

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, June 24, 2008 at 8:20 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Frank J. Calandriello presided. City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica announced that the meeting was being held in accordance with provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act and that adequate notice was provided by mail and fax to the official City newspapers and to other interested parties and by posting the meeting notice on the bulletin boards in City Hall.

Councilmembers Present: Louis G. Aloia, James Krone, Joseph Delaney and Frank J. Calandriello

Councilmembers Absent: Stanley J. Moskal

Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Joseph J. Rotolo, City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell, Interim Chief Financial Officer Roy Riggitano, and Councilmember-Elect Tana M. Raymond

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Councilmember Krone moved to approve the Reports of the Cabinet as presented orally and in writing during the Work Session held earlier this evening. Councilmember Delaney duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

PUBLIC HEARING ON GRANT APPLICATION

Mayor Frank J. Calandriello declared a Public hearing on the 2008 Bergen County Open Space Trust Fund Grant application for acquisition of property for the Passaic River Park at the Dundee Dam.

There being no one wishing to speak for or against this matter, Mayor Frank J. Calandriello declared the public hearing closed.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 08-215

WHEREAS, Dabals of the Garfield Girls Softball League has completed their 2008 season with a record of 8-7, placing them in fourth place of their league, and

WHEREAS, the Dabals Girls Softball Team defeated the PBA Girls Softball Team in the playoffs and defeated the Rotary Girls Softball Team to win the City Championship, and

WHEREAS, the team is comprised of Stephanie San Juan, Stephanie Rienzi, Angelina Taveras, Dina Muric, Lejla Cajevic, Ashley Smith, Erin Ashley Dickson, Megan Dickson, Shannon Kearney, Claudia Zabielski, Dominika Lenart, Laura Ondeck, Tida Muric, under the direction of their Outstanding Coaches Gerard Rienzi, Racquel Melendez, and Joe Melendez, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of publicly recognizing the outstanding accomplishments of the Dabals Girl's Softball Team,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that CONGRATULATIONS are hereby extended to Dabals of the Garfield Girl's Softball League on their City Championship.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Joseph Delaney

At this time, CERTIFIED copies of Resolution No. 08-215 were presented to the players and coaches of the Dabals Girls Softball Team.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 08- 216

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk is hereby authorized to issue the following licenses for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009:

PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSES

0221-33-006-005	Swami Yogi Inc. t/a La Bella Pizza 300 Lanza Avenue
0221-33-021-001	Garfield Elks Lodge No 2267 BPO 68 Lanza Avenue
0221-33-030-003	Yogiji Enterprises Inc. t/a Boggy's Bar & Liquors 142 Division Avenue
0221-33-031-003	LCJD LLC. t/a Jimmy Jims Grill 399 Midland Avenue
0221-33-033-009	New Firehouse Associates LLC t/a New Firehouse Family Restaurant 42 Plauderville Avenue
0221-33-059-006	Lizmo Inc. t/a Taps Saloon 142 Outwater Lane

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing renewals are granted on the condition that said renewal shall not constitute approval of anything at variance with the records of the City Council or any person-to-person transfer, place-to-place transfer or change of corporate structure approved prior to the passage of this resolution.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-217

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 2 has advised that they have expelled Pedro Nolasco of 209 Division Avenue, as an active member effective June 2, 2008.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 2 with respect to the above matter, is hereby accepted.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-218

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 4 has advised that they have accepted Shawn Canada of 58 Dewey Street, as a regular active member, effective June 6, 2008.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the action taken by Fire Company No. 4 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 08-219

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 4 has advised that they have accepted Matthew Tabano of 52 Irving Place, as a regular active member, effective June 6, 2008.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the action taken by Fire Company No. 4 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-220

WHEREAS, James Campistrous, 51 Monroe Street, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P814554, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the north curb line of Monroe Street commencing 100 feet east of the intersection of Monroe Street & Cambridge Avenue and run for an additional 25 east from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-221

