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**AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING
315 WESTFIELD AVE., CLARK, NJ 07066
April 21, 2025
7:30 pm**

ROLL CALL:

Council Member Hoff _____	Council Member Minniti _____
Council Member Hund _____	Council Member O'Connor _____
Council Member Mazzarella _____	Council Member Toal _____
	Council President Smith _____

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG: MOMENT OF SILENCE

This meeting is in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act (Chapter 231, P.L.1975) as adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by mailing the Annual Schedule of meetings to the Star Ledger, Union County Hawk, Union County Local Source, and TAP into Clark, by posting such Annual Meeting Schedule on the bulletin board in Town Hall reserved for such announcements, the Official Website of the Township and the proper filing of said Notice. Formal action may be taken at this meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND REPORTS OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS:

Mayor:

Township Officers: Reports given this evening will be available in the Clerk’s office and on the township website www.ourclark.com

REPORT OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES:

ORDINANCES, APPROPRIATIONS AND CLAIMS:

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ORDINANCES:

(No objections have been received in connection with the proposed Ordinances)

- 1. 25-09 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 347 ENTITLED VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ADDING ARTICLE XI MOTORIZED BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS, SECTION 347-65 MOTORIZED BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK**

- 2. 25-10 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117 ENTITLED CLOTHING DONATION BINS, SECTION 117-7 LIMITATIONS ON THE LOCATIONS AND NUMBERS OF CLOTHING BINS, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK**

3. **25-11 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW AUTOMOBILE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,050,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

4. **25-12 BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW FIRE TRUCK, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$3,340,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE STATE GRANTS, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES:

5. **25-13 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 33 OF CHAPTER 347 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"**

Public Hearing May 19

6. **25-14 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 240 ENTITLED "PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS" ARTICLE II ENTITLED "USE OF FACILITIES" SECTION 6 ENTITLED "FEES" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK**

Public Hearing May 19

7. **25-15 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 358 ENTITLED "MOTION PICTURES" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK**

Public Hearing May 19

8. **25-16 AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE 24-17 ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO FIX MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SALARIES**

Public Hearing May 5

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Councilman O'Connor, Chairman of Finance Committee has reviewed the Current and Capital expenditures received and encumbered through April 10, 2025 in the amount of \$472,370.57

NEW BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR:

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The public comment portion of the meeting is to allow the public to bring to the Council's attention their concerns or comments. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 10: 4-12(a) and the Code of the Township of Clark, each person addressing the Council shall give their name and the town in which they reside, to the Clerk. All remarks shall be addressed to the Council as a body and shall not exceed 5 minutes in duration. At the conclusion of the statements or questions from a member of the public, the Council President, at his discretion, may choose to respond or not respond.

MAYOR, COUNCIL AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Ordinance No. 25 - 09
Adopted April 21, 2025

Introduced: March 17, 2025 Public Hearing: April 21, 2025

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 347 ENTITLED
VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ADDING ARTICLE XI ENTITLED "MOTORIZED
BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS" AND SECTION 347-65 THEREOF ENTITLED
"MOTORIZED BICYCLES AND SCOOTERS"
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that the following Article and Section of Chapter 347 of the Code of the Township of Clark entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" is hereby added in the following particulars:

SECTION 1. An Article XI entitled "Motorized Bicycles and Scooters" be and hereby is added consisting of the following Section providing as follows:

§ 347-65 Motorized Bicycles and Scooters

A. Definitions- As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

a. Low-Speed Motorized Bicycles and Scooters (which do not require license, registration and insurance).

i. Electric bicycle: a two or three-wheeled vehicle with fully operable pedals and an electric motor of less than 750 watts, that meets the requirements of one of the following classifications:

1. Class 1 low-speed electric bicycle: A low-speed electric bicycle equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty (20) miles per hour. These bicycles have operable pedals and an electric motor of 750 watts or less; or

2. Class 2 low-speed electric bicycle: A low-speed electric bicycle equipped with a motor that may be used exclusively to propel the bicycle and that is not capable of providing assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty (20) miles per hour. These bicycles have operable pedals.

ii. Electric scooter: means a scooter with a floorboard that can be stood upon by the operator with handlebars and an electric motor that is capable of propelling the device with or without propulsion at a maximum speed of nineteen (19) miles per hour. These scooters do not have operable pedals.

