

**WORK SESSION MEETING  
OF THE  
GARFIELD MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
MAY 12, 2026  
6:00P.M.**

The Work Session Meeting of the Garfield Mayor and Council for May 12, 2026 was called to order by City Manager/City Clerk Erin Delaney at 6:34PM. The Statement of Compliance was read.

On Roll Call present members were: Councilmembers Rigoglioso & Delaney, Deputy Mayor Kane\*, and Mayor Garnto. Also present were City Manager/City Clerk Delaney, City Engineer Kevin Boswell, City CFO Nicholas Prochilo, City Auditors Dieter & Robert Lerch, and City Attorney Representative Frank Rivellini.

*\*Deputy Mayor Kane arrived at 6:41PM via teleconference.*

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

Now, Therefore Be Advised, that the meeting requirements for this meeting have been met by publishing an annual meeting notice in The Record and Herald News and by posting such notice in the office of the City Clerk as well as in a public place within the Municipal Building, and by notifying interested citizens. Said notice was posted on January 5, 2026 and published on January 7, 2026. This notice can also be found on our website at:  
[www.garfieldnj.org/pages/legal-ads](http://www.garfieldnj.org/pages/legal-ads)

**Action Items:**

**1. PUBLIC HEARING BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE GRANT – DOLPHINE PARK**

City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed the City’s Bergen County Open Space Grant application for improvements at Dolphine Park. She discussed the features of the application, which included a playground installation and upgrades to current features such as fencing, benches, etc. Mayor Garnto opened the floor for public comment and it was noted that no one from the public attended the meeting.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Councilman Rigoglioso and seconded by Councilman Delaney to approve the April 28, 2026 Special & Regular Meeting and May 1, 2026 Special Meeting minutes. The motions carried unanimously by those present.

**3. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING**

R-240-26 Introduce Ord. #3146

**AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES TO SATISFY ALL MUNICIPAL LIENS ON PROPERTY OF FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES PRIOR TO THE PAYMENT OF ANY SUCH PROCEEDS TO THE PROPERTY OWNER IN CERTAIN INSTANCES**

**SECOND READING**

R-241-26 Introduce Ord. #3139

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 100, ENTITLED “CANNABIS,” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

R-242-26 Introduce Ord. #3140

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 310, ENTITLED “TOW TRUCKS” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

- R-243-26 Introduce Ord. #3141  
**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COST RECOVERY FOR THE USE OF SPECIALIZED FIREFIGHTING FOAM AND OTHER EXPENDABLE RESOURCES BY THE GARFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT IN RESPONSE TO HAZARDOUS MATERIAL INCIDENTS**
- R-244-26 Introduce Ord. #3142  
**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPROVEMENT OF PLAUDERVILLE AVENUE (PHASE D) IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$645,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHROIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**
- R-245-26 Introduce Ord. #3143  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 150 (FOOD HANDLERS, MOBILE) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**
- R-246-26 Introduce Ord. #3144  
**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 260 (SANITATION) ARTICLE VII (PERMITS, LICENSES AND FEES) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**
- R-247-26 Introduce Ord. #3145  
**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 260 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED "SANITATION," BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE XV REGULATING MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY ESTABLISHMENTS**

**4. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- R-248-26 Approval of Bills List
- R-249-26 Authorizing the Submission of a Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (Bergen County Trust Fund) Grant Application
- R-250-26 Resolution to Approve the Consent Agenda

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-240-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3146  
FIRST READING**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES TO SATISFY ALL MUNICIPAL LIENS ON PROPERTY OF FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES PRIOR TO THE PAYMENT OF ANY SUCH PROCEEDS TO THE PROPERTY OWNER IN CERTAIN INSTANCES**

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on, June 9, 2026 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

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

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

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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 12th day of May 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3146**

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**AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING FIRE INSURANCE COMPANIES TO SATISFY ALL MUNICIPAL LIENS ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF GARFIELD FROM THE PROCEEDS OF FIRE INSURANCE POLICIES PRIOR TO THE PAYMENT OF ANY SUCH PROCEEDS TO THE PROPERTY OWNER IN CERTAIN INSTANCES**

**WHEREAS**, the State of New Jersey has enacted legislation (P.L. 1978, C. 184) concerning payment of tax and other municipal liens on fire damaged properties in certain instances; and

**WHEREAS**, said legislation can be given effect as to real property located within the City of Garfield by adoption of an appropriate ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Garfield has determined that it would be in the best interest of the City to adopt such an ordinance;

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

Section 1. No insurance company authorized to issue fire insurance policies in the State of New Jersey shall pay to a claimant any claim in excess of \$2,500.00 for fire damages on any real property located within the City of Garfield pursuant to any fire insurance policy issued or renewed after the adoption of this ordinance and the filing of this ordinance with the State Commissioner of Insurance, until such time as:

