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**AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING
315 WESTFIELD AVE., CLARK, NJ 07066
December 15, 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, The Leader (formerly 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.

SWEARING IN OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER AT-LARGE

Mayor – Angel Albanese
Council Member-at-Large – Jessica Hoff

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. 25-34 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 255 ENTITLED “PROPERTY MAINTENANCE” ARTICLE VI, ENTITLED “VACANT AND ABANDONED PROPERTY” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK TO ESTABLISH A VACANCY DETERMINATION PROCESS AND NOTICE AND CURE REQUIREMENT**

2. **25-35 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 347 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” SECTION 25 ENTITLED “PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK**

3. **25-36 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 161-47 ENTITLED “FEES” AND SECTION 161-48 ENTITLED “FIRE WATCH” OF CHAPTER 161, ENTITLED “FIRE PREVENTION” OF ARTICLE VIII, ENTITLED “ENFORCEMENT OF UNIFORM FIRE SAFETY ACT” OF PART II, ENTITLED “GENERAL LEGISLATION”**

4. **25-37 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 3-11, ENTITLED “REGULAR MEETINGS” OF ARTICLE V, ENTITLED “TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETINGS” OF CHAPTER 3, ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT” OF PART I, ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION**

5. **25-38 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 347-33, ENTITLED “STOP INTERSECTIONS” OF ARTICLE V, ENTITLED “TRAFFIC REGULATIONS,” OF CHAPTER 347, ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC,” OF PART II, ENTITLED “GENERAL LEGISLATION”**

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Councilman O’Connor, Chairman of Finance Committee has reviewed the Current and Capital expenditures received and encumbered through December 8, 2025 in the amount of \$581,860.12

CITIZEN HEARING ON THE AGENDA:

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.

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

The following items are considered routine and non-controversial items by the Township Council and will be enacted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda to be discussed and voted on, following the approval of the remaining items listed on the Consent Agenda.

6. Approving the 2026 Council meeting schedule

7. Approving the 2026 Holiday Calendar

8. Authorizing the Mayor and/or Business Administrator to execute the 2026 Risk Management Consultant's Agreement as required by the NJ Municipal Self Insurers' Joint Insurance Fund, with World Insurance Associates
9. Refunding Certificate of Compliance #2025-00154 for 52 Broadway in the amount of \$125.00
10. Authorizing the Tax Collector to make the proper adjustments for 100% Property Tax Exemption of Block 182 Lot 1 in accordance with a directive from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
11. Authorizing the Tax Collector to refund overpayment of taxes in the amount of \$13,803.04
12. Seeking approval of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services for insertion of a Special Item of Revenue in the amount of \$15,450 for the Childhood Lead Exposure Prevention Project Grant

RESOLUTIONS:

13. Authorizing the transfer of funds within the 2025 Municipal Budget

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:

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Ordinance No. 25 - 34
Adopted _____

PH1

Introduced: November 17, 2025 Public Hearing: December 15, 2025

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 255 ENTITLED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE"
ARTICLE VI, ENTITLED "VACANT AND ABANDONED PROPERTY" OF THE CODE OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK TO ESTABLISH A VACANCY DETERMINATION
PROCESS AND NOTICE AND CURE REQUIREMENT**

WHEREAS, the Township of Clark has adopted regulations governing the registration, maintenance, and enforcement of vacant and abandoned properties in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to strengthen procedural safeguards and ensure fair and objective determinations of vacancy status prior to the imposition of registration fees, renewals, or fines;

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

SECTION 1.

Chapter 255, Article VI ("Vacant and Abandoned Property") of the Code of the Township of Clark is hereby amended to include the following new section, to be designated as § 255-22.1 "Vacancy Determination and Notice Requirements", and to renumber subsequent sections accordingly: § 255-22.1. Vacancy determination and notice requirements.

A. Vacancy determination.

The municipal inspector shall make a written vacancy determination based on at least two objective indicia from § 255-22, one of which must be verifiable physical evidence (e.g., utility disconnection records, boarded windows, accumulated mail, sealed winterization, or documented code violations). The inspector shall contemporaneously create a photographic record and written report. No fee associated with vacancy registration or escalation shall be invoiced until such written determination is completed and served on the responsible party as described in subsection B.

