

**MINUTES CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP**  
**NEW JERSEY**

**THIS IS A CONFERENCE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD VIA AUDIO-VIDEO CONFERENCING TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024, AT 7:06PM.**

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Councilmember Kerry J. Coley, East Ward  
Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert, West Ward (*Arrived at 7:15pm*)  
Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross, At-Large  
Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, South Ward  
Councilmember Adrienne K. Wooten, At-Large  
Council President Tency A. Eason, North Ward

**Also Present:** Joyce Lanier, 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  
Aaron Mizrahi, Esq., Deputy City Attorney  
Gracia R. Montilus, Esq., City Attorney  
Chris Murray, Tax Assessor  
Wendy M. 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

**Absent:** Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III, At-Large  
Tamara Robinson, Deputy City Clerk  
Gabrielle Sims-Shelton, City Clerk's Office

The City Clerk announced a Moment of Silence. The moment was dedicated to Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III, his father, the Police Officer who was shot in Montclair, and Early Responders.

The City Clerk announced a "SPECIAL NOTICE: Please be apprised anyone wishing to discuss Agenda or General Items shall email their statements or questions to [citizencomments@orangenj.gov](mailto:citizencomments@orangenj.gov) no later than 7:00 p.m. the day prior to the scheduled public meeting. The City Council reserves the right to respond or not respond during the meeting to any citizen's submission."

The City Clerk announced 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, published in the Record Transcript on July 13, 2023, posted on the Bulletin Board in City Hall, the Council's Website ([www.orangetwpnjcc.org](http://www.orangetwpnjcc.org)), the City's Website ([www.orangenj.gov](http://www.orangenj.gov)) and filed in the Office of the City Clerk.

**MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION**

- Health Update

Health Officer Vincent DeFillipo gave a short update on Covid-19 as numbers are low and 87% of the cases are the NJN1 strand. There were two infant Influenza deaths and tick sightings are high. Council President Tency A. Eason stated that St Matthew AME is still doing Covid testing and vaccines and the Police Department is collecting old prescription drugs.

A motion to suspend the rules and amend the agenda to include a Clean Energy presentation from the Planning Department was made by Councilmember Adrienne K. Wooten and seconded by Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross.

**Motion Adopted**

- Planning Department

Planning Department Assistant Director Chris Mobley shared his screen and presented

Christopher Mobley stated the City of Orange Township has been working with Sustainable Jersey and the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities for the past two years on energy conservation methods. He spoke about the Community Energy Plan, the CEP Planning Process, Community Profile and Energy Data, Population Information, Electricity Usage, Natural Gas Usage, Reducing the Carbon Footprint, GHG Emissions, Municipal Facilities Work History, Community Energy Planning Initiative Selections, and showed snapshots of some of the initiatives. The department plans to have a resolution at the next Council meeting. Councilmembers requested that he send the power point presentation to Council via e-mail and posted on the website.

The resolutions and ordinances to be presented at tonight’s meeting are listed on the attached Regular Meeting Agenda. If any Council Member wishes to discuss any resolution or ordinance, it may be discussed at this time.

**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)**

*This Ordinance will remain postponed.*

**2-2024 An ordinance to amend Chapter §200-32 and Chapter §200-38 of the City Of Orange Township Code (Frankfort Street) (Tabled at the March 5, 2024 Council Meeting)**

**9-2024 An ordinance amending Chapter 95, entitled Flood Damage Prevention of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township creating Section 95.89 entitled Sump Pump Regulations. (Sponsored by Councilmembers Wooten & Summers-Johnson)**

**10-2024 An ordinance amending Chapter 64, entitled Bicycles of the Municipal Code of the City of Orange Township creating Section 64.5 entitled Bicycle Regulations. (Sponsored by Councilmember Wooten)**

*Vote these ordinances down and bring them back in May.*

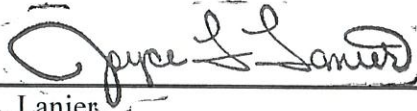
**13-2024 An ordinance of the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, amending Chapter 210 of the City of Orange Township Municipal Code, entitled “Development Regulations” to revise the definition of ‘Retail Sales’ to include “Personal Service Establishments”.**

*Table this ordinance.*

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Vice President Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley.

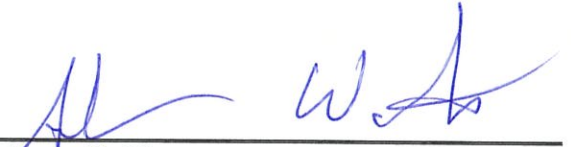
The meeting was adjourned at 7:31pm.

Approved: September 3, 2024



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Joyce L. Lanier  
City Clerk



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Adrienne K. Wooten  
Council President