

**WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE
GARFIELD MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OCTOBER 14, 2025
6:00P.M.**

The Work Session Meeting of the Garfield Mayor and Council for October 14, 2025 was called to order by City Manager/City Clerk Erin Delaney at 6:10PM. The Statement of Compliance was read.

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

**Councilman Rigoglioso arrived at 6:11PM.*

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 September 23, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes. The motions carried unanimously.

2. ORDINANCES:

FIRST READING

R-463-25

Introduce Ord. #3103

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART I (ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 12 (COURT) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ADMINISTRATIVE SEARCH WARRANTS

R-464-25

Introduce Ord. #3104

CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$52,000 FOR THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND BIDDING SERVICES FOR THE ELMWOOD PARK WELLFIELD PFC TREATMENT, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE RESERVE FOR WATER

R-465-25

Introduce Ord. #3105

CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$12,000 FOR MAINTENANCE OF WELLS 1 AND 2, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE RESERVE FOR WATER IMPROVEMENTS

SECOND READING

R-466-25

Introduce Ord. #3098

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 142 (FIRE PREVENTION) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

- R-467-25 Introduce Ord. #3099
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 325 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD
- R-468-25 Introduce Ord. #3100
AMENDING CITY OF GARFIELD CODE, PART II ENTITLED “GENERAL LEGISLATION,” CHAPTER 80 “ANIMALS”, BANNING THE SALE OF DOGS AND CATS FROM PET SHOPS
- R-469-25 Introduce Ord. #3101
BOND ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$370,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF WATER METERS (PHASE 2) IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS
- R-470-25 Introduce Ord. #3102
BOND ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$350,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF LEAD WATER SERVICE LINES ALONG HARRISON AVENUE AND MACARTHUR AVENUE IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

- R-471-25 Approval of Bills List
- R-472-25 Amending Resolutions R-17-25 & R-334-25 to Adjust Attorney Not to Exceed Amounts
- R-473-25 Approving Capital Budget Amendment
- R-474-25 Waiver of and Refund of Special Event Fees to Salvatore Ingraffia
- R-475-25 Authorizing Payment of Payment Requisition No. 1 to North East Roof Maintenance for Construction Services Provided in Connection with the Emergency DPW Roof Repair
- R-476-25 Authorizing Approval of Change Order No.1 to North East Roof Maintenance for Construction Services Provided in Connection with the Emergency DPW Roof Repair
- R-477-25 Approving Emergency Appropriation in Accordance with NJSA 40A:4-48 Water Utility – Engineering Fees for the Elmwood Park Wellfield PFC Treatment
- R-478-25 Authorizing the City Engineer to Provide the City of Garfield with Preliminary Design, Final Design and Bidding Services for the Elmwood Park Wellfield PFC Treatment
- R-479-25 Authorizing Partial Payment to Neglia Engineering for Work Related to the City’s Re-Examination of the Master Plan

R-480-25	Approving Tax Overpayment Credit/Refund
R-481-25	Approving Tax Overpayment Credit/Refund
R-482-25	Approving Tax Overpayment Credit/Refund
R-483-25	Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation N.J.S.A 40A:4-87
R-484-25	Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation N.J.S.A 40A:4-87
R-485-25	Approving Regular Active Member – Fire Department
R-486-25	Approving Handicap Parking Space
R-487-25	Entering Into a Grant Agreement with the County of Bergen – Unprogrammed Funds – Senior Center Rehabilitation
R-488-25	Appointment of Library Board of Trustees Member
R-489-25	Extending Contract Agreement with Passaic Valley Water Commission
R-490-25	Resolution to Approve the Consent Agenda

4. MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS:

City Manager/City Clerk Delaney, on behalf of Mayor Garnto, read aloud the following Mayoral appointment:

Gerald Walis – Planning Board Member – Unexpired term through 12/31/25

5. ORDINANCE:

R-491-25 Introduce Ord. #3106

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY RESCINDING ORDINANCE NO. 2985 TITLED “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, PURSUANT TO 40A:20-1 ET. SEQ TO EXECUTE A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF GARFIELD AND MERIDIA GARFIELD 69, URBAN RENEWAL, LLC FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON BLOCK 34.02, LOT 28, ALSO KNOWN AS 69 HEPWORTH PLACE AS SHOWN ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AND LOCATED IN A REDVELOPMENT AREA”

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-463-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3103
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART I (ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION),
CHAPTER 12 (COURT) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO
PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ADMINISTRATIVE SEARCH WARRANTS**

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 Tuesday, October 28, 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: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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.: 3103**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART I (ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION),
CHAPTER 12 (COURT) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO
PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF ADMINISTRATIVE SEARCH WARRANTS**

WHEREAS the Governing Body of the City Garfield (“City”) believes it is in the best interest of the City to Amend Part I (Administrative Legislation), Chapter 12 (Court) of the City Code of the City of Garfield to add the following sections; and

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

SECTION 1. NEW section §12-13 of the City Code of the City of Garfield, entitled “Administrative Search Warrants” is hereby ADDED to Chapter 12 (Courts):

§ 12-13 Administrative Search Warrants

A. Issuance of an Administrative Search Warrant

If access to a private property within the City of Garfield cannot be obtained voluntarily and no other exception to authorize access to the property applies, an authorized City official or duly appointed inspector may seek an administrative (noncriminal) search warrant from the Garfield Municipal Court. Such application shall be made by affidavit setting forth factually the conditions and circumstances that provide a reasonable basis for believing that a nuisance, a violation of state law or regulation, or a violation of a municipal ordinance or code or a dangerous condition exists on the premises. If a Judge of the Municipal Court is satisfied as to the matter set forth in the affidavit, he or she shall authorize the issuance of a search warrant permitting access to and inspection of that part of the premises on which the nuisance or violation may exist.

B. Violations and penalties.

Where any authorized City official or duly appointed inspector possessing a duly authorized administrative search warrant for a private property is refused entry or access or is otherwise impeded or prevented by the owner, occupant or operator from conducting an inspection of the premises, in addition to any other penalties that may be available under law, such person shall be in violation of this Code and subject to the penalties as provided including but limited to a City official or duly appointed inspector possessing a duly authorized administrative search warrant for a private property and gaining access.

