WORK SESSION MEETING
OF THE
GARFIELD MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OCTOBER 15, 2026
6:00P.M.

The Work Session Meeting of the Garfield Mayor and Council for October 15, 2026 was called to order by City Manager/City Clerk Erin Delaney at 6:16PM. The Statement of Compliance was read.

On Roll Call present members were: Councilmembers Rigoglioso* & Delaney, Deputy Mayor Kane, Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond, and Mayor Garnto. Also present were City Manager/City Clerk Delaney, City Engineer Kevin Boswell, City CFO Nicholas Prochilo, City Auditor Robert Lerch, and City Attorney representative Erik Sardina .
**Councilman Rigoglioso departed the meeting at 8:00PM and returned at 9:40PM.*

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

Zoning Board First Alternate Review:
Mayor Garnto emphasized the need for having the individual with the most experience serve on the board at Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond's suggestion. He stated that he feels Mr. Melfi is the most qualified. Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond said that his behavior and approach at the last meeting was disgusting and that Mr. Gaba previously served on the board. Mayor Garnto pointed out that everyone has been unprofessional at times. Deputy Mayor Kane inquired if any more candidates submitted. Councilmembers Rigoglioso and Delaney shared their reasoning for supporting Mr. Gaba and Deputy Mayor Kane for Mr. Melfi.

Action Items:

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
   A motion was made by Councilman Rigoglioso and seconded by Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond to approve the September 8, 2026 Work Session Meeting & Executive Session Meeting minutes. The motions carried unanimously.

2. **ORDINANCES:** **FIRST READING**
   R-480-26 Introduce Ord. #3165
   AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PLACEMENT AND OPERATION OF AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION SYSTEMS ON MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND WITHIN MUNICIPAL RIGHTS-OF-WAY IN THE CITY OF GARFIELD

R-481-26	Introduce Ord. #3166 **BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $730,000 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-482-26	Introduce Ord. #3167 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 226-22 OF CHAPTER 226 ("VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"), ARTICLE V ("RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING") OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, TO REVISE THE PROCEDURE FOR DESIGNATING RESTRICTED RESIDENTIAL PERMIT PARKING ZONES**

Mayor Garnto stepped out to take a phone call during the reading of the ordinances. His vote was recorded for all three ordinances upon his return.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

R-483-26	Approval of Bills List
R-484-26	Authorizing Payment to National Auto Fleet Group for Purchase of EV Bus
R-485-26	Authorizing the Payment of Payment Requisition No. 1 to Montana Construction to Perform Emergency Services in Connection with the CCV Inspection and Cleaning of Sanitary and Storm Sewers on Banta Avenue
R-486-26	Authorizing the Payment of Payment Requisition No. 2 to Montana Construction to Perform Emergency Services in Connection with the CCTV Inspection and Heavy Cleaning of Stormwater Pipe in Easements on Banta Avenue, Semel Avenue and Market Street
R-487-26	Approving Special Emergency Appropriation – Reassessment of Real Property
R-488-26	Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the TWA Application Approval on Behalf of the Governing Body for the Construction of a Sanitary Sewer Extension at 205 Outwater Lane Garfield, NJ
R-489-26	Authorizing Boot Drive – Garfield Fire Department
R-490-26	Resolution to Approve the Consent Agenda

4. RESOLUTIONS:

R-491-26	Appointment of Zoning Board of Adjustment Alternate Member
R-492-26	Appointment of Zoning Board of Adjustment Alternate Member
R-493-26	Establishing That No Voluntary Payment Plans Shall Be Offered for Delinquent Water Charges Except as Required by Law, and Directing the Administration of Delinquent Water Accounts Pursuant to Chapter 333 of the Code of the City of Garfield

5. ORDINANCE: **<u>FIRST READING</u>**

R-494-26 Introduce Ord. #3168

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 3123, WHICH AMENDED PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 226 (PARKING) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO ADD ARTICLE XIII (METERED PARKING)

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-480-26

RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3165
FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PLACEMENT AND OPERATION OF AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION SYSTEMS ON MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND WITHIN MUNICIPAL RIGHTS-OF-WAY IN 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, October 27, 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: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3165

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE PLACEMENT AND OPERATION OF AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION SYSTEMS ON MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND WITHIN MUNICIPAL RIGHTS-OF-WAY IN THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield recognizes the importance of utilizing technology in a manner that promotes public safety while protecting the privacy, security, and property interests of residents, businesses, visitors, and motorists; and

WHEREAS, Automated License Plate Recognition ("ALPR") technology is capable of capturing, analyzing, storing, and transmitting vehicle and license plate information and may generate vehicle-location data; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey, through the Office of the Attorney General, has established statewide requirements governing the use of ALPR technology and ALPR-generated data by law enforcement agencies, including Attorney General Law Enforcement Directive No. 2022-12 and any successor directives, guidelines, policies, or orders; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the installation and operation of privately controlled ALPR systems on municipal property or within municipal rights-of-way should be regulated to ensure appropriate control over municipal property and public rights-of-way, avoid unauthorized or conflicting uses of municipal infrastructure, and protect public safety and privacy interests; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further recognizes that law enforcement agencies require the ability to deploy and utilize ALPR technology for legitimate public safety and law enforcement purposes in accordance with applicable law and directives; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further recognizes that ordinary consumer security cameras used by homeowners and businesses for general security purposes are distinct from ALPR systems and should not be prohibited by this Ordinance;

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

SECTION 1. PURPOSE AND INTENT

The purpose of this Ordinance is to regulate the placement, installation, operation, ownership, maintenance, and control of Automated License Plate Recognition systems located upon or affixed to municipal property or located within a municipal right-of-way.

Nothing contained herein shall be construed to restrict or interfere with the lawful operation of ALPR systems by the Garfield Police Department or any other law enforcement or governmental agency acting within its lawful authority and in compliance with applicable federal and State law, including applicable New Jersey Attorney General directives, guidelines, policies, and orders.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

For purposes of this Ordinance, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings set forth below:

A. "Automated License Plate Recognition" or "ALPR" means technology that uses optical character recognition, computer algorithms, or similar technology to automatically detect, read, capture, analyze, record, or convert images of vehicle license plates into computer-readable information or data, including technology capable of creating searchable vehicle-location information.