WHEREAS, Lisa Colon, 80 Farnham Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P816438, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at her address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the south curb line of Farnham Avenue commencing 200 feet west of the intersection of Farnham Avenue & Clark Street and run for an additional 25 west from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-222

WHEREAS, Janet Dickerson, 193 Cambridge Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P803769, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at her address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the west curb line of Cambridge Avenue commencing 50 feet south of the intersection of Cambridge Avenue & Maple Street and run for an additional 25 south from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

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On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-223

WHEREAS, Helen Duch, 267 Pierre Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P370904, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at her address, and
WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the west curb line of Pierre Avenue commencing 50 feet north of the intersection of Pierre Avenue & Botany Street and run for an additional 25 north from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-224

WHEREAS, Jacobo Rodriguez, 101 Palisade Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P782672, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the south curb line of Hepworth Place commencing 50 feet west of the intersection of Hepworth Place & Palisade Avenue and run for an additional 25 west from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-225

WHEREAS, John Nolan, 23 Belmont Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P792101, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and
WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the north curb line of Belmont Avenue commencing 25 feet east of the intersection of Belmont Avenue & Orchard Street and run for an additional 25 east from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-226

WHEREAS, Waclaw Rybak, 21 Grand Street, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P803782, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at his address, and
WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the north curb line of Grand Street commencing 150 feet east of the intersection of Grand Street & River Road and run for an additional 25 east from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-227

WHEREAS, Kazimiera Siczek, 116 Van Winkle Avenue, who is the holder of a Disabled Person I.D. Card No. P811132, has filed application for a handicapped parking sign to be placed at her address, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has conducted an investigation and recommend approval of the application,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that one parking space be designated as reserved for “Handicapped Parking”, located on the south curb line of Van Winkle Avenue commencing 75 feet east of the intersection of Van Winkle Avenue & Summit Avenue and run for an additional 25 east from that point.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Traffic Safety Control Division is hereby authorized and directed to erect an appropriate sign at the above location.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-228

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that Public Service Electric and Gas Company is hereby authorized and requested to install a “Yellow” High Pressure Sodium Lamp on Pole Number 611176 located near 154 Semel Avenue,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified and exact copy of this approved resolution to P.S.E. & G. Co. at the following address.

Mr. Tom Zotollo
P.S.E. & G. Company
325 County Avenue
Secaucus, New Jersey 07094

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-229

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT OF ACTING DEPUTY MAYOR

WHEREAS, pursuant to Local Ordinance, Joseph Delaney, was appointed Deputy Mayor for the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of state and local law, the Deputy Mayor shall serve in the place of the Mayor and perform all functions of the Mayor in the Mayor’s absence; and

WHEREAS, on July 6, 2008, it will be necessary and appropriate to temporarily appoint Louis G. Aloia as Deputy Mayor for the City of Garfield in order to perform a single act, to wit, the marriage ceremony of Thomas Giresi and Cathleen Holdsworth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

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1. Councilman Louis G. Aloia be and is hereby appointed Deputy Mayor for the City of Garfield for July 6, 2008 to perform the marriage ceremony of Thomas Giresi and Cathleen Holdsworth.
2. This temporary appointment shall be solely for the purpose of performance of this marriage ceremony and for no other reason. Similarly, no additional authority is granted hereby other than to perform said ceremony and to execute any and all documents which may be necessary in order to effectuate the provision of this Resolution and to confirm the performance of the marriage ceremonies as described above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to Councilman Louis G. Aloia, and the City Attorney.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-230

WHEREAS, the Calvary Baptist Church located 217-245 Passaic Street in the City of Garfield is a non-profit organization which provides religious, cultural, educational and support services to the residents and taxpayers of the City of Garfield as well as those residing in municipalities surrounding the City of Garfield; and

WHEREAS, the Calvary Baptist Church has requested permission to host a 2008 Multicultural Festival on August 9, 2008 between the hours of 11:00 AM and 6:00PM to promote unity with a variety of cultures within the Garfield Community and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of local law, the Calvary Baptist Church has requested that closure of the following streets:

Westminster Place at Garfield Avenue

Westminster Place to Passaic Street-Naples and Farnham; and

WHEREAS, in addition, the Calvary Baptist Church as requested permission to hang three banners within the City of Garfield announcing this event; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed this request and has determined that it would be in the best interests of the City of Garfield to grant approval for this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Calvary Baptist Church of New Jersey at Garfield is hereby granted permission to conduct its annual Multicultural Festival on Saturday, August 9, 2008 between the hours of 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM.
2. In conjunction with the aforementioned event, the following streets will be closed:
Westminster Place at Garfield Avenue
Westminster Place to Passaic Street – Naples and Farnham.
3. The street closures described above shall be subject to such requirements and conditions which may be imposed by the City Manager and the Garfield Police Department
4. There shall be no alcoholic beverages of any kind sold at this event.
5. The Calvary Baptist Church is hereby granted permission to hang three banners within the City of Garfield at locations to be approved by the City Manager.
6. The Calvary Baptist Church shall provide proof of insurance together with a Hold Harmless Agreement and Indemnification Agreement in favor of the City of Garfield and shall provide proof of insurance for this event which acceptable to both the City Manager and the City's Risk Management Consultants.

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- 7. The approval granted herein shall also be subject to any additional reasonable conditions to be determined by the City Manager after consultation with the City’s Fire Official and Police Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to the City Manager, the Garfield Police Department, the Fire Official for the City of Garfield and the Calvary Baptist Church of New Jersey at Garfield.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-231

WHEREAS, the City has determined the need for drainage improvements in the area of the practice field located at Spring Street near Belmont Avenue in the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the City Engineer, Boswell McClave Engineering, has received the following informal bids for the necessary drainage improvements;

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| 1. | John Garcia Construction Co., Inc.
183 Friar Lane
Clifton, NJ | Total Bid | \$6,990.00 |
| 2. | J.R. Haftek Co., Inc.
179 Ryerson Avenue
Paterson, NJ | Total Bid | \$8,744.00 |
| 3. | Zuccaro Inc.
64 Commerce Street
Garfield, NJ | Total Bid | \$28,400.00 |

; and

WHEREAS, City Engineer Representative Kevin J. Boswell, P .E. has reviewed the bids and recommends award of contract for this project to John Garcia Construction Co., Inc.; and,

WHEREAS, this work can be awarded without public bidding; and,

WHEREAS, Chief Financial Officer, Roy Riggitano, has certified to the existence of sufficient funds in the appropriate accounts for this expenditure; and,

WHEREAS, this project is in the best of the health, safety and welfare of the general public in the City of Garfield; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that a contract is hereby awarded to John Garcia Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$6,990.00 for drainage improvements in the area of the practice field located at Spring Street; and

BE, IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Attorney, Joseph J. Rotolo, Esq. is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the appropriate contract for execution by the Mayor and City Clerk.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-232

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE PALISADE AVENUE SECTION 5 PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield is desirous of continuing the improvements on Palisade Avenue and filing a grant application for a 2008 NJDOT Local Aid Grant for Palisade Avenue, Section 5; and,

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WHEREAS, the NJDOT has funded previous sections of improvements to Palisade Avenue (Sections 1 to 4) River Road to Van Winkle Avenue; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Garfield, formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2009 – Garfield City – 00442 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the City of Garfield.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the City of Garfield and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution No 08–210, adopted by the City Council at a Meeting held June 10, 2008, is hereby rescinded.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-233

A RESOLUTION AWARDED A CONTRACT TO KCG IN CONNECTION WITH THE EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF THE HVAC ROOFTOP UNIT AT THE GARFIELD RECREATION CENTER

WHEREAS, the heating and cooling rooftop unit for the Garfield Recreation Center on Midland Avenue has become inoperable, and;

WHEREAS, a proposal was solicited and received from KCG in the amount of \$8,000.00, and;

WHEREAS, this work can be awarded without public bidding, and;

WHEREAS, this project is in the best interest of the people of the City of Garfield, and;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield that KCG is hereby awarded a contract in the aforementioned amount of \$8,000.00 to replace the HVAC rooftop unit at the Garfield Recreation Center all in accordance with the May 30, 2008 proposal.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia
Joseph Delaney

Resolution No. 08-234

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY TAX APPEAL

Addresses: 281 Midland Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey

Taxpayer: CVS, Inc.

Tax Block: 200

Tax Lots: 16, 18, 21

WHEREAS, CVS, Inc., is the owner of the properties described above; 2008 as follows:

WHEREAS, these properties were assessed for the tax years 2007 and 2008 as follows:

Land:	\$ 384,300.00
Improvements:	<u>1,190,700.00</u>
Total:	\$ 1,575,000.00

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Appeals were filed in connection with this property for the years 2007 & 2008.

WHEREAS, as a result of the foregoing, and based upon the recommendation of the Tax Assessor and City Attorney and Appraiser, the Real Property Tax Appeals filed in connection with this matter shall be settled as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

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- 1. The Real Property Tax Assessment of r the property described above is amended for the 2007 tax year as follows:

Land:	\$ 384,300.00
Improvements:	<u>1,115,700.00</u>
Total:	\$ 1,500,000.00

The Real Property Tax Assessment of r the property described above is amended for the 2008 tax year as follows:

Land:	\$ 384,300.00
Improvements:	<u>965,700.00</u>
Total:	\$ 1,350,000.00

- 2. Prejudgment interest on any refund is waived provided that refund is paid within sixty days of entry of judgment.
- 3. Any tax refunds shall be made payable to Joshua D. Novin, Esq. as attorney for CVS, Inc. and forwarded to counsel for the taxpayer Joshua D. Novin, Esq. at the following address:

Joshua D. Novin, Esq.
 96 Park Street
 Montclair, NJ 07042

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of the within Resolution to the Tax Assessor for the City of Garfield, the Tax Collector, the City Attorney and Joshua D. Novin, Esq.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
James Krone

Resolution No. 08-235

RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that Change Order No. 2 be approved in accordance with the Requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:34-4:

GENERAL CONSTRUCTION: Garfield Water Works

ENGINEER: Boswell Engineering

CONTRACTOR: APS Contracting
155-161 Pennsylvania Ave.
Paterson, NJ 07503

ORIGINAL CONTRACT COST: \$ 5,567,000.00

COST OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1: 260,000.00
(Resolution 08-38)

COST OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2: 50,000.00

NEW CONTRACT SUM: \$ 5,877,000.00

CHANGE ORDER NUMBER #2

NATURE OF CHANGES: “Additional Allowance for Unforeseen Contingencies & Extension of Contract Time of 203 Calendar Days”

RESOLUTIONS

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
James Krone

Resolution No. 08-236

WHEREAS, James Krone will be stepping down as a Garfield City Councilman on July 1, 2008, after sixteen years of dedicated service to the people of Garfield, and

WHEREAS, since 1992, James Krone has served, not only as Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councilman, but in service on the Planning Board, Library Board of Trustees, Garfield Housing Authority, Suburban Essex Joint Insurance Fund, and in so many, many other capacities, and

WHEREAS, Jim was born in Hoboken, New Jersey, having grown up as one of eleven children, learned the importance of local youth recreation programs, so he formed the East Bergen Children’s Fund, held an annual Children’s Christmas Party, Summer Major League Baseball Game Outing for children, and coached and sponsored a Babe Ruth team, and organized many events so that children and their parents could enjoy quality time together and be part of a community, and

WHEREAS, Jim has also served as a Bergen County Parks Commissioner, served on the Garfield Boys and Girls Club Board of Directors, been an active member of the Garfield Elks, Garfield UNICO, is a past member of the Mount Virgin Holy Name Society, and he and his family are members of Mount Virgin RC Church,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey that James Krone is hereby extended, on behalf of the City Administration and people of Garfield, a heartfelt expression of appreciation and thanks for his dedicated years of service and for exemplifying the true meaning of public service, commitment and leadership, which has served to enhance the lives of the people of his community.