The Court Department, Municipal Magistrate, City Manager, Building Department, Fire Prevention Bureau, and/or Police Department 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: October 14, 2025

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-464-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3104
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$52,000 FOR THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND BIDDING SERVICES FOR THE ELMWOOD PARK WELLFIELD PFC TREATMENT, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE RESERVE FOR WATER IMPROVEMENTS

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 Tuesday, October 28, 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: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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.: 3104**

CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$52,000 FOR THE PRELIMINARY DESIGN AND BIDDING SERVICES FOR THE ELMWOOD PARK WELLFIELD PFC TREATMENT, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE RESERVE FOR WATER IMPROVEMENTS

WHEREAS, the City Council now finds and determines that \$52,000 is required the preliminary design and bidding services for the Elwood Park Wellfield PFC treatment; and

WHEREAS, there are available funds in the capital reserve for water improvements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. The sum of \$52,000 is hereby appropriated to the preliminary design and bidding services for the Elwood Park Wellfield PFC treatment. No down payment is required for this ordinance as it will be fully funded through the reserve for water improvements. Said improvement has been and shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof has been nor shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 2. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the making of such improvement (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") is not a current expense of said City, and (2) the capital reserves are sufficient to fully fund the capital ordinance pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose authorized by the Water Utility is \$52,000 and is for Section 20 costs hereby stated, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses.

Section 3. There will be no issuance of debt and as such, there is no need to provide a self-liquidating calculation or Supplemental Debt Statement.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after the first publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: October 14, 2025

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-465-25**

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND

SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3105

FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$12,000 FOR MAINTENANCE OF WELLS 1 AND 2, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE RESERVE FOR WATER IMPROVEMENTS

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 Tuesday, October 28, 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: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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.: 3105**

CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$12,000 FOR MAINTENANCE OF WELLS 1 AND 2, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE RESERVE FOR WATER IMPROVEMENTS .

WHEREAS, the City Council now finds and determines that \$12,000 is required for maintenance of Wells 1 and 2; and

WHEREAS, there are available funds in the capital reserve for water improvements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. The sum of \$12,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the maintenance of Wells 1 and 2. No down payment is required for this ordinance as it will be fully funded through the reserve for water improvements. Said improvement has been and shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof has been nor shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 2. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the making of such improvement (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") is not a current expense of said City, and (2) the capital reserves are sufficient to fully fund the capital ordinance pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose authorized by the Water Utility is \$12,000 and including the sum of \$0 for Section 20 costs hereby stated, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expense.

Section 3. There will be no issuance of debt and as such, there is no need to provide a self-liquidating calculation or Supplemental Debt Statement.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after the first publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: October 14, 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-466-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3098
SECOND READING**

WHEREAS, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 142 (FIRE PREVENTION) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, September 23, 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: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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.: 3098**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 142
(FIRE PREVENTION) 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 Part II (General Legislation), Chapter 142 (Fire Prevention) of the City Code of the City of Garfield to make the following modifications;

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

1. Amend [additions]/~~deletions~~] §142-9 (Non-Life Hazard Use Inspection Fees) as follows:

A. In addition to the registrations required by the Uniform Fire Code, the following non-life- hazard uses shall register with the Bureau of Fire Prevention. These uses shall be inspected once per year and shall pay an annual fee as set forth below:

(1) Fees for all non-life-hazard business establishments:

(2)

(a) Any building, structure, or premises under 2,500 square feet in gross area: \$85 per year;

(b) Any building, structure, or premises from 2,501 square feet up to 12,000 square feet in gross area: \$160 per year;

(c) Any building, structure, or premises over 12,000 square feet in gross area: \$235 per year;

(3) For all multifamily dwellings except owner-occupied, one- or two-family dwellings, including accessory structures, buildings, or premises:

[Amended 3-14-2023 by Ord. No. 2981]

(a) Residential, two to 10 units per building: \$90 per year;

(b) Residential, 11 to 20 units per building: \$125 per year;

(c) Residential, 21 to 30 units per building: \$135 per year;

(d) Residential, 31 to 40 units per building: \$145 per year;

(e) Residential, 41 to 50 units per building: \$205 per year;

(f) Residential, 51 units and up, per building: \$220 per year.

(4) Fees for following uses and activities.

(a) Propane for tow motor fuel, storage of:

[1] Up to 150 pounds: \$125.

[2] One hundred fifty to 300 pounds: \$175.

[3] Over 300 pounds: \$300.

(b) Affidavit for smoke detector inspection fee shall be in compliance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.9(d).

(c) Production, use, storage, and handling of plastics:

[1] In excess of 1,000 pounds but less than 10,000 pounds: \$125 per year;

[2] In excess of 10,000 pounds: \$225 per year.

(d) Violation of fire zone: \$55.

(e) Lumber storage, more than 25,000 board-feet, except in life use: \$125 per year.

(f) Small arms ammunition sale or storage for resale: \$50 per year.

2. Amend [additions]/~~deletions~~] §142-11 (Technical Amendments) as follows:

E. Automatic alarm systems. To control false alarms and ensure proper maintenance of automatic fire reporting systems:

(3) Fire Bell Marking.

(a) Any fire detector system with an outside bell or other audible indicator shall be

RED in color and marked "Fire Alarm, when sounding call 911" to indicate it is a part of the Fire Alarm System.

(b) Any building required to be equipped with an automatic fire alarm system or automatic fire suppression system shall be affixed on the outside with an audio and or visual indicating device. All devices must meet requirements set forth by NFPA 72. The Fire Official or his/her designee shall designate where this indicating device is to be located.

B. Fire Watch

(4). Payment for fire watch services by property owners. Payment for a fire watch on private property shall be made by the property owner or tenant in accordance with the following:

- (a) Compensation for each City employee assigned to the fire watch is \$75 per hour, paid to the Garfield Fire Prevention Bureau.
- (b) Administrative fee: \$35 per hour shall be deducted from the \$75 and paid to the Fire Prevention Bureau.
- (c) Personnel payment: \$40 per hour shall be paid to the individual performing the fire watch.

SECTION 2. 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: September 23, 2025

Adopted: October 14, 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-467-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3099
SECOND READING**

WHEREAS, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 325
(VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, September 23, 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: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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.: 3099**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 325
(VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) 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 Part II (General Legislation), Chapter 325 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the City Code of the City of Garfield to add the following sections; and

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

SECTION 1. NEW sections §325-1 to §325-5 of the City Code of the City of Garfield, entitled “Purpose” is hereby ADDED to Chapter 325 (Vehicles and Traffic):

§ 325-1 Purpose

The purpose of this Chapter is to enact ordinances and provide rules and regulations governing the Vehicles and Traffic thought the City of Garfield for the safety the residents with particular focus on the road and street on which schools are located in the City.

§ 325-2 Temporary closing of school streets

- A. Pursuant to N.J.R.S. 40:67-16.7, the City Manager of the City of Garfield is hereby authorized to close by regulation any portion of any street wherein is located any public or private school if he/she shall find that a safety problem exists for ingress or egress to any such school or for the provision of recreational facilities for children attending such schools, or both, due to lack of a suitable area surrounding the school.
- B. Such portion of such street shall be closed for use of through traffic during such time as they shall determine, not to exceed one hour between 7:30AM and 10:00AM, two hours between 11:00AM and 2:00PM and one hour between 2:30PM and 4:30PM on any days upon which such school is in session.
- C. Proper warning signs shall be posted in said street indicating that said street is so closed, and the reason therefor, during the time when the same is closed.
- D. No regulation established pursuant to this section shall be effective unless and until it shall have been approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation.
- E. Any violation of any regulation established pursuant to this section shall be deemed a violation of this chapter and shall be punishable as such.

§ 325-3. U-turn prohibition.

No person shall make a U-turn on any street in the City.

§325-4. Right turns on red prohibited.

No person shall make a right turn when facing a steady red signal whenever a sign is posted prohibiting such a turn the following intersections:

- (i) Ray Street traveling south onto Lanza Avenue traveling west from 8:00AM to 9:00AM and from 2:00PM to 3PM on every day when school is in session;
- (ii) Lanza Avenue traveling east onto Ray Street traveling south from 8:00AM to 9:00AM and from 2:00PM to 3PM on every day when school is in session.

§325-5. Penalties.

Unless another penalty is expressly provided by New Jersey statute, or except as specifically provided in some other section of this chapter, every person convicted of a violation of a provision of this chapter or any supplement thereto shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 15 days, or both.

SECTION 2. The City Manager, Police Department, and Municipal Court Department 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: September 23, 2025

Adopted: October 14, 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-468-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3100
SECOND READING**

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

AMENDING CITY OF GARFIELD CODE, PART II ENTITLED “GENERAL LEGISLATION,” CHAPTER 80 “ANIMALS”, BANNING THE SALE OF DOGS AND CATS FROM PET SHOPS

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, September 23, 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: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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.: 3100**

AMENDING CITY OF GARFIELD CODE, PART II ENTITLED “GENERAL LEGISLATION,” CHAPTER 80 “ANIMALS”, BANNING THE SALE OF DOGS AND CATS FROM PET SHOPS

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City Garfield (“City”) believes it is in the best interest of the City to Amend Part II of The City of Garfield Code entitled “General Legislation,” Chapter 80 entitled “Animals,” specifically Article VI entitled “Pet Shops”, amending the following sections;

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

1. Amend [additions]/~~deletions~~ Article VI (Pet Shops), of Chapter 80 entitled ‘Animals’, is amended. Specifically, Section 80-49 as follows:

Section 80-49:

- (1) A pet shop may offer for sale only those dogs and cats that the pet shop has obtained from ~~or displays in cooperation with~~:
 - (a) An animal care facility;
 - (b) An animal rescue organization; or
 - (c) ~~Private licensed and insured breeders~~
- (2) A pet shop shall not offer for sale a dog or cat that is younger than eight weeks old.
- (3) No dog kept in a kennel, pet shop, dog shelter or pound shall be permitted off such premises except on leash or in a crate or under other safe control.

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

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: September 23, 2025

Adopted: October 14, 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-469-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3101
SECOND READING**

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

BOND ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$370,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF WATER METERS (PHASE 2) IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, September 23, 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: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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.: 3101**

BOND ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$370,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF WATER METERS (PHASE 2) IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Garfield has heretofore authorized the replacement of water meters (Phase 2) in, by and for the Water Utility of said City and appropriated the sum of \$1,660,000 therefor pursuant to ordinance no. 2947 adopted by the City Council of said City on August 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now finds and determines that the additional sum of \$370,000 is required for such improvement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. The additional sum of \$370,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvement authorized by ordinance no. 2947 adopted by the City Council of the City on August 1, 2022 (the "Prior Ordinance"). Said additional appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized by this ordinance. No down payment is required for this bond ordinance pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) and 40A:2-7(h). Said improvement has been and shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof has been nor shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 2. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the making of such improvement (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") is not a current expense of said City, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said City pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose authorized by the Prior Ordinance is \$2,030,000, including the sum of \$1,660,000 appropriated by the Prior Ordinance and the \$370,000 appropriated by this ordinance, and (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$2,030,000, including the \$1,660,000 authorized by the Prior Ordinance and the \$370,000 hereinafter authorized, and (5) the cost of such purpose includes the aggregate amount of \$70,000, including the sum of \$60,000 stated in the Prior Ordinance and the sum of \$10,000 hereby stated, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, 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.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the Water Utility would have been self-liquidating, as defined in Section 47(a) of the Local Bond Law, during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024, had there been included in the interest and debt redemption charges for such year an amount equal to interest for one year at the rate of four and one half percentum (4½%) per annum on said bonds or notes, and the amount of the first installment of serial bonds legally issuable to finance such purpose plus an amount for charges as aforesaid with respect to all bonds and notes authorized but not issued for such Water Utility.

Section 4. To finance said purpose, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$370,000 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 5. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$370,000 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 6. 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 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 7. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of fifteen years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 8. 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 \$370,000, but said \$370,000 shall be deducted from gross debt pursuant to Section 44(c) of the Local Bond Law and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance is permitted by an exception to the debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law as provided in Sections 47(a) and 7(h) of the Local Bond Law.

Section 9. 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 purpose shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 10. The City intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement authorized by the Prior Ordinance and described herein. 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 11. 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 12. 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 13. 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: September 23, 2025

Adopted: October 14, 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-470-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3102
SECOND READING**

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

BOND ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$350,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF LEAD WATER SERVICE LINES ALONG HARRISON AVENUE AND MACARTHUR AVENUE IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on Tuesday, September 23, 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: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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.: 3102**

BOND ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$350,000 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF LEAD WATER SERVICE LINES ALONG HARRISON AVENUE AND MACARTHUR AVENUE IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Garfield has heretofore authorized the replacement of lead water service lines along Harrison Avenue and MacArthur Avenue in, by and for the Water Utility of said City and appropriated the aggregate sum of \$3,175,000 therefor pursuant to Ordinance Nos. 3044 and 3084 adopted by the City Council of said City on September 24, 2024 and June 24, 2025, respectively; and

WHEREAS, the City Council now finds and determines that the additional sum of \$350,000 is required for such improvement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. The additional sum of \$350,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvement authorized by Ordinance Nos. 3044 and 3084 adopted by the City Council of the City on September 24, 2024 and June 24, 2025, respectively (collectively, the "Prior Ordinance"). Said additional appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized by this ordinance. No down payment is required for this bond ordinance pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) and 40A:2-7(h). Said improvement has been and shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof has been nor shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 2. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the making of such improvement (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") is not a current expense of said City, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said City pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose authorized by the Prior Ordinance is \$3,525,000, including the sum of \$3,175,000 appropriated by the Prior Ordinance and the \$350,000 appropriated by this ordinance, and (4) \$2,400,000 of said sum is to be provided by a grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency heretofore appropriated by the Prior Ordinance, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$1,125,000, including the \$775,000 authorized by the Prior Ordinance

and the \$350,000 hereinafter authorized, and (6) the cost of such purpose includes the sum of \$395,000 stated in the Prior Ordinance, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, 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.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the Water Utility would have been self-liquidating, as defined in Section 47(a) of the Local Bond Law, during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024, had there been included in the interest and debt redemption charges for such year an amount equal to interest for one year at the rate of four and one half percentum (4½%) per annum on said bonds or notes, and the amount of the first installment of serial bonds legally issuable to finance such purpose plus an amount for charges as aforesaid with respect to all bonds and notes authorized but not issued for such Water Utility.

Section 4. To finance said purpose, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$350,000 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 5. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$350,000 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 6. Each bond anticipation notes 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 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 7. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of thirty years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 8. 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 \$350,000, but said \$350,000 shall be deducted from gross debt pursuant to Section 44(c) of the Local Bond Law and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance is permitted by an exception to the debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law as provided in Sections 47(a) and 7(h) of the Local Bond Law.

Section 9. 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 purpose (other than the Federal grant heretofore appropriated by the Prior Ordinance which shall be applied to the cost of such purpose, 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 purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 10. The City intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement authorized by the Prior Ordinance and described herein. 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 11. 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 12. 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 13. 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: September 23, 2025

Adopted: October 14, 2025

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-471-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the Current Year Reserve totaling \$627.75 and the Current Fund totaling \$707,964.89 and the Water Reserves totaling \$0.00 and the Water Fund totaling \$23,319.00 and the Grants totaling \$137,851.28 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$3,295.00 and the Water Capital Fund totaling \$0.00 and the Trust Accounts totaling \$53,013.30 and the Developer’s Escrow totaling \$0.00 per attached Computer Lists, dated October 14, 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 \$1,548,857.92 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

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-472-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

AMENDING RESOLUTIONS R-17-25 & R-334-25 TO ADJUST ATTORNEY NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNTS

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 December 17, 2024; 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); and

WHEREAS, the City Council appointed professionals at the January 1, 2025 Reorganization Meeting with specific not to exceed amounts for budgetary purposes via Resolution R-17-25; and

WHEREAS, an adjustment was previously made to said not to exceed amounts to cover year to date attorney costs via resolution R-334-25;

WHEREAS, a second adjustment needs to be made to said not to exceed amounts to cover year to date attorney costs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that the following changes be made to the not to exceed amounts:

10. Richard Malagiere is hereby appointed as a Municipal Attorney for the City of Garfield with compensation in the amount not to exceed **\$129,618.50** to be paid from 5-01-20-155-155-020.

12. Christopher Nucifora of Kaufman Dolowich is hereby appointed as Special Legal Counsel for the City of Garfield with compensation in the amount not to exceed **\$36,750.00** to be paid from 5-01-20-155-155-020.

13. Weiner Law Group is hereby appointed as Special Legal Counsel for the City of Garfield with compensation in the amount not to exceed **\$1,500.00** to be paid from 5-01-20-155-155-020.

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

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 2025. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2025 - 2030

SUMMARY OF ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES AND AMOUNTS

1 PROJECT	2 Estimated TOTAL COST	3 Budget Appropriations		4 Capital Improvement Fund	5 Capital Surplus	6 Grants in Aid And Other Funds	7 BONDS AND NOTES			
		Current Year 2025	Future Years				General	Self Liquidating	Assessment	School
None										
TOTAL ALL PROJECTS	\$ -			\$ -			\$ -			

TO
CAPITAL BUDGET (Current Year Action)
2025

1 PROJECT	2 Project Number	3 Estimated Total Cost	4 Amounts Reserved in Prior Years	5a 2025 Budget Appro- priations	PLANNED FUNDING SERVICES FOR CURRENT YEAR 2025				6 To Be Funded in Future Years
					5b Capital Improvement Fund	5c Capital Surplus	5d Grants in Aid and Other Funds	5e Debt Authorized	
Suppl. Replacement of Harrison Ave and McCarthur Ave Lead Water Lines		\$ 350,000						\$ 350,000	
Suppl. Replacement of Water Meters		370,000						370,000	
TOTALS ALL PROJECTS		\$ 720,000			\$ -		\$ -	\$ 720,000	\$ -

6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2025- 2030
Anticipated PROJECT Schedule and Funding Requirement

1 PROJECT	2 PROJECT NUMBER	3 ESTIMATED TOTAL COST	ESTIMATED COMPLETION TIME	Budget Year 2025	2026	5 FUNDING AMOUNTS PER YEAR				
						2027	2028	2029	2030	
Suppl. Replacement of Harrison Ave and McArthur Ave Lead Water Lines		\$ 350,000		\$ 350,000						
Suppl. Replacement of Water Meters		370,000		370,000						
TOTALS ALL PROJECTS		\$ 720,000		\$ 720,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

6 YEAR CAPITAL PROGRAM 2025 - 2030
SUMMARY OF ANTICIPATED FUNDING SOURCES AND AMOUNTS

1 PROJECT	2 Estimated TOTAL COST	3 Budget Appropriations		4 Capital Improvement Fund	5 Capital Surplus	6 Grants in Aid and Other Funds	7 BONDS AND NOTES			
		Budget Current Year 2025	Future Years				General	Self Liquidating	Assessment	School
Suppl. Replacement of Harrison Ave and McArthur Ave Lead Water Lines	\$ 350,000						\$ 350,000			
Suppl. Replacement of Water Meters	370,000						370,000			
TOTALS ALL PROJECTS	\$ 720,000			\$ -		\$ -	\$ 720,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-474-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**WAIVER OF AND REFUND OF SPECIAL EVENT FEES TO SALVATORE
INGRAFFIA**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council wishes to waive fees associated with staff costs for a special event to be held on Sunday, October 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, a deposit for said costs was received by Mr. Ingraffia in the amount of \$1,200.00; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have agreed that the City of Garfield should refund Salvatore Ingraffia for said fees;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that \$1,200.00 be refunded to Salvatore Ingraffia from account line 5-01-25-240-240-014.

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

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-475-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF PAYMENT REQUISITION NO. 1 TO NORTH EAST
ROOF MAINTENANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES PROVIDED IN
CONNECTION WITH THE EMERGENCY DPW ROOF REPAIR**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to North East Roof Maintenance in the amount of \$339,000.00; and

WHEREAS, North East Roof Maintenance, has provided services for this project and submitted Payment Requisition No. 1 in the amount of \$293,943.41; and

WHEREAS, the City's Engineering firm recommends the payment of Requisition No. 1 in the amount of \$293,943.41 to North East Roof Maintenance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield hereby authorizes the payment of \$293,943.41 to North East Roof Maintenance for services rendered in connection with this project to be paid out of account C-04-55-253-085-300 and PO# 25-01625.

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

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-476-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO NORTH EAST ROOF
MAINTENANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES PROVIDED IN CONNECTION
WITH THE EMERGENCY DPW ROOF REPAIR**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded a contract to North East Roof Maintenance, in the original contract amount of \$339,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Change Order No. 1, in the amount of \$44,079.00, is necessary for the installation of temporary shoring on this project, which will increase the contract amount to \$383,079.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that Change Order No. 1, increasing amount of this project by \$44,079.00, be and is hereby approved to be paid out of account C-04-55-253-085-300 and PO # 25-01625.

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

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-477-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE

SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND

**APPROVING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A.
40A:4-48 – WATER UTILITY – ENGINEERING FEES FOR THE ELMWOOD PARK
WELLFIELD PFC TREATMENT**

WHEREAS, an emergency has arisen with respect to the funding of engineering fees for the Elmwood Park Wellfield PFC Treatment in the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, no adequate provision was made in the 2025 budget for the unforeseen aforesaid purpose, and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-46 provides for the creation of an emergency appropriation for the purpose above mentioned; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of emergency appropriations created including the appropriation to be created by this resolution is \$677,000 and, three percent (3%) of the total operating appropriations in the Budget for the year 2025 is \$1,424,128.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) that the emergency appropriation made for engineering fees for the Elmwood Park Wellfield PFC Treatment in the amount of \$52,000.00 will be provided for by a fully funded ordinance in the Water Capital Utility Fund and that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-48 that an emergency appropriation be and the same is hereby made for:

1. Water Utility
Preliminary Engineering Fees for the Elmwood Park Wellfield - \$52,000
2. Said emergency appropriation shall be provided for in full by a fully funded capital ordinance in the Water Capital Utility Fund of the City of Garfield.
3. That funds for the appropriation shall be provided from surplus funds on hand.
4. That two (2) certified copies of this Resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.
5. That the statement prepared by the Chief Financial Officer as required by the Local Finance Board has been filed with the Clerk and a copy thereof will be transmitted to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

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

October 13, 2025

Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-478-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY ENGINEER TO PROVIDE THE CITY OF GARFIELD
WITH PRELIMINARY DESIGN, FINAL DESIGN AND BIDDING SERVICES FOR
THE ELMWOOD PARK WELLFIELD PFC TREATMENT**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield authorizes the City Engineer to preform Preliminary Design, Final Design and Bidding services for the Elmwood Park Wellfield PFC Treatment; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer will be pleased to perform these services in accordance with their Proposal dated May 22,2025, summarized as follows:

Task 1 –	Preliminary Design	\$12,000.00
Task 2 –	Final Design	\$35,000.00
Task 3 –	Services during Bidding	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>
	Total	\$52,000.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that Boswell Inc., is hereby authorized to perform the above Tasks in accordance with their proposal dated May 22, 2025 for a total fee not to exceed \$52,000.00 to be paid out of account C-06-55-222-946-100 and PO# 25-01920.

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

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-479-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**AUTHORIZING PARTIAL PAYMENT TO NEGLIA ENGINEERING FOR WORK
RELATED TO THE CITY'S RE-EXAMINATION OF THE MASTER PLAN**

WHEREAS, the City Attorney directed City Planner Paparozzi Associates and Neglia Engineering to conduct work related to the City's re-examination of the Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, said work has been complete and proposals were submitted from both professionals as follows:

Neglia Engineering: \$8,230.00
Paparozzi Associated: \$3,000.00

; and

WHEREAS, there remains to be \$2,525.00 on the City's open Master Plan line; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended to pay a portion of the \$8,230.00 Neglia Engineering invoice, in the amount of \$2,525.00; and

WHEREAS, the remaining balance of \$5,705.00 and the \$3,000.00 for Paparozzi Associates will be revisited at a later time for payment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the payment of \$2,525.00 to Neglia Engineering for a partial payment on their invoice #2504424 be and is hereby approved to be paid out of account 4-01-20-150-151-121 and PO# 25-01922

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

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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-480-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVING TAX OVERPAYMENT CREDIT/REFUND

WHEREAS, the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received requests from the following property owner for a refund due to property 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 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 4-01-17-001-004.

BLOCK	LOT	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
113	5	439 Palisade, LLC	O/P	\$297.00

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

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-481-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVING TAX OVERPAYMENT CREDIT/REFUND

WHEREAS, the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received requests from the following property owners for a refund due to 100% Disabled Veteran 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 checks refunding over payments and forward same to the Receiver of Taxes for the purpose of noting her records and for mailing to the property owner, to be paid out of account 5-01-17-001-004.

BLOCK	LOT	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
149.02	32	Leonardo Liberato	O/P	\$374.42

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

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-482-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVING TAX OVERPAYMENT CREDIT/REFUND

WHEREAS, the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received requests from the following property owners for a refund due to Veteran Allow 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 checks refunding over payments and forward same to the Receiver of Taxes for the purpose of noting her records and for mailing to the property owner, to be paid out of account 5-01-17-001-004.

BLOCK	LOT	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
208.06	54	Rodolfo Huerta	O/P	\$250.00

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

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

October 13, 2025
Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-483-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**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 \$170,395.62 which is now available as part of the Summer Food grant; from the State of NJ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sum of \$170,395.62 is hereby appropriated under the caption Summer Food grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from the Summer Food grant in the amount of \$170,395.62.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-484-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**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 \$25,000.00 which is now available as part of the Pedestrian Safety grant; from the State of NJ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sum of \$25,000.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption Pedestrian Safety grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from the Pedestrian Safety grant in the amount of \$25,000.00.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-485-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVING REGULAR ACTIVE MEMBER – FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 4 has advised that they have accepted Julian Flores, 139 Malcolm Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey 07026, as a Regular Active Member, effective April 4, 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. 4 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-486-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVING HANDICAP PARKING SPACE

WHEREAS, RoseAngela Lierni, of 448 Van Bussum Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P3108437, has filed an application for a handicap parking sign to be placed at her address; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has investigated and recommend approval of the application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicap Parking”, located on the south curb line of Van Bussum Avenue commencing 107 feet west of the intersection of Van Bussum Avenue and Jefferson Street and continue an additional 18 feet west 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: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-487-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**ENTERING INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF BERGEN –
UNPROGRAMMED FUNDS – SENIOR CENTER REHABILITATION**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield wishes to enter into a grant agreement with the County of Bergen for the purpose of using \$83,250.00 in Unprogrammed Community Development Block Grant funds for Senior Center Rehabilitation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorizes City Manager Erin Nora Delaney to be a signatory for the aforesaid grant agreement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorizes CFO Nicholas Prochilo to sign all County vouchers submitted in connection with the aforesaid project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council recognizes that the City of Garfield is liable for any funds not spent in accordance with the Grant Agreement and that liability of the Mayor and Council is in accordance with HUD requirements.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-488-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPOINTMENT OF LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER

WHEREAS, Kathy Grzywnowicz-Muniz has served on the Library Board for the year 2025 as the Mayor’s Alternate; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation that she now be appointed to a regular term for said board;

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

Kathy Grzywnowicz-Muniz

to the Library Board of Trustees, effective October 15, 2025, for an unexpired term expiring December 31, 2027 be and is hereby confirmed.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-489-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**EXTENDING CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH PASSAIC VALLEY WATER
COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the City previously entered into a 5-year contract agreement with Passaic Valley Water Commission, which had a 5-year automatic extension policy if it was not renewed or rescinded; and

WHEREAS, said contract is expected to expire on October 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield intends on bringing this service back in-house, however, an extension of time on the current contract is needed for training/staff purposes and to complete the City's Water Meter Replacement project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the extension of said contract be and is hereby approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby authorize the City Manager to effectuate and negotiate said extension.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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 14th day of October 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-490-25**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the actions noted in the Consent Agenda, Resolutions R-471-25 through R-490-25 be and are hereby approved and the proper officers are directed to take necessary action on same.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 14, 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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Garfield Police Department – Chief Delaney:

Chief Delaney was in attendance to review information related to the issue of e-bikes and scooters that the City has been seeing, in addition to municipalities throughout the state. He discussed local legislation, education, and enforcement and noted that he shared several draft ordinances with the City Attorney for his review and consideration. Discussion ensued regarding the concern of these devices and the need for an ordinance on the book, despite upcoming state legislation that is hoped to be passed. The Chief also reviewed a concern related to window obstructions. It was noted to proceed with caution as the City cannot be selective in which businesses they choose to enforce. Chief Delaney suggested addressing those in which you can't see in the windows at all and are fully obstructed, which will be given a 72-hour warning to address/remedy. He then went on to note that the Police Department Quality of Life unit will be deployed in conjunction with Fire Prevention to address smoking indoors. Lastly, while Chief Delaney was in attendance, City Manager/City Clerk Delaney address two potential ordinances that she had listed for her report for discussion:

- **Handicap Parking Amendment:** Discussion ensued regarding an amendment to the ordinance to provide clarity as to whether or not those with an approved handicap parking spot on the street should be exempt from the overnight parking program. Ultimately, it was agreed upon that the ordinance should be amended to make it clear that they are not exempt.
- **Truck Parking Amendment – Fee Structure:** Discussion ensued about truck parking in designated zones via City ordinance as it has been noted that the problem is not decreasing. It was decided that an increase to the fee/fine structure should be introduced. The structure presented was \$100 first offense, \$250 second offense, and \$500 third offense and each offense thereafter.

