

**WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE
GARFIELD MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JUNE 9, 2026
6:00P.M.**

The Work Session Meeting of the Garfield Mayor and Council for June 9, 2026 was called to order by City Manager/City Clerk Erin Delaney at 6:07PM. The Statement of Compliance was read.

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

**Councilman Rigoglioso left the meeting at 8:10PM.*

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

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 May 12, 2026 Work Session Meeting & Executive Session, May 19, 2026 Regular Meeting, and June 3, 2026 Special Meeting minutes. The motions carried unanimously by those present.

2. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING

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| R-279-26 | Introduce Ord. #3152
CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE A SUM OF \$30,000 FOR THE DIFFERENCE IN PRICE OF THE EV CHARGING STATION AND THE CEPI GRANT APPROPRIATION, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE GENERAL CAPITAL RESERVES |
| R-280-26 | Introduce Ord. #3153
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 226 (PARKING) ARTICLE VI (RESIDENT PARKING PROGRAM) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD |
| R-281-26 | Introduce Ord. #3154
CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE A SUM OF \$25,000 FOR FIREHOUSE IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE GENERAL CAPITAL RESERVES |

- R-282-26 Introduce Ord. #3155
BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE 20TH CENTURY FIELD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$700,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS
- R-283-26 Introduce Ord. #3156
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 164, GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND REFUSE, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD
SECOND READING
- R-284-26 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
- R-285-26 Introduce Ord. #3147
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 237, “PEDDLING AND SOLICITING,” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 237-12 ENTITLED “PERMIT FEES”
- R-286-26 Introduce Ord. #3148
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 287 (STREETS AND SIDEWALKS) ARTICLE V (DUMPSTERS IN THE STREETS) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD
- R-287-26 Introduce Ord. #3149
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 265, SEWERS, ARTICLE I, SEWER USE, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD
- R-288-26 Introduce Ord. #3150
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 333, WATER, ARTICLE I, RATES, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD
- R-289-26 Introduce Ord. #3151
CALENDAR YEAR 2026 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

- R-290-26 Approval of Bills List
- R-291-26 Authorizing Approval of Emergency Plumbing Repairs to 20th Century Field Concession Stand
- R-292-26 Authorizing Approval of Emergency Water Main Repair to 1 Midland Avenue

R-293-26	Appointing Triad Associates as the Administrative Agent for the City of Garfield Affordable Housing Program
R-294-26	Authorizing the Adoption of the City of Garfield's Procedures for Administration and Inspection of Federal and Highway Products
R-295-26	Authorizing the Approval of Municipal Representatives to the Bergen County Community Development Regional Committee
R-296-26	Authorizing Acceptance of a Title II Formula Grant Award from the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety
R-297-26	Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the Plauderville Avenue Improvement Project
R-298-26	Approval of Liquor License Renewals
R-299-26	Approving the Submission of a Grant Application and Execution of a Grant Agreement with the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Green Communities
R-300-26	Resolution to Approve the Consent Agenda

The Mayor and Council inquired about why the difference in price of the EV Chargers that is covered by the grant went up from \$15,000.00 to \$30,000.00. Ms. Delaney and Mr. Prochilo discussed the grant process and advised that prices have increased since the date of the application and notice of the award to proceed with the grant and purchase of the equipment. The Mayor and Council questioned why the City would not have an outside entity install chargers on their dime as opposed to going through the grant. Ms. Delaney advised of an opportunity for an additional grant/incentive through PSE&G that would make up for the difference of the cost should the City proceed with the installation of the City-owned EV chargers. It was noted that the details of the grant/incentive opportunity would be sent via e-mail.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-279-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3152
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

**CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE A SUM OF \$30,000 FOR THE
DIFFERENCE IN PRICE OF THE EV CHARGING STATION AND THE CEPI GRANT
APPROPRIATION, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF
BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE GENERAL CAPITAL
RESERVES**

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, June 23, 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 on the City's website a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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.: 3152**

CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE A SUM OF \$30,000 FOR THE DIFFERENCE IN PRICE OF THE EV CHARGING STATION AND THE CEPI GRANT APPROPRIATION, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE GENERAL CAPITAL RESERVES

WHEREAS, the City Council now finds and determines that \$30,000 is required to fund the procurement of the EV charging station; and

WHEREAS, there are available funds in the general capital reserve;

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 \$30,000 is hereby appropriated to cover the difference in price of the EV charging station and the CEPI grant appropriation. No down payment is required for this ordinance as it will be fully funded through the capital reserves. Said purchase 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 purchase 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 General Capital fund is \$30,000 and is for the purchase and installation of equipment and hereby stated, \$-0- of 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: June 9, 2026

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Fire Official James Kovacs was in attendance and raised concerns related to the amendments proposed and illegal housing. The Mayor and Council listened to said concerns and discussion ensued regarding the same. The Governing Body, Mr. Kovacs, and Ms. Delaney agreed on amendments to the ordinance prior to the introduction of the ordinance which are reflected.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-280-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3153
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 226 (PARKING) ARTICLE VI (RESIDENT PARKING PROGRAM) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

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, June 23, 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 on the City’s website a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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.: 3153**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 226 (PARKING) ARTICLE VI (RESIDENT PARKING PROGRAM) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, the fee structure for the resident parking program is outdated and needs to be updated based on the specific needs of the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, it is on the best interest of the residents of the City of Garfield that these regulations be adjusted and updated;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows: [additions]/~~deletions~~

§ 226-28. Resident parking program.

