

A Regular Meeting of the City Council was held Tuesday, May 14, 2013 at 7:20 PM in the Council Chamber in City Hall, 111 Outwater Lane, Garfield, NJ 07026.

Mayor Joseph Delaney 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: Frank J. Calandriello, Louis G. Aloia, Tana M. Raymond and Joseph Delaney  
Councilmembers Absent: Glenn A. Mati  
Also Present: City Manager Thomas J. Duch, City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica, City Attorney Representative Robert Ferrarro of the Law Firm of Bruno and Ferraro (for City Attorney John Bruno) and City Engineer Kevin J. Boswell

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Councilmember Raymond moved to approve the Reports of the Cabinet as presented orally and in writing during the Work Session held last night. Councilmember Aloia duly seconded the motion.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

#### COMMUNICATIONS/APPOINTMENTS

City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica reported that in a letter to him from City Manager Thomas J. Duch dated April 5, 2013, the City Manager made the following appointment to the Garfield Municipal Court:

- \* Giuseppe C. Randazzo, Esq. of 99 Passaic Street, Suite 101, to succeed the late Municipal Judge Dennis Maycher, effective April 22, 2013 for a term to expire January 19, 2015.

City Clerk Andrew J. Pavlica reported that in a letter to him from Mayor Joseph Delaney dated May 7, 2013, the Mayor made the following appointment to the Planning Board:

- \* Nick Matos of 92 Willard Street as a Class Four Member, to succeed Michael Alfonso, effective immediately, for a term to expire December 31, 2016.

#### PRESENTATIONS OF RESOLUTIONS NO. 13-127 AND 13-128

At this time, CERTIFIED copies of Resolution No. 13-127, adopted by the City Council on April 23, 2013, were presented to the players and coaches of the Garfield Boys and Girls Club Buddy Basketball Junior Division Delaney's Deputies.

At this time, CERTIFIED copies of Resolution No. 13-128, adopted by the City Council on April 23, 2013, were presented to the players and coaches of the Garfield Boys and Girls Club Basketball Senior Division Aloia Team.

#### RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 13-142

WHEREAS, Mary Cosmillo will celebrate her 104th Birthday on May 16, 2013, and  
WHEREAS, friends and family will celebrate with her in Haskell, New Jersey on Sunday, May 19, 2013, and  
WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of joining the chorus of those extending birthday greetings to her and of those acknowledging this outstanding human achievement,

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that upon the occasion of her One Hundredth and Fourth Birthday that Mary Cosmillo is hereby honored for her exemplary and inspiring long life and offered sincere best wishes for continued good health and happiness.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1- Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-143

WHEREAS, a luncheon and reception celebrating the sixty years of service to God's Holy People by Monsignor Edward J. Hajduk will be held Sunday, June 2, 2013 at Most Holy Name Roman Catholic Church following a Mass of Thanksgiving, and

WHEREAS, Reverend Monsignor Hajduk is a native of Bayonne, New Jersey and was ordained a Priest for the Archdiocese of Newark on May 30, 1953, and

WHEREAS, he served as Parish Priest of Sacred Heart Parish of Sacred Heart Parish in Lyndhurst, was Archdiocesan Director for the Catholic Youth Organization for nine years, was Parish Priest of Our Lady Help of Christians Parish in East Orange, was Pastor of Saint James Parish in Newark, was a Rector at Sacred Heart Cathedral Basilica in Newark, was Pastor of Saint Hedwigs Church in Elizabeth, and

WHEREAS, he was Pastor Emeritus of Saint Henry's Church in Bayonne, was a Resident at Saint John Vianney Home for Retired Priests in Rutherford and is an Assistant Priest at Most Holy Name Church in Garfield, and

WHEREAS, he was named Monsignor by Blessed Pope John Paul II in 1979, and

WHEREAS, the six decades of his career in the priesthood have been marked by Monsignor Edward J. Hajduk's exemplary and steadfast dedication, commitment and compassionate concern for those within his care,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that MONSIGNOR EDWARD J. HAJDUK is hereby CONGRATULATED as he observes the SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY of his ordination to the priesthood and marks a significant milestone in his exemplary ministry of love, devotion and service.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Joseph Delaney  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-144

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Thomas Kordosky of 33 Van Winkle Avenue, Garfield, NJ as an active member, effective May 6, 2013,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-145

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Daniel Skurteski of 286 Malcolm Avenue, Garfield, NJ as an active member, effective May 6, 2013,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

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Resolution No. 13-146

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 3 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Nikola Skurteski of 286 Malcolm Avenue, Garfield, NJ as an active member, effective May 6, 2013, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the action taken by Fire Company No. 3 with respect to the above matter, is hereby approved.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-147

