

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, MAY 21, 2024 FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.

1) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

		PRESENT	ABSENT
2) <u>ROLL CALL</u>			
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	_____	_____

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.

3) APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:

- **May 7, 2024 Conference Meeting Minutes**
Councilmembers Coley & Wooten were absent and should abstain.

Motion to adopt:

Second:

- **May 7, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes**
Councilmember Coley was absent and should abstain.

Motion to adopt:

Second:

4) **REPORTS:**

DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION: April 2024

- Clerk’s Office \$90.00
- Historic Preservation \$140.00
- Planning Department \$272,401.00

5) **OPRA REPORTS:** April 2024 – 79 requests received, 70 completed, 9 remaining.

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

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

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

Be advised that members of the public wishing to address the Council on any subject shall be permitted to do so during this portion of the meeting by indicating a “raised hand” and activating their cameras at this time.

To allow maximum public involvement, each speaker will have one 5-minute period to interact with the Council, and must provide his/her name and street address prior to beginning his/her remarks. Screen-sharing or visual aids are not permitted.

Members of the public are reminded to be courteous and mindful of other individuals’ rights when speaking. Each person has the right to speak on any subject and is responsible for any abuse of that right. The City bears no liability for any comments made by any member of the public, and reserves the right to remove any person engaging in obscene or disruptive conduct.

The Council will consider all comments and questions, and will respond, if and when appropriate, which may or may not be during this meeting.

Motion to Close Citizen Comments:

Second:

9) **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

10) **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 to adopt:

Second:

13-2024 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” to revise the definition of ‘Retail Sales’ to include “Personal Service Establishments” *(Tabled at the April 16, 2024 Council Meeting)*

a) Motion to Remain Table:

Second:

b) Motion to Close Citizen Comments:

Second:

c) Motion to Adopt:

Second:

17-2024 A capital ordinance appropriating \$630,000 from the Capital Fund Balance to pay for the purchase and the installation of a city-wide camera system, by and in the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey.

- a) Motion to Close Citizen Comments: Second:**
- b) Motion to Adopt: Second:**

18-2024 An ordinance to amend Chapter §26-6.1, Section D of the City of Orange Township Code.

- a) Motion to Close Citizen Comments: Second:**
- b) Motion to Adopt: Second:**

19-2024 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township to approve a tax exemption for a twenty-two (22) year period and authorizing the execution of a financial agreement between the City and Orange Development Urban Renewal LLC.

- a) Motion to Close Citizen Comments: Second:**
- b) Motion to Adopt: Second:**

20-2024 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township to approve a tax exemption for a twenty-two (22) year period and authorizing the execution of a financial agreement between the City and 53 Essex Urban Renewal LLC.

- a) Motion to Close Citizen Comments: Second:**
- b) Motion to Adopt: Second:**

11) ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION | FIRST READING

23-2024 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township to approve a tax exemption for twenty-three (23) year period and to authorize the twenty-three (23) year exemption and authorizing the execution of a financial agreement for payments in lieu of taxes between the City and Morrow Street Urban Renewal, LLC.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading: Second:**
- b) Final Reading: June 18, 2024**

24-2024 A bond ordinance of the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, New Jersey, providing aid to a redevelopment project located at 566-588 Morrow Street and 507-515 South Jefferson Street in the City of Orange Township and appropriating \$250,000, therefor, and providing for the issuance of \$250,000 in bonds or notes of the City of Orange Township to finance part of the cost thereof.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading: Second:**
- b) Final Reading: June 18, 2024**

25-2024 An ordinance of the City of Orange Township granting Morrow Street Urban Renewal, LLC a non-exclusive perpetual easement and authorizing the execution of an easement agreement.

- a) Motion to adopt on First Reading: Second:**
- b) Final Reading: June 18, 2024**

26-2024 An ordinance amending Chapter 88, “Fees”, Article I, “Fees Derived from Code Provisions”, Section 88-1, “Schedule of Fees” setting rates and fees for the use of the water/sewer system as initially established by Ordinance No. 58-2013 and as amended by Ordinance No. 29-2017 and 43-2021.

