

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Verona Township Council on Monday, June 9, 2025, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 600 Bloomfield Avenue, Verona, New Jersey, and via Zoom video conferencing.

Call to Order:

The Municipal Clerk reads the notice of Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:

Mayor Tamburro, Deputy Mayor McEvoy, Councilman Roman, Councilwoman McGrath, Councilwoman Holland, Township Manager Kevin O'Sullivan, Deputy Township Manager Michael Kraus, Township Attorney Brian Aloia, and Municipal Clerk Jennifer Kiernan are present.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Tamburro expresses his deepest sympathies for the DeOld family on the passing of Al DeOld, longtime Verona resident and taught at Verona High School for many years. He thanks Mos. Fasani, president of the cathedral library in Verona, Italy for his visit to Verona. He thanks UNICO for coordinating the meeting. Mayor Tamburro thanks all who attended the Memorial Day parade and opening day of the Community Pool season.

Manager's Report:

Township Manager Kevin O'Sullivan reports that the pool repairs have been completed. He also provides updates on the wastewater infrastructure, and the Linn Drive well is in service. He also presents status updates for the Claridge Drive Pump Station, various road projects. The bid opening for the Everett Field improvements will be held on June 27th.

Deputy Township Manager Michael Kraus reports that an ordinance amending the eligibility requirements for the Children's Fund will be presented in July. The Health Department is reviewing a draft ordinance to be presented to the Council in July. A fee schedule amendment will be proposed by the Recreation Department in late summer, increasing the maximum allowable fee for programs. Fee changes will not go into effect until 2026.

The Municipal Clerk reports that the Primary Election will be held tomorrow, June 10th. Polls are open from 6am – 8pm. She also reports on Early Voting turnout at the Community Center Ballroom.

Councilmember's Reports:

Deputy Mayor McEvoy expresses his condolences to the DeOld family. He thanks the PIO for organizing the Monsignor Fasani's visit. He attended the Peckman Park clean-up and the PRIDE event. He also sends his condolences to Rabbi Tobin's family.

Councilman Roman also sends his condolences to the DeOld family. He and his wife, Anita will be missed. He attended the pickleball ribbon cutting earlier this evening. He too sends his condolences to Rabbi Tobin's family.

Councilwoman McGrath echoes the sentiments of the councilmen and sends her condolences to Rabbi Tobin's entire family. She attended the Memorial Day Ceremony and pickle ball ribbon cutting. She thanks MIAAC for their work in organizing this year's PRIDE event.

Councilwoman Holland sends her deepest sympathies to those who have recently passed. She participated in the Memorial Day Parade and went to the Pool this opening weekend. She encourages residents to join the Pool for the 2025 season. She too attended the pickle ball

courts ribbon cutting and announces the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee is working hard to recommend future Recreation Department fees.

Public Comment:

Monica Vincent, Verona, New Jersey

ORDINANCE No. 2025-10

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$9,906,500 THEREFOR, INCLUDING A \$332,656 NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT, A \$750,000 JAKE'S LAW GRANT, A \$100,000 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND A \$318,712 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$9,675,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance 2025-10 into the record.

Motion to move the ordinance is made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilwoman Holland.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

Ordinance 2025-10 is introduced by a vote of 5-0. It will be published according to law and a public hearing will be held on June 23, 2025.

ORDINANCE No. 2025-11

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS AND PURPOSES FOR THE WATER/SEWER UTILITY IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$950,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$902,500 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance 2025-11 into the record.

Motion to move the ordinance is made by Mayor Tamburro; seconded by Deputy Mayor McEvoy.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

Ordinance 2025-11 is introduced by a vote of 5-0. It will be published according to law and a public hearing will be held on June 23, 2025.

ORDINANCE No. 2025-12

CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$20,000.00 FROM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance 2025-12 into the record.

Motion to move the ordinance is made by Councilwoman McGrath; seconded by Councilman Roman.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

Ordinance 2025-12 is introduced by a vote of 5-0. It will be published according to law and a public hearing will be held on June 23, 2025.

ORDINANCE No. 2025-13

**CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$27,500.00 FROM POOL
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS BY THE
TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY**

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance 2025-13 into the record.

Motion to move the ordinance is made by Councilwoman Holland; seconded by Mayor Tamburro.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

Ordinance 2025-13 is introduced by a vote of 5-0. It will be published according to law and a public hearing will be held on June 23, 2025.

ORDINANCE No. 2025-14

**WATER AND SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING
\$132,200 FROM WATER/SEWER UTILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND
FOR THE VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS BY THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA,
IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY**

The Municipal Clerk reads Ordinance 2025-14 into the record.