On call of roll, Ayes 3,
Abstain 1 – Councilmember Krone,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Frank J. Calandriello
Joseph Delaney

At this time, City Manager Duch presented a framed copy of Resolution No. 08-236 to Councilmember Krone, along with a Joint Resolution from the New Jersey State Legislature. Fire Chief Steve Semancik, Emergency Management Coordinator Michael Marsh and Police Chief Kevin Amos all presented plaques to Councilmember Krone. On behalf of Congressman Steve Rothman, Congressional Aide Greg Dorsett presented a Certificate of Congressional Recognition to Councilmember Krone. Garfield Volunteer Ambulance Corps Captain Jo-Anne Gademan, and Recreation Director Anthony Furfaro presented Councilmember Krone with plaques. Superintendent of Public Works Sam Garofalo presented Councilmember Krone with a plaque on behalf of the DPW and a plaque from himself personally. Recreation Director Furfaro presented Councilmember Krone with a street sign which reads “James Krone Way”. City Manager Duch thanked former Lodi Mayor Gary Paparozzi for being here this evening. City Manager Duch presented a plaque to Councilmember Krone from his “many friends” in the City of Garfield. City Manager Duch read a biography of Councilmember Krone. The Mayor and Council presented Councilmember Krone with a plaque. City Manager Duch spoke on how Councilmember Krone asked him if he was interested in being City Manager. Matthew Krone was recognized and presented a plaque to his father. Councilmember Krone presented plaques to each member of the Mayor and Council. Councilmember Krone spoke on when he was Mayor in 1992 and how he met President George Bush when he visited Garfield. He congratulated and wished good luck to Councilmember-elect Tana Raymond and said that he thought she will do a good job. He concluded by talking about his accomplishments over the past sixteen years.

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Resolution No. 08-237

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the following bill No. 1260 covering, Trust/Community Development totaling \$107,000.00 and Current Fund totaling \$243,231.52 and Water Fund Current totaling \$134,490.21 and General Capital totaling \$241,984.53 and Water Capital totaling \$209,247.34 per attached Computer Lists, be ordered paid and the proper officers are hereby authorized to issue checks for same provided there are funds in the respective appropriations, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer in issuing checks in payment on the Ratification List, which includes eleven (11) items prior to the meeting be ratified.

See

the

following

pages numbered _____

For

Bills

and

Claims

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 2527

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held June 10, 2008; it was duly published; a copy was posted on the bulletin board in City Hall; copies were made available to the general public and having complied with the law, this ordinance was not read in full, and the City Council can now proceed with the public hearing and final passage:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY
OF GARFIELD TO INCLUDE A CHAPTER ENTITLED
“OUTDOOR CAFES”

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Calandriello declared a public hearing on same and asked if there were any objections.

There being no objections, Mayor Calandriello declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Aloia moved that said ordinance do now pass on final passage and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the statement or notice required by law. Councilmember Krone duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

Ordinance No. 2528

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held June 10, 2008; it was duly published; a copy was posted on the bulletin board in City Hall; copies were made available to the general public and having complied with the law, this ordinance was not read in full, and the City Council can now proceed with the public hearing and final passage:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, CHAPTER 139 THE CODE OF THE CITY
OF GARFIELD ENTITLED “GRAFFITI; SALE OF SPRAY PAINT AND MARKERS”

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Calandriello declared a public hearing on same and asked if there were any objections.

There being no objections, Mayor Calandriello declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Aloia moved that said ordinance do now pass on final passage and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the statement or notice required by law. Councilmember Delaney seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Ms. Laura Danis, 33 Spring Street, spoke and complained about the lighting of the Little League ball field in Belmont Oval located off Spring Street. She suggested an upgrade of lights which she claimed would save money. She said that she would like the grading of the Little League infield to start after 7:00 AM. She claims that the DPW was mowing the lawn in Belmont Oval and that rocks flew from the field and hit her father’s car. She said that she wanted to know when drainage improvement work would commence near the intersection of Spring Street and Belmont Avenue.

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Ms. Tana Raymond, 93 Spring Street, thanked Councilmember Krone for his best wishes. She said that even though they did not always agree, she learned to respect him and she gave him a “spiritual gift” for him to give to his wife, Maria.

Mr. Gary Paparozzi, Bell Avenue, Lodi; the former Mayor of Lodi, congratulated everyone who won reelection to the City Council and he wished them well. He said that when people speak of Councilmember Krone, they think of his work for the American Cancer Society and the countless hours and days he worked trying to improve the City of Garfield. He said that he is an asset to the community and he should be proud of his accomplishments because his family and friends are. He said that Jim Krone still has a lot to offer to the City of Garfield and he should remain involved. He congratulated Councilmember Krone on a great run and he said that he has certainly done a lot for the City of Garfield.

Mr. Jesus Rodriguez, 141 Midland Avenue, said that he appreciates the job Councilmember Krone has done for the City of Garfield. He commented on his daughter, Maribelisse, being chosen as an official State Finalist in the 2008 Miss New Jersey USA Pageant. He complained that on Atlantic Street there is racing in the street every Saturday in the evening and at night.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Aloia commented on how Councilmember Krone will be missed.

Councilmember Krone spoke on when he was Mayor in 1992 and when his sons Stephen and Andrew would come to City Hall with him. He thanked everyone for their support. He wished the new City Council the best and told them to keep working hard for the City. He thanked former Lodi Mayor Gary Paparozzi for coming. He concluded by saying “Thank you all and God bless”.

Deputy Mayor Delaney congratulated Mr. Rodriguez on his daughter’s accomplishment and said that she is a very pretty girl. He complimented Councilmember Krone’s family and said that he is going to miss him on the City Council.

Mayor Calandriello commented that the Reorganization Meeting of the City Council will be held July 1, 2008 at 6:00 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall. He said that he is looking forward to the next four years.

CLOSED SESSION

Resolution No. 08-238

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 allows for a public body to exclude the public from a meeting in certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, the City Council is of the opinion that such circumstances now exist,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that a “Closed Session” is hereby called at 9:55 PM on Tuesday, June 24, 2008, to discuss the following as outlined in N.J.S.A. 10:4-12:

- * Matters involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplinary action of personnel unless the individual in the right request a public meeting in writing; (disciplinary hearing and suspension of Clerk-Typist Barbara Gazdagen; termination of clerk-typist and Clean Communities Coordinator Marcy Calabrese; interviews for Building Inspector and Plumbing Inspector; proposed State extension for Zoning Officer Nicholas Melfi).

CLOSED SESSION

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the matters so discussed will be disclosed to the public as soon as and to the extent that such disclosure can be made without adversely affecting the public interest or without violation of the confidentiality of personnel.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,
Absent 1 – Councilmember Moskal

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney
Louis G. Aloia

SHORT RECESS, CHANGE OF VENUE, RETURN TO ORDER
AND EXIT OF CITY OFFICIALS

Immediately after the City Council voted to go into Closed Session, a short recess was called to move the meeting down the hall to the second floor Conference Room. At 10:00 PM, Mayor Calandriello called the meeting to order in Closed Session and all City Officials were present as before the recess, except Councilmember Krone and City Engineer Boswell. It was duly noted for the record.

ADJOURNMENT

After the City Council came out of Closed Session at 10:30 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Delaney moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 3, Absent 2 -
Councilmembers Krone and Moskal

Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK