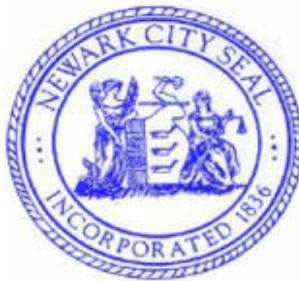


City of Newark

City Hall
920 Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson Boulevard
Newark, New Jersey 07102



Meeting Minutes - Final

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, January 7, 2026

12:30 PM

Council Chamber

Municipal Council

Council Member Amina Bey
Council Member Patrick O. Council
Council Member Carlos M. Gonzalez
Council Member Dupré L. Kelly
Council Member Luis A. Quintana
Council Member Anibal Ramos, Jr.
Council Member Louise Scott-Rountree
Council Member Michael J. Silva

President C. Lawrence Crump

Kecia Daniels, City Clerk Abraham Negron, Deputy City Clerk

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regular meeting of the Municipal Council was called to order on the above date in the Council Chamber, Second Floor, City Hall, Newark, New Jersey, at 12:31 P.M.

2. NATIONAL ANTHEM / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

INVOCATION

Pastor Mamie Bridgeforth
Faith Christian Center Church
1001 South Orange Avenue
Newark, New Jersey 07106

3. STATEMENT ON OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

In accordance with New Jersey P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, Section 5, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the Star Ledger, the Jersey Journal and the public at large; establishing the date, time and location of this meeting, by posting on the designated bulletin board in City Hall and by filing with the Office of the City Clerk, the schedule of regular meetings and conferences of the Newark Municipal Council as adopted as 7R8-a on December 3, 2025. In addition, the agenda for this meeting was disseminated on January 2, 2026 at the time of preparation and posted on the website of the City of Newark.

4. ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

6. ORDINANCES

6F First Reading

6F-a [25-1510](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 41, ZONING AND LAND USE REGULATIONS, CHAPTER 20, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE AND CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, 2000, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, TO PROHIBIT ANY NEW OR EXPANDED FOSSIL FUEL FACILITY, INCLUDING FOSSIL FUEL POWER GENERATION

Deferred 8-f 112525

Deferred 9-b 120325

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Defer. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

6F-b [25-1511](#) ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE X, FINANCE AND TAXATION OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, 2000, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED BY ADDING A NEW SECTION CHAPTER 34, PROHIBITION ON USE OF CITY FUNDS FOR FOSSIL FUEL INCLUDING FOSSIL FUEL POWER GENERATION.

Deferred 8-g 112525

Deferred 9-c 120325

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Defer. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

6PSF Public Hearing, Second Reading and Final Passage

6PSF-a [25-1313](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING TITLE XXIX (STREETS AND SIDEWALKS) CHAPTER 5 (CONSTRUCTION AND STREET WORK ACTIVITIES; DISTURBANCES OF STREET SURFACES) SECTION 3 (REPLACEMENT OF SURFACES) OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, 2000, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS FOR MILLING AND PAVING REQUIREMENTS FOR STREET SURFACE DISTURBANCE AND TRENCH RESTORATION.

Deferred 6PSF-a 120325

Deferred 6PSF-a 121725

Public Hearing opened. Comments were made by Debra Salters.

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Close on Public Hearing and Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

6PSF-b [25-1354](#)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE XXIII, TRAFFIC, CHAPTER 5, PARKING, STOPPING AND STANDING, GENERALLY, SECTION 23:5-7, PARKING OR STANDING PROHIBITED IN CERTAIN AREAS AT CERTAIN TIMES FOR STREET CLEANING, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, 2000, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, TO REMOVE TREADWELL STREET, ON THE NORTH SIDE, BETWEEN RIDGE STREET AND MOUNT PROSPECT AVENUE; AND INCLUDE TREADWELL STREET, ON THE SOUTH SIDE, BETWEEN RIDGE STREET AND MOUNT PROSPECT AVENUE (NORTH WARD).

Deferred 6PSF-b 120325

Deferred 6PSF-b 121725

Public Hearing opened. No one appearing. Public Hearing closed.

