

MAIL LIST
March 28, 2025

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7.	03-26-2025	NJLM	<p>Weekly Roundup State Issues League Testifies at Assembly Budget Hearing Mayor Heck Testifies on Warehouse Planning LFN 2025-06 Issued on Updated Property Tax Bill Language LFN 2025-07 Issued for 2025 FDS Filing Information Local Finance Board Lunch & Learn Posted Federal Issues NLC Blog: Act now if your municipality is behind on ARPA Also of Interest NOFO: Pre – Apprenticeship in Career Education Program- Round 2 CARE Grant Program NJLM and NJ Community Solutions Present Municipal Management Program Celebrate your Municipality during Local Government week 2025</p>	Mayor and Council Borough Administrator
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Fwd: New LFN - Property Tax Bill Language Update

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To: Jennifer Martinez <jmartinez@closternj.us>

Fri, Mar 21, 2025 at 12:05 PM

Best Regards,

Jennifer D. Martinez

Deputy Borough Clerk

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From: <egg@dca.nj.gov>

Date: Fri, Mar 21, 2025 at 11:44 AM

Subject: New LFN - Property Tax Bill Language Update

To:


New Local Finance Notice 2025-06 (<https://www.nj.gov/dca/dlgs/lfns/2025/2025-06.pdf>) updates the standard tax bill language regarding State Aid offset of property taxes and the Division of Taxation webpage for property tax relief programs. The Division has simplified and economized the standard language for both topics and updated the website address for the State Aid offset calculator. Local Finance Notice 2025-06 also reminds municipalities of their discretion to display on the tax bill realized savings related to shared services agreements.

Please review the Notice in full for additional details.

Municipal Clerks, please forward this notice to newly hired Tax Collectors who have not registered for GovConnect.

Tax Collectors, please forward this notice to Tax Collection Software Vendors.

Notice sent to: Tax Collectors; Tax Collection Software Vendors; Municipal Clerks; Municipal CFOs.

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LFN 2025-06

March 20, 2025

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Updated Property Tax Bill Language: State Aid Offset Calculator and Property Tax Relief Programs

This Notice updates the standard tax bill language promulgated in Local Finance Notices 2016-6 and 2019-11 notifying taxpayers of the State Aid Offset Calculator and the availability of information for State property tax relief programs, along with a reminder of the option to list savings attributable to shared services.

Change to Tax Bill Language for State Aid Offset Calculator

N.J.S.A. 54:4-65(c) requires each property tax bill to inform taxpayers that a State Aid offset calculator based on a parcel's assessed value is available on the Department of Community Affairs' website. This Notice updates the standard language to be printed on the tax bill as follows, namely updating the website address and the month on which the State Aid calculator becomes available:

State Aid Used to Offset Local Property Taxes: The budgets of the government agencies funded by this tax bill include State aid used to reduce property taxes. State aid offset information for current year municipal tax bills will start becoming available at the end of August. To find the amount of State aid used to offset property taxes on this parcel (based on its assessed value), visit https://www.nj.gov/dca/dlgs/resources/Property_Tax_info.shtml.

The statement shall continue to be in 10-point type on the back or front of the bill with the font locally determined. Estimated tax bills are not required to include this statement.

Once the taxpayer selects their municipality from a dropdown menu and inputs the assessed value of their parcel (land and improvements), the amount of the offset will be automatically calculated and appear on the screen.

The Calculator currently posted on the Division's website incorporates data relating to 2024 tax bills. Data relating to tax bills for 2025 and future years will be initially uploaded at the end of August. For certain municipalities available data may be delayed due to factors such as later budget adoptions, and updates to the Calculator are made accordingly.

Change to Tax Bill Language for State Property Tax Relief Programs

P.L. 2019, c.186 amended N.J.S.A. 54:4-65(c) to require that property tax bills printed on or after September 17, 2019 include a statement indicating that State property tax relief program information is available on the New Jersey Division of Taxation's website. This Notice simplifies the standard language to be printed on the tax bill as follows:

Visit <https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/relief.shtml> for a listing of State property tax relief programs and eligibility requirements.

The statement shall continue to be in 10-point type on the back or front of the bill with the font locally determined. Estimated tax bills are not required to include this statement.

At the municipality's discretion, a statement that property tax deduction application forms can be obtained from the tax assessor or tax collector may supplement the prescribed statement.

Reminder: Municipal Discretion to Include Shared Service Information on Tax Bill

P.L. 2019, c.393 amended N.J.S.A. 54:4-65 to give municipalities the discretion to include a statement on the property tax bill listing the following shared services information:

- the number and type of shared services entered into by the municipality;
- dollar value of the savings to the municipality from each shared service; and
- the total amount of municipal savings resulting from those shared services.

The following is an example of how a shared services tax bill statement should appear:

Shared Services Realized Savings (Prior Budget Year)

of Shared Services w. Realized Savings/Total Annual Savings: 4/\$350,000

Types of Shared Services/Annual Realized Savings:

Zoning Officer (Provided)/\$10,000

Construction Code Enforcement (Provided)/\$50,000

Public Works (Provided)/\$100,000

Public Safety Dispatching (Received)/\$190,000

The Director of the Division of Local Government Services is responsible for establishing the format of the optional shared services statement on the tax bill. At the outset, we emphasize that any municipality's property tax bill has finite space, and much of that space contains mandatory information. The optional shared services statement cannot displace information that must appear on the tax bill. If a municipality elects to include a shared services statement on the tax bill, the statement must be in 10-point type on the back or front of the bill with the font locally determined. The municipality shall state the total number of shared services agreements it is a party to, including both the shared services it provides and receives, for which savings were

realized in the prior budget year and list the cumulative savings realized. If there is room on the tax bill, the municipality may also individually list each shared service along with the amount saved in the prior budget year. Descriptions of the types of shared services should use as few words as possible while still providing the taxpayer with a reasonably informative description. Space permitting, the municipality may list the government entities that provide or is providing each shared service.

Approved: Michael F. Rogers, Director

Document	Internet Address
State Aid Offset Calculator	https://www.nj.gov/dca/dlgs/resources/Property_Tax_info.shtml
State Property Tax Relief Program webpage	https://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/relief.shtml



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Zoning Board of Adjustment
295 Closter Dock Road
Closter, New Jersey 07624

Phone: (201) 784-0600 ext. 548 ◊ Fax: (201) 784-4711 ◊ Email: pdemarest@closternj.us

March 20, 2025

Matthew Capizzi, Esq.
205 Fairview Avenue
Westwood, NJ 07675

**Re: Case #Z-2025-02
Kloog & Kloog-Nevo
96 Pine Street
(Block 606/Lot 32)**

Dear Mr. Capizzi:

The Zoning Board of Adjustment has **APPROVED**, in whole or part, the above-referenced application, a decision voted on merit at its February 19, 2025 Meeting. Enclosed please find a certified copy of the corresponding Resolution memorialized at the Board's March 19, 2025 Meeting, which details its findings after consideration of the case in its entirety. It is essential to review the Resolution for any stipulations and/or deadlines prescribed by the Board.

With respect to legal, engineering, planning and/or traffic consulting escrow accounts established in connection with said application, Board professionals are required to submit final invoices to the Borough for services rendered no later than 30 days following the date of memorialization. Please confirm with my office at such time as to whether said account(s) have a surplus of funds to be returned or a deficiency requiring additional monies.

Lastly, contact both the Zoning Officer and Building Department to determine their requirements, if any, prior to implementing any aspect of the application.

Regards,

Paul Demarest
Board Coordinator

Encl/

Cc: Zoning Officer
Borough Clerk

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
BOROUGH OF CLOSTER**

IN THE MATTER OF	:	APPEAL NO. Z-2025-02
ETAI KLOOG AND	:	
MICHAL KLOOG-NEVO	:	
VARIANCES FOR BUILDING	:	
COVERAGES RELATING TO	:	
BLOCK 606, LOT 32	:	
96 PINE STREET	:	

A. WHEREAS, Etai Kloog and Michal Kloog-Nevo (the “Applicant”) applied to the Borough of Closter Zoning Board of Adjustment (the “Board”) for bulk variance approval to authorize the construction of an addition to the existing dwelling on property formally known and designated as Block 606, Lot 32 on the Tax Assessment Maps of the Borough of Closter (the “Property”), which is commonly known as 96 Pine Street, Closter, New Jersey in excess of the permitted lot coverage permitted in the Borough of Closter Zoning Ordinance in the District No. 2, Residence Area B; and

B. WHEREAS, the Board conducted a public hearing on February 19, 2025 concerning the Applicant’s request for a lot coverage variance upon proper public notice, certified by the Applicant’s proof of service to property owners within a 200-foot radius of the subject property; and

C. WHEREAS, the Applicant was represented by Matthew Capizzi, Esq., 205 Fairview Avenue, Westwood, New Jersey; and

D. WHEREAS, the Applicant presented the sworn testimony of Martin Santini, Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey, who was qualified as an expert in the field of architecture, and Thomas Skrable, P.E., who was qualified as an expert in the field of civil engineering;

E. WHEREAS, the Applicant submitted a Soil Erosion and Sediment Control prepared by Thomas Skrable, dated November 25, 2024 comprising one (1) sheet (the “Site Plan”) with the application that depicted the proposed improvements to the Property, and an Architectural Floor Plan prepared by Martin Santini, FAIA, dated October 14, 2024 and last revised January 29, 2025 comprising three (3) sheets that depicted the additions to the dwelling (the “Architectural Plan”); and

F. WHEREAS, no following members of the public appeared for the purposes of asking questions or giving testimony concerning the application; and

G. WHEREAS, no exhibits were marked into evidence at the hearing.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board considered the testimony and evidence presented and makes the following findings of fact:

1. The Applicant is the owner of the Property.
2. The Property, which is commonly known as 96 Pine Street, is formally designated as Block 606, Lot 32 on the Tax Assessment Maps of the Borough of Closter and is located in District No. 2, Residence Area B.
3. The Board has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this application pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70(c)* because the Applicant seeks a lot coverage variance to expand the dwelling on the Property in violation of the Borough of Closter Zoning Ordinance as shown on the Site Plan, and although the Zoning Officer.
4. The Property is located District No. 2, Residence Area B. The Property is significantly smaller than the minimum required in District No. 2, Residence Area B, with a lot area of 7,500 square feet, where a minimum of 12,500 square feet is required. In addition to deficient area, the Property is narrower than required in the zone at 75 feet, where 100 feet is

required, and has a side yard setback of 14.8 feet where 15 feet is required. Its most significant non-conformity is an impervious coverage of 38.04% where 30% is allowed.

5. The Applicant proposes a two-story addition to the dwelling (total area of 426 square feet) and a 136 square foot deck, both of which will be over an at-grade patio, will increase the lot coverage on the Property to 22.41% where a maximum of 20% is allowed. The Applicant also proposes a reduction in existing impervious area from 38.04% to 34.6%, through the removal of 704 square feet of patio and walkway areas currently existing on the Property, which after the expansion of the dwelling and deck addition, will result in a net reduction of impervious area of 258 square feet.

6. The Applicant's engineer demonstrated visually the distance of the proposed addition to the nearby homes surrounding the Property. The addition, which conforms to the required side yard setback to the northern Property line, will not cause any impacts to light, air and open space, and will not create the appearance of overdevelopment on the Property, most notably because it is not visible from the street, well separated from the homes to the rear of the Property, and is no closer to the home to the north of the Property than the portions of the dwelling that currently exist. Furthermore, neither the deviation from the lot coverage nor the technical violation of the impervious coverage resulting from the decreased impervious surface would be required if the Property were approximately 1,100 square feet larger – an amount still well below the minimum required by District No. 2, Residence Area B.

7. In addition, the Applicant proposes to install a cultec system to collect the roof runoff from the addition, which is to be located in the rear yard of the Property. That system will detain stormwater and prevent runoff on to adjacent properties, as will the net reduction in impervious area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that based upon the above findings of fact, the Board makes the following conclusions:

1. The Board has determined that the Applicant will suffer a hardship in the absence of relief. The hardship relates to the area and width of the Property. There are several existing non-conformities, notably the deficient impervious coverage. The Applicant proposes to halve the deficiency, which again, is the result of the lot having 5,000 square feet less than the minimum required. The same is true with respect to the building coverage deviation; the slight increase above the maximum required is justified in light of the lack of width and depth of the Property, which produces the deficient area of the Property, and limits the building footprint. The building coverage is not excessive, as reflected by the floor area ratio of the dwelling, which is proposed to be 0.4 where a maximum is 0.45, highlighting that although the dwelling covers more of the lot than permissible, it is not the size of the dwelling that is the cause of the variance, but rather, the Property itself that drives the need for relief.

2. The grant of relief for a lot coverage variance, and to the extent required, an impervious coverage variance, will not cause substantial detriments to the public good. The Board reaches this conclusion because the proposed addition will not impinge on light, air and open space for adjacent properties and will not give the appearance of overcrowding on the Property. This is evident in the floor area ratio of the proposed dwelling after construction, and because the dwelling is only 20.3 feet tall, which is significantly less than the height permitted by the Zoning Ordinance. Thus, although the footprint is 180 square feet larger than allowable, the building's volume is substantially less than permitted, since a total of 1,500 square feet could be developed as of right under the 20% lot coverage with a 28 foot height. Here, 1,680 square feet at 20.3 feet occupies less volume than a fully-conforming dwelling might otherwise consume.

The reduction in impervious surface is a benefit, so there is no impact to adjacent properties from that reduction, particularly because the Applicant proposes to install stormwater detention.

