

**CITY OF NEWARK
DELAWARE
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

September 22, 2025 – 7:00 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.

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***1 PUBLIC PRESENTATION: (15-minute limit):** None

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 (3 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 three minutes each in public comment for items regarding city business not on the published agenda. Individuals are also limited to three 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 August 2025 Alderman’s Report](#)
- B. [Receipt of the July 8, 2025 Conservation Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes](#)
- C. [Approval of the August 25, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes](#)
- D. [Recommendation to Amend the 2025-2029 Capital Improvement Program Budget for CIP Project V2501 – License Plate Reader Replacement and the FY2026 Operating Budget for the Parking Division Building and Equipment Rentals](#)
- E. **First Reading – Bill 25-23 – [An Ordinance Amending the Comprehensive Development Plan by changing the Designation of Property Located at 305 Ashley Road](#) – Second Reading – October 13, 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) None

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

***6. SPECIAL DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

- A. [Recommendation to Amend the 2025 Approved Operating Budget to reallocate State PILOT funding from FY2024](#) – Chief of Police Mark Farrall (15minutes)
- B. [Recommendation to Waive the Bid Process in Accordance with the Code of the City of Newark for Internet Access and Services from Crown Castle Fiber, LLC](#) - IT Infrastructure Manager Donald Lynch (10 minutes)
- C. [Recommendation to Amend the 2025 Operating Budget by Accepting Grant award from the Municipal Investment Fund](#) – Electric Director Bhadresh Patel (15 minutes)
- D. [2025-2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement; FOP Lodge #4](#) – Assistant City Manager – Personnel Devan Hardin (10 minutes) – link added 9/22/2025

- *7. **FINANCIAL STATEMENT:** None
- *8. **RECOMMENDATIONS ON CONTRACTS & BIDS OVER CONSENT AGENDA LIMIT:** None
- *9. **ORDINANCES FOR SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING:** None
- *10. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND/OR PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT:** None

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Attest:

Sworn by:

City Secretary

Notary Public

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