- a) All taxes and assessments and all other municipal liens or charges due and payable appearing on the official certificate of search for municipal liens pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:5-12 shall have been paid either by the owners of such real property or by the insurance company; or
- b) The municipality submits to the insurance company a copy of a resolution adopted pursuant to section 2 of this ordinance; provided, however, that if an appeal is taken on the amount of any lien or charge, other than an appeal on the assessment valuation of real property pursuant to N.J.S.A 54:3-21, the insurance company shall withhold 75% of the full amount of the lien or charge being contested pending termination of all proceedings.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Garfield may, by resolution enter into an agreement with the owner of any fire damaged property situated in the City of Garfield to pay in full all delinquent taxes, assessments or other municipal liens by installments pursuant to N.J.S.A 54:5-19 or for the redemption of a tax sale lien by installment payments pursuant to Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 54 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey, if the City Council is satisfied that the claim for fire damages is to be used to restore or improve the fire damaged property.

In the event of such resolution, a certified copy of said resolution shall be sent to the insurance company authorizing the insurance company to make full payment on the claim to be insured.

Section 3. Notwithstanding the provision of Section 1 of this ordinance an insurance company may pay proceeds of a fire insurance policy to a mortgage of fire damaged real property where the fire insurance policy at the time of loss listed the mortgage as named insured; provided said payment may not be in an amount which exceeds that due and payable as the mortgage under the mortgage contract.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty days after final publication as provided by law.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: May 12, 2026

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-241-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3139  
SECOND READING**

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

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 100, ENTITLED “CANNABIS,” OF THE  
CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on April 28, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

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

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

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

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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

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3139**

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 100, ENTITLED “CANNABIS,” OF THE  
CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

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

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 100, “Cannabis,” § 100-4, entitled “License required,” subsection A (4), “Late fees,” is hereby amended as follows:

**§ 100-4A (4) Late fees.**

Any cannabis establishment that fails to pay the required annual license renewal fee on or before February 1 of the renewal year shall be subject to an initial late fee equal to ten percent (10%) of the applicable annual license renewal fee. In addition to the initial ten-percent (10%) late fee, an additional late fee equal to five percent (5%) of the applicable annual license renewal fee shall be imposed for each thirty-day period, or portion thereof, that the license renewal fee remains unpaid thereafter, with each such five-percent (5%) increment being cumulative.

**SECTION 2.** All other provisions of § 100-4 and Chapter 100 not amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 4.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Introduced: April 28, 2026

Adopted: May 12, 2026

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-242-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3140  
SECOND READING**

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

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 310, ENTITLED “TOW TRUCKS,” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on April 28, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

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

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

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

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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

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3140**

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 310, ENTITLED “TOW TRUCKS,” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

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

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 310, “Tow Trucks,” § 310-3, entitled “Application for License,” subsection A, is hereby amended to revise the application fee.

**SECTION 2.** § 310-3A shall be amended to read as follows (additions underlined; deletions, if any, stricken):

A. Every applicant for a license under this chapter shall complete, sign and verify a written application on the forms furnished by the City Clerk. At the time of submission of said application, a fee in the amount of **\$1,000** shall be paid, which fee shall be nonrefundable and shall be used to defray the costs incurred by the City in connection with the investigation of and action on the application submitted.

**SECTION 3.** All other provisions of § 310-3 and Chapter 310 not amended herein shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 5.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 28, 2026

Adopted: May 12, 2026

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-243-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3141  
SECOND READING**

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

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COST RECOVERY FOR THE USE OF  
SPECIALIZED FIREFIGHTING FOAM AND OTHER EXPENDABLE RESOURCES  
BY THE GARFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT IN RESPONSE TO HAZARDOUS  
MATERIAL INCIDENTS**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on April 28, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

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

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

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

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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

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3141**

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**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COST RECOVERY FOR THE USE OF  
SPECIALIZED FIREFIGHTING FOAM AND OTHER EXPENDABLE RESOURCES  
BY THE GARFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT IN RESPONSE TO HAZARDOUS  
MATERIAL INCIDENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield incurs significant costs in responding to fires and incidents involving hazardous materials, including the use of specialized firefighting foam and other expendable resources; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the City to provide for the recovery of such costs from responsible parties to protect taxpayers and ensure the continued availability of emergency services;

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

**SECTION 1. DEFINITIONS**

For the purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

**CITY OF GARFIELD**

The City of Garfield, including its employees, agents, officers, and officials.

**EXPENDABLE ITEMS**

Any items used in responding to a hazardous material incident which cannot be reused or replenished without cost after a particular incident. These include, but are not limited to: firefighting foam, chemical extinguishing agents, absorbents, sand, recovery drums, protective equipment and clothing (including turnout gear, breathing apparatus, chemical suits, boots, gloves, and goggles), and any other materials utilized by the City.

Expendable items shall also include associated costs such as overtime wages, medical treatment, vehicle response time, monitoring equipment, decontamination equipment, communications expenses, and meals.

