NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL
COUNCIL MEETING

October 27, 2026
6:30 PM

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

AGENDA

A. Call to Order

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

B. Approval of Minutes

C. Announcements

D. Introduction of Ordinances

°26-139: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO THE TALLEYVILLE FIRE COMPANY COMMAND VEHICLE GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°26-140: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY TO THE FY2027 FUNDS TO COMBAT VIOLENT CRIME GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION OF POLICE
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

°26-141: REVISE ZONING MAP: NEW CASTLE HUNDRED, EAST SIDE OF SCHOOL BELL ROAD, 2,300 FEET SOUTH OF ROUTE 7; REZONE 0.96 ACRES OF TAX PARCEL 10-028.40-133 (105 SCHOOL BELL RD, STAFFORD SUBDIVISION) FROM NEIGHBORHOOD CONSERVATION (NC6.5) TO SUBURBAN TRANSITION (ST) AND 0.43 ACRES OF TAX PARCEL 10-028.00-036 (211 SCHOOL BELL RD, STAFFORD SUBDIVISION) FROM SUBURBAN TRANSITION (ST) TO SUBURBAN TRANSITION (ST) AND HISTORIC OVERLAY ZONE (H); APPLICATION NO. 2025-0656-S/Z, COUNCIL DISTRICT 1
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole

E. Consent Calendar

R26-195: HONORING ALL MILITARY VETERANS AND DECLARING NOVEMBER 4–11, 2026, AS OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS IN NEW CASTLE COUNTY
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Hollins, Mr. Caneco

R26-196: HONORING STATE REPRESENTATIVE KEVIN HENSLEY AND RECOGNIZING HIS TWELVE YEARS OF DEDICATED LEGISLATIVE SERVICE TO THE MOT COMMUNITY
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

R26-197: CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF POLLY SIERER TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. George

R26-198: CONSENTING TO THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF MELISSA MARLIN TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY FINANCIAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Street

R26-199: CONSENTING TO THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF DONELL SOUSA TO THE NEW CASTLE COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole

R26-200: A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND HONORING ALL VETERANS OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY AND THE STATE OF DELAWARE ON VETERANS DAY 2026
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Hollins, Mr. Caneco

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

R26-201: URGING THE DELAWARE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO AMEND THE *DELAWARE CODE*, TITLE 9 REGARDING VOTING BY MEMBERS OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

R26-202: NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL URGES THE DELAWARE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO AMEND TITLE 9 OF THE *DELAWARE CODE* REGARDING LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURES
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Durham

G. Time Sensitive Congratulatory/Honorary Resolutions

R26-203: RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns

R26-204: HONORING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE PENROSE HOLLINS FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED SERVICE, LEADERSHIP, AND LASTING CONTRIBUTIONS TO NEW CASTLE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF WILMINGTON
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns, Mr. Sheldon

R26-205: HONORING AND COMMENDING COUNCILWOMAN JANET KILPATRICK FOR 16 YEARS OF DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE RESIDENTS OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY AND THE THIRD DISTRICT
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Williams-Johns, Mr. Sheldon

R26-206: THANKING NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT T. NIQUE' TRAYLOR FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF NEW CASTLE

COUNTY
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Ms. Williams-Johns, Mr. Caneco, Mr. Carter, Mr. Cartier, Ms. Durham, Ms. George, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Smiley, Mr. Street, Mr. Tackett, Mr. Toole

R26-207: THANKING NEW CASTLE COUNTY COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT CHARLES LINWOOD JACKSON FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY
Prime Sponsor(s): Ms. Kilpatrick, Ms. Williams-Johns, Mr. Caneco, Mr. Carter, Mr. Cartier, Ms. Durham, Mr. Hollins, Ms. George, Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Smiley, Mr. Street, Mr. Tackett, Mr. Toole

H. Presentations

I. Consideration of Ordinances

°26-132: AMEND THE GRANTS BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FEDERAL FUNDS FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT PASSED THROUGH FROM THE CITY OF WILMINGTON FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT TO THE LEAD AND HEALTHY HOMES REMEDIATION - CITY OF WILMINGTON 2027 GRANT, WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Hollins, Mr. Street

°26-133: AMEND THE FY2027 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FUNDING FROM THE REGISTER OF WILLS TECHNOLOGY FEE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION, OFFICE OF TECHNOLOGY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FOR PICTOMETRY INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°26-134: AMEND THE FY2027 CAPITAL PROGRAM AND BUDGET: REDUCE FUNDING IN THE AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION CAPITAL PROJECT TO PROVIDE FUNDING IN THE FY2027 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET FOR CONTRACT TREE WORK, ARBITRAGE PAYMENT AND ANTICIPATED HEALTHCARE COSTS
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr.Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°26-135: AMEND THE FY2027 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET: APPROPRIATE FUNDING FROM THE AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION CAPITAL PROJECT TO THE FY2027 APPROVED OPERATING BUDGET TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR CONTRACT TREE WORK, ARBITRAGE PAYMENT AND ANTICIPATED HEALTHCARE COSTS
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley, Mr. Cartier

°26-136 : AMENDING CHAPTER 14 (“FINANCE AND TAXATION”), ARTICLE 1 (“IN GENERAL”) RELATING TO CERTAIN RESERVE ACCOUNTS AND VOTING REQUIREMENTS RELATED THERETO
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Smiley

°26-137: AMEND THE FY2027 CAPITAL PROGRAM AND BUDGET: APPROPRIATE PROGRAM INCOME AND FUNDING RECEIVED FROM THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DELDOT) THROUGH THE COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION FUND (CTF) AND PROGRAM INCOME TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, PUBLIC SAFETY EQUIPMENT 2027 CAPITAL PROJECT
Prime Sponsor(s): Mr. Toole, Mr. Caneco

J. Introduction/Consideration of Emergency Ordinances

K. Public Comment/Other

L. Motion to Adjourn

AGENDA POSTED: October 20, 2026

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