

Revised to Add New Business

**AGENDA
COUNCIL MEETING
315 WESTFIELD AVE., CLARK, NJ 07066
February 2, 2026
7:30 pm**

ROLL CALL:

Council Member Hoff _____	Council Member Minniti _____
Council Member Hund _____	Council Member O'Connor _____
Council Member Mazarella _____	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, and Union County Local Source by posting such Annual Meeting Schedule on the bulletin board in Town Hall reserved for such announcements, the Official Website of the Township <https://ourclark.com/> in compliance with P.L. 2025, c.72, effective March 1, 2026 and the proper filing of said Notice. Formal action may be taken at this meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

Reports of Council Committees are given on the third Monday of the month or as otherwise scheduled

ORDINANCES, APPROPRIATIONS AND CLAIMS:

PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ORDINANCES:

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

1. **26-01 AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE TO FIX MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM SALARIES**

2. **26-04 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE USE OF TOWNSHIP OF CLARK OWNED FUEL DISPENSING FACILITIES BY THE CLARK VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY SQUAD, INC.**

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Councilman O'Connor, Chairman of Finance Committee has reviewed the Current and Capital expenditures received and encumbered through January 28, 2026 in the amount of \$99,385.99

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.

The Public may speak on any agenda item that does not have its own public hearing

CONSENT AGENDA RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolutions #26-56 through #26-63 are considered routine and non-controversial items by the Township Council and will be enacted upon by one motion. There will be no separate vote on 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.

3. Authorizing the award of a contract for Hearing Officer Services
4. Authorizing the award of a contract for Affordable Housing Administrative Agent Services
5. Appointing Christina DeLouisa as Alternate I Member and Nicholas Manginelli as Alternate II Member of the Environmental Commission
6. Authorizing the Tax Collector to refund overpayment of taxes in the amount of \$37,768.26
7. Authorizing the Tax Collector to refund overpayment of sewer fees in the amount of \$1,170.33
8. Authorizing the Tax Collector to apply sewer account balance adjustments as credit in the amount of \$2,850.00
9. Authorizing Final Payment to AJM Contractors, Inc. for work completed on the 2024-2025 NJDOT Road Improvements, Valley Road Sections I and II, in the amount of \$25,056.00
10. Authorizing the Township Planning Board to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the proposed study area, which includes Lot 25.01 in Block 34 qualifies as an Area in Need of Non-Condensation Redevelopment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5.

NEW BUSINESS ON THE CALENDAR:

- 26-64 Authorizing submission of a strategic plan for the Clark Municipal Alliance grant for fiscal year 2027 in the amount of \$9,956.00

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

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MAYOR, COUNCIL AND PROFESSIONAL COMMENTS:

ADJOURNMENT:

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
Resolution 26 – 64
February 2, 2026

FORM 1B

WHEREAS the Governor’s Council on Substance Use Disorder (GCSUD) established the Municipal Alliances for the Prevention of Substance Use Disorder 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 substance use disorder in communities throughout New Jersey; and

WHEREAS the Township Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey recognizes that substance use disorder 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 substance use disorder 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 2027 in the amount of:

GCSUD Grant	\$ 9,956.00
Cash Match	\$ 2,489.00
In-Kind	\$ 7,467.00

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

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			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						

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 2nd day of February 2026.

Edith L. Merkel, Municipal Clerk