

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 19, 2026
MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL
MEETING NO. 2**

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey was held on January 19, 2026, and was called to order by Mayor Guindi at 7:00 PM with the following Council Members in Attendance:

Mayor and Council Roll Call	Present	Absent	Excused Tardy
<i>Mayor Peter S. Guindi</i>	X		
<i>Councilwoman Sandra DaSilva</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Joseph Donato</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Hank Dziemian</i>	X		
<i>Councilman Nick Giannakopoulos</i>	X		
<i>Councilman James Gurchensky</i>	X		
<i>Council President Matt DeSantis</i>	X		

Also attending this meeting were Chief Financial Officer Joseph Zanga, Police Chief Mark Tinitigan, DPW Director Adriano Soares, Borough Attorney John DeLuca, and Borough Engineer Justin Cornell

IN COMPLIANCE WITH CHAPTER 231 OF PUBLIC LAW OF 1975, NOTICE OF THIS MEETING TO BE HELD AT THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING, 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER HAS BEEN PUBLISHED IN THE HOME NEWS TRIBUNE ON JANUARY 7, 2026, POSTED ON THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING BULLETIN BOARD, THE BOROUGH WEBSITE, THE FRONT DOOR OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE BUILDING AT 61 MAIN STREET, SOUTH RIVER.

SALUTE TO THE FLAG AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Guindi lead the salute to the Flag and a moment of silence.

AGENDA SESSION

- Sicknick Memorial – Mayor Guindi states the Governor visited the memorial on January 9th at Volunteers Park to honor Brian Sicknick on National Law Enforcement Day. This event was not open to the public. There was an opportunity for Councilman Donato and Mayor Guindi to speak with the Sicknick family. There is an interest for a memorial to be put up to honor Brian Sicknick. There was a grant recieved last year for Volunteers Park to redo the playground. Mayor Guindi proposes to keep the name of the park but renaming the playground The Brian Sicknick Playground. The Mayor asks the council if they have any comments, which there is none. The memorial will be done once the construction has started, hopefully in late spring, early summer. The public will be invited to the event.
- Discussion on Ordinances – CFO Joe Zanga and Borough Attorney John Deluca explain ordinances 2026-1 and 2026-2.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2026-1 by title only

ORDINANCE 2026-01

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, the Local Government CAP Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.0% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriation, subject to certain exceptions; and

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WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2026 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$530,528.04 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2024 budget year, the final appropriations of the Mayor and Borough Council shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$530,528.04 and that the CY 2026 municipal budget for the Borough of South River be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with the said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage, adoption, and publication according to law.

Introduced 1-19-26

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

The Borough Clerk read Ordinance 2026-2 by title only

ORDINANCE 2026-02

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, SO AS
TO AMEND CHAPTER 155 ENTITLED "FEES"**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 155 of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Fees" is hereby amended so as to amend Section 155.19.1 entitled "Section 22-62, Recreation program and park fees" as follows:.

§ 155.19.1 Section 22-62, Recreation program and park fees.

A. Baseball:

(1) Baseball League: \$150

(2) T-Ball: \$75.

B. Basketball:

(1) Basketball League: \$150

(2) Basketball Fundamentals: \$75.

C. Softball \$100.

D. Wrestling: \$100.

E. Street hockey and Street Hockey Fundamentals: \$75.

F. Aerobics, men's fitness, zumba and yoga: \$50.

G. Soccer & Soccer Fundamentals: \$75.

H. Tennis: \$125.00

I. Summer Recreation Early Dropoff Program

(1) One child: \$100.

(2) Two children: \$150.

(3) Three or more children: \$200.

J. Cheerleading Gymnastics:

(1) One Session: \$50.

(2) Mommy and Me Program: \$50.

(3) Teams:

a. Varsity Cheer: \$1,000.

b. ImpACT Cheer: \$500.

c. Under 6: \$250.

d. Pop Warner Cheer: \$ 125.

e. Pop Warner Flag Football Cheer: \$75.

f. Crossover Comp Cheer to PW Cheer: \$25

K. Volleyball-Adult and Youth: \$75.

L. Football:

(1) Flag Football: \$100

(2) Pop Warner Football: \$225.

(3) Pop Warner Flag Football: \$100

A sibling discount will be offered in the amount of \$25.00 for any family registering more than 1 child.

M. Agility Class- Adult and Youth: \$50.

N. Art: \$80.

O. Banquet Price:

(1) Adult: \$45.

(2) Child: \$25.

P. Running and Track: \$50.

Q. Chess: \$100

For Appendix A-Q the following additional fees may apply.

(1) After registration closed: \$10.

(2) For nonresidents: \$10.

R. Athletic field lighting fees:

1. When any sports team, league or organization seeks to reserve the use of a Borough athletic field at night(s), with the use of lighting, it shall be charged a lighting fee of \$25.00 per hour for the use of the electricity on lighted fields.
2. Fees shall be billed in one-half-hour increments per use, rounded up, based on the amount of the time reserved.
3. All fees will be collected up front, based on the amount of field time reserved, at the beginning of each season.
4. If there are any hours paid for and not used, due to rainouts or other cancellations, said fees shall be refunded in a reasonable time following the end of the sports season.
5. Borough Sponsored Recreation Leagues and Borough Schools shall be exempt from the lightening fee in Section J(1). Borough Recognized Youth Sport Organizations will be exempt from the fee in Section J(1) pursuant to the terms of the grant agreement.

S. Athletic field use fees:

1. When any sports team or league seeks to reserve the use of a Borough athletic field, it shall be charged a fee for the use as set forth below:

Grass Fields:

- \$25 per two-hour increment for resident teams or Non-Profit organizations;
- \$50 per two-hour increment for non-resident or For-Profit organizations.

Grekoski Park Baseball Field:

- \$150 per two-hour increment for resident teams or Non-Profit organizations;
 - \$200 per two-hour increment for non-resident or For-Profit organizations.
2. All fees will be collected up front, based on the amount of field time reserved, at the beginning of each season.
 3. If there are any dates paid for and not used, due to rainouts or other cancellations, said fees shall be refunded in a reasonable time following the end of the sports season.

T. All head coaches will receive a free registration for that particular sport. If the sport requires equipment/uniforms/choreography/music, the coach will be responsible for the difference.

U. Teams that violate agreement may have their field rental suspended or removed.

V. At the discretion of the Director of Parks and Rec, the Director shall have the ability to place Jr. Coaches on cheer teams to assist with the development of our younger participants. If a Jr. Coach is selected, he or she will receive a \$200 credit that will be applied to the participants account. If the participant is not registered for cheerleading, he or she may request in writing that the \$200 credit be applied to a family's member account.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

Introduced 1-19-26

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>		X	X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

DEPARTMENTAL/PROFESSIONAL REPORTS

Borough Engineer Justin Cornell

- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Aid Program and NJDOT FY 2024 Local Aid Program**
 - The borough received a \$681,405.00 grant Leonardine Ave. from the OBT to Grand Ave., Prentice Ave., from Willet Ave. to Sheldon Ave., & Beryl St. from Cleveland Ave. to Wilcox.
 - The NJDOT has awarded the Borough a grant in the amount of \$606,980.00 for the Improvements to Darrow Street from Virginia Street to Bright Street, Dailey Street from Ferris Street to John Street and John Street from Colfax Street to George Street.
 - The contractor has completed our office's punch list. We have received minor punchlist items from the NJDOT that the contractor will address prior to project closeout.
- **NJDOT FY 2023 Local Transportation Projects Grant**
 - The Borough received a \$575,000 grant for the improvements to Albourne Street from Ferris Street to Seppi Avenue, Franklin Street from Wilson Avenue to Pulawski Avenue and Olchaskey Avenue from Kamm Avenue to Prentice Avenue.
 - The NJDOT has approved the limit modification form and gave permission for this project to proceed to the bid phase. Our office is working on scheduling the bid date.
- **NJDOT FY 2025 Local Aid Program**
 - The Borough received a \$506,913 grant for the following roads:
 - Prentice Avenue from Willett Avenue to Sheldon Avenue;
 - Tice Avenue from the Old Bridge Turnpike to David Street;
 - Cleveland Avenue from Virginia Street to Terminus.
 - The project design is complete and being submitted to the NJDOT. We received minor comments from them and will address and return for their approval.
- **2025 Electrical Substation Maintenance**
 - The project was approved for award in the amount of \$131,540.00 to RESA Service, LLC of Farmingdale, New Jersey. Sign contracts were submitted to the Borough.
 - A preconstruction meeting is scheduled for the end of January.
- **NJDEP Stormwater Assistance Grant Application**
 - Our survey department is currently working on this year's portion of the project.
- **NJDOT FY 2026 Local Aid Program**
 - The Borough received a \$582,753.00 grant for the following roads:
 - Mercer Street from Willett Avenue to Johnson Place.
 - Lyons Street from Sunset Street to Frandsen Avenue.
 - Mitchell Avenue from Old Bridge Turnpike to Garden Street.
 - Our office submitted a proposal to prepare the design work.

Chief Financial Officer Joseph Zanga

- No report

DPW Director Adriano Soares

- The borough calendars are complete and will take about 2 weeks to be delivered.

Fire Chief Scott Wolf

- 2025 ended with 536 calls. There have been 15 calls for 2026 so far.

Borough Clerk Alyssa Hager

- Starting March 1, all public notices will be required to be posted on the borough website instead of in the local newspaper. The borough website is currently being remodified to create a hyperlink for all notices to be placed. This is something that is required Statewide.

Borough Attorney John Deluca

- No report

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS**Councilman Gurchensky**

- Look on the borough website for all OOA events

Councilwoman DaSilva

- Recently attended a Human Relations Commission meeting. There will be celebrations around town soon to promote all ethnicities and cultures in South River.

Council President DeSantis

- Wrestling registration will open on January 28. Basketball registration will open soon for kindergarten through 2nd grade. Baseball will start on January 24. Spring activities will be starting soon as well.
- Speaks on the recreation ordinance.
- The Easter Egg hunt will be on March 21.
- The next Recreation meeting will be on March 9 and the Budget Committee will be meeting on January 26

Councilman Giannakopoulos

- The Shade Tree Commission had their meeting on January 15. Their next meeting will be January 29.
- The EDC will have their first meeting on January 21 at 55 Reid Street.

Councilman Donato

- No report

Councilman Dziemian

- Frost on the Pumpkin is currently being worked on. The next BOE meeting will be on January 22 at 7 pm.

Mayor Guindi

- No report

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Guindi opened the floor for Public Comment.

Jim Hutchison, 38 Virginia Street, thanks Councilman Dziemian for bringing up the Frost on the Pumpkin race. Mr. Hutchison speaks to Mayor Guindi regarding the bids for Borough Attorney.

Emily Grasso, 13 Darrow Street, speaks on the new public notice changes and the Borough Clerk answers.

Barry Brill, 20 Monticello Way, speaks on the Collins Drive closure.

Being that no one else came forward for public comment, Mayor Guindi requested motion to close. Council President DeSantis motioned to close; seconded by Councilman Gurchensky. All in Favor.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

- Environmental/Shade Tree Commission Advisory Board
 - Emily Grasso (Chair)
 - Ann Marie Briscese
 - Shari White
- Mayor's Advisory Committee on Housing and Community Block Grant Programs
 - Dave Krempecki
 - Raymond Baszak
 - James Jones
 - Daniel Andre
- Redevelopment Advisory Committee
 - Nick Giannakopoulos – Liaison
 - Rui Baptista
 - Joseph Highland
 - John Frost
 - Peter Guindi, Mayor
- Human Relations Commission
 - Anita Chadha
- Office of Emergency Management
 - Peter Swecanski, Coordinator
 - Adam Dehanes, Deputy

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS 2026-10 TO 2026-75 (resolutions 65, 66, 73, & 74 will be read separately)

WHEREAS RESOLUTION 2025-01 AUTHORIZES THE BOROUGH COUNCIL TO UTILIZE A CONSENT AGENDA TO ADOPT VARIOUS RESOLUTIONS OF A ROUTINE AND NONCONTROVERSIAL NATURE AT ONE TIME. NOW THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT THE BELOW LISTED RESOLUTIONS ARE HEREBY ADOPTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL IN WHOLE AS IF THE SAME WERE INDIVIDUALLY ACTED UPON.