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Close on Public Hearing and Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 7 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., and Louise Scott-Rountree

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

Abstain: 1 - C. Lawrence Crump

6PSF-c [25-1355](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE XXIII, TRAFFIC, CHAPTER 5, PARKING, STOPPING AND STANDING, GENERALLY, SECTION 23:5-1, PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, 2000, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, TO PROHIBIT PARKING AT ALL TIMES ON TREADWELL STREET, SOLELY ON THE NORTH SIDE, BETWEEN RIDGE STREET AND MOUNT PROSPECT AVENUE (NORTH WARD).

Deferred 6PSF-c 120325

Deferred 6PSF-c 121725

Public Hearing opened. No one appearing. Public Hearing closed.

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Close on Public Hearing and Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 7 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., and Louise Scott-Rountree

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

Abstain: 1 - C. Lawrence Crump

6PSF-d [25-1534](#) ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND CONSENTING TO THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 296 FERRY STREET, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY (BLOCK 2010, LOT 28) FROM EAST SIDE COMMUNITY CENTER CORPORATION TO MANTENA GLOBAL CARE, INC., A NEW JERSEY NONPROFIT CORPORATION, AND REAFFIRMING THE PUBLIC USE RESTRICTION PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL LANDS AND BUILDINGS LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-1 ET SEQ., INCLUDING N.J.S.A. 40A:12-21(k)

Eric S. Pennington, Business Administrator commented.

Public Hearing opened. Comments were made by Debra Salters.

A motion was made by Crump, seconded by Quintana to Close on Public Hearing and Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

6PSF-e [25-1329](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORIGINAL TAX ABATEMENT GRANTED TO 50 MOUNT PROSPECT GARDENS URBAN RENEWAL, LLC, 17 CLUB WAY, CEDAR GROVE, NEW JERSEY 07009, PURSUANT TO THE LONG TERM TAX EXEMPTION LAW TO EXTEND THE TIMEFRAME TO CONSTRUCT THE PROJECT CONSISTING OF A NEW FOUR (4) STORY BUILDING CONSISTING OF TWENTY-EIGHT (28) MARKET RATE RESIDENTIAL RENTAL UNITS AND SEVEN (7) AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS AND ASSOCIATED PARKING LOCATED AT 905-913 MT. PROSPECT AVENUE, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY AND IDENTIFIED ON THE CITY'S TAX MAP AS BLOCK 841, LOT 26 AND 37 (THE "PROJECT") NORTH WARD

Brandi Daniel, Legislative Administrator Department Economic and Housing Development and Jennifer Carrillo, President Connell Foley commented.

Public Hearing opened. Comments were made by Alif Muhammad.

A motion was made by Ramos, Jr., seconded by Quintana to Close on Public Hearing and Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Amina Bey, Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

6PSF-f [25-1514](#) AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE VACATION OF DEWEY STREET AND DEMAREST STREET BETWEEN HAWTHORNE AVENUE AND NYE AVENUE IN THE SOUTH WARD OF THE CITY OF NEWARK.

Dolores Martinez Wooden, Director Department of Engineering commented.

Public Hearing opened. Comments were made by Debra Salters and Alif Muhammad.

A motion was made by Council, seconded by Crump to Close on Public Hearing and Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

AGENDA RESOLUTION CODES PER DEPARTMENT

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- 3 Engineering**
- 4 Finance**
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7. RESOLUTIONS

7R1 Administration

7R1-a 25-1557

Dept/ Agency: Administration/Office of Management and Budget

Action: () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending

Type of Service: Temporary Emergency Appropriation

Purpose: To provide funds for FY 2025 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over Grant.

Funding Source: New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety (DHTS)

Appropriation Amount: \$10,500.00

Budget Year: 2026

Contract Period: December 5, 2025 through January 1, 2026

Contract Basis: () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS
() Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ
() Private Sale (X) Grant () Sub-recipient () n/a

Additional Information:

Funds accepted by Resolution 7R9-c adopted 12/17/25 (25-1554)

Operating Agency: Department of Public Safety, Police Division

Two-Thirds vote of full membership required.

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R1-b [25-1657](#)

Dept/ Agency: Administration/Office of Management and Budget
Action: () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending
Type of Service: Temporary Emergency Appropriation
Purpose: To provide funds for FY 2024 Assistance to Firefighters Grant.
Funding Source: United States Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
Appropriation Amount: \$603,098.18
Budget Year: 2026
Contract Period: September 27, 2025 through September 26, 2027
Contract Basis: () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS
() Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ
() Private Sale (X) Grant () Sub-recipient () n/a
Additional Information:
Grant: \$603,098.18; Cash Match: \$60,309.82; Total Cost: \$663,408.00
Funds accepted by Resolution 7R9-d adopted December 17, 2025
Operating Agency: Department of Public Safety, Fire Division
Two-Thirds vote of full membership required.