3. The Board concludes that the grant of the requested variances will not substantially impair the intent and purposes of the zone plan or zoning ordinance. The purpose of the lot coverage limitation is to limit stormwater runoff. Here, for the reasons set forth above, the Applicant has taken steps to ensure that there will not be a substantial impairment of the intent and purposes of the zone plan and zoning ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Adjustment of the Borough of Closter, that the within application of Etai Kloog and Michal Kloog-Nevo to allow the expansion of the existing dwelling as shown on the Site Plan prepared by Thomas Skrable and the Architectural Plan prepared by Martin Santini submitted with the application be and the same is hereby approved with the following conditions:

- A. The Applicant shall comply with all revisions, and address all items set forth in the February 18, 2025 review letter of Boswell Engineering.
- B. The Applicant install two (2) shade trees on the Property's frontage on Pine Street. The shade trees shall have a minimum caliper of 2.5"-3" at the time of planting.
- C. All drawings shall bear the same revision date.
- D. This application is subject to the Applicant obtaining all other necessary State, County or Borough approvals, as well as any building permits, as are necessary to construct the improvements shown on the plans.
- E. All fees, costs, bonds and escrows shall be paid when due or becoming due. Any such monies are to be paid/deposited within twenty (20) days of a request by the Board's Secretary.
- F. All building and site improvements authorized by this resolution shall be completed within one (1) year of the date of adoption of this resolution.

- G. All representations made by the Applicant or its agents shall be deemed conditions of this approval and any misrepresentations by the Applicant or its agents contrary to the representations made before the Board shall be deemed a violation of this approval.
- H. The action of the Board of Adjustment in approving this application shall not relieve the Applicant of responsibility for any damages caused by this project, nor does the Board of Adjustment of the Borough of Closter (or any of its professional consultants and/or agencies) accept responsibility for the design of the proposed development, any associated improvements therewith, or for any damages that may be caused by this development.
- I. The Applicant shall comply with all applicable federal, state, regional, county and local rules, regulations, and requirements, and shall obtain any and all permits necessary from federal, state, regional, county and local agencies with jurisdiction to construct the improvements shown on the Plan.
- J. In the event that the Site Plan or Architectural Plan approved in this resolution are to be modified for any reason, other than to comply with Conditions A-C of this Resolution, the Applicant shall notify the Zoning Board of Adjustment so that it may determine if an amended approval is required. In the event that the Applicant seeks a permit for engineering or architectural plans that differ in any way from those approved herein, the Borough of Closter Construction Official and/or Zoning Officer shall determine if the Applicant has provided notice to the Zoning Board of Adjustment, and if it is determined that notice to the Zoning Board of Adjustment has not been provided, the Borough of Closter Construction Official and/or Zoning Officer shall notify the Zoning Board of Adjustment so that it may determine if an amended approval is required. In the event that the Applicant is required to (or chooses to) conduct demolition of the existing structure in excess of the amount represented to the Board at the hearing, the variances granted herein shall be null and void and the Applicant shall be required to seek additional relief from the Board.
- K. This approval is conditioned upon the truthfulness of the testimony and evidence of the Applicant and its witnesses. In the event that any testimony and/or evidence presented to the Board of Adjustment is found to be willfully false, this approval may be voidable and may be nullified by the Board of Adjustment.
- L. The Applicant shall submit an as-built survey prepared by a licensed surveyor to the Board and to the Borough of Closter Zoning Officer

prior to the issuance of a final certificate of occupancy to confirm that the improvements constructed on the Property conform to what the Board has approved. The as-built survey shall be maintained by the Borough of Closter Building Department in its files with this Resolution.

- M. Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the Applicant shall post sufficient escrow to enable the Board Engineer to inspect the improvements to be constructed on the Property in accordance with this resolution. This includes a requirement that the Board Engineer inspect any test pits and the stormwater drywell pit prior to the connection of any drainage infrastructure. The Applicant shall abide by any determinations of the Board Engineer concerning the drainage proposed on the Property.
- N. No certificate of occupancy, whether permanent or temporary, shall be issued prior to inspection of the Property by the Board Engineer after his receipt of the as-built survey required in Condition L to confirm that the improvements constructed are consistent with the Site Plan approved by the Board. The Applicant shall replenish the required inspection escrows as necessary prior to the issuance of any certificate of occupancy.

MOTION BY: Mr. Messinger


SECONDED BY: Mr. Sabo

IN FAVOR: Mr. Messinger, Mr. Elias, Ms. Dhorajia, Mr. Sabo., Dr. Brunell, Ms. Davida and Mr. Bianco

OPPOSED: None

DATE APPLICATION APPROVED: February 19, 2025

DATED RESOLUTION APPROVED: March 19, 2025



JOSEPH BIANCO, CHAIRPERSON
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE
BOROUGH OF CLOSTER



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Jennifer Martinez <jmartinez@closternj.us>

COMMISSIONERS: OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND REMINDER, RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

1 message

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Fri, Mar 21, 2025 at 3:16 PM

Bergen County Open Space, Recreation, Floodplain Protection, Farmland & Historic Preservation Trust Fund

2025 Funding Round

March 28th - 2025 Letter of Intent to Apply Deadline (Friday)

April 25th – 2025 Trust Fund Application Deadline (Friday)

LEGISLATION

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RESOLUTIONS

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397-25 American Red Cross Month, Commissioner Zur/Body as a whole

398-25 Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month, Commissioner Marte/Body as a whole

399-25 Social Workers Month, Commissioner Ortiz/Body as a whole

400-25 Supporting Senate Bill 2511 and Assembly Bill 4051, repealing the "Pet Purchase Protection Act", Commissioner Voss/Body as a whole

402-25 Support of SEIU Local 32BJ's Collective Bargaining Agreement, Commissioner Sullivan/Body as a whole

If you require a non pdf document for your own purposes, please let me know.

(6) ORDINANCES INTRODUCED AT FIRST READING

ORDINANCE 25-10 is a Bond Ordinance Providing For Various Capital Improvements Of The Bergen County Community College In And By The County Of Bergen, Appropriating The Aggregate Amount Of \$3,787,386 Therefor And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$3,787,386 Bonds Or Notes Of The County Entitled To The Benefits Of Chapter 12 Of The County College Bond Act To Finance The Cost Thereof.

ORDINANCE 25-11 is a Capital Ordinance of the County of Bergen, New Jersey Authorizing the 2024 Countywide Resurfacing and ADA Curb Ramp Program In, By And For the County, Appropriating therefor the Sum Of \$13,722,242 and that such sum so Appropriated shall be Funded by a Grant from The State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation.

ORDINANCE 25-12 is a Capital Ordinance of the County of Bergen, New Jersey Authorizing the 2025 Countywide Resurfacing and ADA Curb Ramp Program In, By and For the County, Appropriating therefor the Sum of \$12,764,148 and that such sum so Appropriated shall be Funded by a Grant from The State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation.

ORDINANCE 25-13 is an Ordinance to Vacate and Abandon a Portion of Forest Avenue and Route 4 Ramp in Paramus, New Jersey.

ORDINANCE 25-14 is A GUARANTY ORDINANCE SECURING THE BERGEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY'S COUNTY GUARANTEED POOLED NOTE PROGRAM, SERIES 2025, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000,000

7:00 pm on April 2, 2025, at the Bergen County Public Meeting Room, Fifth Floor, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, NJ is fixed as the time and place when and where any and all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the above ordinances

ORDINANCE 25-15 is A GUARANTY ORDINANCE SECURING THE BERGEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY'S COUNTY GUARANTEED REVENUE BONDS OR NOTES, SERIES 2025 (GREATER BERGEN COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM, INC. PROJECT), IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,500,000

7:00 pm on April 16, 2025, at the Bergen County Public Meeting Room, Fifth Floor, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, NJ is fixed as the time and place when and where any and all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the above ordinance

(3) ORDINANCES ADOPTED AFTER SECOND READING and PUBLIC HEARING

25-07

"An Ordinance Prohibiting Left Turn Movements on Polifly Road to Kaplan Avenue in the City of Hackensack".

25-08

"An Ordinance to Amend, Replace and Consolidate all Ordinances, Sections of Ordinances, and Resolutions concerning the establishment of Rules and Regulations for the Bergen County Department of Parks".

25-09

"An Ordinance to establish regulations on County Roadways and County owned and managed properties".



Lara Pollitt (she/her/hers)

Clerk to the Board

Bergen County

Board of Commissioners

Phone: 201-336-6536

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Hackensack, NJ 07601

Please note that effective
October 3rd my e-mail address
has changed from:
lrodriguez@co.bergen.nj.us and
lpollitt@co.bergen.nj.us to
lpollitt@bergencountynj.gov

Our website is now:
www.bergencountynj.gov

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COUNTY OF BERGEN

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HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Ordinance: 25-14f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

Ordinance 25-14

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Administration & Finance

Reading: First

Purpose: GUARANTY ORDINANCE SECURING THE BERGEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY'S COUNTY GUARANTEED POOLED NOTE PROGRAM, SERIES 2025, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000,000

Prepared By: JR/JS

Sponsored by Vice Chairman Tanelli, seconded by County Commissioner Marte, and introduced on first reading by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 25-14f, introduced on first reading by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Attest:

Lara Pollitt



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Ordinance: 25-14f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE**

**GUARANTY ORDINANCE SECURING THE BERGEN
COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY'S COUNTY
GUARANTEED POOLED NOTE PROGRAM, SERIES 2025,
IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO
EXCEED \$250,000,000**

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Improvement Authority (the "Authority") is a body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey (the "State") organized and existing under the County Improvement Authorities Law as amended and supplemented (N.J.S.A. 40:37A-44 et seq., the "Act"), and was created by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Bergen, a body corporate and politic of the State (the "County") pursuant to a resolution duly adopted on June 4, 1986;

WHEREAS, Section 80 of the Act authorizes the County to unconditionally guaranty the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on any obligations of the Authority;

WHEREAS, in order to assist the Authority to issue obligations for the purpose of making loans to the County, and certain municipalities and/or local governmental units located within the County (collectively known herein as the "Borrowers"), which Borrowers are expected to be finalized in the near future, and with the proceeds of such loans to be used to currently refund or defease all, or a portion, of certain issues of outstanding notes of the Authority/Borrowers and/or finance certain capital improvements / equipment of the Borrowers (collectively, the "Project"), the County has determined to provide for the guaranty of the notes or other obligations of the Authority pursuant to the Authority's County Guaranteed Pooled Note Program, Series 2025 (or such other appropriate title/designated as determined by the Authority and County) (the "Obligations"), which Obligations are to be issued under one or more bond resolutions of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-56, the Authority is required to obtain the consent of the County for the making of leases or other agreements where the term of any such lease or agreement is in excess of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has requested the consent of the County to undertake the Project and the making of agreements where the term of any such agreement is in excess of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County, through this ordinance, desires to consent to the undertaking of the Project by the Authority and/or the making of agreements where the term of any such agreement is in excess of five (5) years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF BERGEN (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. This guaranty ordinance shall be adopted by the governing body of the County in the manner provided for adoption of a bond ordinance as provided in the Local Bond Law, as amended and supplemented (N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq., the "Local Bond Law").

Section 2. Pursuant to Section 80 of the Act, the County is hereby authorized to and hereby shall fully, irrevocably and unconditionally guaranty the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Obligations in an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$250,000,000, as well as the refunding or refinancing of any such Obligations, which Obligations are to be issued to finance the Project, on such terms and conditions as may be agreed to by and between the County and the Authority and as are reflected in this guaranty ordinance and in the guaranty certificate on the face of each Obligation. Upon the endorsement of the Obligations referred to in Section 3 of this guaranty ordinance, the County shall be fully, irrevocably and unconditionally obligated to pay the principal of and interest on the Obligations in the same manner and to the same extent as in the case of obligations issued by the County, and, accordingly, the County shall be fully, irrevocably and unconditionally obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the County for the payment thereof, without limitation as to rate or amount, when required under the provisions of applicable law. This full, irrevocable and unconditional guaranty of the County effected hereby to pay the principal of and interest on the Obligations when due, in accordance with the terms hereof, shall not be abrogated for any reason. Any Obligations which are no longer considered outstanding under the resolution(s) of the Authority authorizing such Obligations shall not be counted for the purpose of the \$250,000,000 limitation contained in this guaranty ordinance.

Section 3. The Bergen County Executive (the "County Executive") shall, by manual or facsimile signature, execute an endorsement on each of the Obligations evidencing this guaranty by the County as to the punctual payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The endorsement on each Obligation shall be in substantially the following form, and absent the fully executed endorsement in such form on any such Obligation, such Obligation shall not be entitled to the benefits of this guaranty ordinance:

GUARANTY OF THE COUNTY OF BERGEN

The payment of the principal of and interest on the within [bond/note] shall be fully, irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed by the County of Bergen, a body politic of the State of New Jersey (the "County"), in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:37A-80 and the guaranty ordinance of the County finally adopted pursuant thereto, and the County is fully, irrevocably and unconditionally liable for the

payment, when due, of the principal of and interest on this [bond/note], and if necessary the County shall levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the County, without limitation as to rate or amount, in order to make such payment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County has caused this guaranty to be executed by the manual or facsimile signature of its County Executive.

COUNTY OF BERGEN

By:
County Executive

The County Executive, County Administrator and/or County Chief Financial Officer (each, an "Authorized County Official") are hereby further authorized to execute such other certificates or agreements relating to this guaranty that may be required by the Authority to comply with the terms of the financing documents relating to the Obligations, including, without limitation, (i) any agreements or certificates detailing the time and method that payment under this guaranty shall be made by the County, (ii) any letters of representations or similar undertakings to be executed in connection with the sale of the Obligations, setting forth certain representations, warranties and covenants of the County as an inducement to the purchase of the Obligations, and (iii) any certificates deeming "final" (for the purposes of Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) any Preliminary or final Official Statements of the Authority in connection with the Obligations, and any note purchase agreement executed in connection with its sale of the Obligations. Such further agreements or certificates shall not abrogate the County's responsibilities hereunder.

Each Authorized County Official is hereby further authorized to execute one or more continuing disclosure agreement(s) or other instrument(s) undertaking the secondary disclosure obligations of the County required by Rule 15c2-12 of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the issuance of any Obligations by the Authority.

Section 4. It is hereby found, determined and declared by the governing body of the County that:

(a) This guaranty ordinance may be adopted notwithstanding any statutory debt or other limitations, including particularly any limitation or requirement prescribed by the Local Bond Law. The aggregate principal amount of the Obligations that shall be entitled to the benefits of this guaranty ordinance, being an amount of not to exceed \$250,000,000, shall after their issuance be included in the gross debt of the County for the purpose of determining the indebtedness of the County pursuant to the Local Bond Law.

(b) The principal amount of Obligations entitled to the benefits of this guaranty ordinance

and included in the gross debt of the County shall be deducted, and is hereby declared to be and to constitute a deduction, from such gross debt pursuant to the Local Bond Law (i) from and after the time of issuance of the Obligations until the end of the fiscal year beginning next after the completion of the Project; and (ii) in any annual debt statement filed pursuant to the Local Bond Law as of the end of said fiscal year or any subsequent fiscal year, if the revenues or other receipts or moneys of the Authority in such fiscal year are sufficient to pay the Authority's expenses of operation and maintenance in such fiscal year and all amounts payable in such fiscal year on account of the principal of and interest on all such guaranteed obligations, all obligations of the County issued as provided in Section 79 of the Act, and all obligations of the Authority issued under the Act.

Section 5. The following matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The maximum principal amount of Obligations that are hereby and hereunder fully, irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed as to the punctual payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon at any time is \$250,000,000.

(b) The purpose described in this guaranty ordinance is not a current expense of the County, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, and submitted to the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the County as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by this guaranty ordinance by \$250,000,000, but that the net debt of the County is not increased. The obligation of the County authorized by or incurred pursuant to the terms of this guaranty ordinance is permitted by an exception contained in the Act to the debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) All other items to be contained in a bond ordinance adopted pursuant to the Local Bond Law are hereby determined to be inapplicable to the County's guaranty of the Obligations hereby.

Section 6. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-56, the County hereby consents to the undertaking of the Project by the Authority and the entering into any loan and/or lease agreements.

Section 7. This guaranty ordinance shall take effect shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Act and the Local Bond Law.



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Ordinance: 25-07

Agenda: 3/19/2025

Ordinance 25-07

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Planning & Engineering/ Division of Engineering

Reading: Second

Purpose: No Left Turn During Peak Hours - Polifly Road to Kaplan Avenue - City of Hackensack

Prepared By: JAF:sa

Sponsored by County Commissioner Marte, seconded by Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, and adopted by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 25-07, adopted by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Attest:

Lara Pollitt



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Ordinance: 25-07

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE**

“An Ordinance Prohibiting Left Turn Movements on Polifly Road to Kaplan Avenue in the City of Hackensack”.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Bergen as follows:

SECTION I. As requested by the City of Hackensack and upon concurrence by the County Engineer, the following changes be implemented on Polifly Road, a County road therein:

1. There shall be a No Left Turn established from Polifly Road to Kaplan Avenue during the following peak hours.
 - a. 6:00 AM - 9:00 AM
 - b. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

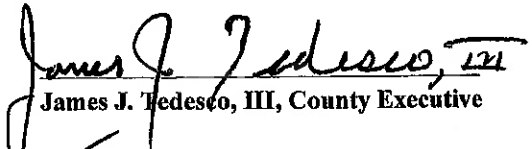
SECTION II. That appropriate signage will be placed and maintained in conformity with the current “Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways”.

SECTION III. On or about 7:00 PM on March 19, 2025, at the Bergen County Board of County Commissioners Public Meeting Room, Fifth Floor, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, NJ, 07601, is fixed as the time and place when and where any and all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the ordinance.

SECTION IV. That all prior ordinances or resolutions or portions thereof of the Bergen County Board of Commissioners inconsistent herewith be and they are hereby repealed.

SECTION V. That this ordinance shall become effective upon adoption and publication as required by law.

SECTION VI. That if any clause, section, or provision of this ordinance is declared invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such position shall be deemed a separate distinct and independent provision and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof.


James J. Tedesco, III, County Executive

3/20/25
Date

Approved

Rejected



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

Certified Copy

Ordinance: 25-08

Agenda: 3/19/2025

Ordinance 25-08

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Administration & Finance

Reading: Second

**Purpose: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REPLACE AND CONSOLIDATE ALL
ORDINANCES, SECTIONS OF ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE BERGEN COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS**

Prepared By: FT

**Sponsored by Vice Chairman Tanelli, seconded by County Commissioner Sullivan, and adopted by the
following vote:**

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County
Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and
County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No.
25-08, adopted by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Lara Pollitt

Attest: _____



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

Certified Copy

Ordinance: 25-08

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REPLACE AND CONSOLIDATE ALL ORDINANCES, SECTIONS OF ORDINANCES, AND RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION, SAFETY CONDUCT, CONTROL AND USE OF THE RESERVATIONS, PARKWAYS, PLAYGROUNDS, GOLF COURSE AND OTHER PARK PROPERTY UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE BERGEN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF BERGEN PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:37-152. OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE QUALITY RECREATION AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO RESIDENTS OF THE COMMUNITY THROUGH CREATIVE PROGRAMS AND SAFE, CLEAN FACILITIES IN THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY. THROUGH THIS MISSION, IT IS OUR PURPOSE TO PROVIDE LIFELONG LEISURE EXPERIENCES THAT WILL ASSIST IN CONTRIBUTING TO A POSITIVE WAY OF LIFE.

WHEREAS. The Bergen County Board of County Commissioners established Rules and Regulations for the Bergen County Park System in Ordinance 88-5, adopted on August 16, 1989; and

WHEREAS, since the adoption of said Rules and Regulations, it has from time to time become necessary and desirable to make certain changes, additions and/or updates to said Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended by the Acting Director of the Department of Parks, Craig Dorsett to the County Executive, James J. Tedesco, III, that the Rules and Regulations be amended, replaced and consolidated as set forth in the attached Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Department of Parks is responsible for the continued success of all parks within the County and must perform its functions, while properties continue to be added to our parks system; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is enacted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:24-1 et seq.; N.J.S.A. 40:41A-1 et seq.; and N.J.S.A. 40:37-1 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, as follows:

Section I: Bergen County Department of Parks Rules and Regulations shall be amended, replaced and consolidated as set forth in the attached Ordinance and shall be implemented forthwith.

Section II: 7:00 pm on March 19, 2025, at the Bergen County Public Meeting Room, Fifth Floor, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, NJ is fixed as the time and place when and where any and all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the ordinance.

Section III: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101, this ordinance shall be published at least once in the manner provided in N.J.S.A. 40:41A-142, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and the time and place when and where it will be further considered for final passage. The publication shall be at least 1 week prior to the time fixed for further consideration for final passage.

Section IV: A copy of the proposed ordinance shall also be sent to the clerk of each municipality in the county not less than 1 week prior to the date of hearing.

Section V: Prior to the said second reading, a copy of the ordinance shall be posted on the bulletin board or other place upon which public notices are customarily posted in One Bergen County Plaza, and copies of the ordinance shall be made available to members of the general public who shall request such copies.

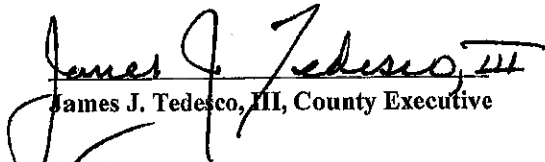
Section VI: Upon the opening of the hearing, the ordinances shall be given a second reading, which reading may be by title, and thereafter, it may be passed by a majority of the whole number of the Board, with or without amendments, or rejected.

Section VII: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101, this ordinance shall take effect 20 days after its final passage by the Board and approval by the County Executive.

Section VIII: Upon passage, the ordinance, or the title, together with a notice of the date of passage or approval, or both, shall be published at least once in the manner provided by N.J.S.A. 40:41A-142 of this act.

Section IX: One certified copy of the full text of every ordinance so adopted shall be filed with the clerk of each municipality within the County not later than 10 days after the date of final passage.

Section X: All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.


James J. Tedesco, III, County Executive
 Approved

3/20/25
Date

Rejected



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

Certified Copy

Ordinance: 25-09

Agenda: 3/19/2025

Ordinance 25-09

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Sheriff's Office

Reading: Second

Purpose: Establish Regulations for parking on County Roadways and County owned and managed properties

Prepared By: FT

Sponsored by County Commissioner Silna Zur, seconded by Vice Chairman Tanelli, and adopted by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 25-09, adopted by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Lara Pollitt

Attest: _____



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Ordinance: 25-09

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-201 permits the governing body of a County to adopt a resolution, ordinance or regulation supervising and/or regulating traffic on county roadways; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197 provides that the County may pass ordinances regulating the parking of vehicles upon streets and land owned, leased or maintained by it; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended by the Sgt. Kevin M. Scarpa of the Bergen County Sheriff's Office, Traffic Safety Unit/Special Operations to the County Executive, James J. Tedesco, III, that the within ordinance be adopted regulating parking on County Roadways and County owned and managed properties; and

WHEREAS, it is the County's obligations to maintain its roadways and other owned or maintained properties in a safe condition and in a way to allow for the free flow of traffic; and

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is enacted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:24-2; N.J.S.A. 40:41A-38; and N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the County of Bergen as follows:

ARTICLE I

(a) The provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed as follows:

1. Words and phrases shall be read and construed within their context, and shall, unless inconsistent with the manifest intent of the Bergen County Board of County Commissioners, unless another or different meaning is expressly indicated, be given their generally accepted meaning, according to the approved usage of language. Technical words, and phrases having a special or accepted meaning in the law, shall be construed in accordance with such technical or special and accepted meaning.
2. Any term in the singular shall include the plural.
3. Any requirement or prohibition of any act shall, respectively, extend to and include the causing or procuring, directly or indirectly, of such act.
4. No provision hereof shall make unlawful any act necessarily performed by any law enforcement officer, emergency personnel or employee of the County of Bergen in the line of duty or work as such, or by any person, his agents, or employees, in the proper and necessary execution of the terms of any agreement with the County of Bergen. The County Executive is hereby empowered to waive any of the prohibitions contained in this Ordinance in the interest of the public health, safety or

welfare.

5. Any act otherwise prohibited by this Ordinance or any other Ordinance adopted by the County of Bergen, provided it is not otherwise prohibited by law, shall be lawful if performed under, by virtue of, and strictly with the provisions of a permit to do so, and the extent authorized thereby.
- (b) This Ordinance shall be effective within all property owned, leased or maintained by the County of Bergen.
 - (c) Complaints for the violation of any of the provisions of the within Ordinance shall be cognizable in the County Court or in the Municipal Court having jurisdiction over the territory wherein the violation shall have occurred. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be enforced by the Bergen County Sheriff's Department and by any other enforcement officer having the powers of peace officers as defined by the laws of the State of New Jersey.
 - (d) If any section, article, or provision of the Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall be declared to be invalid or inoperative by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining sections, articles, or provisions, to the extent that they are not invalid or inoperative, shall not be affected not invalidated thereby and shall be enforced and effectuated.
 - (e) Wherever in the Ordinance it is specified that certain acts may be performed only upon prior written permission of the County, the County may promulgate regulations for the granting of such permission and conditions relating thereto. Such regulations shall be incorporated herein and the violation of any such regulations shall be a violation of the Ordinance.
 - (f) The Bergen County Board of County Commissioners may delegate to its authorized representatives the right or authority to grant or deny written permission for the performance of certain acts, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the County.

ARTICLE II

No person shall stop or stand a vehicle on or in any property owned, leased or maintained by the County of Bergen in any of the following areas or manners:

- a. Within any area not designated as a space for parking.
- b. With any part of the vehicle outside of the lines establishing a single parking space..
- c. Without specific or implied permission. "Implied permission," as used herein, means parking on or in any property owned, leased or maintained by the County of Bergen to use or visit the County's facilities or premises for a purpose directly related to an event, service, or other amenity being offered by the County to the public.
- d. In disregard of any posted notice or sign.
- e. Within 20 feet of any corner.
- f. Within 10 feet of a fire hydrant.
- g. Within 50 feet of a stop sign.
- h. Within a bus stop.
- i. Along yellow curbs.

- j. In posted "no parking" areas.
- k. Within an intersection.
- l. Within 25 feet of a crosswalk.
- m. In front of a driveway.
- n. Greater than 12 inches from the curb.
- o. Against the flow of traffic.
- p. Within a designated parking meter zone for more than 2 hours or without making payment for parking. Any vehicle parked at a meter beyond one hour of the permitted time for parking is subject to the possibility of having the vehicle towed, provided a summons had been issued at least one hour prior to the towing of the vehicle.
- q. Within or on lawn areas.
- r. After hours or overnight, unless specifically permitted.
- s. Within any passenger drop-off and pick-up zones longer than necessary to discharge passengers and in no event longer than 5 minutes.
- t. Within any geographical area or parking place which has been specifically designated for the parking of vehicles owned or operated by individuals hereinabove defined as "handicapped persons.", without a special vehicle certificate, license plate, insignia or marker issued by the Director of the Division of Motor Vehicles of the State of New Jersey in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:4-206, which shall be affixed to the vehicle, indicating that a special vehicle identification card has been issued for the motor vehicle designated therein. Any person violating the within section shall be subject to a mandatory fine of \$250.00 and for a subsequent violation a fine between \$250.00 and \$500.00 and/or up to 90 days community service.
- u. Whenever a declaration of emergency is made pursuant to Bergen County Ordinance 24-26.
- v. Whenever snow has fallen and the accumulation is such that it covers the street or parking area, The within parking prohibition shall remain in effect after the snow has ceased until the streets and/or parking areas have been plowed sufficiently and to the extent that parking will not interfere with the normal flow of traffic.
- w. Within a space designated for EV Charging while not charging an electric vehicle or plug-in hybrid vehicle and paying the required cost thereof. No properly parked vehicle shall be permitted to stay in the space longer than when the vehicle is done charging or more than four hours, whichever is sooner, or in the event that different time restraints are posted at the space then no longer than those different time restraints thereat posted. Any vehicle parked in the space longer than 5 hours shall be subject to the possibility of having the vehicle towed.

For purposes of the within ordinance a vehicle shall be defined as every device in, upon or by which a person or property is or may be transported upon a highway, excepting devices moved solely by human power.

ARTICLE III

-Any person who is found guilty of committing an act which is prohibited, or which is declared to be unlawful or an offense, or is found guilty of the non-performance of an act which is required to be done by the Ordinance, or is found guilty of violating either a rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to this Ordinance, or any of the terms or conditions of any permit issued hereunder, and for which this Ordinance provides no specific penalty, shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50.00 (Fifty Dollars) but not to exceed \$250.00 (Two Hundred Fifty Dollars) and/or imprisonment in the County jail or in any place provided by the County for the detention of prisoners for a term not to exceed fifteen (15) days and, shall further be subject to the payment of the cost of replacement, repair or restoration of any damaged County property, if the unlawful

act or offense involved the damage or destruction of County property.

-Any unoccupied vehicle parked or standing in violation of this chapter is deemed a nuisance and a menace to the safe and proper regulation of traffic and any peace officer may provide for the removal of such vehicles. The owner shall pay the reasonable costs of the removal and storage which may result from such removal, before regaining possession of the vehicle.

ARTICLE IV

A Bergen County Sheriff's officer or person employed by the County of Bergen as a Parks Department enforcement officer, security guard or other representative, as designated by the County Executive or the Bergen County Board of County Commissioners, or a municipal police officer shall have the concurrent right and jurisdiction to enforce the within Ordinance as well as any violations contained in Title 39 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey or any other ordinances or revised ordinances of the County of Bergen on or in any property owned, leased or maintained by the County of Bergen

ARTICLE V

The regulations contained herein shall not be deemed to be exclusive and shall not relieve any person of the duty to observe other and more restrictive provisions prohibiting or limiting the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles as set forth in NJSA 39:4-138 or any other New Jersey Statute or Bergen County Ordinance.

ARTICLE VI

The effectiveness of this ordinance is contingent upon the erection and maintain of signs and/or the postings as may be required by law.

Section I: At 7:00 pm on March 19, 2025, at the Bergen County Public Meeting Room, Fifth Floor, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack, NJ is fixed as the time and place when and where any and all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the ordinance.

Section II: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101, this ordinance shall be published at least once in the manner provided in N.J.S.A. 40:41A-142, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and the time and place when and where it will be further considered for final passage. The publication shall be at least 1 week prior to the time fixed for further consideration for final passage.

Section III: A copy of the proposed ordinance shall also be sent to the clerk of each municipality in the county not less than 1 week prior to the date of hearing.

Section IV: Prior to the said second reading, a copy of the ordinance shall be posted on the bulletin board or other place upon which public notices are customarily posted in One Bergen County Plaza, and copies of the ordinance shall be made available to members of the general public who shall request such copies.

Section VI: Upon the opening of the hearing, the ordinances shall be given a second reading, which reading may be by title, and thereafter, it may be passed by a majority of the whole number of the Board, with or without amendments, or rejected.

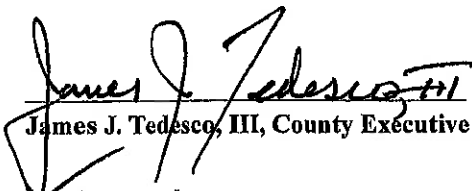
Section V: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101, this ordinance shall take effect 20 days after is final

passage by the Board and approval by the County Executive.

Section VII: Upon passage, the ordinance, or the title, together with a notice of the date of passage or approval, or both, shall be published at least once in the manner provided by N.J.S.A. 40:41A-142 of this act.

Section VII: One certified copy of the full text of every ordinance so adopted shall be filed with the clerk of each municipality within the County not later than 10 days after the date of final passage.

Section IX: All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.


James J. Tedesco, III, County Executive
 Approved


Date

Rejected



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

Certified Copy

Ordinance: 25-12f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

Ordinance 25-12

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Administration & Finance/ Division of Treasury

Reading: First

Purpose: Capital Ordinance of the County of Bergen, New Jersey Authorizing the 2025 Countywide Resurfacing and ADA Curb Ramp Program In, By and For the County, Appropriating therefor the Sum of \$12,764,148 and that such sum so Appropriated shall be Funded by a Grant from The State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation.

Prepared By: JR/KL

Sponsored by Vice Chairman Tanelli, seconded by County Commissioner Marte, and introduced on first reading by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 25-12f, introduced on first reading by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Attest:

Lara Pollitt



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Ordinance: 25-12f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE**

CAPITAL ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE 2025 COUNTYWIDE RESURFACING AND ADA CURB RAMP PROGRAM IN, BY AND FOR THE COUNTY, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR THE SUM OF \$12,764,148 AND THAT SUCH SUM SO APPROPRIATED SHALL BE FUNDED BY A GRANT FROM THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Bergen, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "County") is hereby authorized to commence with the 2025 Countywide Resurfacing and ADA Ramp Program which shall be coordinated by the Bergen County Department of Public Work, by and for the County. Said improvement shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$12,764,148 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvement authorized and described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be funded by a grant in the sum of \$12,764,148 from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation.

Section 3. Said improvement is a lawful capital improvement of the County having a period of usefulness of at least ten (10) years. Said improvement shall be made as a general improvement, no part of the cost of which shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 4. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this capital ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Clerk of the

Board of County Commissioners and is available for public inspection.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner provided by law.



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Ordinance: 25-13f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

Ordinance 25-13

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Planning & Engineering/ Division of Planning

Reading: First

Purpose: Vacate and Abandon a Portion of Forest Avenue and Route 4 Ramp

Prepared By: WGB

Sponsored by Vice Chairman Tanelli, seconded by County Commissioner Marte, and introduced on first reading by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 25-13f, introduced on first reading by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Lara Pollitt

Attest: _____



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Ordinance: 25-13f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, the County of Bergen, a body politic and corporate of the State of the New Jersey, (hereinafter called the "County") has jurisdiction of a portion of Forest Avenue and the Route 4 Ramp Right of Way in Paramus, New Jersey ("the Property"); and

WHEREAS, the portion of Forest Avenue and the Route 4 Ramp Right of Way under the County's jurisdiction as set forth in the metes and bounds description attached, entitled "Description of a Portion of Forest Avenue/Route 4 Ramp to become part of Lot 2 in Block 803" prepared by Jeffrey H. Klein, NJ Lic. # 35848, of Lapatka Associates, Inc., is no longer needed for County road purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Property was previously a portion of a Right-of-Way under the jurisdiction and control of the County of Bergen and is no longer utilized for public travel; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has recommended that the aforementioned portion of Forest Ave/Route 4 Ramp be vacated and abandoned as a public right of way; and

WHEREAS, the County has determined to transfer the aforementioned portion of Forest Ave/Route 4 Ramp Right of Way under the control and jurisdiction of the County of Bergen to UE BERGEN EAST LLC, the current adjacent property owner as permitted by N.J.S.A 27:16-28(b); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 27:16-1(g) provides that the governing body of the County may "vacate any road or highway under its control or any portion thereof that may be unnecessary for public travel"; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A 27:16-28(b) provides that any road or portion thereof owned by any county may be vacated and abandoned as a public highway and title to the land which theretofore was lying within the area of the side lines or legal right of way of the road, shall revert to and vest in the respective owners of the legal title thereto, free and clear of any easement or right of way thereover or thereupon in favor of the public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE

COUNTY ENGINEER AND BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF A MAJORITY OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section I: The County of Bergen vacates, abandons, releases and extinguishes its jurisdiction of the Property as a public highway as described in the metes and bounds description attached, entitled "Description of a Portion of Forest Avenue/Route 4 Ramp to become part of Lot 2 in Block 803" prepared by Jeffrey H. Klein, NJ Lic. # 35848, of Lapatka Associates, Inc.; and (2) transfers title of the aforementioned vacated portion of Forest Avenue/Route 4 Ramp Right of Way to UE BERGEN EAST LLC.

Section II: At 7:00 PM on April 2nd, 2025 at the Bergen County Commissioners Public Meeting Room, Fifth Floor, One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack is fixed as the time and place when and where any all persons interested in this action may appear and be given an opportunity to be heard and at that time the County Commissioners shall meet for final consideration and action upon the ordinance. If, after the public hearing held at the time and place specified, the Commissioners, by an affirmative vote of a majority of all of the members thereof, shall again adopt such ordinance, the aforementioned portion of Forest Avenue/Route 4 Ramp right of way as described shall from thenceforth be deemed vacated and abandoned as a public highway and the title to the vacated property shall be transferred to UE BERGEN EAST LLC.

Section III: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-101, this ordinance shall be published at least once in the manner provided in N.J.S.A. 40:41A-142, together with a notice of the introduction thereof and the time and place when and where it will be further considered for final passage. The publication shall be at least one (1) week prior to the time fixed for further consideration for final passage.

Section IV: A copy of the proposed ordinance shall also be sent to the clerk of each municipality in the county not less than one (1) week prior to the date of hearing.

Section V: Prior to the said second reading, a copy of the ordinance shall be posted on the bulletin board or other place upon which public notices are customarily posted in One Bergen County Plaza, and copies of the ordinance shall be made available to members of the general public who shall request such copies.

Section VI: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:16-28(b) the Clerk of the Bergen County Board of County Commissioners, within three (3) days of passage of the ordinance, shall cause said ordinance to be advertised verbatim in a newspaper published and circulating within the limits of the county, which publication shall be inserted once in each week for three weeks consecutively before the day of the meeting.

Section VII: Upon passage of the ordinance, the Clerk of the Board of County

Commissioners shall forthwith file a certified copy of the ordinance in the Office of the County Clerk and the latter shall record and index the same in the road records of his office.

Section VIII: One certified copy of the full text of every ordinance so adopted shall be filed with the clerk of each municipality within the County not later than ten (10) days after the date of final passage.

Section IX: All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section X: That if any clause, section, or provision of this ordinance is declared invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such position shall be deemed a separate distinct and independent provision and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion thereof.



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Ordinance: 25-10f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

Ordinance 25-10

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Administration & Finance

Reading: First

Purpose: Bond Ordinance Providing For Various Capital Improvements Of The Bergen County Community College In And By The County Of Bergen, Appropriating The Aggregate Amount Of \$3,787,386 Therefor And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$3,787,386 Bonds Or Notes Of The County Entitled To The Benefits Of Chapter 12 Of The County College Bond Act To Finance The Cost Thereof

Prepared By: JS/JR

Sponsored by Vice Chairman Tanelli, seconded by County Commissioner Marte, and introduced on first reading by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 25-10f, introduced on first reading by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Attest:

Lara Pollitt



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Ordinance: 25-10f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE**

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OF THE BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN AND BY THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, APPROPRIATING THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$3,787,386 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$3,787,386 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE COUNTY ENTITLED TO THE BENEFITS OF CHAPTER 12 OF THE COUNTY COLLEGE BOND ACT TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Council of Community Colleges has invited the Board of Trustees of the Bergen County Community College (the "Board of Trustees") to submit a request for State aid for the purpose of acquiring or improving lands or buildings for the use by the college or erecting, enlarging, improving, altering, reconstructing, furnishing or equipping buildings or other structures for use by the college (collectively, the "Project") and seek approval of State aid for same pursuant to Chapter 12 of the Laws of 1971 of the State of New Jersey ("Chapter 12");

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has determined via duly adopted resolutions that it is necessary to raise money for Project, and has delivered a statement to that effect to each member of the Board of School Estimate; and

WHEREAS, the Board of School Estimate has determined by duly adopted resolution that \$3,787,386 is needed for the Project specified in the Statement, which shall be raised by the County of Bergen, a body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey (the "County"), and has delivered a certificate to that effect to the Board of Trustees and the Board of County Commissioners of the County; and

WHEREAS, State of New Jersey Department of Treasury by letter dated January 27, 2025 has determined that the County shall receive an allocation of State aid pursuant to Chapter 12 permitting \$3,787,386 in Chapter 12 bonding capacity, and authorizing State payment of one-half of debt service relating thereto.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF BERGEN (not less than two-thirds of all members

thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized to be undertaken by the County as general improvements. For the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$3,787,386 (which is the aggregate amount of the sums of money appropriated for each respective improvement or purpose). No down payment is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-19(2)(b).

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvements or purposes described herein, negotiable bonds of the County are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$3,787,386 pursuant to the Local Bond Law and the Education Law of the State of New Jersey (N.J.S.A. 18A:1-1, et seq.). In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvements or purposes hereby authorized for which bonds or notes are to be issued are for various capital improvements for the Bergen County Community College (as set forth in the County's 2025 Capital Improvement Plan on file in the County Chief Financial Officer's office), including but not limited to, various facility and building improvements, such as roof improvements, electrical improvements, HVAC improvements, boiler/pump improvements, security/safety improvements, exterior lighting improvements, switch gear improvements, generator improvements, fan improvements, DX improvements, and all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 of this bond ordinance.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation stated in Section 1 of this bond ordinance.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the County Chief Financial Officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the County Chief Financial Officer. The County Chief Financial Officer shall determine all matters in connection with the bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the County Chief Financial Officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The County Treasurer is hereby authorized to sell a part, or all, of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale, and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest, if any, from their dates to the dates of delivery

thereof. The County Chief Financial Officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale of bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The capital budget of the County is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements or purposes that the County may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the costs thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance, computed on the basis of the amounts of obligations authorized for each improvement or purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 16.09 years.

(c) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$200,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost of the improvements or purposes set forth in Section 3 of this bond ordinance.

(d) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners, and submitted to the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey (the "Director"). Such Statement shows that, while the net debt is increased by this ordinance by \$3,787,386, the gross debt of the County, as defined in the Local Bond Law, is increased by \$3,787,386 (the amount of the authorization of the obligations provided for in this bond ordinance), and that \$1,893,693 (the aggregate principal amount of obligations entitled to the benefits of Chapter 12) is deductible from the gross debt of the County pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64A-22.4. The obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 7. The County reasonably expects to commence acquisition and/or construction of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, and to advance all or a portion of the costs in respect thereof, prior to the issuance of bonds or notes hereunder. To the extent such costs are advanced, the County further reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures from the proceeds of the bonds or notes authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance. This bond ordinance is intended to be a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 8. The full faith and credit of the County are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the County, and the County shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable real property within the County for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 9. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Ordinance: 25-11f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

Ordinance 25-11

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Administration & Finance/ Division of Treasury

Reading: First

Purpose: Capital Ordinance of the County of Bergen, New Jersey Authorizing the 2024 Countywide Resurfacing and ADA Curb Ramp Program In, By And For the County, Appropriating therefor the Sum Of \$13,722,242 and that such sum so Appropriated shall be Funded by a Grant from The State of New Jersey, Department of Transportation.

Prepared By: JR/KL

Sponsored by Vice Chairman Tanelli, seconded by County Commissioner Marte, and introduced on first reading by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 25-11f, introduced on first reading by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Attest: *Lara Pollitt*



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Ordinance: 25-11f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Bergen, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "County") is hereby authorized to commence with the 2024 Countywide Resurfacing and ADA Ramp Program which shall be coordinated by the Bergen County Department of Public Work, by and for the County. Said improvement shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$13,722,242 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvement authorized and described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be funded by a grant in the sum of \$13,722,242 from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation.

Section 3. Said improvement is a lawful capital improvement of the County having a period of usefulness of at least ten (10) years. Said improvement shall be made as a general improvement, no part of the cost of which shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 4. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this capital ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners and is available for public inspection.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner provided by law.



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Ordinance: 25-15f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

Ordinance 25-15

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Administration & Finance

Reading: First

**Purpose: GUARANTY ORDINANCE SECURING THE BERGEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT
AUTHORITY'S COUNTY GUARANTEED REVENUE BONDS OR NOTES, SERIES 2025
(GREATER BERGEN COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM, INC. PROJECT), IN AN
AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,500,000**

Prepared By: JR/JS

**Sponsored by Vice Chairman Tanelli, seconded by County Commissioner Silna Zur, and introduced on
first reading by the following vote:**

**Yes: 5 - Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Ortiz,
County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur**

Abstain: 2 - Chairwoman Amoroso, and County Commissioner Marte

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners, certify that this is a true copy of Ordinance No. 25-15f, introduced on first reading by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Attest:

Lara Pollitt



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Ordinance: 25-15f

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ORDINANCE**

**GUARANTY ORDINANCE SECURING THE BERGEN
COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY'S COUNTY
GUARANTEED REVENUE BONDS OR NOTES, SERIES
2025 (GREATER BERGEN COMMUNITY ACTION
PROGRAM, INC. PROJECT), IN AN AGGREGATE
PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,500,000**

WHEREAS, the Bergen County Improvement Authority (the "Authority") is a body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey (the "State") organized and existing under the County Improvement Authorities Law, as amended and supplemented (N.J.S.A. 40:37A-44 et seq., the "Act"), and was created by the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Bergen (then known as the Board of Chosen Freeholders), a body corporate and politic of the State (the "County") pursuant to a resolution duly adopted on June 4, 1986; and

WHEREAS, Section 80 of the Act authorizes the County to unconditionally guaranty the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on any obligations of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, in order to assist the Authority to issue obligations for the purpose of assisting Greater Bergen Community Action, Inc., a New Jersey non-profit corporation ("Greater Bergen") in financing: (i) the acquisition of 505 Main Street, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 (Block 412, Lot 16 on the Tax Map of the City of Hackensack) and 106 Somerset Street, Garfield, New Jersey (Block 24.02, Lot 27 on the Tax Map of the City of Garfield) ; (ii) the payment of capitalized interest; (iii) certain costs of issuing bonds/notes; and (iv) the funding of any reserves, if required (collectively, the "Project"), the County has determined to provide for the guaranty of the revenue bonds, notes or other obligations of the Authority, and any renewals or refundings thereof (the "Obligations"), to be issued under one or more resolution(s) of the Authority relating to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-56, the Authority is required to obtain the consent of the County for the construction or acquisition of a public facility or facilities within the County or the making of leases or other agreements where the term of any such lease or agreement is in excess of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has requested the consent of the County to undertake the Project or the making of leases or other agreements where the term of any such lease or agreement is in excess of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of the County, through this ordinance, desires to consent to the undertaking of the Project by the Authority or the making of leases or other agreements where the term of any such lease or agreement is in excess of five (5) years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF BERGEN (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. This guaranty ordinance shall be adopted by the governing body of the County in the manner provided for adoption of a bond ordinance as provided in the Local Bond Law, as amended and supplemented (N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq., the "Local Bond Law").

Section 2. Pursuant to Section 80 of the Act, the County is hereby authorized to and hereby shall fully, irrevocably and unconditionally guaranty the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Obligations in an aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$15,500,000, which Obligations are to be issued to finance/refinance the Project, on such terms and conditions as may be agreed to by and between the County and the Authority and as are reflected in this guaranty ordinance and in the guaranty certificate on the face of each Obligation. Upon the endorsement of the Obligations referred to in Section 3 of this guaranty ordinance, the County shall be fully, irrevocably and unconditionally obligated to pay the principal of and interest on the Obligations in the same manner and to the same extent as in the case of obligations issued by the County, and, accordingly, the County shall be fully, irrevocably and unconditionally obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the County for the payment thereof, without limitation as to rate or amount, when required under the provisions of applicable law. This full, irrevocable and unconditional guaranty of the County effected hereby to pay the principal of and interest on the Obligations when due, in accordance with the terms hereof, shall not be abrogated for any reason. Any Obligations which are no longer considered outstanding under the resolution(s) of the Authority authorizing such Obligations shall not be counted for the purpose of the \$15,500,000 limitation contained in this guaranty ordinance.

Section 3. The Bergen County Executive (the "County Executive") shall, by manual or facsimile signature, execute an endorsement on each of the Obligations evidencing this guaranty by the County as to the punctual payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon. The endorsement on each Obligation shall be in substantially the following form, and absent the fully executed endorsement in such form on any such Obligation, such Obligation shall not be entitled to the benefits of this guaranty ordinance:

GUARANTY OF THE COUNTY OF BERGEN

The payment of the principal of and interest on the within [obligation] shall be fully, irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed by the County of Bergen, a body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey (the "County"), in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:37A-80 and the guaranty ordinance of the County finally adopted pursuant thereto, and the County is fully, irrevocably and unconditionally liable for the payment, when due, of the principal of and interest on this [obligation], and if necessary the County shall levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the County, without limitation as to rate or amount, in order to make such payment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County has caused this guaranty to be executed by the manual or facsimile signature of its County Executive.

COUNTY OF BERGEN

By:

County Executive

The County Executive, County Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, and/or County Treasurer (each, an "Authorized County Official"), are hereby further authorized to execute such other certificates or agreements relating to this guaranty that may be required by the Authority to comply with the terms of the financing documents relating to the Obligations, including, without limitation, (i) any agreements or certificates detailing the time and method that payment under this guaranty shall be made by the County, (ii) any letters of representations or similar undertakings to be executed in connection with the sale of the Obligations, setting forth certain representations, warranties and covenants of the County as an inducement to the purchase of the Obligations, (iii) any certificates deeming "final" (for the purposes of Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) any Preliminary or final Official Statements of the Authority in connection with the Obligations, and (iv) any land purchase or lease agreements with the sale of the obligations. Such further agreements or certificates shall not abrogate the County's responsibilities hereunder.

Each Authorized County Official is hereby further authorized to execute one or more continuing disclosure agreement(s) or other instrument(s) undertaking the secondary market disclosure obligations of the County required by Rule 15c2-12 of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission in connection with the issuance of any Obligations by the Authority.

Section 4. It is hereby found, determined and declared by the governing body of the County that:

(a) This guaranty ordinance may be adopted notwithstanding any statutory debt or other limitations, including particularly any limitation or requirement prescribed by the Local Bond Law. The

aggregate principal amount of the Obligations that shall be entitled to the benefits of this guaranty ordinance, being an amount of not to exceed \$15,500,000, shall after their issuance be included in the gross debt of the County for the purpose of determining the indebtedness of the County pursuant to the Local Bond Law.

(b) The principal amount of Obligations entitled to the benefits of this guaranty ordinance and included in the gross debt of the County shall be deducted, and is hereby declared to be and to constitute a deduction, from such gross debt pursuant to the Local Bond Law (i) from and after the time of issuance of the Obligations until the end of the fiscal year beginning next after the completion of the Project; and (ii) in any annual debt statement filed pursuant to the Local Bond Law as of the end of said fiscal year or any subsequent fiscal year, if the revenues or other receipts or moneys of the Authority in such fiscal year are sufficient to pay the Authority's expenses of operation and maintenance in such fiscal year and all amounts payable in such fiscal year on account of the principal of and interest on all such guaranteed obligations, all obligations of the County issued as provided in Section 79 of the Act, and all obligations of the Authority issued under the Act.

Section 5. The following matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The maximum principal amount of Obligations that are hereby and hereunder fully, irrevocably and unconditionally guaranteed as to the punctual payment of the principal thereof and interest thereon at any time is \$15,500,000.

(b) The purpose described in this guaranty ordinance is not a current expense of the County, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, and submitted to the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the County as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by this guaranty ordinance by \$15,500,000 but that the net debt of the County is not increased. The obligation of the County authorized by or incurred pursuant to the terms of this guaranty ordinance is permitted by an exception contained in the Act to the debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) All other items to be contained in a bond ordinance adopted pursuant to the Local Bond Law are hereby determined to be inapplicable to the County's guaranty of the Obligations hereby.

Section 6. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-56, the County hereby consents to the undertaking of the Project by the Authority and the entering into any loan and/or lease agreements.

Section 7. This guaranty ordinance shall take effect shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Act and the Local Bond Law.



COUNTY OF BERGEN

ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

Certified Copy

Resolution: 397-25

Agenda: 3/19/2025

County Commissioner

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Purpose: American Red Cross Month

Prepared By: TZ/ca

Sponsored by County Commissioner Tracy Silna Zur , seconded by the Body as the Whole that this Resolution be passed and passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners , certify that this is a true copy of Resolution No. 397-25, passed by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Attest:

Lara Pollitt



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ONE BERGEN COUNTY PLAZA
HACKENSACK, NJ 07601

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Resolution: 397-25

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION**

Whereas, more than 140 years ago, the American Red Cross was established as a humanitarian organization, guided by seven fundamental principles-including humanity, impartiality and independence-to provide services to those in need regardless of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation or citizenship status. Today, the American Red Cross is one of the largest humanitarian organizations in the world and delivers its mission every day to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies; and

Whereas, every year, the American Red Cross responds to an average of more than 70,000 disasters across the country, from small home fires to devastating massive disasters. Last year's large crises included wildfires in California, destructive hurricanes in Florida and Puerto Rico, severe flooding in Kentucky, and the nation's first ever blood donation shortage. Thousands of American Red Cross volunteers provided around-the-clock shelter for disaster victims, served millions of meals and snacks with partners, and distributed millions of relief items; and

Whereas, in New Jersey, the Red Cross has a long history of helping our neighbors in need. The Red Cross New Jersey Region assisted with 1,047 local disasters in the past year alone and helped save lives through our Home Fire Campaign. Since the campaign launched in October 2014, the New Jersey Region has worked with community partners to install more than 48,000 smoke alarms. Meanwhile, in our area, the Red Cross handles an average of 9,058 emergency military calls every year and collected 96,981 blood donations and 8,496 platelet donations; and

Whereas, March is Red Cross Month, a special time to recognize and thank the Red Cross

volunteers and donors who give of their time and resources to help members of the community. The Red Cross depends on these local heroes to deliver help and hope during a disaster. We applaud our heroes here in New Jersey who give of themselves to assist their neighbors when they need a helping hand; and

Whereas, The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid, and supports military members and their families; and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Board of Commissioners does observe and honor the American Red Cross and does hereby proclaim March 2025 as American Red Cross Month. We encourage all Americans to support this organization and its noble humanitarian mission.



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Resolution: 398-25

Agenda: 3/19/2025

County Commissioner

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Purpose: Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

Prepared By: RM/ac

Sponsored by County Commissioner Rafael Marte , seconded by the Body as the Whole that this Resolution be passed and passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners , certify that this is a true copy of Resolution No. 398-25, passed by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

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Resolution: 398-25

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**BERGEN COUNTY
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RESOLUTION**

Whereas, people with unique abilities are of all racial, ethnic, educational, social, and economic backgrounds, and all are valued members of society who find fulfillment living everyday lives; and

Whereas, we value what is important to people with unique abilities and their families who are striving for everyday lives no different than that of all other citizens; and

Whereas, early intervention, education, employment, and home and community-based services continue to be vital to enabling citizens with unique abilities to enjoy the rights of citizenship and to participate in the life of New Jersey's communities; and

Whereas, approximately seven million people have developmental disabilities nationwide; and

Whereas, Americans with and without unique abilities live and work side by side in communities across the country; and

Whereas, every person, regardless of ability, has valuable strengths, infinite capacity to learn and the potential to make important contributions to their local communities; and

Whereas, people with unique abilities share with the state's other nine million residents the desire to achieve personal success through education, meaningful work and family and community ties; and

Whereas, families of people with unique abilities deserve our admiration and recognition for their caring commitment and ongoing support that are essential to an independent and productive life; and

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved that the Bergen County Board of County Commissioners hereby declares March 2025 as Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month in the County of Bergen.



