

DOCKET

HACKENSACK CITY COUNCIL MEETING – Tuesday, February 3, 2026 5:30 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ORDER OF BUSINESS

- a. Open Public Meeting Act: *The City Clerk announces that the meeting is being held in accordance with the "Open Public Meeting Act", N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq., notice of which was sent to The Record and The Star Ledger and was posted on the Municipal Bulletin Board.*
- b. Roll Call
- c. Flag Salute
- d. Approval of Minutes:

December 29, 2025 Special Meeting
January 6, 2026 Regular Meeting
January 20, 2026 Regular Meeting

II. RESOLUTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. On-going Litigation:
- b. Matters involving attorney/client privilege
- c. Matters involving the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property
- d. Any pending or anticipated litigation or contract negotiations

III. PROCLAMATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- a. Proclamations – None
b. Presentations by Groups - None

IV. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS FROM PROFESSIONALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

- a. Department Head Reports
- b. City Professional Presentations
 - a. Green Acres Public Hearing Pocket Park 155 Main Street – **6:30pm**
 - 1. Bruno Associates, Inc.
- c. City Manager's Report

V. PUBLIC COMMENT (on agenda items only)

VI. NEW BUSINESS (ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS)

a. Ordinance for Second Reading

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| 1. Resolution #43-26 | Final Adoption of Ordinance 01-2026, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 170 of the Code of the City of Hackensack, "Vehicles and Traffic" to Add and Remove Handicapped Parking Spaces in Section 49.2, "Parking For the Handicapped" |
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| 2. Resolution #44-26 | Final Adoption of Bond Ordinance 02-2026, Bond Ordinance Amending Bond Ordinance 21-2025, Finally Adopted by the City Council of the City of Hackensack on June 3, 2025 |
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b. Ordinance for First Reading

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| 3. Resolution #45-26 | Introduction of Ordinance 03-2026, An Ordinance to amend Chapter 32 of the Code of the City of Hackensack, "Police Department" to Eliminate the Position of Director of Police and to Amend the Table of Organization of the Police Department to Include One (1) Deputy Chief and to Increase the Number of Captains to Five (5). |
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c. Consent Agenda

"The City Clerk announces that the following items are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion; any items requiring expenditure are supported by a Certification of Availability of Funds; any item requiring discussion will be removed from the Consent agenda; and Consent Agenda items will be reflected in full in the minutes including any exceptions and/or additions."

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| 4. Resolution #46-26 | Resolution Authorizing Payment of Bills |
| 5. Resolution #47-26 | Resolution Authorizing Tax Refunds |
| 6. Resolution #48-26 | Resolution Authorizing Endorsement of Proposed Home Investment Partnership Grant (HOME) Project Applications Submitted to the Bergen County Division of Community Development |
| 7. Resolution #49-26 | Resolution Authorizing the Submission of an Application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection 2026 Green Acres Program for Land Acquisition Funding (155 Main Street – Green Acres Land Acquisition Project) |
| 8. Resolution #50-26 | Resolution of Support from the City of Hackensack Authorizing the 2026 Sustainable Jersey Grants Program Application Funded by the PSEG Foundation Grant |
| 9. Resolution #51-26 | Resolution Authorizing Advertisement of Bids for Spring Valley Avenue Pedestrian Safety Improvements |
| 10. Resolution #52-26 | Resolution Approving Transfer of 2025 Budget Appropriations |

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| 11. Resolution #53-26 | Resolution Authorizing 2026 Temporary Budget Appropriations |
| 12. Resolution #54-26 | Resolution Authorizing the Release of Performance Bond and Safety Bond for the Second Street Pavilion Project for Hackensack Meridian Health |
| 13. Resolution #55-26 | Resolution Authorizing Raffle Licenses |

d. Non-Consent Agenda

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| 14. Resolution #56-26 | Resolution Authorizing The City of Hackensack to File Suit Against Rocco Duardo & Victor Vazquez |
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VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

VIII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

IX. ADJOURN

Council Member	Intro	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recused
Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins		X	X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz	X		X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

CITY OF HACKENSACK

RESOLUTION NO. 43-26

**FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 01-2026, AN
ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 170 OF THE CODE OF
THE CITY OF HACKENSACK, "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"
TO ADD AND REMOVE HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES
IN SECTION 49.2 "PARKING FOR THE HANDICAPPED"**

This Ordinance has been published according to law and now calls for a Public Hearing.

A motion to open to the public was offered by Councilman Carroll and seconded by Councilwoman Clark-Collins.

PUBLIC HEARING: Patrick Dorey - 139 South Main Street, I had a former employee at 149 South Main Street who had a handicapped spot assigned to her, she died 6 months ago and I let the police department know. Police said I had to come here to ask to remove it. I would ask that it be returned to regular parking.

A motion to close to the public was offered by Councilman Carroll and seconded by Councilman Diaz.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hackensack, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that Ordinance No. 01-2026 has passed its second and final reading and is hereby adopted.

**CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE COPY OF THE RESOLUTION PASSED AT
THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY OF HACKENSACK
HELD ON FEBRUARY 3, 2026**


TIMOTHY J. HOFFMAN, ACTING CITY CLERK

**CITY OF HACKENSACK
ORDINANCE NO. 01-2026**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 170 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY
OF HACKENSACK, "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC," TO ADD AND REMOVE
HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES IN SECTION 49.2,
"PARKING FOR THE HANDICAPPED"**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, the governing body of a municipality may make, amend, repeal, and enforce such other ordinances, regulations, rules and by-laws not contrary to the laws of this state or of the United States, as it may deem necessary and proper for the good of government, order and protection of person and property, and for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants, and as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed by this subtitle, or by any law; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Hackensack wishes to amend Chapter 170 of the Code of the City of Hackensack, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic," to add one (2) new handicapped parking spaces and remove (1) handicapped parking space to Section 49.2, entitled "Parking for the Handicapped" and,

WHEREAS, the Hackensack Police Department and the City Engineer have investigated the matter and have determined that adding such handicapped parking spaces will not significantly impact on-street parking, nor will it affect traffic flow.

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it is in the City's best interest to take this action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HACKENSACK, as follows:

Section 1:

Chapter 170, Section 49.2 of the Code of the City of Hackensack is hereby amended as follows [additions by underline, deletions by ~~strike through~~]

§170-49.2. Parking for the handicapped.

- E. Designation of parking areas. In accordance with this chapter, the following location(s) shall provide parking for the physically handicapped:

Parking Lot or Street	Side	Location/Number of Handicapped Space
<u>Kaplan Avenue</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>From a point of 284 feet east of the southeast curbline apex of Kaplan Ave and South Prospect Ave. to a point 22 feet north thereof.</u>
<u>Haynes Street</u>	<u>West</u>	<u>From a point of 47 feet south of the southwest curbline apex of Passaic Street and Haynes Street to a point 22 feet south thereof.</u>
<u>Second Street</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>From the apex of northwest corner of Second Street and James Street to a point 22 feet east thereof.</u>

Section 2:

All other provisions of Chapter 170, Section 49.2 of the Code of the City of Hackensack shall remain unchanged.

Section 3:

Repeal of Inconsistent Provisions. All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only however, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being the legislative intent that all ordinances or part of ordinances now existing or in effect unless the same being conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance shall remain in effect.

Section 4:

Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remain in effect; it being the legislative intent this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

Section 5:

Codification. This Ordinance shall be a part of the Code of the City of Hackensack as though codified and fully set forth therein. The City Clerk shall have this ordinance codified and incorporated in the official copies of the Code. The City Clerk and the City Attorney are authorized and directed to change any Chapter, Article and/or Section number of the Code of the City of Hackensack in the event that the codification of this Ordinance reveals that there is a conflict between the numbers and the existing Code, and in order to avoid confusion and possible accidental repealers of existing provisions not intended to be repealed.

Section 6:

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage, adoption, and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Introduced: January 20, 2026
Adopted: February 3, 2026

ATTEST:

CITY OF HACKENSACK

By: 
Timothy J. Hoffman, Acting Clerk

By: _____
Caseen Gaines, Mayor

Council Member	Intro	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recused
Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins		X	X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz	X		X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

CITY OF HACKENSACK

RESOLUTION NO. 44-26

**FINAL ADOPTION OF BOND ORDINANCE 02-2026, BOND
ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE 21-2025,
FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF HACKENSACK ON JUNE 3, 2025**

This Ordinance has been published according to law and now calls for a Public Hearing.

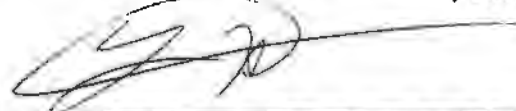
A motion to open to the public was offered by Councilwoman Clark-Collins and seconded by Councilman Diaz.

PUBLIC HEARING: No one wished to speak.

A motion to close to the public was offered by Councilman Carroll and seconded by Councilman Diaz.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hackensack, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that Ordinance No. 02-2026 has passed its second and final reading and is hereby adopted.

