



NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE-FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Co-Chair George Smiley, Seventh District
Co-Chair John Cartier, Eighth District

December 10, 2024
4:00 PM

VIRTUAL ZOOM WEBINAR MEETING &
LOUIS L. REDDING CITY/COUNTY BUILDING
1ST FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS
800 N. FRENCH STREET, WILMINGTON, DE 19801**

REVISED AGENDA V

A. Call To Order/Roll Call

B. Approval of Minutes

C. Review/Discussion of Resolution(s)

R24-198: AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS TO ACCEPT A DONATION FROM PAR 1, INC. OF 35.71 ACRES OF LAND VALUED AT \$6,000,000 AND A DONATION FROM VERINO PETTINARO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$70,000 TO APPLY TOWARDS MAINTENANCE COSTS

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Carter

R24-199: AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN AWARD AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY TO ACCEPT AN AWARD UNDER THE SOCIAL IMPACT PARTNERSHIPS TO PAY FOR RESULTS ACT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,640,323.00 FOR THE FAMILY HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PURPOSEFUL EMPLOYMENT PROJECT

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

R24-201: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SUBAWARD AGREEMENT WITH DAVITRON, LLC TO ASSIST WITH THE ACQUISITION OF NEW TOWNHOME STYLE RENTAL UNITS ON LIMESTONE RD. FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000,000.00

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

R24-202: AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE NINTH AMENDMENT TO GROUND LEASE WITH THE DELAWARE RIVER AND BAY AUTHORITY REGARDING OPERATIONS AT THE NEW CASTLE AIRPORT

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley

D. Review/Discussion of Ordinance(s)

°24-164: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$160,000 FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE FY2025 GRANT-IN-AID BILL TO THE FY2025 POLICE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

GRANT TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley; Mr. Cartier

°24-165: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$40,000.00 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO THE ASSET FORFEITURE-FEDERAL GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°24-166: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$506,644.98 FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TO THE FY2025 FUNDS TO COMBAT VIOLENT CRIME GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°24-167: AMEND THE FY2025 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE UP TO \$880,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TAX STABILIZATION RESERVE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF LAW TO FUND ATTORNEY FEES AND LITIGATION EXPERT WITNESSES

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°24-168: AMEND THE FY2025 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FUNDING FROM THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY TECHNOLOGY FEE ACCOUNT WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS AND RECORDER OF DEEDS TECHNOLOGY FEE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES FOR THE PURCHASE OF HANDTEVY

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°24-169: AMENDING NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 2 ("ADMINISTRATION") AND CHAPTER 14 ("FINANCE AND TAXATION") TO COMPENSATE CERTAIN MEMBERS OF COUNTY BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS

Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

°24-170: AMENDING THE PAY PLANS AND RATES OF PAY FOR ELIGIBLE MEMBERS OF CERTAIN NEW CASTLE COUNTY BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS

Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

°24-171: AMEND THE FY2025 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: TRANSFER FUNDING FROM THE GRANTS AND FIXED CHARGES BUDGET LINE ITEM OF COUNTY COUNCIL TO THE MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES BUDGET LINE ITEM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE SENIOR EMERGENCY FOOD VOUCHER PROGRAM

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley

°24-173: TO AMEND *NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE* CHAPTER 14 ("FINANCE AND TAXATION"), ARTICLE 6 ("EXEMPTION FROM REAL PROPERTY TAXATION"), SECTIONS 14.06.302 ("QUALIFICATIONS FOR AND AMOUNT OF ELDERLY EXEMPTION"), 14.06.303 ("QUALIFICATIONS FOR AND AMOUNT OF DISABILITY EXEMPTION"), 14.06.901 ("LANDFILL EXEMPTION"), AND 14.06.1103 ("FILING FREQUENCY"); AND CHAPTER 38 ("UTILITIES"), ARTICLE 2 ("SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL"), SECTION 38.02.505 ("ESTIMATED EDU CHARGES AND MEASUREMENT OF WATER FOR CONSUMPTION CHARGES") REGARDING EXEMPTIONS

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley

°24-177: TO AMEND THE PAY PLANS AND RATES OF PAY FOR CLASSIFIED SERVICE 35-HOUR WORKWEEK EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE DELAWARE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COUNCIL 81, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, AFFILIATE LOCAL 1607 AND TO ADOPT NEW

AND AMEND CLASS SPECIFICATIONS FOR LAND USE RELATED POSITIONS

Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

°24-178 TO PROVIDE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF ARLINGTON STREET LIGHTS WITH LIGHT EMITTING DIODE (LED) BULBS (70 WATT EQUIVALENT) AND 8' POLE IN THE FOULKSTONE SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN THE BRANDYWINE HUNDRED AND FOR A LIGHT TAX BASED ON THE COST OF STREET LIGHTS

Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

E. New Castle County Grant Requests/Community Events

-12/10/24 Grant Matrix

F. Expense and Revenue Round Table

G. Other

-NACo Travel Requests

- Councilwoman Dee Durham requesting travel expenses for the March 2025 NACo Legislative Conference
- Councilman Dave Carter requesting travel expenses for the March 2025 NACo Legislative Conference
- Councilman Brandon Toole requesting travel expenses for March 2025 NACo Legislative Conference
- Council President Monique Williams-Johns requesting travel expenses for March 2025 NACo Legislative Conference

-FY2026 Budget Calendar Discussion- Councilman George Smiley

-Appointing Brian Murphy to the New Castle County Board of Assessment Review

H. Public Comment

I. Adjournment

REVISED AGENDA V POSTED: DECEMBER 10, 2024 (10:00am)

REVISED AGENDA IV POSTED: DECEMBER 9, 2024

REVISED AGENDA III POSTED: December 9, 2024

REVISED AGENDA II POSTED: December 6, 2024

REVISED AGENDA POSTED: December 5, 2024

AGENDA POSTED: December 3, 2024

*The Revised Agenda V was posted seven (7) days in advance of the meeting to add another travel request under Other. This item was not known when the original agenda was posted, and the item is time-sensitive in order to register for an upcoming conference before Council's next meeting in January 2025.

*The Revised Agenda IV was posted less than (7) seven days in advance of the meeting to remove an item under Other (Council Employee Telecommuting Agreement).

*The Revised Agenda III was posted less than (7) seven days in advance of the meeting to add another travel request under Other. This item was not known when the original agenda was posted, and the item is time-sensitive in order to register for an upcoming conference before Council's next meeting in January 2025.

*The Revised Agenda II was posted less than (7) seven days in advance of the meeting to add an item under Other (Approval of Telecommuting Agreement). This item is for a new employee and was unknown at the time of its original posting. It is time-sensitive because Council will not meet again until January.

*The revised agenda was posted less than (7) seven days in advance of the meeting to add an appointment interview. The item was known at the time of its original posting but inadvertently left off the agenda. It is time-sensitive as Council will not meet again until January.

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