B. "ALPR System" means any camera, device, sensor, software, computer system, database, network, or combination thereof designed or configured to perform Automated License Plate Recognition, including fixed, portable, temporary, mobile, or remotely operated systems.

C. "Municipal Property" means any real property, structure, building, facility, utility pole, traffic signal, streetlight, signpost, parking facility, public safety facility, or other property owned, leased, controlled, maintained, or operated by the City of Garfield.

D. "Municipal Right-of-Way" means any public street, roadway, alley, sidewalk, easement, public access area, or other right-of-way owned, controlled, or maintained by or on behalf of the City of Garfield.

E. "Consumer Security Camera" means a non-ALPR camera commonly used by homeowners or small businesses, including but not limited to Ring, Wyze, Nest, Blink, Arlo, or similar devices, that record general video footage but do not automatically scan, analyze, identify, or transmit license plate or vehicle-movement data to external databases.

F. "Law Enforcement Agency" means the Garfield Police Department and any other federal, State, county, or municipal law enforcement agency or other governmental law enforcement entity authorized by law to conduct law enforcement activities within the City of Garfield.

G. "Private Entity" means any person, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, association, business, organization, or other nongovernmental entity.

SECTION 3. PROHIBITION ON PRIVATELY CONTROLLED ALPR SYSTEMS ON MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND WITHIN MUNICIPAL RIGHTS-OF-WAY

A. No Private Entity shall install, place, mount, affix, operate, maintain, or cause to be installed, placed, mounted, affixed, operated, or maintained any ALPR System upon, within, or attached to Municipal Property or within a Municipal Right-of-Way without express written authorization from the City of Garfield.

B. No Private Entity shall attach or affix an ALPR System to any City-owned or City-controlled pole, traffic signal, streetlight, sign, utility structure, building, facility, or other municipal infrastructure.

C. No Private Entity shall use Municipal Property or a Municipal Right-of-Way as a location for an ALPR System for the purpose of collecting, storing, analyzing, transmitting, selling, sharing, or otherwise processing ALPR information independently of the City of Garfield or a Law Enforcement Agency.

D. No agreement, lease, license, permit, easement, or other authorization concerning Municipal Property or a Municipal Right-of-Way shall be construed as authorizing the installation or operation of an ALPR System unless such authorization is expressly granted in writing by the City and is otherwise permitted by applicable law.

SECTION 4. LAW ENFORCEMENT AND GOVERNMENTAL EXEMPTION

A. Nothing in this Ordinance shall prohibit, restrict, regulate, or otherwise interfere with the Garfield Police Department's installation, ownership, operation, maintenance, management, or use of an ALPR System on Municipal Property or within a Municipal Right-of-Way when such system is being used for a legitimate law enforcement or public safety purpose.

B. Nothing in this Ordinance shall prohibit, restrict, regulate, or otherwise interfere with any other Law Enforcement Agency or governmental agency from lawfully installing, operating, maintaining, or utilizing an ALPR System on Municipal Property or within a Municipal Right-of-Way when such activity is authorized by law and conducted in accordance with all applicable federal and State laws, regulations, New Jersey Attorney General directives, guidelines, policies, orders, and applicable interagency agreements.

C. The Garfield Police Department's use of ALPR technology shall remain subject to all applicable requirements governing law enforcement ALPR systems and ALPR-generated data,

including any current or successor New Jersey Attorney General directives, guidelines, policies, audit requirements, training requirements, access restrictions, data-retention requirements, and data-sharing requirements.

D. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be interpreted to grant the City Council, any municipal department, or any municipal official authority to modify, supersede, restrict, or otherwise conflict with requirements imposed upon law enforcement agencies by the New Jersey Attorney General or other controlling federal or State law.

SECTION 5. GARFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT PARTNERSHIPS WITH PRIVATE PROPERTY OWNERS

A. The Garfield Police Department may, when determined appropriate for legitimate law enforcement, crime prevention, investigative, or public safety purposes, enter into an arrangement or agreement with the owner, tenant, or lawful occupant of private residential or commercial property for the placement of an ALPR camera or ALPR System on or associated with such private property.

B. Any ALPR camera or ALPR System installed pursuant to this Section shall be subject to the direction, control, management, and oversight of the Garfield Police Department.

C. The Garfield Police Department shall determine the location, configuration, operational requirements, access, maintenance, data management, retention, security, and other applicable operational aspects of any ALPR System installed pursuant to this Section, consistent with applicable law and New Jersey Attorney General requirements.

D. A private property owner or other private entity participating in such an arrangement shall not independently access, modify, operate, alter, relocate, disable, remove, or otherwise control the ALPR System or ALPR-generated data unless expressly authorized in writing by the Garfield Police Department and permitted by applicable law.

E. Nothing in this Section shall be interpreted to require a private property owner or business to permit the installation of an ALPR System on private property. Any such installation shall be subject to the voluntary consent of the lawful property owner or other person legally authorized to grant such permission, unless otherwise authorized by law.

F. Any ALPR System installed pursuant to this Section shall be operated in accordance with all applicable federal and State laws, regulations, New Jersey Attorney General directives, guidelines, policies, orders, and applicable Garfield Police Department policies.

SECTION 6. CONSUMER SECURITY CAMERAS

A. Nothing in this Ordinance shall prohibit, restrict, or otherwise regulate the ordinary use of a Consumer Security Camera by a homeowner, residential property owner, tenant, or business for legitimate security, safety, or property-protection purposes.

B. The use of a Consumer Security Camera shall not constitute a violation of this Ordinance solely because the camera may incidentally capture images of vehicles, license plates, streets, sidewalks, or other areas visible from the camera's lawful location.

C. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to authorize the installation of a Consumer Security Camera on Municipal Property or within a Municipal Right-of-Way where such installation is otherwise prohibited by law, ordinance, regulation, permit requirement, or property restriction.

D. A camera that otherwise meets the definition of a Consumer Security Camera shall remain outside the scope of this Ordinance unless it is configured, modified, or utilized as an ALPR System as defined herein.

SECTION 7. OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF MUNICIPAL ALPR SYSTEMS

Any ALPR System owned, leased, operated, or controlled by the City of Garfield or the Garfield Police Department shall remain under the control of the City or Garfield Police Department, as applicable.