- A. A resident parking program shall be instituted as follows: During certain hours, the streets of the City of Garfield will be designated "resident parking only."
- B. Rules and regulations. The following rules and regulations shall apply to the City of Garfield resident permit parking program. Applications for a resident parking permit are submitted online at garfieldpermits.rmcpay.com.
 - (1) A resident parking permit of a design specified by the Chief of Police of the City of Garfield will be issued to residents of Garfield who own a motor vehicle with no more than four wheels touching the ground on any street in the City of Garfield, no more than 22 feet in length and no more than seven feet in width. There will be no permits issued to those vehicles which are registered as or described as being trailers. Excluded from this provision are any trucks which are in the process of any delivery or pickups and any truck(s) utilized by utility companies in the State of New Jersey or their entities or any trucks that are already covered by other ordinances.
 - (2) Required documentation of the owner of a vehicle must be presented when applying for a permit. The following are required documents:
 - (a) A copy of a valid NJ driver's license with current Garfield address (no PO Box address); online MVC update accepted along with valid license;
 - (b) A copy of a valid New Jersey motor vehicle registration for which the permit is sought showing the vehicle owner's address in the City of Garfield (no PO Box address); online MVC update accepted along with valid registration;
 - (c) A current car insurance ~~statement~~ [card] showing the vehicle's owner's address in the City of Garfield (no PO Box address);
 - (d) One item reflecting the vehicle owner's residency, such as a utility bill or current bank statement, dated within 60 days of the date of application. A post office box address will not be deemed proof of residency in order to receive a resident parking permit;
 - (e) In addition to the proof of residency described herein, all applicants for resident parking permits shall be required to produce a "dwelling certificate" in accordance with the provisions of City Ordinance No. 2213;^[1] and
 - (f) In accordance with New Jersey P.L. 2021, Chapter 182,^[2] and Garfield City Ordinance 3032,^[3] all rental units or non-owner-occupied units must have a lead-based paint certification on file with the Bureau of Fire Prevention.

(3) Each household shall only be permitted to register one commercial vehicle that meets the requirements set forth in § 226-28B above.

C. Each individual household shall be permitted to register a maximum of ~~[five]~~[three] (3) vehicles~~[unless household has no driveway access, in which case households may apply for a maximum of five (5) vehicles]~~.

(1) Households in need of greater than five permits may apply to the Garfield Police Department for additional permits. Upon a showing of good cause by the household, the Parking Registration Office may issue additional permits.

D. ~~[The biannual fee per vehicle shall be \$10.]~~

§ 226-29. Term of permits.

Resident parking permits will be valid for a period of two years from the date of issuance.

§ 226-30. Visitor permits.

Residents/visitors may purchase an overnight visitor permit at ppprk.com (Zone 86200). Each visitor permit shall be \$~~[5]~~[7 (excluding credit card fees)] and purchased daily for a maximum of ~~[5]~~[96] purchases per calendar year.

This ordinance shall not take effect until January 1, 2027.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: June 9, 2026

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-281-26

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3154
FIRST READING

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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, June 23, 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 on the City’s website a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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.: 3154**

CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE A SUM OF \$25,000 FOR FIREHOUSE IMPROVEMENTS AND EQUIPMENT, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE GENERAL CAPITAL RESERVES

WHEREAS, the City Council now finds and determines that \$25,000 is required to fund fire equipment and general improvements to the firehouse facilities; and

WHEREAS, there are available funds in the general capital reserve;

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 \$25,000 is hereby appropriated to fund fire equipment and general improvements to the firehouse facilities. No down payment is required for this ordinance as it will be fully funded through the capital reserves. Said purchase 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 purchase 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 General Capital fund is \$25,000 and is for the purchase and installation of equipment and hereby stated, \$-0- of 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: June 9, 2026

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

The Mayor and Council discussed the amount of the bond because they feel that given the work that is required for the Babe Ruth Field improvements, the amount is high. Ms. Delaney and Mr. Prochilo advised that the grant was applied for under previous administration and since that time, costs have raised significantly. She shared the components of the grant application and advised that she can request a breakdown of what each item costs should the Governing Body wish to eliminate any of the items to reduce the cost of the project. The Mayor and Council inquired about whether or not the grant can be used toward other fields. Ms. Delaney stated that she does not believe so, without an amendment to the grant, but that she will inquire with the County.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-282-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3155
FIRST READING**

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE 20TH CENTURY FIELD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$700,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS 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, June 23, 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 on the City's website a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 2026

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

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	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
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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
ORDINANCE NO.: 3155**

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE UNDERTAKING OF THE 20TH CENTURY FIELD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$700,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

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 20th Century Field Improvement Project in, by and for the City. Said improvement shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$700,000 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 and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. It is anticipated that a grant in the amount of \$234,524 from the County of Bergen Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund shall be received by the City to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 hereof. Said grant funds shall be applied as set forth in Section 10 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 the City, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of the 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 is \$700,000, and (4) \$33,400 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$666,600, and (6) the cost of said purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$100,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of said 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. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$33,400, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said City, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$33,400 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. To finance said purpose, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$666,600 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 6. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$666,600 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 7. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, 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 the 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 8. 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 9. 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 \$666,600 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 10. 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 said purpose shall be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for said purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 11. 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 12. The City intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 of this ordinance. If the City incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such 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 ordinance.

Section 13. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and 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 14. 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: June 9, 2026

Adopted:

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-283-26

RESOLUTION BY: MAYOR GARNTO
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3156
FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 164, GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND REFUSE, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

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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 9th day of June 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.: 3156**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 164, GARBAGE, RUBBISH AND REFUSE, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, improved sanitation storage standards are vital to the revitalization of the City of Garfield and the improvement of the quality of life of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of Garfield believes it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to Amend Part II General Legislation, Chapter 164, of the Code of the City of Garfield;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows: [additions/deletions]

Section 1.

§ 164-3 Hours for placing at curb; commercial properties.

The property owner shall be responsible for any garbage, refuse, solid waste, recyclables or any other materials placed for disposal or pickup at the curb for pickup prior to 4:00 p.m. of the day before said pickup is scheduled. [Each property owner operating an establishment as a bar, restaurant and/or tavern, whose primary purpose is the sale at retail of prepared meals or food and/or beverages for consumption on the premises of such bars, restaurants or taverns, shall be required to utilize a private dumpster for the disposal of any garbage, refuse, solid waste, recyclables or any other materials.] Each property owner who violates this section shall be punished as follows:

- A.** First offense: A \$500 fine, payable by mail or in person or online. Court appearance is not required.
- B.** Second offense within a twelve-month period: A \$750 fine, payable by mail or in person or online. Court appearance is not required.
- C.** Third offense within a twelve-month period: A fine of \$1,000 payable by mail or in person or online. Court appearance is not required.
- D.** Fourth offense and each offense thereafter, within a twelve-month period: A fine of not less \$1,000 and not greater than \$2,000 and a mandatory court appearance. The City Municipal Judge shall have the authority to sentence the offending party to not less than 100 hours and no more than 200 hours of community service.