Motion to move the ordinance is made by Councilwoman Holland; seconded by Deputy Mayor McEvoy.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

Ordinance 2025-14 is introduced by a vote of 5-0. It will be published according to law and a public hearing will be held on June 23, 2025.

Public Comment for Consent Agenda Items:

None.

RESOLUTION No. 2025-116

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

**DETERMINING THE FORM AND OTHER DETAILS OF ITS NOTE
RELATING TO THE CONSTRUCTION FINANCING LOAN PROGRAM OF
THE NEW JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK, TO BE ISSUED IN THE
AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,900,000, PROVIDING
FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF SUCH NOTE TO THE NEW JERSEY
INFRASTRUCTURE BANK, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND
DELIVERY OF SUCH NOTE BY THE TOWNSHIP IN FAVOR OF THE NEW
JERSEY INFRASTRUCTURE BANK, ALL PURSUANT TO THE NEW JERSEY**

INFRASTRUCTURE BANK CONSTRUCTION FINANCING LOAN PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey (the “Local Unit”), intends to undertake the improvement or replacement of Claridge Drive Pump Station, and all work and costs ancillary and necessary therefor (collectively, the “Project”), and it is the desire of the Local Unit to obtain financing for such Project through participation in the New Jersey Water Bank of the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (the “I-Bank”);

WHEREAS, the Local Unit has determined to temporarily finance the undertaking of the Project prior to the closing with respect to the New Jersey Water Bank, and to undertake such temporary financing with the proceeds of a short-term loan (or loans) to be made by the I-Bank (collectively the “Construction Loan”) to the Local Unit, pursuant to the Construction Financing Loan Program of the I-Bank (the “Construction Financing Loan Program”);

WHEREAS, in order to (i) evidence and secure the repayment obligation of the Local Unit to the I-Bank with respect to the Construction Loan and (ii) satisfy the requirements of the Construction Financing Loan Program, it is the desire of the Local Unit to issue and sell a short term note to the I-Bank in an aggregate principal amount of up to \$1,900,000 (the “Note”);

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the Local Unit to authorize, execute, attest and deliver the Note to the I-Bank pursuant to the terms of the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, constituting Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the Revised Statutes of the State of New Jersey (the “Local Bond Law”), and other applicable law; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2024, the Local Unit adopted a bond ordinance to finance the Project (the “Local Unit Bond Ordinance”) pursuant to the provisions of the Local Bond Law;

WHEREAS, Section 28 of the Local Bond Law allows for the sale of the Note to the I-Bank, without any public offering, and N.J.S.A. 58:11B-9 allows for the sale of the Note to the I-Bank without any public offering, all under the terms and conditions set forth therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of the Local Unit as follows:

SECTION 1. In accordance with the provisions of the Local Bond Law, the Infrastructure Trust Act and the Local Unit Bond Ordinance, the Local Unit hereby authorizes the issuance, sale and award of the Note in accordance with the provisions hereof. The obligation represented by the Note have been appropriated and authorized by the Local Unit Bond Ordinance, finally adopted by the Local Unit at a meeting duly called and held on May 20, 2024, at which time a quorum was present and acted throughout, all in accordance with the Local Bond Law and other applicable law.

SECTION 2. The Chief Financial Officer of the Local Unit (the “Chief Financial Officer”) is hereby authorized to determine, pursuant to the terms and conditions hereof, (i) the final principal amount of the Note (subject to the maximum limitation set forth in Section 4(a) hereof), and (ii) the dated date of the Note.

SECTION 3. Any determination made by the Chief Financial Officer pursuant to the terms hereof shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution and attestation of the Note by the parties authorized pursuant to Section 4(h) hereof.

SECTION 4. The Local Unit hereby determines that certain terms of the Note shall be as follows:

- (a) the aggregate principal amount of the Note to be issued shall be an amount not to exceed \$1,900,000;
- (b) the maturity of the Note shall be as determined by the I-Bank;
- (c) the interest rate of the Note shall be as determined by the I-Bank;
- (d) the purchase price for the Note shall be par;
- (e) the Note shall be subject to prepayment prior to its stated maturity in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Note;
- (f) the Note shall be issued in a single denomination and shall be numbered “CFP-2025-1”, or other such denomination as may be requested by the I-Bank;

- (g) the Note shall be issued in fully registered form and shall be payable to the registered owner thereof as to both principal and interest in lawful money of the United States of America; and
- (h) the Note shall be executed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Mayor and the Chief Financial Officer under official seal or facsimile thereof affixed, printed, engraved or reproduced thereon and attested by the manual signature of the Local Unit Clerk; and
- (i) the Note may be issued in one or more series as may be deemed necessary by the I-Bank.

