

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
CITY OF OCEAN CITY, NEW JERSEY**

ATTENDANCE: Mr. Barnes, Mr. Crowley, Mr. Hartzell, Mr. Levchuk, Mr. Madden, Mr. Polcini and Mr. Winslow. Present also was Mayor Gillian, Aide to the Mayor, Mr. Allegretto and Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson. Business Administrator, Mr. Savastano was absent.

Council President, Mr. Crowley called the meeting to order and asked everyone to rise for the flag salute and moment of silence. Mr. Crowley announced that adequate notice of this meeting has been given pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

REPORTS – MAYOR & ADMINISTRATION:

Mayor Gillian provided a full and detailed report that can be found on the city's website.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

Dave Hayes – Battersea Rd – requested that Resolution No. 26-56 be pulled from the consent agenda for further explanation.

Donna Moore – Ocean Ave – requested that Resolution No. 26-50 be pulled from the consent agenda for further explanation. She also provided a handout regarding the harmful effects of pesticides that are being used on city grounds.

REPORTS – CITY COUNCIL:

Mr. Winslow reminded everyone that on Saturday, February 7th the Boardwalk Subcommittee will have a public meeting at 10:00 a.m. at the Ocean City Free Public Library in the Lecture Hall. The meeting will be video-taped and data collected will be discussed; plans about the property will not be part of the discussion.

Mr. Hartzell provided the details of the service that will be held for Dick Stanislaw, who passed away on Saturday at age 86. Dick was president of the Ocean City Tabernacle for 11 years until he retired in 2013.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Crowley asked for a motion to adopt the regular city council meeting minutes of Thursday, January 22, 2026. Motion moved by Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Winslow. All ayes followed with the exception of Mr. Polcini who abstained.

ORDINANCE – FIRST READING & INTRODUCTION:

Mr. Crowley asked for a motion to take up Ordinance No. 26-01 on first reading and introduction. Motion moved by Mr. Winslow, seconded by Mr. Madden. All ayes followed. The clerk read the ordinance by title. **Ordinance No. 26-01 – An Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter XXV, Zoning and Land Development of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Ocean City – 2026 Residential Mechanical**

Solicitor, Ms. McCrosson provided an explanation on the ordinance. There was some discussion. Mr. Crowley asked for a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 26-01 on first reading. Motion moved by Mr. Winslow, seconded by Mr. Polcini. All ayes followed. Mr. Crowley announced that second reading and public hearing on Ordinance No. 26-01 is scheduled for Thursday, February 19, 2026 and will be published according to law.

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA:

26-44- A Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of City Contract #26-01, Recreational Basketball Camp Program

26-45- A Resolution Authorizing the Advertisement of City Contract #26-02, Recreational Soccer Camp Program

26-46- A Resolution Authorizing the Award of an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services (E.U.S.) Contract to Brown & Brown Metro, LLC for Broker of Record Services for the City of Ocean City Employee Benefits Program

26-47- A Resolution Authorizing the Award of City Contract #26-04, Custodial Services for the Beach & Boardwalk Restrooms for the City of Ocean City to Professional Cleaning Services of NJ, LLC

26-48- A Resolution Authorizing the Award of City Contract #26-14, Supply & Delivery of Lumber & Boardwalk Screws to Lumbermen Associates, Inc.

26-49- A Resolution Authorizing the Usage of Contracts with Somerset County Cooperative Pricing System #2-SOCCP for the 2026 Calendar Year

26-51- A Resolution Approving Tax Overpayment Refund #2026-1

26-52- A Resolution Canceling Taxes and Authorizing a Refund Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30 & N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.32

26-53- A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 824 Atlantic Avenue, Block 803 Lot(S)7; Project #21-024PBA

26-54- A Resolution Authorizing the Release of a Maintenance Guarantee for a Construction Project at 828-30 Atlantic Avenue, Block 803 Lot(S) 8; Project #21-025PBA

25-55- A Resolution Authorizing Transfers of Appropriations Reserves of the 2025 Local Municipal Budget Per N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59

26-57- A Resolution Authorizing the Payment of Claims

Mr. Crowley asked for a motion to adopt the consent agenda. Motion moved by Mr. Levchuk, seconded by Mr. Madden. All ayes followed.

REMOVED RESOLUTIONS:

26-50- A Resolution Authorizing the Second and Final Extension of City Contract #24-08, Maintenance of City Grounds & Garden Plots with RPM Landscape Contractor, LLC

Mr. Barnes asked for Resolution No. 26-50 to be pulled so that there could be more discussion and an explanation regarding what products are being used to treat the city grounds. Mr. Crowley opened the meeting up for public comment and no one wished to speak. Mr. Crowley closed the public comment portion of the meeting and asked for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 26-50. Motion moved by Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Winslow. All ayes followed.

26-56- A Resolution Authorizing an Emergency Temporary Appropriation

Mr. Hartzell asked for Resolution No. 26-56 to be pulled for further explanation. Mr. Crowley opened the meeting up for public comment and no one wished to speak. Mr. Crowley closed the public comment portion of the meeting and asked for a motion to adopt Resolution No. 26-56. Motion moved by Mr. Madden, seconded by Mr. Levchuk. All ayes followed.

PENDING BUSINESS:

No pending business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Winslow spoke about 34th Street; the county engineers are rising the northern side of the road so that it will be even and then the south side will also be done; this will alleviate draining issues and the street will be flood compliant.


Mr. Polcini suggested addressing the signage at 34th Street regarding making a left hand turn.

CITIZEN COMMENT:

Donna Saber – Asbury Ave – spoke about research she has done regarding deeds for 600 Boardwalk that date back to 1881 and 1926.

ADJOURN:

Mr. Crowley asked for a motion to adjourn. Motion moved by Mr. Levchuk, seconded by Mr. Madden. All ayes followed. Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.


Melissa Rasner, City Clerk