

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

January 13, 2025 – 6:30 P.M.

Per the hybrid meeting provisions as provided in 29 Del. C. §10006A, City Council will be meeting in person with remote access via Microsoft Teams at the following link: <https://newarkde.gov/publicmeetings>

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There may be a vote on each and every agenda item set forth herein.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Executive Session Pursuant to 29 Del. C. §10004 (b)(6) for the purposes of discussion of the content of documents, excluded from the definition of “public record” in § 10002 of this title where such discussion may disclose the contents of such documents

(Executive Session to conclude at 7:00 p.m. with Council meeting to resume immediately after. Council may continue Executive Session after the conclusion of the agenda of the regular business meeting.)

RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION

SILENT MEDITATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

***1 PUBLIC PRESENTATION: (15-minute limit):**

2. ITEMS NOT ON PUBLISHED AGENDA:

- A. Elected Officials who represent City of Newark residents or utility customers (5 minutes)
- B. University
 - (1) Administration (5 minutes per speaker) (5 minutes)
 - (2) Student Body Representative(s) (5 minutes per speaker)
- C. City Manager (2 minutes)
- D. Council Members (5 minutes)
- E. Public (5 minutes per speaker)

PUBLIC COMMENT – Public comment is a time for individuals to speak before Council on items related to City business. Individuals are limited to five minutes each in public comment for items regarding city business not on the published agenda. Individuals are also limited to five minutes per agenda topic for items on the published agenda that are open to public comment with the exception of public presentations which shall have one minute each for public comment. Individuals wishing to make public comment in either category should sign in on the list provided at the entrance of the Council chamber prior to the start of the meeting. At the appropriate time, individuals who have signed up for public comment will be called forward to the podium by the chair of the meeting to speak. Thereafter other members of the public may request to be recognized by the chair. Individuals should approach the podium, state their name and information about their residence (address or council district and/or non-City of Newark residents), and commence with their comments. Please be sure to speak into the microphone so your comments are recorded. Once you have completed your comments, please be seated. Please be courteous to those who are speaking during public comment by refraining from commenting from the audience while others are speaking. Council may or may not answer questions during public comment. Public comments may also be submitted on the items on the agenda via email to council@newark.de.us by 5:00 p.m. Any public comments submitted by email or that are written will be added to the record but not necessarily read into the record.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: (1 minute)

- A. [Receipt of the September 24, 2024 Diversity & Inclusion Commission Meeting Minutes](#)
- B. [Receipt of the November 12, 2024 Conservation Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes](#)
- C. [Receipt of the November 2024 Alderman’s Report](#)
- D. [Approval of the November 18, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes](#)
- E. [Approval of the November 25, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes](#)
- F. [Approval of the December 9, 2024 Council Meeting Minutes](#)
- G. [Recommendation to Waive the Bid Process in Accordance with the Code of the City of Newark: Extension of Epic Recruiting Campaign for One Year, Digital and Photographic Content Refresh, and Approval of a 2025 Budget Amendment](#)
- H. **First Reading** – Bill 25-01 – [An Ordinance Amending Chapter 20, Motor Vehicles, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, to Implement a No Left Turn Restriction onto and off of Rose Street at the Intersection of Cleveland Avenue, Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.](#) – **Second Reading** – January 27, 2025

- I. **First Reading** – Bill 25-02 – [An Ordinance Amending Chapter 20, Motor Vehicles, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, to Implement a Four-Way Stop at the intersection of Hullihen Drive/Hullihen Court and Old Oak Road](#) – **Second Reading** – January 27, 2025
- J. **First Reading** – Bill 25-03 – [An Ordinance Amending Chapter 20, Motor Vehicles, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, to Implement Stop Signs at Both Intersections of Lenape Lane and Minquil Drive](#) – **Second Reading** – January 27, 2025
- K. **First Reading** – Bill 25-04 – [An Ordinance Amending Chapter 32, Zoning, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Adding Body Art Establishments as a Use Allowed Within the BB \(Central Business District\) and BC \(General Business\) Zoning Districts By Special Use Permit](#) – **Second Reading** – January 27, 2025

CONSENT AGENDA – The Consent Agenda is comprised of proposed ordinances on for First Reading and those items that are considered routine and non-controversial and will be acted upon by a single vote of the Council. There shall be no separate discussion of proposed ordinances on for First Reading. For the remaining items, there will be no separate discussion unless a member of Council requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered a separate item at that Council Meeting.

***4. APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:** (5 minutes)

- A. [Reappointment of Timothy English to the District 3 Position on the Election Board with a term to expire January 15, 2027](#)
- B. [Reappointment of David Redlawsk to the District 6 Position on the Election Board with a term to expire January 15, 2027](#)
- C. [Reappointment of Helga Huntly to the District 1 Position on the Conservation Advisory Commission with a term to expire March 15, 2028](#)

***5. ITEMS NOT FINISHED AT PREVIOUS MEETING:** None

***6. SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

- A. [Electronic Speed Enforcement Proposed Streets List](#) – Chief of Police (15 minutes)
- B. [Discussion Regarding Promotion of City Elections with a Focus on Increased Voter Turnout and a Larger Candidate Pool](#) – Chief of Community Engagement (20 minutes)

***7. FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** None

***8. RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS OVER CONSENT AGENDA LIMIT:**

- A. [Recommendation to Award a Contract Stemming from Invitation to Bid No. 24-04 \(Newark Historic Train Station Repairs\) – CIP N1809](#) – Assistant City Manager - Operations (15 minutes)

***9. ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:**

- A. [Bill 24-34 – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 22, Police Offenses, Article IV, Trespass and Injury to Property, Code of the City of Newark, Delaware, By Prohibiting Camping upon City of Newark owned Property or Parks](#) – City Manager (15 minutes)

***10. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:**

- A. [Request by Katherine Hernandez to Amend the Special Use Permit for an In-Home Daycare at 211 Edjil Drive to Increase the Maximum Number of Children Permitted from 10 to 12](#) – Planning and Development Director (15 minutes)
- B. [Request of Tsionas Management, dba Continental Court, LLC and University Commons II, for the Amendment of the Major Subdivision Agreement and Major Subdivision Plan for 4.7098 +/- acres at 65 South Chapel Street and 101 Victoria Court to reduce the total number of parking spaces to the code-required minimum](#) – Planning and Development Director (15 minutes)

***OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT** – The above agenda is intended to be followed, but is subject to changes, deletions, additions, and modifications, as permitted under the Freedom of Information Act of the State of Delaware. The agenda is posted (7) seven days in advance of the scheduled meeting in compliance with 29 Del. C. Section 10004 (e)(2). Copies may be obtained at the City Secretary's Office, 220 South Main Street, or online at www.newarkde.gov.

Agenda Posted – January 6, 2025

Attest:

Sworn by:

City Secretary

Notary Public

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