- a) **Motion to adopt on First Reading:** **Second:**
- b) **Final Reading: June 18, 2024**

12) 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 *277-2024 THROUGH *301-2024

- *277-2024 A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Tax Collector to prepare and mail estimated tax bills in accordance with P.L. 1994, c. 72.**
- *278-2024 A resolution authorizing the Tax Collector to have a tax sale for water/sewer delinquencies from October 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023.**
- *279-2024 A resolution rejecting the rebid for the Highland Avenue Train Station Rehabilitation.**
- *280-2024 A resolution authorizing the extension of the awarded contract with Bright View Engineering, 5 Pitairn Drive, Roseland, New Jersey 07068 to provide construction administration services related to the Highland Avenue Train Station Rehabilitation in the amount not to exceed \$81,110.00.**
- *281-2024 A resolution authorizing Weatherproof Technologies, Inc., 3735 Green Road, Beechwood, Ohio 44122, the contract for roof removal and replacement for the Public Works Garage located at 24 South Center Street, Orange, New Jersey 07050 under the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey (ESCNJ) Co-Op Contract #AEPA 21 D in an amount not to exceed \$370,747.83.**
- *282-2024 A resolution authorizing the award of an emergency contract for HVAC repairs to Municipal buildings to millennium Mechanical, LLC, P.O. Box 1020, Little Falls, New Jersey 07424 in an amount not to exceed \$5,162.62.**
- *283-2024 A resolution authorizing the acceptance of New Jersey Department of Transportation Local Transportation Projects Fund (LTPF) grant for the City of Orange Township for 2024 Local Transportation Project grant fund – Orange and East Orange Freeway Drive Mitigation and Transformation Planning Project in the amount of \$300,000.00.**
- *284-2024 A resolution authorizing the City of Orange Township to enter into a renewal voluntary cooperative pricing system with The Interlocal Purchasing Systems (TIPS) for the purchase of goods and services commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.**

- *285-2024** A resolution declaring an emergency and ratifying a contract between the City of Orange Township and Riverview Paving, Inc., 859 Willow Grove Street, Hackettstown, New Jersey 07840 for emergency roadway resurfacing on South Essex Avenue (between Central Avenue to Freeway Drive East) in the amount not to exceed \$79,770.40.
- *286-2024** A resolution authorizing Remington & Vernick Engineers, 2059 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08003 to provide professional engineering, design, construction administration and inspection services Phases I – III for the Metcalf Park Improvements Phase II in an amount not to exceed \$56,127.00.
- *287-2024** A resolution awarding a contract to Karson Food, Inc., 3409 Rose Avenue, Ocean, New Jersey 07712 in the amount not to exceed \$158,432.46 for the 2024 USDA Summer Food Program.
- *288-2024** A resolution to adopt the City of Orange Township Community Energy Plan (CEP) as part of the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities CEP grant program.
- *289-2024** A resolution authorizing an award of a non-fair and open contract to Marco Di Stefano, LLC for Special Counsel in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00 for Calendar Year 2024.
- *290-2024** A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on May 21, 2024 dated May 15, 2024 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$10,456,016.51).
- *291-2024** A resolution designating Morrow Street Urban Renewal, LLC as the redeveloper for the property located at 566-588 Morrow Street and 507-515 South Jefferson Street and authorizing the execution of a redevelopment agreement with Morrow Street Urban Renewal, LLC for the redevelopment of this property.
- *292-2024** A resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a Community Benefits Agreement with Morrow Street Urban Renewal, LLC for the redevelopment of the property located at 566-588 Morrow Street and 507-515 South Jefferson Street and identified on the official tax map of the City of Orange Township as Block 6003, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 27, 28, 29 and 30.
- *293-2024** A resolution approving and authorizing the execution of a funding agreement with Morrow Street Urban Renewal, LLC for the redevelopment of the property located at 566-588 Morrow Street and 507-515 South Jefferson Street and identified on the official tax map of the City of Orange Township as Block 6003, Lots 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 27, 28, 29 and 30.
- *294-2024** A resolution of the City of Orange Township making application to the Local Finance Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-26(e) and N.J.S.A. 40A:3-4.
- *295-2024** A resolution honoring LGBTQ+ elders in the City of Orange Township.
(Sponsored by Council Member Wooten)
- *296-2024** A resolution of the City of Orange Township, New Jersey initiating a pilot program to change Nassau Street to a one-way street.
(Sponsored by Councilmembers Summers-Johnson & Wooten)
- *297-2024** A resolution for emergency temporary appropriations #8 to the Calendar Year 2024 Budget.
- *298-2024** A resolution making application to the Local Finance Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.3ee.

- *299-2024** A resolution introducing and approving the 2024 Calendar Year Budget (January 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024).
- *300-2024** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of general capital fund ordinances.
- *301-2024** A resolution authorizing the cancellation of grant receivables and appropriated grant reserves.

MOTION TO ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA:

Second:

13) NEW BUSINESS, 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 Wednesday, June 5, 2024 virtually at 7:00 p.m.