B. Notice and cure.

Prior to imposition of increased renewal fees or fines, the Township shall provide written notice by certified mail and personal service or posting on the property, allowing a cure period of not less than thirty (30) calendar days, or ten (10) days where an imminent threat to health or safety exists. During the cure period, registration and fee escalation shall be stayed.

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Ordinance No. 25 - 35
Adopted _____

PH2

Introduced: November 17, 2025 Public Hearing: December 15, 2025

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 347 ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC” SECTION 25 ENTITLED “PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES” 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 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: Section 347-25 entitled “Parking prohibited at all times” is hereby supplemented as follows:

Name of Street	Side	Location
Cellar Avenue	South	Extending 50 feet west from the driveway of 1190 Cellar Avenue located 615 feet east of the intersection at Lake Avenue

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: **Effective Date:**

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

Effective Date: January 7, 2026

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK

Ordinance No. 25 - 36

PH3

Adopted December 15, 2025

Introduced: November 17, 2025 Public Hearing: December 15, 2025

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 161-47 ENTITLED “FEES” AND SECTION 161-48 ENTITLED “FIRE WATCH” OF CHAPTER 161, ENTITLED “FIRE PREVENTION” OF ARTICLE VIII, ENTITLED “ENFORCEMENT OF UNIFORM FIRE SAFETY ACT” OF PART II, ENTITLED “GENERAL LEGISLATION”

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Township to increase certain fees and make certain other related modifications relating to the payment thereof concerning fire prevention measures undertaken by the Township.

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

Section 1. Subsection A of Section 161-47 be and hereby is amended to state as follows:

Inspection fees:

Class I	\$75.00
Class II, per commercial/office/business suite	\$100.00
Class III, per commercial/office/business suite	\$200.00
Class IV, per commercial/office/business suite	\$300.00
Class V, for each individual dwelling unit located on the premises	\$15.00
Inspection of each apartment/condominium building common area and basements	\$200.00

Smoke detectors, for each unit, for all new homes, condominiums, townhouses and apartments	\$100.00
Inspection, residential, change of ownership	\$100.00
Second inspection, if needed, residential, change of ownership	\$50.00
Additional business inspection required due to a change of ownership	\$100.00
Failure to pay inspection fee following thirty (30) day notice and second (2 nd) billing period, double the initial fee.	

Section 2. Subsection B of Section 161-47 be and hereby is deleted in its entirety.

Section 3. Subsection C of Section 161-47 be and hereby is amended to state as follows:

Permit fees:

Type 1 from \$75 to \$100

Type 11 from \$200 to \$250

Type 111 from \$350 to \$400

Type 1V from \$500 to \$550

Section 4. Subsection F of Section 161-47 be and hereby is amended to state as follows: “For any Board of Education or Township of Clark sponsored events the inspections will be conducted and the permits will be issued for a charge equal to the New Jersey Fire Code minimum (currently \$45.00) not per day, but per each separate event.”

Section 5. Subsection B of Section 161-48 be and hereby is amended to state as follows: “Schedule of Fees. Fire service watches shall be charged at the rate of \$80.00 per hour on Mondays through Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. After hours, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. on Mondays through Fridays the rate shall be \$120.00 per hour. Such after-hour rates also shall apply to any hours worked on Saturdays or Sundays. Any hours required or requested to conduct Fire Watch during a State or Federal Holiday shall be charged \$160.00 per hour. These rates are the rates per Inspector. There shall be a four hour minimum. The Township rate to be paid for fire watch or additional types of inspections and permitting per Firefighter shall be \$40.00 per hour.”

Section 6. **Inconsistent Ordinances.** Any ordinances of the Township of Clark which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance be and hereby are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 7. 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 8. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication, according to law.

Effective Date: January 7, 2026

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC,
 Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH,
 Council President

ANGEL ALBANESE,
 Mayor

Ord25/11-17 25-36AmendCh161FirePreventionFees

		Motion to Introduce	Second	Motion to Adopt	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Adopted		✓						
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	Entire Council								
	TOTAL								

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK

Ordinance No. 25 - 37

Adopted _____

PH4

Introduced: November 17, 2025 Public Hearing: December 15, 2025

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 3-11, ENTITLED "REGULAR MEETINGS" OF ARTICLE V, ENTITLED "TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETINGS" OF CHAPTER 3, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT" OF PART I, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION"

WHEREAS, the Township Council has determined that conducting two regular meetings each month rather than one will improve efficiency and transparency in the administration of the Township's business and affairs.