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Resolution: 399-25

Agenda: 3/19/2025

County Commissioner

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Purpose: Social Workers Month

Prepared By: GO/nc

Sponsored by County Commissioner Germaine M. Ortiz , seconded by the Body as the Whole that this Resolution be passed and passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners , certify that this is a true copy of Resolution No. 399-25, passed by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

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**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Social Work Profession for decades has been dedicated to improving human well-being and enhancing the basic needs of all people-especially the most vulnerable among us, particularly during the global pandemic; and

WHEREAS, this year's Social Workers Month theme, "Compassion + Action" aims to provide the support necessary to meet the high demands of their vital work and hopefully increase the median pay considering the years of school and expenses it takes to become a social worker; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers have been barrier breakers throughout the most pivotal moments of our nation's history through collaborating with leaders during the Great Depression and the Civil Rights era, Social Workers have broken barriers that propelled action toward securing benefits and tackling employment discrimination; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers are the largest group of mental health care providers in the United States, and work daily to help people-whether in person or remotely-overcome substance use disorders and mental illnesses such as depression and anxiety; and

WHEREAS, the Social Work Profession is one of the fastest-growing careers in the United States, with more than 715,000 social workers today and nearly 800,000 professionals expected to be employed as social workers by 2028; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers have continued to push for changes that have made our society a better place to live, including a livable wage, improved workplace safety, and social safety net programs that help ameliorate poverty, hunger, and homelessness; and

WHEREAS, Social Workers possess the necessary expertise to assist our nation in some of its most demanding concerns, including their health and well-being not only during the pandemic but at all times, ensuring equal rights, improved health care and mental health care for all; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in recognition of the numerous contributions made by America's Social Workers, the Bergen County Board of Commissioners hereby declares March 2025 as Social Workers Month in the County of Bergen.



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Resolution: 400-25

Agenda: 3/19/2025

County Commissioner

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Purpose: Supporting Senate Bill 2511 and Assembly Bill 4051, repealing the “Pet Purchase Protection Act”

Prepared By: JV/cb

Sponsored by Chairwoman Pro Tempore Dr. Joan M. Voss , seconded by the Body as the Whole that this Resolution be passed and passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners , certify that this is a true copy of Resolution No. 400-25, passed by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

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Resolution: 400-25

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 2511 and Assembly Bill 4051 repeal the “Pet Purchase Protection Act,” P.L.1999, c.336 (C.56:8-92 et seq.) and replace it with a prohibition on the sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits by pet shops, while also imposing additional requirements concerning the sale and adoption of animals; and

WHEREAS, most dogs and cats sold in pet shops are sourced from large-scale, inhumane commercial breeding facilities where the health and welfare of animals are often disregarded to maximize profits; and

WHEREAS, public records indicate that hundreds of weeks-old puppies are transported to New Jersey pet stores from massive Midwest puppy mills each year, subjecting them to poor conditions, potential health issues, and genetic disorders; and

WHEREAS, the bill establishes a prohibition on the sale of cats, dogs, or rabbits by pet shops, with a penalty of \$500 per violation, enforceable through a civil action under the Penalty Enforcement Law of 1999; and

WHEREAS, the bill allows pet shops to:

- **Sell or offer for sale any other type of animal as permitted by state law or regulation;**
- **Offer pet supplies for any type of animal, including cats, dogs, or rabbits, if licensed by their municipality;**
- **Collaborate with animal rescue organizations, shelters, or pounds to showcase**

adoptable cats, dogs, and rabbits, provided that no payment or compensation is exchanged for the use of space or the adoption of any animal; and

WHEREAS, the bill ensures that:

- Existing consumer protections for pet buyers remain in place for non-pet shop dealers;
 - All non-sales-related pet shop regulations remain unaffected;
 - Consumers retain all rights and remedies when purchasing a pet from any source;
- and

WHEREAS, stopping the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet shops will shield consumers from misleading sales tactics, sick and genetically disordered pet sales, disease outbreaks, and predatory financing practices related to pet purchases; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Bergen County Executive and the Bergen County Board of Commissioners support Senate Bill 2511 and Assembly Bill 4051, which prohibit the sale of cats, dogs, or rabbits by pet shops and repeal the “Pet Purchase Protection Act”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Bergen County Animal Shelter continues to play a vital role in providing care and second chances to thousands of animals each year, with 1,347 adoptions and over 1,100 pets reunited with their owners in 2024 alone. By supporting this legislation, we reinforce our commitment to responsible pet adoption and the welfare of animals in our community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk to the Board shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the legislators representing Bergen County, the bill’s sponsors-Senator Brian P. Stack, Senator Raj Mukherji, Assemblywoman Shama A. Haider, Assemblywoman Luanne M. Peterpaul, Esq., and Assemblyman William B. Sampson IV-and to the Municipal Clerks of Bergen County.



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Resolution: 402-25

Agenda: 3/19/2025

County Commissioner

Meeting Date: 3/19/2025

Purpose: Support of SEIU Local 32BJ's Collective Bargaining Agreement

Prepared By: TS/aw

Sponsored by County Commissioner Thomas J. Sullivan , seconded by the Body as the Whole that this Resolution be passed and passed by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Chairwoman Amoroso, Vice Chairman Tanelli, Chairwoman Pro Tempore Voss, County Commissioner Marte, County Commissioner Ortiz, County Commissioner Sullivan, and County Commissioner Silna Zur

I, Lara Pollitt, Clerk, Board of County Commissioners , certify that this is a true copy of Resolution No. 402-25, passed by the BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS on 3/19/2025.

Attest:

Lara Pollitt



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Resolution: 402-25

Agenda: 3/19/2025

**BERGEN COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the American Dream Mall is the recipient of over one billion dollars in public subsidies and low interest loans; and

WHEREAS, approximately 80-90 cleaners keep the Mall hygienic and safe for customers; and

WHEREAS, the janitors are employed by contractors who pay poverty wages and provide no meaningful benefits; and

WHEREAS, SEIU Local 32BJ's collective bargaining agreement, the Tri-State Contractors Agreement, covers 6,500 janitors in New Jersey working for over 60 employers and sets area-standards for decent wages and quality, fully-employer paid health insurance,

WHEREAS, the janitors have fought for three years to unionize with SEIU Local 32BJ and a obtain union contract providing family sustaining wages and affordable quality health insurance; and

WHEREAS, the previous contractor, HSA, illegally fired two workers for organizing with Local 32BJ as found by the National Labor Relations Board; and

WHEREAS, the most recent previous contractor, Purely Local, is under investigation by the federal government for forcing workers to give up their right to file charges over alleged illegal conduct;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Bergen County Board Of Commissioners:

American Dream Mall is urged to:

- 1. Respect the right of its cleaners to organize without fear of retaliation, intimidation or coercion;**
- 2. Have their contractor, Excel Facility Services Group, meet the area-standards for its cleaners' wages and benefits in the SEIU Local 32BJ Tri-state Contractors Agreement.**



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Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

REMINDER: On Behalf of the Bergen County Board of Election Commissioners: HIGH SCHOOL Poll Worker Program Invitation Letter--Primary Election 2025

1 message

Perez-Frederick, Alicia <aperez@bergencountynj.gov>

Mon, Mar 24, 2025 at 10:07 AM

Cc: "Raymundo, Maryann" <MRaymundo@bergencountynj.gov>, "Miller, Richard" <RMiller@bergencountynj.gov>

Good Morning,

We still have slots open if you would like to participate in our High School Program. If you have already been in contact with us, you do not need to respond again. We have two flyers available:

1. If you would like to participate in the program and want a flyer to post on your school website to notify students of the program it is attached and is entitled, Make an Impact HIGH SCHOOL FOR PROGRAM
2. If you are not participating but would like to open the opportunity to your students on an individual basis and they can contact us directly the file is also attached and entitled, Make an Impact HIGH SCHOOL

Please feel to contact us via the contact info below.

Thanks!

Alicia

From: Perez-Frederick, Alicia

Sent: Monday, March 10, 2025 10:26 AM

To: Miller, Richard <RMiller@BergenCountyNJ.gov>; Raymundo, Maryann <MRaymundo@BergenCountyNJ.gov>

Subject: On Behalf of the Bergen County Board of Election Commissioners: HIGH SCHOOL Poll Worker Program Invitation Letter--Primary Election 2025

Good Morning,

The high school poll worker program continues to be a great success. We have received numerous compliments on the addition of high school students to the election day process. Chairman Richard Miller has asked me to send you all the attached letter to Superintendents of Schools in Bergen County. We have cc'd on this communication, the Principals of Bergen County High Schools as well as the Municipal Clerks who have expressed an interest in the program.

If you are interested in participating, please contact Chairman Miller and cc: myself and MaryAnn Raymundo on all communications.

Chairman Richard Miller: rmiller@bergencountynj.gov

Alicia Perez-Frederick: aperez@bergencountynj.gov

MaryAnn Raymundo: mraymundo@bergencountynj.gov

Thank you.

Please note as of October 3, 2024 my new email address will be aperez@bergencountynj.gov

Thank you,

Alicia Perez-Frederick

Clerk to the Board

Bergen County Board of Elections

Hackensack, NJ 07601

201-336-6244



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 **Make an Impact HIGH SCHOOL.pdf**
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Denise Ross, Secretary Commissioner
Margaret E. Frontera, Commissioner
Angela M. Malagiere, Commissioner
John L. Schettino, Esq., Commissioner
Tomas J. Padilla, Commissioner**

March 10, 2025

Superintendent of Schools:

The past two elections we trained and had high school students as election poll workers in various towns. It was extremely successful, and we received numerous compliments on how well our teen poll workers performed.

We will be expanding our program once again to additional schools in Bergen County. Will your District be one of the NEW participating schools? Participation will be limited.

For schools that have been with us if you would like to continue in this program, we would be happy to come back and train the students again.

If your school is unable to participate students 16 or over are always welcome to be poll workers and can attend one of our many training classes in Hackensack. We have a flyer that we can send to you that can be posted on your Schoology or student website if interested.

The program includes training for the students you select (approximately 2.5 hours) in your school or at One Bergen County Plaza, Hackensack. Training class size should be no more than 40 students. The students that are 16 or 17 years old will work an 8-hour shift and the 18-year-old students are required to be registered voters and work the full day on Primary Election Day, June 10, 2025. The students will have 1 hour for lunch with an additional 15-minute break. Each student will be compensated \$160 for the 8-hour shift and \$300 for the full day shift, plus an additional \$50 for training.

I would appreciate your prompt response as Election Day is nearing and it is important to have training dates set in advance. Please contact us at the three emails below and always feel free to call us if necessary at the number listed below.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Miller
Chairman/Commissioner
Bergen County Board of Elections
rmiller@co.bergen.nj.us
Cc: aperez@co.bergen.nj.us and
mraymundo@co.bergen.nj.us
Office: 201-336-6225

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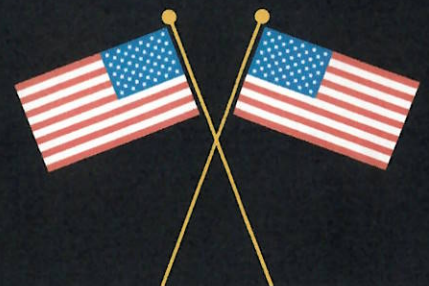
You can apply to serve as a poll worker if you:

- Are a United States citizen and a resident of New Jersey
- Registered to vote in Bergen County, 18 and over
- Are not running as a candidate in this election
- Are at least 16 years of age (minors earn \$160 for 8hr day)

Mandatory Training Class Provided

**ALL INTERESTED STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE FURTHER
INSTRUCTION FROM YOUR SCHOOL PROGRAM
DIRECTOR**

BERGEN COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS





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Jennifer Martinez <jmartinez@closternj.us>

Fwd: LFN 2025-04 Annual Financial Disclosure Statement Filing (LGE Representatives)

Jennifer Martinez <jmartinez@closternj.us>
To: Jennifer Martinez <jmartinez@closternj.us>

Tue, Mar 25, 2025 at 2:39 PM

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Date: Tue, Mar 25, 2025 at 2:22 PM

Subject: Fwd: LFN 2025-04 Annual Financial Disclosure Statement Filing (LGE Representatives)

To: Jennifer Martinez <jmartinez@closternj.us>

----- Forwarded message -----

From: <egg@dca.nj.gov>

Date: Tue, Mar 25, 2025 at 2:10 PM

Subject: LFN 2025-04 Annual Financial Disclosure Statement Filing (LGE Representatives)

Local Finance Notice 2025-04 has now been issued. The LFN contains important information concerning the annual Financial Disclosure Statement (FDS) filing process for Local Government Entity Representatives (LGE Representatives) for 2025. You may view the notice by clicking on this <https://www.nj.gov/dca/dlgs/lfns/2025/2025-04.pdf>.

Rosters may now be updated. The deadline to complete roster updates is March 31, 2025, as LGOs will be able to start filing shortly thereafter. During this time period for roster updates, Local Government Officers (LGOs) will not be able to access the system to file a FDS for 2025.

A separate Local Finance Notice (LFN 2025-07) will be released in the upcoming weeks for distribution to LGOs. The statutory deadline for LGO filing is April 30, 2025. Please wait until LFN 2025-07 has been issued before informing LGOs that they can begin filing.

The Local Finance Board has developed numerous resources, including webinars, to help the LGE Representatives with managing the FDS rosters. The webinars, available at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7WdF7A70VAh7emuji7XZOg>, show how to manage the FDS roster, as well as how to determine positions that are deemed LGOs, and thus who is required to file. The recording was designed to help LGE Representatives, especially new representatives, understand the FDS system.

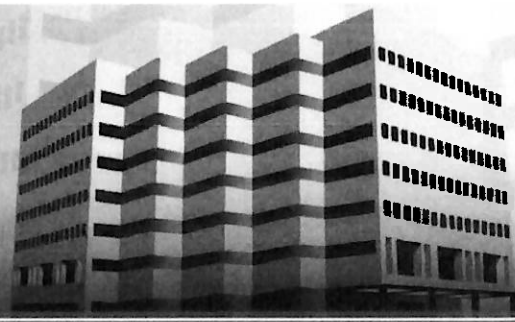
If you have questions that are not addressed in LFN 2025-04, please see the Help resources at www.fds.nj.gov, e-mail LFB_FDS@dca.nj.gov, or call the Local Finance Board staff at 609-815-3904.

Notice sent to: Municipal Clerks, County Clerks, and Clerks to Boards of County Commissioners

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Local Finance Notice



LFN 2025-04

March 1, 2025

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**Local Government Ethics Law:
2025 Financial Disclosure Statements
(2025 Filing Year)**

Local Government Entity (LGE) Roster Updates Due: March 31, 2025

Introduction

The Local Government Ethics Law (LGEL) requires local government officers to annually file a financial disclosure statement on or before April 30th of each year. This Local Finance Notice (LFN) outlines the filing procedure that is designed to facilitate efficiency and enhance transparency by using available technology to accept and report financial disclosure statements online. This notice is intended for municipal clerks, county clerks, and other local government entity representatives who have administrative responsibilities concerning roster maintenance for financial disclosure statements. Local Finance Notice 2025-07 contains information for local government officers and will be issued in the coming weeks.

The following abbreviations are used throughout this LFN:

LGO = local government officer

FDS = financial disclosure statement(s)

LGE = local government entity

LFB = Local Finance Board

LFN = Local Finance Notice

NJAC = New Jersey Administrative Code

DLGS = Division of Local Government Services

“Local government entity representative” is intended herein to mean the municipal clerk, county clerk, or other person who has administrative responsibilities on behalf of a local government entity regarding financial disclosure statements.

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I. Background

For the 2025 FDS, the LFB is using the online filing system that has been used since 2014. As in the past, the local unit rosters will be carried over from the prior year, allowing the LGE representatives to make necessary updates for 2025 without creating a new roster.

All financial disclosure statements must be submitted using the LFB's online filing system at www.fds.nj.gov.

II. Statutory Requirements/Concepts

N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6.a provides that "[l]ocal government officers shall annually file a financial disclosure statement." N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6.b provides that statements shall be filed on or before April 30th each year, except that each local government officer shall file a financial disclosure statement within 30 days of taking office.

The concept that LGOs have personal responsibility for annually filing their FDS forms is an important one. Municipal clerks, county clerks, and other local government entity representatives with administrative responsibilities concerning the FDS filing process are not required to complete FDS forms on behalf of LGOs, nor does the Local Government Ethics Law impose upon them a duty to ensure that LGOs satisfy their statutory obligation to file an FDS annually. However, municipal clerks, county clerks, and other local government entity representatives with administrative responsibilities concerning the FDS have an important role in the construction of the local unit roster and in ensuring that those individuals identified on the roster are made aware of the filing requirements. The failure of any LGO to comply with the annual filing requirement subjects the LGO personally to the penalties and disciplinary action provisions set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.10 and 40A:9-22.11.

This means that each LGO has the personal duty, by virtue of the LGO's public office, appointment, or employment, to read carefully LFN 2025-07 (to be issued in the coming weeks), understand the online filing procedure, and take necessary steps to timely file the LGO's FDS.

N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6.b provides that the "Local Finance Board shall prescribe a financial disclosure statement form for filing purposes." N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6.d further provides that "the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs may establish an electronic filing system for financial disclosure statements required to be filed pursuant to this section."

N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6.b further provides that “the original statement shall be filed with” the municipal clerk, county clerk, or other local government entity representative as appropriate to the circumstances. This requirement is satisfied when the LGO submits the FDS using the online filing system.

N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6.b also provides that “a copy of the statement shall be filed with the [Local Finance] board.” This requirement is satisfied when the LGO submits the FDS using the online filing system. The electronically submitted FDS forms will be accepted as the LFB’s copy.

III. Role of Municipal Clerks, County Clerks & Other Local Government Entity Representatives Regarding Financial Disclosure Statements and Rosters

The annual filing of an FDS starts with updating the LGE roster. The following steps pertain only to municipal clerks, county clerks, and other LGE representatives who have administrative responsibilities concerning managing the roster in connection with the FDS:

STEP 1: Carefully review this LFN.

STEP 2: Visit the FDS website www.fds.nj.gov for FDS instructions and other resources.

STEP 3: To log in, go to www.fds.nj.gov and select “Manage Local Government Roster.” Log in as the entity representative using the ID and password the entity representative previously used. The login ID is an e-mail address. Please remember that a different e-mail address must be used to file a personal FDS. If the local unit has assigned LGE representative duties to a new individual and new log in credentials as the LGE representative are necessary, please e-mail the LFB at LFB_FDS@dca.nj.gov.

STEP 4: Using the “Manage LGO Roster” button, update the roster to add new 2025 LGOs; update existing LGOs’ positions and information; or “In-Activate” those LGOs that are no longer serving the LGE. All LGO rosters must be completed no later than Monday, March 31, 2025, so that LGOs have sufficient time to complete and submit the FDS forms by Wednesday, April 30, 2025.

Updating Existing LGOs:

All changes to an existing LGO can be done by clicking the “EDIT” button under the “Actions” column to the far right in the roster listing.

- If an LGO no longer serves in any of the positions listed in the FDS, that LGO must be deactivated from the system by checking the box labeled “In-Active.”
- To delete one or more positions (but not all positions) for an LGO no longer serving in a certain position(s) previously held, click the “Delete” button for each position to be deleted.
- To add a new position for an existing LGO, complete the information in the “Add LGO position” box.
- After making any changes, be sure to click the “Save” button on the page.

NOTE: If any positions are added to an LGO’s profile after the LGO has submitted the FDS, the LGO will need to re-submit the FDS to reflect the changes in their profile.

Adding New LGOs:

- To add a new LGO, click the “Add LGO” button at the bottom of the Roster listing screen and complete the Local Government Officer information boxes.
- After making any changes, be sure to click the “Save” button on the page.

STEP 5: As the LGO roster is updated, a PIN will be generated for each new LGO. Distribute the PIN along with a copy of Local Finance Notice 2025-07 (when issued) to each new LGO, keeping in mind that the login information is confidential and should be given only to the associated LGO. Inform any new LGO that this PIN must be used to register and that their FDS must be filed on or before April 30th.

STEP 6: Inform LGOs who filed in 2024 that the same Login ID (e-mail address) and password must be used to update their previous FDS for the current year’s filing. Once it is available, distribute to each LGO a copy of LFN 2025-07. Please wait until LFN 2025-07 has been issued to inform LGOs that they can begin filing the 2025 FDS. Inform the LGOs that the FDS must be filed on or before April 30th. The method of distributing this information is a local decision.

- If an LGO forgets his or her login ID/e-mail, it may be provided to him or her from the e-mail shown on the roster.
- Changes to an LGO’s e-mail address and/or password, can be done by updating the LGO’s profile. Click on “manage your roster,” then select “edit” under actions, then select “Edit Profile” for the LGO requiring assistance.
- Remember that the PIN is separate from the password. Once an LGO has registered, he or she no longer needs the PIN.

STEP 7: View the roster and confirm that it is up to date. To view the roster in its entirety, click on “Reports.” You can export the roster by selecting the “Export” button (it looks like a floppy disk). You can then view the roster as a PDF or Excel document, which may make it easier to view and/or sort. The roster can also be viewed through the public search by going to www.fds.nj.gov, clicking the “search” button, and selecting “search local government officer roster.”

STEP 8: Any technical questions from LGOs concerning validation of the PIN or completing their FDS forms, can be referred to the help resources available at www.fds.nj.gov.

The LGE representative is responsible for ensuring that the LGO roster is fully and accurately updated on or before March 31, 2025. Those LGE representatives who do not update the rosters may subject some LGOs to violations of the filing requirement in the Local Government Ethics Law. For example, all LGOs who remain active on rosters will be required to submit a 2025 FDS. Individuals who are improperly retained on or added to the roster and fail to file an FDS could be found in violation. Notices of Violation (NOVs) for non-filing will be generated after the filing deadline based on the roster created by the LGE representative

Similarly, new LGOs who are required to be listed on the roster, but whose names have not been added, will not receive a PIN and, therefore, cannot file an FDS, putting them at risk of a future Local Government Ethics Law penalty.

IV. Determining Local Government Officers Required to File

While the Local Government Ethics Law (LGEL) applies to all employees and officers of local governments, only specific local government officers and employees are required to file an FDS. Individuals who are serving the local government on April 30, 2025, are considered local government officers or employees for purposes of the LGEL. Individuals who are no longer in office or employed by the local government on the filing deadline are NOT considered local government officers or employees under the LGEL. For example, an elected official whose term ended on December 31, 2024, should not be on the 2025 roster unless that elected official is serving the local unit in a different capacity. The LFB requests that each municipal clerk, county clerk, and other LGE representative who has administrative responsibilities concerning the FDS filing process carefully review their LGO roster in consideration of the guidance provided in this section and in consultation with local counsel.

Once the April 30th filing deadline has passed, newly elected or appointed LGOs shall be added to the roster. Newly added LGOs are required to file the FDS within 30 days of taking office.

If, after review, it is determined that some individuals within the local government are not deemed to be local government officers for the purposes of the FDS and, therefore, not required to file an FDS, please update the LGO roster and notify those individuals of that determination. If the LFB receives a signed, written complaint alleging that a person is an LGO who did not file an FDS, and that person is not included on the roster, the LFB may require the LGE representative to explain how that person was determined not to be an LGO.

N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.e defines a local government agency as “any agency, board, governing body, including the chief executive officer, bureau, division, office, commission or other instrumentality within a county or municipality, and any independent local authority, including any entity created by more than one county or municipality, which performs functions other than of a purely advisory nature, but shall not include a school board.”

N.J.S.A.40A:9-22.3.g defines a local government officer as “any person, whether compensated or not, whether part-time or full-time:

1. elected to any office of a local government agency;
2. serving on a local government agency that has the authority to enact ordinances, approve development applications, or grant zoning variances;
3. who is a member of an independent municipal, county, or regional authority; or
4. who is a managerial executive employee of a local government agency, as defined in rules and regulations adopted by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure Act,” P.L. 1968, c. 410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), but shall not mean any employee of a school district or member of a school board.”

The Office of the Attorney General has issued AO 91-0093 which helps clarify N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.g(1), (2), and (3). LGE representatives should consult AO 91-0093 when deciding if a title or position must file under N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.g(1), (2), and (3). For example, persons "elected to any office of a local government agency" include Fire District Commissioners. Local government agencies authorized to enact ordinances include local boards of health. Members of a municipal planning board, board of adjustment, or any other agency, such as a regional planning board which exercises the authority to approve development applications under the Municipal Land Use Law, (N.J.S.A. 40:55D-77 et seq.), would be deemed a "local government officer" and would have to file the FDS per N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.g(2). Authorities that are considered "local government agencies" include, but are not limited to, Fire Districts, N.J.S.A. 40A:14-70; Local Housing Authorities, N.J.S.A. 55:14A-1 et seq.; Parking Authorities, N.J.S.A. 40:11A-1 et seq.; Redevelopment Agencies, N.J.S.A. 40:55C-1 et seq.; and Sewerage Authorities, N.J.S.A. 40:14A-1 et seq.

N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.g(4), concerning the definition of managerial executive, was amended in August 2015. LGS has adopted Rules and Regulations, effective March 6, 2017, and December 4, 2017, defining managerial executive employees for FDS filing purposes. N.J.A.C. 5:35-2.1 states that "Individuals with the following titles or responsibilities equivalent to such titles shall be considered managerial executives under the definition of "local government officer" set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.g":

Positions Specifically Required to File an FDS per N.J.A.C. 5:35-2.1

1. Chief of Staff;
2. Business administrator;
3. Municipal or county manager;
4. Chief financial officer;
5. Treasurer;
6. Municipal clerk or clerk of governing body;
7. Department heads, including executive directors, division directors, deputy directors, and assistant directors;
8. Chief or acting chief of police, part-paid fire departments, and paid fire departments, or "officer in charge" in lieu of a chief or acting chief title;
9. Deputy chiefs and assistant chiefs of police, part-paid fire departments, and paid fire departments;
10. Chief or acting chief of a beach patrol;
11. Municipal and county engineer;
12. Health officer;
13. Municipal attorney and county counsel;
14. Planning board or zoning board of adjustment attorney;
15. Planning board or zoning board of adjustment engineer;
16. Local government agency attorney;
17. Local government agency engineer;
18. Municipal and county emergency management coordinators;
19. Trustees on a library board of trustees;
20. Municipal prosecutor;

21. County prosecutors;
22. County agriculture board members;
23. County college board of trustees;
24. Board of recreation commissioners;
25. Local ethics board members;
26. Rent leveling board members;
27. Special taxing district executive director/director and its commissioners;
28. Joint insurance fund executive director/director and its commissioners;
29. Local pension board commissioners;
30. Tax collector;
31. Qualified purchasing agent;
32. Construction official; and
33. Tax assessor.

Local governments are without statutory authority to expand the definition of local government officers; therefore, the roster should not include individuals who do not hold positions as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.g or the adopted rules at N.J.A.C. 5:35-2.1.

Please also note that with the 2015 Amendment to the LGEL, confidential employees are no longer considered LGOs for the purposes of the FDS and, therefore, are no longer required to file the FDS.

To further clarify number 16 above, local government agency attorneys are attorneys that serve a local government agency. Examples of local government agency attorneys include attorneys for fire districts and housing authorities. Special counsel, bond counsel, and labor counsel are not considered to be local government agency attorneys and, therefore, are not required to file an FDS.

In addition, per N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.3.e, members of advisory boards are not required to file an FDS and should not be listed on the FDS roster.

Appointment of Private Entity In Lieu of Licensed Chief Municipal Finance Officer

On January 18, 2018, DLGS issued LFN 2018-03 concerning the appointment of a private entity in lieu of a licensed chief municipal finance officer. All private entity officers and employees temporarily fulfilling the duties of chief financial officer on behalf of a municipality are subject to the Local Government Ethics Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.1 et seq.). Any licensed municipal finance officer that is supervising the temporary fulfillment of chief financial officer duties for a municipality shall be considered a "chief financial officer" pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:35-2.1, and thus, required to complete and submit an annual FDS pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6. Please refer to LFN 2018-03 for more information.

Shared Services Agreement

If an LGO serves in a managerial executive position specifically required to file an FDS per N.J.A.C. 5:35-2.1, for one or more local units as part of a Shared Services Agreement, the LGO is required to file the FDS for each local government entity served. LGE representatives for each unit participating in the Shared Services Agreement should list the shared LGO on their respective rosters and inform the LGO of the filing requirement.

V. Distribution of Local Finance Notice 2025-07

Municipal clerks, county clerks, and other local government entity representatives are responsible for transmitting LFN 2025-07 (when it is released) to LGOs. For purposes of N.J.S.A. 40:9-22.1 et seq., officers and employees serving independent local authorities are deemed to be serving the local government. In AO #91-0093, the Office of the Attorney General determined that the term "independent authorities" encompasses most autonomous local authorities and special tax districts. This includes fire districts. Thus, municipal and county clerks must also distribute LFN 2025-07 (when it is released) to independent local authorities (including fire districts). Additionally, these LGOs should be included on the municipal or county LGO roster.

However, for a municipality or county that has established an ethics board, the local ethics boards are required to make LFN 2025-07 (when it is released) available to LGOs within their jurisdiction. Please forward this communication to representatives of your local ethics board for necessary action.

Other local government entity representatives: county colleges (e.g., office of the president), regional authorities, joint insurance funds, health insurance funds, and joint meetings should designate an individual internally to transmit LFN 2025-07 (when it is released) to their respective LGOs in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6 and to be responsible for submitting the entity's LGO roster through the online filing system.

VI. Enforcement of FDS

The timely filing of the annual FDS is a statutory duty for individuals listed on the roster. The LFB routinely issues Notices of Violation (NOVs) to LGOs non-filers. LGOs can be assessed an appropriate fine that is not less than \$100 nor more than \$500 pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.10.

The LFB does not send out reminder e-mails to LGOs directly. Please remember to distribute all notices sent from the LFB to the LGOs. In its enforcement of the filing requirement, the LFB may request home addresses or additional information from the LGE representatives, and it appreciates the anticipated cooperation with these requests.

VII. Local Ethics Boards

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.4, the LFB shall have jurisdiction to govern and guide the conduct of local government officers or employees regarding violations of the provisions of this act "who are not otherwise regulated by a county or municipal code of ethics promulgated by a county or municipal ethics board in accordance with the provisions of this act."

If a municipality or county has a local ethics board, the local ethics board is responsible for enforcement of the FDS filing requirements. All notices, including violation notices, concerning the FDS shall come from the local ethics board and not the LFB.

The Local Finance Board website contains a list of municipalities and counties that have informed the Board that they have a local ethics board.

VIII. LGE Representative Contact Information

It is important that the LGE contact information, which is the login information, is kept up to date with the LFB throughout the year. Please contact the LFB by e-mail at LFB_FDS@dca.nj.gov with any changes.

Local government entities can add an additional LGE user to assist with managing the roster. This second user will have the same powers as the first LGE representative and will be able to update or edit the roster as needed. To add a second user for the entity:

- STEP 1: Go to www.fds.nj.gov and select "Manage Local Government Roster." Log in as the entity representative with the login and password for the entity.
- STEP 2: Click on "Edit Local Government Entity Profile/Manage Users."
- STEP 3: Click on "Manage Users."
- STEP 4: Select "Add LGE Login."
- STEP 5: Fill in the Local Government Entity User Information as prompted.
- STEP 6: If you need to deactivate the additional user for any reason, select "Edit Local Government Entity Profile/Manage Users," then select "Manage Users," then under "Actions" select the "Edit" function and check the "Disabled" box.

IX. Help System

The following help resources have been developed for both LGEs and LGOs:

1. Webinar trainings for LGE representatives can be found at www.fds.nj.gov.
2. Separate reference guides have been created for local government entity representatives and LGOs. These documents are available at www.fds.nj.gov.
3. A video training was specially created for LGOs and is available at www.fds.nj.gov.
4. A Frequently Asked Questions document is available at www.fds.nj.gov.

Questions should be directed to the Local Finance Board staff via e-mail at LFB_FDS@dca.nj.gov or by phone at 609-815-3904.

Approved: Michael F. Rogers, Director



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Jennifer Martinez <jmartinez@closternj.us>

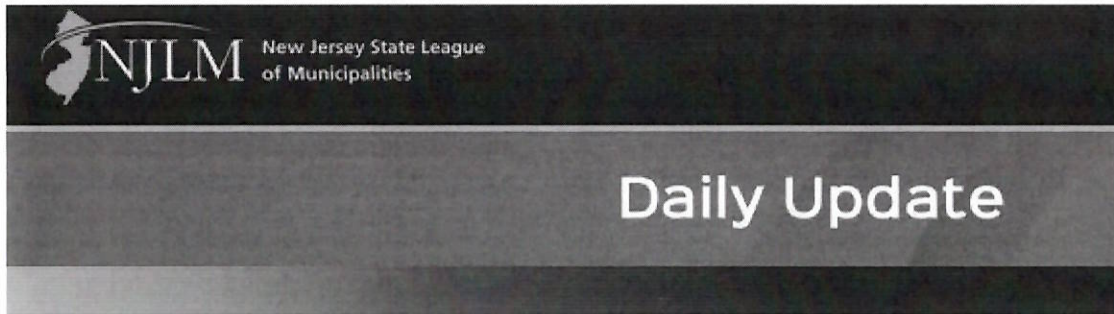
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Trenton Testimony, Local Finance Notices, ARPA Update

1 message

NJLM Weekly Roundup <listserv@civicplus.com>
To: mmargiotta@closternj.us

Wed, Mar 26, 2025 at 3:54 PM



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State Issues

League Testifies at Assembly Budget Hearing

On Tuesday, March 25, League Executive Director Michael F. Cerra testified before the Assembly Budget Committee on the FY26 State Budget and noted concerns about Energy Tax Receipts funding, Affordable Housing, and SHBP cost increases.

[Read more: League Testifies at Assembly Budget Hearing](#)

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LFN 2025-06 Issued on Updated Property Tax Bill Language

The Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) has issued Local Finance Notice (LFN) 2025-06 regarding updated property tax bill language, specifically regarding the State Aid Offset Calculator and Property Tax Relief Programs.

[Read more: LFN 2025-06 Issued on Updated Property Tax Bill Language](#)

Contact: Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, x116.

LFN 2025-07 Issued for 2025 FDS Filing Information

The Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) has issued Local Finance Notice (LFN) 2025-07 regarding the 2025 annual Financial Disclosure Statements (FDS) due on April 30.

[Read more: LFN 2025-07 Issued for 2025 FDS Filing Information](#)

Contact: Erin Knoedler, Legislative Analyst, eknoedler@njlm.org, x116.

Local Finance Board Lunch & Learn Posted

On Monday, March 24, the League hosted a Lunch and Learn with Local Finance Board leadership to review the process and answer any questions you may have as you finalize your roster. The Lunch & Learn recording is available for viewing.

[Read more: Local Finance Board Lunch & Learn Posted](#)

Federal Issues

NLC Blog: Act Now if Your Municipality is Behind on ARPA SLFRF

The obligation deadline for the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) program under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) passed at the end of 2024. Please review steps if you are not compliant.

[Read more: NLC Blog: Act Now if Your Municipality is Behind on ARPA SLFRF](#)

Contact: Paul Penna, Director of Government Affairs, ppenna@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x110

Also of Interest

NOFO: Pre-Apprenticeship in Career Education Program – Round 2

The NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development announced Round 2 of the Pre-Apprenticeship in Career Education Program. The program aims to support pre-apprenticeship initiatives that prepare individuals for success in Registered Apprenticeship programs.

[Read more: NOFO: Pre-Apprenticeship in Career Education Program – Round 2](#)

Contact: Ciara Bradley, Research Associate, cbradley@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x128.

CARE Grant Program

The New Jersey Department of Labor has announced the CARE Grant Program, providing funding ranging from \$50,000 to \$200,000 to aid programs that are focused on community and culturally based initiatives.

[Read more: CARE Grant Program](#)

Contact: Ciara Bradley, Research Associate, cbradley@njlm.org, 609-695-3481, x128.

NJLM and NJ Community Solutions Present Municipal Management Program

The New Jersey League of Municipalities has partnered with NJ Community Solutions to present the Municipal Management Program to teach individuals about the practical side of managing municipalities in New Jersey.

The Management Program is a series of three-hour practical educational sessions. Each session will be held in-person in small class sizes to provide opportunities to learn, discuss and question key aspects of managing a New Jersey municipality. Starting on March 25, the second series will cover a broad range of issues regarding Department and Workforce Management. Included will be Negotiating Contracts, Health Insurance and Retirement Benefits, Arbitration, and Disciplinary Action.

Many CEUs are available for Finance Officers, Municipal Clerks, Municipal Attorneys, Purchasing Agents, Tax Collectors, Public Works, and HR Professionals(SHRM)

[For more information](#) on the Management Workshop Series including dates, CEUs, and registration fees please visit the Management Series webpage.

Celebrate Your Municipality During Local Government Week 2025

Finalize your plans for Local Government Week 2025. The League invites you to join in with municipalities across the Garden State from April 6-12 to engage citizens while celebrating the work of local government.

[Read more: Celebrate Your Municipality During Local Government Week 2025](#)

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63 Harrington Ave sidewalk waiver request

1 message

Nir Lindenberg <nirlin@gmail.com>
To: mmargiotta@closternj.us

Wed, Mar 26, 2025 at 1:14 PM

Dear Mari,

It was a pleasure meeting you today. I appreciate your time and guidance on this matter.

I am currently undertaking an addition and renovation project at 63 Harrington Avenue. I would like to request a waiver for the requirement to add a sidewalk. There is already a full sidewalk on the opposite side of Harrington Avenue, and since this is not a new construction but rather an expansion and renovation of the existing home, I believe the waiver is justified.

Additionally, on the right side of the property, there is an easement road that provides access to neighboring properties at the rear. This easement already encroaches upon my lot, and installing a sidewalk would further reduce my front yard space. Given these considerations, I kindly request the approval for the waiver.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please let me know if you require any further information.

Best regards,

Nir Lindenberg



QML 3-28-25

Mari Margiotta <mmargiotta@closternj.us>

March 2025 Update

1 message

Michael F. Cerra <mcerra@njlm.org>

Thu, Mar 27, 2025 at 11:27 AM

To: Executive Director <executivedirector@njlm.org>

Cc: Lori Buckelew <lbuckelew@njlm.org>

To: NJLM Executive & Past Presidents

From: Mike Cerra, Executive Director

The League Officers, including League President Paul Tomasko, 1st VP Sean Elwell, 2nd VP Shelley Brindle and 3rd VP Guy Piserchia.

I am attaching the League's year-to-date financial report, through February 28 and the Conference Exhibit Sales report.

The rest of the accompanying documents, too large to email, can be downloaded here: https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/8qwd73dd3m2hgfrxz2dg9/APwq1WEOE_JrqWQ_JWkvW6l?rlkey=48q01gsy1niv35pgzz8hfak8r&st=9svg0wqt&dl=0

For the financial report, which I would characterize as very solid. I'll like to note that the negative balance in Line Item 1 of \$686,926 is typical for our financial cycle. The report is through February 28. Exhibit sales and sponsorships open on March 1 and are not included in the financial report.

The Exhibition and Sponsorships report reflects a commitment of \$738,500 through March 10, with \$291,375 already collected. That's not reflected in the financial report. But just as a reminder, a significant portion of our annual revenues is collected in the last 4 months of our fiscal year (i.e., March 1 through June 30 because of Conference Exhibit sales and membership dues.

The 2nd report shows strong initial sales, but slightly behind last year's pace. However, as of Tuesday, March 25 we're now slightly ahead of last year's pace with 63% of the exhibitor floor sold. If that trend continues, we may be able to take advantage of the extra space in Hall D and expand our exhibit floor. We'll have a better read on that for our June executive Board meeting on June 18th at the Princeton Marriot.

A few other items to note:

The Officers voted to set aside \$25,000 for the remainder of the fiscal year for possible legal costs associated with the defense and support of municipalities currently engaged in the 4th Round Affordable Housing program. As you may know, over 430 municipalities met the January 31 submission deadline. Of that, 159 submitted their determination instead of the one contained in the non-binding DCA guidance. All 159 of those municipalities were challenged by the New Jersey Builders Association, in filing that did not meet or were consistent with the directive issued by the Administrative Office of the Courts. We're waiting for the outcome of motions in those municipalities to dismiss the

action by the NJBA and their efforts. Of that 159, 68 were challenged by the Fair Share Housing Center and it's my understanding that several municipalities have settled or are close to settling with them. But undoubtedly there will be those who continue on through the process.

We anticipate that the NJBA will continue its efforts and try to get some of the municipalities out of the program and back into the Courts, so the Offices wanted to have funding set aside for that possibility. When the full Board reviews and acts on the League's FY 2026 budget that number can be reset to a higher or lower number, depending on circumstances.

As you may now, the League is hosting regular Zoom meeting for the Mayors and attorneys of these municipalities so they can share information. The meetings are continuing and have proven to be very helpful and I've gotten a very favorable response.

I must also regretfully note that League 2nd Vice President Brindle will not be seeking re-election this November and has indicated her willingness to step down as a Vice President in June so to allow a successor more time to prepare to the eventual succession to League President. The full Board can discuss the next steps and decide what action to take at the next full Board meeting on June 18.

In the meanwhile, the Officers will be meeting in May for our Budget workshop, in preparation for presenting a FY 2026 budget for review and action in June. My objective is to provide a draft FY 2026 budget to you at least one week in advance of the meeting.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Michael F. Cerra | Executive Director

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