SECTION 5. The Note shall be substantially in the form required by the I-Bank, together with such additions, deletions and other modifications required by the I-Bank and agreed to by the Local Unit upon consultation with counsel and any advisors to the Local Unit, such determinations being conclusively evidenced by the execution of the Note by the Authorized Officers (as defined herein).

SECTION 6. The law firm of McManimon, Scotland and Baumann, LLC is hereby authorized to arrange for the printing of the Note, which law firm may authorize McCarter & English, LLP, bond counsel to the I-Bank for the Construction Loan Financing Program, to arrange for same.

SECTION 7. The Local Unit Mayor, Chief Financial Officer and Local Unit Clerk (each an "Authorized Officer") of the Local Unit are each hereby further severally authorized to (i) execute and deliver, and the Local Unit Clerk is hereby further authorized to attest to such execution and to affix the corporate seal of the Local Unit to, any document, instrument or closing certificate deemed necessary, desirable or convenient by the Authorized Officers, in their respective sole discretion, after consultation with counsel and any advisors to the Local Unit and after further consultation with the I-Bank and its representatives, agents, counsel and advisors, to be executed in connection with the issuance and sale of the Note and the participation of the Local Unit in the Construction Financing Loan Program, which determination shall be conclusively evidenced by the execution of each such certificate or other document by the party authorized hereunder to execute such certificate or other document, and (ii) perform such other actions as the Authorized Officers deem necessary, desirable or convenient in relation to the execution and delivery of the Note and the participation of the Local Unit in the Construction Financing Loan Program.

SECTION 8. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

SECTION 9. Upon the adoption hereof, the Local Unit Clerk shall forward certified copies of this resolution to McManimon, Scotland & Baumann, LLC, bond counsel to the Local Unit, David Zimmer, Executive Director of the I-Bank, and Richard T. Nolan, Esq., McCarter & English, LLP, bond counsel to the I-Bank.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-117

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE HAMILTON AVENUE, CRESMONT PLACE, AND CRESTMONT ROAD PROJECT

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Administration is hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as MA-2026- Roadway Improvements to Hamilton Avenue, Crestmont Place, and Crestmont Road-00192 to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Township of Verona.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Township Administration is hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Township of Verona and that their signature constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-118

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR INC

WHEREAS, the Township desires to purchase winter season holiday decorations for the light posts along Bloomfield Avenue within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has a need to acquire such services pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19-44A-20.5*; and

WHEREAS, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has determined that the value of said services will not exceed \$20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, quotes were obtained by the Confidential Secretary to the Township Manager, one of which quoted the lowest price; and

WHEREAS, this expenditure shall be charged to Budget Account No. 5-01-20-105-021 or any other account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or her designee, and the availability of funds have been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey that Christmas Spectacular, Inc., 267 Ridge Road, Lyndhurst, New Jersey 07071 is hereby awarded a contract for the purchase of winter season holiday decorations for the light posts along Bloomfield Avenue within the Township in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Manager and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement for the aforementioned services a copy of which shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-119

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH L&P INTEGRATORS

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona is upgrading and remediating the Fairview Avenue well which requires upgrades to the programmable logic controller and MAPLE programming to integrate the SCADA system at the water/sewer facility for the well; and

WHEREAS, the Township has solicited the services of L&P Integrators, 941 Hone Grove Drive, Winder Garden Florida, 34787 to provide these technological services to the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has a need to acquire such services pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19-44A-20.5*; and

WHEREAS, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has determined that the value of said services will not exceed \$26,060.00; and

WHEREAS, quotes were obtained by the water/sewer utility, and L&P Integrators quoted the lowest price; and

WHEREAS, this expenditure shall be charged to Budget Account Nos. 5-05-55-502-176/5-05-502-334 or any other account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or her designee, and the availability of funds have been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey that L&P Integrators, 941 Hone Grove Drive, Winder Garden Florida, 34787 to provide these technological services in an amount not to exceed \$26,060.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Manager and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement for the aforementioned services a copy of which shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-120

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH SPATIAL DATA LOGIC FOR MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has a need to continue using municipal management software services; and

WHEREAS, the Township has solicited the services of Spatial Data Logic, 285 Davidson Avenue, Suite 302, Somerset, New Jersey 08873 to provide these software services to the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has a need to acquire such services pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 19-44A-20.5*; and

WHEREAS, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has determined that the value of said services will not exceed \$30,000.00; and

WHEREAS, quotes were obtained by the IT Department, one of which quoted the lowest price; and