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TIMOTHY J. HOFFMAN, ACTING CITY CLERK

ORDINANCE 02-2026

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NUMBER 21-2025 FINALLY ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HACKENSACK, NEW JERSEY ON JUNE 3, 2025

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HACKENSACK, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Bond Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Hackensack, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "City") entitled "Bond Ordinance Providing For Various 2025 Capital Improvements and Acquisitions By And In The City Of Hackensack, In The County Of Bergen, State Of New Jersey, Appropriating \$7,180,00 Therefor and Authorizing The Issuance Of \$6,411,070 Bonds Or Notes Of The City To Finance Part Of The Cost Thereof" finally adopted on June 3, 2025 (the "Ordinance") is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Section 2. Section 3(a)(iii) of the bond ordinance, in connection with the purchase of a 1500GPM fire engine pumper, is hereby amended by deleting the reference of "\$1,200,000" for the appropriation and estimated cost, deleting the reference of "\$1,142,857" for the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes, deleting the reference of "\$57,143" for the downpayment and substituting in lieu therefor "\$980,000", "\$933,334" and "\$46,666".

This Ordinance is hereby further amended in Section 3(a) by adding 3(a)(viii) "Purchase of a Fire Engine (used), \$220,000 for the appropriation and estimated cost, \$209,523 for the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes, \$10,477 for the downpayment and 5 years for the useful life."

The Ordinance is hereby further amended by deleting the reference to "17.57" for the useful life and substituting in lieu therefor "16.94."

Section 3. The capital budget of the City is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolutions in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 4. This Section 4 constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2. The City reasonably expects to pay expenditures with respect to the Improvements prior to the date that the City incurs debt obligations under this Bond Ordinance. The City reasonably expects to reimburse such expenditures with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the City under this Bond Ordinance. The maximum principal amount of debt expected to be issued for payment of the costs of the Improvements is \$6,411,070.

Section 5. All other provisions of the Ordinance shall remain unchanged.

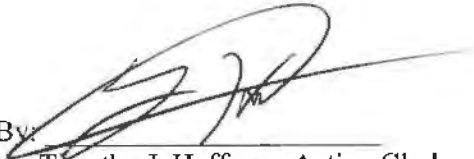
Section 6. This amendatory bond ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final adoption as provided by Local Bond Law.

Introduced: January 20, 2026

Adopted:

ATTEST:

CITY OF HACKENSACK

By: 

Timothy J. Hoffman, Acting Clerk

By: _____

Caseen Gaines, Mayor

Council Member	Intro	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recused
Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

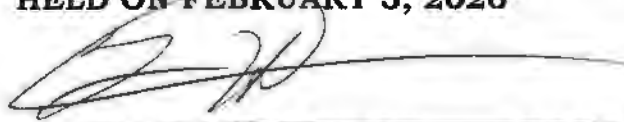
CITY OF HACKENSACK

RESOLUTION NO. 45-26

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE 03-2026 AN
ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 32 OF THE CODE OF
THE CITY OF HACKENSACK, "POLICE DEPARTMENT,"
TO ELIMINATE THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF POLICE
AND TO AMEND THE TABLE OF ORGANIZATION OF THE
POLICE DEPARTMENT TO INCLUDE ONE (1) DEPUTY
CHIEF AND TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CAPTAINS
TO FIVE (5)**

BE IT RESOLVED that the above ordinance, being Ordinance 03-2026 as introduced, does now pass on first reading and that said Ordinance shall be considered for final passage at a meeting to be held on February 17, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached at the regular meeting place of the City Council and at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance and that the Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to publish said ordinance according to law with a notice of its introduction and passage on first reading and of the time and place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage.

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TIMOTHY J. HOFFMAN, ACTING CITY CLERK

**CITY OF HACKENSACK
ORDINANCE NO. 03-2026**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 32 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF
HACKENSACK, "POLICE DEPARTMENT," TO ABOLISH THE POSITION OF POLICE
DIRECTOR AND RESTORE THE POWERS OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Hackensack ("City") have established a Police Department as provided for by N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118 and other related provisions of New Jersey law; and,

WHEREAS, Chapter 32 of the Code of the City of Hackensack ("City Code") sets forth the Police Department's Organization, Duties and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hackensack Police Department is the largest police force in Bergen County; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hackensack Police Department was a diverse and professional police force hailed as a leader in the areas of investigation, community policing, dispatching, organized under one Chief of Police; and

WHEREAS, the Hackensack Police Department underwent a series of significant and sometimes quizzical changes to its leadership structure over a 12-year period from 2012 to 2024; and,

WHEREAS, one example of the curious nature of some of the changes is evidenced by the position of Chief of Police ("Chief") being abolished in 2016 only to be restored in 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the position of Director of Police was created in 2012 as a civilian-held position to perform the duties of Chief in the event of vacancy;

WHEREAS, in 2015 the Director of Police was assigned all of the Chief's powers and the position of Chief of Police was abolished; and

WHEREAS, the position of Deputy Chief was abolished in 2016; and

WHEREAS, in 2024 the Chief of Police office was restored; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council find it necessary and proper to restore proper structure to the Hackensack Police Department for the most efficient discharge of the City's police function and to amend and update the Hackensack Police Department Table of Organization to reflect the current needs for appropriate supervision of the Department; and,

WHEREAS, the changes hereby made are tantamount to a final undoing of the ill-advised and *ad hoc* changes made by prior administrations over the last 10-15 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HACKENSACK, as follows:

Section 1:

The Code of the City of Hackensack ("City Code"), Chapter 32, "Police Department," Article I, "Department Organization, Duties, and Regulations" is hereby replaced with the following:

§32-1 Establishment of Police Department.

- A. There is hereby created, in and for the City of Hackensack, a Police Department, which shall consist with no more than a Chief of Police, and up to one (1) Deputy Chief, up to five (5) Captains, up to twelve (12) Lieutenants, up to eighteen (18) Sergeants, and a maximum of 85 police officers, to be appointed to these positions by the City Manager with the budgetary approval of the City Council, as public need may require
- B. Civilian. Communication operators, mechanics, parking meter repairers, parking meter collectors and repairers, school traffic guards, office-clerical personnel and such other titles as may be established.
- C. Special law enforcement officers. The City of Hackensack hereby establishes special law enforcement officers pursuant to and in compliance with the Special Law Enforcement Officers Act (N.J.S.A. 40A:14-146.8 et seq.)
 - 1. Special law enforcement officers are subject to the personnel policies of the City of Hackensack.
 - 2. Special law enforcement officers are subject to the City of Hackensack Police Department's Rules and Regulations, and Written Directive System, where applicable.

§32.2 Purpose of the Police Department

The Police Department shall:

- A. Preserve the public peace;
- B. Protect life and property;
- C. Detect, arrest and prosecute offenders of the laws of New Jersey and the ordinances of the City of Hackensack;
- D. Direct and control traffic;
- E. Provide attendance and protection during emergencies;
- F. Make appearances in court;
- G. Cooperate with all other law enforcement agencies; and
- H. Provide training for the efficiency of its members and officers.

§ 32-3. Chief of Police; powers and duties.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118, and to the fullest extent permissibly delegable to him under said statute, the Chief of Police shall be directly responsible to the appropriate authority for the efficiency and routine day-to-day operations of the Police Department. The Chief of Police shall, consistent with City ordinances:

- A. Administer and enforce the rules and regulations of the Police Department and any special emergency directives for the disposition and discipline of the Department and its officers and personnel.
- B. Have, exercise, and discharge the functions, powers and duties of the Police Department.
- C. Prescribe the duties and assignments of all subordinates and other personnel.
- D. Delegate such of his or her authority as he or she may deem necessary for the efficient operation of the Police Department to be exercised under his or her direction and supervision.

- E. Report at least monthly to the appropriate authority in such form as shall be prescribed by the appropriate authority on the operation of the force during the preceding month and make such other reports as may be requested by the appropriate authority.

§ 32-4. Appropriate authority designated.

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118, the City Manager is hereby designated as the appropriate authority and is hereby vested with the powers and duties of an appropriate authority as delegated by law.

§32-5. Appointment of officers and personnel.

No person shall be appointed to the Police Department who is not qualified as provided by New Jersey law. The selection criteria for a police officer shall be in accordance with Department policy and ordinances and New Jersey Law including but not limited to the rules and regulations of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission.

§32-6 Disciplinary action.

Discipline of police officers will be imposed consistent with New Jersey State statutes, New Jersey Administrative Code, the rules and regulations of the Hackensack Police Department, and the rules and regulations of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission. The written charges will be signed by the Chief of Police, or his/her designee, as provided in New Jersey law and the Police Department's rules and regulations. Police officers may also be subject to discipline for violating other statutes, ordinances, and policies

§ 32-7. Rules and regulations.

The appropriate authority shall, from time to time as may be necessary, adopt and amend the rules and regulations for the government and discipline of the Police Department and employees thereof. Said rules and regulations may fix and provide for the enforcement of such rules and regulations and the enforcement of penalties for the violation of such rules and regulations, and all employees of the Police Department shall be subject to such rules and regulations and penalties.

§ 32-8. Police officer extra-duty employment policy.

- A. Purpose. For the convenience of those persons and entities utilizing the services of Hackensack Police Department officers to perform extra-duty details and to authorize Hackensack police officers to perform voluntary extra-duty details within the City of Hackensack or within other local municipalities that extend beyond their regular assigned duties and responsibilities, the City hereby establishes a policy regarding the use of said officers.

- (1) Hackensack police officers shall be permitted to accept police-related employment for private employers or school districts only during off-duty hours and at such time as will not interfere with the efficient performance of regularly scheduled or emergency duty for the City. Any such extra-duty employment shall be voluntary, and may be accepted or declined solely at the option of the officer (provided the extra-duty employment is approved in accordance with the Hackensack City Code and any applicable rules, regulations, policies or procedures of the Hackensack Police Department). Accordingly, the performance of such extra-duty work for a separate and independent employer shall be excluded by the City in the calculation of the hours for which the officer is entitled to overtime.
- (2) Any person or entity wishing to employ a Hackensack police officer or officers for an extra-duty detail shall first obtain the approval of the Chief of Police or his/her

designee,). who shall grant such approval if in his or her judgment such employment would not be inconsistent with the efficient functioning and good reputation of the Police Department and would not unreasonably endanger or threaten the safety of the officer or officers who are to perform the work.

- (3) To the fullest extent permissible by law, the person or entity requesting the services of Hackensack police officer(s) for an extra-duty detail shall execute an appropriate hold harmless and indemnity agreement as approved by the City Attorney, which shall provide that such person or entity shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City of Hackensack, along with its elected and appointed officers, employees, agents, servants and administrators, from and against any and all claims, or actions at law, whether for personal injury, property damage or liability, including any cost of defense incurred by the City, which arises from any acts or omissions of the insured, its agents, or employees arising out of or related to his, her or its use of Hackensack police officers to perform extra duty. This indemnification and hold harmless agreement and the duty to defend shall apply in all instances, whether the City is a defendant or is made a direct party to the initial action or claim, or is subsequently made a party to the action by third-party in-pleading or is made a party to a collateral action arising, in whole or in part, from any of the issues from the original cause of action or claim.
- (4) No person or entity shall employ a Hackensack police officer for extra duty without having first filed with the Police Department a certificate of insurance naming the City, its agents, servants and administrators as additional insureds, and evidencing that general liability coverage of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence is in effect with respect to the extra-duty services to be provided. All such certificates of insurance are subject to approval by the City's risk manager or other insurance professional and the City Attorney. All policies of insurance evidenced by any certificate filed hereunder shall be maintained in full force and effect at all times while any police officer is performing extra duty. Upon the change or renewal of any such policy of insurance, the person or entity utilizing the services of a Hackensack police officer for extra duty shall file with the Police Department a new and current certificate of insurance in compliance with the foregoing provisions within one business day. The City Manager may waive some or all of the foregoing requirements if in his or her determination it is in the best interest of the City and the City will still remain adequately protected in the absence of same.
- (5) The Chief of Police, or his/her designee, with the approval of the City Manager, may promulgate appropriate additional administrative regulations and requirements for the use of Hackensack police officers for extra-duty details, provided they are not inconsistent with any provision within the Code of the City of Hackensack. The Chief of Police, or in the absence of the Chief, the City's highest ranking law enforcement executive, shall monitor all extra-duty employment to ensure that the City's interests are protected.

B. Escrow accounts.

- (1) Any person or entity requesting the services of a Hackensack police officer to perform extra duty shall estimate the number of hours such law enforcement services are required, which estimate shall be approved, in writing, by the Chief of Police or his/her designee shall establish an escrow account with the City Treasurer by depositing an amount sufficient to cover the rates of compensation and administrative fees for the total

estimated hours of service. This may be waived for nonprofit organizations, public utilities, or for companies that have a working relationship with the City.

- (2) Prior to posting any request for the services of a Hackensack police officer to perform extra duty, the Chief of Police or, in the absence of the Chief or his/her designee shall verify that the balance in the escrow account of the person or entity requesting services is sufficient to cover the compensation and fees for the number of hours specified in the request for services. The Chief of Police or his/her designee shall not post a request for services from any person or entity unless all fees and compensation required in the manner described above have been deposited with the City Treasurer. No officer shall provide any such services for more hours than are specified in the request for services.
 - (3) In the event the funds in such an escrow account should become depleted, services of law enforcement officers performing extra duty shall cease and requests for further services shall not be performed or posted until additional funds have been deposited in the escrow account in the manner prescribed above.
 - (4) The person or entity requesting such services shall be responsible for ensuring that sufficient funds remain in the escrow account in order to avoid any interruption of services.
- C. Requests for services.
- (1) Any law enforcement officers, when so employed by the City, shall be treated as employees of the City; provided, however, that wages earned for outside employment shall not be applied toward the pension benefits of law enforcement officers so employed.
- D. Rate of compensation.
- (1) The rate of compensation for a Hackensack police officer engaging in extra-duty employment shall be \$100.00 per hour, regardless of rank. Recognized public and not-for-profit educational and religious institutions shall receive a \$20 per hour reduction on the foregoing extra-duty employment rate of compensation.
 - (2) There is no minimum period for a Hackensack police officer to be engaged in extra-duty employment, however, any such officer engaged for a period of less than four hours shall be compensated as if he or she actually worked four hours. In the event of a cancellation received two or less hours prior to the scheduled starting time of the extra-duty assignment, there shall be a cancellation charge of four hours per officer. Cancellations received more than two hours prior to the scheduled starting time of the extra-duty assignment shall be at no charge.
 - (3) In addition to the compensation to be paid for the services of each Hackensack police officer, there shall be a \$25 per hour administrative/vehicle use fee, which is per officer engaged in extra-duty employment. The administrative/vehicle use fee is also subject to a four-hour minimum charge as set forth in Subsection D(2), above. Additionally, the City may pass along to the person or entity requesting such services any fees charged by an outside vendor contracted by the City to administer scheduling and/or notification services with respect to any extra-duty employment requested pursuant to this section. Recognized public and not-for-profit educational and religious institutions shall have this administrative fee waived by the City.

Section 2:

Repeal of Inconsistent Provisions. All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only however, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being

the legislative intent that all ordinances or part of ordinances now existing or in effect unless the same being conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance shall remain in effect.

Section 3:

Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remain in effect; it being the legislative intent this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

Section 4:

Codification. This Ordinance shall be a part of the Code of the City of Hackensack as though codified and fully set forth therein. The City Clerk shall have this ordinance codified and incorporated in the official copies of the Code. The City Clerk and the City Attorney are authorized and directed to change any Chapter, Article and/or Section number of the Code of the City of Hackensack in the event that the codification of this Ordinance reveals that there is a conflict between the numbers and the existing Code, and in order to avoid confusion and possible accidental repealers of existing provisions not intended to be repealed.

Section 5:

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage, adoption, and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Introduced: February 3, 2026

Adopted:

ATTEST:

CITY OF HACKENSACK

By: _____
Timothy Hoffman, Acting City Clerk

By: _____
Caseen Gaines, Mayor

Council Member	Intro	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent	Recused
Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

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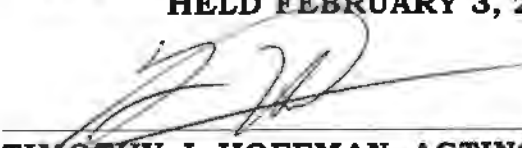
RESOLUTION NO. 46-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hackensack that the bills in the following accounts be and are hereby ordered paid:

Current Fund	1,270,490.85
Grants	19,635.00
Payroll	- 0 -
Public Parking System	4,459.40
Capital	13,195.28
Escrow	14,184.16
Trust Account	182,112.51
Total Expenditures	<u>1,504,077.20</u>
 Interfunds/Transfers	 \$ <u>279,863.69</u>

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Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

CITY OF HACKENSACK

RESOLUTION NO. 47-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TAX REFUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hackensack that the proper officers be and are hereby authorized to make the following refunds for the reasons stated:

<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>BLOCK</u>	<u>LOT</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>REASON</u> <u>PROP LOC</u>
\$10,162.90	210.01	21	Michael I. Schneck, Attorney For 121 Main Hackensack LLC 23 Vreeland Road Suite 103 Florham Park, NJ 07932	2025	State Board Judgment 121 Main St
\$2,305.30	3	21 C0104	Corelogic Refunds Dept For Deshpande, Sakshi & Chavan 3001 Hackberry Road Irving, TX 75063	2025	Duplicate Payment 38 Moonachie Rd
\$3,685.41	118	69	Corelogic Refunds Dept For Lekay, Lula 3001 Hackberry Road Irving, TX 75063	2025	Paid in Error 150 Poor St
\$3,357.93	141	34	Cassinelli, Victor 462 Marvin Ave Hackensack, NJ 07601	2025	Duplicate Payment 462 Marvin Ave
\$69.54	220	29	Corelogic Refunds Dept For Campoverde, Clara & Jose 3001 Hackberry Road Irving, TX 75063	2025	County Board Judgment 115 Atlantic St

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Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

CITY OF HACKENSACK

RESOLUTION NO. 48-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENDORSEMENT OF PROPOSED HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP GRANT (HOME) PROJECT APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED TO THE BERGEN COUNTY DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

WHEREAS a Bergen County HOME Investment Partnerships application of \$350,000 has been proposed by the Housing Authority of Bergen County located at One Bergen County Plaza, 2nd Floor, Hackensack, NJ 07601 for the purpose of providing rental assistance to low-income families, including senior citizens, persons with disabilities and homeless households; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, HOME funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of Hackensack, NJ; and

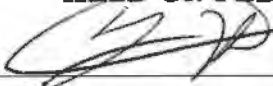
WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite the expenditure of the aforesaid Community Development funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body of Hackensack hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent

expeditiously to the Director of the Bergen County Division of Community Development (Robert G. Esposito; One Bergen County Plaza, 4th Floor; Hackensack, New Jersey 07601; resposito@co.bergen.nj.us) so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

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Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

CITY OF HACKENSACK

RESOLUTION NO. 49-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION 2026 GREEN ACRES PROGRAM FOR LAND ACQUISITION FUNDING (155 MAIN STREET – GREEN ACRES LAND ACQUISITION PROJECT)

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program (“State”), provides grants and/or loans to municipal and county governments and grants to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the acquisition, development, and stewardship of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hackensack desires to further the public interest by seeking Green Acres funding for the acquisition of real property known as 155 Main Street, for the purpose of permanent preservation and use as public open space and recreational land (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, based on eligibility criteria established by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, the City of Hackensack qualifies for up to 100% Green Acres acquisition funding for this Project, as the subject property is located within an Overburdened Community Subject to Adverse Cumulative Stressors (ACS/OBC) and designated as an Urban Aid Community, and the applicable funding round cap for eligible acquisition projects is within a range of \$1,000,000 to \$1,400,000, subject to appraisal review and final program approval; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks Green Acres acquisition funding of up to \$1,400,000, representing the maximum eligible State funding amount for which the City qualifies, at a planning-level estimated total project cost of \$1,400,000, subject to appraisal review and confirmation of eligible acquisition costs; and

WHEREAS, the State shall determine whether the application is complete and in conformance with the scope and intent of the Green Acres Program and shall notify the City of the amount of any funding award; and

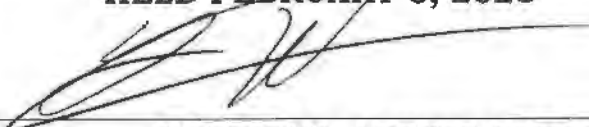
WHEREAS, the City understands that the final eligible Green Acres award amount is subject to appraisal review and approval by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection; and

WHEREAS, the City is willing to use the State's funds in accordance with all applicable rules, regulations, and statutes and is willing to enter into an agreement with the State for the above-named Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Hackensack, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that:

1. Mayor Caseen Gaines, or the successor to the office of Mayor, is hereby authorized to:
 - a) Make application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program, for acquisition funding for the Project;
 - b) Provide additional application information and furnish such documents as may be required by the State; and
 - c) Act as the authorized correspondent of the City for all matters related to the Green Acres application.
2. The City acknowledges that the Green Acres acquisition grant award, if approved, shall not exceed the maximum eligible funding cap established by the State and shall be subject to appraisal review and final program approval.
3. In the event that total eligible acquisition costs exceed the approved Green Acres award amount, the City certifies that it shall be responsible for providing any additional funding necessary to complete the Project.
4. The City agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in the performance of the Project.
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

CITY OF HACKENSACK

RESOLUTION NO. 50-26

RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FROM THE CITY OF HACKENSACK AUTHORIZING THE 2026 SUSTAINABLE JERSEY GRANTS PROGRAM APPLICATION FUNDED BY THE PSEG FOUNDATION GRANT

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to optimize quality of life for its residents by ensuring that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hackensack strives to save tax dollars, assure clean land, air and water, improve working and living environments; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hackensack is participating in the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

WHEREAS, one of the purposes of the Sustainable Jersey Program is to provide resources to municipalities to make progress on sustainability issues, and they have created a grant program called the 2026 Sustainable Jersey Grants Program funded by the PSEG Foundation;

THEREFORE, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Hackensack have determined that the City of Hackensack should apply for the aforementioned Grant in the amount of \$20,000.00 to produce a current Environmental Resource Inventory (ERI);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Hackensack, State of New Jersey, authorize the submission of the aforementioned 2026 Sustainable Jersey Grants Program funded by the PSEG Foundation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the persons whose names, titles, and signatures appear below are hereby authorized to sign the grant application, and that they or their

successors in said titles are authorized to execute the grant agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith.

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TIMOTHY J. HOFFMAN, ACTING CITY CLERK

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Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

CITY OF HACKENSACK

RESOLUTION NO. 51-26

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT OF BIDS FOR
SPRING VALLEY AVENUE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Hackensack, Bergen County, New Jersey upon the recommendation of the City Engineering Consultant, Neglia Group, that the plans & specifications for:

SPRING VALLEY AVENUE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS
(LA-2024 NJDOT FUNDED)

**CITY OF HACKENSACK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Are hereby approved and the City Clerk is hereby authorized to advertise for bids. This Resolution is to take effect immediately.

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Deputy Mayor Toomey						X	
Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

CITY OF HACKENSACK

RESOLUTION NO. 52-26

RESOLUTION APPROVING TRANSFER OF 2025 BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, various Year 2025 bills have been presented for payment this year, which bills were not covered by Year 2025 Budget Appropriations; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 provides that amounts in excess of appropriations over and above the amounts deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriations, may be transferred to appropriations deemed to be insufficient, during the last two months of the budget year and the first three months of the reserve year.

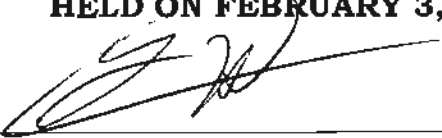
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hackensack that transfers in the amount of \$91,000 be made between the Year 2025 Budget Appropriations as follows:

CURRENT FUND

FROM	DEPARTMENT	
5-01-25-252-252-200	Emergency Mgmt – OE	\$ 5,000
5-01-25-265-266-100	Fire Official – S&W	\$ 5,000
5-01-26-130-130-200	Public Buildings / Grounds – OE	\$ 30,000
5-01-26-290-290-200	Streets & Roads – OE	\$ 15,000
5-01-26-300-300-200	DPW Admin - OE	\$ 10,000
5-01-27-305-305-200	Garbage & Trash – OE	\$ 6,000
5-01-28-375-375-200	Parks & Playgrounds – OE	\$ 20,000
	Total -	\$ 91,000

TO	DEPARTMENT	
5-01-20-120-121-200	Elections – OE	\$ 30,000
5-01-26-290-291-200	Snow Removal – OE	\$ 50,000
5-01-31-445-445-247	Utilities – Water	\$ 11,000
	Total -	\$ 91,000

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Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

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RESOLUTION NO. 53-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING 2026 TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-19 provides that where any contract, commitment or payments are to be made prior to the final adoption of the 2026 Budget, temporary appropriations should be made for the purpose and amounts required in the manner and time therein provided; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Hackensack that the following appropriations be made and that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Chief Financial Officer for his records.

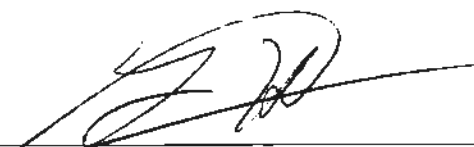
2026 TEMPORARY BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

Parking Utility Budget

X-05-55-512-0000 Capital Outlay

\$ 250,000

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Clark-Collins	X		X				
Carroll			X				
Diaz		X	X				
Mayor Gaines			X				

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RESOLUTION NO. 54-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF PERFORMANCE BOND & SAFETY BOND FOR SECOND ST. PAVILION - HACKENSACK MERIDIAN HEALTH

WHEREAS, a request has been received for the return of the Performance Bond, Maintenance Bond and Safety / Stabilization Bonds for the project known as Second St. Pavilion – Hackensack Meridian Health in Hackensack; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer has approved the release of the Performance Bond, Maintenance Bond, and Safety / Stabilization Bonds without conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Hackensack, County of Bergen that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby directed to return the Performance Bond, Maintenance Bond, and Safety / Stabilization Bonds to Hackensack Meridian Health, 343 Thornall St. 8th Floor, Edison, NJ 08837.

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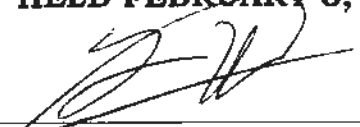
RESOLUTION NO. 55-26

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RAFFLE LICENSES

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Hackensack that the following organization(s) be granted permission to conduct a Raffle in accordance with the application on file in the office of the City Clerk:

RA	#2026-07	Hackensack High School PTA
RA	#2026-08	Hackensack High School PTA
RA	#2026-09	Fairmount School PTA

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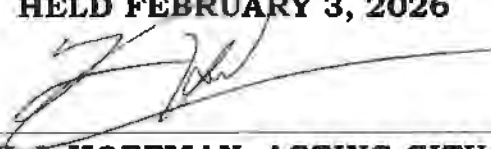
RESOLUTION NO. 56-26

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF HACKENSACK TO FILE SUIT
AGAINST ROCCO DUARDO AND VICTOR VASQUEZ**

WHEREAS, that the City Attorney has received consent from the Mayor and City Council to file a complaint against former City employees Rocco Duardo and Victor Vasquez in Superior Court of NJ for reimbursement of salary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City Hackensack direct the City Attorney to take the appropriate action to file and execute any documents necessary in connection to this matter.

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