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

SECTION 1. Section 3-11 B be and hereby is deleted in its entirety.

SECTION 2. Section 3-11 C be and hereby is amended to state as follows:

Regular meetings. Regular meetings of the Council shall be held on the first Monday and the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.; provided, however, that when the day fixed for any regular meeting of the Council falls upon a day designated by law as a legal or national holiday other than the first day of January, such meeting shall be held at the same hour on the next succeeding day which is not a holiday. Any ordinance which is being proposed for introduction or resolution which is being proposed for adoption shall be presented to the Council for consideration at least 48 hours prior to a regular meeting of the Council. In the event that such proposed ordinance or resolution has not been presented to the Council for consideration at least 48 hours prior to the regular meeting, such proposed ordinance or resolution shall not be considered for adoption or introduced at the regular meeting of the Council, except upon the consent of five of the members present at the regular meeting.

SECTION 3. Section 3-11 F be and hereby is amended to state as follows:

Place of public meetings. All meetings of the Council, regular and special, shall be held in the John F. Laezza Council Chamber/Municipal Court of the Public Safety Building/Police Headquarters located at 315 Westfield Avenue in the Township, except in the case of the destruction thereof or other emergency proclaimed by the Mayor, or as otherwise directed by the Council for the public convenience.

SECTION 4. Inconsistent Ordinances. Any ordinances of the Township of Clark which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance be and hereby are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. 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 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication, according to law.

Effective Date: January 7, 2026

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC,
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH,
Council President

ANGEL ALBANESE,
Mayor

Ord25/11-17 25-37AmendCh3-11TownshipCouncilMeetings

		Motion to	Second	Motion to	Second				
		Introduce		Adopt		Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Adopted	Mazzarella							
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adopted as Amended	Minniti							
<input type="checkbox"/>	Defeated	O'Connor							
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tabled	Toal							
<input type="checkbox"/>	Withdrawn	Smith							
	Entire Council	✓	✓						
	TOTAL								

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK

Ordinance No. 25 - 38

Adopted _____

PH5

Introduced: November 17, 2025 Public Hearing: December 15, 2025

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 347-33, ENTITLED "STOP INTERSECTIONS" OF ARTICLE V, ENTITLED "TRAFFIC REGULATIONS," OF CHAPTER 347, ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC," OF PART II, ENTITLED "GENERAL LEGISLATION"

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Township to add two locations within the Township, on Township roads, at which stop signs may be installed.

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

SECTION 1. Section 347-33 entitled "Stop Intersections" is amended and supplemented to include the following:

<u>Intersection</u>	<u>"STOP" Sign on:</u>
Kennedy Drive and Skyline Drive	Kennedy Drive
Fairview Road and Mildred Terrace	Fairview Road

SECTION 2: All other provisions of Section 347-33 remain in effect.

SECTION 4. Inconsistent Ordinances. Any ordinances of the Township of Clark which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance be and hereby are repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. 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 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication, according to law.

Effective Date: January 7, 2026

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC,
 Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH,
 Council President

ANGEL ALBANESE,
 Mayor

Ord25/11-17 25-38AmendCh347-33StopSigns-Kennedy&Fairview

		Motion to	Second	Motion to	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn	Smith								
	Entire Council								
	TOTAL								

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-218
December 15, 2025

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that it does hereby approve the Meeting Calendar for the Year 2026 as outlined below.

CLARK MUNICIPAL COUNCIL 2026 MEETING DATES
Reorganization Meeting Monday, January 5, 2026
315 Westfield Avenue – 7:30 pm

PUBLIC MEETINGS 7:30 PM
315 Westfield Avenue
Council Chambers

First Monday of the Month
(unless otherwise stated)

Third Monday of the Month
(unless otherwise stated)

January 5
February 2
March 2
April 6
May 4
June 1
July 6
August 3
September 8 (Tuesday)
October 5
November 4 (Wednesday)
December 7

January 20 (Tuesday)
February 17 (Tuesday)
March 16
April 20
May 18
June 15
July 20
August 17
September 21
October 19
November 16
December 21

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/12-15 218MeetingDates2026

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Withdrawn	Smith						
		Entire Council						
		TOTAL						

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
 Resolution 25-219
 December 15, 2025

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that the following dates, in addition to one floating holiday of each employee's choosing, will constitute the official Township employee holiday calendar for the year 2026.

New Year's Day	Thursday	01/01/2026
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Monday	01/19/2026
Presidents Day	Monday	02/16/2026
Good Friday	Friday	04/03/2026
Memorial Day	Monday	05/25/2026
Juneteenth	Friday	06/19/2026
Independence Day	Friday	07/03/2026
Labor Day	Monday	09/07/2026
September 11 **	Friday	09/11/2026
Columbus Day	Monday	10/12/2026
Veteran's Day	Wednesday	11/11/2026
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday	11/26/2026
Day after Thanksgiving	Friday	11/27/2026
Christmas Day	Friday	12/25/2026

** Town Hall Delayed Opening 10:00 am

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

 EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
 Township Clerk

 WILLIAM F. SMITH
 Council President

Res25/12-15 219Holidays2026

		Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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<input type="checkbox"/> Adopted as Amended	Minniti						
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<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn	Smith						
	Entire Council						
	TOTAL						

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-220
December 15, 2025

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WHEREAS the Township of Clark has resolved to join the New Jersey Municipal Self Insurers' Joint Insurance Fund ("NJMSIJIF") following a detailed analysis; and

WHEREAS the Bylaws of NJMSIJIF require that each entity designate a Risk Management Consultant to perform various professional services as detailed in the Bylaws and Risk Management Plan; and

WHEREAS the Bylaws indicate that NJMSIJIF shall pay each Risk Management Consultant a fee to be established annually by the Executive Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township of Clark does hereby appoints World Insurance Associates, LLC as its Risk Management Consultant in accordance with the Fund's Bylaws; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and/or Business Administrator and Township Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Risk Management Consultant's Agreement effective 01/01/26 to 12/31/26 annexed hereto and to cause a notice of this decision to be published according to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(i).

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/12-15 220RiskMgmtAgreement-WorldIns

		Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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<input type="checkbox"/> Defeated	O'Connor						
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<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn	Smith						
	Entire Council						
	TOTAL						

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
 Resolution 25-221
 December 15, 2025

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WHEREAS Glenn Yanovak/Eagle Property Group, LLC, has requested a refund of One Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$125.00) for 52 Broadway, Clark, New Jersey 07066 due to the overpayment of Certificate of Compliance 2025-00154; and

WHEREAS the Construction Official has recommended to Council that authorization for such refund be granted.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to refund \$125.00 as hereinabove stated.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

 EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
 Township Clerk

 WILLIAM F. SMITH
 Council President

Res25/12-15 221RefundCOC-2025-00154-52Broadway

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		Entire Council						
		TOTAL						

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-222
December 15, 2025

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WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor has certified that U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has deemed Michael Edward Lanni to be 100% permanently disabled effective June 23rd, 2025, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54: 4-3, 30, et. seq.:

WHEREAS, Michael Edward Lanni, has submitted his Claim for Property Tax Exemption on Dwelling of Disabled Veteran, on November 13, 2025; and the Tax Assessor, has approved this application as of November 13 , 2025; and

WHEREAS, Michael Edward Lanni owns one hundred percent of the property listed in the tax duplicate as 101 Delia Terrace, Clark, NJ, Block 182 Lot 1, and is entitled to one hundred percent of the taxes for this property exempt; and

WHEREAS, the total 2025 taxes on this property, were originally billed \$8,642.21, and should be \$7,448.46; therefore the following will be cancelled, \$1,193.75 for 4th quarter, and \$2,160.56 for the 1st quarter and \$2,160.55 for 2nd quarter 2026.

WHEREAS, one hundred percent of the taxes on this property will be entitled to exemption for as long as Michael Edward Lanni is owner of the property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, County of Union, New Jersey that the Tax Collector is hereby authorized and directed to make the proper adjustments to exempt this property as indicated above.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25 12-15 222TaxExemptVeteranB182L1

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<input type="checkbox"/> Defeated		O'Connor						
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		Entire Council						
		TOTAL						

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-223
December 15, 2025

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WHEREAS, in accordance with a request from the Tax Collector for authorization to refund overpayment of 2025 taxes; 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 refund(s)/transfer(s) in accordance with the following schedule:

CLARK TOWNSHIP						
TAX REFUNDS 2025						
BLOCK	LOT	QUAL.	NAME	#	ADDRESS	REFUND
183	1		Schpakow, Kevin	111	St. Laurent Drive	\$3,096.72
44	5		Kelly Title Group LLC	228	Maple Avenue, Red Bank	\$4,771.75
31.01	3		Eugene Perrotta Esq	16	Valley Road	\$5,934.57
Total Refunds						\$13,803.04

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/12-15 223TaxRefund(s)

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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Entire Council						
TOTAL						

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 25-224
December 15, 2025

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WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council of the Township of Clark, in the County of Union, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$15,450.00 which is now available from the State of New Jersey, Childhood Lead Exposure Prevention Project Grant in the amount of \$15,450.00; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the like sum of \$15,450.00 is hereby appropriated under the caption Childhood Lead Exposure Prevention Project Grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above is the result of funds from the State of New Jersey in the amount of \$15,450.00.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/12-15 224Ch159ChildLeadExpPreventionGrant

		Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
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**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROVISION OF A GRANT PURSUANT TO THE
TOWNSHIP OF CLARK AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE
TENANT OF AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT LOCATED
35 WALNUT AVE, UNIT 205, CLARK, NJ 07066**

WHEREAS, Applicant Jamilla Walker (“Tenant”) will be renting 35 Walnut Ave, Unit 205, Clark Township (“Property”), a property governed by the statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations restricting occupancy and use of the property as an affordable housing unit; and

WHEREAS, the Tenant has requested an Affordability Assistance Grant through Clark Township’s Affordability Assistance Program to pay for one month’s rent for the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Township’s Affordable Housing Administrative Agent, CGP&H, LLC., has reviewed the Tenant's application and qualified the Tenant for the requested assistance; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the requested grant for the one month’s rent will be paid directly to the landlord by the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township is willing, pursuant to the Affordable Assistance Program, to extend a grant to the Tenant in the amount of \$1,569.00; and

WHEREAS, the funding for the grant will be from the Clark Township Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED on this 15 day of December 2025, by the Township Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that:

1. The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized, pursuant to the Township’s Affordability Assistance Program, to enter into an Agreement with Tenant and provide Tenant with a grant to be used to pay for one month’s rent for the Property.
2. The Mayor, Administrator, Clerk, Township Attorney, CFO, and such other staff and officials as may be appropriate are authorized to take such steps as may be reasonably required to implement this resolution, including issuance of the grant amount.

CERTIFICATION

I, Edith L. Merkel, Clerk of the Township of Clark, certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Clark at its meeting held on the 15th day of December 2025.

Edith L. Merkel, Clerk

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/12-15 225AuthRentalAssistGrantWalker35WalnutUnit205

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WHEREAS N.J.S.A. 40A:4-58 provides for appropriation transfers during the last two (2) months of the year, when it has been determined it is necessary to expend for any of the purposes specified in the budget an amount in excess of the sum appropriated therefore and where it has been further determined that there is an excess in any appropriation over and above the amount deemed to be necessary to fulfill the purpose of such appropriation, the Governing Body may, by Resolution setting forth the facts, adopted by not less than two-thirds vote of the full membership thereof, transfer the amount of such excess to those appropriations deemed to be insufficient.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark, in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, that the Chief Financial Officer be and the same is hereby authorized to make transfers among the 2025 budget appropriations in accordance with the following schedule of transfers.

	<u>To</u>	<u>From</u>
Fire Prevention: Misc Other Expenses 5-01-25-268-224	\$ 3,000.00	
Fire: Equipment Maintenance 5-01-25-266-203	\$10,000.00	
Insurance & Bonding 5-01-23-210-223		\$13,000.00
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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

EDITH L. MERKEL, RMC
Township Clerk

WILLIAM F. SMITH
Council President

Res25/12-15 226BudgetTransfers

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