

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
DATE: FEBRUARY 12, 2025
TIME: 6:30 PM

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark was called to order at approximately 6:30 P.M., by Borough Clerk Dr. Cosmo A. Cirillo.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEETING NOTICE STATEMENT - As presiding officer of this Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, held on February 12, 2025 at 6:30 P.M., I do hereby publicly announce, and I direct that this announcement shall be placed in the minutes of this meeting, and that the Notice requirements provided for in the "Open Public Meetings Act" have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given to the Borough Council by Resolution. Said notice was transmitted by the Borough Clerk to the Jersey Journal and Star Ledger and publicly posted on the Borough Website, Municipal Bulletin Board and filed with the office of the Borough Clerk.

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilman De Oliveira
 Councilwoman Diaz
 Councilwoman Evaristo
 Councilman Reis
 Councilwoman Zincavage
 Mayor Grilo

Absent: Councilman Graham

Also in attendance: Dr. Cosmo A. Cirillo, Borough Clerk
 Mr. Fred Confessore, Borough Administrator
 Mr. Michael Cifelli, Esq., Borough Attorney
 Sgt. Robert Tomasko, Officer in Charge
 Mr. Hiram Gonzalez, CFO

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the minutes of the January 8, 2025, Reorganization Meeting be and are hereby approved.

- B. Resolution 23-25 – Approving the minutes of the January 30, 2025, Special Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark

Resolution # 23-25
2-12-2025

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 30, 2025, SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

WHEREAS, copies of the minutes of the following meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark have been provided to the members of Council and reviewed.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the minutes of the January 30, 2025, Special Meeting be and are hereby approved.

- C. Resolution 24-25 – Approving the payment of bills and issuance of checks for the period through February 12, 2025, in the amount of \$611,558.84

Resolution # 24-25
2-12-2025

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE
ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH FEBRUARY 12, 2025,
IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$611,558.84

WHEREAS, certain bills which are contained on the bills list which is annexed hereto and incorporated herein have been submitted to the Borough of East Newark for payment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-16, it has been certified to the governing body that the goods and services for which said bills were submitted have been received by or rendered to the Borough of East Newark; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of East Newark has certified to the governing body that there are funds legally appropriated and available in the budget for the payment of said bills and that the said payment will not result in the disbursement of public monies or in the encumbering of same in excess of the 2024 and/or 2025 appropriation for said purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that it hereby authorizes the Chief Financial Officer and the designated signatories to sign checks in payment of the bills set forth in the annexed schedule.

D. Resolution 25-25 – Authorizing the Cancellation of Small Resolution # 25-25

2-12-2025

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF SMALL BALANCES
BY THE TAX COLLECTOR

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-17.1, provides that a municipality may authorize the processing of tax refunds of less than ten (\$10.00) dollars and the cancellation of tax delinquencies of less than ten (\$10.00) dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East (“Borough”) seek to allow the Tax Collector to process without any further action on the part of the Governing Body, any property tax refund of less than ten (\$10.00) dollars.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the East Newark Tax Collector is hereby authorized to process, without any further action on the part of the Mayor and Council, any property tax refund of less than ten (\$10.00) dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized to process, without further action on the part of the Mayor and Council, the cancellation of any property tax delinquency of less than ten (\$10.00) dollars; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution shall be provided by the Borough Clerk to the Tax Collector and the Chief Financial Officer.

E. Resolution 26-25 – Authorizing Change Order Number 1 Approved by the Municipal Engineer of the Borough of East Newark to Shauger Property Service, Inc. for Lead Service Line Replacement, Phase II (ARP Funding)

Resolution # 26-25
2-12-2025

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1 APPROVED BY THE
MUNICIPAL ENGINEER OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK TO SHAUGER
PROPERTY SERVICES INC. FOR LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT, PHASE II
(ARP FUNDING)**

WHEREAS, by Resolution, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark (“Borough”) awarded a contract to Shauger Property Services, Inc, with offices at 429 Dodd Street, East Orange, New Jersey 07017, to perform lead service line replacement, phase II; and

WHEREAS, the contract amount to perform the lead service line replacement, phase II project was awarded at one hundred fifty-nine thousand eight hundred ninety-five dollars and fifty cents (\$159,895.50); and

WHEREAS, during the project, it had been discovered that there was a need for additional work that was unforeseen at the time of the awarding of the contract and which is less than 20% of the entire contract awarded; and

WHEREAS, Shauger Property Services, Inc. now submits Change Order Number 1 in the amount of thirty-one thousand, nine hundred fifty-nine dollars and ten cents (\$31,959.10); and

WHEREAS, the final award amount to Shauger Property Services, Inc. is one hundred ninety-one thousand, eight hundred fifty-four dollars and sixty cents (\$191,854.60); and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, and State of New Jersey, hereby authorize Change Order Number 1 in the amount of thirty-one thousand, nine hundred fifty-nine dollars and ten cents (\$31,959.10) to Shauger Property Services, Inc. for the total contract amount of one hundred ninety-one thousand, eight hundred fifty-four dollars and sixty cents (\$191,854.60); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this Change Order shall be published and maintained in the Office of the Town Clerk.

F. Resolution 27-25 – Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission CAIR Program

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING WITH THE NEW JERSEY MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION CAIR
PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Borough of East Newark recognizes the importance of efficient access to motor vehicle records and related services to enhance public safety and support municipal operations; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission (NJ MVC) offers the CAIR (Certified Abstract Information Retrieval) Program, which provides authorized municipalities with secure and efficient access to motor vehicle abstracts and related information; and

WHEREAS, participation in the CAIR Program will assist the Borough in streamlining administrative functions, enhancing public safety initiatives, and ensuring compliance with state regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of East Newark and the NJ MVC seek to formalize their partnership through a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) outlining the roles, responsibilities, and terms of access for the CAIR Program; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough, and recommendation of the Director of Public Safety, to execute the MOU to facilitate access to critical motor vehicle information in accordance with state guidelines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that:

1. The Mayor, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute the Memorandum of Understanding with the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission for participation in the CAIR Program.
2. The Director of Public Safety and other appropriate officials are authorized to take all necessary steps to implement the terms and conditions of the MOU and ensure compliance with applicable laws and guidelines.

G. Resolution 28-25 – Accepting the Resignation of Anthony Blasi, Tax Collector for the Borough of East Newark, and Authorizing Severance Pay

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF ANTHONY BLASI,
TAX COLLECTOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK,
AND AUTHORIZING SEVERANCE PAY

WHEREAS, Anthony Blasi was hired by the Borough of East Newark on or about January 14, 2005, as Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS, Anthony Blasi has submitted his resignation as the Borough of East Newark's Tax Collector; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the above resignation; the Borough of East Newark desires to provide Anthony Blasi with severance pay.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council for the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the resignation of Anthony Blasi as Tax Collector, and is hereby accepted effective February 1, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or her designee is hereby authorized to expend severance pay to Anthony Blasi in the amount of \$10,000.00 to be paid in a manner as decided by the Mayor or her designee, as soon as is practical.

H. Resolution 29-25 – Accepting the Resignation of Candy Velazquez as Municipal Court Judge for the Borough of East Newark

Resolution # 29-25
2-12-2025

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF CANDY VELAZQUEZ AS
MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

WHEREAS, Candy Velazquez was appointed by the Borough of East Newark as Municipal Court Judge on April 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Judge Velazquez has tendered her resignation from employment in the Borough of East Newark effective December 21, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council for the Borough of East Newark, in the County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, that the resignation of Judge Candy Velazquez from employment in the Borough of East Newark be, and is hereby accepted; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council on behalf of the Borough of East Newark extend best wishes to Judge Velazquez in her future endeavors.

- I. Resolution 30-25 – Confirming the Mayor’s Appointment of Elizabeth McNamara to the Position of Municipal Court Judge for the Borough of East Newark

Resolution # 30-25
2-12-2025

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR’S APPOINTMENT OF ELIZABETH
MCNAMARA TO THE POSITION OF MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE FOR THE BOROUGH
OF EAST NEWARK

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark have found it necessary to appoint a Municipal Court Judge to preside over the Borough's Municipal Court matters pursuant to Section 2-28.1 et seq., of the Borough Code of the Borough of East Newark; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2B:12-4 a municipality may employ an attorney-at-law as the Municipal Court Judge for the term of three years from the date of appointment; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth McNamara, Esq., does possess the education, skill and experience necessary to serve the Borough of East Newark as Municipal Court Judge; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Dina M. Grilo, Mayor of the Borough of East Newark has recommended the appointment of Elizabeth McNamara, as Municipal Court Judge for the remainder of current vacant term ending March 31, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that the Mayor's appointment of Elizabeth McNamara, Esq., be, and is hereby confirmed as the Municipal Court Judge for the Borough of East Newark, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 2B:12-4 and Section 2-28.1 et seq., of the Borough Code, effective February 12, 2025 for the remainder of the current vacant term ending March 31, 2026, at an annual salary to be determined by the Mayor, based on the Borough's current salary ordinance, subject to annual salary ordinance modifications.

ORDINANCES

- A. Ordinance 1-2025 – **INTRODUCTION** - Ordinance of the Borough of East Newark Amending Chapter 7 Titled “Traffic” Specifically by Amending § 7-10 – “[Reserved]” to Create a Section Titled “15-Minute Grab & Go Business Parking Only Locations”

A motion was made by Councilwoman Zincavage, second by Councilwoman Evaristo, that this Ordinance be introduced on first reading. The motion was adopted by the following votes.

Ayes: De Oliveira; Diaz; Evaristo; Reis; Zincavage
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Graham

ORDINANCE NUMBER 1-2025

FIRST READING/
INTRODUCTION: February 12, 2025

SECOND READING/
PUBLIC HEARING/
ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK AMENDING CHAPTER 7 TITLED “TRAFFIC” SPECIFICALLY BY AMENDING § 7-10 – “[RESERVED]” TO CREATE A SECTION TITLED “15-MINUTE GRAB & GO BUSINESS PARKING ONLY LOCATIONS”

§ 7-9. 15-Minute Grab & Go Business Parking Only Locations.

§ 7-9.1. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

15-MINUTE GRAB & GO BUSINESS PARKING ONLY

Shall mean those parking spaces established herein meant for and used by customers of commercial businesses within the Borough, wherein any motor vehicle as defined by Title 39 of the New Jersey Statutes, may use any such established parking space for no more than fifteen minutes for the purpose of interacting with any commercial business within the Borough free of charge.

§ 7-9.2 Designation of 15-Minute Grab & Go Business Parking Spaces; Manner of Parking.

(a) The following are designated three (15) fifteen-minute parking locations:

<u>Street</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Location</u>
Central Ave.	15 Min.	8 a.m. – 8 p.m.	212 Central Ave
Central Ave	15 Min.	8 a.m. – 8 p.m.	168 Central Ave
Central Ave. Street	15 Min.	8 a.m. – 8 p.m.	Corner of Central Ave & 400 John

- (a) No motor vehicle as defined by Title 39 of the New Jersey Statutes may park in a parking space as designated herein for more than fifteen (15) minutes. Each vehicle parked in a parking space as designated herein shall park within the lines or markings so established.
- (b) No motor vehicle as defined by Title 39 of the New Jersey Statutes may remain standing or idle while occupying any parking space designated herein at any time.
- (c) The Chief of Police (or his or her respective designee), or the Director of the Department of Public Works (or his or her respective designee), or other authorized Authority as designated by the Mayor is hereby authorized and instructed to have lines or markings painted or placed upon the curb or upon the street, or both, which controls that parking space for the purpose of designating the 15-minute Grab & Go parking space.
- (d) No person shall park any vehicle across any such line or marking or park the vehicle in such position that the same shall not be entirely within the area so designated by such lines or markings. Appropriate signage will be installed to indicate specific locations for the three (3) parking stalls next to or within a parking stall.
- (e) Subject to any other restriction within Chapter 7 of the Borough Code Titled “Traffic”, only motor vehicles as defined by Title 39 of the New Jersey Statutes may occupy a parking space designated in this sub-chapter for the permitted time period.
- (f) Residents of the Borough are not exempt from the provisions of this sub-chapter.