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R1-c [25-1556](#)

Dept/ Agency: Administration/Office of Management and Budget
Action: () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending
Type of Service: Temporary Emergency Appropriation
Purpose: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and General Assistance/Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (GA/SNAP): to provide assistance in job placement for participants and disbursement of Workforce Investment Funds (Citywide).
Funding Source: New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development and Economic Opportunity
Appropriation Amount: \$473,315.00
Budget Year: 2026
Contract Period: October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026
Contract Basis: () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS () Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ () Private Sale (X) Grant () Sub-recipient () n/a
Additional Information:
The breakdown of the award is as follows:

1. Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	\$236,358.00
2. General Assistance/Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program (GA/SNAP)	<u>\$236,657.00</u>
Total	\$473,315.00

Funds accepted by Resolution #7R2-i dated November 25, 2025
Operating Agency: Office of the Mayor and Agencies, One Stop Career Center-Newark Works (MOET)

Two-Thirds vote of full membership required.

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R1-d	<u>25-1665</u>	Dept/ Agency: Administration/Office of Management and Budget Action: (<input type="checkbox"/>) Ratifying (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Authorizing (<input type="checkbox"/>) Amending Type of Service: Temporary Emergency Appropriation Purpose: To provide the Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). Funding Source: The State of New Jersey, Department of Health, Division of Family Health Services.) Appropriation Amount: \$2,268,514.00 Budget Year: 2026 Contract Period: October 1, 2025, through September 30, 2026 Contract Basis: (<input type="checkbox"/>) Bid (<input type="checkbox"/>) State Vendor (<input type="checkbox"/>) Prof. Ser. (<input type="checkbox"/>) EUS (<input type="checkbox"/>) Fair & Open (<input type="checkbox"/>) No Reportable Contributions (<input type="checkbox"/>) RFP (<input type="checkbox"/>) RFQ (<input type="checkbox"/>) Private Sale (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Grant (<input type="checkbox"/>) Sub-recipient (<input type="checkbox"/>) n/a Additional Information: Funds accepted by Apply and Accept Resolution submitted under a separate cover as File ID #25-1518 Operating Agency: Department of Health and Community Wellness Two-Thirds vote of full membership required. A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes: Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva
7R1-e	<u>25-1456</u>	Dept/ Agency: Administration/Division of Central Purchasing Action: (<input type="checkbox"/>) Ratifying (<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>) Authorizing (<input type="checkbox"/>) Amending Type of Service: Bid Contract(s) Purpose: To provide First Aid Kits and Refills Entity Name(s)/Address(s): <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Every Ready First Aid Kits and Medical Supply; 300 Liberty Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 112072. Top Safety Products Company Inc.; 160 Meister Avenue, Suite 16, Branchburg, New Jersey 08876 Contract Amount: Not to exceed \$88,191.40 Funding Source: Budget 2025/2026/ Recreation Cultural Affairs and Senior Services/Directors Office - NW011-160-1601-83240-B2025; NW011-160-1606-83240-B2025; NW011-160-1608-83240-B2025; NW011-160-1609-83240-B2025, Public Works/Public Buildings - NW011-060-0604-83870-B2025; Sanitation - NW011-060-0605-83870-B2025; Motors - NW011-060-0602-83830-B2025, Public Safety/Office of Emergency

Management - NW011-190-1904-B2025; NW051-G23-P23K0-B2023 - FY23 UASI Grant ; NW051-G24-P24M0-B2024 - FY24 UASI Grant; Police - NW011-190-1902-83830-B2025, Engineering/Traffic and Signals- NW011-110-1107-83010-B2025; Directors Office - NW011-110-1101-83130-B2025, Water and Sewer Utilities - NW037-750-7502-83830-B2025/B2026, Department of Health and Community Wellness/Environmental Services - NW011-120-1203-83230-B2025; NW051-G24-2H24G-83240-B2024, Medical Care Services - NW051-G24-H240E-83870-B2025

Contract Period: To be established for a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) consecutive months, commencing upon a fully executed contract

Contract Basis: Bid State Vendor Prof. Ser. EUS
 Fair & Open No Reportable Contributions RFP RFQ
 Private Sale Grant Sub-recipient n/a

Additional Information:

This contract will provide First Aid Kits and Refills for the Various Departments of the City of Newark.