The Borough Clerk read the resolution titles on the consent agenda.

RESOLUTION 2026-10

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOUTH RIVER MUNICIPAL CLERK TO ADMINISTER ALL GAMES OF CHANCE LICENSES FOR THE YEAR 2026

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

the Municipal Clerk is hereby authorized to administer, sign and execute all Games of Chance Licenses for the year 2026 contingent that applicants have met all State and Borough requirements and all fees have been paid.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			

<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 19, 2026

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-11
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ATTENDANCE TO THE NEW JERSEY LEAGUE OF MUNICIPALITIES

WHEREAS, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities will hold its annual statewide conference on November 17, 2026 through November 19, 2026 in Atlantic City, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has encouraged its Municipal Officials to annually attend the New Jersey State League of Municipalities conference in that it offers educational opportunities in the area of Municipal Government Operations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex of the State of New Jersey that the following Officials and Employees of the Borough of South River are hereby authorized to attend said conference to be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey as above stated:

1. Mayor and Members of the Borough Council
2. Borough Clerk
3. Borough Administrator
4. Chief Financial Officer
5. Registrar of Vital Statistics
6. Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics
7. Deputy Borough Clerk
8. Tax Collector
9. Deputy Tax Collector
10. Director-Department of Public Works
11. Emergency Management Coordinator
12. Police Chief
13. Land Use Board (2 members)
14. Fire Department Chief
14. Construction Official
15. Code Enforcement Officer
16. Court Administrator
17. Assistant to the Borough Administrator for Special Projects

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that payment/reimbursement of \$850.00 will be reimbursed for room, badges, mileage, tolls, and meals will be authorized from the appropriate budget codes once receipts are submitted from the following departments:

1. Mayor and Members of the Borough Council

2. Borough Clerk
3. Borough Administrator
4. Chief Financial Officer
5. Registrar of Vital Statistics
6. Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics
7. Deputy Borough Clerk
8. Tax Collector
9. Deputy Tax Collector
10. Director-Department of Public Works
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15. Code Enforcement Officer
16. Court Administrator
17. Assistant to the Borough Administrator for Special Projects

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that additional amounts can be authorized by the Borough Administrator subject to availability of fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that before Hotel Reservations are made and registration badges are purchased through the Administrator's Office, any person attending the conference must provide the Borough Administrator with the reasons for attending, classes/seminars to be attended and if CEU credits will be given for a license. Seminar request forms are obtained from the Administrator's Office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED upon returning a copy of any certifications earned or attendance sheet must be submitted to the Administrator's Office within 10 days of the conference.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other internal policies of the Borough of South River will be adhered to.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 19, 2026

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-12
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-7.1, 40A:5-7.3, and 40A:5-15.1 permits public funds of a municipality to be invested in any insured Association, or any Federal Association, whose principal office is located within the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, it is advisable that funds of this municipality on hand and not needed temporarily be invested in such accounts yielding a return on the investment at such time as the Borough may be in a position to do so:

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 requires the approval of a cash management plan annually.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey that the Borough Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make such investments of public funds of the Borough of South River on hand and not needed temporarily in any insured Association or Federal Association, in such Principal Office, or Branch Office, up to the amount for which such accounts are insured, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-7, 40A:5-7.3, and 40A:5-15.1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN as attached is approved.

CASH MANAGEMENT PLAN OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER,
IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.

This Cash Management Plan (the "Plan") is prepared pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14 in order to set forth the basis for the deposits ("Deposits") and investment ("Permitted Investments") of certain public funds of the Borough, pending the use of such funds for the intended purposes. The Plan is intended to assure that all public funds identified herein are deposited in interest bearing Deposits or otherwise invested in Permitted Investments hereinafter referred to. The intent of the Plan is to provide that the decisions made with regard to the Deposits and the Permitted Investments will be done to insure the safety, the liquidity (regarding its availability for the intended purposes), and the maximum investment return within such limits. The Plan is intended to insure that any Deposit or Permitted Investment matures within the time period that approximates the prospective need for the funds deposited or invested so that there is not a risk to the market value of such Deposits or Permitted Investments.

II. IDENTIFICATION OF FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS TO BE COVERED BY THE PLAN.

A. The Plan is intended to cover the deposit and/or investment of the accounts of the Borough:

ALL FUNDS

B. It is understood that this Plan is not intended to cover certain funds and accounts of the Borough, specifically:

1. Public assistance
2. State and federal grants

III. DESIGNATION OF OFFICIALS OF THE BOROUGH AUTHORIZED MAKE DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS UNDER THE PLAN.

The Chief Financial Officer of the Borough [and the Borough Clerk] (the "Designated Official") is hereby authorized and directed to deposit and/or invest the funds referred to in the Plan. Prior to making any such Deposits or any Permitted Investments, such officials of the Borough are directed to supply to all depositories or any other parties with whom the Deposits or Permitted Investments are made a written copy of this Plan which shall be acknowledged in writing by such parties and a copy of such acknowledgment kept on file with such officials.

IV. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES.

The following banks and financial institutions are hereby designated as official depositories for the Deposit of all public funds referred to in the Plan, including any certificates of deposit which are not otherwise invested in Permitted Investments as provided for in this Plan:

1. Merrill Lynch
2. Bank of America
3. PNC Bank
4. Wachovia Bank
5. Chase Manhattan Bank
6. Columbia Bank
7. Santander Bank
8. Provident Bank
9. Valley National Bank
10. TD Bank
11. Investors Bank
12. Northfield Bank
13. Two River Community Bank

All such depositories shall acknowledge in writing receipt of this Plan by sending a copy of such acknowledgment to the Designated Official(s) referred to in Section III above.

V. DESIGNATION OF BROKERAGE FIRMS AND DEALERS WITH WHOM THE DESIGNATED OFFICIALS MAY DEAL.

The following brokerage firms and/or dealers and other institutions are hereby designated as firms with whom the Designated Official(s) of the Borough referred to in this Plan may deal for purposes of buying and selling securities identified in this Plan as Permitted Investments or otherwise providing for Deposits. All such brokerage firms and/or dealers shall acknowledge in writing receipt of this Plan by sending a copy of such acknowledgment to the Designated Official(s) referred to in Section III above.

VI. AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS.

A. Except as otherwise specifically provided for herein, the Designated Official is hereby authorized to invest the public funds covered by this Plan, to the extent not otherwise held in Deposits, in the following Permitted Investments:

(1) Bonds or other obligations of the United States of America or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America;

(2) Government money market mutual funds;

(3) Any obligation that a federal agency or a federal instrumentality has issued in accordance with an act of Congress, which security has maturity date not greater than 397 days from the date of purchase, provided that such obligation bears a fixed rate of interest not dependent on any index or other external factor;

(4) Bonds or other obligations of the Local Unit or bonds or other obligations of school districts of which the Local Unit is a part or within which the school district is located;

(5) Bonds or other obligations, having a maturity date not more than 397 days from the date of purchase, approved by the Division of Investment of the Department of the Treasury for investment by Local Units;

(6) Local government investment pools;

(7) Deposits with the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund established pursuant to section 1 of P.L. 1977, c.281 (C.52:18A-90.4); or

(8) Agreements for the repurchase of fully collateralized securities if:

- (a) the underlying securities are permitted investments pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (3) of this subsection a;
- (b) the custody of collateral is transferred to a third party;
- (c) the maturity of the agreement is not more than 30 days;
- (d) the underlying securities are purchased through a public depository as defined in section 1 of P.L. 1970, c.236 (C.17:9-41); and
- (e) a master repurchase agreement providing for the custody and security of collateral is executed.

For purpose of the above language, the terms “government money market mutual fund” and “local government investment pool” shall have the following definitions:

Government Money Market Mutual Fund. An investment company or investment trust:

- (a) which is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the “Investment Company Act of 1940,” 15 U.S.C. sec. 80a-1 et seq., and operated in accordance with 17 C.F.R. sec. 270.2a-7.
- (b) the portfolio of which is limited to US Government securities that meets the definition of any eligible security pursuant to 17 C.F.R. sec.270.2a-7 and repurchase agreements that are collateralized by such US Government securities; and
- (c) which has:
 - (i) attained the higher ranking or the highest letter and numerical rating of a nationally recognized statistical rating organization; or
 - (ii) retained an investment advisor registered or exempt from registration with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the “Investment Advisors Act of 1940.” 15 U.S.C.sec.80b-1 et seq., with experience investing in US Government securities for at least the most recent past 60 months and with assets under management in excess of \$500 million.

Local Government Investment Pool. An investment pool:

- (a) which is managed in accordance with 17 C.F.R. sec. 270.2a-7;
- (b) which is rated in the highest category by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization;
- (c) which is limited to US Government securities that meet the definition of an eligible security pursuant to 17 C.F.R. sec. 270.2a-7 and repurchase agreements that are collateralized by such US Government securities;
- (d) which is in compliance with rules adopted pursuant to the “Administrative Procedure Act,” P.L. 1968, c.410 (c.52:14B-1

et seq.) by the Local Finance Board of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs, which rules shall provide for disclosure and reporting requirements, and other provisions deemed necessary by the board to provide for the safety, liquidity and yield of the investments;

- (e) which does not permit investments in instruments that: are subject to high price volatility with changing market conditions; cannot reasonably be expected, at the time of interest rate adjustment, to have a market value that approximates their par value; or utilize an index that does not support a stable net asset value; and
- (f) which purchases and redeems investments directly from the issuer, government money market mutual fund, of the State of New Jersey Cash Management Fund, or through the use of a national or State bank located within this State, or through a broker-dealer which, at the time of purchase or redemption, has been registered continuously for a period of at least two years pursuant to section 9 of P.L. 1967 c.9 (C.49:3-56) and has at least \$25 million in capital stock (or equivalent capitalization if not a corporation), surplus reserves for contingencies and undivided profits, or through a securities dealer who makes primary markets in US Government securities and reports daily to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York its position in and borrowing on such US Government securities.

B. Notwithstanding the above authorization, the moneys on hand in the following funds and accounts shall be further limited as to maturities, specific investments or otherwise as follows:

- 1. No investment to exceed one (1) year

VII. SAFEKEEPING CUSTODY PAYMENT AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RECEIPT OF PLAN.

To the extent that any Deposit or Permitted Investment involves a document or security which is not physically held by the Borough, then such instrument or security shall be covered by a custodial agreement with an independent third party, which shall be a bank or financial institution in the State of New Jersey. Such institution shall provide for the designation of such investments in the name of the Borough to assure that there is no unauthorized use of the funds or the Permitted Investments or Deposits. Purchase of any Permitted Investments that involve securities shall be executed by a "delivery versus payment" method to insure that such Permitted Investments are either received by the Borough or by a third party custodian prior to or upon the release of the Borough's funds.

To assure that all parties with whom the Borough deals either by way of Deposits or Permitted Investments are aware of the authority and the limits set forth in this Plan, all such parties shall be supplied with a copy of this Plan in writing and all such parties shall acknowledge the receipt of that Plan in writing, a copy of which shall be on file with the Designated Official(s).

On the first day of each month during which this Plan is in effect, the Designated Official(s) referred to in Section III hereof shall supply to the Governing Body of the Borough a written report of any Deposits or Permitted Investments made pursuant to this Plan, which shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

- A. The name of any institution holding funds of the Borough as a Deposit or a Permitted Investment.

- B. The amount of securities or Deposits purchased or sold during the immediately preceding month.
- C. The class or type of securities purchased or Deposits made.
- D. The book value of such Deposits or Permitted Investments.
- E. The earned income on such Deposits or Permitted Investments. To the extent that such amounts are actually earned at maturity, this report shall provide an accrual of such earnings during the immediately preceding month.
- F. The fees incurred to undertake such Deposits or Permitted Investments.
- G. The market value of all Deposits or Permitted Investments as of the end of the immediately preceding month.
- H. All other information which may be deemed reasonable from time to time by the Governing Body of the Borough.

