



NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

April 8, 2025
6:30 PM

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

AGENDA

A. Call to Order

- **Moment of Silence**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Roll Call**

B. Approval of Minutes

C. Announcements

D. Introduction of Ordinances

°25-035: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$39,201.00 IN PROGRAM INCOME TO THE SENIOR HOME REPAIR PROGRAM GRANT TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING

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

°25-036: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$216,910.42 IN PROGRAM INCOME TO THE DOWN PAYMENT REVOLVING LOANS (DPS) GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING

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

°25-037: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$11,181.00 IN PROGRAM INCOME TO THE ABSALOM JONES SENIOR CENTER RECREATION GRANT TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES

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

°25-038: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$70,780.00 FROM THE DELAWARE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION TO THE SPECIAL EVENTS FUND GRANT, TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

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

°25-039: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$41,706.96 IN EMERGENCY ILLEGAL DRUG ENFORCEMENT (EIDE) FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TO THE EIDE FY2025 GRANT, TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°25-040: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$77,170.44 IN STATE AID TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT (SALLE) FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TO THE STATE AID TO LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT (SALLE) – FY2025 GRANT, TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°25-041: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$125,000 IN FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL, DIVISION OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO THE KNOLLWOOD PARK COURT IMPROVEMENTS GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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

°25-042: AMEND THE PAY PLAN AND RATES OF PAY FOR CLASSIFIED SERVICE PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE DELAWARE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COUNCIL 81, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, AFFILIATE LOCAL 3109 FOR THE CLASS SPECIFICATION OF PLANNER I FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE, DIVISION OF PLANNING

Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

E. Reports from Select and Special Committees

F. Consent Calendar

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G. Presentations

H. Consideration of Resolutions Removed from the Consent Calendar and Other Resolutions

R25-054: APPROVING THE REFUND OF A DUPLICATE TAX PAYMENT ON TAX PARCEL NUMBER 11-018.000-59

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

R25-055: APPROVING REVISED CLASS SPECIFICATION FOR COORDINATOR OF EMERGENCY PLANNING PURSUANT TO NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE SECTION 26.03.105(F)

Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

I. Consideration of Ordinances

°25-026: TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 13 ("STORMWATER MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS") REGARDING STORMWATER MAINTENANCE AND THE VILLAGE

OF BAYBERRY SOUTH

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Carter

°25-027: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$39,600.00 FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE – SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE FUND (SLEAF) TO THE SLEAF CELLEBRITE TECHNOLOGY UPGRADE GRANT, TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°25-028: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$45,000 IN ACTUAL PROGRAM INCOME TO THE COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°25-029: TO APPROPRIATE \$20,000 IN THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR TREE REMOVAL FOR SENIORS TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

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

°25-030: AMEND THE FY2025 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: REALIGN \$190,000 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR HOPE CENTER EMERGENCY REPAIRS

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

°25-031: TO AMEND THE PAY PLANS AND RATES OF PAY FOR NON-UNION CLASSIFIED SERVICE EMPLOYEES AND AMEND THE CLASS SPECIFICATIONS FOR BENEFITS AND PENSION ADMINISTRATOR INTO TWO NEW CLASS SPECIFICATIONS WITH TITLES OF BENEFITS ADMINISTRATOR AND PENSION ADMINISTRATOR

Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

°25-032: AMEND THE FY2025 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: REALIGN \$700,000 FROM GENERAL FUND DEBT SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF FLEET OPERATIONS MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES BUDGET LINE ITEM TO FUND GASOLINE \$350,000 AND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE TO FUND MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES \$350,000

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

°25-033: AMEND THE FY2025 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE \$900,000 FROM THE SEWER FUND TAX STABILIZATION RESERVE ACCOUNT; \$400,000 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF PLANT OPERATIONS, COMMUNICATIONS AND UTILITIES BUDGET LINE ITEM TO FUND PUMP STATION ELECTRIC SERVICE; AND \$500,000 TO SEWER FUND DEBT SERVICE

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

°25-002: (STATUS: TABLED) AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FEDERAL FUNDS OF \$556,302.63 FROM THE CYBERSECURITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY AGENCY PASSED THROUGH THE DELAWARE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO THE PERIMETER FIREWALLS REPLACEMENT (SLCGP) GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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

J. Time Sensitive Congratulatory/Honorary Resolutions

R25-056: CONGRATULATING MICHAEL R. BERRY ON 37 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE DELAWARE NATIONAL GUARD

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Caneco

Co-sponsor(s): Mr. Toole

R25-057: RECOGNIZING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2025 AS AUTISM ACCEPTANCE MONTH

Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

Co-Sponsor(s): Mr. Tackett

K. Introduction/Consideration of Emergency Ordinances

L. Public Comment/Other

M. Motion to Adjourn

AGENDA POSTED: April 1, 2025

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