Advertisement Date: April 9, 2025

Addendum Date: April 16, 2025

Bids Downloaded: Thirty-Four (34)

Bids Submitted: Six (6)

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R1-f

[25-1637](#)

Dept/ Agency: Administration/Division of Central Purchasing

Action: Ratifying Authorizing Amending

Type of Service: Use of State Contract(s) T0106 Law Enforcement Firearms Equipment and Supplies #17-FLEET-00751, 17-FLEET-00763, 17-FLEET-00769, and 17-FLEET-00772 authorized distributor Atlantic Uniform Company, Inc.

Purpose: Amending Resolution 7R1-p adopted on August 06, 2025, to include additional funding sources

Entity Name: Atlantic Uniform Company, Inc.

Entity Address: 468 Washington Avenue Belleville, NJ 07109

Contract Amount: Not to exceed \$800,000.00

Funding Source: Various Accounts and Budget Years/Department of Public Safety NW011-190-1902-Various Budget Year(s); All allowable and approved Public Safety Grants and Capital

Contract Period: Upon approval by the Municipal Council through May

14, 2026, inclusive of extensions by the state.

Contract Basis: () Bid (X) State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS
() Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ
() Private Sale () Grant () Sub-recipient () n/a

Additional Information:

This Contract will utilize State authorized vendor(s) and/or their distributors/dealers to purchase protective equipment and supplies for the Department of Public Safety.

Resolution 7R1-I adopted on February 05, 2025 authorized utilizing State Contract(s) T0106 Law Enforcement Firearms Equipment and Supplies for an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$300,000.00) during the period February 5, 2025 through May 13, 2025, inclusive of any extensions by the State.

Resolution 7R1-p, adopted on August 08, 2025, provided additional funding sources for purchases authorized by Resolution 7R1-I and increased the contract awarded by Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$500,000.00), for an increased total amount not to exceed Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$800,000.00)

This Resolution shall authorize the provision of additional funding sources for the existing contract to purchase protective equipment and supplies from State Contract(s) T0106 Law Enforcement Firearms Equipment and Supplies for the Department of Public Safety. All other terms shall remain the same.

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R2 Economic and Housing Development7R2-a [25-1130](#)**Dept/ Agency:** Economic and Housing Development**Action:** () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending**Type of Service:** Private Sale/Redevelopment**Purpose:** New construction of two (2) two-family homes, one home will be owner-occupied and the other home will be for rent at market rate.**Entity Name:** Clayton West LLC**Entity Address:** 211 Warren Street, Newark, New Jersey 07103**Sale Amount:** \$72,288.00**Cost Basis:** (X) \$15.00 PSF () Negotiated () N/A () Other:**Assessed Amount:** \$30,400.00**Appraised Amount:** N/A**Contract Period:** To commence within three (3) months and be completed within eighteen (18) months following transfer of property ownership from the City to the Redeveloper**Contract Basis:** () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS () Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ (X) Private Sale () Grant () Sub-recipient () n/a**List of Property:****(Address/Block/Lot/Ward)**

137-139 Schuyler Avenue/Block 3624/Lot 14/South Ward

Additional Information:

Sale Price: Total Square Footage X PSF = 4,819.20 X \$15.00 = \$72,288.00

Sale at prices set forth by Ordinance 6S&Fh, adopted on April 7, 2004, establishing the minimum sale price of City-owned properties.