§ 164-3 Storage and placement.

- A.** Storage. Garbage, refuse, solid waste, recyclables or any other materials awaiting collection shall be deposited in a covered container(s) or receptacles in accordance with Chapter 201 of the City code, which shall be kept in an upright position and regularly disinfected.
- B.** Placement. Refuse receptacles shall not be stored in front or on side of buildings or houses between collections, except in a fully enclosed structure; or kept in such place or places so as not to become a nuisance to the occupants of any dwelling.

- C. Dumpsters. [Editor’s Note: recently amended through Ord. 3121] Dumpsters must be enclosed on four sides by an opaque material to completely mask the view of the dumpster therein. Any person who controls, whether owned, leased, or operated, a dumpster must ensure that such container is covered at all times and shall prevent refuse from spilling out, overflowing, leaking or otherwise having the contents exit the confines of the container. If a business is unable to close off an area of their property to place a dumpster, they must rely on maximum of 3 garbage cans similarly closed off and covered. For construction, demolition, or renovation purposes, those in control of a dumpster.

Section 2. Severability.

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase, and finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause or reason shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: June 9, 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-284-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3146
SECOND READING**

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

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on May 12, 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: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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.: 3146**

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 554:3-21, 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: June 9, 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-285-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3147
SECOND READING**

WHEREAS, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 237, “PEDDLING AND SOLICITING,” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 237-12 ENTITLED “PERMIT FEES”
was introduced and passed at a meeting held on May 19, 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: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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.: 3147**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 237, “PEDDLING AND SOLICITING,” OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 237-12 ENTITLED “PERMIT FEES”

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

SECTION 1.

Chapter 237 of the Code of the City of Garfield, entitled “Peddling and Soliciting,” Section 237-12 entitled “Permit fees,” is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 237-12 Permit fees.

Except as otherwise provided, each applicant shall pay to the City Clerk upon the issuance of an application a nonrefundable fee of \$250.00 for each permit to solicit or canvass.

SECTION 2.

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

SECTION 3.

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

SECTION 4.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

ATTEST: _____

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

Introduced: May 19, 2026

Adopted: June 9, 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-286-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3148
SECOND READING**

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

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 287 (STREETS AND SIDEWALKS)
ARTICLE V (DUMPSTERS IN THE STREETS) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY
OF GARFIELD**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on May 19, 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: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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.: 3148**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 287 (STREETS AND SIDEWALKS)
ARTICLE V (DUMPSTERS IN THE STREETS) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY
OF GARFIELD**

WHEREAS, it has been identified that construction dumpsters are not currently subject to regulations commercial dumpsters are in the City Code.

WHEREAS, construction projects create significant debris and rubbish which can impact neighboring properties and residents as well as the beautification of the City.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the Garfield believe it is in the best interest of the City to Amend Chapter 287 (Streets and Sidewalks) of the City Code to make the following modifications.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows: [additions]/~~deletions~~

[Editor's Note: Edits from Ordinance #3122 highlighted]

§ 287-27. Definitions.

Terms used in this article shall have the following meanings:

APPLICANT

Any person (as defined herein) who applies for a permit for the placement of a dumpster.

DUMPSTER

Any disposal container used during construction or renovation projects for the purpose of discarding building debris, rubble, rubbish, garbage, building material or any other matter, whether such container is portable, semiportable or permanently located. This ordinance does not apply to any container used for day to day, ongoing business operations. All dumpsters used for commercial and business purposes shall do so in accordance to Ordinance §164-5.

PERSON

A natural person, corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, estate or trust, and shall include the plural form of any entity or person defined herein.

SAFETY DEVICES

Lights and/or reflectors mounted on or at the dumpster which shall be capable of warning vehicle traffic or pedestrians for a distance of 200 feet and shall be visible in both day- and nighttime hours.

§ 287-28. Permit required.

[Dumpsters permitted by the City under this ordinance must be placed on the property in which the construction, renovation or demolition project is occurring and used exclusively for this purpose.] No person shall place any dumpster within the road or public right-of-way for construction, renovation or demolition purposes without having obtained a permit from the City of Garfield for the same.

§ 287-29. Width of obstruction.

No permit shall issue for the placement of any dumpster in any road or public right-of-way, which would prohibit vehicle traffic or pedestrian travel along such road or right-of-way, or which takes up more than 1/3 of the width of the street as measured between curbs. [Dumpsters will also be covered at all times where active “dumping” is not occurring so as to stop debris and rubbish from exiting the container.]

§ 287-30. Permit application.

[Editor's Note: no changes from 287-30-287-35] The Department of Public Works of the City of Garfield shall issue such application for the issuance of such permits; which application shall include:

- A. The name, address and twenty-four-hour telephone number of the person responsible for the placement and safety of the dumpster.
- B. The exact location of the dumpster measured within the approximate foot to the nearest intersecting street, road or right-of-way.
- C. The length, width and height and exterior color of the dumpster.
- D. An estimation of the length of time, in days, for placement of the dumpster at a particular location.
- E. The name, address and telephone number of the person for whose benefit the dumpster is placed.
- F. A description of the size and location of proposed safety devices, as defined herein.

§ 287-31. Issuance of permit.

A permit for the placement of a dumpster shall issue upon approval of the Department of Public Works, Police Department and Construction Code Official.

§ 287-32. Copies of application.

Upon completion of the application and payment of the fee (set forth herein), the Department of Public Works shall sign a copy of the application, and the applicant shall present such application to the City of Garfield Police Department and Construction Code Official for countersignature and approval.

§ 287-33. Permit fees; time limit.

The Department of Public Works shall charge a fee of \$50. No dumpster may be at any one location for more than five days. No part of the fee shall be refundable. If additional time for the use and placement is required, then an additional fee of \$50 shall be charged.

§ 287-34. Removal by City; costs.

The placement of a dumpster in a public road or right-of-way without the benefit of permit shall result in the right of the City to remove such dumpster. The cost of removing such dumpster shall be assessed against the applicant or the person benefited from the placement of the dumpster.

§ 287-35. Violations and penalties.

Any person violating any provision of this article shall be punished by one or more of the following: a fine not exceeding \$2,000.00; imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days; and/or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: May 19, 2026

Adopted: June 9, 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-287-26**

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

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3149
SECOND READING**

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 265, SEWERS, ARTICLE I, SEWER USE, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on May 19, 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: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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.: 3149**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PART II, GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 265, SEWERS, ARTICLE I, SEWER USE, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, that Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 265, Sewers, Article I, Sewer Use, Subsection 265-37, is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. The current text of City Ordinance, Part II, General Legislation, Chapter 265, Sewers, Article I, Sewer Use, Subsection 265-37, is hereby amended as follows:

§ 265-37 Determination of charges; appeals.

A. User fees. User fees are established as follows:

(1) Residential, annual charge:

- (a) Single-family residential property: \$160.
- (b) Two-family residential property: \$320.
- (c) Three-family residential property: \$480.
- (d) Four-family residential property: \$640.

(2) Apartments and condominiums:

- (a) Condominiums: \$160/unit.
- (b) Multifamily apartment buildings (greater than four residential units): \$300/unit.
- (c) Garfield Housing Authority property: \$100/unit.

(3) Commercial users (classification of commercial property shall be based upon gallons used as determined by the Water and Sewer Facilities Manager):

- (a) C1: \$700.
- (b) C2: \$1,100.
- (c) C3: \$1,500.
- (d) C4: \$1,900.
- (e) C5: \$2,300.
- (f) C6: \$2,700.

(4) Governmental: All governmental users shall be exempt from charge.

(5) Not-for-profit:

- (a) Annual charge: \$285/unit.

(6) Significant industrial user:

- (a) Annual charge: based upon PVSC standard utility method.

B. Late payments. Users will be subject to the payment of interest and penalties for payments received after the due date. Users will be assessed penalties in the manner establishes by the City for payment on late property tax payments.

C. Appeals. Users who believe that their classification has been improperly determined may appeal by submitting written documentation to the City Engineer.

Section 2. The remainder of Chapter 265, Article 1 are ratified and remain unchanged as a result of this Ordinance amendment.

Section 3. Any article, chapter, section, paragraph, subsection, clause, or other provision of the Code inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. In case, for any reason, any portion or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect any other portion or provision of this Ordinance, except so far as the portion or provision so declared unconstitutional or invalid shall be severed from the remainder or any portion thereof.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect for calendar year 2026 and each year thereafter, unless otherwise amended.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: May 19, 2026

Adopted: June 9, 2026

APPROVED: _____

Everett 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-288-26

RESOLUTION BY: MAYOR GARNTO
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3150
SECOND READING

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

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

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on May 19, 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: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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.: 3150**

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

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

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

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

SECTION ONE:

§ 333-1. Private dwellings.

A. The water rates for private dwelling houses per quarter shall hereinafter be as follows:

1. One-family dwelling: \$60.00 per quarter for 10 CCF or less.
 - a. For water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter, the following excess usage rates shall apply:
 - i. \$4.036 up to 60 CCF.
 - ii. \$4.278 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - iii. \$4.535 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - iv. \$4.807 over 100 CCF.
2. Two-family dwelling: \$100.00 per quarter for 20 CCF or less.
 - a. For water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter, the following excess usage rates shall apply:
 - i. \$4.036 up to 60 CCF.
 - ii. \$4.278 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - iii. \$4.535 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - iv. \$4.807 over 100 CCF.
3. Three-family dwelling: \$140.00 per quarter for 30 CCF or less.
 - a. For water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter, the following excess usage rates shall apply:
 - a. \$4.036 up to 60 CCF.
 - b. \$4.278 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - c. \$4.535 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - d. \$4.807 over 100 CCF.
4. Four-family dwelling: \$180.00 per quarter for 40 CCF or less.
 - a. For water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter, the following excess usage rates shall apply:
 - a. \$4.036 up to 60 CCF.
 - b. \$4.278 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - c. \$4.535 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - d. \$4.807 over 100 CCF.

B. Special rates for senior citizens. For all properties owned by senior citizens and which qualify for a senior citizen tax deduction pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 54:4-8.40 et seq., the rates shall be as follows:

1. One-family dwelling: \$30.00 per quarter for 10 CCF or less.
2. All other rate provisions, including excess usage rate, shall be as set forth above.

§ 333-2. Factories and small businesses.

- A. The minimum rate for factories, restaurants, taverns and other small businesses shall be \$100.00 per quarter for 5 CCF.
- B. For all water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter the excess usage rates shall be:
 - 1. \$4.036 up to 60 CCF.
 - 2. \$4.278 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - 3. \$4.535 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - 4. \$4.807 over 100 CCF.

§ 333-3. Churches and parochial schools.

- A. The water rates for all churches and schools shall be \$100.00 per quarter for 5 CCF
- B. For all water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter the excess usage rates shall be:
 - 1. \$4.036 up to 60 CCF.
 - 2. \$4.278 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - 3. \$4.535 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - 4. \$4.807 over 100 CCF.

§ 333-4. Schools.

- A. The water rates for schools shall be \$285.00 per quarter for 5 CCF. The fire standby charge for schools shall be \$305.00 per quarter.
- B. For all water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter the excess usage rates shall be:
 - 1. \$4.036 up to 60 CCF.
 - 2. \$4.278 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - 3. \$4.535 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.
 - 4. \$4.807 over 100 CCF.

§ 333-5. Municipal and public buildings.

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

<u>Building:</u>	<u>Rate:</u>
All City Owned Buildings	\$0.00
All Firehouses	\$0.00
Public Library	\$100.00

§ 333-6. Buildings under construction.

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

§ 333-7. Apartments, Factories and Industrial Buildings

- A. The minimum rate for apartments (5 or more units), factories, and industrial buildings shall be \$570.00 per quarter for 5 CCF.
- B. For all water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter the excess usage rates shall be:
 - 1. \$4.036 up to 60 CCF.
 - 2. \$4.278 over 60 CCF but less than 80 CCF.
 - 3. \$4.535 over 80 CCF but less than 100 CCF.

4. \$4.807 over 100 CCF.

§ 333-8. Standby charges for businesses.

Standby charges for businesses shall be \$610.00 per quarter. Standby charges for businesses located outside the City of Garfield shall be \$705.00 per quarter.

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

- A. For water consumed and furnished to buildings located outside the City limits of the City of Garfield, the rate shall be \$75.00 per 10 CCF.
- B. For all water consumed in excess of the stated amount per quarter the excess usage rate be: \$8.177 per CCF

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

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

Size of Connection (inches):	Quarterly Charge:
2	\$185.43
2 1/2	\$276.40
3	\$461.81
4	\$556.29
6	\$1,481.70
8	\$1,696.87
10	\$2,772.74
12	\$3,689.53

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

§ 333-11. Quarterly service charges.

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

<u>Size of Connection (inches):</u>	<u>Quarterly Charge:</u>
5/8	\$ 15.76
3/4	\$ 15.76
1	\$ 39.41
1 1/2	\$ 78.81
2	\$ 126.10
3	\$ 236.44

<u>Size of Connection (inches):</u>	<u>Quarterly Charge:</u>
4	\$ 394.06
6	\$ 788.13
8	\$1,261.00
10	\$1,576.25
12	\$1,970.31

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

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

- A. Quarters.
 - 1. Charges for use of water and service shall be quarterly and the quarters of each year shall be divided into specific periods as follows:
 - a. January, February and March.
 - b. April, May and June.
 - c. July, August and September.
 - d. October, November and December.
 - 2. If an application is made to connect or disconnect within any of the quarters, a full quarterly rate shall be charged, with no prorating by reason of the commencement of use or ending of use at a time which shortens the full quarter.

- B. The Water Department shall render quarterly bills within 10 days after the end of each quarter for the various services covered under this chapter, and the persons liable for the payment thereof shall make payment to the Water Collector of the City of Garfield before the expiration of 30 days after the end of the quarter. Failure to pay upon the due date shall render the owner liable to a penalty in the sum of 10% per annum upon the amount due.
- C. The owner of any house, tenement, building, structure or lot, when said utilities herein mentioned are available for the use of said house, tenement, building, structure or lot, shall be liable for the payment of the charges fixed herein, and the charges shall be a lien upon said house, tenement, building, structure or lot until paid and satisfied
- D. In the event that payment for water charges is in arrears for two billing quarters, the City of Garfield shall send to the owner, occupier, user or responsible party (that person, firm or corporation to whom water charges are being billed), a notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, and also by regular mail. Said notice shall advise the responsible party, as described above, that water service will be terminated 30 days from the date of the notice if full payment, including all accrued interest, is not made. In the event that full payment is not received within that thirty-day period, the water service shall be discontinued until payment in full has been made as aforesaid. In the event that service is discontinued, in addition to the payment of all outstanding charges and interest, there shall be an additional charge of \$150.06 for reconnection. This fee must be paid in full prior to reconnection of service.
- E. If any charge remains in arrears for six months, the Water Department shall notify the Tax Collector of the details thereof, and the Tax Collector shall draw a statement showing such arrearages and file the same in his office, whereupon said charge shall be a lien upon the real estate to which the utility was furnished and in connection with which the charges were incurred to the same extent as taxes are a lien upon real estate in the municipality and shall be collected and enforced by the same officers and in the same manner as liens for taxes.

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

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

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

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

Size of Connection (inches)	Connection Fee Per Service or Tap
3/4	\$1,543.19
1	\$2,314.77
2	\$3,086.37
4	\$4,629.56
6	\$6,944.33
8	\$11,573.88

§ 333-15. Bypass meters.

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

Size (inches)	Quarterly Rate
1 1/2 to 2	\$612.27

SECTION TWO:

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

SECTION THREE:

Effective Date. Following final passage, adoption and publication as provided by law, the water rates established in this Ordinance shall take effect on or about June 1, 2026.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC
City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: May 19, 2026

Adopted: June 9, 2026

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto, 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-289-26

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3151
SECOND READING

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

CALENDAR YEAR 2026 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on May 19, 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: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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.: 3151**

**CALENDAR YEAR 2026 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET
APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield in the County of Bergen finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2026 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year’s final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council hereby determines that a 1.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$546,342 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2026 budget year, the final appropriations of the City of Garfield shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$1,274,799, and that the CY 2026 municipal budget for the City of Garfield be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

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

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

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

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk
Introduced: May 19, 2026
Adopted: June 9, 2026

APPROVED: _____
Everett E. Garnto, Mayor

Deputy Mayor Kane, Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond, and Mayor Garnto noted that they vote no on bills for Passaic Valley Water Commission that are related to billing services/customer services. Ms. Delaney advised that this can cause an issue as this would mean the bills are not approved to be paid, which may affect the City’s budget if Passaic Valley ceases their services. Deputy Mayor Kane and Mayor Garnto then changed their votes to approve releasing said payments.

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-290-26**

CONSENT AGENDA

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
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 \$1,617.44 and the Current Fund totaling \$76,653.64 and the Water Reserves totaling \$1,664.40 and the Water Fund totaling \$224,406.01 and the Grants totaling \$0.00 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$0.00 and the Water Capital Fund totaling \$0.00 and the Trust Accounts totaling \$36,128.19 and the Developer’s Escrow totaling \$1,156.50 per attached Computer Lists, dated June 9, 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 dated May 13th through May 18th totaling \$504,471.53, and Ratification List dated May 20th through June 4th totaling \$1,632,503.29 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

June 8, 2026
Dated

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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-291-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY PLUMBING REPAIRS TO 20TH
CENTURY FIELD CONCESSION STAND

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded an emergency contract to All Risk Inc, in the original contract amount of \$35,965.06; and

WHEREAS, said contract is necessary for the repairs and maintenance of the cleanup and reconstruction of the concession stand at 20th Century Field due to damages sustained from the burst pipe as deemed by the City’s Engineer and DPW Superintendent;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the contract of \$35,965.06 be and is hereby approved to be paid out of account T-03-56-287-230-328 and PO #'s 26-01151 and 26-01152.

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

June 8, 2026

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial OfficerDated

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-292-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY WATER MAIN REPAIR TO 1
MIDLAND AVENUE

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield awarded an emergency contract to Montana Construction, in the original contract amount of \$57,346.00; and

WHEREAS, said contract is necessary for the emergency repairs and maintenance on the cleanup and reconstruction of the concession stand at 1 Midland Ave due to damages sustained from the burst pipe as deemed by the City’s Engineer and DPW Superintendent;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the contract of \$57,346.00 be and is hereby approved to be paid out of account C-06-55-726-000-020 from PO# 26-01278.

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

June 8, 2026

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial OfficerDated

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

**CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-293-26**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

**APPOINTING TRIAD ASSOCIATES AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FOR THE
CITY OF GARFIELD AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is obligated to provide opportunities for affordable housing pursuant to the New Jersey Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A 52:27D-301; and

WHEREAS, municipalities are required to designate an Administrative Agent to administer affordable housing units in accordance with applicable law; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposal was publicly advertised and made available to interested firms in accordance with municipal procedures in which Triad Associates submitted their proposal; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield desires to retain the services of Triad Associates to serve as the Administrative Agent for the City's affordable housing program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to appoint Triad Associates as the Administrative Agent for the administration of the City's affordable housing program;

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

Triad Associates is hereby appointed as the Administrative Agent for the City of Garfield in the amount not to exceed \$6,000.00 to be paid out of account T-34-56-289-000-000.

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

Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

June 8, 2026

Dated

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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-294-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE CITY OF GARFIELDS PROCEDURES
FOR ADMINISTRATION AND INSPECTION OF FEDERAL AND HIGHWAY
PRODUCTS

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) provides opportunities for Local Public Agencies such as the City of Garfield, to receive Federal Aid Highway Program (FAHP or federal-aid) funds through New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT); and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is presently the recipient of federal-aid funds for the Garfield School Safety Project Phase II; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield as a Local Public Agency, is responsible for administering federal-aid funded projects in compliance with all federal-aid requirements established by the FHWA; and

WHEREAS, the NJDOT, through its Stewardship Agreement with FHWA, is responsible for ensuring that the City of Garfield is adequately staffed and suitably equipped to undertake federal-aid projects, and ensure that federal requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield, as required by the NJDOT, has developed a Policy outlining the required procedures for the Administration of Federally Funded Transportation Projects administered through the NJDOT;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the City of Garfield adopts the policy entitled, “City of Garfield Procedure for Administration and Inspection of federal Aid Highway Projects” dated April 2024 rev April 2026.

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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-295-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVES TO
THE BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REGIONAL COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield has entered into a three-year Cooperative Agreement with the County of Bergen as provided under the Interlocal Services Act N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. and Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and

WHEREAS, said agreement requires that the City Council appoint a representative and an alternate and that the Mayor appoint a representative and an alternate for the PY 2026-2027 term, starting July 1, 2026, and ending on June 30, 2027.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council hereby appoints Councilman Joseph Delaney as its representative and Mayor Everett E. Garnto, Jr. as its alternate and that the Mayor hereby appoints Erin Nora Delaney as his/her representative and Denise Ingui as his/her alternate to serve on the Community Development Regional Committee for PY 2026-2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an original, certified copy of this resolution be immediately emailed to Robert G. Esposito, Director, Bergen County Division of Community Development, One Bergen County Plaza, Fourth Floor, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601.

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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-296-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A TITLE II FORMULA GRANT AWARD FROM
THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield has been awarded federal funding through the Title II Formula Grant Program, administered by the New Jersey Department of Law and Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, the subaward number assigned to this grant is (J-J:6-23-23; and

WHEREAS, the grant period extends from May 1, 2026 to September 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the award is \$26,000; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield acknowledges that these funds shall be used solely for the purposes described in the grant application;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESLOVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, hereby authorizes the acceptance of the federal grant award for the purpose described in the application.

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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-297-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT
CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR
THE PLAUDERVILLE AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield Mayor and Council are desirous of making roadway improvements to Plauderville Avenue;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield formally approves the grant application for the above stated project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2027-Plauderville Avenue Improvement Proj-00038 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the City of Garfield for making roadway improvements to Plauderville Avenue; and

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

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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-298-26**

CONSENT AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE RENEWALS

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the following licenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 and ending June 30, 2027:

CLUB LICENSE

License No. 0221-31-073-001	American Hungarian Citizens League t/a American Hungarian Citizens League 21 New Schley Street
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PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES

0221-33-002-005	Apple Food Service of Garfield LLC t/a Applebee’s Neighborhood Grill & Bar 186 Passaic Street
0221-33-004-003	Charlie Blood’s Inc. t/a Charlie Blood’s 147 Frederick Street
0221-33-007-007	Tina Liquors LLC t/a MVP Pocket License
0221-33-008-011	82 Oak Bar & Bistro LLC t/a 82 Oak Bar & Bistro LLC 149 Van Winkle Avenue
0221-33-010-006	Goodfella’s Restaurant, Inc. t/a Goodfellas Restaurant, Inc. 661 Midland Avenue
0221-33-012-008	Déjà vu Restaurant LLC t/a Déjà vu 50 River Drive
0221-33-013-006	Copper Grill t/a Food Mart 800 River Drive Suite 7
0221-33-016-005	G&B, LLC t/a The Royal Manor 454 Midland Avenue
0221-33-017-008	Be Ready Merchants, LLC t/a DP’s Pub and Seafood Grill 732 River Drive
0221-33-025-001	Frank Barcelona’s Restaurant & Bar Inc. t/a Barcelona’s Restaurant

	38 Harrison Avenue
0221-33-028-016	JoJo's Bar & Grill LLC t/a JoJo's Bar & Grill 133 Monroe Street
0221-33-030-005	Jay's Liquormart LLC t/a Jay's Liquormart 142 Division Avenue
0221-33-031-009	La Fortaleza Inc. t/a Despecho Room by La Fortaleza 361 Midland Avenue
0221-33-033-012	Firehouse Grill, LLC t/a The Firehouse 42 Plauderville Avenue
0221-33-037-005	Smoke House LLC t/a Piast Meats & Provisions 1 Passaic Street
0221-33-040-004	Ray Liquor Corporation t/a Ray's Liquors 126 Ray Street
0221-33-043-004	Michele's Catering Inc. t/a Michele's 32 Passaic Street
0221-33-047-006	Garfield Bar & Liquor t/a Garfield Bar & Liquors 46 Wood Street
0221-33-048-011	Tres Agaves, LLC Tres Agaves 178 Palisade Avenue
0221-33-051-008	Tabakera t/a Tabakera 323 Semel Avenue
0221-33-052-016	279 Passaic Street, LLC t/a Blackjack Mulligans 279 Passaic Street
0221-33-053-004	Venetian Corp t/a The Venetian 546 River Drive
0221-33-055-008	Krigla Brewery, LLC t/a Bistro 399 Pocket License
0221-33-058-001	Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church t/a Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church 464 Outwater Lane
0221-33-059-010	The Hive Bar & Bistro t/a Hive Bar & Bistro 142 Outwater Lane

0221-33-060-003	Sportsman Tavern Inc. t/a Sportsman Tavern 245 Outwater Lane
0221-33-062-012	Nuve-Quinche Corporation t/a Pazza Luna Pizzeria, Restaurant & Bar 52 Chestnut Street
0221-33-066-011	Ranpar LLC Pocket License 250-252 Midland Avenue
0221-33-068-006	Benda-Roerich Post #2867 Veterans of Foreign War t/a Benda-Roerich Post #2867 Veterans of Foreign War 340 Outwater Lane
0221-33-078-006	Shreeji Enterprise, LLC t/a River Drive Bar & Liquors 85 River Drive

PLENARY RETAIL DISTRIBUTION LICENSES

0221-44-003-007	AARP Wine & Spirit LLC t/a Belmont Liquors 79 Belmont Avenue
0221-44-020-009	Lilly’s House Corporation t/a All Nations Liquor 80 Passaic Street
0221-44-029-007	Ranpar, LLC t/a Whooppee Liquor and Soda Store 194 Van Winkle Avenue
0221-44-034-009	Worldwide Liquors, LLC t/a Worldwide Liquors Van Winkle Avenue
0221-44-063-006	Garfield Liquors Inc. t/a Garfield Discount Liquors 76 Jewell Street
0221-44-064-004	Mahant, Inc. t/a Joe’s Liquors 114 Outwater Lane

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing renewals are granted on the condition that said renewal shall not constitute approval of anything at variance with the records of the City Council or any person-to-person transfer, place-to-place transfer or change of corporate structure approved prior to the passage of this resolution.

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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-299-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTION
OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT
OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION GREEN COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Garfield desires to further the public interest by obtaining a grant from the State of New Jersey in the amount of approximately \$5,000.00 to fund the following project:

Green Communities Community Forest Management Plan Development (CFMP)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body resolves that Erin Delaney, City Manager/City Clerk, or the successor of the office of the City Manager is authorized (a) to make application for such grant, (b) if awarded, to execute a grant agreement with the state for a grant in an amount not less than \$0.00 and not more than \$5,000.00, and (c) to execute any amendments thereto. ; and

BE IT FRUTHER RESOLVED that the Grantee agrees to comply with all applicable Federal, State, and municipal laws, rules, and regulations in its performance pursuant to the agreement. City Council of the City of Garfield as follows:

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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 9th day of June 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-300-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
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-290-26 through R-300-26 be and are hereby approved and the proper officers are directed to take necessary action on same.

APPROVED: JUNE 9, 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			

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City Manager/City Clerk

Dated

Dennis Liloia – Meridia Representative

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond expressed that she feels Meridia is being a bad neighbor. She noted that there are numerous complaints regarding the Kalama property and asked that they maintain the property and have someone onsite at least once a week. Mayor Garnto raised concerns about unpaid water bills and a piece of metal that recently flew off of the roof. Mr. Liloia noted that the HVAC company was notified and aware of the issue related to the piece of metal and that it is being handled internally. He noted that they do engage a third party vendor for maintenance that he will speak with. Mr. Liloia stated that they pay the bills that they receive. Mayor Garnto advised that a contractor has submitted a complaint about not being paid for work on Passaic Street. Ms. Delaney noted that said agreement was not made through the City. Deputy Mayor Kane requested that they make the areas around their buildings nice by installing planters, garbage cans, etc. Lastly, Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond requested that Meridia consider contributing to the City like a former contractor did with the police station.

Jeff Cupo – Garfield Public Library

Library Director Cupo reviewed a potential Municipal ID program that he would like to bring to the library for residents to purchase. He noted that the library cannot make a profit on said program. Certain issues were raised should the IDs be lost and personal information being on the ID. Discussion ensued regarding costs, to which Mr. Cupo advised the library would take on. The Mayor and Council advised they will support the program if there is no cost to the City. Mr. Cupo stated that he would work on a timeline for implementation. Discussion then took place regarding an MOU for a Community Closet. It was said that if there is a cost to the City for said initiative, the City would look to install the closet at another location. However, the idea would be that foot traffic would increase at the library.