WHEREAS, this expenditure shall be charged to Budget Account No. 5-01-24-264-030 or any other account that may be deemed appropriate by the Chief Financial Officer or her designee, and the availability of funds have been contingently certified by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, New Jersey that Spatial Data Logic, 285 Davidson Avenue, Suite 302, Somerset, New Jersey municipal management software services in an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Township Manager and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement for the aforementioned services a copy of which shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-121

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING THE INSERTION INTO THE CY2021 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE FORM OF THE CLEAN COMMUNITIES GRANT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (the “Director”) may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has received \$34,679.33 from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in the form of the Clean Communities Grant and wishes to amend its CY2025 Municipal Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey hereby requests the Director to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the CY2024 Municipal Budget in the sum of \$34,679.33 which is now available as revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F:
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of
Director of Local Government Services –
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Clean Communities Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the CY2024 Municipal Budget in the like sum of \$34,679.33 appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:
(A) Operations - Excluded from “CAPS”
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Clean Communities Grant

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be electronically filed with the Director for approval as required by law.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-122

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

AUTHORIZING THE INSERTION INTO THE CY2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) OF A SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE FORM OF THE NJ DIVISION OF HIGHWAY AND TRAFFIC SAFETY DISTRACTED DRIVING GRANT

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (the “Director”) may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has received \$7,000 from the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway and Traffic Safety Distracted Driving Program and wishes to amend its CY2024 Municipal Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey hereby requests the Director to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the CY2025 Municipal Budget in the sum of \$7,000 which is now available as revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F:
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of
Director of Local Government Services –
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Distracted Driving Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the CY2025 Municipal Budget in the like sum of \$7,000 appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:
(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Distracted Driving Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be electronically filed with the Director for approval as required by law.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-123

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

**AUTHORIZING THE INSERTION INTO THE CY2025 MUNICIPAL
BUDGET PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 (CHAPTER 159, P.L. 1948) OF A
SPECIAL ITEM OF REVENUE IN THE FORM OF THE 2025 FEDERAL
HIGHWAY SAFETY GRANT**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services (the "Director") may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such items shall have been made available by law and the amount thereof was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and,

WHEREAS, said Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for an equal amount; and,

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona has received \$7,000 from the State of New Jersey, Division of Highway and Traffic Safety Distracted Driving Program and wishes to amend its CY2024 Municipal Budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Verona, in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey hereby requests the Director to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the CY2025 Municipal Budget in the sum of \$7,000 which is now available as revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenues - Section F:
Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of
Director of Local Government Services –
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Distracted Driving Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the CY2025 Municipal Budget in the like sum of \$7,000 appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations:
(A) Operations - Excluded from “CAPS”
Public and Private Revenues Offset with Appropriations:
Distracted Driving Grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution will be electronically filed with the Director for approval as required by law.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro
NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-124

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

**CANCEL TAXES FOR 111 GROVE AVENUE
FOR TOTALLY EXEMPT VETERAN**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector was notified from the Tax Assessor’s office that Block 1001 Lot 68, property known as 111 Grove Avenue, as of May 8, 2025 should be totally exempt due to the owner being a totally disabled veteran.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector be authorized to cancel a portion of the 2nd quarter billing and the balance of 2025 billing on Block 1001 lot 68.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro
NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-125

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

**CANCEL TAXES FOR 29 PARKHURST PLACE
FOR TOTALLY EXEMPT VETERAN**

WHEREAS, the Tax Collector was notified from the Tax Assessor’s office that Block 1604 Lot 50, property known as 29 Parkhurst Place, as of May 1, 2025 should be totally exempt due to the owner being a totally disabled veteran.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tax Collector be authorized to cancel a portion of the 2nd quarter billing and the balance of 2025 billing on Block 1604 lot 50.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro
NAYS:

RESOLUTION No. 2025-126

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor McEvoy; seconded by Councilwoman McGrath that the following resolution be adopted:

PERMITTING ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, permits the exclusion of the Public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Verona, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

The public shall be excluded from discussion of an action upon the hereinafter specified subject matter.

1. Purchase, Lease or Acquisition of Real Property pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (5)*
2. Pending, Ongoing, or Anticipated Litigation and Contract Negotiations pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 (7)*

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Holland, McGrath, Roman, McEvoy, Tamburro

NAYS:

New Business:

None

Public Comment:

None

Council goes into Executive Session at 8:36 p.m. and returns to the Public Session at 8:33 p.m.


Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn is made by Councilman Roman; seconded by Deputy Mayor McEvoy at 8:33 p.m. Vote: 5 ayes.

The next meeting is June 23, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,


Jennifer Kiernan, Municipal Clerk


Christopher Tamburro, Mayor

APPROVED: July 7, 2025