

Conference Meeting – March 25, 2025

The Conference meeting began at 6:47 p.m., the Municipal Clerk read the following statement:

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 Star Ledger and the West Orange Chronicle on January 7, 2025 and published in the West Orange Chronicle on January 16, 2025.

Roll Call – Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin
Councilwoman Scarpa, Council President Krakoviak

- Mayor's Proclamation: Celebrating the Women of West Orange Town Hall
- Council Liaison Announcements

Public Meeting March 25, 2025

The Public meeting began at 7:00 p.m., the Municipal Clerk read the following statement:

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Roll Call – Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin
Councilwoman Scarpa, Council President Krakoviak

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Joe Fagan-Public Information Officer

Anthony Puglisi – Public Information Officer-Essex County

Myrna Brohm – Whitman Street – Support of 2906-25 Single Use bathrooms

Stephen Johnston – Sheridan Ave. - Lack of support for the LGBTQ community

Gerard Anthony – Wildwood Way LP – 33 Mt. Pleasant Ave concerns Zinnia Health

Brandon Aguilera – WOHS Senior – owner of landscape company – supports veto of leaf blower ordinance

Alex Martos – WOHS Senior - Complaints of lack of support for the LGBTQ community

Christopher Torsiello – Quarry Terrace - Support of 2906-25 Single Use bathrooms

Ed Reichman – Moore Terrace - Against leaf blower veto

Maureen Robinson – 200 Mt. Pleasant Ave. - Update of her concerns with landlord

Shannon Breen - Gregory Ave – Safety changes to Gregory Ave.; Support of Ord 2911 Capital Improvement

Jennifer Jones – South Valley Rd – Support of 2911-25 Capital Improvement; 2906-25 Single Use

Erin Robbins - Ridgeview Drive – Support of 2911-25 Capital Improvement; 2906-25 Single Use

Katherine Jaeger-Thomas - Ridgeview Drive – Support of 2911-25 Capital Improvement

Moshe Rudin – Woodland Ave. - Against veto of leaf blower ordinance

Brent Draper Scott – Nestro Road - Against veto of leaf blower ordinance

Frank Barszcz – Ridgeview Ave, – Support of 2911-25 Capital Improvement

Angelo Rella – Condit Terrace – supports veto of leaf blower ordinance

Dan Weidner – Owner, Cougar Landscaping – Supports veto of leaf blower ordinance

Darnell Gibbs – Pure Natural Vibes – Renewal of Cannabis License

James Jackson – Ashley Road - LP – Zinnia Health Care application - 33 Mt. Pleasant Ave

David Minasian – Elliott Pl., Leaf blower veto; looking for a workable solution of noise compliance
Greg Rahaman – Oakridge Road – supports veto of leaf blower ordinance
Joseph Pannullo – Essex Fells – West Essex Highlands-President of WECare-objector Flood Plain Administrator and request for floodplain study
Richard Groves – Yale Terrace - concerns with downtown redevelopment and moving forward
Pamala Beardslee – Edisonia Terrace – supports veto of leaf blower ordinance
Dean Weiss – Roseland – DW Landscaping
Mike Giovine – Manger Road – supports veto of leaf blower ordinance
Micaela Bennet – support of 2906-25 Single Use bathrooms
Zasah Khademi – Dawes Ave.- against veto of leaf blower ordinance
Richard Leonardis – Pleasant Valley Way - supports veto of leaf blower ordinance
Sally Malanga – Ridge Rd – against veto of leaf blower ordinance
Kevin Malanga – Ridge Rd - support of 2906-25 Single Use bathrooms; against veto of leaf blower ordinance
Lawrence Cohen – Lincoln Ave. – against veto of leaf blower ordinance
Nordea Gibbs – Pure Natural Vibes– Renewal of Cannabis License
Jessica Stolzberg – Montclair – against veto of leaf blower ordinance
Daria Paxton – Greenwood Ave. – supports veto of leaf blower ordinance

There was no one else who wished to be heard, and the public comment portion of the agenda was closed.

Bids

Walker Road, South Valley Road, And Rooney Circle Roadway Improvements Project (NJDOT Funded)

Bill List

A motion was made by Councilwoman Rudin and seconded by Council President Krakoviak, to pull the bills for Matrix New World Engineering and CME Associates off of the Bill list for further study.