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 4 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Chrstopher Kotwica of 121 Spring Street, Garfield, NJ as an active member, effective May 3, 2013, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield 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 Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-148

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 4 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Steven Protzo of 28 Bellport Place, Garfield, NJ as an active member, effective May 3, 2013, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield 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 Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-149

WHEREAS, Fire Company No. 4 has advised that they have accepted the resignation of Adviel Rodriguez of 14 Dewitt Street, Garfield, NJ as an active member, effective April 5, 2013, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield 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 Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-150

RESOLUTION OPPOSING A-2756

Whereas: Public safety employees and all other public and private sector workers should be adequately compensated for on-duty accidents and illnesses.

Whereas: The widows of police officers and firefighters already receive benefits that are not available to the surviving spouses of other public and private sector workers.

Whereas: Surviving spouses of police officers and firefighters receive an enhanced non-contributory life insurance benefit from the Police and Fire Retirement System (PFRS) in the amount of 3.5 times annual compensation while the benefit for everyone else is 1.5 times.

Whereas: Further, spouses of police officers and fire fighters killed on the job also receive over \$325,000 from the Federal Government under the Public Safety Officers Benefits Act (PSOB).

Whereas: Under current law, certain dependents including spouses, children and under some circumstance parents may apply for Workers' Compensation dependent benefits of 70% of the employee's average earnings.

Whereas: A spouse who remarries loses the dependent benefit after receiving a basic minimum award determined by a formula in the statute and the other eligible dependents split the spouse's award, and .

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Whereas: Under the proposed A-2756, the widow of a police officer or firefighter will receive the benefit for life but this extension will not be available to the surviving spouses of other public or private sector workers.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield that the legislature is urged to reject A- 2756 as currently written and that the workers' compensation system treat equally all public and private sector workers.

Be it further resolved that the Municipal Clerk shall send copies of this resolution to the Senate President, Assembly Speaker, members of the legislative delegation representing the municipality, and the Governor.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-151

RESOLUTION OPPOSING A-1196

Whereas: Public safety employees and volunteers should be adequately compensated for on-duty accidents and illnesses.

Whereas: New Jersey's current Workers' Compensation law is already one of the broadest in the country.

Whereas: A-1196 as currently written will make it almost impossible to contest claims from injuries and illnesses caused off-the-job.

Whereas: This bill places the burden of proof on governmental employers to establish that an injury or illness, such as cancer, heart attack or hyper tension did not occur on the job.

Whereas: The actuary for the Municipal Excess Liability Joint Insurance Fund (MEL) has estimated that A-1196 could easily double municipal Workers' Compensation expense, and

Whereas: The MEL has offered to sit down with the supporters of this legislation to develop less expensive ways of improving the compensation to first responders.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield that the legislature be urged to reject A-1196 and urges the supporters of this legislation to work with the MEL and representatives of other units of government to develop less expensive ways to improve compensation to first responders.

Be it further resolved that the Municipal Clerk shall send copies of this resolution to the Senate President, Assembly Speaker, members of the legislative delegation representing the municipality, and the Governor.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-152

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE FILING OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF GARFIELD TEEN INITIATIVE

WHEREAS, A Bergen County Community Development Grant of \$51,400.00 in unprogrammed funds has been proposed by the Boys and Girls Club of Garfield, located at 490 Midland Avenue for their Teen Initiative;

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development Funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and;

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

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditures of the aforesaid Community Development Funds,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project, and;

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the City Manager for forwarding to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the Aforesaid project may be expedited.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-153

**A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING ENDORSEMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT**

WHEREAS, a Bergen County Community Development grant of \$50,000.00 in unprogrammed funds has been proposed by Boys & Girls Club of Garfield for the interior renovation and game room project at 490 Midland Avenue in the City of Garfield, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Interlocal Services Act, Community Development Block Grant funds may not be spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid project is in the best interest of the people of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, and;

WHEREAS, this resolution does not obligate the financial resources of the municipality and is intended solely to expedite expenditures of the aforesaid Community Development Funds,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey hereby confirms endorsement of the aforesaid project, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the City Manager for forwarding to the Director of the Bergen County Community Development Program so that implementation of the aforesaid project may be expedited.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-154

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) has grant funding available to hire up to three (3) police officers in the City of Garfield through the FY 2013 COPS Hiring Program (CHP); and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield desires to protect and further the public interest by obtaining grant funding to hire up to three (3) additional police officers; and

