



NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING

July 22, 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**

REVISED AGENDA

A. Call to Order

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

B. Approval of Minutes

C. Announcements

D. Introduction of Ordinances

°25-097: TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 2 ("ADMINISTRATION"), SECTION 2.05.507 ("HUMAN RESOURCES ADVISORY BOARD") REGARDING BOARD COMPOSITION

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole

Co-sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

°25-098: AMENDING CHAPTER 26 ("HUMAN RESOURCES"), SECTION 26.01.009 ("UNIFORM PAY PLANS") REGARDING PROCEDURE

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

°25-099: TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 14 ("FINANCE AND TAXATION"), ARTICLE 5 ("ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES AND PENALTY") TO PROVIDE THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER AUTHORITY TO ABATE PENALTIES FOR ELIGIBLE RESIDENTIAL TAXPAYERS PARTICIPATING IN AN INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLAN CAUSED BY INCREASED PROPERTY TAX LIABILITY FOLLOWING A COUNTY-WIDE REASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY

Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley

E. Consent Calendar

NOTE: If an item on the Consent Calendar is objected to by a Council member, or a member of the public wishes to obtain additional information about the candidate or proposed legislation, or if a Councilmember intends to offer an amendment to a resolution, seek additional information, or state a conflict, it shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and voted upon separately.

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

R25-120: PLAN OF FALCONER'S ROW; CHRISTIANA HUNDRED; NORTHEASTERLY CORNER OF BUCK ROAD AND MONTCHANIN ROAD; CREATE 11 RESIDENTIAL LOTS AND OPEN SPACE SUBDIVISION PLAN ON TAX PARCELS 07-024.00.024 AND 07-027.00.043 AND PORTIONS OF 07-027.00-027, 07-027.00-039, AND 07-029.00-040 REMAINING PORTIONS 07-027.00-027 AND 07-027.00-040 WILL NOT BE PART OF THE SUBDIVISION; SE ZONING; [APPLICATION NO. 2020-0468-S](#); COUNCIL DISTRICT 2
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

R25-121: CALLING TO END CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY'S TRANSNATIONAL REPRESSION OF FALUN GONG AND SHEN YUN
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns, Ms. Kilpatrick

G. Time Sensitive Congratulatory/Honorary Resolutions

H. Presentations

I. Consideration of Ordinances

°25-095: AMENDING NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 14 ("FINANCE AND TAXATION"), SECTION 14.01.014 ("TAX STABILIZATION RESERVE ACCOUNT") REGARDING THE TAX STABILIZATION ACCOUNT AND REASSESSMENTS
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley

°25-096: AMEND THE FY2026 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET APPROPRIATE FUNDING FROM THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY TECHNOLOGY FEE ACCOUNT WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE RECORDER OF DEEDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY TO REFRESH VIDEO PRODUCTION EQUIPMENT
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°25-084: TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 26 ("HUMAN RESOURCES"), ARTICLE 3 ("MERIT SYSTEM"), TO INCREASE THE RETIREMENT AGE FOR OFFICERS IN THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°24-172: REVISE ZONING MAP: CHRISTIANA HUNDRED, NORTH SIDE OF BUCK ROAD, 903 FEET EAST OF THE CENTERLINE OF MONTCHANIN ROAD; REZONE 1.78 ACRES OF TAX PARCEL 07-027.00-039 FROM SUBURBAN ESTATE (SE) TO SUBURBAN ESTATE (SE) AND H (HISTORIC OVERLAY ZONE) (The Exploratory Major Subdivision Plan for Falconers Row proposes to reconfigure tax parcels; 07-024.00-024, 07-027.00-027, 07-027.00-039, 07-027.00-040 and 07-027.00-043 and create an eleven (11) lot subdivision with associated site improvements, utilizing the open space subdivision option with minimum one acre lots, and rezone proposed Lot 11 (1.78 acres of existing parcel 07-027.00-039) from "SE" (Suburban Estate) to Suburban Estate (SE) and "H" (Historic Overlay Zone). App. 2020-0468-S/Z, Council District 2)
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

- J. Introduction/Consideration of Emergency Ordinances
- K. Public Comment/Other
- L. Motion to Adjourn

AGENDA POSTED: July 21, 2025**AGENDA POSTED: July 15, 2025**

*The revised agenda was posted less than (7) seven days in advance of the meeting to add Ordinances 25-098 and 25-099 under "Introduction of Ordinances" and to remove tabled Ordinance 25-090, which will be formally withdrawn at the 7/22/25 Council meeting under "Announcements." Ordinances 25-098 and 25-099 are both time-sensitive and are being introduced ahead of the August recess so they can be considered by Council as soon as possible. Delaying the introduction of both would have major implications on the consideration of Pay Plans (25-098) and the taxpayers of New Castle County (25-099).

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