§ 7-9.2. Violations and Penalties.

Unless another penalty is expressly provided by New Jersey Statute, any person who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this sub-chapter, or who shall counsel, aid or abet any such person shall be subject to a fine of fifty-five dollars (\$55.00) U.S. Currency. The foregoing payable amount shall have in addition court costs to be imposed.

§ 7-9.3. Severability.

If any section or provision of this ordinance is declared invalid for any reason whatsoever, same shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other part or portion of this ordinance.

§ 7-9.4. Inconsistent Ordinances.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

§ 7-9.5. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect after its final passage by the Borough Council and approval by the Mayor at the time and manner provided for and required by law.

§ 7-9.6. Codification.

On passage this ordinance shall be codified.

B. Ordinance 2-2025 – **INTRODUCTION** - Ordinance of the Borough of East Newark Amending Chapter 7 Titled “Traffic” Specifically by Amending § 7-9 – “[Reserved]” to Create a Section Titled “Pay-By-App Parking”

A motion was made by Councilwoman Evaristo, second by Councilman Reis, that this Ordinance be introduced on first reading. The motion was adopted by the following votes.

Ayes:	De Oliveira; Diaz; Evaristo; Reis; Zincavage
Nays:	Diaz
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Graham

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2-2025

FIRST READING/
INTRODUCTION: February 12, 2025

SECOND READING/
PUBLIC HEARING/
ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK AMENDING CHAPTER 7 TITLED “TRAFFIC” SPECIFICALLY BY AMENDING § 7-9 – “[RESERVED]” TO CREATE A SECTION TITLED “PAY-BY-APP PARKING”

§ 7-9 Pay-by-App.

§ 7-9.1 Definitions

As used in this chapter:

PAY-BY-APP PARKING

Shall mean Mobile Payment Applications, hereinafter referred to as "Pay-by-App," used as the form of parking control along with any parking meters and kiosks (if being used as parking control devices) and Pay-by-App shall be deemed to include all forms of parking control to be operated as stated herein.

§ 7-9.2 Establishment and Operation

- a. The Borough shall establish the use of a Pay-By-App through whatever agreements are necessary and implement same consistent with the provisions herein and shall provide reasonable notice to Borough residents prior to its implementation and to non-residents after its implementation as may be required.
- b. The Borough shall designate and delineate parking zones within the borders of the Borough and may establish different rates for parking for each zone.
- c. For credit/debit card payments used to pay the fees for parking through the Pay-By-App, the Borough is hereby authorized to charge a convenience fee not to exceed \$.50 per credit/debit card transaction.
- d. The Borough is hereby authorized to charge fees to park in the Borough in an amount not to exceed \$2.00 per hour, plus any applicable convenience fees, available in increments established through the Pay-By-App.
- ~~d.~~e. In addition to the Pay-By-App provisions herein, in its discretion the Borough may, through the Mayor (or his or her respective designee), provide electric meter kiosks to assist individuals for whom the Pay-By-App is not available. Fees for using any meter kiosk shall be consistent with the fees and charges in this sub-chapter. Any person using a meter kiosk is subject to all provisions of this sub-chapter.

§ 7-9.3 Marking of Spaces; Manner of Parking

The Chief of Police (or his or her respective designee), or the Director of the Department of Public Works (or his or her respective designee), or other authorized Authority as designated by the Mayor is hereby authorized and instructed to have lines or markings painted or placed upon the curb or upon the street, or both, which controls that parking space for the purpose of designating the parking space for which the Pay-By-App is to be used and each vehicle parked adjacent or next to any parking meter shall park within the lines or markings so established.

No person shall park any vehicle across any such line or marking or park the vehicle in such position that the same shall not be entirely within the area so designated by such lines or markings. Only one registered vehicle (and no other vehicle, registered or not) is permitted to park in a designated parking space.

§ 7-9.4 Non-Resident Use of Pay-By-App.

No person who is not a resident of the Borough of East Newark shall park a vehicle other than as herein shown upon any street in the Borough of East Newark without having first deposited the appropriate United States Currency through the Pay-By-App as designated by the Borough.

§ 7-9.5 Legal Parking Time Limits / Payment for Parking.

The obligation to pay for parking through the Pay-By-App shall extend 24 hours per day, seven days per week, 365 days per year, unless otherwise established by the Borough or through the exercise of emergency powers by the Mayor or the Chief of Police, as may be required. The amount paid through the Pay-By-App shall pay for all times that the vehicle is parked in the Borough. Any lapse in payment for any amount of time that a non-resident vehicle is parked on any street in the Borough shall be considered a violation of this Ordinance.

§ 7-9.6 Violations and Penalties.

Unless another penalty is expressly provided by New Jersey Statute, any person who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this Chapter, or who shall counsel, aid or abet any such person shall be subject to a fine of fifty-five dollars (\$55.00) U.S. Currency. The foregoing payable amount shall have in addition court costs to be imposed.

§ 7-9.7 Residential Parking Permit Holders Exempt, Exception.

Pursuant to § 7-8.10, the terms of this Section shall not apply to Residential Parking Permit holders who park in the Borough. However, any resident of the Borough who parks in a private parking lot shall first deposit the appropriate United States Currency through the Pay-By-App as designated by the Borough. Any resident who does not first deposit the appropriate United States Currency through the Pay-By-App as designated by the Borough when parking in a private parking lot shall be in violation of this Ordinance and subject to the fines and penalties herein.

§ 7-9.8 Duty of Police or Parking Enforcement Officer in Case of Overtime Parking.

It shall be the duty of any Police Officer and/or Parking Enforcement Officer employed by the Borough to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 2.

Severability

If any section or provision of this ordinance is declared invalid for any reason whatsoever, same shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other part or portion of this ordinance.

Section 3.

Inconsistent Ordinances

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4.

This ordinance shall take effect after its final passage by the Borough Council and approval by the Mayor at the time and manner provided for and required by law.

Section 5.

On passage this ordinance shall be codified.

C. Ordinance 3-2025 – **INTRODUCTION** - Ordinance of the Borough of East Newark Amending Chapter 20 Titled “Streets and Sidewalks” Specifically by Amending § 20-5 – “Excavation and Openings Construction Specification” to Change the Time Between Road Openings

A motion was made by Councilwoman Zincavage, second by Councilwoman Evaristo, that this Ordinance be introduced on first reading. The motion was adopted by the following votes.

Ayes:	De Oliveira; Diaz; Evaristo; Reis; Zincavage
Nays:	Diaz
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Graham

ORDINANCE NUMBER 3-2025

FIRST READING/
INTRODUCTION:

February 12, 2025

SECOND READING/
PUBLIC HEARING/
ADOPTION:

ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK AMENDING CHAPTER 20 TITLED “STREETS AND SIDEWALKS” SPECIFICALLY BY AMENDING § 20-5 TITLED “EXCAVATION AND OPENINGS CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION” TO CHANGE THE TIME BETWEEN ROAD OPENINGS

§ 20-5.11. Required Notification.

- a. Once a year, the Construction Code Official shall notify public utility providers and municipalities of planned work on Borough roads. Any work to be done on these roads will have to be done before paving is started. Such notice shall state that no road opening permit shall be issued for openings, cuts or excavations in such Borough road for a period of 5 years after the date of paving. The notice shall also notify such permittee that applications for road opening permits, for work to be done prior to such paving shall be submitted promptly in order that the work covered by the permit may be completed before paving.
- b. During such five-year period, no permit shall be issued to open, cut or excavate in such Borough road unless, in the judgment of the Construction Code Official, an emergency exists which makes it absolutely essential that the road opening permit be issued.
- c. The Construction Code Official is authorized to demand a cash escrow or equivalent in an amount not exceeding \$10,000 to assure that any road opening on roadways paved within the past 5 years is restored satisfactorily. The restoration shall include milling and repaving of the area so as to blend uniformly with the adjacent roadway as per the conditions stated in the permit, including restoration of pavement markings, signage and all other appurtenances.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution 31-25 – Authorizing the Appointment of Hiram Gonzalez as Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of East Newark
A motion was made by Councilwoman Zincavage, second by Councilwoman Diaz, to adopt Resolution 31-25. The motion was adopted by the following votes.

Ayes: De Oliveira; Diaz; Evaristo; Reis; Zincavage
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Graham

BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF HIRAM GONZALEZ AS
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK

WHEREAS, New Jersey Statutes and Rules N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.10 et seq. requires that every municipality have a Chief Financial Officer, who shall be appointed by the municipality's governing body; and

WHEREAS, Hiram Gonzalez was appointed by Resolution #19-24 as the Borough's Temporary Chief Financial Officer on January 25, 2024; and

WHEREAS, on January 14, 2025 Hiram Gonzalez received his municipal finance officer certificate from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of East Newark has entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the Town of Guttenberg for various services including, but not limited to, Financial Administration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that Hiram Gonzalez is hereby appointed as Chief Financial Officer of the Brough of East Newark effective February 12, 2025 for a four (4) year term commencing January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2029 pursuant to state statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Hiram Gonzalez shall be compensated as specified in the shared services agreement with the Town of Guttenberg;

- B. Resolution 32-25 – Authorizing the Appointment of Vincent Buono as Tax Collector for the Borough of East Newark

A motion was made by Councilwoman Evaristo, second by Councilman Reis, to adopt Resolution 32-25. The motion was adopted by the following votes.

Ayes: De Oliveira; Diaz; Evaristo; Reis; Zincavage
Nays: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Graham

**BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK
COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF VINCENT BUONO AS
TAX COLLECTOR OF THE BOROUGH OF EAST NEWARK**

WHEREAS, New Jersey Statutes and Rules N.J.S.A. 40A:9-141 et seq. requires that every municipality have a Tax Collector, who shall be appointed by the municipality's governing body; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy currently exists in the position of Tax Collector for the Borough of East Newark as a result of the resignation of the former Tax Collector on February 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Vincent Buono, CTC, has an interest to become the Borough Tax Collector and has the requisite certifications; and

WHEREAS, the term for Tax Collector is designated pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-142, which states, "Every municipal tax collector shall hold office for a term of 4 years from the first day of January next following his appointment."; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of East Newark has entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the Town of Guttenberg for various services including, but not limited to, Tax Collector Services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of East Newark, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey that Vincent Buono is hereby appointed as Tax Collector of the Brough of East Newark effective February 12, 2025 for a four (4) year term commencing January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2029 pursuant to state statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Vincent Buono shall be compensated as specified in the shared services agreement with the Town of Guttenberg;

MONTHLY REPORTS

Borough Clerk Dr. Cosmo A. Cirillo indicated that the following reports were on file with the Office of the Borough Clerk and provided in the Council's Meeting packet.

- A. Construction Department – January 2025
- B. Fire Department – January 2025
- C. Health Department – January 2025
- D. Municipal Court – December 2024
- E. Police Department – January 2025
- F. Senior Department – January 2025

PUBLIC PORTION

No one wished to be heard.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilwoman Zincavage, second by Councilwoman Evaristo, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion was adopted by the following votes.

Ayes:	De Oliveira; Diaz; Evaristo; Reis; Zincavage
Nays:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Graham

The Regular Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Cosmo A. Cirillo, RMC
Borough Clerk

Dated: March 12, 2025
Accepted and approved by Council: Resolution #33-25