No Private Entity shall acquire ownership, operational control, administrative access, or unrestricted access to ALPR-generated data solely by virtue of providing equipment, software, hosting, maintenance, technical services, or other services to the City or Garfield Police Department.

Any third-party vendor providing ALPR-related services to the City or Garfield Police Department shall comply with all applicable contractual requirements and federal and State laws, regulations, Attorney General directives, guidelines, policies, and orders governing ALPR systems and ALPR-generated information.

SECTION 8. REMOVAL OF UNAUTHORIZED SYSTEMS

Any ALPR System installed, mounted, affixed, or operated on Municipal Property or within a Municipal Right-of-Way in violation of this Ordinance may be subject to removal, provided that such removal is conducted in accordance with applicable law.

The City may require the person or entity responsible for an unauthorized installation to remove the equipment and restore the affected Municipal Property or Municipal Right-of-Way to substantially the condition existing prior to installation.

Nothing in this Section shall authorize the removal, disabling, seizure, or interference with an ALPR System lawfully operated by a Law Enforcement Agency or governmental agency.

SECTION 9. ENFORCEMENT

The enforcement of this Ordinance shall be administered by the appropriate City official, department, or agency as authorized by law.

Nothing in this Ordinance shall limit the authority of the Garfield Police Department or any other Law Enforcement Agency to take enforcement action pursuant to applicable law.

SECTION 10. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this Ordinance is determined to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. CONSTRUCTION

This Ordinance shall be interpreted to the maximum extent permitted by law.

Nothing herein shall be construed to:

1. Conflict with federal or State law;
2. Conflict with any applicable New Jersey Attorney General directive, guideline, policy, or order governing law enforcement use of ALPR technology;
3. Restrict the lawful activities of the Garfield Police Department or another Law Enforcement Agency;
4. Impair any existing lawful agreement between the City and a governmental or law enforcement agency; or
5. Prohibit the lawful use of ordinary Consumer Security Cameras as defined herein.

SECTION 12. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with applicable law.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Introduced: October 15, 2026

Adopted:

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-481-26

RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3166
FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $730,000 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, October 27, 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: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3166

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF $730,000 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 l. The City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "City") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery in, by and for the Water Utility of said City, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefore.

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

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

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

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Replacement of granular activated carbon filter media at various wells.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	$667,000.00

Down Payment Appropriated	$ 31,800.00
Bonds and Notes Authorized	$635,200.00
Period of Usefulness	15 years

B. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of TV camera water line inspection equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	$ 18,000.00
Down Payment Appropriated	$ 900.00
Bonds and Notes Authorized	$ 17,100.00
Period of Usefulness	5 years

C. Undertaking of repairs to various water tanks.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	$ 45,000.00
Down Payment Appropriated	$ 2,200.00
Bonds and Notes Authorized	$ 42,800.00
Period of Usefulness	10 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	$730,000.00
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	$ 34,900.00
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	$695,100.00

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of $10,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding $34,900, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in Water Utility budgets heretofore adopted for said City, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of $34,900 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding $695,100 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 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding $695,100 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 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said City and attested by the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 14.44 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. 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 $695,100 and that the

issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. 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 14. The City intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the City incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the City hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

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

Section 16. 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

APPROVED: _____
Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Introduced: October 15, 2026
Adopted:

Mayor Garnto noted that unless you live in the area, you don't know what the problem is and he feels it is not fair for the Police Department to make that determination.

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-482-26

RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3167
FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3167

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WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is authorized under N.J.S.A. 39:4-197(1)(f) to regulate, by ordinance, the parking of vehicles on streets within the City, provided that such regulation addresses special conditions existent in the City; and

WHEREAS, Section 226-22 of the Code presently authorizes the Chief of Police, or the Chief's designee to prohibit parking on certain residential streets upon findings disclosed by an engineering and/or traffic study; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that the designation of Restricted Residential Permit Parking Zones should instead be made by ordinance of the Mayor and Council upon the written recommendation of the Police Department, without requiring a formal engineering or traffic study or report as a precondition to that recommendation, while leaving administration of resident, visitor, business, and temporary permits with the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Garfield Police Department has proposed objective standards for the Chief of Police, or the Chief's designee to apply in determining whether to recommend a street for designation, intended to ensure that such designations address an identifiable parking problem caused or significantly contributed to by persons who do not reside on the street, rather than resident vehicle volume or the unavailability of off-street parking alone;

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

Section 1. Section 226-22 of Chapter 226 ("Vehicles and Traffic"), Article V ("Residential Permit Parking") of the Code of the City of Garfield is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

§ 226-22. Designation of Restricted Residential Permit Parking Zones; Issuance of Permits.

A. Designation of Restricted Residential Permit Parking Zones.

(1) Recommendation of the Police Department. No street or portion of a street exclusively or primarily serving residential land uses shall be designated as a Restricted Residential Permit Parking Zone unless the Chief of Police, or the Chief's designee, has first submitted a written recommendation to the Mayor and Council making each of the findings required by paragraph (2) of this subsection. The recommendation need not take the form of, and is not required to be supported by, a formal engineering or traffic study or report. The Chief of Police, or the Chief's designee, may base the required findings on the personal knowledge and observations of Department personnel, resident parking permit records, requests or complaints received from residents, and any other information the Department considers reliable.

(2) Required findings. A recommendation under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall include written findings, supported by the information described in paragraph (1), that each of the following conditions is met:

(a) Parking saturation. At least 85% of the available legal on-street parking on the affected street or portion thereof is regularly occupied during the hours proposed for the restriction, based

on Police Department observations conducted on at least three separate days, at representative times within those hours.

(b) Resident parking demand. Residents of the affected street or portion thereof regularly rely on available on-street parking, as shown by the number of active resident parking permits issued for that street, the availability of driveways or other off-street parking to those residents, and Police Department observations of actual overnight parking conditions. The existence of a resident parking permit for a vehicle shall not by itself establish that the permit holder relies on on-street parking where that resident has access to, and regularly uses, a driveway or other off-street parking.