VIII. RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY (updated March 2025)

PJM Market Activities – Related to Wholesale Power Supply Procurement

The Borough of South River owns and operates a municipal electric utility as a department of local government for the purpose of delivering reasonably priced, reliable electricity to its residents. The Borough is governed by a local governing body, which consists of the mayor and six council members, elected at-large. The mayor has a four-year term and council members have staggered three-year terms. The mayor is head of municipal government and sees that state laws and borough ordinances are faithfully executed. Council has all executive responsibility not placed in the office of the mayor.

The Borough's electric rates are set by the local governing body through an ordinance process and are not subject to oversight by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities. The Borough relies on its participation in the PJM energy markets as well as on bilateral transactions to procure electric supply to serve its customers. The Borough has been approved by the State of New Jersey under N.J.S.A. §40A:11-5, to use a competitive procurement process to solicit proposals for, negotiate and contract for electricity supply that meets the goal of preserving the integrity of the government contracting process, and comports with industry standards. Any electric procurement transaction entered into on behalf of the Borough is limited to serving customers within its franchise area and can only be conducted pursuant to the terms of a fully executed enabling agreement, as authorized by the local governing body.

This risk management policy establishes a risk mitigation framework to address market, credit, liquidity, operational and counterparty risks associated with the procurement of electric supply at wholesale in accordance with all laws, rules and regulations that govern municipal finance in the State of New Jersey. This policy addresses the management of material risks incurred by the municipal electric utility in fulfillment of its duty to serve its residents with reliable and reasonably priced electricity through wholesale electric supply purchases within the PJM energy markets. Key personnel will be detailed in Appendix A.

A. Risk Management Policy Administration

Local Governing Body. This policy, and any edits, or modifications, has been authorized and approved by the local governing body. Guidelines contained within this policy must be in accordance with all laws, rules and regulations that govern municipal procurement in the State of New Jersey. It is the local governing body's responsibility to:

- Discuss guidelines and strategic policies that govern the process by which the Borough assesses and manages risks of electric procurement.
- Acknowledge the risk inherent in transactions covered under this policy.
- Adopt electric rates through an ordinance process.
- Approve all fully executed enabling agreements.

- Approve and authorize any individuals or companies that engage in wholesale electricity procurement transactions on behalf of the municipal electric utility as indicated within this policy.
- Approve and authorize the types of transactions that will be used for the sole purpose of serving customers within the franchise areas of the municipal electric utility.
- Establish purchase guidelines such as pricing targets, volumetric hedge target commitment levels, counterparty diversity limits and resource diversity limits.
- Provide oversight and final approval of all transactions related to electric procurement.
- Provide oversight of the designated risk officer.
- Review and affirm the risk management policy at least annually, via resolution at an open public meeting.

Designated Risk Officer. The local governing body shall designate a Borough employee as a designated risk officer to be responsible for the policies that mitigate the material risks of electric procurement. The designated risk officer will make decisions using the processes outlined in this policy. The designated risk officer shall be subject to oversight from the local governing body. The Chief Financial Officer shall function as the “designated risk officer” for the Borough of South River. The responsibilities of the designated risk officer shall include:

- Maintain overall responsibility for developing, updating, executing, and complying with the risk management policy.
- Develop a long-term power supply portfolio by entering long-term and short-term power purchase contracts.
- Monitor all risks and ensure they are within the limits of what is indicated within the policy.
- Review all violations and exceptions to this policy and promptly report such to PJM and the local governing body.
- Ensure that the individuals or companies authorized to transact on behalf of the municipal electric utility as well as manage its risks, are appropriately trained and qualified.
- Evaluate and approve all transaction proposals received in accordance with N.J.S.A. §40A:11-5.
- Meet with the individuals or companies authorized to transact on behalf of the municipal electric utility at least monthly.
- Establish counterparty credit terms prior to each transaction and evaluate at least annually during the delivery term.
- Monitor pricing targets, volumetric hedge target commitment levels, counterparty diversity limits and resource diversity limits as indicated within this policy.
- Establish and monitor tolerance dollar levels for PJM and counterparty billing invoices.
- Establish and monitor quantity levels for scheduling of forecasted Day-Ahead load, Internal Bilateral Transactions, Interchange Transactions, Capacity Market positions and Auction Revenue Rights transactions.
- Determine that all energy transactions are within purchase guidelines with respect to both price and quantity and in accordance with N.J.S.A. §40A:11-5.
- Review and approve monthly counterparty billing invoices.
- Review and approve weekly/monthly PJM invoices.
- Approve and execute all verbal and written transaction confirmations on behalf of the municipal electric utility.
- Review PJM reports to ensure risk management policies are being adhered to and speculation is not occurring.
- Certify annually to PJM that the Borough has a written risk management policy.
- Ensure that appropriate Borough accounting personnel receive invoices for payment processing.
- Evaluate potential load growth/reduction or target quantity levels.

Energy Management Professional(s). The local governing body may appoint an Energy Management Professional(s) under a professional services contract that will make decisions using the processes outlined in this policy. The Energy Management Professional(s) shall be subject to the oversight of the designated risk officer. The responsibilities shall include:

- Maintain PJM eTool accounts
- Facilitate adherence to PJM credit and collateral requirements.
- Administration of counterparty contracts.
- Forecasting of Day-Ahead load.
- Scheduling of forecasted Day-Ahead load.
- Scheduling of Internal Bilateral Transactions and/or Interchange Transactions.
- Administration of Capacity Market positions.
- Strategic purchasing advice/management.
- PJM RTO settlement and weekly/monthly billing.

- PJM Report generation such as weekly/monthly PJM invoices, DA Daily Energy Transactions, RT Daily Energy Transaction and Spot Market Energy Charge Summary.
- Counterparty settlement and billing.
- Dispute resolution on settlement and billing.
- Auction Revenue Rights portfolio selection.
- Counterparty credit reporting and monitoring.
- Facilitate purchase transactions in accordance with N.J.S.A. §40A:11-5.
- Valuation of forward electricity positions.
- Provide annual wholesale utility budget forecasts.
- Provide guidance and analysis of the regulatory environment, summarizing critical points in proceedings, performing regulatory and procedural analysis.
- Communications with PJM market or regulatory personnel.

B. Minimum Standards.

1. **Segregation of Transacting and Risk Management Functions.** The transacting function may be assigned to one or more persons in the direct employ of the municipality or to an outside company under a professional services contract. This function may also be provided through an intergovernmental agreement with one or more municipalities or state authority. The transacting function shall be assigned to the Energy Management Professional(s).
2. **Authorization.** Each local governing body shall authorize the designated risk officer to execute transactions on its behalf. Transactions can only be conducted pursuant to the terms of a fully executed enabling agreement, as authorized by the local governing body. The designated risk officer shall be present for each transaction and shall verbally confirm each transaction via recorded line. The designated risk officer shall also review and verify all transactions via written confirmation which is required for each transaction, pursuant to the terms of the fully executed enabling agreement.
3. **Types of Counterparties.** Each local governing body shall approve transacting enabling agreements that are fully vetted through the ordinance process, which entails two public readings and a public hearing. The enabling agreements establish legal and operational commitments and credit terms of each party. The designated risk officer shall be responsible for evaluating each counterparty by requiring documents that include items such as: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission registration, FERC tariffs, proposed master contracts, evidence of ability to fulfill its duties through experience with successful transactions, evidence of ability to produce a performance guaranty, and audited financial statements. These documents may be reviewed by the designated risk officer prior to the execution of a transaction with a counterparty.
4. **Types of Transactions.** All transactions within electricity markets are for the sole purpose of serving customers within the franchise areas of the municipal electric utility. Transactors are expressly prohibited from speculating in any electricity market in violation of applicable statutes. Each local governing body shall approve the types of transactions which shall include:
 - a. Two-party purchases or purchases from and sales into the PJM spot market with the express intent to serve its customers.
 - b. Purchases of physical energy primarily delivered to the aggregate bus of the municipal electric utility, or if liquidity is not present, to other commonly traded points within PJM.
 - c. Two-party purchases or purchases from and sales within the PJM Capacity Markets with the sole intent to hedge the PJM Locational Reliability Charge where such risk is associated with the municipal electric utility's obligation to serve load or rights held by the utility to generate electricity. All Capacity Market transactions should be confined to the applicable Load Deliverability Area. At present, limited opportunities exist to transact in the PJM bilateral capacity markets.
 - d. Two-party purchases or purchases from and sales within the PJM ancillary services market with the sole intent to hedge ancillary service costs where such risk is associated with the municipal electric utility's obligation to serve load. Ancillary services are used to support the transmission of energy from generation sources to areas

of load and to maintain reliable operation of the energy grid. At present, limited opportunities exist to transact in the PJM ancillary services markets.

- e. Transactions within the PJM ARR market, with a goal of nominating paths to maximize revenue. ARR's provide a choice to collect a fixed revenue stream by holding on to the ARR or to "Self-Schedule" their ARR's into the Annual FTR Auction. At present, the "Self-Schedule" option is currently not applicable as the municipal electric utility has not engaged as an FTR market participant. Express authorization by the local governing body is required prior to transacting in the PJM FTR Markets.
- f. Transactions within the PJM FTR Markets (obligation and/or option) with the sole intent to hedge congestion risk where such risk is associated with the municipal electric utility's obligation to serve load or rights held by the utility to generate electricity. All FTR Market activity shall be confined to such size and pathways that are either generally proportionate to or generally do not exceed the utility's physical transactions. All such transactions shall be consistent with the expressed intent to hedge its physical transactions. At present, this type of transaction is currently not applicable as the municipal electric utility has not engaged as an FTR market participant. Express authorization by the local governing body is required prior to transacting in the PJM FTR Markets.
- g. Virtual Transactions could be considered speculative and at present, this type of transaction is currently not applicable as the municipal electric utility has not engaged as Virtual market participant. Authorization by the local governing body is required prior to transacting as a Virtual market participant.

5. **Qualifications for Transacting Functions.** Employees, contract service providers, or employees of another municipality or state authority retained under an intergovernmental agreement must demonstrate the ability to fulfill the requirements of the municipal electric utility. The designated risk officer shall approve all qualifications. Primary functions shall include:
- a. The ability to effectively and reliably transact and schedule within electricity markets.
 - b. The ability to effectively and reliably manage the utility's wholesale power supply portfolio.
 - c. The ability to interface effectively with representatives of PJM and electricity market participants.
 - d. Understanding of applicable PJM Tariff provisions.

These abilities may be demonstrated through experience with successful transactions, scheduling, and portfolio management within PJM Interconnection, LLC.

6. **Billing and Settlement.** The designated risk officer shall establish tolerance levels for PJM RTO and Counterparty settlement invoices based on budgets, historical invoice amounts, PJM spot prices, transmission costs, capacity costs, volumetric purchases, and forward market prices. Weekly invoices. The designated risk officer will promptly investigate amounts outside of thresholds.

- a. **PJM RTO Billing and Settlements.** The designated risk officer will provide or may authorize individuals or companies to perform PJM RTO billing and settlement services. The Borough has access to PJM reports via PJM's MSRS tool and may designate access to others. The designated risk officer has authorized the Energy Management Professional(s) to provide PJM RTO billing and settlement services. PJM RTO billing and settlement services include:

- Analyzing and auditing the PJM RTO invoices for accuracy
- Providing estimates for most PJM RTO charge types (daily, weekly and/or monthly)
- PJM RTO settlement statement processing
- Dispute resolution

- b. **Counterparty Billing and Settlements.** The designated risk officer will provide or may authorize individuals or companies to perform counterparty billing and settlement services. The designated risk officer has authorized the Energy Management Professional(s) to provide counterparty billing and settlement services that includes:
 - Counterparty check-out, verification, invoice preparation, and dispute resolution.
- c. **Invoice Payment.** Payment for all PJM RTO and counterparty invoices shall be administered by the municipality in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14, Local Fiscal Affairs Law and all laws, rules and regulations that govern municipal finance in the State of New Jersey.

7. **Credit Analysis and Counterparty Monitoring.** Credit files shall be established for each counterparty consisting of financial statements, trade references and credit reports as furnished by Moody's, Standard & Poors, and/or Fitch. All systems should strive to only deal with investment grade rated companies or with their subsidiaries that provide parental guarantees in the form of credit support. All systems should continuously monitor counterparty credit quality for any material adverse change and require additional performance assurance for any counterparty not meeting the minimum criteria of investment grade by any of the rating agencies. The Energy Management Professional(s) shall establish and update credit files on a monthly basis, at a minimum.
8. **Independent Review.** New Jersey municipalities that operate electric utilities as departments of local government must:
 - a. Transact in electricity markets in compliance with New Jersey's Local Public Contracts Law, including N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5 regarding advertisement for contracts and permitting procurement of electricity through a State-approved procurement model and N.J.S.A. 40A:11-15(24) regarding the term of contracts.
 - b. Adhere to the Local Budget Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1 et seq.) which provides that municipal public utilities are supported by the revenues generated by the respective operations of the utilities in addition to the general taxing power upon real property. The local governing body must adopt a separate utility budget, which must be balanced and provide fully for debt service. Annual cash basis budgets must be in the form required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Proposed budgets must be approved by the Director of the Division prior to local adoption.
 - c. Adopt an annual cash management plan in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14.
 - d. Comply with the Local Fiscal Affairs Law (N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-1 et seq.) which regulates the non-budgetary financial activities of local government. The Local Fiscal Affairs Law further requires the chief financial officer of a municipality to annually file, with the Director of the Division, a verified statement of the financial condition of the local unit and all constituent boards, agencies, and commissions.
 - e. Cause to be performed an annual independent examination of all local unit accounts by a licensed registered municipal accountant. This examination must conform to the Division's "Requirements of Audit" and must be published in the designated newspaper within 30 days of its submission pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5-4.

C. Purchase-Specific Factors.

Risks to the Borough can manifest as cost fluctuations due to the price of electric commodities as well as volumetric deviations of the quantities. The most effective way to limit the fluctuations is through a defined hedging program. The defined hedging program is designed to limit exposure to the PJM spot market as well as limit exposure to congestion (basis) risk. The following factors are to be considered within the context of each wholesale purchase designed to hedge the noted risks. Systems may wish to include additional factors and locally-specific content for each factor for adoption under local policy.

1. **Volumetric Risk.** Annual, monthly, and hourly supply target commitment levels are established for each year based upon usage forecasts and most recent historical hourly load profiles will be used to limit exposure to the PJM spot market. Each wholesale purchase should be proportionate to the utility's target level and should not exceed the aggregate annual forecasted energy requirements. Target commitment levels are initially set with the goal of securing approximately ninety-five percent (95%) of the aggregate annual forecasted energy requirements via a physically-delivered product by the time the physical delivery period commences.
2. **Congestion Risk.** Purchases of physical energy will be primarily delivered to the aggregate load bus or zone of the municipal electric utility, or if liquidity is not present, to other commonly traded points within PJM. Target commitment levels are initially set with the goal of securing approximately one-hundred percent (100%) of physical energy delivered to the aggregate load bus or zone of the municipal electric utility.
3. **Forward Commitments.** Risk will generally increase relative to the term and effective date of delivery specific to each wholesale purchase. Risk management may include limits as to the term of forward commitments and the length of time between the date of each contract and the date upon which delivery is to be taken under each contract. Forward commitments can vary from one day and up to ten years. Terms will be determined in conjunction with pricing and volumetric targets.
4. **Portfolios.** Each system should make purchases consistent with a local strategy and goals. Goals are generally designed to limit exposure to the PJM spot market as well as limit exposure to congestion risk.
5. **Present and Future Market Conditions.** All systems should monitor current market conditions. The source or sources of this information may be internal, external, or both. Pricing targets or pricing ranges may be determined in

advance. All systems are encouraged to share market information and the costs of obtaining the information from an external source. Energy prices can fluctuate based on current energy market conditions such as underlying fuel costs, supply and demand, geopolitical events, and weather patterns.

6. **Credit Analysis and Counterparty monitoring.** Minimum standards of creditworthiness and minimum guaranty requirements (credit support) are established prior to issuance of requests for purchase. Potential counterparties with bond ratings below credit quality may be disqualified from transacting, as rated by Moody's, Standard & Poors, and/or Fitch.
7. **Counterparty Diversification.** Risk may increase where a portfolio includes multiple contracts with a single counterparty. A limit as to the number of contracts with a single counterparty will diversify this risk. Counterparty diversity target limits should be established and monitored and may be exceeded for specific transactions upon prior approval of the local governing body. For electric energy, an initial target will be set where a single supplier may represent no more than fifty percent (50%) of the municipalities physically-delivered forward volume for any single twelve (12) month period. Supplier diversity is an important risk management philosophy and the municipality should strive for two or more suppliers for each rolling twelve (12) month Delivery Period.
8. **Resource Diversification.** When applicable, resource diversity limits should be established for the supply portfolio and monitored. Diversity limits should be consistent with a local strategy and goals.
9. **Confirmation.** Written confirmation shall be required for each transaction, pursuant to the terms of the fully executed enabling agreement. Confirmations must be secured within seven (7) business days of verbal agreement or upon terms in the fully executed master agreement. Confirmation terms shall be verified by the energy management professional and shall be executed by the designated risk manager.

D. **Operational Controls**

1. **Standards of Conduct.** Individuals or companies authorized to transact or schedule on behalf of the municipality shall not misrepresent, conceal or withhold information regarding wholesale electricity procurements and risk management transactions to any person responsible for the accurate recording and/or reporting of such transactions; participate in any such transaction or similar activity for the benefit of any party other than the municipality; or hold or be a beneficiary of any financial interest in any entity with which the individual is engaged in trading with or other business activity (other than ownership of an interest in a mutual fund managed by another party).
2. **Speculative buying or selling.** Speculative buying or selling of any commodity is strictly prohibited. Speculating is defined as forward buying or selling of electric not required to serve Borough load or mitigate congestion exposure. In no event, shall transactions be entered into to speculate on future market conditions. The designated risk officer shall monitor PJM reports and transaction confirmations to ensure speculation is not occurring.
3. **Portfolio valuation.** Since all electric procurement transactions entered into on behalf of the Borough are limited to serving customers within its franchise area, the portfolio of purchases are valued at cost and no mark-to-market accounting is required.
4. **Day-ahead Load scheduling.** Target day-ahead load schedules are set with the goal of scheduling approximately ninety-five percent (95%) of the aggregate hourly forecasted energy requirements via the day-ahead market. The Spot Market Energy Charge Summary report shall be generated at least monthly by the energy management professional and provided to the designated risk officer.
5. **Report generation and review.** The energy management professional shall regularly generate PJM reports and provide to designated risk officer. The reports will include all weekly and monthly PJM invoices, DA Daily Energy Transactions, RT Daily Energy Transactions and Spot Market Energy Charge Summary. These reports will be used by the designated risk officer to validate transactions and/or positions such as delivery location for forward transactions, day-ahead, balancing and interchange spot market transactions, FTR auction transactions (if any), capacity auction transactions (if any) and to ensure risk management policies are being adhered to and validate that speculation is not occurring.

E. **Liquidity**

The requirement of a cash-based budget that is subject to annual audit and approval of the state director, with a separate section devoted solely to the municipal utility, provides assurance of the fiscal soundness of the municipality's plans for meeting the obligations incurred by the municipal utility. Municipalities also carry cash reserves as "fund balances." A fund balance is the amount of surplus funds that a municipality will have on hand for the following fiscal year. By accumulating

surplus year-to-year, a municipality can help protect against unexpected revenue shortfalls or unanticipated costs. Should the actual costs differ from those budgeted, the municipality may utilize the fund balance or issue emergency appropriation bonds to fulfill the obligation if there is not enough cash on hand to pay the required sum. The Borough maintains a positive fund balance. Additionally, the State of New Jersey has enacted a set of fiscal responsibility restrictions applicable to municipalities and their utilities known as the Local Fiscal Affairs Law. New Jersey municipalities must operate under the Local Budget Law and the Local Bond Law. Together, these provisions ensure that municipal utilities in New Jersey are healthy and fiscally sound. Several powers are conferred upon municipalities to ensure the health and fiscal soundness such as:

1. **Cash Management Plan.** N.J.S.A. 40A:5-14, Local Fiscal Affairs Law requires that each municipality adopt a cash management plan designed to assure deposit, investment, and proper disbursement of local funds.
2. **Local Budget Law.** N.J.S.A. 40A:4-1 provides that municipal public utilities are supported by the revenues generated by the respective operations of the utilities in addition to the general taxing power upon real property. The local governing body must adopt a separate utility budget, which must be balanced and provide fully for debt service. Annual cash basis budgets must be in the form required by the Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs, State of New Jersey. Proposed budgets must be approved by the Director of the Division prior to local adoption.
3. **Local Fiscal Affairs Law.** N.J.S.A. 40A: 5-1 regulates the non-budgetary financial activities of local government.
4. **Rate Fixing Authority.** N.J.S.A. 40:62-13 provides that New Jersey municipal electric utilities have rate fixing authority. Rate mechanisms include base rates and pass-through rates. Pass-through rates are designed to match variations in certain cost elements within the electric utility – normally fuel and purchased power and certain transmission costs. Rates are reviewed at least annually and can be changed at any time through the ordinance process, which entails two public readings and a public hearing.
5. **Taxing Power.** N.J.S.A.40A:4-1, which, among other things provides that “Municipal public utilities are supported by the revenues generated by the respective operations of the utilities in addition to the general taxing power upon real property. Additionally, N.J.S.A 40A:60-6 provides the authority to raise taxes upon resolution of the municipal Council. And N.J.S.A 40A:2-4 and 40A:4-55.21 provides authority to raise taxes to pay bonds.
6. **Bond Issuance Authority.** N.J.S.A 40A:2-8.1 provides that New Jersey municipalities have the authority to issue bonds, and bond anticipation notes.
7. **Emergency Appropriation Bond Issuance Authority.** N.J.S.A 40A:4-46; 40A:4-45.3, 40A:4-49, and 40A4-51 provides that that New Jersey municipalities have the authority to issue emergency appropriation bonds.
8. **Tax Anticipation Notes Issuance Authority.** N.J.S.A 40A:4-64 provides that that New Jersey municipalities have the authority to issue tax anticipation notes.
9. **Utility Anticipation Notes Issuance Authority.** N.J.S.A 40A:4-74 provides that New Jersey municipal electric utilities have the authority to issue utility anticipation notes.

F. Know Your Customer

1. **Customer/counterparty Identification Program.** As a municipal electric utility organized to operate under New Jersey state law, the Borough has an obligation to serve all residents and businesses within its franchised territory. To obtain utility service, all customers must complete an application which requires a government approved form of identification or federal tax ID number. In addition, the applicant must provide proof of ownership or a rental agreement. The Borough reserves the right to make commercially reasonable inquiries on the applicant with the major credit bureaus. The Borough will perform due diligence on counterparties including regular reviews of financial information, litigation, and regulatory compliance. Pursuant to New Jersey Public Law 2012, c. 25, any person or entity that submits a bid or proposal with a local unit in New Jersey must attest, under penalty of perjury, that the person or entity, subsidiaries, or affiliates, is not identified on a list created and maintained by the Department of the Treasury as a person or entity engaging in investment activities in Iran or recorded on a list of specially designated nationals and blocked persons for Russia or Belarus.
2. **Anti-Money Laundering (AML), Anti-Bribery (AB) and Anti-Corruption (AC).** Local government officers or employees under the jurisdiction of the Local Finance Board, must abide by Local Government Ethics Law under N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22, the Bribery and Corrupt Influence Law under N.J.S.A. 2C:27 and Official Misconduct under N.J.S.A. 2C:30-2. The duties and responsibilities of public officials and employees are specifically laid out in Borough ordinances and all employees are subject to a code of conduct. This policy covers all transactions and activities conducted by or on behalf of the Borough. All records are maintained by the Borough and open for inspection. The

Borough is committed to preventing money laundering, corruption, bribery, and other financial crimes and to ensure compliance with all laws, rules and regulations that govern municipal finance in the State of New Jersey, sanctions and Foreign Corrupt Practices Acts. The Borough prohibits and actively prevents any use of its services for money laundering, financing of terrorism, or other illicit activities. The Borough is committed to ensuring compliance with all applicable laws and regulations, implementing internal controls and procedures to detect and report suspicious activities. The Borough designates its Chief Financial Officer as the AML, AB, and AC compliance officer responsible for implementing and enforcing policies and reporting suspicious activities to the local governing body. However, it is noted that the transactions the Borough engages in for electric procurement, and counterparties it engages with, are very limited.

- G. **Compliance.** The Borough is committed to compliance with PJM market rules and regulation and will provide any details of required periodic FERC training on market manipulation rules and PJM governing documents and manuals and who is required to take such training and frequency.

Appendix A

Key Personnel

1. Designated Risk Officer: Joseph Zanga, Chief Financial Officer
2. Energy Management Professional: Brian Vayda, Executive Director, Public Power Association of New Jersey/New Jersey Public Power Authority
3. Chief Financial Officer: Joseph Zanga

IX. TERM OF PLAN.

This Plan shall be in effect from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026. Attached to this Plan is a resolution of the Governing Body of the Borough approving this Plan for such period of time. The Plan may be amended from time to time. To the extent that any amendment is adopted by the Council, the Designated Official is directed to supply copies of the amendments to all of the parties who otherwise have received the copy of the originally approved Plan, which amendment shall be acknowledged in writing in the same manner as the original Plan was so acknowledged.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 19, 2026

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-13

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SIGNATORIES FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex of the State of New Jersey, that the funds of this municipality deposited in the Official Depositories, heretofore named, shall be January 19, 2026 Council Regular Meeting Minutes- APPROVED 2/9/26

subject to withdrawal upon checks, drafts, or other orders, for the payment of public moneys when signed on the behalf of this municipality by the following named persons:

**MAYOR
BOROUGH TREASURER
BOROUGH CLERK**

**PETER S. GUINDI
JOSEPH ZANGA
ALYSSA HAGER**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that three (3) signatures shall be required on any such checks, drafts or other orders, for the payment of any such public moneys.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the absence of, or the inability of any of the authorized Municipal Officials, heretofore named, to affix their signatures upon any such checks, drafts or other orders, the following named are so authorized to affix their signature thereon:

IN THE ABSENCE OF THE MAYOR:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MATT DESANTIS

IN THE ABSENCE OF THE TREASURER AND BOROUGH CLERK:

TAX COLLECTOR

RICHARD DUDAS

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Payroll Account #889423703 in the Provident Bank, South River Branch, shall only require the signature of the Borough Treasurer, above named, or in the absence of or the inability of the said Borough Treasurer, the following are so authorized to affix their signature thereon:

**MAYOR
BOROUGH CLERK**

**PETER S. GUINDI
ALYSSA HAGER**

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2026-14
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTEREST CHARGE ON DELINQUENT TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS**

WHEREAS, it is advisable that taxes and other assessments be paid promptly so to enable the Borough to meet its obligations as they fell due and payable; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 54:4 -67, as amended, permits a municipality to charge interest on delinquent taxes and assessments; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has decided that such stated interest rate shall prevail for the year 2026, as set forth in said Statute, be charged on any such delinquent taxes and/or assessments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, that the following interest rates shall be charged:

8% per annum on the first \$1,500.00 of such delinquency;
18% per annum on any amount in excess of said \$1,500.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a penalty of 6% of the amount of the delinquency with interest included, shall be charged to a taxpayer with a delinquency in excess of \$10,000.00 who fails to pay said delinquency prior to the end of the year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tax Collector of the Borough of South River is hereby authorized to allow a ten (10) day grace period (taxes are due quarterly-Feb. 1st, May 1st, Aug. 1st, and Nov. 1st) and if unpaid within the ten (10) days after these dates, the account becomes delinquent and subject from the due date at the interest rate above mentioned.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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RESOLUTION 2026-15

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PERMIT APPLICATIONS

WHEREAS, New Jersey State Statutes/Regulations required the Mayor and Municipal Engineer to affix their signatures on applications for sanitary sewer extension, stream encroachment, wetlands and any other environmental permits which are submitted to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and State of New Jersey that the Mayor and Municipal Engineer are hereby authorized and directed to execute any sanitary sewer extension permits which are part of any application to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection filed during the year of 2026.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			

<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-16
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF CLASS I SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR THE
BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as Special Law Enforcement Officers Class I (SLEO I) for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Austin Applegate
Miklos Bognar
Anthony Faccin
Alina Hassan
Lizbeth Martinez-Marinez
Hosea Muraguri
Brianna Ochoa
Cristino Rodriguez
Vaughn Williams

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-17
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE CLASS III SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR THE
BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

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I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as Special Law Enforcement Officers Class III (SLEO III) for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Todd Kutcher
Consuelo Perez
John Podolski

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-18
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF THE 2026 CROSSING GUARDS

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as School Crossing Guards for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026.

Roosevelt Pinkston
Melissa Gartner
Fred Whitaker
Heather Alfrey
Ira Schlusselfeld
Virginia Koutsoupas
Jacquitter Brown
Nancy Renner
Paula Cruz
Dobрила Dziatkowicz
Paul Schunk
Nancy Matthews
Sandy Drago
Marilyn Barnes-Smith
Milton Martin

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			

Councilman Donato			X			
Councilman Dziemian			X			
Councilman Giannakopoulos		X	X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President DeSantis	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-19
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF DENTAL COVERAGE CONTRACT

WHEREAS, the coverage for the dental plan with Horizon ends on December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River wishes to renew the agreement with the aforesaid vendor.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that the funds will be provided in 2026 municipal budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the Borough Administrator is authorized to renew the agreement for dental coverage with Horizon for the period of January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilwoman DaSilva			X			
Councilman Donato			X			
Councilman Dziemian			X			
Councilman Giannakopoulos		X	X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President DeSantis	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-20

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION FOR THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ENHANCED RECYCLING GRANT SUBMISSION

WHEREAS, The County of Middlesex in continuing to recognize the importance of recycling and the role that the individual January 19, 2026 Council Regular Meeting Minutes- APPROVED 2/9/26

municipalities play in conjunction with the County towards achieving an exemplary recycling rate has proposed to provide grant monies to municipalities through the Recycling Enhancement Grant (REG) Program; and

WHEREAS, It is the intent of the REG Program to provide funds to qualifying municipalities to be used for a paper shred event to enhance a municipality's recycling program; and

WHEREAS, It appears to be in the best interest of the Borough of South River and its citizens to apply for this grant;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the Recycling Coordinator, Donna Stoddard, is hereby authorized to submit the attached application for consideration of a grant to the Middlesex County Division of Solid Waste Management.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-21

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY, LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPORT OFFICE 1033 PROGRAM TO ENABLE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO REQUEST AND ACQUIRE EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the United States Congress authorized the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) 1033 Program to make use of excess Department of Defense personal property by making that personal property available to municipal, county and State law enforcement agencies (LEAs); and

WHEREAS, DLA rules mandate that all equipment acquired through the 1033 Program remain under the control of the requesting LEA; and

WHEREAS, participation in the 1033 Program allows municipal and county LEAs to obtain property they might not otherwise be able to afford in order to enhance community preparedness, response, and resiliency; and

WHEREAS, although property is provided through the 1033 Program at no cost to municipal and county LEAs, these entities are responsible for the costs associated with delivery, maintenance, fueling, and upkeep of the property, and for specialized training on the operation of any acquired property; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-30.2 requires that the governing body of the municipality or county approve, by a majority of the full membership, both enrollment in, and the acquisition of any property through, the 1033 Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the South River Borough Chief of Police is hereby authorized to enroll in the 1033 Program for no more than a one-year period with authorization to participate terminating on December 31 of the current calendar year from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the South River Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire items of non-controlled property designated "DEMIL A," which may include office supplies, office furniture, computers, electronic equipment generators, field packs, non-military vehicles, clothing, traffic and transit signal systems, exercise equipment, farming and moving equipment, storage devices and containers, tools, medical and first aid equipment and supplies, personal protection equipment and supplies, construction materials, lighting supplies, beds and sleeping mats, wet and cold weather equipment and supplies, respirators, binoculars and any other supplies or equipment of a non-military nature identified by the LEA, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes, based on the needs of the South River Police Department, without restriction; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the South River Police Department is hereby authorized to acquire the following "DEMIL B through Q" property, if it shall become available in the period of time for which this resolution authorizes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the "DEMIL B thorough Q" controlled 3-page property list in its entirety is hereby approved and hereto attached to this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect immediately and shall be valid to authorize requests to acquire "DEMIL A" property and "DEMIL B through Q" property that may be made available through the 1033 Program during the period of time for which this resolution authorizes; with program participation and all property request authorization terminating on December 31st of the current calendar year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the South River Borough Chief of Police is hereby authorized and approved to apply, enroll, and participate in the Law Enforcement Support Office 1033 Program.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-22
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF A CLASS III SPECIAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as a Special Law Enforcement Officer Class III (SLEO III) for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Chino Kang

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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RESOLUTION 2026-23
AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF JASON KELLY AS VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER TO RELIABLE FIRE COMPANY OF SOUTH RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint Jason Kelly as a Member of Reliable Fire Company of the South River Fire Department of the Borough of South River effective December 5, 2025.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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RESOLUTION 2026-24

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF RAFAEL CLEMENTE AS A FIREFIGHTER FOR THE SOUTH RIVER FIRE DEPARTMENT RETROACTIVE TO JANUARY 6, 2026

I, Peter S. Guindi, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint Rafael Clemente as a Regular Member of the Engine Company One, of the South River Fire Department of the Borough of South River retroactive to January 6, 2026.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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RESOLUTION 2026-25

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LATE FEE WAIVER OF PET LICENSING

WHEREAS, state law and Borough Code 108-22 require rabies vaccination of dogs and cats before a license may be issued.

WHEREAS, in an effort to aid the Borough's residents the Borough Council desires to waive the late registration fees set forth in Borough Code § 155-6(A-C) and to resume on April 1, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. That late registration fees imposed by Borough Code § 155-6(A-C) are hereby waived and will resume on April 1, 2026.
2. That a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Borough CFO.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			

Councilman Giannakopoulos		X	X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President DeSantis	X		X			

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RESOLUTION 2026-26

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF MASTER POWER PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENTS AND CONFIRMATION TRANSACTIONS THEREUNDER BETWEEN THE BOROUGH AND VARIOUS SUPPLIERS

WHEREAS, pursuant to prior Council resolution(s) the Borough entered into Master Power Purchase and Sale Agreements with the following suppliers on the dates indicated:

Exelon Generation Company LLC ¹	August 24, 2010
Talen Energy Marketing LLC ²	October 20, 2008
NextEra Energy Power Marketing, Inc. ³	October 22, 2008
PSEG Energy Resources & Trade LLC	October 15, 2008
Noble Americas Gas & Power Corp.	November 7, 2011
DTE Energy Trading, Inc.	November 6, 2008
BP Energy Company	February 3, 2015

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to extend to its authorized representatives the duty and obligation to execute Transaction Confirmations that secure specific quantities of energy for delivery to the Borough for specific delivery periods at a fixed price, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to prior Council authorization, and to facilitate the purchase of wholesale electricity, the Borough entered into the Membership Agreement with PJM Interconnection, LLC dated June 8, 2009 and the Master Energy Supply Agreement with American PowerNet Management, Inc. dated July 28, 2008.

¹ An agreement was entered into between the Borough and Constellation Energy Commodities Group, Inc. on October 20, 2008. However, Exelon Corporation, the parent company of Exelon Generation Company LLC, acquired Constellation Energy Group, the parent company of Constellation Energy Commodities Group, Inc. and assumed all the Constellation obligations as of March 2012.

² PPL EnergyPlus LLC changed its name to Talen Energy Marketing, LLC on June 1, 2015.

³ FPL Energy Power Marketing, Inc. changed its name to NextEra Energy Power Marketing, Inc. on May 21, 2010.
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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council affirms the above-described Master Power Purchase and Sale Agreements with Exelon Generation Company, LLC; Talen Energy Marketing LLC; NextEra Energy Power Marketing, Inc.; PSEG Energy Resources & Trade LLC; Noble Americas Gas & Power Corp.; DTE Energy Trading, Inc.; BP Energy Company; the Membership Agreement with PJM Interconnection, LLC; and the Master Energy Supply Agreement with American PowerNet and authorizes the continuation of these agreements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Council authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to enter into binding Transaction Confirmations securing specific blocks of energy at specific delivery periods and prices pursuant to these Master Power Purchase and Sale Agreements.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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RESOLUTION 2026-27

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF THE LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as members of the Local Emergency Planning Committee for the term of January 19, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

Kim Bell
Nick Giannakopoulos
Peter Swecanski
Scott Wolf
Adriano Soares
Mark Tinitigan
Lafe Bush (RWJEMS)
Joe Zanga
Sylvia Garcia
Paul Santos
Ray Baszak
Rick Fallon

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-28

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE RECYCLING COORDINATOR FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as Recycling Coordinator for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Donna Stoddard

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-29

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF THE 2026 FIRE POLICE FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

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I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as Fire Police for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Summit Company:

James Billerman
Jody Jodon

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-30

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE REQUISITION OF FUNDS FOR PAYMENT TO THE CUSTODIAN OF THE SCHOOL MONIES

WHEREAS, pursuant to the applicable Statutes of the State of New Jersey, the Local School District is required to requisition funds for Operating Expense and Debt Service Expense from the Borough; and

WHEREAS, a requisition dated December 16, 2025 has been received from the Local School District for the following amount:

CURRENT OPERATING EXPENSE:	\$1,612,331.00
RESTORED FUNDS:	0.00
DEBT SERVICE EXPENSE:	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,612,331.00

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized and directed to draw the above stated amount from the proper accounts and pay to the Custodian of the School Monies the amount so drawn pursuant to the applicable Statutes of the State of New Jersey by February 6, 2026.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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**RESOLUTION 2026-31
PROPERTY TAX REFUND**

WHEREAS, The following property listed below applied for tax exempt status under the provisions for a totally disabled veteran status in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.30et seq, and

WHEREAS, the Tax Assessor reviewed and approved the application for the remainder of the 2025 tax year and the 2026 tax year for Joseph Wolack, and

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector is recommending a refund of taxes for the 4th quarter 2025 (partial) and the cancelation of the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the Tax Collector refund taxes for the 4th quarter 2025 (partial) and the cancellation of the 1st and 2nd quarters of 2026 in accordance with the following schedule:

<u>Block</u>	<u>Lot</u>	<u>Property Location:</u>	<u>Amount</u>
163	6	Joseph Wolack	\$572.62 (partial 4 th qtr 2025 refund)
		60 Washington St	\$1642.77/\$1642.77 (1 st & 2 nd qtr 2026)
		South River NJ 08882	(cancel)

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 19, 2026

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-32

RESOLUTION APPROVING A SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR A LOCAL RECREATION IMPROVEMENT GRANT (LRIG)

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$75,000.00 to carry out a project entitled Improvements to Volunteer Memorial Park.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED,

1. That the Borough of South River does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and,
2. Recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs , does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Borough of South River and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Chief Financial Officer are authorized to sign the application, and that they or their successors in said titles are authorized to sign the agreement, and any other documents necessary in connection therewith.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilwoman DaSilva			X			
Councilman Donato			X			
Councilman Dziemian			X			
Councilman Giannakopoulos		X	X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President DeSantis	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-33

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
GREEN ACRES PROGRAM**

ENABLING RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Green Acres Program ("State"), provides loans and/or grants to municipal and county governments and grants to nonprofit organizations for assistance in the acquisition and development of lands for outdoor recreation and conservation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has obtained a Green Acres grant of \$750,000 from the State to fund the following project(s):

#1223-25-051 Volunteer Memorial Park Inclusive Playground

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER THAT:

1. The Mayor of the above-named body or board is hereby authorized to execute an agreement and any amendment(s) thereto with the State known as Volunteer Memorial Park Inclusive Playground, and;
2. The applicant agrees to provide its matching share to the Green Acres funding, if a match is required, in the amount of \$318,344, and;
3. The applicant agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations in its performance of the project, and;
4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I, Alyssa Hager, Municipal Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by Borough Council of the Borough of South River at a meeting held on the 19th day of January, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunder set my hand and the official seal of this body this ____ day of _____, _____.

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilwoman DaSilva			X			
Councilman Donato			X			
Councilman Dziemian			X			
Councilman Giannakopoulos		X	X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President DeSantis	X		X			

**RESOLUTION 2026-34
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT AS THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REPRESENTATIVE**

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as the Middlesex County Solid Waste Advisory Committee Representative for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Adriano Soares

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-35
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR'S DESIGNEE AS THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as the Middlesex County Transportation Coordinating Committee Representative for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Cynthia Urbanik (Mayor's Designee)

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-36
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF THE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT AREA 9 REPRESENTATIVES

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as the Watershed Management Area 9 Representatives for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Cm. Nick Giannakopoulos
Cm. Joseph Donato, Alternate

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-37
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY URBAN FORESTRY ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as the Middlesex County Urban Forestry Advisory Committee Representative for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Dorianne Kerber

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			

Councilman Dziemian			X			
Councilman Giannakopoulos		X	X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President DeSantis	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2026-38
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR BOROUGH AUDITOR**

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services as Borough Auditor under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Gerald Stankiewicz with the firm Samuel Klein & Co. has submitted a proposal for Professional Services as Borough Auditor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Gerald Stankiewicz of Samuel Klein & Co. for the position of Borough Auditor in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$90,000.00 for Borough Auditor in accounts 6-01-20-130-205, 6-01-20-135-211, 6-02-55-502-205, 6-03-55-502-205 and 6-20-55-502-204 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilwoman DaSilva			X			
Councilman Donato			X			

Councilman Dziemian			X			
Councilman Giannakopoulos		X	X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President DeSantis	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-39
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR BOROUGH PUBLIC DEFENDER

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services as Borough Public Defender under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will not exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Roselli & Roselli, Esqs. have submitted a proposal for Professional Services as Borough Public Defender.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Roselli & Roselli, Esqs. for the position of Borough Public Defender in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in an amount not to exceed \$8,000.00 for Borough Public Defender in account T-05-43-495-101 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilwoman DaSilva			X			
Councilman Donato			X			
Councilman Dziemian			X			

<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2026-40
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF
CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL TAX COUNSEL**

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services as Special Tax Counsel under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will not exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Andrea Wyatt of the firm Rothstein, Mandell, Strohm & Halm, P.A. has submitted a proposal for Professional Services as Special Tax Counsel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Andrea Wyatt of the firm Rothstein, Mandell, Strohm & Halm, P.A. for the position of Special Tax Counsel in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$7,000.00 for Special Tax Counsel in account 6-01-20-150-205 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			

<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2026-41
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR BOND COUNSEL**

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services as Bond Counsel under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will not exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Dilworth Paxson LLP has submitted a proposal for Professional Services as Bond Counsel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the firm of Dilworth Paxson LLP for the services of Bond Counsel in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$11,000.00 for Bond Counsel in various capital accounts which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			

<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-42
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR EMPLOYMENT/LABOR COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services as Employment/Labor Counsel under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the law firm of Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy has submitted a proposal for Professional Services as Employment/Labor Counsel.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the law firm of Apruzzese, McDermott, Mastro & Murphy for the services of Employment/Labor Counsel in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$65,000.00 for Employment/Labor Counsel in account 6-01-20-105-205 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			

<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2026-43
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR ELECTRICAL ENGINEER**

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services as Electrical Engineer under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, CME Associates, has submitted a proposal for Professional Services as Electrical Engineer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with CME Associates for the position of Electrical Engineer in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$40,000.00 for Electric Engineer in account 6-03-55-502-205 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			

<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-44
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR INSURANCE RISK MANAGEMENT

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services as Insurance Risk Management under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Brown & Brown Metro Inc. has submitted a proposal for Professional Services as Insurance Risk Management.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Brown & Brown Metro Inc. for the services of Insurance Risk Management in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51)N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$33,000.00 for Insurance Risk Management in accounts 6-01-23-210-211, 6-01-23-215-211, 6-02-55-502-204 and 6-03-55-502-204 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			

<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2026-46
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF
CONTRACT FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SPECIALIST**

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services as Information Technology Specialist under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract shall be from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025 were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the firm Targeted Solutions, LLC has submitted a proposal for Professional Services for Information Technology Specialist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Targeted Solutions LLC for the services of Information Technology Specialist in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026, contingent upon successful completion of the NJCJIS personnel security policy, pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$60,000.00 in account 6-01-31-453-201, 6-02-55-502-205 and 6-03-55-502-205 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			

<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-47

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS FOR THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as members of the Board of Health:

Stephanie Chando	Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2028
Donna Balazs	Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2028
Robin Prasek, Alt 1	Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2027
Regina Sweeney, Alt 2	Term :1/19/2026 – 12/31/2026

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-48

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBER OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following members to the Economic Development Commission:

Mena Moawad
Tony Ciulla, Alt 3

Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2026 (unexpired term)
1/19/2026 – 12/31/28

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2025-49
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS TO THE ADVISORY BOARD FOR PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE
BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint the following as members of the Advisory Board for Parks and Recreation.

Larry Alexander
Fotine Urbanski

Term: 1/19/26 – 12/31/28
Term: 1/19/26 – 12/31/28

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-50
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS TO THE CULTURAL ARTS AND HERITAGE COMMISSION

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as members of the Cultural Arts and Heritage Commission:

Edward Adamsky	Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2031
Donna Balazs	Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2028
Nilla Campbell	Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2028
Teresa Hutchison	Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2031

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-51
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF THE SOUTH RIVER FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as a member of the South River Free Public Library Board of Trustees:

Emily Roselli	Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2030
Janice Kaminsky Cordes	Term: 1/19/2026 – 12/31/2027 (unexpired term)

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			

<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

**RESOLUTION 2026-52
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION RESERVE TRANSFERS WITHIN THE 2025 BUDGET
DURING THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR**

WHEREAS, 2025 bills and claims have been presented for payment this year, which was more than was anticipated on the financial records at year end; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-59 provides that all unexpended balances carried forward after the close of the year are available, until lapsed at the close of the succeeding year, to meet specific claims, commitments, or contracts incurred during the preceding fiscal year, and allow transfers to be made from unexpended balances which are expected to be insufficient during the first three months of the succeeding year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey that the transfers be made between the 2025 Budget Appropriation, as follows:

CURRENT FUND

	Amount From:	Amount to:
Group Health Benefits	\$10,000.00	
Legal Services		\$10,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Financial Officer and the Auditor of the Borough of South River.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-53
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF 2025-2026 WINTER RECREATION DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Council of the Borough of South River, do hereby appoint the following to the position for the 2025-2026 Winter Recreation Department Employees effective as of January 23, 2026.

Employees: Basketball

Eric Clays (First Aid/Supervisor)

\$30.00/game

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-54
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF INSTRUMENTATION, AUTOMATION & COMPUTER SYSTEM OF THE WATER UTILITY

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services as Instrumentation, Automation & Computer System of the Water Utility under a "Fair and Open Process" pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

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WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the firm of Engineered Solutions Corporation (ENSOCorp) submitted a proposal for Professional Services as Instrumentation, Automation & Computer System of the Water Utility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the firm of Engineered Solutions Corporation (ENSOCorp) for the position of Instrumentation, Automation & Computer System of the Water Utility in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the "Fair and Open Process" which has been implemented under the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play" Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$150,000.00 for Instrumentation, Automation & Computer System of the Water Utility in account 6-02-55-502-205 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-55
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF VARIOUS CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River entered into contracts in prior years with the following vendors:

Janitorial Services

- Tropical Cleaning Services

Public Works Functions/Utility Maintenance

- B & W Construction of NJ Inc.

Electric Material and Supplies

- Anixter Inc.

Motor Vehicle Parts & Supplies

- Parts Authority, LLC

Opsolve

- Through the transition to the new company

WHEREAS, the terms of said contracts have an option to renew on a calendar year basis upon both parties agreeing to the extension; and

WHEREAS, said written confirmation has been received by aforesaid vendors; and

WHEREAS, the option to renew shall be solely at the discretion and approval of the Borough Council.