Deferred 7R2-a 121725**A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Amend.****Amendment: To Change the Cost Basis to Reflect \$15.00 Per Square Foot.****The motion was adopted by the following votes:****Yes:** 8 - Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, Amina Bey, and C. Lawrence Crump**Absent:** 1 - Michael J. Silva**A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt as Amended. The motion was adopted by the following votes:****Yes:** 8 - Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, C. Lawrence Crump, and Amina Bey**Absent:** 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R3 Engineering7R3-a 25-1543**Dept/ Agency:** Engineering**Action:** () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending**Type of Service:** Resolution**Purpose:** To authorize the City of Newark to enter into Agreement Modification #2 to Agreement No. 2022-DT-BLA-209 with the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), which agreement is for the CR 508 Central Avenue Bridge Over NJ City Subway Structure Preliminary Design Project**Entity Name:** New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), Local Aid and Economic Development**Entity Address:** 1035 Parkway Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey 08625**Contract Amount:** \$1,422,445.34**Funding Source:** FHWA/ NJDOT**Contract Period:** Extension of termination date of the contract from October 1, 2025 to October 1, 2026**Contract Basis:** () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. (X) EUS
() Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ
() Private Sale (X) Grant () Sub-recipient () n/a**Additional Information:**

This Resolution modifies Agreement Modification No. 2 to Agreement #2022-DT-BLA-209 by extending the contract term from October 1, 2025 to October 1, 2026, at no additional cost.

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R5 Health and Community Wellness7R5-a [25-1518](#)**Dept/ Agency:** Health and Community Wellness**Action:** (X) Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending**Type of Service:** Acceptance of Grant Funds**Purpose:** To provide Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infant and Children (WIC).**Entity Name:** State of New Jersey Department of Health Division of Family Health Services**Entity Address:** P.O. Box 364, Trenton, New Jersey 08625**Grant Amount:** \$2,268,514.00**Total Project Cost:** \$ 0.00**City Contribution:** \$ 0.00**Other Funding Source/Amount:** \$ 0.00**Grant Period:** October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026**Contract Basis:** () Bid () State Vendor () Prof. Ser. () EUS
() Fair & Open () No Reportable Contributions () RFP () RFQ
() Private Sale (X) Grant () Sub-recipient () n/a**Additional Information:**

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R8 Municipal Council and City Clerk7R8-a [25-1672](#)**EXPRESSING PROFOUND SORROW AND REGRET****Sponsored by President C. Lawrence Crump**

1. Mandelene Elois Wilson-Harrison
2. Mother Frances Clayborn

Sponsored by Council Member Luis A. Quintana

3. Daniel H. Krivit
4. Ms. Lucila Beras de Familia

Sponsored by Council Member Louise Scott-Rountree

5. Daryl Lamont Gilbert
6. Juanita Patterson
7. Gail Denise Little-Hill

8. Vernel Elliott
9. Floyd Huntley
10. Amelia E. Robinson
11. Margarita Williams
12. The Waithe Family Members: Quacy, Madison and Ein
13. John W. Zidziunas
14. Willie Baker
15. Shahiem R. Edwards
16. Valerie Crump
17. Mapletine "Tina" Braswell
18. Zelpha Beatrice Elizabeth Edwards
19. Estelle Remota Adams-Wright

Sponsored by Michael J. Silva

20. Edward "Eddie" Keifrider

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Amend.

Amendments: To include Reverend Dr. Durr, Firefighter Albin Fermin and Marilyn Gaynor sponsored by President Crump.

The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt as Amended. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R8-b [25-1673](#)**RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING****Sponsored by Council Member Patrick O. Council**

1. Edward Howard III, Retirement

Sponsored by Council Member Dupré L. Kelly

2. Individuals honored during the PUSH's Jr. Violence Interrupters Program Ceremony

Sponsored by Council Member Luis A. Quintana

3. Alfonso Perez, 95th Birthday Celebration
4. Individuals honored at the Sports and Academic Exchange with Escuela Padre Anibal Belén (Father Anibal Belén School) in Hatillo, Puerto Rico and its commitment to academic and athletic excellence
5. Administrators Hilda E. Romero, School Director and Barry Herrera, Basketball Coach, Sports and Academic Exchange with Escuela Padre Anibal Belén (Father Anibal Belén School) in Hatillo, Puerto Rico

Sponsored by Council Member Louise Scott-Rountree

6. Individuals honored during the Empowher & Empowhim's Winter Wonderland Gala
7. Henry Bladi Pinto - Newark Business Owner, Tech Graphic & Printing, Newark, New Jersey, All Nations International Chaplains Christmas Gala
8. Pastor Edward Acosta, Retirement Celebration
9. Romona Timmons, South Ward Advocate
10. John Henry, Community Servant

Sponsored by Council Member Michael J. Silva

11. Marco Carvalho
12. Olga Fátima Couto

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R11 Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Senior Services7R11-a [25-1277](#)**Dept/ Agency:** Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Senior Services**Action:** Ratifying Authorizing Amending**Type of Service:** Memorandum of Understanding/Lease (MOU)**Purpose:** To provide daily use of office space located at 55 Ludlow Street, Newark, New Jersey 07114 to be utilized by The Krist Foundation, Inc., under The Temple of Hip-Hop to provide programming for residents and non-residents from the ages 16 and up in conjunction with the City's Department of Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Senior Services.**Entity Name:** The Krist Foundation, Inc.**Entity Address:** 133 High Street, Mount Holly, New Jersey 08060**Contract Amount:** Not Applicable**Funding Source:** Not Applicable**Contract Period:** August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026, with two (2) one (1) year options to renew**Contract Basis:** Bid State Vendor Prof. Ser. EUS
 Fair & Open No Reportable Contributions RFP RFQ
 Private Sale Grant Sub-recipient n/a**Additional Information:**

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R11-b [25-1579](#)**Dept/ Agency:** Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Senior Services**Action:** () Ratifying () Authorizing () Amending**Type of Service:** Accepting a Gift**Gift:** Donation of \$20,000.00 in support of the Newark Senior's Holiday Celebration**Purpose:** The purpose of the gift reflects Newark Housing Authority commitment to uplifting Newark senior's residents, including the many older adults who call Newark Housing Authority home.**Entity Name:** Newark Housing Authority**Entity Address:** 500 Mayor Kenneth A. Gibson Boulevard, Newark, New Jersey 07102**Gift Value:** \$20,000.00**City Contribution:** N/A**Other Funding Source/Amount:** N/A**Contract Period:** N/A**Additional Information:**

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

ADDED STARTERS**7R4 Finance****7R4-a(as) 26-0003****Dept/ Agency:** Finance**Action:** () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending**Purpose:** Resolution providing for emergency temporary appropriation**Name of Project(s):****Amount to be Financed:** \$30,000,000.00**Funding Source:** Bonds and/or Bond Anticipation Notes**Local Finance Board meeting date(s):** February 12, 2026**Project Information:****(Description/ Project No./ Amount Appropriated/Ordinance No.)**

RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 TO REPAY A LOAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000,000.00 RECEIVED FROM THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Additional Information:

Benjamin Guzman, Acting Director Department of Finance commented referencing items 7R4-a(as), 7R4-b(as) and 8-a(as).

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R4-b(as) [26-0005](#)**Dept/ Agency:** Finance**Action:** () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending**Purpose:** Application to Local Finance Board for approval of bond ordinance**Name of Project(s):** Emergency Temporary Appropriation - Refunding Bonds**Amount to be Financed:** \$30,100,000.00**Funding Source:** Bonds and/or Bond Anticipation Notes**Local Finance Board meeting date(s):** February 12, 2026**Project Information:****(Description/ Project No./ Amount Appropriated/Ordinance No.)**

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "CITY") AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE LOCAL FINANCE BOARD (A) PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:2-51 AND N.J.S.A. 40A:2-55 IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$30,100,000.00 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF REFUNDING BONDS AND/OR REFUNDING NOTES TO FUND AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION TO REPAY A LOAN IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000,000.00 RECEIVED FROM THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AND (B) FOR THE APPROVAL OF A REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE OF THE CITY PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE MUNICIPAL QUALIFIED BOND ACT, N.J.S.A. 40A:3-1 ET SEQ. (THE "ACT")

Additional Information:

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7R8 Municipal Council and City Clerk7R8-c(as) [26-0007](#)**Dept/ Agency:** Offices of Municipal Council/City Clerk**Action:** () Ratifying (X) Authorizing () Amending**Type of Service:** Declaring Intent**Purpose:** Declaring January "Muslim Heritage Month"**Additional Information:****Sponsor:** Council Member Amina Bey**A motion was made by Bey, seconded by Scott-Rountree to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:****Yes:** 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump**Absent:** 1 - Michael J. Silva**8. COMMUNICATIONS**8-a(as) [26-0004](#)**A REFUNDING BOND ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$30,100,000.00 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF REFUNDING BONDS AND/OR REFUNDING NOTES BY THE CITY OF NEWARK, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING AN EMERGENCY TEMPORARY APPROPRIATION TO REPAY A TRANSITIONAL AID LOAN FROM THE DIVISION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.****Deferred 6PSF-a 012126****A motion was made by Council of the Whole to Advance and Adopt on First Reading as 6F-c. The motion was adopted by the following votes:****Yes:** 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump**Absent:** 1 - Michael J. Silva**The Ordinance adopted today on First Reading will be advertised in accordance with law, and a public hearing will be held at a regular meeting on January 21, 2026, or as soon thereafter as practical, in the Council Chamber, Second Floor, City Hall, Newark, New Jersey.**