(c) Outside-source impact. Parking by persons who do not reside on the affected street or portion thereof, attributable to an identifiable source such as a nearby business, school, public transportation facility, municipal facility, commuter activity, or similar source, is significantly contributing to the condition described in subparagraph (a). This finding may be based on Police Department observations, resident parking permit records, resident complaints, parking patterns, or other reasonably available information.

(3) Available legal on-street parking; measurement. For purposes of paragraph (2)(a), "available legal on-street parking" means curb space on which a vehicle may lawfully be parked, excluding driveways and driveway aprons, fire hydrants, intersections, crosswalks, bus stops, and other areas in which parking is prohibited by law or municipal ordinance. On a street without marked parking spaces, the Police Department may reasonably estimate the number of vehicles that can legally be parked along the available curb space.

(4) Limitations. The number of vehicles registered to, or parking permits held by, residents of a street, or the unavailability of sufficient off-street parking to those residents, shall not by itself satisfy paragraph (2)(b) or otherwise support a recommendation under this subsection. A complaint or request from a resident may initiate the Police Department's review of a street under this subsection but shall not, standing alone, support a recommendation under this section.

(5) Action by the Mayor and Council. Upon receipt of a recommendation satisfying paragraphs (1) through (4) of this subsection, the Mayor and Council may, by ordinance introduced and adopted in the manner provided by law, designate the affected street or portion thereof as a Restricted Residential Permit Parking Zone and prohibit parking thereon, except by permit issued under Subsections C and D of this section, during such hours as the designating ordinance shall specify. Nothing in this section requires the Mayor and Council to adopt a designation recommended by the Police Department, and the Mayor and Council may decline to adopt, or may modify, a recommended designation in the exercise of their legislative discretion.

B. Signage; Municipal Engineer certification. Following adoption of an ordinance designating a Restricted Residential Permit Parking Zone, the Police Department shall cause appropriate signs to be posted on the affected street or portion thereof, prohibiting all parking thereon during the hours specified in the designating ordinance except by permit. No such restriction shall be enforced until the Municipal Engineer has certified, under seal, that the signage conforms to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways.

C. Permits. Permits authorizing parking within a Restricted Residential Permit Parking Zone shall be issued only under the following terms and conditions:

(1) Resident permits. To persons who reside on the street or portion thereof upon which parking is restricted, for every vehicle owned by such person and registered in the State of New Jersey.

(2) Visitor permits. To persons who are visitors of persons who reside on the street or portion thereof upon which parking is restricted, provided that not more than three such permits shall be

issued and outstanding at any one time for the use of visitors of any one dwelling unit on that street or portion thereof.

(3) Business permits. To persons who regularly do business with, or provide services at the residence of, persons who reside on the street or portion thereof upon which parking is restricted, provided that (a) not more than two such permits shall be issued and outstanding at any one time for any one dwelling unit, (b) the applicant shall provide the name and address of the resident to be served and a brief description of the business or service provided, and (c) such permits shall be valid only during the hours reasonably necessary to perform the business or service. This subsection shall not apply to service or delivery vehicles making service calls or deliveries, which shall not be subject to the parking prohibitions and restrictions of this article.

D. Temporary (one-day) permits. On the application of a person who resides on a street on which parking is restricted under this section, the Chief of Police, or the Chief's designee, may issue a permit valid for one day and for no more than eight hours on that day, upon a showing by the applicant that, during the hours for which the permit is sought, the applicant's residence will be used in a manner consistent with its residential character and with municipal ordinances and regulations restricting its use to residential purposes, and that visitors to the residence will not otherwise be able to park in the immediate vicinity without violating the restrictions imposed by this article. The Chief of Police, or the Chief's designee shall issue such a permit upon approving the application and finding that its issuance will not unduly impair traffic safety during the period of its validity, and may limit the streets or portions of streets for which the permit is valid. The total number of such permits issued and outstanding at any one time shall not exceed 35% of the total number of parking spaces on the street or portion thereof for which they are valid.

E. Records. The City Clerk shall maintain a file for each Restricted Residential Permit Parking Zone designated under this section, containing the Police Department's written recommendation and the ordinance adopted by the Mayor and Council.

Section 2. Except as expressly amended herein, all other subsections of Section 226-22 and all other provisions of Article V of Chapter 226 shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, invalid, or otherwise unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

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

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as required by law.

ATTEST: _____

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

APPROVED: _____

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Introduced: October 15, 2026

Adopted:

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-483-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the Current Year Reserve totaling $2,635.10 and the Current Fund totaling $905,178.89 and the Water Reserves totaling $0.00 and the Water Fund totaling $9,685.22 and the Grants totaling $58,506.94 and the General Capital Fund totaling $561,304.92 and the Water Capital Fund totaling $71,953.75 and the Trust Accounts totaling $49,397.28 and the Developer's Escrow totaling $0.00 per attached Computer Lists, dated October 15, 2026 be ordered paid and the proper officers are hereby authorized to issue checks for same provided there are funds in the respective appropriations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer in issuing checks in payment on the Ratification List, totaling $3,270,069.50 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.

_____ October 14, 2026
Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-484-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO NATIONAL AUTO FLEET GROUP FOR PURCHASE OF EV BUS

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the City authorized the purchase of an EV Bus via Resolution R-536-25; and

WHEREAS, said EV Bus was purchased through the Sourcewell co-op under Contract 091521-NAF with the National Auto Fleet Group via PO 25-01646; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield was notified by National Auto Fleet Group, 490 Auto Center Drive, Watsonville, CA 95076 that said EV Bus was ready for delivery in accordance with the terms and conditions of the current contract 091521-NAF, and has since been delivered, and that per invoice EQUIP-33172RL the total of $339,265.92 is now due;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that the Finance Department is authorized to pay National Auto Fleet Group from account C-04-55-250-000-010 on PO 25-01646 the total purchase price of $339,265.92.