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified that funds will be provided in the budget for \$275,000 for Public Works Functions/Utility Maintenance in account 6-02-55-512-211, \$33,983.00 for Janitorial Services in accounts 6-01-26-310-205, 6-02-55-502-202 and 6-03-55-502-202, \$300,000 for Electric Material and Supplies in account 6-03-55-502-202 and 6-03-55-512-211, and \$100,000 for Motor Vehicle Parts & Supplies in account 6-01-26-315-216, 6-02-55-502-202, and 6-03-55-502-202 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of South River in the County of Middlesex, the State of New Jersey, that contracts with the aforesaid vendors are renewed for the calendar year 2026.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-56
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF
CONTRACT FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT ENGINEER (NON ELECTRICAL)

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services for Water Treatment Plant Engineer (Non Electrical) under a "Fair and Open Process" pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, CME Associates submitted a proposal for Professional Services for Water Treatment Plant Engineer (non electrical).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with CME Associates for Professional Services for Water Treatment Plant Engineering Services (non electrical) in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the "Fair and Open Process" which has been implemented under the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play" Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$20,000 for Water Treatment Plant Engineer (non electrical) in accounts 6-02-55-502-205 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-57
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF
CONTRACT FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT ENGINEER (NON ELECTRICAL)

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services for Water Treatment Plant Engineer (Non Electrical) under a "Fair and Open Process" pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, CDM Smith submitted a proposal for Professional Services for Water Treatment Plant Engineer (non electrical).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with CDM Smith for Professional Services for Water Treatment Plant Engineering Services (non electrical) in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the "Fair and Open Process" which has been implemented under the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play" Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$20,000 for Water Treatment Plant Engineer (non electrical) in accounts 6-02-55-502-205 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-58
AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT TO
ROBERT DOLAN OF RMD ASSOCIATES, LLC TO PERFORM QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT (QPA) DUTIES

WHEREAS the Borough of South River wishes to retain the services of Robert Dolan of RMD Associates, LLC, to provide Qualified Purchasing Agent Services per N.J.S.A.40A:11-6.1; and

WHEREAS, the RMD Associates, LLC has proposed Qualified Purchasing Agent services for a total of \$15,000.00 for January- December 2026

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Hereby awards and authorizes the execution of an agreement with Robert Dolan of RMD Associates, LLC to provide Qualified Purchasing Agent services, effective January 1, 2026, at the rate of \$15,000 for January-December of 2026,
2. Robert Dolan, MAS, QPA #1742, is hereby appointed as the Qualified Purchasing Agent pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9,
3. This contract is awarded under N.J.S.A.40A:11-6.1; and
4. The appropriate municipal officials are authorized to execute contractual and other documents to further these services.
5. The Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$15,000 for Qualified Purchasing Agent services in accounts 6-01-20-130-214 in the amount of \$7,500, 6-02-55-502-205 in the amount of \$3,000, and 6-03-55-502-205 in the amount of \$4,5000 which is based on a reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-59

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE BID THRESHOLD TO \$53,000.00, QUOTE THRESHOLD TO \$7,950.00, AND THRESHOLD TO REQUIRE SUBMISSION OF RUSSIA-BELARUS CERTIFICATION TO \$7,950.00 FOR CY2026

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3(c), effective July 1, 2025, the Governor of the State of New Jersey adjusted the bid threshold for awarding contracts under the Local Public Contracts Law. The change in the bid threshold allows municipalities with a Qualified Purchasing Agent to increase their bid threshold to \$53,000.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1, with the aforementioned adjustment of the bid threshold, the corresponding quote threshold may also be increased to \$7,950.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to this Resolution, the Governing Body establishes its bid threshold at \$53,000.00, its quote threshold at \$7,950.00, and its quote threshold for the required submission of the Russia-Belarus Certification before the award of a contract for goods or services at \$7,950.00; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 *et seq.* establishes the criteria for qualifying as a Qualified Purchasing Agent; and

WHEREAS, Robert Dolan, MAS, QPA, CPM of RMD Associates, was appointed as the Qualified Purchasing Agent for pursuant to Resolution 2026-58 and possesses the qualifications and designation of Qualified Purchasing Agent as January 19, 2026 Council Regular Meeting Minutes- APPROVED 2/9/26

issued by the Director of Local Government Services per N.J.A.C. 5:34-5 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River desires to take advantage of the increased bid and quote thresholds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of the Borough of South River hereby establishes its bid threshold at \$53,000.00 and quote threshold at \$7,950.00 for this calendar year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the quote threshold for the required submission of the Russia-Belarus Certification before the award of a contract for goods or services is established at \$7,950.00 for CY2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1, the Qualified Purchasing Agent is authorized to approve purchases and award contracts that do not exceed the total sum of \$7,950.00 in a contract year without soliciting competitive quotations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3a, the Qualified Purchasing Agent is authorized to approve purchases and award contracts on behalf of the governing body that do not exceed, in the aggregate, the total sum of \$17,500.00 in a contract year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, pursuant to sections 11 and 12 of the Election Transparency Act amending N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 and 20.5, respectively, the Qualified Purchasing Agent shall be permitted to award fair and open and non-fair and open contracts having an anticipated value over \$17,500.00 but below \$53,000.00 ("window contracts") without a resolution subject to the QPA adhering to the pay-to-play laws requiring disclosures and time frames of advertisement in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Qualified Purchasing Agent shall be permitted to approve purchases, contracts and agreements through New Jersey State Contracts and/or Purchasing Cooperatives, subject to provisions and requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 *et seq.* and P.L.2011, c.139, below the \$53,000.00 threshold in individual purchases and the aggregate as defined by N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2(19).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Administrator and Chief Financial Officer.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-60

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT TO RECEIVE CERTAIN BIDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.A.C.5:34-5.1, E-PROCUREMENT

WHEREAS the governing body has appointed a Qualified Purchasing Agent per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9 and

WHEREAS the State of New Jersey, in the Administrative Code, has promulgated rules to allow for the electronic receipt of bids, as set forth at N.J.A.C. 5:34-1 et seq. and

WHEREAS, Robert Dolan, QPA, has recommended the use of Bidnet Direct software as a quoted platform per N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1, which complies with all the rules as required by the New Jersey Administrative Rules and

WHEREAS the electronic procurement platform is available to other officials as required to virtually observe bid openings transparently and provide for bids available for public inspection and

WHEREAS there is no cost to the bidders or to the Borough,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED by the governing body of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Robert Dolan, QPA of RMD Associates, LLC, is hereby authorized to conduct bid openings and procurement in accordance with N.J.S.A.40A:11-9 through E-Procurement in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:34-1 et. seq., through Bidnet Direct at a zero cost to the Borough.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-61
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN UTILITY REFUNDS

WHEREAS, the official utility records of the Borough of South River, New Jersey show certain refunds which include electric, water and consumer deposits (CD); and

WHEREAS, the Collector of Utility Revenue recommends that the following refunds should be made to the consumer noted herein below listed; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Collector of Utility Revenue is hereby authorized to make the following refunds and adjustments indicated below and any attached list.

ACCOUNT #

PAYABLE TO:

AMOUNT OF CHECK

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65-999-009-721 CD	EMILY CAPPER & MICHAEL D'ARRIGO 199 A STONEYHILL RD EATONTOWN, NJ 07724	\$128.09
65-999-005-674 CD	SAMANTHA GUALDARRAMA 807 FOREST AVE LAWRENCE HARBOR, NJ 08879	\$90.92
65-999-009-497 CD	ERICA KOTERAS & JOSHUA WATSON	\$119.84
65-999-009-497 ELEC PREVIOUS	80 THELPS AVE APT 48 C NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ 08901	\$169.22
65-999-009-135 CD	JOSE AUGUSTO PEREIRA JUCIANE MENDES 41 JACKSON ST APT E SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$111.37
65-999-009-853 CD	JASON & JOANNE VAS 139 MAIN ST APT 1 SOUTH RIVER, NJ 08882	\$105.97

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 19, 2026

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-62

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH SPECIAL FORCES CONSULTING DISTRIBUTION, INC. DBA BYRAM LABORATORIES, INC. FOR ENERGY AXIS AUTOMATED METER SYSTEM SUPPORT

WHEREAS, there exists a need for Energy Axis Automated Meter System Support; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council desires to award a contract to Special Forces Consulting Distribution, Inc, dba Byram Laboratories, Inc. for Energy Axis Automated Meter System Support pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 in the amount not to exceed \$44,172.00; and

WHEREAS, Special Forces Consulting Distribution, Inc. dba Byram Laboratories, Inc. has completed and submitted a Business Entity Disclosure Certification which certifies that neither he nor his firm has made any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of South River in the previous one year, and that the contract will

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prohibit Special Forces Consulting Distribution, Inc. dba Byram Laboratories, Inc. from making any reportable contributions to a political or candidate committee in the Borough of South River through the term of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(dd) et seq., authorizes the award of contracts for support or maintenance of proprietary hardware and software and requires that the resolution and contract be made available for public inspection; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HERBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River as follows:

1. That the governing body does hereby award a contract for Energy Axis Automated Meter System Support to Special Forces Consulting Distribution, Inc. dba Byram Laboratories, Inc. in accordance with the attached Schedule D, an advantageous proposal.
2. That the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and the Borough Clerk to attest to, respectively, a contract with Special Forces Consulting Distribution, Inc. dba Byram Laboratories, Inc. in a form acceptable to the Borough Attorney.
3. That this contract is awarded without competitive bidding in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(dd) of the Local Public Contracts law because it is for support or maintenance of proprietary hardware and software.
4. That the Business Disclosure Entity Certification be placed on file with this resolution.
5. That a notice of this action shall be printed in the official newspaper of the as required by law.
6. That a Certificate of Availability of Funds is attached hereto and incorporated herein. The following are the line-item appropriations or ordinances which constitute the availability of funds for this contract: 6-03-55-502-205 at a rate of \$3,771.00.
7. That a Certified Copy of this Resolution shall be provided to the Borough Administrator, Borough CFO, and Special Forces Consulting Distribution, Inc. dba Byram Laboratories, Inc.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-63
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF THE PUBLIC AGENCY COMPLIANCE OFFICER

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as Public Agency Compliance Officer for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Peter Swecanski

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COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-64

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT FOR CENTRAL JERSEY HEALTH INSURANCE FUND REPRESENTATIVE

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as the Central Jersey Health Insurance Fund Representative for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Joseph Zanga – Fund Commissioner

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-67

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that December 15th, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes are approved.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-68
RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River that the January 1, 2026 Reorganization Meeting Minutes are approved.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-69
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BILLS AND CLAIMS LIST

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey that all bills, claims and statements against the Borough, in the total amount of

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\$1,520,420.61 and previously paid claims in the amount of \$3,291,601.06 listing attached, have been duly itemized, audited, approved and signed by the proper officers of the Borough, be and the same are hereby ordered paid.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-70

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, APPOINTING PERSONNEL TO THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, recognizes the need to appoint personnel to various positions within the Office of Emergency Management (“OEM”); and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has identified certain individuals that are qualified to maintain and further advance the objectives of the department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the governing body of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, that the following individuals are hereby appointed to the Office of Emergency Management for a term beginning January 1, 2026, and ending on December 31, 2028:

1. Peter Swecanski, *Office of Emergency Management Coordinator*
2. Mark Tinitigan, *Deputy Office of Emergency Management Coordinator*
3. Adam Dehanes, *Deputy Office of Emergency Management Coordinator*
4. Kevin Mayers, *Assistant*
5. Kyle Herzig, *Assistant*

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			

Councilman Dziemian			X			
Councilman Giannakopoulos		X	X			
Councilman Gurchensky			X			
Council President DeSantis	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-71

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SOLICITATION OF PROPOSAL OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, the State of New Jersey implemented the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay- to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, said Statute affects all Municipalities and Counties, and their agencies that enter into contracts with a value over \$17,500.00 and further requires that all such contracts with a value over \$17,500.00 (aggregation rules apply) be awarded pursuant to a “Fair and Open” or a “Non-fair and Open” process, both of which are defined by law; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined to solicit proposals of qualifications for professional services under a “Fair and Open Process”; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River shall also establish criteria for its proposal/qualification evaluation in considering a fair and open contract award.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Borough of South River shall proceed with a notice for solicitation of proposals and qualifications for professional services under a “Fair and Open Process” for the positions of:

- Special Counsel/Conflict Attorney

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each of the proposals that are submitted will be evaluated by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River by determining those deemed to be the most advantageous and beneficial to the Borough of South River including the following criteria:

- Experience and reputation in the field;
- Knowledge of the Borough of South River and the subject matter to be addressed under the proposed contract as well as familiarity with the Borough of South River and its procedures as well as its ongoing matters;
- Availability to accommodate any required meetings of the agency;
- Such other factors, if demonstrated, to be in the best interest of the Borough of South River

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Borough Clerk shall utilize the attached Public Notice and have the same placed on the Borough website or such other location as determined by the Mayor and Council to be appropriate permitting receipt of proposals and qualifications for a period of not less than 10 days.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon receipt of said proposals and qualifications by the Borough Administrator the same shall be reviewed for compliance with the criteria aforesaid and provided to the Borough Clerk for the appropriate appointments to be made by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Borough Council pursuant to statute.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-72
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF
CONTRACT FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT ENGINEER (NON ELECTRICAL)

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined it necessary to solicit proposal of qualifications for professional services for Water Treatment Plant Engineer (Non Electrical) under a “Fair and Open Process” pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has determined and certified that the value of the services to be rendered will exceed \$17,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the anticipated term of said contract is for a period of one year and shall run from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South River has provided the necessary Public Notice for the solicitation of qualifications for professional services under the Fair and Open Process for a minimum period of ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the sealed qualifications, due on December 1, 2025, were submitted to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of South River, 48 Washington Street, South River, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, ILM Services submitted a proposal for Professional Services for Water Treatment Plant Engineer (non electrical).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River that the Mayor and appropriate Borough Officials are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with ILM Services for Professional Services for Water Treatment Plant Engineering Services (non electrical) in the Borough of South River for the calendar year 2026 pursuant to the “Fair and Open Process” which has been implemented under the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to-Play” Law under P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51) N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough has certified the availability of funds in the amount of \$20,000 for Water Treatment Plant Engineer (non electrical) in accounts 6-02-55-502-205 which is based on a

reasonable estimate of the goods and services required over the contract terms, and the local unit is not obligated to spend that amount.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

RESOLUTION 2026-75

APPOINTING MARK TINITIGAN AS INTERIM BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR ON A PART TIME BASIS COMMENCING ON JANUARY 19, 2026

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River desire to appoint Police Chief Mark Tinitigan as interim Borough Administrator on a part time basis commencing on January 19, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the appointment shall be in addition to his duties as Chief of Police and shall be made pursuant to the terms and conditions of the agreement attached hereto as Schedule A;

WHEREAS, as delineated in Schedule A, the amount of the stipend to be paid to Chief Tinitigan shall be \$40,000.00 annually; and

WHEREAS, this appointment shall be until such time as either he or the Borough determine his service as part-time, interim Borough Administrator is no longer necessary or not in the best interests of either party; and

WHEREAS, this appointment is strictly interim in nature and does not constitute an appointment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-138 or the Borough's corresponding ordinance; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Borough hereby appoints Mark Tinitigan as Interim Borough Administrator under the terms and conditions outlined in Schedule A appended hereto.
2. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to take whatever steps are necessary to effectuate the purpose of this Resolution.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon final passage according to law.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			

<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

The Borough Clerk reads resolution 2026-65

RESOLUTION 2026-65

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF THE PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY REPRESENTATIVE

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as the Public Power Association of New Jersey Representative for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Joseph Zanga
Mark Tinitigan (Alternate)

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>			X			
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

The Mayor would like to add Mark Tinitigan as the alternate

The Borough Clerk reads resolution 2026-66

RESOLUTION 2026-66

RESLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MID JERSEY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND REPRESENTATIVE

I, Peter S. Guindi, Mayor of the Borough of South River, with the advice and consent of the Council of South River, do hereby appoint the following as the Mid Jersey Municipal Joint Insurance Fund Representative for the term of January 19, 2026 to December 31, 2026:

Joseph Zanga
Mark Tinitigan (Alternate)

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>						
<i>Councilman Donato</i>						
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>						
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>						
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>						
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>						

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Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

The Mayor would like to add Mark Tinitigan as an alternate.

The Borough Clerk reads resolution 2026-73

RESOLUTION 2026-73

DETERMINING THAT BLOCK 143, LOTS 3.03 AND 3.04 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER (ALBOURNE WOODS) IS A NON-CONDEMNATION AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. (the "LRHL"), the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River previously authorized the Planning Board, by resolution, to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the property identified as Block 143, Lots 3.03 and 3.04 on the Tax Map of the Borough of South River (the "Albourne Woods Study Area") qualifie as an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board conducted a preliminary investigation, including preparation of a map and report titled "Redevelopment Study Albourne Woods Study Area" dated November 18, 2025, by Todd Bletcher, AICP, P.P., of Bignell Planning Consultants, Inc., and held a public hearing on November 25, 2025, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, at which all interested parties were heard; and

WHEREAS, based on the investigation, report, public hearing, and testimony, the Planning Board found that the Albourne Woods Study Area meets criterion "c" of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5, as it consists of unimproved vacant land that has remained vacant for more than ten years and, due to its location, remoteness, topography, and other factors, is not likely to be developed through private capital; and

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2026, the Planning Board adopted Resolution PB-2025-23, recommending to the governing body that the Albourne Woods Study Area be designated as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5; and

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WHEREAS, the governing body has reviewed the Planning Board's recommendation, the underlying report, and the findings of fact, and concurs that the Albourne Woods Study Area qualifies as an area in need of redevelopment under the LRHL; and

WHEREAS, this determination is consistent with the Borough's Master Plan and the State's smart growth planning principles;

WHEREAS, the governing body determines that this shall be a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area, meaning the Borough shall not exercise the power of eminent domain to acquire any property within the delineated area; and

WHEREAS, the governing body now desires to authorize and direct the Planning Board to prepare a redevelopment plan for the Albourne Woods Study Area and to present same to the Council pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(f).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.
2. The recommendations and conclusions of the Planning Board are hereby accepted, and adopted by reference herein, by the governing body.
3. The properties identified as Block 143, Lots 3.03 and 3.04 on the Tax Map of the Borough of South River (the "Albourne Woods Redevelopment Area") are hereby determined to be an area in need of redevelopment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5 and N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6.
4. This determination shall authorize the Borough to exercise all powers provided under the LRHL for a redevelopment area except the power of eminent domain, as this is designated a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area.
5. The governing body hereby authorizes and directs the Planning Board to prepare a redevelopment plan for the Albourne Woods Redevelopment Area and to present same to the governing body pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7f.
6. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution forthwith to the Commissioner of Community Affairs for review pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6b(5)(c).
7. Copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Borough Planning Board, Tax Assessor, Borough Engineer, and any other appropriate officials.
8. The Borough Clerk shall serve, within ten (10) days hereof, a copy of this Resolution upon (i) all record owners of property located within the Albourne Woods Redevelopment Area, as reflected on the tax assessor's records, and (ii) each person who filed a written objection to the determination and stated, in or upon the written submission, an address to which notice of the determination may be sent, such service to be in the manner provided by N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6b(5)(d).
9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption, subject to the review and approval (or deemed approval) by the Commissioner of Community Affairs.

The Mayor asks the Borough Attorney to explain the resolution. Councilman Donato explains his reasoning to vote no for this resolution.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>				X		
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>			X			

Councilman Giannakopoulos	X		X			
Councilman Gurchensky				X		
Council President DeSantis			X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 19, 2026

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

The Borough Clerk reads resolution 2026-74

RESOLUTION 2026-74

DETERMINING THAT BLOCK 356, LOT 1.06 ON THE TAX MAP OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER (WOJIE WAY) IS A NON-CONDEMNATION AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. (the "LRHL"), the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South River previously authorized the Planning Board, by resolution, to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the property identified as Block 356, Lot 1.06 on the Tax Map of the Borough of South River (the "Wojie Way Study Area") qualifies as an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board conducted a preliminary investigation, including preparation of a map and report titled "Redevelopment Study Wojie Way Study Area" dated November 10, 2025, by Todd Bletcher, AICP, P.P., of Bignell Planning Consultants, Inc., and held a public hearing on November 25, 2025, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, at which all interested parties were heard; and

WHEREAS, based on the investigation, report, public hearing, and testimony, the Planning Board found that the Wojie Way Study Area meets criterion "c" of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5, as it consists of unimproved vacant land owned by the municipality that has remained vacant for more than ten years and, due to its location, remoteness, topography, and other factors, is not likely to be developed through private capital; and

WHEREAS, on January 13, 2026, the Planning Board adopted Resolution PB-2025-24, recommending to the governing body that the Wojie Way Study Area be designated as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5; and

WHEREAS, the governing body has reviewed the Planning Board's recommendation, the underlying report, and the findings of fact, and concurs that the Wojie Way Study Area qualifies as an area in need of redevelopment under the LRHL; and

WHEREAS, this determination is consistent with the Borough's Master Plan and the State's smart growth planning principles;

WHEREAS, the governing body determines that this shall be a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area, meaning the Borough shall not exercise the power of eminent domain to acquire any property within the delineated area; and

WHEREAS, the governing body now desires to authorize and direct the Planning Board to prepare a redevelopment plan for the Wojie Way Study Area and to present same to the Council pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(f).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

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10. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.
11. The recommendations and conclusions of the Planning Board are hereby accepted, and adopted by reference herein, by the governing body.
12. The property identified as Block 356, Lot 1.06 on the Tax Map of the Borough of South River (the "Wojie Way Redevelopment Area") is hereby determined to be an area in need of redevelopment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5 and N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6.
13. This determination shall authorize the Borough to exercise all powers provided under the LRHL for a redevelopment area except the power of eminent domain, as this is designated a Non-Condensation Redevelopment Area.
14. The governing body hereby authorizes and directs the Planning Board to prepare a redevelopment plan for the Wojie Way Redevelopment Area and to present same to the governing body pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7f.
15. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution forthwith to the Commissioner of Community Affairs for review pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6b(5)(c).
16. Copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Borough Planning Board, Tax Assessor, Borough Engineer, and any other appropriate officials.
17. The Borough Clerk shall serve, within ten (10) days hereof, a copy of this Resolution upon (i) all record owners of property located within the Wojie Way Redevelopment Area, as reflected on the tax assessor's records, and (ii) each person who filed a written objection to the determination and stated, in or upon the written submission, an address to which notice of the determination may be sent, such service to be in the manner provided by N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6b(5)(d).
18. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption, subject to the review and approval (or deemed approval) by the Commissioner of Community Affairs.

The Mayor asks the Borough Attorney to explain the resolution. Councilman Donato explains his reasoning to vote no for this resolution.

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
<i>Councilwoman DaSilva</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Donato</i>				X		
<i>Councilman Dziemian</i>		X	X			
<i>Councilman Giannakopoulos</i>			X			
<i>Councilman Gurchensky</i>				X		
<i>Council President DeSantis</i>	X		X			

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of authorization to approve the foregoing resolution adopted by the Mayor and Borough Council of South River on January 19, 2026

Alyssa Hager, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Borough of South River

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS (For the Good and Welfare of the Borough)

Councilwoman DaSilva

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- It is an honor and privilege to represent South River. If any residents have concerns, please come to the council meetings.

Councilman Gurchensky

- Thank you to all public safety officers
- Speaks on the Sicknick Memorial and requests to name other streets after veterans.
- Please be safe with the bad weather coming.

Councilman Giannakopoulos

- Thanks everyone on council for voicing their opinions respectfully.
- Please come to the council meetings.

Councilman Dziemian

- Speaks on Frost on the Pumpkin
- Speaks on coaching basketball fundamentals.

Councilman Donato

- Appreciates and respects everyone's opinion.

Council President DeSantis

- No report

Mayor Guindi

- Thanks the Police and DPW for their work during the recent snow storm
- Speaks on e-bikes and scooters
- Thanks Joe and Dawn for their work with grants
- With the recent cold weather, don't forget to check on the elderly.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business; Mayor Guindi requested motion to adjourn. Council President DeSantis motioned to adjourn; seconded by Councilman Dziemian. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Alyssa Hager

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