11. HEARING OF CITIZENS25-1708

1. ALIF MUHAMMAD
Appearing.
2. JOHN GOLDSTEIN
Appearing.
3. OPAL R. WRIGHT
Not appearing.
4. DEBRA SALTERS
Appearing.
5. DARNELLA LEE
Appearing.
6. LATOYA JACKSON-TUCKER
Appearing.
7. LISA MITCHELSON-PARKER
Not appearing.
8. FAHKERIA BRADLEY
Not appearing.
9. JEFFREY DYE
Not appearing.
10. BENITIA ROGERS
Appearing.
11. BARBARA GONZALEZ
Appearing.

MOTIONS

7Ma [26-0032](#) A motion requesting that the Department of Engineering, Division of Code Enforcement, the Municipal Court or the Administration provide an update/status on the progress of fines or penalties levied against the owner of the property located at 255½ Grafton Avenue, who continues to defy City zoning laws by operating a construction company with in the Historic Forest Hills District.

A motion was made by Ramos, Jr., seconded by Scott-Rountree to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7Mb [26-0033](#) A motion requesting that the Department of Engineering provide the Governing Body a report on the most recent options for parking and street calming methods for Lake Street between Abington Avenue and Second Avenue.

A motion was made by Ramos, Jr., seconded by Scott-Rountree to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7Mc [26-0034](#) A motion requesting that the Department of Engineering, Division of Code Enforcement, investigate and mediate the eyesore property located at 879 Broadway, in anticipation of the commencement of Newark's portion of the 9½ mile Greenway Park-Conrail Norfolk Southern Line Trail, connecting Montclair to Jersey City.

A motion was made by Ramos, Jr., seconded by Scott-Rountree to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7Md [26-0035](#) A motion requesting that the Office of the City Clerk request the Department of Economic and Housing Development amend changes to the percentages of affordable units to the Ordinance 6PSF, January 7, 2026.

A motion was made by Gonzalez, seconded by Kelly to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7Me [26-0036](#) A motion expressing profound sorrow and regret at the passing of Valerie Crump.

A motion was made by Scott-Rountree, seconded by Kelly to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7Mf [26-0037](#) A motion expressing profound sorrow and regret at the passing of Estelle Renata Adams-Wright, long-time Newark resident and sister of noted Newark songstress and entertainer, Valerie Adams.

A motion was made by Scott-Rountree, seconded by Kelly to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

7Mg [26-0038](#) A motion expressing profound sorrow and regret at the passing of Mapletine "Tina" Braswell, mother of Paul Braswell, retired Newark Police Detective, grandmother of Rasheen Peppers, retired Newark Police Captain; Mapeltine Burney, Newark Police Sergeant; Amira Britt Jones, Mayor's Office and Khaliff Brit, Water Department.

A motion was made by Council, seconded by Ramos, Jr. to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

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26-0039

A motion requesting that the Department of Engineering provide the Governing Body a status report on the construction work being done on the Route 78 overpass on Bergen Street between Hawthorne Avenue and Nye Avenue.

A motion was made by Council, seconded by Ramos, Jr. to Adopt. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

12. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by the Council of the Whole to Adjourn this meeting at 2:02 P.M. The motion was adopted by the following votes:

Yes: 8 - Amina Bey, Patrick O. Council, Carlos M. Gonzalez, Dupré L. Kelly, Luis A. Quintana, Anibal Ramos Jr., Louise Scott-Rountree, and C. Lawrence Crump

Absent: 1 - Michael J. Silva

**C. LAWRENCE CRUMP
PRESIDENT OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY**

**KECIA DANIELS
CITY CLERK OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY**