

**Borough of Surf City
Governing Body Meeting Minutes**

Mayor F. Hodgson called the meeting to order and read the following statement. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, pursuant to P.L. 2025, c.72, adequate notice of this meeting of the Borough Council has been provided on the Borough website and to two online newspapers.

The roll call reflected the following members present: Councilman Joe DeBenedetto, Councilman Peter M. Hartney, Councilman William D. Hodgson, Councilman Lee Lieber, Councilman Gerry P. Little, Councilwoman Jacqueline L. Siciliano and Mayor Francis R. Hodgson.

Also in attendance were the Borough Superintendent Art Yahn, Police Chief Jack Casella, and Chief Financial Officer Michael Gross.

All present joined Mayor F. Hodgson in a Salute to the Flag.

Councilman Hartney moved to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2026, regular meeting. Councilman Little seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Councilwoman Siciliano moved to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2026-14. Council President Wm. Hodgson seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano. There were no comments. Councilman Hartney moved to close the public hearing. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Councilman Hartney moved to approve the final reading and adoption by title for Ordinance 2026-14. Councilman Lieber seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of adopting Ordinance 2026-14: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

**BOND ORDINANCE 2026-14 AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION AND
EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS STREETS.**

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS ROADS, APPROPRIATING \$825,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$783,750 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY.

Councilman DeBenedetto moved to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2026-15. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano. There were no comments. Councilwoman Siciliano moved to close the public hearing. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Councilman Hartney moved to approve the final reading and adoption by title for Ordinance 2026-15. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of adopting Ordinance 2026-15: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

**BOND ORDINANCE 2026-15 AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION AND
EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE BAY BEACH
BULKHEAD.**

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING BULKHEAD IMPROVEMENTS, APPROPRIATING \$1,200,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,140,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, IN THE COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY

Councilman Hartney moved to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2026-16. Council President Wm. Hodgson seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano. There were no comments. Councilwoman Siciliano moved to close the public hearing. Council President Wm. Hodgson seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to approve the final reading and adoption by title for Ordinance 2026-16. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of adopting Ordinance 2026-16: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

**ORDINANCE 2026-16 PERMITTING TEMPORARY DUMPSTER PLACEMENT FOR
RESIDENTIAL MOVE-OUTS.**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 17 OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY ENTITLED, "SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT" SO AS TO REVISE THE REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE USE OF DUMPSTERS IN THE RESIDENTIAL ZONE.

Councilwoman Siciliano moved to open the public hearing on Ordinance 2026-17. Councilman DeBenedetto seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano. Mr. Hartney recused himself. There were no comments. Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to close the public hearing. Councilman Little seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano. Mr. Hartney recused himself.

Councilwoman Siciliano moved to approve the final reading and adoption by title for Ordinance 2026-17. Council President Wm. Hodgson seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of adopting Ordinance 2026-17: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano. Mr. Hartney recused himself.

**ORDINANCE 2026-17 REVISING LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM
REVISIONS.**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 2 OF THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION" SO AS TO REVISE SECTION 2-62 ENTITLED "LENGTH OF SERVICE AWARDS PROGRAM (LOSAP)".

Resolutions 2026-111 through Resolutions 2026-125 were considered and approved, as attached.

Mayor F. Hodgson read the May 2026 Municipal Court and Finance reports.

Councilman Lieber read the Police Department's June 2026 monthly highlights. He reported that the new police vehicle has been fully outfitted and is now in service. The department's body-worn cameras have also been deployed and are currently in use. In addition, officers will soon complete Taser training, after which the Tasers will be placed into service.

Councilman DeBenedetto presented the June 2026 Beach Patrol statistical report. He reported that the LIT (Lifeguard in Training) program is fully operational and that the Gator program is running successfully. He also noted that the Borough's Boat Ramp is operating with 100% compliance. Councilman DeBenedetto then presented the Boat Ramp financial report and stated that parking there has improved. He thanked Art and the Department of Public Works for their work grooming Veterans Park and noted that the Borough has received numerous compliments regarding the new bay beach access mats. He advised that the new covered trash receptacles were scheduled to ship on July 14. Finally, he reported that a new ADA-compliant, marine-grade stainless steel outdoor shower has been ordered and that repairs to the ADA garage were completed that day.

