

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

**THIS IS THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP HELD AT CITY HALL, 29 NORTH DAY STREET, ORANGE, NEW JERSEY ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025 FOLLOWING THE CONFERENCE MEETING.**

Councilmember Kerry J. Coley led all assembled in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Councilmember Kerry J. Coley, East Ward  
Councilmember Tency A. Eason, North Ward  
Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert, West Ward  
Council Vice President Weldon M. Montague, III, At-Large  
Councilmember Clifford R. Ross, At-Large  
Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson, South Ward

**Also Present:** Trisha A. Scipio, Acting Deputy Clerk  
Chris M. Hartwyk, Business Administrator  
Derrick Brown, Fire Chief  
Nile Clements, Chief Financial Officer  
Gracia R. Montilus, Esq., City Attorney  
Marlin G. Townes, Legislative Research Officer

**Absent:** Council President Adrienne K. Wooten, At-Large

The Acting Deputy 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 and published in the Record Transcript on Thursday, July 10, 2025, 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.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

There were no minutes to approve.

**REPORTS**

**DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REVENUE COLLECTION**

Parking Meters collected \$9,622.26 in September 2025.

The Health Department collected \$10,582.00 in September 2025.

Recreation collected \$37,399.23 in September 2025

The Planning Department collected \$165,090.00 in September 2025.

**OPRA REPORTS**

For the month of August 2025, there were 101 OPRA Requests, 74 Completed, and 27 Remaining.

For the month of September 2025, there were 112 OPRA Requests, 81 Completed, and 31 Remaining.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS**

There were no Communications and Petitions.

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

Members of the public wishing to address the Council may do so during this portion of the meeting. Speakers must sign their name on the Comments Sign-Up sheet and approach the microphone, when called upon. To allow maximum public involvement, each speaker is permitted one 3-minute period to interact with the Council and must provide his or her name and street address prior to beginning any remarks. Visual aids are not permitted.

Speakers are reminded to be courteous and mindful of other individuals. Each person has the right to speak on any subject but is responsible for abuse of that right. The City bears no liability for any comments made by the public and maintains discretion 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.

**Brent Engle of 174 Heywood Avenue** expressed his concerns about the Bond Ordinance, Water fees and lead pipes. CFO Nile Clements stated of the \$20 million dollars, \$16 million (80%) will be forgiven and not fall on the Tax payers. A Bond Ordinance must be done to adopt the entire amount so the Capital repairs can be done for the entire amount that is needed. This is referenced in the eight whereas clause of Ordinance 65-2025 and the ninth clause references the \$4 million. Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson asked if that information provided by the CFO be made more accessible to the public.

**Gerald Murphy of 26 Harrison Street** expressed her concerns about the Chief of Police leaving.

**Dr. Gloria Boseman of 345 Olcott Street** inquired where she can find the outcome of the water testing – the water quality report; Resolution 452-2025 concerning the AD HOC Committee; the benefit of the Multi-Unit Developments; the \$2 million dollars earmarked for Police Officers; and Developers contributing to our community (Resolutions 379-2023, 482-2024, 250-2025, 251-2025 and 253-2025)

A motion to Close Citizen Comments was made by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson and seconded by Council Vice President Weldon M. Montague, III.

**Motion Adopted**

**There were no Citizen Comments received by e-mail.**

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Councilmember Clifford R. Ross** spoke about the movie filming on Main Street; Fees for filming permits; Officers stationed in front of City Council - He recommended better security for the building; Pilot charts being displayed; Gates at Seven Oaks; After School programs; FY2026 Budget; Snow plowing; Safe Haven; and the upcoming Election

**Councilmember Tency A. Eason** attended the Care Well Hospital Fair for East Orange and Orange.

**Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert** spoke about 400 Oakwood laundry room; Highland Terrace; Commercial vehicles; her support of the Bond Ordinance; West Ward Meeting on November 13<sup>th</sup>; Halloween; and Veteran's Day Parade

**Councilmember Kerry J. Coley** inquired about the street leaking issue in front of PNC Bank on Main Street; Commercial and delivery on Main Street; the 2026 Budget; and announce the Feed the Sheep Ministry event giving out clothing and food.

**Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson** spoke about Domestic Violence Awareness; Bella Italia recognition by nj.com; Clairmont Terrace ordinance; the house in Orange Park; and Election on November 4th.

**Council Vice President Weldon M. Montague, III** inquired about the Parking Utility; QR codes on Parking Meters; Permit Parking; Recreation Center; Parking Enforcement; Gas Pump at Brook Alley; Orange Memorial Site; Community Benefit Account; Monte Irvin Grand Opening; Urgent Care; November 4<sup>th</sup> Election.

#### **ORDINANCES – SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING**

**56-2025 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 88, entitled Fees to update fee schedule for parking meters and parking lot kiosks throughout the city.**

A motion to close Citizens Comments was made by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson and seconded by Council Vice President Weldon M. Montague, III.

#### **Motion Adopted**

A motion to adopt Ordinance 56-2025 on Second Reading was made by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson and seconded by Council Vice President Weldon M. Montague, III.

#### **Roll Call:**

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert,  
Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross and Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

#### **Motion Adopted**

#### **ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION | FIRST READING**

**63-2025 An ordinance to amend Section 200-40, Schedule IX: Stop Intersections, of the City of Orange Township City Code.**

A motion to adopt Ordinance 63-2025 on First Reading was made by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson and seconded by Councilmember Tency A. Eason.

#### **Roll Call:**

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert,  
Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross and Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

#### **Motion Adopted: Final Reading November 17, 2025**

**64-2025 An ordinance to amend Section 200-37, Subsection B, restriction of Commercial Trucks in school Zones, of the City of Orange Township City Code**

Ordinance 64-2025 was Pulled by Administration.

- 65-2025 A Bond Ordinance providing for the lead service line replacement project, by and in the City of Orange Township, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, appropriating \$20,000,000 therefor and authorizing the issuance of \$20,000,000 bonds or notes to finance the cost thereof**

A motion to adopt Ordinance 65-2025 on First Reading was made by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson and seconded by Councilmember Tency A. Eason.

**Roll Call:**

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert,  
Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross and Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

**Motion Adopted: Final Reading November 17, 2025**

- 66-2025 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township Chapter 88, "Fees" Article VIII entitled "Department of Public Works" Section 15 "Fees"**

A motion to adopt Ordinance 66-2025 was made by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross and seconded by Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert.

**Roll Call:**

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert,  
Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross and Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

**Motion Adopted: Final Reading November 17, 2025**

**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 \*442-2025 THROUGH \*454-2025**

- \*442-2025 A resolution approving the bill list for council meeting vote on October 21, 2025 dated October 15, 2025 and approving checks issued by the Finance Department in accordance with Ordinance 2-95 (Grand Total: \$5,078,609.60)**
- \*443-2025 A resolution honoring Dr. Debra Joseph Charles (Sponsored by the City of Orange Township Municipal Council)**
- \*444-2025 A resolution celebrating World Polio Day. AMENDED (Sponsored by Council Member Quantavia Hilbert)**
- \*445-2025 A resolution authorizing approval to amend the CY 2025 Municipal Budget by inserting items of revenue and appropriations totaling \$85,160.72 in additional grant funding.**
- \*446-2025 A resolution authorizing a refund of two hundred eighty dollars and zero cents paid by Naimisha Ayyala/Naga Sai Venkata Naimisha Ayyala for a credit card payment on line in error to the Police Department**
- \*447-2025 A resolution amending Resolution #464-2021 with the New Jersey Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 600 Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0600 for the Pedestrian Safety Upgrades - Park Ave School Project, for an additional \$339,920.34 making the new amount of \$597,149.24**

- \*448-2025 A resolution authorizing an addendum to resolution #199-2025 with North East Sweepers, 20 Montesano Rd., Fairfield, NJ 07004 under the Keystone purchasing Network Co-Op #KPN 202012-015, to increase the contract amount for an additional \$4,000 making the new amount not to exceed \$24,000.00
- \*450-2025 A resolution approving the notice in lieu of Deed Notice for the sidewalk along South Jefferson Street adjacent to the former PSE&G Orange Valley Substation as shown on Exhibit B-1 of the notice in lieu of Deed Notice, City of Orange Township, Essex County; acknowledging the use restrictions on the property and the obligations imposed on the City of Orange Township detailed therein; and authorizing execution of the notice in lieu of Deed Notice, the soil remedial Action Permit Application, and related documents for property
- \*451-2025 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 pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 58:11B-9(a)
- \*453-2025 A resolution appointing Trisha A. Scipio as Deputy Municipal Clerk for the City of Orange Township.

A motion to adopt the Consent Agenda was made by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson and seconded by Council Vice President Weldon M. Montague, III.

**Roll Call:**

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert,  
Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross, and Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

**RESOLUTIONS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- 452-2025 A resolution appointing an AD HOC City Council Committee on Accessory Dwelling Units (Submitted by Council President Adrienne Wooten)**

A motion to postpone Resolution 452-2025 to the next meeting was made by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley and seconded by Councilmember Tency A. Eason.

**Roll Call:**

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III,  
and Hon. Clifford R. Ross

Nays: Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert and Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Abstain: None

Absent: Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

**Motion Adopted: Postponed to November 5, 2025**

**454-2025 A resolution authorizing the issuing of a notice to proceed to AMB Building Services, LLC, 441 Southwest Freeway, Suite 477, Sugar Land, TX 77478 for the implementation of an Energy Savings Improvement Project by the City of Orange Township.**

A motion to adopt Resolution 454-2025 was made by Councilmember Tency A. Eason and seconded by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson.

**Roll Call:**

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert, Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross and Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

**NEW BUSINESS, WALK-ON ORDINANCES | RESOLUTIONS AND OTHER PENDING BUSINESS**

**455-2025WO A resolution celebrating the life of Eloise Pearson White.  
(Sponsored by Councilmember Weldon M. Montague, III)**

A motion to Walk-On Resolution 455-2025 was made by Council Vice President Weldon M. Montague, III and seconded by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross.

**Motion Adopted**

A motion to adopt Resolution 455-2025WO was made by Council Vice President Weldon M. Montague, III and seconded by Councilmember Quantavia L. Hilbert

**Roll Call:**

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert, Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross and Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

**Motion Adopted**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**53-2025 An ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Orange Township, Chapter 200, Entitled “Vehicles and Traffic”, Section 200-33, Entitled Schedule II: No Parking Certain Hours. (Central Avenue) (Sponsored by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley)**

A motion to postpone Ordinance 53-2025 to the December 2, 2025 meeting was made by Councilmember Kerry J. Coley and seconded by Council Vice President Weldon M. Montague, III.

**Roll Call:**

Yeas: Hon. Kerry J. Coley, Hon. Tency A. Eason, Hon. Quantavia L. Hilbert, Hon. Weldon M. Montague, III, Hon. Clifford R. Ross, and Hon. Jamie B. Summers-Johnson

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Hon. Adrienne K. Wooten

**Motion Adopted: Postponed to December 2, 2025**

**OTHER PENDING BUSINESS**

There was no other Pending Business.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilmember Jamie B. Summers-Johnson and seconded by Councilmember Clifford R. Ross.

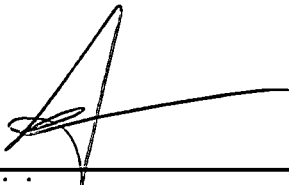
**Motion adopted**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37pm.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

The next City Council Conference and Regular Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 5, 2025.

Approved: November 5, 2025



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Trisha A. Scipio  
Deputy Municipal Clerk



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Weldon M. Montague, III  
Council Vice President