Councilwoman Rudin and Council President Krakoviak voting “Aye.” Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman Ghebremicael and Councilwoman Scarpa voting “Nay.” The motion failed.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Rudin and seconded by Councilwoman Ghebremicael, to pull the bills for Diana P. McGovern and Savo, Schalk, Corsini & Warner off of the Bill list for further study.

Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin, Councilwoman Scarpa and Council President Krakoviak voting “Aye.” Councilwoman Casalino voting “Nay.” The motion carried.

The Bill List was approved by Consent as amended.

Resolution(s) Approved on Consent Agenda

- **99-25** Resolution Authorizing the Repair of Street Sweeper through the Bergen County Of NJ Cooperative for the Department of Public Works (P. Reynolds)
- **100-25** Resolution Authorizing a Change Order from CME Associates for Remediation Services at 25 Lakeside Avenue (DPW Building) (Carballo)
- **101-25** Resolution Authorizing a Proposal from Matrix New World for Environmental Services at 4 Tompkins Street (Vacant Lot) NTE: \$33,700.00 (Carballo)
- **102-25** Resolution Approving a Proposal from Matrix New World for Environmental Services at 25 Lakeside Avenue NTE \$97,240.00 (Carballo)

- **103-25** Resolution Authorizing a Proposal from Matrix New World for Environmental Services at 55 Lakeside Avenue (Former Barton Press Site) NTE \$104,715.00 (Carballo)
- **104-25** Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Add On's to the Electronic Management Hardware/Software Program through the NJ Cooperative Purchasing Alliance (P. Reynolds)
- **105-25** Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Raffle Licenses (Clerk)
- **106-25** Resolution Adjusting Rates for Extra Duty Services Related to West Orange Police Department (Legal-Gengaro)
- **107-25** Resolution Authorizing a 30-day Extension to Pure Natural Vibes to Complete Their Renewal Application.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Scarpa, to add resolution 107-25 to the agenda, granting a 30-day extension to Pure Natural Vibes to complete their renewal application.

All members present voting "Aye."

On motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the Consent Agenda was approved as amended.

All members present voting "Aye."

Ordinance(s) on Second and Final Reading

Ord. 2902-25

On motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Scarpa **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 4, Section 34.3 Of The Revised General Ordinances Of The Township Of West Orange (Extra Duty Employment For Police Officers-Rates Of Compensation; Administrative Fees; Payment For Services)** was taken up on second and final reading.

All members present voting "Aye."

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 4, Section 34.3 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange be and are hereby amended as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to modify the fines set forth in Chapter 4, Section 34.3 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange to be amendable by Resolution such that it is amendable in the future by approval of the Township Council, a necessity in an everchanging socioeconomic climate.

II. CHAPTER 4, SECTION 34.3 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING: **§4-34.3 BE AND HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**

- The portion entitled "Rates of Compensation; Administrative Fees; Payment for

Services” which specifies the rate of compensation to employees of the Township Police Department performing Extra Duty Services shall be repealed and replaced by the following language:

Because of the myriad types of assignments that Police Officers may be called upon to perform, it is reasonable that different rates apply.

a. Unless there are contractual agreements with a vendor/contractor to the contrary, the following rates of compensation apply:

1. Steady Security/Crowd Control Assignments. Steady security and crowd control assignments shall be paid at a rate as prescribed by Resolution. This rate includes an administrative fee prescribed by the same Resolution.

2. Special Event Security and Holiday/Crowd Control Assignments. Special event security and crowd control assignments shall be paid at a rate as prescribed by Resolution. This rate includes an administrative fee prescribed by the same Resolution. Special event security/crowd control assignments are defined as assignments not worked on a regular/steady basis.

4. Traffic/Road Construction. Assignments for all traffic control at construction site assignments shall be as follows:

(a) Assignments between 12:00 a.m. on Monday and 11:59 p.m. on Friday shall be paid at a rate as prescribed by Resolution. This rate includes an administrative fee prescribed by the same Resolution.

(b) Assignments between 12:00 a.m. on Saturday and 11:59 p.m. on Sunday shall be paid at a rate as prescribed by Resolution. This rate includes an administrative fee prescribed by the same Resolution.

(c) All road construction assignments that require the use of a marked patrol unit shall be charged additionally, as prescribed by Resolution. This is in addition to the administrative fees already billed. The assignment of the vehicle will be determined by the Police Administration and availability of the vehicles at the time of the request.

(d) All emergency road work assignments which are received by the Township on less than 24 hours’ notice shall require a separate fee paid at a rate as prescribed by Resolution. This rate includes an administrative fee prescribed by the same Resolution.

b. All assignments shall have a four-hour minimum per officer contracted.

c. Officers are entitled to the minimum hours of compensation stipulated in subsection 4-34.3b if their assignment is cancelled upon their arrival at the job site without advance notice stipulated in subsection 4-34.4c.

d. Officers who begin an assignment, but who are cancelled prior to the completion of the assignment shall be entitled to the minimum compensation stipulated in subsection 4-34.3b or the number of hours worked, whichever is longer.

III. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Any Ordinances of the Township which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

IV. SEVERABILITY

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

V. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

The Council President stated that this is the scheduled time for the public hearing and asked the Clerk to read the ordinance by title only.

The Council President asked if there was anyone who wished to be heard.

There was no one that wished to be heard and the public hearing on this Ordinance was closed.

On motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino, the above referenced ordinance was approved.

All members present voting "Aye."

Ordinance(s) on First Reading

Ord. 2905-25

On motion made by Councilwoman Rudin and seconded by Council President Krakoviak, **An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 28 and Establishing Sections of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange Regarding a Lawn Care Registry**, was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on **April 8, 2025**.

Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin, Councilwoman Scarpa and Council President Krakoviak voting "Aye." Councilwoman Casalino voting "Nay." The motion carried.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 28 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange be and are hereby supplemented as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to establish a lawn care registry for businesses operating a commercial lawn business as defined herein.

§ 28-17—Definitions

Commercial Lawn Maintenance Business - A business that performs lawn and yard maintenance within the Township where the cutting of grass and removal of leaves are performed.

§ 28-18—Registration of Commercial Lawn Maintenance Businesses

A. All commercial lawn maintenance businesses must register with the Township Public Works Department by March 1 of each year, unless the business is registered with the State of New Jersey under the Contractors' Registration Act (N.J.S.A. 56:8-136 et seq.) and New Jersey Administrative Code § 13:45A-17.2. For 2025 only, the registration deadline will be July 1, 2025. Businesses that are already registered with the State of New Jersey must submit a copy of their state registration to the Township Public Works Department by March 1 each year. Registered lawn care companies will be listed on the Township website.

B. The following information must be provided to the Township during the registration process:

1. Name(s) of the business owner(s)
2. Address of the business owner(s) and the business
3. Telephone number(s) of the business owner(s)
4. Email address(es) of the business owner(s)
5. License plate number(s) of all business vehicles (trucks)

C. There is no registration fee for this process. Each registered business vehicle (truck) will be issued a sticker by the Township, which must be affixed to the front driver's side panel of the vehicle.

§28-19—Enforcement.

This chapter shall be enforced by the Township Police Department, Public Works Department or other Township employees as designated by the Township Business Administrator.

§28-20—Violations and penalties.

A. Any person found to be in violation of the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to a fine as follows:

(1) First offense: \$100.

(2) Second offense: \$200.

(3) Any subsequent offense: an amount not to exceed \$500.

B. Each day a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.

II. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Any Ordinances of the Township which conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

III. SEVERABILITY

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such determination shall only apply to those specific section(s), paragraph(s), subparagraph(s), clause(s) or provision(s) and those parts shall be severed. The invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance which shall be deemed valid and effective.

Ord. 2906-25

On motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Rudin, **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 25 to Add a New Section of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange Regarding Single-Use Bathrooms**, was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading after Planning Board review.

Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin and Councilwoman Scarpa voting "Aye." Council President Krakowiak voting "Nay." Councilwoman Casalino stepped out of Council Chambers. The motion carried.

BE IT ORDANED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 10 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange be and are hereby amended as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to require any business establishment to designate all single-occupancy bathrooms as gender neutral.

§ 10-____ : Definitions

Single-Occupancy Facility or Single-Occupancy Restroom: Shall mean a toilet facility with one toilet in the facility, or a toilet and one urinal without a privacy stall separating the two with a locking mechanism controlled by the user on the door to enter the facility.

§10-____: Requirements for Single-Occupancy Restrooms

- A. All single-occupancy restrooms in any business establishment, place of public accommodation, and Township-owned building or facility shall be designated as all gender for any individual, family, or assisted use. This includes single-occupancy restrooms intended for use by Township employees or employees of a business or public accommodation.
- B. Existing business establishments, places of public accommodation, and Township facilities subject to this section shall have 60 days from the effective date of this Ordinance to comply by replacing existing gender-specific signage on the exterior of single-occupancy restrooms with signs that do not indicate a specific gender (such as signs that read "restroom"). New businesses, places of public accommodation, and Township facilities shall be in compliance with this section immediately upon opening to the public.
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- D. During any inspection of a business or a place of public accommodation by an employee of the Township of West Orange Zoning Department, Building Department, or other local official, the inspector or official may inspect for compliance with this Ordinance.

II. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Any Ordinances of the Township which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

III. SEVERABILITY

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IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law

Ord. 2907-25

On motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Scarpa, **An Ordinance Amending And Supplementing Chapter 2, Section ____ Of The Revised General Ordinances Of The Township Of West Orange To Establish A Citizens Budget Advisory Board**, was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on **April 8, 2025**.

Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin, Councilwoman Scarpa and Council President Krakoviak voting "Aye." Councilwoman Casalino voting "Nay." The motion carried.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 2, SECTION ____ OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE TO ESTABLISH A CITIZENS BUDGET ADVISORY BOARD

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 2 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange be and are hereby amended as follows:

II. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish a Citizens Budget Advisory Board via Ordinance.

§ 2-____: Definitions

Citizens Budget Advisory Board: An advisory board made up of members of the public appointed by both the Township Council and the Mayor charged with reviewing the Township's Budget, its services, programs and expenditures, compiling the Board's collective analysis, input and suggestions and presenting them to the Township Council by regular reports and presentations, as appropriate.

§ 2-____: Establishment of a Citizens Advisory Board

- A. The Citizens Budget Advisory Board shall be comprised of: (i) one member appointed by the Mayor; (ii) one member appointed by each of the five members of the Township Council; and (iii) one consensus candidate chosen by the majority of the Council.
- B. Candidates for the board shall be Township residents, work in the Township, employed by a company based in the Township, or own or lease property in the Township. The chair shall be selected by a majority vote of the members, as promptly as practicable once appointments are made. The term of each Board member will be one calendar year, starting on January 1 of the year that the members serve, and members may be reappointed in subsequent years. Appointments shall be made before January 1 of the year that members serve. In the case of any newly elected Councilmember, his/her appointment, as well as the appointment of the Council consensus, should be made as soon as practicable once he/she takes the oath of office.
- C. A Board member can resign by sending a letter or email to the Municipal Clerk which shall take effect immediately. Any Board member may be removed with or without cause, at any time, by the person appointing the Board member.
- D. Board members are required to attend all scheduled Board meetings and strongly encouraged to attend all Council meetings that focus on the budget, including review of any video or audio recordings of such meetings. Failure to attend three Board meetings may be grounds for removal from the Board by a written motion to dismiss that can be offered by any Board member. The Board member at issue may request a public hearing of the cause(s) and present a defense. That hearing shall be followed by deliberation in open session. A majority vote decides the issue, with a tie vote allowing the Board member to continue to serve.
- E. The Board shall:
 - a. Make all requests for information or materials following a majority vote of the members present.
 - b. Have access to all financial and budget documents that it believes are needed to advise the Council that are not otherwise subject to privacy or other non-disclosure limitations. The Board shall make its request in writing to the Council, which will review the request and forward it to the Business Administrator or his/her designee, and the Chief Financial Officer.
 - c. Request in writing through the Council to the Business Administrator or his/her designee, and the Chief Financial Officer to meet with the Chief Financial Officer or

others as appropriate for presentations and discussions on these financial issues outside of a regular or special Council meeting.

- d. Take minutes of meetings and submit approved Minutes to the Council, Business Administrator and Chief Financial Officer. The Board will also provide the minutes to the Municipal Clerk for public availability in the Clerk's office and for posting to the Township website.
- e. Submit written reports to the Council, Business Administrator and Chief Financial Officer on a regular basis of the Board's findings, questions and recommendations.
- f. Appear as requested by the Town Council at Council meetings to present and/or engage in discussions with Councilmembers and Administration personnel, as appropriate.
- g. Meet at least once a month in the year that members serve, because Budget issues are a year-round responsibility, including year-end account reconciliations and pre-planning for the following calendar year. Meetings may occur more frequently depending on the majority vote of members.
- h. Communicate as appropriate with the Councilmember or Mayor who appointed them on budget matters. Members can also communicate through the Board Chair or his/her designee with county or state agencies as appropriate, as well as other municipalities and other entities that may perform similar advisory duties in other municipalities. When communicating, the Chair or designee shall clearly describe his or her role as a member of the West Orange Citizens Budget Advisory Board, a volunteer body created by Ordinance advising the Township Council to develop the annual budget and related financial areas.

II. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Any Ordinances of the Township which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

III. SEVERABILITY

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such determination shall only apply to those specific section(s), paragraph(s), subparagraph(s), clause(s) or provision(s) and those parts shall be severed. The invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance which shall be deemed valid and effective.

IX. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Ord. 2908-25

On motion made by Councilwoman Rudin and seconded by Councilwoman Ghebremicael, **An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Section 9.4 General Ordinances Of The Township Of West Orange (Special Counsel)**, was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on **April 8, 2025**.

All members present voting "Aye."

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, SECTION 9.4 GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE**

(SPECIAL COUNSEL)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 2, Sections 9.4 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange be and are hereby amended as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to modify the provisions of the Township of West Orange Municipal Code governing the Township's retention of Special Counsel. This ordinance: (i) requires appointment of Special Counsel by advice and consent of the Township Council; and (ii) require that the bills for Special Counsel shall be subject to approval from the Township Council.

II. CHAPTER 2 SECTIONS 9.4 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:

2-9.4 Special Counsel.

Subject to the advice and consent of the Township Council, the Township Attorney may appoint such Special Counsel as may be required or advisable to handle matters in which a conflict of interest precludes representation by the Township Attorney or Assistant Township Attorney, or which due to its complexity, special nature, time demands or constraints, or for any good reason would benefit from the special experience and/or training of the Special Counsel to be hired. Such Special Counsel need not serve full time and would be expected to serve for the duration of the matter for which he or she was appointed, subject to annual reappointment with the manner and amount of compensation to be approved by the Township Council. Special Counsel would be subject to the supervision of the Township Attorney except for matters involving a conflict of interest precluding representation by the Township Attorney wherein Special Counsel would be subject to the supervision of the Assistant Township Attorney or designated conflict counsel. The bills of all Special Counsel shall be subject to approval by the Township Council. The Township Council must receive written notification from the Administration detailing the reasons for engaging Special Counsel, including the name of the law firm to be engaged, the rate, and a "not to exceed" clause.

II. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Any Ordinances of the Township which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

III. SEVERABILITY

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

V. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Ord. 2909-25

On motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Scarpa, **An Ordinance Amending And Supplementing Chapter 7, Traffic, Subsection 7-32.2 Restricted Parking Zones Of The Revised General Ordinances Of The Township Of West Orange – Handicapped Spaces**, was approved on first reading, ordered advertised according to law, to come up for second and final reading on **April 8, 2025**.

All members present voting “Aye.”

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 7, TRAFFIC,
SUBSECTION 7-32.2 RESTRICTED PARKING ZONES OF THE REVISED GENERAL
ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of West Orange, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. Subsections 7-32.2, Restricted Parking Zones of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange is hereby supplemented and amended as follows (*italic type denotes deletion, bold type denotes addition*):

7-32.2 Restricted Parking Zones. Pursuant to N.J.S.A 39:4-197.6, Restricted Parking Zones, as defined in N.J.S.A. 39:4-207.6e, are established in front of the following residences as indicated on the Tax Maps of the Township of West Orange, at the specified locations. Parking within a specific zone is restricted to the motor vehicle issued a permit pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.7. In accordance with N.J.S.A., 39:4-197.6 parking is permitted in the Restricted Parking Zone except when prohibited in front of the residence by other sections of this Chapter.

<u>Residence Address</u>	<u>No. of Spaces</u>	<u>Location</u>
26 Babcock Place	1	Beginning 195 feet east of the easterly curb line of Main Street extended, and extending 20 feet east.
268 Watchung Avenue	1	Beginning 348 feet north of the northerly curb line of Alden Street, and extending 20 feet north.
39 Washington Street (on High Street)	1	Beginning 55 feet north of the northerly curb line of Washington Street and extending 20 feet north.

Section 2. Subsections 7-32.3, Handicapped Parking in Municipal Parking Lots and Board of

Education Property of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange is hereby supplemented and amended as follows (*italic type denotes deletion, bold type denotes addition*):

Pursuant to N.J.S.A 39:4-197, Municipal Plaza Parking Lot #6 is designated in part as a Handicapped Parking Area. Such spaces are for use by persons who have been issued special identification cards, plates or placards by the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission or a temporary card issued by the Chief of Police.

<u>Parking Lot</u>	<u>Parking Space(s)</u>	<u>Time limit</u>
6	First two stalls on the east side of the Lindsay Avenue entrance.	1 hour
6	First two stalls on the west side of the Lindsay Avenue entrance, facing south.	None

Section 3. If any provision of this Ordinance or application thereof, under any circumstances, is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect any other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision(s) or application(s) and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are severable. All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law and upon the approval of the New Jersey Department of Transportation if required.

Ord. 2910-25

On motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Scarpa, **Bond Ordinance Providing For Various 2025 Capital Acquisitions And Improvements, By And In The Township Of West Orange, In The County Of Essex, State Of New Jersey, Appropriating \$12,835,000 Therefor And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$9,387,109 Bonds Or Notes Of The Township To Finance Part Of The Cost Thereof**, was **TABLED** on first reading.

All members present voting "Aye."

Ord. 2911-25

On motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Scarpa, **Capital Ordinance Appropriating \$1,000,000 to Pay for Various Improvements and Upgrades to the Oskar Schindler Performing Arts Center in the Township of West Orange**, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, was **TABLED** on first reading.

All members present voting "Aye."

Pending Matters/New Matters/Council Discussion

a. Pure Natural Vibes request for a 30-day extension.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Scarpa to add the following resolution to the agenda: **107-25 Resolution to Grant a 30-day Extension to Darnell and Nordia Gibbs, of Pure Natural Vibes, to Submit a Renewal Application for a Cannabis License Pursuant to Section 5-34.6(d) of the West Orange Municipal Code.**

All members present voting “Aye.”

b. Discussion with Regard to Overriding the Mayor’s Veto of Ordinance 2900-25

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Casalino to vote on whether or not to override the Mayor’s veto of **Ordinance 2900-25 Ordinance Amending Chapter 28 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange (Transition to Battery or Electric Leaf Blowers).**

Councilwoman Casalino, Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Scarpa and Council President Krakoviak voting “Aye.” Councilwoman Rudin voting “Nay.”

A motion was made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Council President Krakoviak to override the Mayor’s veto of Ordinance 2900-25 (Transition to Battery or Electric Leaf Blowers).

Councilwoman Ghebremicael, Councilwoman Rudin and Council President Krakoviak voting “Aye.” Councilwoman Casalino and Councilwoman Scarpa voting “Nay.” The motion **FAILED.**

At 11:45 p.m., on motion made by Councilwoman Ghebremicael and seconded by Councilwoman Scarpa, the meeting was adjourned.

All members present voting “Aye.”

The Minutes of this meeting are on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.



Karen J. Carneyale, R.M.C.
Municipal Clerk



Joe Krakoviak
Council President

Adopted: April 8, 2025

