

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AGENDA

THIS IS THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD VIA AUDIO-VIDEO CONFERENCING ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023 FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.

1) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

2) **ROLL CALL**

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Hon. Kerry J. Coley (East Ward)	_____	_____
Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert (West Ward)	_____	_____
Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III (At-Large)	_____	_____
Hon. Clifford R. Ross, Council Vice President (At-Large)	_____	_____
Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson (South Ward)	_____	_____
Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten (At-Large)	_____	_____
Hon. Tency A. Eason, Council President (North Ward)	_____	_____

ALSO PRESENT

Joyce L. Lanier, City Clerk	_____	_____
Tamara Robinson, Deputy City Clerk	_____	_____
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator	_____	_____
Laquana Best, Planning Director	_____	_____
Derrick Brown, Fire Chief	_____	_____
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer	_____	_____
Vincent DeFilippo, Health Officer	_____	_____
Paula Ferreira, Tax Collector	_____	_____
Marty Mayes, Public Works Director	_____	_____
Gracia R. Montilus, City Attorney	_____	_____
Chris Murray, Tax Assessor	_____	_____
Wendy Sykes, Director of Community Services	_____	_____
Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer	_____	_____
Vincent Vitiello, Police Chief	_____	_____
Margarette Homere, City Clerk's Office	_____	_____
Trisha Scipio, City Clerk's Office	_____	_____
Gabrielle Sims-Shelton, City Clerk's Office	_____	_____

3) **SUNSHINE LAW**

The requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:4-9 et. seq., "Sunshine Law" has been met. A notice of this meeting was sent to the Star Ledger, and published in the Record-Transcript on July 13, 2023, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall, the Council's website (www.orangetwpnjcc.org), the City's website (www.orangenj.gov) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

4) **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:** None.

5) **REPORTS:**

DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION: NOVEMBER 2023

- Clerk's Office - \$160.55
- Historic Preservation Commission - \$0.00

6) **CONSTABLE REPORTS:** None.

7) **OPRA REPORTS:** None.

8) **COUNCIL REPORTS:** Council President directs Clerk to file reports.

9) **COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:** None.

10) **CITIZEN COMMENTS ON GENERAL ISSUES/AGENDA ITEMS**

“SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall be allowed to participate in this portion of the Council Meeting via the audio call in number and video conferencing platform by stating their name and address when directed to do so by the Council President. All public comments submitted though electronic mail or written letter before the meeting shall be read aloud by the City Clerk. The City Council reserves the right to respond to not respond during the meeting to any citizen’s questions or comments. If the Council wishes to address any comments, it shall be done during the remote public meeting.

Motion to Close Citizen Comments:

Second:

11) **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

12) **ORDINANCES – SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING**

24-2021 An ordinance to amend the City Code of the City of the Orange Township Chapter 4 entitled "Administration of Government", Article II entitled "City Council"; Section 15 entitled "City Clerk". *(Postponed since the June 1, 2021 Council Meeting)*

a) Motion to Postpone:

Second:

b) Motion for Final Adoption:

Second:

69-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending Chapter 4 of the Municipal Code to Repeal Various Provisions preempted by revisions to the New Jersey Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act, N.J.S.A. 19:44A-1 et seq., enacted through the Elections Transparency Act, P.L.2023, C.30.

a) Motion to close Citizen Comments:

Second:

b) Motion for Final Adoption:

Second:

70-2023 An ordinance to amend and Supplement Chapter 162 of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township, by establishing Section 162.8, entitled Emergency Action Plan. *(Sponsored by Councilmember Wooten)*

a) Motion to close Citizen Comments:

Second:

b) Motion for Final Adoption:

Second:

71-2023 An ordinance to amend and supplement the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township as Chapter 121 Entitled “Driving School”. *(Sponsored by Councilmembers Wooten & Summers-Johnson)*

a) Motion to close Citizen Comments:

Second:

b) Motion for Final Adoption:

Second:

72-2023 A Bond Ordinance providing for the acquisition of various properties required to construct Joyce Carnegie Memorial Park by and in the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey; appropriating \$1,500,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$1,428,500 Bonds or Notes of the City to finance part of the cost thereof.

- a) **Motion to close Citizen Comments:** **Second:**
- b) **Motion for Final Adoption:** **Second:**

13) ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING

77-2023 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, entitled “Vehicles and Traffic” Section 200-52-1 Handicapped Parking Spaces. (61 William Street)

- a) **Motion to adopt on First Reading:** **Second:**
- b) **Final Reading: January 2, 2024**

78-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending Chapter 210 of the City of Orange Township Municipal Code, entitled “Development Regulations”, in accordance with the Municipal Land Use Law, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq., to increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements in areas of the City of Orange Township not otherwise governed by the redevelopment and/or rehabilitation plan adopted by the Municipal Council in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.

- a) **Motion to adopt on First Reading:** **Second:**
- b) **Final Reading: January 2, 2024**

79-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending the Central Orange redevelopment plan in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. to increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements within the Central Orange redevelopment area.

- a) **Motion to adopt on First Reading:** **Second:**
- b) **Final Reading: January 2, 2024**

80-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending the Central Valley redevelopment plan in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. to increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements within the Central Valley redevelopment area.

- a) **Motion to adopt on First Reading:** **Second:**
- b) **Final Reading: January 2, 2024**

81-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending the Lincoln-Highland redevelopment and rehabilitation plan in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. to increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements within the Lincoln-Highland redevelopment and rehabilitation area.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading: Second:
- b) Final Reading: January 2, 2024

82-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending the Main Street redevelopment and rehabilitation plan in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. to increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements within the Main Street redevelopment and rehabilitation area.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading: Second:
- b) Final Reading: January 2, 2024

83-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending the North Main Street redevelopment and rehabilitation plan in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. to increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements within the North Main Street redevelopment and rehabilitation area.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading: Second:
- b) Final Reading: January 2, 2024

84-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending the Reock Street redevelopment plan in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. to increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements within the Reock Street redevelopment area.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading: Second:
- b) Final Reading: January 2, 2024

85-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending the Upper Main Street redevelopment and rehabilitation plan in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. to increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements within the Upper Main Street redevelopment and rehabilitation area.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading: Second:
- b) Final Reading: January 2, 2024

86-2023 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending the Vose Avenue redevelopment plan in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. to increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements within the Vose Avenue redevelopment area.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading: Second:
- b) Final Reading: January 2, 2024

87-2023 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, providing for a special emergency appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$550,000 to fund contractually required severance liabilities resulting from the retirement of employees in the City.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading:
b) Final Reading: December 19, 2024

Second:

CONSENT AGENDA

ALL ITEMS LISTED WITH AN ASTERISK (*) ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCIL MEMBER SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE OF THE AGENDA.

RESOLUTIONS NO *461-2023 THROUGH *479-2023

- *461-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, referring an amendment of Chapter 210 of the City of Orange Township Municipal Code, entitled “Development Regulations”, to the City of Orange Township Planning Board for review and comment pursuant to the Municipal Land Use Law, N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq.
- *462-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, referring an amendment of the Central Orange redevelopment plan to the City of Orange Township Planning Board for review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.
- *463-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, referring an amendment of the Central Valley redevelopment plan to the City of Orange Township Planning Board for review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.
- *464-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, referring an amendment of the Lincoln-Highland redevelopment and rehabilitation plan to the City of Orange Township Planning Board for review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.
- *465-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, referring an amendment of the Main Street redevelopment and rehabilitation plan to the City of Orange Township Planning Board for review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.
- *466-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, referring an amendment of the North Main Street redevelopment and rehabilitation plan to the City of Orange Township Planning Board for review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.

- *467-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, referring an amendment of the Reock Street redevelopment plan to the City of Orange Township Planning Board for review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.
- *468-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, referring an amendment of the Upper Main Street redevelopment and rehabilitation plan to the City of Orange Township Planning Board for review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.
- *469-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, referring an amendment of the Vose Avenue redevelopment plan to the City of Orange Township Planning Board for review and comment pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.
- *470-2023** A resolution of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, New Jersey authorizing an application to the Local Finance Board with respect to not exceed \$1,000,000 non-recourse taxable redevelopment area bonds to finance a portion of the Berwyn Street redevelopment project pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-29(a)(3) and N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-67(g).
- *471-2023** A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township Police Department to participate in the Defense Logistics Agency, Law Enforcement Support Office, 1033 Program to enable the City of Orange Police Department to request and acquire excess Department of Defense equipment.
- *472-2023** A resolution extending the agreement between Lagniappe Foods Company and the City of Orange Township for Calendar Year 2023 in an amount not to exceed \$7,200.00.
- *473-2023** A resolution authorizing Mott Macdonald, 111 Wood Avenue, South Iselin, New Jersey 08830 to provide professional engineering services for the 2023 Lead Service Line Replacement Program in an amount not to exceed \$176,700.00.
- *474-2023** A resolution to appoint a Fund Commissioner with the Metropolitan Health Insurance Fund for the City of Orange Township effective January 1, 2024.
- *475-2023** A resolution of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey authorizing the submission of an application to the Local Finance Board requesting approval of (i) a bond ordinance of the City under the provisions of the Municipal Qualified Bond Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:3-1 et seq., (the “Act”), (ii) the issuance of qualified bonds under the provisions of the Act, and (iii) the issuance of qualified bonds through the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank Transportation Program pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 58:11B-9(a).
- *476-2023** A resolution for the transfer of appropriations.

***477-2023** A resolution of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, approving and authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Master Subscription Agreement with Balcony Technology Group Inc. for the provision of secure central database and repository services through December 31, 2024, at no cost to the City.

***478-2023** A resolution authorizing and authorizing the execution of a First Amendment to purchase and sale agreement between the City and SYMREC Orange JC LLC, related to the property identified on the City tax map as Block 3601, Lots 1, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38 and the discharge of a certain municipal tax lien in connection therewith.

***479-2023** A resolution approving the Bill List for Council meeting vote on December 05, 2023 dated November 29, 2023 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95. (Grand Total: \$4,260,577.87)

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA:

Second:

14) NEW BUSINESS AND WALK-ON ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS OTHER PENDING BUSINESS

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Second:

Adjournment Time: _____

PUBLIC NOTICE

The next City Council Conference and Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 19, 2023 virtually at 7:00 p.m.