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

_____ October 14, 2026
Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-485-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF PAYMENT REQUISITION NO. 1 TO MONTANA CONSTRUCTION TO PERFORM EMERGENCY SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CCTV INSPECTION AND CLEANING OF SANITARY AND STORM SEWERS ON BANTA AVENUE

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is in receipt of Payment Requisition No. 1 (Invoice No. JV3024) in the amount of $42,688.60 from Montana Construction to perform services in connection with CCTV Inspection and Cleaning of Sanitary and Storm Sewers on Banta Avenue between Midland Avenue and Prospect Street; and

WHEREAS, this emergency work was necessary prior to the milling and paving of Banta Avenue due to sink holes in the roadway; and

WHEREAS, Montana Construction completed this work for the total amount of $42,688.60 on 8/19/26, 8/20/26, 8/24/26, 8/31/26 and 9/4/26;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Garfield hereby authorizes payment to Montana Construction for these services in the amount of $42,688.60 to be paid out of account C-04-55-253-081-300 and PO# 26-02246.

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

_____ October 14, 2026
Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC — Dated

City Manager/City Clerk

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-486-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF PAYMENT REQUISITION NO. 2 TO MONTANA CONSTRUCTION TO PERFORM EMERGENCY SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CCTV INSPECTION AND HEAVY CLEANING OF STORMWATER PIPE IN EASEMENTS ON BANTA AVENUE, SEMEL AVENUE AND MARKET STREET

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is in receipt of Payment Requisition No. 2 (Invoice No. JV3035) in the amount of $7,459.50 from Montana Construction to perform services in connection with CCTV Inspection and Heavy Cleaning of Stormwater Pipe in Easements on Banta Avenue, Semel Avenue, Market Street and Dumping of 3.95 Tons of Debris; and

WHEREAS, this emergency work was necessary prior to the milling and paving of Banta Avenue due to sink holes in the roadway; and

WHEREAS, Montana Construction completed this work for the total amount of $7,459.50 on 9/17/26;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Garfield hereby authorizes payment to Montana Construction for these services in the amount of $7,459.50 to be paid out of account C-04-55-253-081-300 and PO# 26-02246.

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

_____ October 14, 2026
Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer Dated

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-487-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

APPROVING SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION – REASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY

WHEREAS, an ordinance has been adopted creating a special emergency appropriation of $833,625.00 to fund the preparation and execution of a complete program of a reassessment of real property, and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53 provides for the creation of a special emergency appropriation for the purpose above mentioned;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

1. A Special Emergency Appropriation be and the same is hereby made for:

Special Emergency Appropriation	
Reassessment of Real Property	$833,625.00

2. Total amount of the resolution and ordinance is for $833,625.00 and the City of Garfield hereby requests that an exclusion from the "CAP" be granted by the Director of Local Government Services in accordance with P.L. 1981, Chapter 56, in the amount of $166,725.00 per year in the budgets of the next five succeeding years commencing with the budget of 2027 in accordance with 40A:4-55(c).

3. That a special emergency note be authorized not in excess of $833,625.00 the amount appropriated by ordinance as stated above.

4. That said note may be renewed from time to time and at least 1/5 of all such notes and renewals thereof shall mature and be paid in each year thereafter until all are paid.

5. The Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are hereby authorized to execute said notes, and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the City to such notes and to attest such seal and said notes, and said officers are hereby authorized to issue said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law and to recite therein that all requirements and conditions of law have been complied with in the issuance of said notes, and that said notes are within every debt and other limit prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of New Jersey.

6. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to sell said notes and any renewals thereof from time to time, at not less than par and accrued interest and to determine within the limitations prescribed by this resolution, the date, principal amount, maturity date, and denomination of said notes, and the rate of interest said notes shall bear and to deliver such notes upon receiving the purchase price to be paid therefor.

7. That two (2) certified copies of this Resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

8. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-488-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE TWA APPLICATION APPROVAL ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SANITARY SEWER EXTENSION AT 205 OUTWATER LANE

WHEREAS, the Developer of the property (New Jersey Schools Development Authority) known as Block 143.09, Lot 22 proposes a sanitary sewer connection from the above referenced property at 205 Outwater Lane; and

WHEREAS, the Developer must apply to the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection for a Sanitary Sewer Extension Permit (TWA-1); and

WHEREAS, Boswell Engineering has reviewed the plans and has determined the project is in conformance with the requirements of all City ordinances and has submitted recommendations to the developer to abide by;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the City Manager is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Statement of Consent Form (WQM-003) on behalf of the Governing Body for the construction of a sanitary sewer connection to an 8-inch clay sewer located near 205 Outwater Lane.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-489-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

AUTHORIZING BOOT DRIVE EVENT – GARFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, a request has been made by the Garfield Fire Department to hold a Boot Drive event on Saturday, October 17, 2026 from 9:00AM-3:00PM, rain date Sunday, October 18, 2026 at the following locations/intersections:

Outwater Lane and River Drive
Outwater Lane and Midland Avenue
Midland Avenue and River Drive
Passaic Street and Shopping Center Drive

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield hereby authorize the Garfield Fire Department to conduct the Boot Drive event during the hours and at the locations stated above, contingent on the approval from the County which must be made available to the Clerk's Office and the Chief of Police prior to the event; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following regulations put forth by the Garfield Police Department are to be followed:

1. No one is permitted to be in the roadway to solicit from motorists. A barrel may be placed in the center on the yellow lines for motorists to throw money into.
2. Placement and retrieval of the barrel may only be done by someone over the age of 18. That person must wear properly sized ANSI 107-2004 (or later) class 2 or 3 high visibility apparel. Wearing non-ANSI approved apparel will be reason for immediate cessation of the event.
3. Juveniles (persons under the age of 17) may be present but must remain at a safe distance and location from the street.
4. At no time shall the solicitation stop or impede the flow of traffic.
5. Signs advertising the solicitation may be place about 500 feet in advance. Signs must be temporary, break-away, and a maximum of 16 square feet.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-490-26

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY

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-483-26 through R-490-26 be and are hereby approved and the proper officers are directed to take necessary action on same.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-491-26

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR RAYMOND
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO

APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ALTERNATE MEMBER

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

Alban Gaba

to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as Alternate #1 for an unexpired term, term ending December 31, 2027, be and is hereby confirmed.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-492-26

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO

APPOINTMENT OF ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT ALTERNATE MEMBER

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

Nick Melfi

to the Zoning Board of Adjustment as Alternate #1 for an unexpired term, term ending December 31, 2027, be and is hereby confirmed.

REJECTED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was rejected by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

2025 Municipal Audit Review & Approval:
City Auditor Robert Lerch reviewed the City's 2025 Municipal Audit and its recommendations. He announced that the City received $1.3 million in settlement funds related to a PFAS class action lawsuit that City Manager/City Clerk Delaney joined in 2021. It was stated that the water utility would have operated in a deficit if it were not for those funds. Discussion ensued regarding water bills and collection. Furthermore, Mr. Lerch detailed that the building permit fees decreased drastically in 2025. Mr. Lerch answered questions to the best of his knowledge on the special emergency on the consent agenda. Ultimately, it was agreed that Dieter Lerch would answer further questions on special emergency appropriations and that the audit approval would be placed on the October 27th Regular Meeting agenda.

Reports of the Cabinet:
City Engineer's Report:
Nick DeNicola from Boswell Engineering reviewed the Dundee Island Park plans with the Mayor and Council, which is a project led by Passaic County that Boswell's office is involved in the design for. He noted that there is a Garfield portion related to the project due to the connecting bridge and that the Garfield component will consist of pavers and sidewalks. Questions arose regarding lighting and whether or not the bridge can be locked at night.

Kevin Boswell advised that a blockage in the lines near Prospect Street was cleared and that during the last storm the City did not receive any complaints in that area, therefore, they are hoping that the cleared blockage should generally help the flooding in that section. He went on to say that they are working on the flooding project related to the Congressional award, to which Mayor Garnto inquired about the size of the lines currently and what they will be increased to. Mr. Boswell noted he believes they will be opening up the lines under Outwater Lane going to the Venetian as he feels that is the contributing factor to flooding in the area. He went on to announce that the Spring Street and Garden Court East projects are complete and they will be working in reimbursements for the same. For Harrison Avenue, Mr. Boswell shared that the tree planting should be taking place next week. He then went on to discuss, at the request of Ms. Delaney, remediation that needs to take place at the DPW building that has been ongoing for approximately 20 years dye to a tank clean-up. Mr. Boswell advised that the remediation will have oversight from the DEP because it was not addressed many years ago. Discussion ensued regarding the administration's frustration regarding the same as this will come at a cost to the City that will be more expensive than if it had gotten done 20 years ago when it should have been addressed. Deputy Mayor Kane mentioned a grant opportunity previously discussed for another piece of property related to clean-up and applying it to this project. Lastly, Mr. Boswell said that the Banta Avenue project require a company to do entries into the lines before the paving can commence.

City CFO's Report:
Mr. Prochilo shared that he will e-mail the full, detailed Bills List to the Mayor and Council prior to the meetings. He provided financial reports to the Governing Body and discussed the different categories of cash flow on the reports. Mr. Prochilo announced that the reports can be broken out into more detail, such as additional revenue categories, if requested. He then went on to give a brief detail on the budget status report and noted that the City is very tight on group health and utilities.

Report of the City Manager:
Ordinances:

1. **Licensing Public Storage Facilities & Utility Pole Removal –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared that she is waiting to hear back from the City Attorney on the two ordinance drafts.
2. **Tampering with Fire Alarms –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed Fire Official Kovacs' request for an ordinance that addresses the tampering with fire alarms. The Mayor and Council were in support of introducing said ordinance at the October 27, 2026 Regular Meeting.
3. **Water & Sewer Rates for 2027 –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney stated that if it is the Mayor and Council's intention to raise sewer or water rates in 2027 that the ordinances should be adopted in 2026 to allow for proper and sufficient billing, in addition to notification. She stated that an increase in the middle of the year can be problematic. Councilman Delaney and Deputy Mayor Raymond were open to discussing raising water rates, but not sewer rates. Deputy Mayor Kane and Mayor

Garnto requested more time to decide. Ms. Delaney noted that she would need to know at or by the November 10th meeting.

Resolutions:

1. **Deer & Geese Population Management Services –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared a resolution that was adopted by other Bergen County municipalities regarding the regionalization of deer and geese population management services. The Mayor and Council did not wish to proceed with a similar resolution.
2. **Teterboro Landing Distribution –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared a resolution that was adopted by other Bergen County municipalities regarding the landing distribution at Teterboro Airport. The City Attorney suggested that the City look into whether or not the Route 19 approach goes over Garfield before deciding whether or not to pass a similar resolution.
3. **Ridgewood Shared Service for Styrofoam –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared that the shared service agreement with Ridgewood for the recycling of Styrofoam has expired and is due for renewal if the City is still interested in continuing the partnership, which she recommends. The Mayor and Council supported doing so at the October 27, 2026 meeting.
4. **Animal Control Follow**-up **–** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney followed up on the intention of the Mayor and Council related to renewing the animal control shared service with the County. Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond asked that this be put on hold as she reached out to the municipality of Montclair for more information and is waiting for them to get back to her. She raised concerns about the TNR wait list and TNR not getting done by the County in a timely manner when the City is paying for the service.
5. **State Financial Relief – Veterans Tax Exemption –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared a resolution that was adopted by other Bergen County municipalities that asks the State to provide financial relief to municipalities for the Veterans tax exemption program adopted. The Mayor and Council supported a matching resolution being placed on the October 27, 2026 agenda.

Discussion:

1. **NJ Transit – Mural Installation – County Signage – Quiet Zones –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared that the Mayor and herself had a meeting with NJ Transit that was very successful. She noted that, unfortunately, NJ Transit will not support the financial obligation of a mural installation at the trestle. However, she said that it could be incorporated in the 2027 budget should the Mayor and Council wish to obtain pricing. Ms. Delaney advised that the additional signage at the trestle on Passaic Street was submitted as a request to the County as it is a County road, which was approved. Lastly, she provided information obtained on designating an area as a quiet zone. Ultimately, it was determined that the designation is not fiscally possible.
2. **SRTS Grant Application –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that a meeting was held with representatives from the grant administrators who provided constructive feedback on the City's application. They noted that sidewalk improvements are likely going to result in a denied application if the sidewalks were already pre-existing. They suggested that the City include multiple sites for the same improvement for the application instead. The Mayor and Council were in support of the suggested changes to the application, which would now include improvements in the areas of the Middle School, School #10, and School #7.
3. **BOE Grass Cutting Shared Service –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney informed the Mayor and Council that the school district could not financially commit to the proposed amount for this shared service at this time.
4. **Fire Reorganization and 2027 Meeting Dates –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney stated that the first Friday of January, which is usually the date for the Fire Reorganization meeting, falls on New Years' Day. Therefore, it was requested to hold the meeting on January 8, 2027 to which the Mayor and Council had no objection to. Additionally, she shared the tentative 2027 meeting schedule of the Mayor and Council.
5. **Babe Ruth Field Grant Update –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared plans for the improvements to the Babe Ruth field coordinated by the Engineer assigned to the project. Deputy Mayor Kane inquired about the cost associated with the barrier netting and whether or not it is worth it because after some wear and tear it ends up looking bad. Discussion ensued and the Mayor and Council agreed that if they do not need to install the barrier netting, they would like it removed from the project and instead dedicate the cost to gating the field as requested by the Babe Ruth league or improving other field's

backdrops. Ms. Delaney noted that she would send the plans for the grant via e-mail as well for clarification.

6. **PSE&G Energy Efficient Grant –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared a grant opportunity through PSE&G with the Governing Body that would provide technical assistance, not a financial award, to establish an energy-efficient improvement plan. The Mayor and Council supported said application.
7. **Veterans Parking –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney followed-up on a residential request for Veterans parking signs at City buildings. She advised that, as she mentioned in her e-mail, there is already a designated spot at City Hall. Ms. Delaney then inquired about what other City buildings the Governing Body wishes to include. They decided to include the following: Recreation Center/Senior Center, the Health Department, and potentially the Library if approved by their Board.
8. **Pulaski Polish School –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed a letter from the Pulaski Polish School requesting permission to plant a tree and install a plaque at/near the location of the Pulaski monument on River Drive. The Mayor and Council had no objection, as long as it was coordinated with the appropriate City officials and the City Manager's office.
9. **CDBG Grant Application –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that the annual CDBG grant application is approaching with a December deadline. She suggested that the City apply for funding to continue Harrison Avenue paving on the Garfield side, to which they agreed.
10. **October 27th Meeting Attendance –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that she has Deputy Clerk Mary Delahanty on standby for the October 27th Regular meeting as she will be attending a conference and wants to be safe in the event her return is delayed.
11. **Affordable Housing Attorney –** City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared that RFP for an Affordable Housing attorney resulted in five submissions. She shared the fact sheets for all of the submissions. Ultimately, it was agreed that the City should proceed with appointing Scarinci | Hollenbeck through the end of 2027 at the October 27, 2026 meeting.

Departmental Reports:

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

Public Hearing:

Katherine McCullough, Belmont Avenue, stated that she was attending the meeting to be more involved and that she was interested in learning more about affordable housing.

Reports of the City Council:

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond requested that the City Manager reach out to the Superintendent of Schools to come up with an agreement for the Mayor and Council to approve that would permit them to use the City's property behind the high school for parking. Mayor Garnto asked that the City Manager confirm if the property is Green Acres property and if this is permitted. Additionally, he requested that the appropriate documentation be in place for liability purposes. She then went on to talk about properties that should be condemned and asked that the Police Chief look into issues of double parking on Midland Avenue, Harrison Avenue, Passaic Street, and Outwater Lane, in addition to helmets not being worn on bicycles.

Deputy Mayor Kane asked that a report be sent for the next meeting on e-bikes.

Mayor Garnto brought up the timed meter parking ordinance and discussion ensued regarding the feedback everyone has received related to the ordinance. Ultimately, the Mayor and Council unanimously agreed to rescind the ordinance and potentially revisit it down the road, if necessary. He expressed his disappointment in the lack of budgetary support for the Fire Prevention Week program in the schools for this year. Mayor Garnto noted that he asked everyone to put their minds together and come up with a solution and went on to suggest that the Governing Body potentially find a sponsor so that the City can host it the first week of November. Ms. Delaney noted that, due to scheduling, the first week of November is likely not possible. Therefore, it was suggested that the program be held in early 2027 under the new budget. Mayor Garnto noted that he is requesting that a resolution to support the purchase of the water vending machines be placed back on the agenda for the October 27, 2026 meeting.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Mayor Garnto and seconded by Deputy Mayor Kane to enter into Executive Session. The motions carried unanimously by those present.

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

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

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to discuss:

Personnel
Litigation
Matters Relating to the Purchase or Acquisition of Real Property

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.

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-493-26

RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO

ESTABLISHING THAT NO VOLUNTARY PAYMENT PLANS SHALL BE OFFERED FOR DELINQUENT WATER CHARGES EXCEPT AS REQUIRED BY LAW, AND DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION OF DELINQUENT WATER ACCOUNTS PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 333 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield (the "City") owns and operates a municipal water utility, and Chapter 333 of the Code of the City of Garfield (the "Code"), as most recently amended by Ordinance No. 3150 adopted June 9, 2026, establishes the rates, billing periods, due dates, interest, lien, and enforcement provisions governing that utility; and

WHEREAS, Code § 333-12B provides that water charges are billed quarterly, are due before the expiration of thirty (30) days after the end of each quarter, and bear a penalty of ten percent (10%) per annum on amounts not paid when due; and

WHEREAS, Code § 333-12D provides that when water charges are in arrears for two billing quarters, the City shall send written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, and by regular mail, advising that water service will be terminated thirty (30) days from the date of the notice unless full payment, including all accrued interest, is made; and

WHEREAS, Code § 333-12C and § 333-12E provide that unpaid water charges are a lien upon the property served and, when in arrears for six months, shall be certified to the Tax Collector and collected and enforced in the same manner as liens for taxes; and

WHEREAS, Code § 333-13 reserves to the City the right, but does not impose any obligation, to enter into separate contracts for the use of water and water service; and

WHEREAS, the City has not previously adopted a written policy governing installment or deferred payment arrangements for delinquent water charges; and

WHEREAS, State law requires the City to offer payment arrangements in certain limited circumstances, including (i) a payment plan of not less than twelve (12) months, without down payment, deposit, reconnection costs, interest, or penalties, for unpaid residential water charges that accrued between March 9, 2020 and March 15, 2022, pursuant to P.L. 2021, c. 317 and P.L. 2022, c. 4; and (ii) an installment plan on any balance remaining after a residential customer receives State-administered utility assistance, pursuant to P.L. 2022, c. 4, as explained in Local Finance Notice 2022-11; and