- b. High-Speed Motorized Bicycles and Scooters (which require license, registration and insurance).**
 - i. Motorized bicycles: A bicycle with an electric motor, or a gas motor of up to 50cc, that can achieve speeds between 20 and 28 miles per hour. These bicycles have pedals.
 - ii. Motor scooter (under 50cc): A limited use motorcycle, commonly referred to as a moped, with a gas motor of up to 50cc. These vehicles can achieve speeds of up to 35 miles per hour and have either two or three wheels. These vehicles have no operable pedals.
 - iii. Motor scooter (over 50cc): A limited use motorcycle, commonly referred to as a moped, with a gas motor of over 50cc. These vehicles can achieve speeds of over 35 miles per hour and have either two or three wheels. These vehicles have no operable pedals.
 - iv. Electric motor scooter: A limited use motorcycle, commonly referred to as a moped, with an electric motor. These vehicles have either two or three wheels and have no operable pedals.
 - v. Miniature Motorized Scooter: A miniature motor vehicle and includes, but is not limited to, pocket bikes, super pocket bikes, scooters, mini scooters, sport scooters, mini choppers, mini motorcycles, motorized skateboards and other vehicles with motors.

B. Application of Motor Vehicle Laws.

- a. Every person riding an electric bicycle or electric scooter within the Township of Clark shall be granted all the rights and shall be subject to all the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by the laws of this state including the provisions of Chapter 4 of Title 39 of the New Jersey Revised Statutes applicable to bicycles as defined in N.J.S. 39:4-10 and the traffic provisions of this Code applicable to the driver of a vehicle, except as to special regulations in this Section and except as to those provisions of laws and ordinances which by their nature are inapplicable to such persons. In particular, any person operating a low-speed electric bicycle or a low-speed electric scooter shall obey the instructions of official traffic control signals, signs and other control devices applicable to vehicles, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.
- b. Where the provisions of this chapter contradict and/or overlap with any New Jersey State Laws, the state law shall govern.

C. Rules and Regulations.

- a. Dangerous Operation: All motorized bicycles or scooters, as defined in section A, shall be ridden in compliance with the provisions of Title 39 of the revised statutes.
- b. Required Equipment: All motorized bicycles or scooters, as defined in section A, shall carry all required lamps, reflectors and warning devices as specified by Title 39 of the revised statutes.
- c. Reckless Operation: No motorized bicycles or scooters, as defined in section A, shall be ridden in a manner that is likely to endanger the safety of the rider, other motorists or property.

- d. **Helmet Required:** All operators of low-speed motorized bicycles and scooters, as defined in paragraph i-ii of subsection a of section A, shall wear a helmet regardless of age.
- e. **Keeping to the Right:** While operating upon a roadway within the Township of Clark operators of low-speed motorized bicycles and scooters, as defined in paragraphs i-ii of subsection a of section A, shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle.
- f. **Single File Riding:** While operating upon a roadway within the Township of Clark operators of low-speed motorized bicycles and scooters, as defined in paragraphs i-ii of subsection a of section A, shall ride in a single file manner which does not impede the flow of traffic.
- g. **Sticker Required:** All low-speed motorized bicycles and scooters, as defined in paragraph i of subsection a of section A, ridden within the Township of Clark shall bear a label containing the classification number, top assisted speed and motor wattage of the low-speed motorized bicycle.
- h. **Number of Riders:** No motorized bicycles or scooters, as defined in section A, shall carry more than persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.
- i. **Riding on Sidewalk Prohibited:** No high-speed motorized bicycles or scooters, as defined in paragraphs i-v of subsection b of section A, shall be ridden on the sidewalk.
- j. **Carrying Articles:** No operator of motorized bicycles or scooters, as defined in section A, shall carry a package, bundle or article which prevents the user from keeping both hands upon the handlebars.

D. Parking Prohibitions.

- a. No motorized bicycles or scooters, as defined in section A, shall be left standing or lying upon the sidewalk or any portion of the Township's right of way in a manner that would impede pedestrian traffic.
- b. No motorized bicycles or scooters, as defined in section A shall be abandoned upon any sidewalk or any portion of the Township's right of way. For the purposes of this paragraph abandoned shall mean that the vehicle has not moved for a period of forty-eight (48) or more consecutive hours or visually appears to be in an inoperable state.

E. Riding of Motorized Bicycles and Scooters Prohibited On Certain Properties.

- a. Motorized bicycles or scooters, as defined in section A, shall not be ridden on any public property or other property owned or maintained by the Township of Clark or the Township of Clark Board of Education. Nothing in the section shall limit the ability of the operator to ride a motorized bicycle or scooter to the property; however, upon arrival the operator shall dismount the vehicle and walk it while on public property owned or maintained by the Township of Clark.
- b. Private property owners, or their authorized representatives, may elect to prohibit motorized bicycles and scooters, as defined in section A, from being ridden on their property. Each property owner shall enter into an agreement with the Township of

Clark, authorizing this provision to be enforced. Nothing in the section shall limit the ability of the operator to ride a motorized bicycle or scooter to the property; however, upon arrival the operator shall dismount the vehicle and walk it while on said property.

- i. List of private properties where the riding of motorized bicycles and scooters has been prohibited:

F. Violations and Penalties

- a. Anyone who violates the terms of this ordinance is subject to a fine in the Clark Township Municipal Court in the amount of one-hundred dollars (\$100). A court appearance shall be required for this violation.

SECTION 2: Inconsistent Ordinances: Any ordinances of the Township of Clark which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3: Severability: If any clause, sentence, section or other portion of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or repeal the remainder of this ordinance.

SECTION 4: Effective Date: This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication, according to law.

Effective Date: May 15, 2025

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

ANGEL ALBANESE
Mayor

Ord25/3-17 Ch347-47MotorizedBicyclesandScooters

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Ordinance No. 25 - 10
Adopted April 21, 2025

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Introduced: March 17, 2025 Public Hearing: April 21, 2025

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 117 ENTITLED "CLOTHING DONATION BINS"
AND SECTION 117-7 THEREOF ENTITLED "LIMITATIONS ON THE LOCATIONS AND
NUMBERS OF CLOTHING BINS" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK**

WHEREAS, the Township of Clark recognizes and honors the contributions and sacrifices of military veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and The American Legion are federally recognized non-profit military veterans' organizations dedicated to serving military veterans, strengthening communities, and promoting patriotism; and

WHEREAS, the missions of these organizations include but are not limited to:

- **Veteran advocacy** – Working with Congress to pass laws that benefit military veterans and active-duty military personnel;
- **Support for military families** – Offering financial assistance, scholarships, and transition programs;
- **Youth programs** – Running programs such as Boys State, Boys Nation, and scouting partnerships;
- **Americanism & patriotism** – Encouraging civic responsibility, flag etiquette, and national pride;
- **Assisting with VA claims** – Helping military veterans access their benefits and healthcare;
- **Advocating for veterans' rights** – Influencing legislation to improve VA benefits, healthcare, and support services;
- **Providing assistance programs** – Offering financial aid, mental health resources, and career support;
- **Community involvement** – Supporting youth programs, scholarships, and patriotic initiatives;

- **Honoring military service** – Conducting memorial services, parades, and events recognizing military veterans’ sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, allowing clothing donation bins on properties owned or operated by these non-profit military veterans’ organizations would provide additional resources to support their mission and community outreach efforts; and

WHEREAS, such donation bins would facilitate charitable giving, promote recycling, and generate funds for programs benefiting military veterans and their families; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Clark, Union County, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1: The current subsection H of §117-7 be and hereby is re-designated subsection i.

SECTION 2: A new subsection H be and hereby is added between the current subsection G and the subsection herein re-designated as subsection I providing as follows:

§ 117-7 Limitations on locations and numbers of clothing bins.

H. Exemption for Non-Profit Veterans’ Organizations Notwithstanding any other provisions, clothing donation bins may be placed and maintained on properties owned or operated by federally recognized non-profit military veterans’ organizations, including but not limited to the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and The American Legion.

SECTION 3: Any ordinances of the Township of Clark which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4: If any clause, sentence, section or other portion of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or repeal the remainder of this ordinance.

