

Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council April 27, 2026
Town Hall Council Chambers, 100 Central Avenue
Executive Session 6:00 P.M.
Public Session 7:00 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Present

Marino – Present

Matro - Present

R, Rodio - Present

S. Rodio – Present

Scipione – Present

Mayor Furgione – Present

PRESENT ALSO

Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor

Rob Scharle – CFO Town of Hammonton

EXECUTIVE SESSION Resolution #070-2026

Motion by Council Person R. Rodio Second Matro
Executive Session

Motion by Council Person R. Rodio Second Calderone
Close Executive Session

RESUME REGULAR MEETING-ROLL CALL

Roll Call

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Michael Malinsky, Town Solicitor

Rich Rehmann of ARH

Rob Scharle - CFO

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this meeting has been posted and given to official newspapers. Please familiarize yourselves with the fire exits to the right and rear of the Council Chambers. Please do not proceed beyond the front benches without invitation from the Mayor to do so. Also, each person who wishes to address Council will be allotted 5 minutes.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARD FOR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

No one desired to be heard

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Minutes March 23, 2026

Executive Minutes March 23, 2026

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second Matro

Approval of minutes

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes

Marino - Yes

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes

Scipione – Yes

Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

PRESENTATION

Atlantic County Veterans Association- the president of the association Mike, He spoke about the events that they are working on and a new clinic being built in Linwood.

Mayor Furgione- Asked if there is transportation available for the veterans. Yes there is.

Councilman Marino – Is there a location that is available now for the veterans? Yes, there is facility in Vineland.

Retirement Orlando Medina – Given by Councilman Ray Scipione. Thanked him for his service to town and presented him with a plaque.

Councilman Sam Rodio- Thanked him for your hard work and dedication to the Town.

DISPENSE WITH REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

Rob Scharle CFO – presented the budget.

Introduction of Ordinance #008-2026 – Establish a CAP bank for the 2026 Budget

TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.0% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Hammonton in the County of Atlantic finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2026 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Town Council hereby determines that a 1.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$200,059.80 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS the Town Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Town Council of the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2026 budget year, the final appropriations of the Town of Hammonton shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$466,806.20, and that the CY 2026 municipal budget for the Town of Hammonton be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Motion by Council Person Matro Second S. Rodio

Ordinance #008-2026 has passed 1st reading and is approved for publication

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes

Marino - Yes

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes

Scipione – Yes

Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Resolution #071-2026- Compliance with Equal Opportunity

**GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
UNITED STATES EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION'S
"Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions
Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964"**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5 as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183 requires the governing body of each municipality and county to certify that their local unit's hiring practices comply with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's "Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration

of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964,” *as amended*, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.*, (April 25, 2012) before submitting its approved annual budget to the Division of Local Government Services in the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have familiarized themselves with the contents of the above-referenced enforcement guidance and with their local unit’s hiring practices as they pertain to the consideration of an individual’s criminal history, as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town Council of the Town of Hammonton, hereby states that it has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-5, as amended by P.L. 2017, c.183, by certifying that the local unit’s hiring practices comply with the above-referenced enforcement guidance and hereby directs the Clerk to cause to be maintained and available for inspection a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to show evidence of said compliance.

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second R. Rodio
Resolution #071-2026 is adopted

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Resolution #072-2026- Introduction of 2026 Municipal Budget

RESOLUTION TO INTRODUCE THE 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statement of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Local Municipal Budget for the year 2026;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said budget will be published on the Town website on April 29, 2026, and online in The Courier Post edition of April 29, 2026 as follows:

A hearing on the budget and tax resolution will be held at the Town Hall on the 26th day of May 2026 at 7:00 o’clock p.m., at which time and place objections to said budget and tax resolution of the Town of Hammonton for the year 2026 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Summary of General Section of Budget

Current Fund

Municipal Purposes within “CAPS”

\$13,914,094.51

Municipal Purposes excluded from "CAPS"	2,874,762.51
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	<u>1,258,793.23</u>
Total General Appropriations	<u>\$18,047,650.25</u>
Less: Anticipated Revenues	<u>6,087,875.94</u>
Amount to be Raised by Taxation	<u>\$11,959,774.31</u>

Motion by Council Person S. Rodio Second Matro
Resolution #072-2026 introduction of the Municipal budget is adopted

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Resolution #078-2026- Temporary Capital Budget Airport & Route 54 Drainage projects

WHEREAS, the need has arisen to introduce a bond ordinance to provide funds for Hammonton Airport Development or Noise Program Implementation, including all appurtenances and water main and drainage improvements for Route 54 & 12th Street with necessary and related thereto, and;

WHEREAS, the regulations of the Local Finance board (N.J.A.C. 5:30-4.3(b)) of the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Services requires that the municipality adopt a temporary capital budget if a bond ordinance is to be passed prior to the adoption of the Annual Capital Budget, and;

WHEREAS, the ordinance provides a total appropriation as follows:

General Capital Fund

1) <u>Purpose</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Debt Authorized</u>	<u>Grant</u>	<u>CIF Downpayment</u>
Airport Development or Noise Program Implementation	<u>\$ 293,000</u>	<u>\$ 14,000</u>	<u>\$ 278,053 (a)</u>	<u>\$ 947</u>

(a) United States Department of Transportation – FAA

Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund

2) <u>Purpose</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Debt Authorized</u>
Water Main & Drainage Improvements For Route 54 and 12 th Street	<u>\$ 2,600,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,600,000</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic that:

- 1) a Temporary Capital Budget is hereby created for the following:

General Capital Fund

Airport Development or Noise Program Implementation \$ 293,000

Water/Sewer Utility Capital Fund

Water Main & Drainage Improvements for Route 54
and 12th Street \$2,600,000

- 2) the projects will be included in the Annual Capital Budget, and
- 3) one certified copy shall be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services immediately after passage.