Council President Wm. Hodgson provided the June 2026 Sanitation Report. He recognized DPW for all their hard work and efforts.

Councilwoman Siciliano reported that the Department of Public Works installed new stop signs throughout the Borough, cleared drain outfalls, and replaced barricades where needed. She also reported that the Borough Administrator hand-delivered the grant documentation to Ocean County and that all submissions were completed promptly. Councilwoman Siciliano expressed her appreciation for the efforts of the administrative staff, the governing body, and the Borough Engineer's office in completing approximately 25 ARPA-funded projects. Councilwoman Siciliano also thanked everyone who contributed to the success of the Borough's fireworks event.

Councilman Hartney provided the Beach Badge sales report and thanked the Department of Public Works for their hard work in preparing and repairing the bay beach. He reported that the Bay Program began this week and will take place on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. through August. He also reported that the Borough has received 33 requests for participation in the Beach Wheel Program.

Councilman Hartney provided an update on the email from Bob Stern regarding the windmill project. He reported that the New Jersey Attorney General is pursuing legal action against the federal government regarding the shutdown of leased areas.

Councilman Little provided the Water Department report. He reported three shutoffs, two disconnects, 91 mark-outs, and four after-hours emergencies during the reporting period. He advised that the 13th Street shut-off valve had been installed and that Water Tower No. 7 had been repaired.

Councilman Little also reported that SCADA panels were installed at Wells No. 5, 6, and 7. Additional work completed included the replacement and repair of chlorine pumps and hoses; replacement of the 13th Street chemical feed control valve and the Well No. 6 chemical feed control valve; and verification of pipe material for the hydrant project.

Request from Donna McDowell for permission from the Surf City Fire Company to hold a second Pickleball Tournament on Saturday, September 19. Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to approve the request. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the request. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Request from Cathy Moeller to allow Cycle 4 Awareness for a bicycle charity ride through Surf City on August 29 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Councilman Hartney moved to deny the request as presented for the summertime but would approve if the date is moved to after. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes denying the request for an August bike ride as submitted: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Request from Casey Deacon to place a bench in memory of her mother, Barbara Courts. Councilman Hartney moved to approve the request. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the

motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Request from Tim Hopkins to place a bench in memory of his parents. Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to approve the request. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Request from Robert Burness to place a bench in memory of his friends, John Gilbert and Denise Stanley. Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to approve the request. Councilman Hartney seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Request from Maya King to place a bench in memory of her grandfather, Ronald Catucci. Councilman Hartney moved to approve the request. Council President Wm. Hodgson seconded the motion. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to pay the bills. Councilwoman Siciliano seconded the motion. The bills were approved for payment. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Mayor F. Hodgson asked if anyone had comments or questions.

John Gausz inquired about fire hydrant repairs.

Alan Casey reported cracks in the pickleball courts.

Council President Wm. Hodgson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman DeBenedetto seconded the motion. With a vote in the affirmative, the meeting was adjourned. The roll call reflected the following votes in favor of approval: Mr. DeBenedetto, Mr. Hartney, Mr. Wm. Hodgson, Mr. Lieber, Mr. Little, and Mrs. Siciliano.

Respectfully submitted,



Christine Hannemann, RMC/CMR/QPA

Borough Clerk/Administrator

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-III

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE READING OF THE 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET BY TITLE ONLY.

WHEREAS, N.J.S.40A:4-8 provides that the budget be read by title only at the time of the public hearing if a resolution is passed by not less than a majority of the full Governing Body, providing that at least one week before the date of hearing, a complete copy of the approved budget as advertised has been posted in the Borough Hall, a copy has been posted on the official website and copies have been made available by the Clerk to persons requiring them;

WHEREAS, these conditions have been met;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the budget be read only by title.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on July 8, 2026.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

	Approved			Denied	Carried		
	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-112

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, ADOPTING THE 2026 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, that the budget, hereinbefore set forth, is hereby adopted, and shall constitute an appropriation for the purposes stated herein set forth, as appropriations and authorization of the amount of \$5,100,000.00 to be raised by taxation for Municipal purposes.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on July 8, 2026.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

	Approved			Denied	Carried		
Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-113

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AN ADDENDUM TO THE CONTRACT WITH ARAWAK PAVING CO., INC FOR THE 2025 ARPA DRAINAGE AND FLOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ON S. 3RD, S. 2ND, BAY TERRACE, N. 4TH, N. 9TH, N. 11TH AND N. 12TH STREETS.

WHEREAS, a contract was previously awarded to Arawak Paving Co., Inc for the 2025 ARPA Drainage and Flood Improvement Project on S. 3rd, S. 2nd, S. 3rd, Bay Terrace, N. 2nd, N. 4th, N. 9th, N. 11th and N. 12th Streets.

WHEREAS, the original contract for said work was for \$1,243,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to authorize Final Change Order No. 1, which will result in an overall change increase of \$30,575.30 in the contract price and

WHEREAS, this change order amounts to a total of 2.47 percent of the original contract awarded to the contractor and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body desires to authorize this change order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Governing Body hereby authorizes the execution of an addendum to the contract with Arawak Paving Co., Inc with an increase of \$30,575.30 in the contract price.
2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an addendum to the contract with Arawak Paving Co., Inc. by the provisions of this resolution.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution, together with a copy of the contract addendum between the parties, be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, and that three (3) certified copies be forwarded to the Municipal Engineer.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on July 8, 2026.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-114

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AN ADDENDUM TO THE CONTRACT WITH MONMOUTH DOCK WORKS FOR BULKHEAD REPLACEMENT AT N. 6TH, N. 7TH, N. 8TH, N. 11TH, N. 23RD, AND 24TH STREETS FOR THE 2025 ARPA DRAINAGE AND FLOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, a contract was previously awarded to Monmouth Dock Works for Bulkhead Replacement at N. 6th, N. 7th, N. 8th, N. 11th, N. 23rd, And 24th Streets.

WHEREAS, the original contract for said work was for \$1,142,965.00, and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to authorize Final Change Order No. 1, which will result in an overall change increase of \$24,365.00 in the contract price and

WHEREAS, this change order amounts to a total of 2.13 percent of the original contract awarded to the contractor and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body desires to authorize this change order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Governing Body hereby authorizes the execution of an addendum to the contract with Monmouth Dock Works with an increase of \$24,365.00 in the contract price.
2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an addendum to the contract with Monmouth Dock Works by the provisions of this resolution.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution, together with a copy of the contract addendum between the parties, be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, and that three (3) certified copies be forwarded to the Municipal Engineer.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on July 8, 2026.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-115

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING AN ADDENDUM TO THE CONTRACT WITH EARLE ASPHALT CO., FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF STREETS FOR S. 2ND STREET, DREXEL AVENUE, N. 5TH STREET, N. 23RD STREET, SUNSET AVENUE, N. 24TH, BAY VISTA DR., & SCHNEIDER LANE.

WHEREAS, a contract was previously awarded to Earle Asphalt Co. for the Reconstruction of Streets for S. 2nd Street, Drexel Avenue, N. 5th Street, N. 23rd Street, Sunset Avenue, N. 24th, Bay Vista Dr., & Schneider Lane.

WHEREAS, the original contract for said work was for \$675,713.13, and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body wishes to authorize Final Change Order No. 1, which will result in an overall change increase of \$77,400.31 in the contract price and

WHEREAS, this change order amounts to a total of 11.45 percent of the original contract awarded to the contractor and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body desires to authorize this change order.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Governing Body hereby authorizes the execution of an addendum to the contract with Earle Asphalt Co. with an increase of \$77,400.31 in the contract price.
2. The Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an addendum to the contract with Earle Asphalt Co. by the provisions of this resolution.
3. That a certified copy of this resolution, together with a copy of the contract addendum between the parties, be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer, and that three (3) certified copies be forwarded to the Municipal Engineer.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on July 8, 2026.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-116
GOVERNING BODY CERTIFICATION OF THE ANNUAL AUDIT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-4 requires the Governing Body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts, and financial transactions, and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2025 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-6, and each member of the governing body has received a copy; and

WHEREAS, R.S. 52:27BB-34 authorizes the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey to prescribe reports pertaining to the local fiscal affairs and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board has promulgated N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5, a regulation requiring that the governing body of each municipality shall, by resolution, certify to the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey that all members of the governing body have reviewed, as a minimum, the sections of the annual audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the members of the governing body have personally reviewed, as a minimum, the Annual Report Audit, and specifically the sections of the Annual Audit entitled "Comments and Recommendations," as evidenced by the group affidavit form of the governing body attached hereto: and

WHEREAS, such resolution of certification shall be adopted by the Governing Body no later than forty-five days after the receipt of the annual audit, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5: and

WHEREAS, all members of the Governing Body have received and have familiarized themselves with, at least, the minimum requirements of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey, as stated aforesaid, and have subscribed to the affidavit, as provided by the Local Finance Board; and

WHEREAS, failure to comply with the regulations of the Local Finance Board of the State of New Jersey may subject the members of the local governing body to the penalty provisions of R.S. 52:27BB-52, to wit:

R.S. 52:27 BB-52: A local officer or member of a local governing body who, after a date fixed for compliance, fails or refuses to obey an order of the director (Director of Local Government Services), under the provisions of this Article, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, may be fined not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both; in addition, he shall forfeit his office.

WHEREAS, a corrective action plan, if applicable, outlining actions to be taken to correct the item listed in the comments and recommendations of the Auditor has been prepared in accordance with the law and is on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City hereby states that it has complied with N.J.A.C. 5:30-6.5 and does hereby submit a certified copy of this resolution and the required affidavit to said Board to show evidence of said compliance.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on July 8, 2026.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-117

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN APPROVING
SUBMISSION OF CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR 2025 AUDIT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4 requires the Governing Body of every local unit to have made an annual audit of its books, accounts, and financial transactions; and

WHEREAS, the Annual Report of Audit for the year 2025 has been filed by a Registered Municipal Accountant with the Municipal Clerk, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-6, and each member of the Governing Body has received a copy, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has prepared the attached Corrective Action Plan for the 2025 Annual Audit in response to the Schedule of Findings and Recommendations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Surf City, that the attached Corrective Action Plan for the 2025 Audit is hereby approved for submission to the Division of Local Government Services, New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on July 8, 2026.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-118

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE TO THE CHANGE FUND TO THE MUNICIPAL CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE FROM \$50 TO \$200.

WHEREAS, the Borough of Surf City maintains a Change Fund for the Municipal Clerk/Administrator's Office to facilitate the receipt of payments and the making of change in the ordinary course of business; and

WHEREAS, the current Change Fund in the amount of Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) has proven insufficient to meet operational needs; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has determined that increasing the Change Fund to Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) is in the best interest of the efficient operation of the Municipal Clerk/Administrator's Office.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Change Fund for the Municipal Clerk/Administrator's Office is hereby increased from Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) to Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).
2. The Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to establish and maintain the Change Fund in the authorized amount of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), in accordance with applicable law and municipal financial policies.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

CERTIFICATION

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CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-119

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND/OR SERVICES UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2A.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, under N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the direction of the Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, under Ordinance 2-11.2, the purchase may be issued over the amount of \$2,000 with the approval of the Mayor & Council and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough of Surf Governing Body that the

	<u>Department</u>	<u>Approx. Amount</u>	<u>Vendor</u>
Power Connection to the New Communication System	Water & Sewer	\$6,875.00	ABS Electrical

Department of Finance issue the final purchase orders for the following items in the corresponding approximate amounts.

CERTIFICATION

I, CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Surf City, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of a resolution duly adopted by the Governing Body at a meeting held on July 8, 2026.



CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA
Municipal Clerk/Administrator

	Approved			Denied	Carried		
Method	Roll Call						
Council Member	Moved	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent	Note
DeBenedetto			✓				
Hartney			✓				
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-120

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF PERMIT FEES TO THE NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, that the Chief Financial Officer be and is now authorized to pay the State of New Jersey, Department of Environmental Protection, \$1,050.00 for annual registration fees.

CERTIFICATION

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Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-121

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2017 FORD EXPEDITION FROM THE COUNTY OF OCEAN FOR \$1.00

WHEREAS, the County of Ocean has offered to convey to the Borough of Surf City a 2017 Ford Expedition, Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) IFMJUIGT8HEA37497, for the purchase price of One Dollar (\$1.00); and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has determined that the acquisition of this vehicle will serve a public purpose and is in the best interests of the Borough of Surf City; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council desires to authorize the purchase of the vehicle and the execution of any documents necessary to complete the transfer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Borough of Surf City is hereby authorized to purchase from the County of Ocean one (1) 2017 Ford Expedition, VIN IFMJUIGT8HEA37497, for the purchase price of One Dollar (\$1.00).
2. The Mayor, Municipal Clerk, Chief Financial Officer, and any other appropriate Borough officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute all documents and take all actions necessary to complete the purchase and transfer of ownership of the vehicle.
3. The Chief Financial Officer is authorized to issue payment in the amount of One Dollar (\$1.00) and to process the transaction in accordance with applicable law and Borough procedures.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

CERTIFICATION

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CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-122

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL APPOINTMENTS.

PUBLIC WORKS

BE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Michael Parmigiano be appointed part-time, with no benefits, at a rate of \$18.00 per hour through September 30, 2026.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED that the following listed individuals are appointed as employees in the Lifeguard Department effective as of this date and shall terminate on September 14, 2025.

5th YEAR \$19.15 per hour

Stephanie Balerna

Gator Driver \$17.00 per hour

Amy Kolman

Caitlyn Ladd

BEACH BADGE CHECKER/SELLERS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following listed individuals are appointed seasonal employees in the Bathing Beach Department, effective as of this date and shall terminate on September 7, 2026, at the corresponding pay rate.

2nd Year \$16.25 per hour

Isabella Arias

Jaime Jenson

CERTIFICATION

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CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

Municipal Clerk/Administrator

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Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-123

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SHARED SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF BEACH HAVEN FOR COURT ADMINISTRATOR SOUND RECORDING SUPPORT.

WHEREAS, the Uniformed Shared Services and Consolidation Act, N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. authorizes municipalities to enter into agreements for the provision of shared services; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Surf City (hereinafter "Borough") employs a Court Administrator who is trained and capable of providing sound recording services during court proceedings; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Beach Haven (hereinafter "Beach Haven") requires the services of a qualified individual to provide sound recording support in connection with its municipal court obligations from time to time, either for Beach Haven's own court session or to fulfill its obligations pursuant to other applicable shared service agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Borough agrees to make its Court Administrator available for that limited purpose, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in a proposed Shared Services Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereofas "Schedule A".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this 8th day of July 2026, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Surf City, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That the Borough of Surf City does hereby authorize the execution of a Shared Services Agreement with the Borough of Beach Haven for Court Administrator sound recording support in accordance with the Shared Services Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereofas Schedule "A". That the Mayor is authorized to execute and the Borough Clerk to attest to the Agreement.
2. That the Mayor is authorized to execute and the Borough Clerk to attest to the Agreement.
3. That a copy of this Resolution together with the executed Agreement shall be maintained on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk and available for public inspection during normal business hours.
4. That a certified copy of this Resolution together with a copy of the executed Agreement shall be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and the Borough's Court Administrator.

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CERTIFICATION

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CHRISTINE HANNEMANN, RMC/CMR/QPA

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Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				



RESOLUTION NO. 2026-124

A RESOLUTION BY THE BOROUGH OF SURF CITY, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
APPROVING PROBATIONARY MEMBERSHIP IN THE SURF CITY VOL. FIRE CO. NO 1
& EMS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Surf City that the applications for probationary membership in the Surf City Volunteer Fire Co., as submitted by Allison Vile, Thomas Sharlach, and Kennedy Laureigh, are hereby approved.

CERTIFICATION

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Hartney							Recuse
Wm. Hodgson	✓		✓				
Lieber		✓	✓				
Little			✓				
Siciliano			✓				