WHEREAS, the CHP grant will pay \$125,000 of the salaries, fringe and benefits for each of the three (3) newly hired police over a period of three (3) years, the total grant funding shall be \$375,000 and the City of Garfield shall be responsible for the balance additional money required to fund the positions; and

WHEREAS, if the City of Garfield does not file a FY 2013 COPS Hiring Program application it may be ineligible for the next round of grant funding; and

WHEREAS, an application for such funds may not be filed nor funds spent in a municipality without authorization by the Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, authorization of this application is in the best interest of the City of Garfield:

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD** that it hereby authorizes the submission of an application for a United States Department of Justice, Division of Community Oriented Policing Services 2013 Hiring Program grant application in the amount of \$375,000;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon receipt of the grant agreement from the United States Department of Justice, the signature of the Mayor and/or any other municipal official and Chief of Police, or their successors in said titles, which is required on the agreement and any other documents necessary in connection therewith, is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon receipt of the fully executed grant agreement from the United States Department of Justice, the expenditure of funds is hereby authorized pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the City of Garfield and the United States Department of Justice.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

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Resolution No. 13-155

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STREET CLOSURES FOR MOUNT VIRGIN FESTA ITALIANA

WHEREAS, Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish, located at 188 MacArthur Avenue, Garfield, New Jersey has, for several years, sponsored its Festa Italiana in honor of Our Lady of Mount Virgin; and WHEREAS, the Governing Body has, in the past, granted approval to Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish to close certain streets during the time period within which the feast was going to take place; and

WHEREAS, the Festa Italiana has been conducted, in the past, with great success but the experience of the past several years has resulted in careful consideration of certain conditions which shall be imposed upon the approval for this year; and

WHEREAS, the Parish has now requested permission to conduct its annual Festa Italiana from Thursday, August 15, 2013 through Sunday, August 18, 2013 ; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 106 of the Code of the City of Garfield provides charitable organizations with the authority to conduct such activities with whatever reasonable conditions and approvals are required; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has reviewed the requests received from Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish and has heard a presentation of representatives of the Parish and subsequent meetings with the members of the Parish and City Officials and has determined that it would be in the best interests of the City to once again grants such approval with certain conditions.

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

1. Our Lady of Mount Virgin parish is hereby granted approval to conduct its annual Festa Italiana commencing Thursday, August 15, 2013 through Sunday, August 18, 2013; and
2. The following street closures shall be permitted:
  - a. Frederick Street from Harrison Avenue to MacArthur avenue;
  - b. MacArthur Avenue from Frederick Street to Charles Street;
  - c. Charles Street from Harrison Avenue to MacArthur Avenue.
3. The street closures shall commence on Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at 8:00 AM and shall end no later than 11:59 PM on Sunday, August 18, 2013 however, there shall be no parking on said streets commencing on Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at 8:00 AM.
4. Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish and the Feast Committee shall take any reasonable steps and precautions necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the city of Garfield and shall, additionally, take any reasonable precautions which are available to them in order to minimize any adverse effects on parking and traffic congestion in the area.
5. The Parish shall provide, to the City Manager, prior to commencement of the Feast, a Certificate of Insurance which shall name the City of Garfield as well as its agencies, departments and officials as additional insured for liability purposes.
6. The Police and Ambulance Corps will be assigned an area where a mobile command center will be located.
7. The sponsoring organization shall be fully responsible for the “proofing” of individuals who purchase beer and wine and the organization shall also be responsible for determining the age of individuals who access the segregated area within which beer and wine sales will take place. The Police Department shall assign a Police Officer to the area who will attempt to insure that no alcoholic beverages are consumed in any area other than the segregated area described in the Resolution.

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8. Some of the food stands will also be moved to the interior of the church parking lot.
9. In the area where the streets are closed, regulated access will be instituted with a checkpoint to gain entrance to the feast area.
10. A 16 foot emergency lane will be maintained on the westerly side of MacArthur Avenue.
11. There shall be no rap or hip hop bands or rap/hip hop DJs permitted.
12. Sale of alcoholic beverages will stop one (1) hour before the Festival closes for the night.
13. A representative of the Parish shall contact resident homeowners on MacArthur Avenue in order to attempt to address any other concerns that they may have.
14. The parish will offer residents on MacArthur Avenue the right to park in a lot used by the church and owned by Dr. LaBarbera in order to minimize any inconvenience that may be caused.
15. The site plan shall be in the form attached hereto.

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 Our Lady of Mount Virgin parish, the Chief of Police of the City of Garfield, the Department of Public Works for the City of Garfield, the Fire Official for the City of Garfield, Fire Chief John Kopacz and the City Attorney.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1- Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution 13-156

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that the City Clerk be and hereby authorized and directed to advertise for the receipt of bids for the 2013 Roadway Improvement Program on Thursday, June 6, 2013 at 10AM in the Conference Room in City Hall.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-157

Whereas, the Mayor and Council has authorized the Chief Financial Officer and the City Treasurer to open a new account at Community Bank of Bergen County and;  
Whereas, funds from the Water Capital Account will be deposited into such account and;  
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL, City of Garfield, that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to deposit funds into Community Bank of Bergen County, 517 River Drive, Garfield, N.J. 07026.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

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Resolution No. 13-158

A Resolution Authorizing the City Engineer to Perform a Topographic Survey and Prepare a Conceptual Site Plan of a Parking Lot on Lots 1.03 and 1.04, Block 111, in Connection with the Potential Sale/Lease of this Parcel.

WHEREAS, the City of Garfield has entered into lease agreements for several properties which occupy the former NYS & W Right-of-Way, between Botany Street and Outwater Lane, and;

WHEREAS, a portion of property of approximately 400 feet in length lies between previously leased properties to the north and south, and;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are desirous of preparing a concept plan in order to solicit public bids for the leasing of this property for parking.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City Engineer is hereby authorized to perform a topographic survey and prepare a site plan for a parking lot and access roadway on Lot 1.04, Block 111 and a portion of Lot 1.03 for a lump sum amount of \$4,500.00.

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-159

WHEREAS the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received a request from the following property owners for a refund due to over paid taxes for the year 2013.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, that the proper offices are hereby authorized to issue a check refunding this over payment and forward same to the Receiver of Taxes for the purpose of noting her records and for mailing to the property owner.

BLOCK	LOT	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
41	14	Pascack Community Bank	O/P	\$996.00
85	56	BAC Tax Services Corp	O/P	\$1,872.92
112.03	21	Wells Fargo	O/P	\$1,611.50

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-160

WHEREAS the Receiver of Taxes reports that she has received a request from the following property owner for a refund due to Tax Court Judgment Freeze Act for the year 2012.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield, that the proper offices are hereby authorized to issue a check refunding this overpayment and forward same to the Receiver of Taxes for the purpose of noting her records and for mailing to the property owner.

BLOCK	LOT	OWNER	REASON	AMOUNT
156	33	The Irwin Law Firm Attorney Trust Account F.B.O. Alexander, Edward & Farrah	Freeze Act TCJ	\$ 639.86

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

Resolution No. 13-161

See the following pages \_\_\_\_\_  
for the Capital Budget Amendment

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Resolution No. 13-162

Resolution Re: Change In Title of Appropriation Pursuant to NJS 40A:4-85

WHEREAS, NJS 40A:4-85 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may, at the request of, or with the consent of, the governing body of any county or municipality, make such correction of the title, text, or amount of any appropriation appearing in the budget as may be necessary to make said item of appropriation available for the purpose or purposes required for the needs of any county or municipality, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with the provisions of NJS 40A:4-85, the City of Garfield hereby request the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to make the following correction in the 2013 budget:

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
<i>MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE</i>		
<i>Repayment of Refunding Bond Ordinance</i>	\$65,000	
<i>Green Trust Loan Program</i>		
<i>Repayment of Principal and Interest</i>		\$65,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the foregoing correction is, in the opinion of the governing body, warranted and authorized by the statute referred to above, and is necessary for the orderly operation of the City of Garfield for the reason set forth:

*The appropriation for the repayment of a Green Trust Loan was reflected on the incorrect line in the budget document. This change now reflects the appropriation on the correct line.*

On call of roll, Ayes 4,  
Absent 1 - Councilmember Mati

(Sgd) Louis G. Aloia  
Tana M. Raymond

BILLS AND CLAIMS

Resolution No. 13-163

RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the following bill No. 1575 to 1580 covering Trust Other Fund, Escrow Developers Trust and Dog Trust Fund totaling \$83,985.13 and the Current Fund Reserve totaling \$70,463.26 and the Current Fund totaling \$2,997,139.97 and the Current Water Fund totaling \$78,572.73 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$6,757.63 and Water Capital Fund totaling \$37,451.12 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 twenty nine (29) items prior to the meeting be ratified.

See  
the

Following Pages \_\_\_\_\_

for  
Bills  
And  
Claims

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 2654

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, April 23, 2013; 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:

LAND USE ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY SUMMARY  
BY THE CITY OF GARFIELD, STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN SKETCHLEY SITE,  
BLOCK 119.03 LOT 52,  
PREPARED BY BURGIS ASSOCIATES, INC. DATED APRIL 1, 2013

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

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

There being none, Mayor Delaney declared the public hearing closed.

Councilmember Raymond 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 Aloia duly seconded the motion.

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

Ordinance No. 2655

The following entitled ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting held Tuesday, April 23, 2013; 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:

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE IMPROVEMENTS TO  
WELL NOS. 1A, 1 AND 2 IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF  
GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY,  
TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$240,000.00 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO  
AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO  
PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES  
IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

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

There being none, Mayor Delaney 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 Calandriello duly seconded the motion.

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

Councilmember Aloia introduced in writing the following ordinance entitled:

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE 2013 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM  
IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN,  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,200,000 TO PAY

ORDINANCES

THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS

City Clerk Pavlica read the ordinance by title.

Councilmember Aloia moved that this ordinance entitled: “BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE 2013 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,200,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS”, do now pass on first reading and remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection until public hearing thereon and further consideration thereof which shall be held May 28, 2013 at 8:00 PM in the City Hall in Garfield and that the City Clerk be directed to publish said ordinance in full together with the notice of such hearing in The Record, at least seven days prior to the hearing.

The motion, duly seconded by Councilmember Raymond, was on roll call adopted by the following vote and the motion was declared adopted and said ordinance passed on first reading: Ayes 4, Absent 1 – Councilmember Mati

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Mr. Anthony Molinaro, 53 Emmanuel Street, complained about the condition of the parking lot across from his home. He said that he is the owner of 75 Monroe Street and his next door neighbor put up a fence that is in terrible condition and is so close to his windows that it is blocking them. He complained about Property Maintenance Issues.

Mr. Ciro Disclafani, 47 Orchard Street, asked questions on the Bond Ordinance for the 2013 Road Improvement Project.

Mr. Anthony Sinatra, 118 Hill Street, Wood Ridge, spoke regarding “No Parking Signs” put up in his neighborhood.

Ms. Angelino Piacenti, 95 Palisade Avenue, spoke on the need for a dog park in Garfield.

Mr. Wayne Harper, 324 Malcolm Avenue, spoke in favor of a dog park in Garfield. He thanked the City Council for their character witness letter in regard to his court case in Little Falls. He said that he was found guilty of harassment of the Bergen County Prosecutor’s Office, but he appreciated the letter of support.

Mr. John Lord, City Recreation Supervisor, spoke on the great job the workers from the FEMA Program did during the last few weeks and advised the council that the program would be ending in the next few days.

Ms. Audrey Keating, 151 Orchard Street, spoke on the need to have the rest rooms open in the City Parks. She spoke on the potholes on Orchard Street.

Ms. Joyce Uram, 37 Schley Street, asked about the status of the proposed new Police Station.

Ms. Paula Tamburo, 41 Palisade Avenue, asked what she could do to offer her time and effort to help the City. She spoke in favor of keeping the Hobart Place Playground as a playground for children rather than a dog park. She also complained about the condition of Passaic Street.

CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS

Ms. Mary Blauvault, 151 Orchard Street, thanked the City Council for all their help with the Loaves and Fishes Interfaith Food Pantry and the proposed location at old Fire House No. Four located at 125 Ray Street.

Mr. Ciro Disclafani, 47 Orchard Street, spoke on the four new volunteer committees established by the City Council. He spoke on the leadership of the Loaves and Fishes Interfaith Food Pantry. He spoke on the Court Case involving Wayne Harper.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Calandriello spoke on Memorial Day observances.

Deputy Mayor Raymond commented that Councilmember Mati is away on vacation. She commented on recent events in town including the Freddie Porter Memorial Scholarship Beefsteak Fundraiser, the Karen Calandriello Memorial Scholarship Beefsteak Fundraiser and a recent Women's Club Fundraiser. She said that Garfield is a close-knit community. She said that anyone interested in serving on a City Committee can fill out a form and present it to the City Clerk.

City Manager Duch spoke on how he will travel to Washington, DC this coming Friday and testify before the Congressional Committee on Energy and Commerce against the proposed cutting of funds for US Superfund sites.

Mayor Delaney said that he will be walking through each of the Five Wards of the City, starting tomorrow from Fire House No. One at 97 Midland Avenue and walking from there along Passaic Street and throughout the First Ward. He said that he will walk with citizens, hear their concerns and see their neighborhoods on foot. He thanked Mike Alfonso for his service on the Planning Board.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:20 PM, there being no further business, Councilmember Raymond moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Mati duly seconded the motion.

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

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Andrew J. Pavlica, CITY CLERK