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second Matro
Resolution #078-2026 Temporary Capital Budget is adopted

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Public Hearing of Ordinance #001-2026 – Approval of the redevelopment Plan

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HAMONTON APPROVING THE AMENDED REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR PREMISES IDENTIFIED ON THE MUNICIPAL TAX MAP AS BLOCK 801, LOTS 7, 8, 9 AND 11

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2024, Mayor and Council adopted Resolution #134-2024 authorizing the Planning Board to investigate whether the area known as Block 801, Lots 7, 8, 9 and 11 (hereinafter the “Premises”) constituted an area in need to redevelopment without the municipality’s use of its eminent domain power; and

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2024, the Hammonton Planning Board (“Planning Board”) adopted Resolution No. 47-24PB, which recommended that the Premises be designated an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council on January 27, 2025, adopted Resolution #36-2025 accepting the Planning Board’s recommendation designating the Premises as a redevelopment area; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk per Resolution #36-2025, notified the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs of that action; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs approved the designation of the Premises as an area in need of redevelopment on March 20, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Town Planner, Stuart B. Wiser, P.P., A.I.C.P., of ARH Associates, Inc., prepared a Redevelopment Plan dated June 2, 2025, to which Mayor and Council gave careful consideration; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council on June 23, 2025, adopted Ordinance #12-2025, adopting the Redevelopment Plan dated June 2, 2025, for the Premises; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Clerk per Ordinance #12-2025, forwarded the Ordinance and Redevelopment Plan to the Pinelands Commission for their review and approval; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Pinelands Commission Staff reviewed the adopted Redevelopment Plan and determined that it could not recommend approval of the plan because it required further clarification to enable it to be consistent with the Pinelands Comprehensive Management Plan ("CMP"), and therefore recommended certain amendments to the Redevelopment Plan to bring it into compliance with the CMP; and

WHEREAS, The Town reviewed the Pinelands Commission staff's comments and subsequently amended the Redevelopment Plan to incorporate the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e), Town Council sent the amended Redevelopment Plan to the Planning Board for further review; and

WHEREAS, at its regularly scheduled meeting on April 15, 2026, the Town Planning Board considered the amendments and reported same does not impact or change its prior conclusions with regard to the content of the Redevelopment Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is on this 27th day of April, 2026, ordained by Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton that:

1. The Redevelopment Plan-Landfill Redevelopment Area, as amended, dated June 2, 2025, last revised March 11, 2026, for the Premises, which incorporates the Pinelands Commission's amendments, be and hereby is adopted by Mayor and Council;
2. It is further ordered that Mayor and Council are authorized to take further action consistent with said Redevelopment Plan including, but not limited to, designating Hammonton-8th Street Landfill Solar LLC, as the Redeveloper; and

3. The Municipal Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this Ordinance and the Redevelopment Plan to the Pinelands Commission for their review and approval.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the Courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

Motion by Council Person Marino Second R. Rodio
Ordinance #001-2026 is open for public comment

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second Calderone
Ordinance #001-2026 has passed 2nd reading and is adopted and approved for final publication

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Public Hearing of Ordinance 004-2026- Bond Ordinance for Road Improvements West End Ave and 13th Street

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS ROADWAY AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$597,918 THEREFOR (INCLUDING STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANTS TOTALING \$506,418) AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$86,925 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements or purposes to be undertaken by the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic,

State of New Jersey (the "Town"). For the said improvements or purposes stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the aggregate sum of \$597,918, which sum includes grants in the amounts of \$229,190 and \$277,228, respectively, expected to be received from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation (the "2025 DOT Grant", and the "2026 DOT Grant" and sometimes hereinafter referred to as the "DOT Grants"), and \$4,575 as the aggregate amount of down payments for said improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. (the "Local Bond Law"). The down payments are now available by virtue of a provision or provisions in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Town for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and to meet the part of said \$597,918 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of the DOT Grants and said down payments, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$86,925 pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Town in a principal amount not exceeding \$86,925 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued, include, but are not limited to, as follows:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Authorization</u>	<u>Down Payment</u>	<u>Useful Life</u>
(i) Various roadway and drainage improvements along the entire length or portions thereof Thirteenth Street; and	\$275,190 (including the 2025 DOT Grant)	\$43,700	\$2,300	10 years
(ii) Various roadway and drainage improvements along the entire length or portions thereof of West End Avenue.	\$322,728 (including the 2026 DOT Grant)	\$43,225	\$2,275	10 years
TOTAL	\$597,918	\$86,925	\$4,575	

(b) The above improvements and purposes set forth in Section 3(a) shall also include, as applicable, surveying, construction planning, engineering and design work, preparation of plans and specifications, permits, bid

documents, construction inspection and contract administration, environmental testing and remediation and also all work, materials, equipment, labor and appurtenances as necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

(c) The aggregate estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said improvements or purposes is \$86,925.

(d) The aggregate estimated cost of said improvements or purposes is \$597,918, the excess amount thereof over the said DOT Grants and the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefore, is the aggregate down payments for said purposes in the amount of \$4,575.

Motion by Council Person S. Rodio Second Scipione
Ordinance #004-2026 is open for public comment

Motion by Council Person Rodio Second Marino
Ordinance #004-2026 has passed 2nd reading and is adopted and approved for final publication

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Public Hearing of Ordinance #005-2026 – Installation of maintenance poles on Bellevue Ave

AN ORDINANCE FOR THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF TWO POLES WITHIN A RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE PLACEMENT OF BANNERS OVER BELLEVUE AVENUE (A/K/A ROUTE 54) IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-1(h) the Town of Hammonton is authorized to regulate the placing of banners over any street; and

WHEREAS, it would be advantageous and beneficial to the residents of the Town of Hammonton to place a banner over Bellevue Avenue (a/k/a Route 54) in downtown Hammonton in order to advertise to and inform the residents of various events occurring within the Town; and

WHEREAS, the location of the poles to be installed and maintained by the Town of Hammonton for a banner are depicted in Exhibit "A" attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the location of the proposed poles within the right of way will not materially interfere with vehicular traffic, pedestrian circulation, drainage facilities, or other public improvements; and

WHEREAS, the proposed location for the installation of the poles has been reviewed by the Town Engineer, Department of Public Works and Police Department, who have determined that the location and placement are acceptable.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-1(h), the Town shall install and maintain two poles at the locations set forth in Exhibit "A" for the placement of banners over Bellevue Avenue (a/k/a Route 54).

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the Courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

Motion by Council Person Matro Second Scipione
Ordinance #005-2026 is open for public comment

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second R. Rodio
Ordinance #005-2026 has passed 2nd reading and is adopted and approved for final publication

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration - Councilman Marino

- Environmental Commission is working on an energy audit for all town buildings
- Interviews for the construction office are concluding next week.
- There will be a new maintenance contract for the heating and ac units in Town Hall. They will be adding a cleaner to the system to make sure the pipes do not clog.

Business & Industry – Councilwoman R. Rodio

- 2 new businesses have opened up Remember When and Sage & Tea.
- Trolley event was a success
- Easter event had over 20 vendors and community organization. Thank you for all your efforts.
- Mainstreet Gala was a success and they raised over \$18,000.00
- My 7th is the teen Arts festival

- Cruisin Mainstreet will be May 15th
- 250th Event is coming along events are being planned.

Quality of Life – Councilman Calderone

- Thanked the Veterans for their presentation
- The Veteran's monument is the process and we are collection names for it. Also working on the banners that will be hung.
- Count Roadways- Working on a list of roads that need to be repaired. A letter will be sent County Commissioner

Motion by Council Person Calderone Second Scipione

Approval to send a letter to county regarding repair to count roads: Chew Road, Middle Road, Central Ave, Railroad Ave, Fairview Ave, North Egg Harbor Road

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes

Marino - Yes

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes

Scipione – Yes

Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Education – Councilman Scipione

- Reviewed the School board meeting: Budget increase of 2 cents, Enrollment has increased, announced winners of the geography and spelling bee events. Middle School sports teams had very successful seasons
- Thanked that helped with the town wide cleanup

Public Works & Transportation Councilman S. Rodio

- no action items

Law & Order – Mayor Furgione- Given by Chief Friel

- The free motor vehicle inspection went well.
- June 6th will be the opening day for little league
- Shawny Shoe Hands event at lake park was success
- May 6th is the teen Art event
- Volunteers for May 9th are needed for planting flowers.
- May 15th is cruising mainstreet
- May 25th is the veterans parade

Water & Sewer - Councilman Matro

- Reviewed the GLOW project that is ongoing
- Meter readings have begun
- The Utility department has begun flushing hydrants
- There is a fulltime job posting and applications are due by May 1st.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

ACTION ITEMS:

No action items at this time.

SOLICITOR REPORT**Introduction of Ordinance #10-2026- Amend Chapter 175 section 53 Land Development Ordinance****AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 175 OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. Section 175-53 of the Town of Hammonton Land Development Ordinance is amended to read as follows:

- A. The Chairman of the Planning Board shall appoint a Development Review Committee. The Committee shall consist of the following:
 - 1. At least one (1), but no more than four (4), regular or alternate Planning Board Members;
 - 2. The Board Engineer;
 - 3. The Board Planner;
 - 4. The Board Solicitor; and
 - 5. The Traffic Consultant on an as needed basis.
- B. The Planning Board Chairman shall designate a Committee Chair from among the members of the Committee.
- C. An Applicant may request an informal review of a concept design plan for which an Applicant intends to prepare and submit an application for development.
- D. A concept design plan and the supporting documents for a proposed development shall show a general informal design of the development, including proposed building types if located in a Downtown District or Gateway District, and its public improvements.
- E. The Development Review Committee shall review the conceptual plan presented by the Applicant to provide insight as to the deficiencies of said plan, and to comment on the acceptability of the proposed plan.
- F. The Development Review Committee meeting is a working session between the Committee and the Applicant. The meeting is used to provide the Applicant with a review of his/her/its application. Positive review of the concept design plan by the Committee does not constitute an approval of the concept or plan, nor shall it be considered a valid basis for the construction of improvements or for other commitments which depend upon its design characteristics. Comments made by the Committee are

non-binding. As such, neither the Applicant nor the Board shall be bound by the actions, suggestions or recommendations of the Committee.

- G. An Applicant upon making a request for an informal review before the Committee must submit to the Planning Board Secretary at least ten (10) days before a scheduled committee meeting six (6) copies of the concept design plan.
- H. The Committee shall meet on a monthly basis at a date, time and location within Town Hall selected by the Chairman of the Planning Board at the reorganization meeting of the Planning Board for the whole year.
- I. An Applicant desiring to appear before the Development Review Committee must pay an application fee of \$50.00 and an escrow fee of \$1,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by the Courts to be invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudicated, and the remainder of the Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect following adoption and approval in the time and manner prescribed by law.

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second S. Rodio

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Resolution #86-2026- Support of Traffic Light Chew Road and 12 Street

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON REQUESTING THAT THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION APPROVE THE INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL AT THE INTERSECTION OF CHEW ROAD AND TWELFTH STREET (A/K/A NJSH ROUTE 54)

WHEREAS, the intersection of Chew Road and Twelfth Street (a/k/a NJSH Route 54) is located within the boundaries of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, NJSH Route 54 is under the jurisdiction of the New Jersey Department of Transportation (“NJDOT”); and

WHEREAS, Town Council has received reports and complaints regarding turning difficulties, vehicular conflicts, pedestrian safety concerns, and documented accidents at the subject intersection; and

WHEREAS, the intersection is a high traffic intersection servicing residential neighborhoods and commercial properties, resulting in substantial vehicular and pedestrian demand; and

WHEREAS, traffic volumes, vehicle speeds, sight-distance limitations, and intersection geometry have made it difficult and potentially hazardous for vehicles to safely enter or cross NJSH Route 54; and

WHEREAS, the installation of a traffic signal would improve traffic operations, enhance pedestrian safety, reduce vehicle speeds, and reduce collision risk; and

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2026, the Hammonton Joint Land Use Board approved the Preliminary and Final Major Site Plan for Niki-JJ Hammonton Partners, LLC, for the construction of a Wawa/fueling station at the corner of Chew Road & NJSH Route 54 in Hammonton, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, throughout the three (3) days of testimony regarding this application before the Hammonton Joint Land Use Board, it became apparent to the Board and the public that a traffic signal at this intersection was desperately needed; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2026, Niki-JJ Hammonton Partners, LLC, submitted Permit A-54-5-58280-2025, to install a traffic light at the intersection of Chew Road and NJSH Route 54; and

WHEREAS, the Hammonton Joint Land Use Board fully supports this application and has passed a resolution confirming same; and

WHEREAS, Town Council, in light of the number of accidents and pedestrian safety concerns, finds that a traffic signal is necessary at the intersection of Chew Road and NJSH Route 54 for public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, Town Council understands that the installation of a traffic signal on a State highway requires engineering review and approval by NJDOT; and

WHEREAS, Town Council wishes to formally request that NJDOT approve the installation of a traffic signal at the subject intersection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton that:

1. Mayor and Town Council hereby request that the New Jersey Department of Transportation approve the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Chew Road and NJSH Route 54.
2. Mayor and Town Council fully support the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Chew Road and NJSH Route 54.
3. The Town Engineer and Police Department have determined that the placement of a traffic light at the intersection of Chew Road and NJSH Route 54 is appropriate for public health, safety and welfare.
4. A copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to NJDOT and any other relevant agencies.

Motion by Council Person Matro Second Scipione

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes

Marino - Yes

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Resolution #069-2026- Approval of Food Truck

**Resolution Approving a Food Truck License
for Kilowatts Coffee LLC**

This application for variance relief to permit a food truck to operate for a period of one (1) year upon property known and designated as Lot 3 of Block 3914 (F/K/A Block 3914, Lots 3 and 4 and Block 3915, Lot 1) on the tax map of the Town of Hammonton and commonly known as 383/405 South White Horse Pike, Hammonton, New Jersey, having come before Hammonton Town Council pursuant to Ordinance No. 7-2018 and Ordinance §204-30 at its regularly scheduled meeting held on March 23, 2026, in the Town Hall of the Town of Hammonton, and a hearing having been conducted with a quorum being present; and

WHEREAS, Town Council has received the following documents and submissions of the Applicant:

- a. Completed Town of Hammonton Application for Peddlers, Hawkers, Vendors, Solicitors, Canvassers, Food Trucks, Door to Door Vendor and Seasonal Sales Vendors License dated April 6, 2026;
- b. State of New Jersey Certificate of Formation for Kilowatts Coffee LLC effective May 15, 2024;
- c. State of New Jersey Filing Certification for Kilowatts Coffee LLC dated May 15, 2024;
- d. State of New Jersey Annual Report Certificate for Kilowatts Coffee LLC dated March 4, 2026;
- e. State of New Jersey Certificate of Authority for Kilowatts Coffee LLC issued December 3, 2025;
- f. Certificate of Liability Insurance for Kilowatts Coffee LLC, dated January 30, 2026;
- g. Vehicle Registration for Kilowatts Coffee LLC Food Truck Plate No. J51TCR;
- h. Evidence of Property Insurance for Kilowatts Coffee LLC, dated January 30, 2026;
- i. Proof of Insurance and Vehicle Registration for Michael Falcone Pickup Truck Plate No. G97PME

WHEREAS, the following Exhibit was submitted by the Applicant during the hearing:

A-1 – Seven-page presentation.

WHEREAS, Hammonton Town Council based on the Exhibits submitted, the testimony of the Board Consultants, and the testimony presented on behalf of the Applicant makes the following findings of fact and conclusions:

1. The Applicant is Kilowatts Coffee LLC with an address of 250 Oak Road, Hammonton, New Jersey 08037. GKP II LLC is the owner of the subject property and has consented to this application.

2. Testifying on behalf of the application was Kyler Falcone and Deanna Falcone, representatives of the Applicant. There were no public comments or questions.

3. The Applicant proposes to operate a food truck on Lot 3 of Block 3914 (F/K/A Block 3914, Lots 3 and 4 and Block 3915, Lot 1) for a period of one (1) year.

4. The property is in the H-B Highway Business Zoning District. Food trucks are prohibited in the H-B Zoning District pursuant to Ordinance §204-28.

5. The proposed food truck requires variance relief in accordance with Hammonton Ordinance §204-30 to permit the food truck to operate on Lot 3 of Block 3914 (F/K/A Block 3914, Lots 3 and 4 and Block 3915, Lot 1).

6. The Applicant produced testimony on March 23, 2026, before Town Council sufficient to meet the criteria of Ordinance §204-30(B).

7. For the reasons set forth in detail in the testimony presented on behalf of the application and the documents submitted in support of the application the variance pursuant to Ordinance §204-30 is justified.

8. The Applicant shall be issued a food truck license and allowed to operate Lot 3 Block 3914 (F/K/A Block 3914, Lots 3 and 4 and Block 3915, Lot 1) for a period of one (1) year pursuant to Ordinance §204-22. The one (1) year period commenced on March 23, 2026.

9. The Applicant shall comply with all outstanding conditions of Town Council set forth in their testimony, unless modified, and will submit any revised documents for the review and approval of Town Council. These include, but are not limited to the following:

a. This approval is conditioned upon the payment of all taxes and assessments on Lot 3 of Block 3914 (F/K/A Block 3914, Lots 3 and 4 and Block 3915, Lot 1) and the payment of all application fees.

b. The Applicant shall have no on-site parking.

c. The Applicant shall have no permanent or temporary structure on the property and shall have no seating on-site.

d. The Applicant shall make sure to locate the food truck on the property so as to not block any site triangles.

10. This approval is based upon the full and diligent adherence by the Applicant to all representations made to Town Council. Any failure of the Applicant or the Applicant's successors or assigns to fully adhere to all of the provisions of this approval and all representations made by or on behalf of the Applicant, directly or indirectly, in the hearing or in the application documents, may be deemed to be a material breach of this approval. Such a breach will constitute a violation of the Town of Hammonton Ordinances, and the Town may remedy such violation by the revocation of any license issued

and/or through Ordinance §204-26, titled violations and penalties. In addition, the Town may pursue any other remedy available to it at law or in equity, including an action in the Superior Court to enjoin such violation or to compel performance or compliance.

11. The Applicant shall comply with all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations and shall obtain any and all other necessary government approvals required for this approval. If as a result of the review by any other governmental agency there is any change in the approval by Town Council or any modification of any statement or representation made by or on behalf of the Applicant, the Applicant must notify Town Council and Town Council shall have the right to review that issue as it may relate to or impact this approval and Town Council may modify or amend this approval as appropriate. Approvals which may be required include, but are not necessarily limited to, the Atlantic County Division of Public Health.

12. All references in this Resolution to the Applicant shall, where appropriate for the context, also mean the Applicant's successors or assigns. If any provision of this Resolution or the application thereof shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable to any extent, the remainder of this Resolution shall not be affected thereby and shall remain enforceable to the full extent of the law.

Motion by Council Person R. Rodio Second Matro
Resolution #069-2026 is adopted

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

MAYOR REPORT

Motion by Council Person Furgione Second Marino

- **Approval of a new Ad Hoc committee “Public Safety Advisor” nomination of Mickey Pullia.** In charge of Special projects for police fire and Airport

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

- Upgrade of the 911 system is underway, and the new system is on order.

Public Works Report

Town Public Works Schedule for May

Bulky waste pickup – will be from the 4th through the 8th.

Brush pickup – will be the 11th through the 15th.

Trash Collection for the Memorial Day Holiday- Monday May 25th will be collected on Tuesday May 26th. There will no collection on Monday the 25th.

The County Recycling pickup – will be May 1st, May 11th to the 15th and May 25th to the 29th

TOWN CLERK REPORT

- 1) Accept resignation of Gabriel Divello from his position with the Utility Department effective April 30, 2026. Also, approval of the payout for his accrued unused vacation time, health insurance buyout and education stipend.
- 2) Accept request from Abby Mauriello to move from full time to part time in her position as a telecommunicator in the police dispatch department. Effective April 10, 2026
- 3) Approval to hire Joseph D. Mallet as a police officer effective May 18, 2026. Salary will be at step 5 of the current contract. Contingent upon all civil service rules and regulations.
- 4) Accept resignation of Michael Bruce from his position as a Truck Driver with the Highway department effective May 7, 2026.

Motion by Council Person Marino Second Matro

Items 1 to 4 above are approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes

Marino – Yes

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes

Scipione – Yes

Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

APPROVAL OF BILL LIST

Motion by Council Person R. Rodio Second Scipione

Approval of Bill list

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes

Marino - Absent

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes

Scipione – Yes

Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of bond ordinance #006-2026- Airport Improvements

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT AND/OR NOISE PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION AT THE HAMMONTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT, BY AND IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$293,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$14,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWN TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) **AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. The improvement or purpose described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized as a general improvement or purpose to be undertaken by the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey (the "Town"). For the said improvement or purpose stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$293,000, which sum includes a \$278,053 Airport Improvement Program grant expected to be received from the United States Department of Transportation Federal Aviation Administration (the "FAA Grant"), and \$947.00 as the amount of down payment for said improvement or purpose required by the Local Bond Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq. (the "Local Bond Law"). Said down payment is now available therefor by virtue of an appropriation in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Town for down payment or for capital improvement purposes.

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvement or purpose described in Section 3 hereof and to meet the part of said \$293,000 appropriation not provided for by application hereunder of said down payment and the FAA Grant, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$14,000 pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvement or purpose, negotiable notes of the Town in a principal amount not exceeding \$14,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and purpose for the financing of which said bonds or notes are to be issued is for airport development and/or noise program implementation at the Hammonton Municipal Airport. The improvements and purposes set forth in Section 3(a) shall also include, as applicable, all engineering and design work related thereto, surveying, construction planning, preparation of plans and specifications, permits, bid

documents, construction inspection and contract administration, environmental testing and remediation and all work, materials, equipment, labor and appurtenances necessary therefor or incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said improvement or purpose is \$14,000.

(b) The estimated cost of said improvement or purpose is \$293,000, the excess thereof over the said estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, is the down payment in the amount of \$947.00 for said improvement or purpose and the FAA Grant.

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second S. Rodio

Ordinance #006-2026 has passed 1st reading and is approved for publication

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes

Marino - Yes

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes

Scipione – Yes

Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Introduction of Bond Ordinance #007-2026 – Route 54 Water Main Project

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR WATER MAIN AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS, BY AND IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY; APPROPRIATING \$2,600,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,600,000 BONDS OR NOTES TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), **AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Water/Sewer Utility (the "Utility") of the Town of Hammonton, in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey (the "Town") as general improvements. For the said improvements stated in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the amount of \$2,600,000. Pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) of the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq., as amended and supplemented (the "Local Bond Law"), no down payment is required as this bond ordinance involves environmental infrastructure

projects, which are funded by loans from the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (the “I-Bank”) and the State of New Jersey, acting by and through the Department of Environmental Protection (“NJDEP”). Additionally, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(h) and 40A:2-11(c) of the Local Bond Law, no down payment is required as the Utility of the Town is self-liquidating.

SECTION 2. For the financing of said improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof and to fund the \$2,600,000 appropriation, negotiable bonds of the Town are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$2,600,000 pursuant to, and within all limitations prescribed by, the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable notes of the Town in a principal amount not exceeding \$2,600,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to, and within the limitations prescribed by, said Local Bond Law.

SECTION 3. The improvements hereby authorized and purposes for the financing of which said debt obligations to be issued are for the water main and drainage improvements along the entire lengths or portions thereof Route 54 and 12th Street in and for the Water/Sewer Utility of the Town.

a. All improvements shall include, as applicable, all field work, materials, equipment, engineering and site investigation, design, regulatory approvals, architectural work, environmental consulting work, demolition, and excavation, preparation of plans and specifications, permits, bid documents, surveying, conducting and preparation of reports and studies, environmental testing and remediation, equipment rental, labor and appurtenances necessary therefore or incidental thereto.

b. The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for said improvements or purposes is \$2,600,000.

c. The estimated cost of said improvements or purposes is \$2,600,000.

Motion by Council Person Matro Second Scipione

Ordinance #007-2026 has passed 1st reading and is approved for publication

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes

Marino - Yes

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes

Scipione – Yes

Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

Introduction of Ordinance #009 -2026- Amend Chapter 271 Parking Orchard Street

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 271 SECTION 6 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON,
COUNTY OF ATLANTIC ENTITLED “PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES”**

WHEREAS, the Police Chief have recommended an amendment to Chapter 271 Vehicles and Traffic Section-6: Parking Prohibited At All Times, and the Mayor and Town Council have considered it in the best interest of the Town to amend this specific section; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED **by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hammonton,
County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey:**

That Chapter 271-6 “Vehicles and Traffic” Parking prohibited at all times on certain streets, is hereby amended as follows:

<u>NAME OF STREET</u>	<u>SIDE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
Orchard Street	West	No Parking from Monroe Street To 1 st Road

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as required by law and the approval of the New Jersey Commissioner of Transportation and the County of Atlantic as set forth in N.J.S.A. 39:4-8.

Motion by Council Person Scipione Second S. Rodio

Ordinance #009-2026 has passed 1st reading and is approved for publication

Roll Call

Councilperson:

Calderone – Yes

Marino - Yes

Matro - Yes

R, Rodio - Yes

S. Rodio – Yes

Scipione – Yes

Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution #073-2026- Authorize Tax/Water/Sewer Refunds

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON AUTHORIZING TAX / WATER / SEWER REFUNDS

Whereas, the following accounts need to have amounts credited, transferred, cancelled, refunded or changed

<u>Block / Lot</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
3904/112	Williams, Kenneth	34 Golf Dr.	\$2,803.80	Cancel/Exempt Vet

Whereas, the above amounts have been corrected in the Edmunds Billing system for the Utilities and or tax module showing the correct amounts.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that the above refunds are authorized, as approved by the Tax Collector of the Town of Hammonton:

Resolution #074-2026- Approval of the Teen Arts Festival

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ANNUAL DOWNTOWN HAMMONTON ATLANTIC COUNTY TEEN ARTS FESTIVAL 2025

WHEREAS, The Atlantic County Teen Arts is a statewide multidisciplinary program in the fine arts and performing arts and has been available to young people in Atlantic County in varying forms since 1969; and

WHEREAS, The one-day Teen Arts Festival has been held in Downtown Hammonton since 2012 and is returning to Downtown Hammonton for 2026; and

WHEREAS, The Teen Arts Festival is held in the Arts District which aligns with the town's commitment to celebrating the arts; and

WHEREAS, The Teen Arts is a widely popular event attracting many people to the town and therefore generates increased exposure for the entire town, and

WHEREAS, Wednesday, May 6, 2026 is the scheduled date for the Teen Arts event during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton is partnering with Atlantic County to plan this event and requests the following street closure for this event between the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.:

Front Street between 12th St. and Passmore Avenue
Second Street from Bellevue to Vine; and; and

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has requested police assistance at crosswalks along Rt 54 and 12th Street at major crosswalks;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that May 6, 2026 is approved for the

Atlantic County Teen Arts event, including the above requests for street closure and police assistance, are acknowledged, approved and endorsed;

Resolution #075-2026- Approval of Arts & Music Festival

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE 4th ANNUAL HAMMONTON ARTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL 2026**

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has and continues to promote the Town of Hammonton with scheduled events in the downtown business district; and

WHEREAS Mayor and Council has and continues to support the efforts of MainStreet Hammonton; and

WHEREAS Main Street Hammonton is partnering with the Art Club of Hammonton and the other art organizations of Hammonton to host this annual event which will feature live music, art vendors, and art demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, The Hammonton Arts & Music Festival attracted many new people to the town since it began in 2021 and therefore enhanced the growing reputation of Hammonton's Art District, and

WHEREAS, Saturday, May 02, 2026, is the scheduled date for the Hammonton Arts & Music event during the hours of 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Mainstreet Hammonton has requested permission to have two (2) food trucks present during the hours of the event to provide food service for attendees; and

WHEREAS, MainStreet Hammonton has requested the following street closure for this event between the hours of 10:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.:

Horton Street between Bellevue Ave and Orchard Street.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, that Saturday, May 02, 2026, is approved for the Hammonton Arts & Music Festival event, including the above requests for street closure and are approved and endorsed.

**Resolution #076-2026-
Temporary**

RESOLUTION MAKING TEMPORARY EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS

**IN THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON
MUNICIPAL BUDGET**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-20 provides that temporary emergency appropriations may be made for the period between the beginning of the fiscal year and the date of adoption of the budget for said year; and

WHEREAS, the date of this resolution is not within the first thirty days of January, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, New Jersey, that the following temporary emergency appropriations are hereby made:

<u>Fund</u>	
<u>Appropriation</u>	
Capital	\$23,750.00
Improvement	

Resolution #077-2026- Approval of purchase of Jake's Law Equipment on State Contract

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT TO AWARD
THE PURCHASE AND/ OR INSTALLATION OF EQUIPMENT FOR THE JAKE'S LAW
PROJECT AT LAKE PARK**

WHEREAS, there exists a need to purchase and / or install Jake's Law Playground Equipment at lake park;
and

WHEREAS, after comparing the prices, a contract be to be awarded to MRC Recreation, PO Box 106, Spring Lake, NJ 07762, to purchase and / or install the Jake's Law Playground Equipment under state contracts ESCNJ #24—Food-118177, in the amount not to exceed \$242,365.30; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in ordinance #013-2025 for the purchase; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1-et seq. requires that the resolution awarding the contract without competitive bidding and the contract must be available for public inspection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL FOR THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW JERSEY that the Mayor and Town Clerk of the Town of Hammonton are hereby authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with MRC Recreation, PO Box 106, Spring Lake, NJ 07762,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract is awarded without competitive bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12 of the Local Public Contracts Law as a State Approved Contract #ESCNJ #24—Food-118177; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract is subject to the mutual acceptance of the appropriate contact documentation between MRC Recreation and the Town of Hammonton.

Resolution #079-2026- Approval of Time Extension for NJDOT Grant Front Street Project

**Requested time extension for NJDOT Grant-L.A. – 2023 Front Street Pedestrian Connector, Hammonton
Town**

**Resolution Requesting a Six (6) Month Time Extension for Project Award for use of the NJDOT Fiscal Year
(FY) 2023 Funds**

Whereas, the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Hammonton desire to use the NJDOT Municipal Aid project funds, and

Whereas, the Town has received the following funding allotments from the NJDOT Municipal Aid program:

FY-2022, \$325,000 dated December 12, 2022, and

Whereas, the requirements for project award of the NJDOT Municipal Aid fund is two (2) years from the receipt of letter related to project funding allotment as listed within the NJDOT, and

Whereas, the Town has endeavored to comply with the project deadline standards as established by the NJDOT, and

Whereas, certain circumstances have caused delays in the project completion which are listed as follows:

- Coordination with NJ Transit at train station.
- Property line issues with neighbors affecting the scope of work.
- Ongoing coordination with Line Street railroad crossing between NJ Transit and NJ DOT

Furthermore, The Town is requesting a six (6) month time extension on the award for the FY-2022 project funds until November 15, 2026.

Now, therefore, be it resolved by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton that the adoption of this resolution be approved and forwarded to the NJDOT, Local Aid District IV Office for review and approval consideration for the reasons as stated above.

Resolution # 080-2026- Accept the grant from the National Fitness Campaign

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AND ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR AN OUTDOOR FITNESS COURT AS PART OF THE
2026 NATIONAL FITNESS CAMPAIGN**

At a meeting of the Town of Hammonton council on April 27, 2026, wherein the following action was taken:

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton has submitted a Grant Application to National Fitness Campaign (NFC) for participation in their 2026 initiative to install and activate outdoor Fitness Courts in over 1000 municipalities and schools across the country, and;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton will accept a \$40,000.00 National Grant from the NFC Grant Committee and Statewide Partners, and use of funds from Green Acres grant, if awarded, to pay for remaining cost to promote and implement a free-to-the-public outdoor Fitness Court, and;

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton will endeavor to provide a local funding confirmation in the amount designated on the quote detailing the remaining funds for participation, provided by the National Fitness Campaign no later than September 30, 2026 as identified on the official Grant Program Requirement document.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton Council believes joining the National Fitness Campaign is an important step in building a healthier community, commits to funding/fundraising to participate in NFC's 2026 Campaign, and will earn local and regional recognition as a leader in providing accessible health and wellness infrastructure and programs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Hammonton Council will collaborate with NFC to join the National Fitness Campaign, implement the outdoor Fitness Court program, and make fitness free for community residents and visitors.

Resolution #081-2026- Approval of various refunds

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL
OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON
AUTHORIZING VARIOUS REFUNDS**

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HAMMONTON, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY that the following refunds/close out of accounts are authorized as approved by the respective Department Heads of the Town of Hammonton:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Consalo, Vincent	1404 E. Oak Road	\$ 800.00	Refund Escrow
Dodimend, Kevin	4617 Old Forks Rd	\$ 113.82	Refund OPRA Fee

Resolution #082-2026 – Approval of funding application for Mazza Muffler

**Resolution Authorizing HDSRF Funding Application
Former Mazza Muffler Property
104 S. Egg Harbor Road
Block 2804, Lot 2
Hammonton, Atlantic County, New Jersey**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton has determined that on the former Mazza Muffler Property identified as Block 2804, Lot 2, located at 104 S. Egg Harbor Road (herein referred to as the "Property") there has been a discharge of hazardous substances or a hazardous waste.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is applying for the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) for funding for the assessment and investigation of the property in order to determine the extent or the existence of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton owns the subject property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that the Town of Hammonton is committed to the redevelopment of the Former Mazza Muffler Property for the purpose of returning the Property to a viable productive part of the community, which not only stimulates further economic growth but also protects the environment. Furthermore, the Town of Hammonton finds that a realistic opportunity exists for the redevelopment of the property within a three-year period after the completion of the remediation of this site either through the planned redevelopment project, or through alternate redevelopment.

Resolution #083-2026 - Approval of funding application for Skinner Property

**Resolution Authorizing HDSRF Funding Application
Skinner Building Property
317 N. Egg Harbor Road
Block 2701, Lot 1**

Hammonton, Atlantic County, New Jersey

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton has determined that on the Skinner Building Property identified as Block 2701, Lot 1, located at 317 N. Egg Harbor Road (herein referred to as the "Property") there has been a discharge of hazardous substances or a hazardous waste; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is applying from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) for funding for the assessment and investigation of the property in order to determine the extent or the existence of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton owns the subject property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that the Town of Hammonton is committed to the redevelopment of the Skinner Property for the purpose of returning the property to a viable productive part of the community, which not only stimulates further economic growth but also protects the environment. Furthermore, the Town of Hammonton finds that a realistic opportunity exists for the redevelopment of the Skinner Property within a three-year period after the completion of the remediation of this site either through the planned redevelopment project, or through alternate redevelopment.

Resolution #084-2026- - Approval of funding application for K&K Property

**Resolution Supporting a Redevelopment Study at the
K&K Industries Property
224 Vine Street
Block 2811, Lot 6
Hammonton, Atlantic County, New Jersey**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton has determined that on the K&K Industries Property identified as Block 2811, Lot 6, located at 224 Vine Street (herein referred to as the "Property") there has been a discharge of hazardous substances or a hazardous waste.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is applying from the Hazardous Discharge Site Remediation Fund (HDSRF) for funding for the assessment and investigation of the K&K Industries Property in order to determine the extent or the existence of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton owns the subject property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that the Town of Hammonton is committed to the redevelopment of the K&K Industries Property for the purpose of returning the Property to a viable productive part of the community, which not only stimulates further economic growth but also protects the environment. Furthermore, the Town of Hammonton finds that a realistic opportunity exists for the redevelopment of the K&K Industries Property within a three-year period after the completion of the remediation of this site either through the planned redevelopment project, or through alternate redevelopment.

Resolution #085-2026- Approval of funding application for Celona Property

**Resolution Authorizing HDSRF Funding Application
Celona Property
(f.k.a., Sam's Super Service Station)
130 Railroad Avenue
Block 2421, Lot 2.03
Hammonton, Atlantic County, New Jersey**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Town of Hammonton has determined that on the Celona Property identified as Block 2421, Lot 2.03, located at 130 Railroad Avenue (herein referred to as the "Property") there has been a discharge of hazardous substances or a hazardous waste .

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton is applying from the Hazardous Discharge Site Fund for funding for the assessment and investigation of the Celona Property in order to determine the extent or the existence of any hazardous substance or hazardous waste.

WHEREAS, the Town of Hammonton intends to acquire the property by voluntary conveyance for the purposes of redevelopment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Town of Hammonton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that the Town of Hammonton is committed to the redevelopment of the Celona Property for the purpose of returning the Property to a viable productive part of the community, which not only stimulates further economic growth but also protects the environment. Furthermore, the Town of Hammonton finds that a realistic opportunity exists for the redevelopment of the Celona Property within a three-year period after the completion of the remediation of this site either through the planned redevelopment project, or through alternate redevelopment.

Motion by Council Person Marino Second Scipione
Resolutions #073 to #077 and 79 to 85 are approved

Roll Call

Councilperson:
Calderone – Yes
Marino - Yes
Matro - Yes
R, Rodio - Yes
S. Rodio – Yes
Scipione – Yes
Mayor Furgione – Yes

Mayor Furgione– Declares motion carried

PUBLIC HEARD

Jim Donio – Hammonton did not give his actual address. Only said he was from Hammonton and various other places. He questioned the Council about AI data centers. What is Hammonton going to do about them? We need to pass an ordinance to not have Data Centers in the Town.

Andrea Streitfeld 317 S. 3rd Street- Spoke about ICE operations in Camden County. They are tearing families apart; we need to support our migrants.

Isabella Wiley 402 Vine Street- Commented about the AI Data centers, she agrees that the Town needs to do something. She also agrees with having something regarding the ICE issue. We need to make a statement on it.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Motion by Council Person R. Rodio Second S. Rodio