Effective Date: May 15, 2025

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

ANGEL ALBANESE
Mayor

Ord25/3-17 Ch117ClothingBins-VeteranExemption

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK

Ordinance No. 25 - 11

Adopted April 21, 2025

Introduced: March 17, 2025 Public Hearing: April 21, 2025

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW AUTOMOBILE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,050,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Clark, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Clark, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey (the "Township") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire new information technology equipment and a new automobile vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said Township, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation

shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Township.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (3) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (4) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Undertaking of the 2025 Capital Road Improvement Program (including roadway reconstruction and resurfacing, and the undertaking of the following, where necessary: repair of the storm drainage system, reconstruction of curbs, sidewalks and driveway aprons and the making of landscaping improvements) at various locations in the Township, as set forth on a list prepared by the Township Engineer on file or to be placed on file with the Township Clerk, and hereby approved as if set forth herein in full.

Depending upon the contract price and other exigent circumstances, and upon approval by the Township Council, there may be additions to or deletions from the aforesaid list. It is hereby determined and stated that said roads being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 700,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 33,335
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 666,665
Period of Usefulness	10 years

B. Acquisition of a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of an ambulance for the use of the Clark Volunteer Ambulance Corps.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 325,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 16,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 309,000
Period of Usefulness	5 years

C. Acquisition of new information technology equipment consisting of computer equipment for the use of various Township departments, offices and agencies.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 25,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 2,665
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 22,335
Period of Usefulness	5 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$1,050,000
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 52,000
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 998,000

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$106,465 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such

purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$52,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Township, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$52,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$998,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$998,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be

issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Township and attested by the Township Clerk or Deputy Township Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Director of Revenue and Finance who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 8.34 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk of said Township, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$998,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Union, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the

Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 14. The Township intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the Township incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Township hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 15. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Township, and the Township shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Effective Date: May 15, 2025

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

ANGEL ALBANESE
Mayor

Ord25/3-17 25-11 \$1,050,000MPBondOrd

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK

Ordinance No. 25 - 12

Adopted April 21, 2025

Introduced: March 17, 2025 Public Hearing: April 21, 2025

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF A NEW FIRE TRUCK, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$3,340,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE STATE GRANTS, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Clark, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Township of Clark, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey (the "Township") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire a new fire truck, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said Township, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said

respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the State grants appropriated by this ordinance. No down payment is required pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) because this ordinance involves projects to be funded by State grants. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Township.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the State grants hereinafter appropriated, and (3) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (4) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Improvement of Valley Road (Section 2), including roadway reconstruction and resurfacing, and the undertaking of the following, where necessary: repair of the storm drainage system, reconstruction of curbs, sidewalks and driveway aprons and the making of landscaping improvements. It is hereby determined and stated that said road being improved is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 694,050
State Grant Appropriated	\$ 437,346
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 256,704
Period of Usefulness	10 years

B. Acquisition of a new ladder fire truck, including original apparatus and equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$2,300,000
State Grant Appropriated	\$1,500,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 800,000
Period of Usefulness	20 years

C. Restoration of the historic Robinson House.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 345,950
State Grant Appropriated	\$ 145,950
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 200,000
Period of Usefulness	10 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$3,340,000
Aggregate State Grants Appropriated	\$2,083,296
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$1,256,704

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$168,635 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. The sum of \$437,346 received or to be received as a grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvement of Valley Road set forth in Section 4.A hereof.

Section 7. The sum of \$1,500,000 received or to be received as a grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the fire truck acquisition authorized in Section 4.B above.

Section 8. The sum of \$145,950 received or to be received as a grant from the New Jersey Historic Trust is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the building restoration authorized in Section 4.C above.

Section 9. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,256,704 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be

hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 10. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Township of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,256,704 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 11. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations

prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said Bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Township and attested by the Township Clerk or Deputy Township Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 12. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 16.36 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 13. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Township Clerk of said Township, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Township, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$1,256,704 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance

will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 14. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Union, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes (other than the State grants hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purposes, but shall not be applied to the payment of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 15. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Township Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 16. The Township intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections

1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the Township incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Township hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 17. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Township, and the Township shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 18. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Effective Date: May 15, 2025

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

ANGEL ALBANESE
Mayor

Ord25/3-17 25-12 \$3,340,000MPBondOrd

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Ordinance No. 25 - 13
Adopted _____

INTRO
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Introduced: April 21, 2025 Public Hearing: May 19, 2025

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 33 OF CHAPTER 347
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"**

WHEREAS the Township of Clark Police Department recommends the installation of a "STOP" sign on King Street at its intersection with Bartell Place; and

WHEREAS the Governing Body of the Township of Clark desires, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-140, to follow the recommendations of the Township of Clark Police Department to promote the health, safety, and welfare of its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that the following Section of Chapter 347 of the Code of the Township of Clark entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" is hereby amended in the following particulars:

SECTION 1: Article V entitled "Traffic Regulations" Section 347-33 entitled "Stop Intersections" is amended and supplemented so as to include the following:

<u>Intersection</u>	<u>"STOP" Sign on:</u>
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Bartell Place and King Street	King Street
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SECTION 2: All other provisions of Section 347-33 remain in effect.

