 Charles Street, has filed an application for a loading zone to be placed at his business; 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 a loading zone be designated in front of Directs Fence Company LLC, located on the north curb line of Charles Street commencing 42 feet west of the intersection of Charles Street and Gaston Avenue and run an additional 25 feet west from that point; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a loading zone is hereby authorized to be in effect Sunday – Saturday 8:00am to 7:00pm; 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-245-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**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>
UR Motorsports LLC	2 Gaston Avenue	January 1, 2025
Steven's Auto Services	82 Monroe Street	January 1, 2025
Dymora Auto	381 River Drive	January 1, 2025
Ron's Superior Auto	830 River	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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-246-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVING REGULAR ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted Aaron G. Gilkes, 180 Harrison Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a regular active member, effective March 3, 2025;

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

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-247-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION NJSA
40A:4-87**

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A: 4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Service to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$42,844.16 which is now available as part of the Recycling Tonnage Grant from the State of NJ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$42,844.16 is hereby appropriated under the caption the Recycling Tonnage Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds from Recycling Tonnage Grant, in the amount of \$42,844.16.

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-248-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION NJSA
40A:4-87**

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A: 4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Service to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$3,236.03 which is now available as part of the National Opioid Settlement (Walgreens Payment 3); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$3,236.03 is hereby appropriated under the caption the National Opioid Settlement (Walgreens Payment 3); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds from the National Opioid Settlement (Walgreens Payment 3), in the amount of \$3,236.03.

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-249-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION
NJSA 40A:4-87**

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A: 4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Service to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$7,000.00 which is now available as part of the Click-It-Or-Ticket grant from the State of NJ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the sum of \$7,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption the Click-It-Or-Ticket grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above is the result of funds from Click-It-Or-Ticket grant, in the amount of \$7,000.00.

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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			

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

Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-250-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A FY2025 NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION – TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET ASIDE GRANT
APPLICATION – JEWELL STREET IMPROVEMENTS**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey desires to apply to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for grant funding under the Transportation Alternatives Set-aside Program; and

WHEREAS, the Jewell Street Improvement Project meets all the criteria necessary to receive funding under the Transportation Alternatives Program; and

WHEREAS, the Jewell Street Improvement Project will encourage alternative modes of transportation, enhance the travel experience, improve open space and smart growth, and improve the quality of life for the residents of the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield agrees to assume a commitment of maintenance of the project after construction is completed; and

WHEREAS, responsibilities for administering the proposed project in accord with federal and state guidelines (to be known as the Responsible Charge) will be City Manager Erin Delaney, a full-time employee of the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield fully supports the proposed Transportation Alternatives Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk of the City of Garfield, State of New Jersey, authorizes the City Manager to submit an electronic grant application identified as “TA-2025-Jewell Street Improvements Project-00075” to the New Jersey Department of Transportation under the Transportation Alternatives Set-aside Program on Behalf of the City of Garfield; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the City of Garfield and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-251-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION FOR UNPROGRAMMED FUNDS –
GARFIELD SENIOR CENTER REPAIRS**

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development Block Grant totaling \$80,000.00 has been proposed by the City of Garfield for interior renovations at the Senior Center in the municipality of Garfield; and

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

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditure of the aforesaid Community Development application; and

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen shall determine whether the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the County Trust Fund;

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the Director of the Bergen County Division of Community Development (Robert G. Esposito, Director; Bergen County Division of Community Development; One Bergen County Plaza, 4th Floor; Hackensack, NJ 07601) so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-252-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

ENABLING RESOLUTION FOR STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GREEN ACRES PROGRAM – COLUMBUS PARK IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program (“State”), provides loans and/or grants to municipal and county governments and grants to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the acquisition and development of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield has previously obtained a Green Acres grant of \$2,460,000.00 from the State to fund the following project(s):

#0221-21-075 Columbus Park Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the State and the City of Garfield intend to increase Green Acres funding by \$1,400,000, to increase Green Acres funding to a total of \$3,860,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that:

1. The City Manager of the above-named body or board is hereby authorized to execute an agreement and any amendment(s) thereto with the State known as Columbus Park Improvement; and
2. The applicant agrees to provide its matching share to the Green Acres funding, if a match is required, in the amount of \$400,000.00; and
3. The applicant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-253-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVING HANDICAP PARKING SPACE

WHEREAS, Ricardo Leonard, of 122 Morris Ave, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P2997137, has filed an application for a handicap parking sign to be placed at his 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 south curb line of Morris Avenue commencing 240 feet east of the intersection of Morris Avenue and Ray Street and continue an additional 20 feet east 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: MAY 13, 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 13th day of May 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-254-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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-236-25 through R-254-25 be and are hereby approved and the proper officers are directed to take necessary action on same.

APPROVED: MAY 13, 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			

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City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

Garfield School District Superintendent & Garfield Police Department:

Chief Delaney and Dr. Tomko, Garfield School District Superintendent, were in attendance to discuss the district contributing toward the cost of SROs. Discussion ensued regarding the school district sharing the costs of having the SROs in the schools via an MOU approved by both entities. Dr. Tomko advised that he shared the letter sent by the City with the School Board and that he would also be discussing this with them. All parties discussed potential percentages, payment frequency, etc. Additionally, crossing guard costs were also mentioned and it was suggested that perhaps this could be something that is phased in. It was agreed upon that the City would take the lead on the MOU and further discussion would take place.

Reports of the Cabinet and City Council:

City Engineer's Report:

City Engineer Kevin Boswell advised that the work that would need to be done to fix the drainage/flooding issue on Irving Place would cost about \$100,000.00 and should be incorporated into a future road program project. Ms. Delaney advised that there is not money in the City's budget for a road program project this year. Mr. Boswell said the final punch list is being worked on for River Drive and that he reached out to the County regarding installation of a crosswalk. Lastly, he noted he is working on numbers for the DPW building improvements that are needed. Mayor Garnto inquired as to why the contractor for the splash park is not working on weekends.

City Council's Report:

Deputy Mayor Kane stated that there is a sink hole by School #10. Additionally, he shared information about the coordination of a Fourth of July event at Columbus Park which will be sponsored by Steve's Burgers. Deputy Mayor Kane then spoke about the NJ Film Ready certification, to which City Manager/Clerk Delaney advised that she started this process in 2024 at the request of the prior council. She noted that Councilman Maslag was supposed to complete the final component but never did so. Deputy Mayor Kane advised that he would work on it once sent to him.

Mayor Garnto requested that the bathrooms at 20th Century Field be open during events. Additionally, it was discussed to open the bathrooms by the fieldhouse 7 days a week from 8AM-8PM, while moving the portajohns to Emanuel Street. Mayor Garnto then spoke about a problem property in the City and summonses issued related to property maintenance. Ms. Delaney advised that the City's code needs to be updated in order to be able to put a lien on the property, as discussed at the quality of life meeting. It was noted that the City Attorney would need to guide staff on this matter.

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond stated that she heard that court fines are being lowered in court by department heads. Additionally, she requested that the City invites Pastor John to Regular Council meetings for the invocation.

Councilman Delaney suggested that the City consider having the DPW clean the parks on Saturday instead of being open for the "yard" drop-offs.

Report of the City Manager:

Discussion:

- 1. Timed/Loading Zone Parking** – City Manager/City Clerk shared that she approached the Police Department regarding an ordinance for creating a formal application process, with an application fee, for timed/loading zone parking spaces for businesses. She noted that there is a similar ordinance for handicap parking spaces and she feels that there should be similar guidelines for businesses making these requests. Ms. Delaney then reviewed the Police Department's recommendations to which the Mayor and Council supported. The City Attorney will draft an ordinance.

2. **NJDOT Grants** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney stated that the City will be applying for additional funding for the NJDOT Municipal Aid grant application. However, there are two additional opportunities that the City can consider applications for: Safe Streets to Transit and Bikeways. The Mayor and Council suggested making applications for Midland Avenue, should the County be supportive.
3. **QOL Detail Update** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney provided an update regarding the Quality of Life detail done by the Police Department.
4. **Columbus Park Signage** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney requested an update on the Mayor and Council’s thoughts for the Columbus Park signage changes and associated costs. Mayor Garnto requested that the City Engineer make another attempt at a cost reduction with the contractor. Ms. Delaney also provided an update regarding the problematic issues related to the park (lighting and plant replacements). The Mayor and Council inquired about the cracked cement and grass.

Resolution:

1. **Resolution of Support – Bergen County – Passaic Street Bridge** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed a draft resolution of support request from the County who will be making a grant application for improvements to the Passaic Street Bridge. The resolution will be placed on the May 20, 2025 meeting agenda.

Ordinance:

1. **BYOB** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that in order for the Police Department to prohibit and crack down on cafes permitting BYOB in their establishments, the City would need to adopt an ordinance prohibiting BYOB City-wife. The Mayor and Council were not in favor of doing so.

Departmental Reports:

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

Public Comment:

Mitchell Hirsch, Midland Avenue/Somerset Street, spoke about his property, which is better known as the “triangle building”. He stated that Greater Bergen Community Action received a grant to purchase his property, but will not proceed with the purchase unless the City is amenable to parking variances. Mr. Hirsch requested that the Mayor and Council reconsider their support and meet with Greater Bergen Community Action to come up with a solution as he would like to sell his property.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Kane and seconded by Councilman Delaney adjourn. The motions carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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

These meeting minutes were approved at the June 10, 2025 Work Session Meeting of the Mayor & Council.