

REVISED

PUBLIC MEETING AGENDA

Township of West Orange

66 Main Street – 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 12, 2026 - Meeting No. 10

This is to inform the general public that this meeting is being held in compliance with Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, Public Law 1975. The notice for this meeting was emailed to the West Orange Chronicle and the Star Ledger on October 30, 2025.

Statement of Decorum

In all matters not provided for in subsection 3-15.1 and except upon consent of the Council President, each person addressing the Council pursuant to this subsection shall be required to limit his or her remarks to five (5) minutes and shall at no time engage in any personally offensive or abusive remarks. The chair shall call any speaker to order who violates any provision of this rule. (1972 Code § 3-15.2)

Roll Call – Councilwoman Casalino, Councilman Krakoviak, Councilwoman Rudin, Councilwoman Williams, Council President Scarpa, Mayor McCartney

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Public Comment

2. *Consent Agenda

3. *Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting – Budget Meeting April 27, 2026 and Public Meeting April 28, 2026

4. *Report of Township Officers – None

5. *Reading of Petitions and Communications and Bids

- BID-Repair and Maintenance of Buses for the West Orange Public Works Department
- RFQ-Public Health Nurse Supervisor 2026/27

6. *Bill List

7. *Resolution(s)

a. ~~131-26~~ REMOVED

b. ~~132-26~~ Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Downes Tree Service Co., Inc., 65 Royal Lane, Hawthorne, NJ 07506 for the Purchase and Planting of 200 Trees and the Purchase and Installation of Root Barriers and Deer Fencing in an Amount NTE \$144,625.00 (Reynolds)

c. ~~138-26~~ Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Raffle Licenses (Clerk)

- d. **139-26** Resolution Authorizing the Rejection of the Nine Bids Received for the Degnan Park Community Garden and Outdoor Fitness Area Improvements Project (Carballo)
- e. **140-26** Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding Between the Township of West Orange and the County of Essex with Regards to the Installation and Maintenance of Two (2) LED Speed Feedback Signs Along Gregory Avenue Within Rights of Way Belonging to the County of Essex (Carballo)
- f. **141-26** Resolution Authorizing the Return of Street Inspection Escrow to A1General Construction, LLC for Work Performed in the Township's Right of Way Located at 270 St. Cloud Avenue (Carballo)
- g. **142-26** Resolution Authorizing a Discharge of Mortgage for the Property at 41 Liberty Street, West Orange, NJ (Semeraro)
- h. **143-26** Resolution Authorizing the Collector of Taxes to Rebate Payment to the Listed Taxpayer Pursuant to Final Judgment by the Tax Court of New Jersey (Longo)
- i. **144-26** Resolution Authorizing a Discharge of Mortgage for the Property at 8 Abington Road, West Orange, NJ (Semeraro)
- j. **145-26** Resolution Authorizing a License Agreement with the Montclair YMCA for the Use of the Ginny Duenkel Pool (Semeraro)
- k. **146-26** Resolution of the Township of West Orange Authorizing Settlement Agreement (Semeraro)
- l. **147-26** Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters falling within the attorney-client privilege, to the extent that confidentiality is required in order for the attorney to exercise his ethical duties to this body; and for the discussion of matters which, by express provision of federal law, state statute, or rule of court, are required to be rendered confidential, specifically including: **Personnel Matter(s)-(a) West Orange Fire Chief, (b) Grievances for Terminal Leave Payments for Other Retirees; Litigation-(a) former Police Chief James Abbott-Discussion of Outside Counsel (b) Affordable Housing/Builders' Remedy Lawsuits; Potential Litigation-(a) Essex House; Contract Negotiations – (a) Redevelopment – Matrix; Attorney/Client Privilege-(a) Salary Ordinance – Municipal Court Configuration. Executive Session matters are subject to change**

8. Ordinance(s) on Second and Final Reading

- a. **2970-26** An Ordinance Amending And Supplementing Chapter 7, Traffic, Subsection 7-29.1, Speed Limits In General, Of The Revised General Ordinances Of The Township Of West Orange (Carballo) **The Ordinance, which amends the Traffic Regulations of the Township, establishes a Speed Limit of 25 miles per hour (mph) on Mount Pleasant Avenue, between Prospect Avenue and Gregory Avenue, and establishes a 35 miles per hour (mph) limit between Gregory Avenue and Main Street. These changes are implemented at the request of the Essex County Engineer prior to the installation of new speed limit signs. The Municipal Engineer, in conjunction with and having the support of the West Orange Chief of Police agreed upon the 35MPH limit from Gregory Avenue to Main Street based on the review of data on vehicular speeds and vehicular volumes along Mount Pleasant Avenue and crash data. The Municipal Engineer has determined that the criteria of the New Jersey Department of Transportation and N.J.S.A. 39:4-98(b) 1 & 2 were met to establish these Speed Limits.**

- b. **2971-26** An Ordinance Amending And Supplementing Chapter 7, “Traffic,” Section 32.2, “Restricted Parking Zones,” Of The Municipal Code Of The Township Of West Orange **(Carballo)** This Ordinance amends and supplements Chapter 7 Traffic, Subsection 32.2 Restricted Parking Zones of the Revised General Ordinances. Restricted Parking Stalls will be established in front of 8 McKinley Avenue and 30 Park Terrace for the exclusive use of the residents who are in possession of a NJMVC Disability ID and Parking Placard. These Stalls were requested by the residents of each location and are permissible under NJ Statutes Annotated (N.J.S.A.) 39:4-197.7. Parking is permitted in the restricted parking zone except when prohibited by other sections of Chapter 7 of the Revised General Ordinances. Additionally, two Restricted Parking Stalls will be removed from 111 Chestnut Street and 9 Cross Street because the residents have moved and they are no longer required.
- c. **2972-26** Calendar Year 2026 Ordinance to Exceed the Municipal Budget Appropriation Limits and to Establish a Cap Bank (N.J.S.A. 40a: 4-45.14) (Ditinyak)

9. Ordinance(s) on First Reading

10. Pending Matters/New Matters/Council Discussion

11. ABC Hearing(s)-None

12. Adjournment

**The Council President may at his/her discretion modify with consent the order of business at any meeting of the Council if he/she deems it necessary and appropriate.
(1972 Code § 3-8; Ord. No. 726-84; Ord. No. 1157-93; Ord. No. 2128-07 § II)**

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Public Comment – In Person Only

Next Meeting Date(s): Wednesday, May 27, 2026

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