Garfield Building Department – Robert Schultz:

The Mayor and Council requested Mr. Schultz to attend the meeting as they had concerns on recent approvals that have been given. They asked for additional information for projects on Marsellus Place and Harrison Avenue. Furthermore, discussion ensued regarding a property on Lisette Street and illegal housing. Deputy Mayor Raymond requested that a reward program be instituted for reporting illegal housing. She also stated that some municipalities have a portal on their website so that the public can see what building permits are being issued and inquired about having the same on our website. Mr. Schultz and Ms. Delaney noted that they are not aware of any municipality that has said feature but that they will look into it. Ms. Raymond requested that Mr. Schultz have an updated report on the properties discussed as well as his illegal housing inspections, which are separate from Fire Prevention, for the next work session meeting. Lastly, it was noted that it is difficult to have people attend court and pay their summonses. Ms. Delaney stated that the attorney is supposed to be working on an ordinance that would allow the City to put a lien on a property in this scenario.

Tony's Transport & Logistics:

Representatives from Tony's Transport & Logistics made a brief presentation on their request for a resolution of support for a Class 3 and Class 4 cannabis license in the City. The business would be located at 141 Lanza Avenue and would be for wholesale and distribution. The Mayor and Council were in favor of said resolution to be placed on the next meeting agenda.

Allen Associates:

Representatives from Allen Associates provided a brief history of their work within the City and the City's current enrollment in a HIF/BMED. They noted that the City is grouped with other entities which allows for better rates and comes with a strict underwriting process. The representatives then went over rates for prior years for the City and the currently proposed rates, however, they are currently exploring all options and shopping around. Therefore, the renewal process/rates have not yet been approved.

Reports of the Cabinet and City Council:

City Engineer's Report:

City Engineer Kevin Boswell advised that the lead line replacement project on Harrison/MacArthur is substantially done. He noted that the NJDOT paving project pre-con meeting was held and that the work would begin in the Spring, with Lodi's engineer overseeing the construction portion of the project. Discussion ensued regarding the anticipated completion

date and decision to delay until the Spring. Mayor Garnto expressed his concerns related to the completion date. Mr. Boswell also noted that the pre-con meeting for Banta Avenue was held and would begin in the Spring as well. He discussed the correspondence between the City and the SDA related to the water connection for School #5 and his concerns about connecting a 6-inch line to an 8-inch line. Mr. Boswell shared that test pits cannot be conducted at the Little League field/Spring Street for the turf project until baseball is complete in mid-November. Lastly, discussion regarding the DPW building was held and the emergency work that needed to be done once the roof replacement began. The Governing Body inquired about an overall total for a new building.

Best Practices Inventory:

City Manager/City Clerk Delaney went over the State's Best Practices Inventory with the Governing Body. She noted that it is a yearly requirement by the State and that the City did meet the required score and is, therefore, in compliance. Ms. Delaney highlighted the areas in which the City did not receive any points or responded "no".

Report of the City Manager:

Ordinances:

1. **RevolutionNJ 250th Anniversary** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney stated that the Governing Body previously discussed adopting a resolution to support RevolutionNJ to support the State's upcoming 250th Anniversary, which was requested to be held. She circled back to the resolution to which the Mayor and Council were in favor of placing on the next agenda. Deputy Mayor Kane suggested holding a ceremony next year focused around President Garfield during the anniversary.
2. **Long-Range Plan – Drainage Issues** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed a draft resolution that was suggested to be adopted by the JIF and City Engineer regarding instituting a long-range plan to address drainage issues throughout the City. The Mayor and Council were in favor of placing on the next agenda.
3. **Public Debates** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney discussed Deputy Mayor Kane's request to have a resolution establishing public debates for future elections. The Mayor and Council were in favor of placing on the next agenda.
4. **CAFS Resolution of Support** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed a request from CAFS for the City to adopt a resolution in support of their grant application for a new generator at their group home located in Garfield. The Mayor and Council were in favor of placing on the next agenda.

Discussion:

1. **CDBG & NJDOT Grant Applications** – City Manager/City Clerk shared that she has had success in the past with combining both the City's CDBG and NJDOT Municipal Aid grant applications so that more funding is obtained for a specific project. She requested that the Mayor and Council support the same project for both applications, one of which is due in December. Discussion ensued regarding which location/project to select. Ms. Delaney shared Mr. Garofalo's recommendation for a City-wide curb project. Ultimately, the Mayor and Council agreed on improvements to be made to Jewell Street including: road repaving, sidewalks, curbs, and lighting.
2. **Green Acres Grant Application** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney stated that the Green Acres grant application will be due in early 2026 and inquired about a project location for said application. The Governing Body agreed to apply for additional funding for a second splash park to be located at 20th Century Field.
3. **Winter Field Closure** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that the City usually shuts down for field usage during the winter to allow for maintenance and upkeep, as well as to give the fields a break. She stated that they have been closed for anywhere from 2 weeks to 2 months. The Governing Body agreed to have the fields closed from December 22, 2025-February 2, 2026, with a re-opening date of February 3, 2026.
4. **Planning/Zoning Stenographer** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney made the Mayor and Council aware of certain boards not properly notifying the Board

stenographer of meeting cancellations which, ultimately, has cost the City unnecessary money as they had to pay her standard fee for showing up. The Mayor and Council supported holding the board professionals liable. She also noted that the Board professionals did not follow certain notification requirements, to which she had to step in and handle so that the City remained in compliance.

5. **NJ Historical Marker Program** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared that she received a request for the City to be nominated for the NJ Historical Marker Program in relation to a textile strike that was held in 1926. The Mayor and Council approved Ms. Delaney accepting the nomination.
6. **NPP Discussion** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney noted that the Neighborhood Preservation Program grant is coming to an end at the end of the year. She stated that the flower planters would become the responsibility of the City/DPW moving forward. It was suggested that the DPW, again, look into artificial flowers. Furthermore, she noted that Greater Bergen needs direction on the remaining \$55,000.00 of the grant which was originally slated as follows: \$45,000 for a sound system and \$10,000 for commercial rehabilitation, to which there were no applications. The Governing Body requested that Greater Bergen consider reallocating this money into an entryway at Passaic Street and River Drive, perhaps tying President Garfield into the entryway.
7. **Christmas Show Bus Transportation** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed a request for the City to assist in providing transportation to senior citizens to attend their holiday Christmas show on December 7th. The Mayor and Council were in favor of providing said assistance.

Departmental Reports:

1. **Court Department through August 2025** – Ms. Delaney noted that the Court Department can no longer provide these reports to the Governing Body according to new AOC guidelines. Moving forward, they would need to be obtained via official request through the court system. It was requested that the request be submitted quarterly.
2. **Clerk's Office September 2025** – No discussion ensued.
3. **Building Department September 2025** – No discussion ensued.
4. **Millennium Strategies through September 2025** – No discussion ensued.

Reports of the Cabinet and City Council (continued):

City Council's Report:

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond stated that she received a request for a speed bump at 93 Krakow Street. Discussion ensued and it was stated that it is likely not an ideal location for a speed bump, however, it would be forwarded to the Police Department for them to professionally weigh in. Additionally, she requested that the Police Department stay on top of cars illegally parked on corners.

Deputy Mayor Kane noted that at times the gate near Emanuel Street at 20th Century Field is not getting locked. Additionally, he stated that the signage as far as park hours is contradictory.

Mayor Garnto requested that a meeting be scheduled to discuss the City purchasing property from Central Bergen and that there be follow-up to the Susquehanna railroad property. He also discussed the property on Plauderville Avenue that the City Manager had sent a draft design over for parking and a potential lease should the City be willing to purchase said property. Mayor Garnto followed up on issues related to Columbus Park, to which Ms. Delaney stated it is now at the point where the City Attorney would likely need to act on the contractor's maintenance bond. He went on to note that he obtained a quote for maintenance/landscaping for Columbus Park. Ms. Delaney stated that should the Council wish to accommodate this in the 2026 budget she will need to obtain 2 more quotes. Mayor Garnto then inquired about going out to bid for street sweeping and ensuring it is cancelled when alternate side parking is suspended, primarily around holidays. He then went on to request that the Mayor and Council's names be added to the City sign boards and that the Governing Body consider a recreation advisory committee, which can be combined with the events committee. Lastly, Mayor Garnto asked that certain organizations' field usage be looked into as far as field rentals throughout the City due to recent complaints he received and said organizations making a profit on field usage.

Report of the City Manager (continued):

City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised the Governing Body that she held preliminary meetings with Department Heads to get a sense of their needs and requests for the 2026 budget. She reviewed some of the big-ticket requests for the Mayor and Council's consideration and noted that further discussion will be held in the coming months. Ms. Delaney also requested that the Mayor and Council advise of any projects or requests that they will have in 2026 so that both she and the CFO can properly account for them in the draft budget.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond and seconded by Councilman Delaney to enter into Executive Session. The motions carried unanimously.

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, P.L. 1975, Chapter 231 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

Litigation
Personnel

Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the public be excluded from this meeting.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond and seconded by Councilman Rigoglioso to return to the public portion. The motions carried unanimously by those present.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-491-25**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3106
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY RESCINDING ORDINANCE NO. 2985 TITLED “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK, PURSUANT TO 40A:20-1 ET. SEQ TO EXECUTE A FINANCIAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF GARFIELD AND MERIDIA GARFIELD 69, URBAN RENEWAL, LLC FOR PROPERTY LOCATED ON BLOCK 34.02, LOT 28, ALSO KNOWN AS 69 HEPWORTH PLACE AS SHOWN ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD AND LOCATED IN A REDVELOPMENT AREA”

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 Tuesday, October 28, 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: OCTOBER 14, 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

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BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3106**

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WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Garfield (the “Garfield”, “City” or “Governing Body”), in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey, authorized a Financial Agreement for the “69 Hepworth Place Redevelopment Project” with Meridia Garfield 69, Urban Renewal, LLC (“Meridia Garfield 69”), for the development of a market rate residential rental six (6) story structure consisting of ninety-three (93) dwelling units (the “Project”) at 69 Hepworth Place Block 34.02, Lot 28 (the “Property”); and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wants to review and consider other potential options regarding financing of a development on the Property; and

WHEREAS, Meridia Garfield 69 has not taken title to the Property; and

WHEREAS, Meridia Garfield 69 has not begun any construction activities at the Property; and

WHEREAS, Meridia Garfield 69 has not performed under the “Redevelopment Agreement and Covenants” between it and the Garfield Redevelopment Agency; and

WHEREAS, in light of this review, the Governing Body has determined that it is in the best interest of the City at this time, to rescind Ordinance No. 2985 and its adoption of a Financial Agreement with Meridia Garfield 69, to enable further review and discussion and public input regarding the financing and development of the Property; and

WHEREAS, rescission of Ordinance No. 2985 adopted on March 14, 2023 and the Financial Agreement with Meridia Garfield 69 entered incident thereto, shall result in that ordinance and the Financial Agreement being null and void upon adoption of this Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The City Council hereby rescinds Ordinance No. 2985 and any Financial Agreements executed thereby, both of which are incorporated herein.
2. Ordinance No. 2985 and any Financial Agreements shall be deemed null and void as of the adoption of this Ordinance.
3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication as required by law; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that Ordinance No. 2985 is hereby rescinded.

ATTEST: _____

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

Introduced: October 14, 2025

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Adjournment:

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

Respectfully submitted,

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

These meeting minutes were approved at the October 28, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Mayor & Council.