# NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL
# COUNCIL MEETING

**October 28, 2025**
**6:30 PM**

**VIRTUAL ZOOM WEBINAR MEETING** &**
**LOUIS L. REDDING CITY/COUNTY BUILDING**
**1ST FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS**
**800 N. FRENCH STREET, WILMINGTON, DE 19801**

REVISED AGENDA

**A. Call to Order**

- **Moment of Silence**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Roll Call**

**B. Approval of Minutes**

**C. Announcements**

**D. Introduction of Ordinances**

°25-130: TO AMEND *NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE* CHAPTER 6 ("BUILDING CODE") REGARDING ARTICLE 1 ("GENERAL"), ARTICLE 2 ("DEFINITIONS"), ARTICLE 3 ("ADMINISTRATION"), ARTICLE 4 ("BUILDING CODE"), ARTICLE 5 ("RESIDENTIAL CODE"), ARTICLE 9 ("EXISTING BUILDING CODE"), ARTICLE 10 ("ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE"), ARTICLE 11 ("SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE"), AND SCHEDULE OF PERMIT AND REVIEW FEES
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Tackett, Ms. Kilpatrick

°25-131: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE INTEREST INCOME $9,779.64 AND PROGRAM INCOME $36,465.04 TO THE FY2025 HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (HOME), WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°25-132: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $141,826.06 IN PROGRAM INCOME AND REALIGN $300,567.49 IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FY2025, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°25-133: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $86,924.65 IN ACTUAL PROGRAM INCOME AND $150,000.00 IN ANTICIPATED PROGRAM INCOME TO THE

SUMMER RECREATION CAMPS GRANT
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°25-134: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $480,150.72 FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TO THE FY2026 FUNDS TO COMBAT VIOLENT CRIME GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°25-135: AMEND THE FY2026 CAPITAL PROGRAM AND BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $150,000 IN FUNDING RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BOND AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ACT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, GLASGOW LIBRARY CAPITAL PROJECT
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°25-136:TO APPROPRIATE $300,000 IN THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY HOUSING TRUST FUND FOR AN EVICTION SETTLEMENT ASSISTANCE FUND TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°25-137: AMEND THE PAY PLAN AND RATES OF PAY FOR CLASSIFIED SERVICE EMPLOYEES MANAGERS AND ADMINISTRATORS REPRESENTED BY THE DELAWARE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COUNCIL 81, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, AFFILIATE LOCAL 3109 FOR THE CLASS SPECIFICATION OF CHIEF OF CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT CHANGING FROM 35-HOUR WORK WEEK TO 40-HOUR WORK WEEK FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

°25-138: AMEND PAY PLAN AND RATES OF PAY FOR CLASSIFIED SERVICE 35-HOUR AND 40-HOUR WORKWEEK EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE DELAWARE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES COUNCIL 81, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, AFFILIATE LOCAL 1607 FOR THE CLASS SPECIFICATION OF CHIEF OF FACILITY MAINTENANCE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF SEWER OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATION
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

°25-139: AMEND THE FY2026 CAPITAL PROGRAM AND BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $2,000,000 IN FUNDING FROM THE REASSESSMENT RESERVE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, REASSESSMENT 2024 CAPITAL PROJECT
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°25-140: AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO $17,679,097 IN A GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND THROUGH THE DELAWARE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL REVOLVING FUND FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, RICHARDSON PARK SEWAGE PUMP STATION, PHASE 2
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Carter

°25-141: AMEND THE FY2026 CAPITAL PROGRAM AND BUDGET: INCREASE BOND AUTHORIZATIONS IN THE AMOUNT UP TO $17,679,097 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, RICHARDSON PARK PUMP STATION UPGRADE CAPITAL PROJECT
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Carter

°25-142: AMEND THE FY2026 APPROVED ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $300,000 TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF FINANCE CONTRACTUAL SERVICES BUDGET LINE ITEM FOR LEGAL FEES FOR MONITIONS
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°25-143: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE ANTICIPATED ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FUNDS OF $870,000 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO THE SECTION 8 HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS – 2025 GRANT, WHICH

IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°25-144: AMEND THE PAY PLAN AND RATES OF PAY FOR NON-UNION CLASSIFIED SERVICE EMPLOYEES AND ADOPT THE CLASS SPECIFICATION OF CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT DIVISION MANAGER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF SEWER OPERATIONS ADMINISTRATION
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

°25-145: TO PLACE A ONE-YEAR MORATORIUM ON ALL MAJOR LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS AND CERTAIN MINOR LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS PROPOSING THE POCKET NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT TYPE IN NEW CASTLE COUNTY
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Mr. Tackett, Ms. Kilpatrick

**E. Consent Calendar**

R25-182: CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF ALIA GRIER TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY CLAYMONT DESIGN REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Cartier

R25-183: CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF EMILY KNEARL TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY OPEN SPACE ADVISORY BOARD
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Cartier, Ms. Durham

R25-184: CONSENTING TO THE REAPPOINTMENT OF CHARLES MCALLISTER TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY BOARD OF LICENSE INSPECTION AND REVIEW
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

R25-185: CONSENTING TO THE REAPPOINTMENT OF STEWART RAMSEY TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

R25-186: CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF IRINA TURNER TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Carter

R25-187: CONSENTING TO THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF NELSON WHITLOCK TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY CLAYMONT DESIGN REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Cartier

R25-188: CONSENTING TO THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF KEN RICKOSKI TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY CLAYMONT DESIGN REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Cartier

NOTE: If an item on the Consent Calendar is objected to by a Council member, or a member of the public wishes to obtain additional information about the candidate or proposed legislation, or if a Councilmember intends to offer an amendment to a resolution, seek additional information, or state a conflict, it shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and voted upon separately.

**F. Consideration of Resolutions Removed from the Consent Calendar and Other Resolutions**

R25-189: PLAN OF SILVER VIEW FARM; ST. GEORGES HUNDRED; SOUTH SIDE OF VANCE NECK ROAD 4,319 FEET WEST OF SILVER RUN ROAD; MAJOR LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN THAT DEPICTS THE SUBDIVISION OF THE SUBJECT PARCEL (INCLUDING 42 UNITS OF TDR CAPACITY) INTO 192 BUILDING LOTS UTILIZING THE OPEN

SPACE PLANNED OPTION WITH ASSOCIATED OPEN SPACE, RIGHTS OF WAY, AND A DEDICATED PUMP STATION; S ZONING; APPLICATION NO. 2022-0500; COUNCIL DISTRICT 12
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Caneco

R25-190: AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE A FINANCING AGREEMENT WITH THE DELAWARE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL REVOLVING FUND, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $17,679,097 TO FUND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW RICHARDSON PARK SEWAGE PUMP STATION AND APPURTENANCES, 625 LINEAR FEET OF 42-INCH GRAVITY SEWER, 70 LINEAR FEET OF 36-INCH GRAVITY SEWER AND 520 LINEAR FEET OF 24-INCH AND 30-INCH DUCTILE IRON FORCE MAIN; PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE BOND; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF VARIOUS DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Carter

## G. Time Sensitive Congratulatory/Honorary Resolutions

R25-191: CONGRATULATING DANIEL BOSMA FOR ACHIEVING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT, SCOUTS BSA
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Cartier

R25-192: A RESOLUTION HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF NICHOLAS JAMES “NICK” DIBUO
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

R25-193: RESOLUTION HONORING THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF BLACK VETERANS (NABVETS)
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

R25-194: HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF RETIRED STATE REPRESENTATIVE JOHN A. KOWALKO
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. George

## H. Presentations

## I. Consideration of Ordinances

°25-123: TO AMEND NEW CASTLE COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 13 (“STORMWATER MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS”) REGARDING STORMWATER MAINTENANCE AND THE OAKS
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Tackett

°25-124: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $32,345 IN FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DIVISION OF SERVICES FOR AGING & ADULTS WITH PHYSICAL DISABILITIES TO THE AB JONES SENIOR CENTER ART LOVING SENIORS GRANT, WHICH WILL BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street
Co-sponsor: Mr. Toole

°25-125: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $30,000 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO THE ASSET FORFEITURE-FEDERAL GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°25-126: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $60,000 IN ACTUAL PROGRAM INCOME TO THE COMMUNITY POLICING GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°25-127: AMEND THE FY2026 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: TRANSFER FUNDING FROM THE GRANTS AND FIXED CHARGES BUDGET LINE ITEM OF COUNTY COUNCIL TO THE CONTRACTUAL SERVICES BUDGET LINE ITEM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE TREE REMOVAL PROGRAM FOR SENIORS
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley

°25-128**:** AMEND THE FY2026 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $900,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TAX STABILIZATION RESERVE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF LAW TO FUND ATTORNEY FEES AND LITIGATION EXPERT WITNESSES
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°25-129: AMEND THE FY2026 APPROVED ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE $300,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TAX STABILIZATION RESERVE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, DIVISION OF FLEET OPERATIONS GRANTS AND FIXED CHARGES BUDGET LINE ITEM FOR A SETTLEMENT
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

**J. Introduction/Consideration of Emergency Ordinances**

**K. Public Comment/Other**

**L. Motion to Adjourn**

**AGENDA POSTED: October 21, 2025**
**REVISED AGENDA POSTED: October 27, 2028**

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**The agenda was revised on 10/27/25 to include Ordinance 25-145 under Item D (Introduction of Ordinances). The Ordinance is being introduced at this time because County Council desires to provide the Department of Land Use adequate time to develop and implement a plan to research, consider, and review amendments to the pocket neighborhood concept and related standards throughout New Castle County.

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