**HAZARDOUS MATERIAL**

Any material, whether solid, liquid, or gas, identified as hazardous by applicable federal or state law or regulation, including but not limited to those listed by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), the U.S. Department of Transportation, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), as well as medical waste and any substance posing an unreasonable risk to life, property, or the environment.

**PERSON / RESPONSIBLE PARTY**

Any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, association, governmental entity, or other legal entity.

**RELEASE OR DISCHARGE**

Any intentional or unintentional spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, or dumping of hazardous materials within the City of Garfield or in any location where the Garfield Fire Department provides assistance.

**VEHICLE**

Any motorized equipment, including but not limited to automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, construction equipment, watercraft, aircraft, and trains.

**VESSEL**

Any container or storage unit used to hold or transport hazardous materials.

## **SECTION 2. PURPOSE**

- A. To provide for reimbursement or replacement of equipment and materials used by the City in responding to hazardous material incidents.
- B. To recover costs associated with wages, medical treatment, and other expenses incurred by the City as a result of such incidents.
- C. To require reimbursement for all expendable items used in mitigating, controlling, or preventing hazardous material incidents.

## **SECTION 3. DISCHARGE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**

- A. The discharge of hazardous materials is prohibited unless in full compliance with all applicable federal, state, and local permits.
- B. Any person aware of a discharge shall immediately notify the Garfield Police Department.
- C. The City may take necessary action to remove or arrange for removal of hazardous materials.
- D. Any responsible party shall be strictly liable, jointly and severally, for all cleanup and removal costs, without regard to fault.

## **SECTION 4. LIABILITY FOR COSTS**

The following parties shall be responsible for reimbursement to the City:

- A. The owner, operator, or responsible party of any vehicle or vessel involved in a hazardous material incident.
- B. The owner or responsible party of any property from which a hazardous material release occurs.

## **SECTION 5. COST RECOVERY**

A. Responsible parties shall reimburse the City for all costs incurred in response to hazardous material incidents, including but not limited to:

- Fire suppression and containment
- Hazard mitigation and cleanup
- Equipment use and replacement
- Personnel costs, including overtime
- Medical expenses
- Administrative and support costs

B. Vehicle response reimbursement shall be billed at a rate of \$50 per hour per vehicle engaged in incident operations.

C. Replacement items shall be billed at fair market value based on:

- Nationwide vendors
- New Jersey State Contract pricing
- Bergen County Cooperative pricing
- Actual receipts

D. The City may require replacement in kind if such replacement meets Fire Department specifications.

## **SECTION 6. PAYMENT TERMS**

A. The City shall issue an itemized invoice within ten (10) working days of the incident.

B. Payment shall be due within forty-five (45) days of receipt of the invoice.

**SECTION 7. THIRD-PARTY SERVICES**

A. Responsible parties shall reimburse the cost of any recovery, towing, or technical services requested by the City.

B. Vehicles involved may be impounded until satisfactory payment arrangements are made.

**SECTION 8. MUTUAL AID**

A. Government agencies requesting assistance from the Garfield Fire Department shall reimburse the City for costs related to hazardous material mitigation.

B. Routine mutual aid responses shall not be subject to reimbursement for standard operational costs.

**SECTION 9. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES**

Any responsible party who fails to comply with this Ordinance, including failure to reimburse costs, shall be subject to the penalties set forth in § 1-16 of the Garfield Municipal Code.

**SECTION 10. REPEALER**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 11. SEVERABILITY**

If any section, subsection, or provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions.

**SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as required by law.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 28, 2026

Adopted: May 12, 2026

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-244-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3142  
SECOND READING**

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

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

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

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3142**

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**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPROVEMENT OF PLAUDERVILLE AVENUE (PHASE I) IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$645,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

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

Section 1. The City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "City") is hereby authorized to undertake the improvement of Plauderville Avenue (Phase I) in, by and for the City. Said improvement shall include road resurfacing, construction or reconstruction of curbs, sidewalks, driveways and ADA ramps, and shade tree replacements, where necessary, and all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor. It is hereby determined and stated that said road being improved is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 2. The sum of \$645,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvement described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized by this ordinance. No down payment is required pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) because this ordinance involves a project to be funded by a State grant. It is anticipated that the following government grants shall be received by the City to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 hereof: (A) a \$299,873 grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation; and (B) a \$185,159 grant from the Bergen County Community Development Program, pursuant to the Federal Housing and Community Development Act. Said grant funds shall be applied as set forth in Section 9 hereof. Said improvement shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said 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, and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$645,000, and (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$645,000, and (5) the cost of such purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$115,000 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 4. To finance said purpose, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$645,000 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 \$645,000 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 bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said City and attested by the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of ten 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 \$645,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 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 described in Section 1 of this bond ordinance. If the City incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the City hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes, in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 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: April 28, 2026

Adopted: May 12, 2026

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-245-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3143  
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 150  
(FOOD HANDLERS, MOBILE) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on April 28, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

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

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

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

\_\_\_\_\_  
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 12th day of May 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3143**