SECTION 3: **Inconsistent Ordinances:** Any ordinances of the Township of Clark which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4: **Severability:** If any clause, sentence, section or other portion of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or repeal the remainder of this ordinance.

SECTION 5: **Effective Date:** This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication, according to law.

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Ordinance No. 25 - 14
Adopted _____

INTRO 6

Introduced: April 21, 2025 Public Hearing: May 19, 2025

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 240 ENTITLED
"PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS" ARTICLE II ENTITLED "USE OF FACILITIES"
SECTION 6 ENTITLED "FEES" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, County of Union, New Jersey that Chapter 240 Parks and Recreation Areas, Section 6 Fees, is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION 1: §240-6B The following fees shall apply to the uses specified:

- (1) Gym: \$700 per day (4 or more hours)
- (2) Cafeteria: \$400 per day (4 or more hours)
- (3) Tennis courts: \$200 per day (4 or more hours)
- (4) Fields: \$300 per day (3 or more hours)
- (5) Room 2: \$100 per day
- (6) Pool: \$750 (4 or more hours)

SECTION 2: **Inconsistent Ordinance**

Any Ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3: **Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and upon publication according to law.

Effective Date: June 11, 2025

INTRO 7

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Ordinance No. 25 - 15
Adopted _____

Introduced: April 21, 2025 Public Hearing: May 19, 2025

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 358 ENTITLED
"MOTION PICTURES" OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, County of Union, New Jersey that Chapter 358 entitled Motion Pictures, is hereby amended to comply with the "film ready" requirements of the New Jersey Economic Development Authority as follows with all other text remaining unchanged:

SECTION 1: §358-1 entitled Major Motion Picture is hereby amended as follows:
A. (10) delete \$5,000,000 and replace with \$20,000,000

SECTION 2: §358-3 entitled Issuance of permits is hereby amended as follows:
A. delete 15 days and replace with 4 days

SECTION 3: §358-4 entitled Interference with public activity; notice of filming is hereby amended as follows:
B. delete 14 days and replace with 3 days

SECTION 4: §358-10 entitled Fees is hereby amended as follows:
A. delete 15 days and replace with 4 days
B. delete \$1,000 and replace with \$150
C. delete \$4,000 and replace with \$500
D. delete \$500 and replace with \$150
E. delete \$2,000 and replace with \$500

SECTION 5: **Inconsistent Ordinance**

Any Ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 6: **Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and upon publication according to law.

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Ordinance No. 25 - 16
Adopted _____

INTRO 8

Introduced: April 21, 2025 Public Hearing: May 5, 2025

**AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT ORDINANCE 24-17
ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO FIX MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SALARIES**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that the proper officer or officers of the Township of Clark be and they are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver checks on Township funds for the purpose of paying the annual salaries to the employees of the Township of Clark within the range as set forth in Ordinance 24-17 adopted December 16, 2024 opposite each job classification as in such cases made. The following supplements the Schedule of salaries effective as of January 1, 2025, and may be amended for those who may exceed the maximum.

	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
POLICE – Base Pay		
Police Director	\$100,000.00	\$225,000.00

Any ordinance inconsistent with the provisions contained herein is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

Effective Date: May 28, 2025

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

ANGEL ALBANESE
Mayor

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-82
April 21, 2025

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WHEREAS, the Township of Clark is required to have a Certified Municipal Finance Officer (CMFO) in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, due to the absence of a duly certified CMFO, the Township must appoint an Acting CMFO to ensure the continued oversight and management of municipal financial operations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:32-2, a municipality may appoint an individual as Acting CMFO for a one-year term, renewable for up to two additional years with approval from the New Jersey Division of Local Government Services (DLGS), provided the appointee is actively pursuing CMFO certification; and

WHEREAS, Christie Vieira has demonstrated the necessary experience and commitment to municipal finance and has completed a significant portion of the coursework required for CMFO certification, with an expected completion date of April 2025; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Township of Clark to appoint Christie Vieira as **Acting CMFO** to ensure compliance with state financial regulations and maintain the integrity of the Township's financial management;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. **Appointment** – Christie Vieira is hereby appointed as Acting Chief Municipal Finance Officer for the Township of Clark, effective March 25, for a term of one year, subject to renewal as permitted by law.
2. **Responsibilities** – The Acting CMFO shall perform all statutory duties and responsibilities required under N.J.S.A. 40A:9-140.1 et seq., including but not limited to budget preparation, financial reporting, oversight of municipal funds, and compliance with applicable state and local regulations.
3. **Notification to DLGS** – The Township Clerk is hereby directed to submit a copy of this Resolution and all necessary documentation to the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) for approval and recordkeeping purposes.
4. **Effective Date** – This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/4-21 82AppointActingCMFO

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**RESOLUTION APPOINTING A QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT (QPA) AND
INCREASING THE BID THRESHOLD**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law (LPCL) N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1, *et seq.* permits the appointment of a Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) to oversee purchasing and contracting activities for a municipality, as well as to award contracts in accordance with applicable laws; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3 permits municipalities to increase the bid threshold to \$44,000 as well as granting the authorization to negotiate and award contracts below the bid threshold if a Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA), who holds a certificate issued by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS), is appointed by the governing body; and

WHEREAS, the Township's prior QPA resigned; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the DLGS has established the criteria for certification of a QPA pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:34-5, *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, Joseph DeIorio possesses a valid QPA certificate, issued by the Director of the DLGS; and

WHEREAS, the Business Administrator and the Mayor of the Township have proposed and designated Joseph DeIorio to fill such vacancy and to serve as the Township's QPA; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Clark wishes to appoint Joseph DeIorio as the municipality's Qualified Purchasing Agent, at a rate of \$175 per hour, effective immediately; and

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey's Pay-to-Play law, codified under N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5, establishes rules governing the awarding of contracts by local government units when the value of a contract exceeds the Pay-to-Play threshold of \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, under P.L. 2023, c. 30, also known as the "Elections Transparency Act," municipalities are permitted to delegate authority to the Qualified Purchasing Agent to award contracts over the Pay-to-Play threshold of \$17,500.00 but below the statutory bid threshold (\$44,000.00) established under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council recognizes the value of allowing the QPA to make such awards to ensure efficient operations, compliance with state law, and proper oversight of municipal expenditures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that:

1. The Township Council of the Township of Clark hereby consents to the designation of Joseph DeIorio as the Township's QPA and as such, Joseph DeIorio hereby is appointed as the Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) for the Township of Clark;

2. The Township hereby delegates authority to Joseph Delorio as the Township's QPA to award contracts in compliance with the Pay-to-Play laws for contracts with an aggregate value exceeding \$17,500.00 but below the bid threshold as established under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3.
3. The Township hereby increases the bid threshold to \$44,000, the maximum allowed by State law, effective upon the passage of this resolution;
4. A certified copy of this resolution and the appointee's QPA certificate shall be forwarded to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for recordkeeping;
5. This appointment shall be until further action notification is issued to the council and the DLGS by the Business Administrator;
6. The QPA shall ensure that all contracts awarded under this resolution comply with the Pay-to-Play law and Local Public Contracts Law, including the receipt of Business Entity Disclosure Certifications and compliance with all statutory requirements; and
7. The Qualified Purchasing Agent shall maintain detailed records of all contracts awarded under this authority and provide periodic reports to the Township Council as requested.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

 EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
 Township Clerk

 WILLIAM F. SMITH
 Council President

Res25/4-21 83AppointQPA-DeIorio

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State of New Jersey)
 County of Union) ss.

I, Edith L. Merkel, Township Clerk of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey, DO HEREBY certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution 25-83, as approved at a Regular Meeting of the Township Council held on April 21, 2025.

 Edith L. Merkel, Township Clerk
 Date: April 21, 2025

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
 Resolution 25-84
 April 21, 2025

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WHEREAS Mayor Angel Albanese has appointed James Ulrich to the position of Director of Public Works/Shade Tree at an annual salary of \$1,750.00; and

WHEREAS this appointment requires the advice and consent of the Council.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that it hereby confirms the appointment of James Ulrich as Director of Public Works/Shade Tree whose term, commencing this 21st day of April 2025 runs concurrent with the Mayor.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

 EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
 Township Clerk

 WILLIAM F. SMITH
 Council President

Res25/4-21 84AppointDPWDirector/ShadeTree-Ulrich

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-85
April 21, 2025

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Municipal Budget of the Township of Clark County of Union for Calendar Year 2025

BE IT RESOLVED that the following statements of revenues and appropriations shall constitute the Municipal Budget for the year 2025:

**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT
SUMMARY OF CURRENT FUND SECTION OF APPROVED BUDGET YEAR 2025**

General Appropriation For:

1. Appropriations within "CAPS":		
(a) Municipal Purposes (Item H-1, Sheet 19) (N.J.S.A.40A:4-45.2)		23,513,749.22
2. Appropriations excluded from "CAPS"		
(a) Municipal Purposes (Item H-2, Sheet 28) (N.J.S.A.40A:4-53.3 as amended)		9,012,023.00
(b) Local District School Purposes in Municipal Budget (Item K, Sheet 29)		-
Total General Appropriations excluded from "CAPS" (Item O, Sheet 29)		9,012,023.00
3. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item M. Sheet 29) – Based on Estimated 98.50% Percent of Tax Collections		1,100,000.00
4. Total General Appropriations (Item 9, Sheet 29) Building Aid Allowance	2025	
for Schools –State Aid	2024	0
5. Less: Anticipated Revenues Other Than Current Property Tax (Item 5, Sheet 11) (i.e. Surplus, Miscellaneous Revenues and Receipts from Delinquent Taxes)		11,456,152.75
6. Difference: Amount to be Raised by Taxes for Support of Municipal Budget (as follows)		
(a) Local Tax for Municipal Purposes Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes (Item 6(a), Sheet 11)		20,868,495.47
(b) Addition to Local District School Tax (Item 6(b), Sheet 11)		-
(c) Minimum Library Tax		1,301,124.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice is hereby given that the Budget and Tax Resolution was Introduced by the Municipal Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey on April 21, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Budget be published in summary in the Union County Hawk in the issue of May 1, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Regular Meeting for the hearing on the Budget and Tax Resolution will be held at the Public Safety Building, 315 Westfield Avenue, on May 19, 2025, at 7:30 pm at which time and place objections to said Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2025 may be presented by the taxpayers or other interested persons.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/4-21 85BudgetIntro

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-86
April 21, 2025

13

WHEREAS the Department of Public Works has solicited and received quotes for Grass Disposal Services with the following results:

- Frank Galbraith & Son \$21.25 per cubic yard + fuel charge \$50.00 per visit
- The Yard LLC \$18.00 per cubic yard

WHEREAS The Yard LLC, 2115 Lake Avenue, Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076 provided the lowest responsible quote in the amount of Eighteen Dollars and Zero Cents (\$18.00) per cubic yard which meets the needs of the Township; and

WHEREAS the total contract amount for the 2025 grass season is not to exceed Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey that it hereby awards a contract for Grass Disposal to The Yard LLC in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00 for the 2025 grass season.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/4-21 86AwardGrassDisposal

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-87
April 21, 2025

14

WHEREAS the Township Engineer has solicited and received quotes for ADA curb and ramp improvements in connection with the Year 50 Community Development Block Grant with the following results:

T. Fiotakis Construction, Inc., Edison, NJ	\$16,540.00
Crossroads Paving, Newark, NJ	\$20,000.00
S. Brothers, Inc. Manalapan, NJ	\$27,526.00
Cifelli & Son General Construction, Nutley, NJ	\$48,780.00
Topline Construction, Somerville, NJ	Did not submit

WHEREAS T. Fiotakis Construction, Inc., 197 Central Avenue, Edison, New Jersey 08817 provided the lowest responsible quote in the amount of Sixteen Thousand, Five Hundred Forty Dollars (\$16,540.00) which meets the needs of the Township.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey that it hereby awards a contract for ADA curb and ramp improvements to T. Fiotakis Construction, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$16,540.00.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/4-21 87AwardADACurbsRampsCDBGYr50-T.FiotakisConstruction

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-88
April 21, 2025

CA 15

WHEREAS the Township of Clark is eligible to participate in the 2025 Capital Project Grant Program; and

WHEREAS funding is available through the State of New Jersey and the Union County Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS the anticipated cost of the Capital Project to upgrade the Sexton Pump Station is \$303,810; and

WHEREAS the Township of Clark is requesting \$250,000.00 to undertake and complete the project with funds fully expended by September 30, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey that it hereby authorizes the submission of a grant application and execution of all necessary documents by the Mayor and/or Business Administrator for the 2025 Capital Project Grant Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be included in the submission packet to be sent to Union County.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/4-21 88AuthSubmission&ExecutionofUCCapitalProjectGrant

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-89
April 21, 2025

CA 16

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark pursuant to P.L. 1985 and Chapter 3, Section 3-29N of the Code of the Township of Clark, that it does hereby appoint Edward Feins as Class 1 Special Law Enforcement Officer to serve for the period commencing April 21, 2025, and concluding December 31, 2025.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/4-21 89AppointSLEO-Feins

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TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-90
April 21, 2025

CA 17

FORM 1B

WHEREAS the Governor's Council on Substance Use Disorder (GCSUD) established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse in 1989 to educate and engage residents, local government and law enforcement officials, schools, nonprofit organizations, the faith community, parents, youth, and other allies in efforts to prevent alcoholism and drug abuse in communities throughout New Jersey; and

WHEREAS the Township Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey recognizes that the abuse of alcohol and drugs is a serious problem in our society amongst persons of all ages; and therefore, has an established Municipal Alliance Committee; and

WHEREAS the Township Council further recognizes that it is incumbent upon not only public officials but upon the entire community to take action to prevent such abuses in our community; and

WHEREAS the Township Council has applied for funding to the Governor's Council on Substance Use Disorder through the County of Union.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey hereby recognizes the following:

1. The Township Council does hereby authorize submission of a strategic plan for the Clark Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2026 in the amount of:

GCSUD Award	\$ 13,194.00
Cash Match	\$ 3,298.50
In-Kind	\$ 9,895.50

2. The Township Council acknowledges the terms and conditions for administering the Municipal Alliance grant, including the administrative compliance and audit requirements.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/4-21 90MunAlliancegrantfor1B

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CERTIFICATION

I, Edith L. Merkel, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly authorized by the Township Council on this 21st day of April 2025.

Edith L. Merkel, Municipal Clerk

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WHEREAS the Tax Collector has certified that sewer utility account(s) require balance adjustments; and

WHEREAS the Business Administrator has reviewed and approved the sewer fee adjustment(s).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the Tax Collector be authorized to apply the sewer account balance adjustments according to the attached schedule.

ATTEST:

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Res25/4-21 91SewerAdj

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SEWER BILLING ADJUSTMENT 2025										
CLARK TOWNSHIP										
REF #	Account #	Name	#	Address	Reason	Original	Revised	Credit	ADDL	Comments
25	28	546-0	Bonanno, Biagio & Jennifer	79	Hillcrest Drive	incorrect am water bill	\$ 1,580.00	1,230.00	\$ 350.00	
25	29	5124-0	Linder, Jon	19	Alice Lane	leak in water line	\$ 2,180.00	705.00	\$ 1,475.00	
25	30	2325-0	Zaveri, Bakul	1065	Raritan Road	major water leak repaired	\$ 6,280.00	3,840.00	\$ 2,440.00	
25	31	1834-0	Rooney, Cynthia	57	Post Road	no bills for 2 1/2-one makeup	\$ 9,337.30	280.00	\$ 9,057.30	
25	32	946-0	Hayden, Kim	13	Briarwood Path	no bills for over 2 years/makeup	\$ 25,876.90	280.00	\$ 25,596.90	
					Total Adjustments				\$ 38,919.20	

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WHEREAS in accordance with a request from the Tax Collector for authorization to refund overpayment of 2025 sewer fees; the Mayor has recommended to Council that such authorization be granted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to make the refund(s) as per the following schedule.

CLARK TOWNSHIP		Sewer Refund 2025					
REF	Acct #	Name	#	Address	Reason	Refund	
25	6R	295-0	Murawski, Peter	32	Locust Grove Drive	duplicate payment	\$ 140.00
25	7R	2828-0	Mads Ravn	54	Ivy Street	duplicate payment	\$ 140.00
25	8R	2234-0	TD Bank	1010	Raritan Road	duplicate payment	\$ 140.34
Total Refunds							\$ 420.34

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