Reports of the Cabinet and City Council:

City Engineer's Report:

Mr. Boswell advised that they are working on grant applications with the City Manager for additional money for Plauderville Avenue through the NJDOT Municipal Aid program. It was discussed that both feel it would be beneficial for the City to apply for the LTPF program through NJDOT to complete Harrison Avenue, to which the Mayor and Council agreed. Mayor Garnto stated that he would like to confirm that when the Jewell Street project begins that all of the curbs and sidewalks are replaced, not just spot curbs and sidewalks. Mr. Boswell noted that the Mayor and Council request to replace all curbs and sidewalks for Harrison Avenue, as opposed to spot curbs and sidewalks, would cost an additional \$100,000. Ms. Delaney asked that he and Mr. Prochilo touch base to confirm that there is enough money in the bond to do so. He then went on to share that Dan Dressel is working on a proposal for the Little League/Spring Street clubhouse building, however, he suggests that the City get a price for asbestos remediation in advance should there be any present. Mr. Boswell also said that if the building is being refurbished, an elevator is not needed and that he recommends that the parking lot be patched and not fully paved. It was agreed upon that the City would proceed with a refurbishment. He continued on with his report by sharing that he recommends that the tanks at Belmont Hill be measured for the thickness of its steel prior to any paint work being complete. While doing so, he suggests that the Elmwood Park Wellfield be done at the same time and that they will get pricing. Mr. Boswell then spoke about recent water main breaks and Mr. Prochilo suggested that the City consider adopting a bond to fund water main breaks and other emergencies as they are not anticipated and can run rather high in price. An e-mail was received regarding sewer back-ups on Shaw Street. Mr. Boswell advised that the lines were televised in the past but he suggests redoing them to see if there is a collapsed sewer line due to it being clay piping. Prior to the conclusion of his report, Mayor Garnto raised concerns about the divots at Columbus Park because he feels that there is more water there now than before. Mr. Boswell replied that stormwater regulations are intense and those divots were required. Mayor Garnto noted that the areas he is referring to are not the basins that were installed but rather in flat areas. Mr. Boswell said that it could be the grading done at the park, however, the work was overseen by a different engineer.

City Council's Report:

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond inquired about redevelopment at 28 Walnut Street and a potential illegal apartment.

Deputy Mayor Kane requested that NJ Transit be contacted to clean up the underpass by River Drive and Marsellus Place. He also requested if the City could ask them to beautify the Passaic Street train trestle. Deputy Mayor Kane also questioned if the City can limit parking permits on all new construction in the City and make it a requirement to provide on site parking. Discussion ensued regarding the same and concerns were raised as a result of this being very difficult to track and oversee between departments. Lastly, Deputy Mayor Kane questioned if the City could lease the property as Palisade and Grand for parking. Ms. Delaney raised concerns about impervious/pervious pavement restrictions and stated she would inquire with the Engineer.

Mayor Garnto asked that two proclamations be presented at the June 23, 2026 meeting for Officer Kopacz and resident John Geyer. He also asked that adjustments to the Zoning Board be made at said meeting, due to a recent resignation, where Ms. Marcello would take the full-term seat and the remaining alternates be moved up. Lastly, Mayor Garnto requested that the inspections for the splash park be conducted as soon as possible so that opening the park is not delayed this season.

Report of the City Manager:

Resolutions:

1. **Health Benefit Premiums** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared a resolution related to health benefit premiums that municipalities are sending to state representatives. The Mayor and Council wished to adopt said resolution at the June 23, 2026 Regular meeting.
2. **Gas Tax Escalator** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared a resolution related to gas tax escalations that municipalities are sending to state representatives. The Mayor and Council wished to adopt said resolution at the June 23, 2026 Regular meeting.

Discussion:

1. **Nova Electric Follow-up** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney followed up on the back taxes for the address owner by Nova Electric. She stated that should the City take the property over and sell it, as the neighbor is interested, the City would spend more on attorney fees than they would see in a return on its resale. She stated that the City Attorney advised the amount of taxes owed on the property is not worth the lengthy process. Mayor Garnto requested to be sent the address in question.
2. **Garfield Housing Authority Garbage Pick-up** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney circled back to the discussion held with DPW Superintendent Sam Garofalo when he attended a work session meeting. She asked whether or not the Governing Body would like to continue to pick up their garbage at no cost or begin to charge. They stated that they would like to leave it as is for the time being.
3. **PVWC** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that it would be in the City's best interest to continue with the services provided by PVWC for customer service and billing through the end of the year, which is what the initial agreement stated, as opposed to trying to take over in house billing in October or November. She said that Edmunds needs through the end of the year to bring everything onto our current system, which the Mayor and Council had no issue with.
4. **Host Community Agreement – IWS** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney followed up with the City Attorney on the Host Community Agreement. Mr. Malagiere stated that he has hit a few roadblocks and needs to speak with someone knowledgeable on the topic. It was recommended that he reach out to DPW Superintendent Sam Garofalo.
5. **Library Services Confirmation** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed the letter that was sent to the library about the services the City currently provides and potentially ceasing those services unless the library is in a position to reimburse the City. The Mayor and Council agreed that the letter still stands, however, they asked that potential costs be shared with the library so that they can make an informed decision on whether or not they would like to use the City for said services or an outside vendor.
6. **25 Shaw Street – SDA Storage** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney discussed the recent issue where the SDA is storing equipment and materials at a property located at 25 Shaw Street. The SDA requested permission from the City to continue to do so,

which was not favorable by the Governing Body. She advised that she would reach out to the SDA representative and share that the request was denied and everything should be removed immediately.

7. **Click It or Ticket Success** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared the success of the Click It or Ticket grant initiative provided by Captain Wich.
8. **EV Charger at Recreation Center** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that she was able to speak to the vendor handling the EV charger installation and switch the location from Century Field to the Recreation Center. The Mayor and Council advised that they may want to rethink the location of the Recreation Center.
9. **GBOE Bus Parking** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed the Board of Education’s reply related to the issues that their bus parking causes. The Mayor and Council requested that Ms. Delaney hold off on a reply for the time being.

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 Mayor Garnto and seconded by Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond 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:

Matters Involving Acquisition of Real Property with Public Funds
Litigation

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,

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

These meeting minutes were approved at the July 9, 2026 Special Meeting of the Mayor & Council.