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**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 150  
(FOOD HANDLERS, MOBILE) 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 Chapter 150 (Food Handlers, Mobile) to of the City Code of the City of Garfield to make the following modifications; and

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and City Council of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that Part II (General Legislation), Chapter 150 (Food Handlers, Mobile) is hereby amended as follows: [additions/deletions]

**§ 150-3. License~~d~~ required; number limited**

- A. No activity, as defined in this chapter, shall be conducted in the City of Garfield except in compliance with the provisions of this chapter. It shall be unlawful for any person of whatever nature to conduct the activities defined herein unless he/she is issued a license pursuant to this chapter. The number of licenses that may be issued and in effect during any twelve-month period shall not exceed five.
- B. The [City] [~~Mayor and Council~~] is granted wide discretion in approving licenses with the goal of insuring diversity of product in their distribution. Preference shall be given to Garfield residents. The Mayor and Council shall have absolute discretion in approving applications.
- C. [There shall be one (1) license specifically for a vendor to be stationed on the perimeter of Columbus Park. This license shall be designated the Columbus Park License.]

**§ 150-4. Application for license.**

- A. Application for such license shall be made in writing on a form to be provided by the City of Garfield. It shall require that the applicant and every employee shall provide two photographs taken within 30 days of the application of a size approximately 2 1/2 inches by 2 1/2 inches on thin paper having a light background clearly showing a frontal view of the applicant's face and his employee's face, one of which is to be attached or posted to the application.
- B. Such application for license shall require that the applicant give the following information concerning himself or itself:
  - (1) Name.
  - (2) Specific address for the past five years.
  - (3) Date and place of birth and citizenship.
  - (4) Arrests or convictions at any time of any crime, or for disorderly conduct, or of violations of any municipal ordinance or regulation.
  - (5) Names and addresses of employers for the last five years and respective date of employment.
  - (6) Proposed location or locations for which such license is sought. [Columbus Park License applicants must specify location as the perimeter of Columbus Park.]
  - (7) Description of all items to be sold.

**§ 150-8. Prohibited acts; certificate of occupancy.**

Every licensee shall be subject to the supervision of the City of Garfield and its designated agencies in all provisions of this chapter, as well as the

- A. No licensee [without a Columbus Park License] shall:
  - (1) Engage in a business outside the following hours:

- a) Fridays from 5:00PM to 8:00PM
  - b) Saturdays and Sundays from 12:00PM until 30 minutes after sunset.
  - c) All federal holidays from 12:00PM until 30 minutes after sunset.
- (2) Conduct business outside the areas of the City of Garfield that are specifically designated by the City Manager.

B. [The Columbus Park license shall operate only Monday through Saturday from 10:00AM until 6:00PM]

~~[B.]~~ [C.] [editor's note: only changed letter designation] The granting of this license by the City of Garfield does not relieve a licensee from obtaining a requisite certificate of occupancy where the City of Garfield Zoning Officer and Construction Code Official determine that the same is necessary.

~~[C.]~~ [D.] All ~~[I]~~ mobile food trucks shall be properly labeled with required commercial lettering.

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 28, 2026

Adopted: May 12, 2026

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-246-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3144  
SECOND READING**

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

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 260 (SANITATION) ARTICLE VII  
(PERMITS, LICENSES AND FEES) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF  
GARFIELD**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on April 28, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

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

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

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

\_\_\_\_\_  
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 12th day of May 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3144**

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**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 260 (SANITATION) ARTICLE VII (PERMITS, LICENSES AND FEES) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40:52-1 allows municipalities to regulate business operations specifically relating to licensing, stating “[t]he governing body may make, amend, repeal and enforce ordinances to license and regulate... lumber and coal yards, stores for the sale of meats, groceries and provisions, dry goods and merchandise, and goods and chattels of every kind, and all other kinds of business conducted in the municipality other than herein mentioned, and the places and premises in or at which the business is conducted and carried on; street stands for the sale or distribution of newspapers, magazines, periodicals, books, and goods and merchandise or other articles”; and

**WHEREAS**, regulatory fees imposed by a municipal body are limited as they must be reasonable and connected to the regulatory costs the municipality incurs, according to Gilbert v. Town of Irvington 20 N.J. 432 (1956); and

**WHEREAS**, Gilbert v. Town of Irvington 20 N.J. 432 (1956) held “[a] municipality may not prohibit lawful business, trades or occupations, and [lawful businesses] may not be subjected to suppression by way of regulation. The power to regulate does not embrace the power to prohibit in the guise of a confiscatory tax”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Health Department requested several updates to the fee table below based on factors particular to each business type and feature; and

**WHEREAS**, several fees were added to the ordinance in order to make them consistent with the current operations in the Health Department, as regulatory fees on pools, day cares, coffee shops, smoke shops, butcher and meat processing facilities, liquor stores, produce businesses, luncheonettes, and massage spa parlors are already in effect but not reflected in the ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the City Garfield believe it is in the best interest of the City to Amend Chapter 260 (Sanitation), Article VII (Permits, Licenses and Fees) of the City Code to increase the below fees because the regulatory costs are reasonable and generally related to the costs expended by the City;

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, Chapter 260 (Sanitation), Article VII (Permits, Licenses and Fees) of the City Code is amended as follows: [additions]/~~deletions~~

**§ 260-36 Fees.**

The annual fees for permits and licenses required under the provisions of this chapter, amendments and supplements thereto are hereby declared to be as follows:

Type	Fee
Poultry market where poultry is prepared for public sales	\$100
<u>[Pool]</u>	<u>[\$350]</u>
<u>[Additional Pools]</u>	<u>[\$200]</u>
<u>[Day Care (with over 50 children)]</u>	<u>[\$500]</u>
<u>[Day Care (50 or less children)]</u>	<u>[\$200]</u>

[Coffee Shops]	[\$400]
[Smoke Shops]	[\$2000]
[Butcher/Meat Processing]	[\$500]
[Liquor Store]	[\$350]
[Produce]	[\$200]
[Prepackaged]	[\$200]
[Luncheonette]	[\$200]
[Massage Spa Parlor]	[\$200]
Fish market	\$100
Tavern	[\$150] [\$400]
Groceries	[\$100] [\$200]
Milk distributor	\$100
Processing	[\$150] [\$200]
Hot dogs	\$150
Cater[er][ing Kitchen]	\$350
[Catering Venue]	[\$1000]
Vending trucks	\$150
Supermarkets	[\$350] [\$1000]
Itinerant peddler	\$150
Restaurant	[\$250] [\$400]
Ice manufacturing plant	\$250
Vehicle delivering or selling ice cubes or bulk ice	\$150
Junkyards	[\$150] [\$1,250]
Junk trucks	\$100
Barbershop	[\$100] [\$200]
Beauty shop	[\$100] [\$200]
Dog kennels, commercial purposes	\$250
Pet shops	[\$150] [\$300]
Keeping or raising animals for private use, excess of 5 animals	\$100
Lodging rooms	\$100
Coin-operated dry-cleaning establishment	\$150
Garbage, refuse and waste collectors, each vehicle	\$150
Vending machines	\$100
Delicatessen	[\$100] [\$200]
Bakery	[\$200] [\$400]

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

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 28, 2026

Adopted: May 12, 2026

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-247-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3145  
SECOND READING**

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

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 260 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED "SANITATION," BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE XV REGULATING MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY ESTABLISHMENTS**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on April 28, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

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

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

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

\_\_\_\_\_  
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 12th day of May 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3145**

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 260 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF  
GARFIELD, ENTITLED "SANITATION," BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE XV  
REGULATING MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY ESTABLISHMENTS**

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

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 260 of the Code of the City of Garfield, entitled "Sanitation," is hereby amended to add a new Article XV as follows:

**\*\*Article XV**

Massage and Bodywork Therapy Establishments\*\*

**§ 260-64 Purpose.**

The purpose of this article is to establish regulations and permit requirements for massage and bodywork therapy establishments in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare and to ensure compliance with applicable state law, including N.J.S.A. 45:11-53 et seq.

**§ 260-65 Definitions.**

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

**MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPIES**

Systems of structured touch including, but not limited to, holding, applying pressure, positioning and mobilizing soft tissue of the body by manual techniques for therapeutic purposes. Such practices shall not include the diagnosis of illness, disease, impairment or disability.

**MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPIST**

A person certified pursuant to the provisions of the Massage, Bodywork and Somatic Therapist Certification Act, N.J.S.A. 45:11-53 et seq.

**MASSAGE AND BODYWORK THERAPY ESTABLISHMENT**

Any establishment, business or operation wherein massage and bodywork therapies are administered or permitted, including outcall services.

**PERSON**

Any individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation or other legal entity.

**§ 260-66 Permit required.**

A. No person shall maintain, operate or conduct a massage and bodywork therapy establishment within the City of Garfield without first obtaining a permit from the City.

B. No person shall practice massage or bodywork therapy unless such person holds a valid certification issued by the State of New Jersey and has filed proof of such certification with the City.

**§ 260-67 Applications; fees.**

A. Applications for a massage and bodywork therapy establishment permit shall be filed with the Health Department upon forms provided by the City.

B. The annual permit fee shall be \$200.00

C. No permit shall be issued until the application has been reviewed and approved by all appropriate City departments.

D. Reviewing departments shall have up to 30 days from receipt of a completed application to act thereon.

**§ 260-68 Application requirements.**

A. Applications shall include, at a minimum:

- (1) Type of ownership of the establishment;
- (2) Name and address of the business;
- (3) Contact information, including telephone number;
- (4) A list of all massage and bodywork therapists and employees;
- (5) Copies of all required State certifications;
- (6) The name and address of the manager or person in charge of operations;
- (7) Floor plans of the premises.