WHEREAS, State and federal law further limit the City's enforcement of delinquent water charges, including the hold on enforcement while a residential customer's application for State-administered utility assistance is pending under P.L. 2022, c. 4; the Winter Termination Program under P.L. 2021, c. 317 and N.J.A.C. 5:45; the Summer Termination Program under P.L. 2025, c. 145; and the automatic stay and utility service protections of the United States Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 362 and § 366; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that, except where required by law, delinquent water charges shall be collected in full in accordance with Code § 333-12, and that a uniform rule requiring payment in full, applied equally to all customers, best ensures consistent treatment of ratepayers and protects the revenues of the water utility;

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

Section 1. No Voluntary Payment Plans. Except as provided in Section 2, the City shall not offer, enter into, or extend any installment, deferred payment, or other payment plan for

delinquent water charges. Delinquent water charges, together with all accrued interest and applicable charges, shall be paid in full as required by Code § 333-12.

Section 2. Payment Plans Required by Law. The City shall offer a payment plan only where, and only to the extent, required by State law, as follows:

(a) for unpaid residential water charges that accrued between March 9, 2020 and March 15, 2022, a payment plan of not less than twelve (12) months, unless the customer requests a shorter term, without down payment, deposit, reconnection costs, interest, or penalties, as required by P.L. 2021, c. 317 and P.L. 2022, c. 4. Where an account carries both such charges and charges accrued after March 15, 2022, only the charges accrued between March 9, 2020 and March 15, 2022 shall be placed on such plan, and all other charges shall be paid in full; and

(b) for any balance remaining after a residential customer receives State-administered utility assistance for water charges, an installment plan as required by P.L. 2022, c. 4 and Local Finance Notice 2022-11.

Section 3. Arrangements Previously Made. Any payment arrangement for delinquent water charges entered into before the effective date of this Resolution shall be honored according to its terms for so long as the customer remains current under it. No such arrangement shall be extended, modified, or renewed, and upon any default the full remaining balance shall be due and enforceable under Code § 333-12.

Section 4. Partial Payments. The City may accept a partial payment on a delinquent account. A partial payment shall be applied to the oldest outstanding charges first, shall not constitute a payment plan, and shall not stay or prevent termination of service or any other enforcement action under Code § 333-12.

Section 5. Protections Preserved. Nothing in this Resolution shall limit or impair:
(a) the hold on enforcement while a residential customer's application for State-administered utility assistance is pending, as required by P.L. 2022, c. 4;
(b) the Winter Termination Program and the Summer Termination Program;
(c) a customer’s right to dispute a bill;
(d) the automatic stay under 11 U.S.C. § 362 and the protections of 11 U.S.C. § 366. Any account for which the City or its billing agent has received notice of a pending bankruptcy shall be referred to the City Attorney before any notice, termination, or lien enforcement action is taken; or
(e) any installment agreement for delinquent municipal liens that the Tax Collector is authorized to enter into under R.S. 54:5-19 by separate resolution of the City Council.

Section 6. Uniform Application. This Resolution shall be applied uniformly to all customers. No officer, employee, or agent of the City, including the City’s contracted billing and customer service agent, shall offer or agree to any payment arrangement for delinquent water charges except as provided in Sections 2 and 3.

Section 7. Administration. The City Manager, the Water Collector, and the City's contracted billing and customer service agent, Passaic Valley Water Commission, are authorized and directed to administer delinquent water accounts in accordance with this Resolution.

Section 8. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

Dated

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION R-494-26

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

INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3168
FIRST READING

BE IT RESOLVED, that an ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 3123, WHICH AMENDED PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 226 (PARKING) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO ADD ARTICLE XIII (METERED PARKING)

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, October 27, 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: OCTOBER 15, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

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

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 15th day of October 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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

CITY OF GARFIELD
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO.: 3168

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 3123, WHICH AMENDED PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 226 (PARKING) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO ADD ARTICLE XIII (METERED PARKING)

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "City"), previously adopted Ordinance No. 3123, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Part II (General Legislation), Chapter 226 (Parking) of the City Code of the City of Garfield to Add a New Article – Article XIII (Metered Parking)," which was introduced on February 17, 2026, and adopted on March 10, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 3123 established regulations governing metered parking, including designated parking meter zones, parking fees, hours of operation, payment requirements, and related enforcement provisions; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that it is in the best interest of the City to rescind Ordinance No. 3123 and repeal the provisions enacted thereunder;

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

SECTION 1. Repeal of Ordinance No. 3123.

Ordinance No. 3123, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Part II (General Legislation), Chapter 226 (Parking) of the City Code of the City of Garfield to Add a New Article – Article XIII (Metered Parking)," adopted on March 10, 2026, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Repeal of Article XIII (Metered Parking).

The provisions of Part II (General Legislation), Chapter 226 (Parking) of the City Code of the City of Garfield enacted solely pursuant to Ordinance No. 3123, including Article XIII (Metered Parking) and §§ 226-57 through 226-63, are hereby repealed and shall have no further force or effect, subject to the provisions of Section 3 herein.

SECTION 3. Preservation of Other Parking Regulations.

Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to repeal, amend, or otherwise affect any other provision of Chapter 226 (Parking), or any other provision of the City Code, that was in effect independently of Ordinance No. 3123. All such provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Pending Violations and Enforcement.

The repeal of Ordinance No. 3123 shall apply prospectively from the effective date of this Ordinance. The treatment of any outstanding parking citations, penalties, or enforcement proceedings arising under Ordinance No. 3123 before the effective date of this Ordinance shall be determined in accordance with applicable law.

SECTION 5. Severability.

If any section, subsection, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. Repealer.

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

SECTION 7. Codification.

The appropriate officials of the City are hereby authorized and directed to make any necessary revisions to the City Code to reflect the repeal of Ordinance No. 3123 and the provisions enacted thereunder.

SECTION 8. Effective Date.

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

ATTEST: _____
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC
City Manager/City Clerk
Introduced: October 15, 2026
Adopted:

APPROVED: _____
Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Adjournment:

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

Respectfully submitted,

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

These meeting minutes were approved at the November 10, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Mayor & Council.