B. The City may require additional information reasonably necessary to determine compliance with this article.

**§ 260-69 Inspections; approvals.**

A. Applications shall be referred to the appropriate City departments, including but not limited to the Construction Office, Fire Department, Police Department, Health Department and Zoning Officer.

B. No permit shall be issued unless the premises comply with all applicable construction, fire, zoning and health codes.

C. Inspections may be conducted prior to issuance and periodically thereafter.

**§ 260-70 Display of permits.**

All establishment permits and State therapist certifications shall be displayed in a conspicuous place within the premises.

**§ 260-71 Operating requirements.**

A. All portions of the premises shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

B. Clean linens and towels shall be provided for each patron and laundered after each use.

C. All employees shall maintain proper hygiene and wear appropriate, nontransparent attire.

D. Dressing areas shall provide adequate privacy.

E. The sexual or genital area of patrons shall remain covered at all times.

F. It shall be unlawful to engage in or permit any sexual activity on the premises.

G. Oils, creams and other materials shall be stored in clean, closed containers.

H. No animals shall be permitted on the premises except service animals.

I. Hours of operation shall not commence prior to 9:00 a.m. nor extend beyond 10:00 p.m.

J. The owner or operator shall be responsible for ensuring compliance with all provisions of this article.

**§ 260-72 Advertising.**

A. No person shall advertise massage or bodywork therapy services unless the establishment is duly permitted.

B. All advertisements shall include the name, address and telephone number of the establishment.

**§ 260-73 Inspections.**

A. The City may inspect any massage and bodywork therapy establishment at reasonable times to ensure compliance.

B. It shall be unlawful to refuse or obstruct such inspections.

**§ 260-74 Sleeping prohibited.**

No portion of a massage and bodywork therapy establishment shall be used as sleeping quarters, except as incidental to treatment.

**§ 260-75 Suspension or revocation.**

A. Any permit issued under this article may be suspended or revoked for:

- (1) Fraud or misrepresentation in an application;
- (2) Violation of this article;
- (3) Criminal conduct involving moral turpitude or sexual offenses;
- (4) Operation in a manner detrimental to public health, safety or welfare.

B. Written notice of suspension or revocation shall be provided to the permittee.

C. The permittee may appeal to the Mayor and Council within 10 days of such notice.

D. The Health Official may temporarily suspend a permit pending a hearing where necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare.

**§ 260-76 Violations and penalties.**

A. Any person violating the provisions of this article shall be subject to the penalties set forth in § 260-9 of this chapter.

B. Each day that a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

**SECTION 2. REPEALER.**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.**

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is declared invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as required by law.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 28, 2026

Adopted: May 12, 2026

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Deputy Mayor Kane and Mayor Garnto noted that they vote no on bills for Passaic Valley Water Commission that are related to billing services/customer services due to issues related to estimated bills and inconsistency. Therefore, those bills were not approved for payment. However, any other bills such as for purchase of water, etc. were approved. Mayor Garnto then changed his vote to approve releasing said payments.

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-248-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the Current Year Reserve totaling \$1,225.00 and the Current Fund totaling \$173,584.17 and the Water Reserves totaling \$0.00 and the Water Fund totaling \$103,803.53 and the Grants totaling \$430.65 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$6,647.69 and the Water Capital Fund totaling \$0.00 and the Trust Accounts totaling \$2,624.12 and the Developer’s Escrow totaling \$0.00 per attached Computer Lists, dated May 12, 2026 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 \$288,315.16 to the meeting be ratified.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

May 11, 2026  
Dated

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

\_\_\_\_\_  
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 12th day of May 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-249-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A BERGEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE,  
RECREATION, FLOODPLAIN PROTECTION, FARMLAND & HISTORIC  
PRESERVATION TRUST FUND (BERGEN COUNTY TRUST FUND) GRANT  
APPLICATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund (“County Trust Fund”), provides matching grants to municipal governments and to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the development or redevelopment of outdoor municipal recreation facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield desires to further the public interest by obtaining a dollar-for-dollar matching grant of \$250,000 from the County Trust Fund to fund the following project: Dolphine Park Improvements Project; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Garfield (Council) has reviewed the County Trust Fund Program Statement, and the Trust Fund Municipal Program Park Improvement application and instructions, and desires to make an application for such a matching grant and provide application information and furnish such documents as may be required; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the application process, the Council received held the required Public Hearing to receive public comments on the proposed park improvements in the application on May 12, 2026; and

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

**WHEREAS**, the applicant is willing to use the County Trust Fund in accordance with such rules, regulations and applicable statutes, and is willing to enter into an agreement with the County of Bergen for the above-named project and ensure its completion on or about the project contract expiration date;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mayor, City Manager, and Council of the City of Garfield hereby authorize:

1. That it is hereby authorized to submit the above completed project application to the County by the deadline of April 24, 2026, as established by the County; and,
2. That, in the event of a County Trust Fund award that may be less than the grant amount requested above, the City of Garfield has, or will secure, the balance of funding necessary to complete the project, or modify the project as necessary; and,
3. That the City of Garfield is committed to providing a dollar-for-dollar cash match for the project; and,
4. That only those park improvements identified and approved in the project application, its Trust Fund contract, or other documentation will be considered eligible for reimbursement.
5. That the City of Garfield agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project; and,
6. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

\_\_\_\_\_  
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 12th day of May 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-250-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the actions noted in the Consent Agenda, Resolutions R-248-26 through R-250-26 be and are hereby approved and the proper officers are directed to take necessary action on same.

APPROVED: MAY 12, 2026

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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 12th day of May 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

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Dated

## **Reports of the Cabinet and City Council:**

### *City Auditor & CFO Report:*

City Auditors Dieter & Robert Lerch and City CFO Nicholas Prochilo reviewed the draft municipal budget with the Mayor and Council. They shared information on where the budget initial stood prior to hosting several budget meetings and where the budget draft currently stands. It was noted that there are several factors beyond the City's control that are resulting in a necessary increase such as healthcare and prescription costs, the City's library contribution, energy costs, etc. Additionally, it was shared that in order to bring the budget where it is currently, the City would need to adopt ordinances for sewer and water rate increases. The auditors shared that the City is behind increasing these fees and would still have one of the lowest rates if this is the direction the Mayor and Council would like to proceed with. They also noted that while healthcare costs increased significantly, our increase was low in comparison to other entities. Ms. Delaney raised concerns regarding the City's surplus and stated that the City should be cautious in its utilization and anticipated revenues so that it can be regenerated. She also spoke about her concerns related to Passaic Valley's bills not being approved for payment. Ms. Delaney stated that if Passaic Valley chose to not implement our new rates as a result of not being paid their contractual amount, the budget could be affected significantly. Mayor Garnto advised that he would vote to approve their payments. The CFO noted that the State is coming down on budgets this year, which could result in a delay of the budget adoption. The proposed schedule discussed was to introduce the budget at the May 19, 2026 meeting and adopt the budget at the June 23, 2026 meeting should State approval be received.

### *City Engineer's Report:*

Mr. Boswell advised that the Phase II work for River Drive construction is closed out. He said that the Banta Avenue paving project is ready to start in the coming weeks and that the design for the first phase for the Plauderville Avenue project is complete and they are waiting on the NJDOT's approval before going out to bid. Mr. Boswell noted that the supplemental bond for Spring Street/Little League Field improvements has now been adopted and once the estoppel period has concluded they can award the remaining piece of the project. Discussion ensued regarding the clubhouse and an architect working on a one-story design or an option to refurbish. It was further mentioned that should it be a brand new, two-story building an elevator might be required. The Governing Body stated that they would like the clubhouse done as soon as possible and Mr. Boswell advised he would work on getting a proposal from Dan Dressel. It was further asked that Mr. Boswell obtain a quote for a new scoreboard. Mr. Boswell then advised that the equipment for Garden Court East Park was delivered and that Harrison Avenue paving project is moving forward. The Governing Body spoke about curbs and sidewalks not being complete in its entirety. Mr. Boswell advised that to do so would be a considerable amount of additional funding. It was noted that for several projects spot curbs and sidewalks are done based on need and conditions. Ms. Delaney then brought up Boswell's proposal to complete environmental work at Central Bergen's property on the Garwood Courts. She noted that their proposal was for \$64,000 and she would hate for the City to waste this money if there are not 4 votes from the Council who would be in favor of a bond ordinance to purchase this property. Mr. Boswell discussed LSRP testing and Mr. Rivellini advised that we likely would need to gain a right of entry to conduct the testing, which the owner may not want. He stated that the City could make an offer on the property contingent on the right to test it. Mayor Garnto and Deputy Mayor Kane stated that they are in favor of potentially purchasing the property. The remaining councilmembers were more reluctant due to the environmental testing concerns and costs. It was agreed upon that the City would circle back with the owner's attorney to see if they are still interested in selling the property to the City before anything else is done.

### *City Council's Report:*

Councilman Rigoglioso inquired about enclosed trash receptacles in areas such as Harrison Avenue, Passaic Street, and Monroe Street as they are oftentimes unsightly. Ms. Delaney advised that under his tenure as Mayor, an ordinance with this requirement was adopted and that she would follow up with property maintenance about its enforcement and compliance.

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond spoke about the conditions at the Kalama property and requested that a representative from Meridia attend our next Mayor and Council meeting.

Mayor Garnto inquired about outstanding water bills not paid by Meridia. He then asked that the City reach out to the school district about relocating the school buses that are stored at the driveway entryway of City Hall and the shared lot with the high school. Mayor Garnto went on

to request that a public Q&A be scheduled regarding the solar program that was spoken about at a prior work session meeting for residents to attend. He then asked that the City look into storage options for the artificial flowers purchased through the Neighborhood Preservation Program grant and that the City have proclamations prepared for the Community Affairs beefsteak. Mayor Garnto inquired about whether or not the City can pull a CO from problem business owners and Mr. Rivellini advised that their office would look into the matter and prepare a memo.

### **Report of the City Manager:**

#### Ordinances:

- 1. Library Services/Fees** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared that the City currently processes the Library’s payroll and provides services such as snow plowing, lawn care, etc. She stated that oftentimes this becomes a burden to municipal staff and that the library receives a considerable amount of funding from the City, which is obligatory and established by the State. Ms. Delaney noted that this impacts the City’s budget at times. Discussion ensued and the Mayor & Council agreed that the services should cease, unless the library is willing to pay the City, as of July 1. As far as payroll, it was noted that this would be a larger undertaking and that they should be given until January 1, 2027.
- 2. Canvassing/Soliciting Fees** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney suggested that the City consider raising their canvassing/soliciting fees as they have not been raised for some time and there is a considerable amount of work that is done by the Clerk’s Office and Police Department for these permits. She also discussed enforcing the fine as some companies operate without the permit and have recently been caught. It was agreed upon to raise the permit fee to \$250.
- 3. Filming Fees** – City Manager/City Clerk shared the City’s current fee schedule for filming as that, too, has not been updated for some time. The Mayor and Council advised that they would like to leave it as is for now as they would like to encourage filming throughout the City.
- 4. Parking Changes/World Cup** – City Manager/City Clerk shared that the Fire Official requested that the Mayor and Council hold off on making any changes to the City’s overnight parking program until after the World Cup as a result of Airbnbs being listed throughout the tri-state area, which are prohibited in the City. The Mayor and Council agreed to the same.
- 5. Dumpsters** – City Manager/City Clerk advised that there will be an amendment to the City’s dumpster ordinance as per a conversation with Mayor Garnto and the Property Maintenance department due to a loophole with dumpsters placed in private driveways.
- 6. Garbage Rubbish/Refuse** – City Manager/City Clerk stated that she is waiting on the City Attorney to draft an ordinance related to garbage/refuse generated from businesses and implementing limitations as discussed earlier in the year.

#### Discussion:

- 1. Jewell Street Flashing Stop Sign** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney asked the Governing Body if everyone was in favor of installation a flashing stop sign at Jewell and Columbus. She noted that these cannot be accommodated at all locations and that they are costlier. The Governing Body was in favor of doing so at this location.
- 2. BCOS Grant Babe Ruth Field– 20<sup>th</sup> Century Field** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney informed the Governing Body that she obtained a proposal from Neglia Engineering for this project as a result of Boswell having several outstanding projects for the City. She noted that she had a conversation with Boswell prior to reaching out to Neglia. Ms. Delaney stated that a bond ordinance will need to be adopted prior to approving Neglia’s proposal, however, the grant agreement expires in the fall and the project needs to be complete as soon as possible.
- 3. Water Vending Machine** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed the costs associated with installing the water vending machines previously requested. She advised that, as a result of the price, she would like to ensure that there are at least four members that support this initiative as it is likely a bond may need to be utilized. Mayor Garnto and Deputy Mayor Kane stated that they were in favor of the initiative, however, the other councilmembers requested more information. Councilman Rigoglioso asked that the City reach out to the vendor to see what other

municipalities they have installed these in. Discussion took place regarding liability concerns. Deputy Mayor Kane advised that, given hesitation from City staff and the engineer the City can consider installing them indoors.

4. **NJDOT Grants** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised of two grant opportunities through the NJDOT. The first being the annual Municipal Aid grant, to which she recommended that the City proceed with additional funding to continue Plauderville Avenue. The Mayor and Council concurred. She then requested that they consider a location for the LTPF grant.
5. **Splash Park Pricing** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney discussed pricing for the City’s splash park for the 2026 season. The Mayor and Council agreed to keep the pricing the same as last year, with no increases to be implemented.
6. **BOE RFP Aftercare** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared that the City will be submitting an RFP to the School District to continue providing aftercare services.
7. **Nova Electric** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that there is a small parcel of property that has not paid property taxes for several years, which was brought to her attention by the Tax Collector and then further discussed during the budget meetings. She noted that the neighbor of the property is interested in purchasing it and that the City can put a lien on the property, if interested, to then potentially sell to the neighboring property owner. Ms. Delaney advised that she will have the City Attorney look into this matter further.

Departmental Reports:

1. **Clerk’s Office April 2026** – No discussion ensued.
2. **Building Department April 2026** – No discussion ensued.
3. **Millennium Strategies through April 2026** – No discussion ensued.

**Executive Session:**

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

**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:

**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 Councilman Delaney and seconded by Councilman Rigoglioso to return to the public portion. The motions carried unanimously.

**Adjournment:**

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

Respectfully submitted,

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

*These meeting minutes were approved at the June 9, 2026 Work Session Meeting of the Mayor & Council.*