Caucus Meeting of the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City Monday, April 15, 2024 6:00 P.M. 313 Monmouth Street Agenda

- 1. Call Meeting to Order:
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance:
- 3. Roll Call: Baus, Berglund, Cilurso, Johnson, Page, Timm and Mayor Baile
- 4. Open Public Meetings Act Notice: This meeting is being held in accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, otherwise known as the "Sunshine Law." It has been legally noticed in accordance with the law and copies have been given to those requesting the same.

Public Comment Period: The Governing Body, in accordance with P.L. 2002, c. 80, have adopted the following guidelines relative to the Public Comment Period (PCP) at Caucus, Work session, Special and Emergency Meetings of the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City: The PCP shall occur at the beginning of each meeting; it shall be no longer than one half-hour in length; every person wishing to speak may do so once during the period for no longer than five minutes. No changes have been made for the PCP of the regular monthly meetings. Our attorneys have advised us that we cannot prevent you from making remarks about our employees. They have requested that we advise you that our employees are not Public Officials and you are not immune from civil actions they may bring as a result of your remarks.

- 5. Reports: I. Engineer's Report:
 - II. <u>Committees of Council</u>:
 - a) Celebrations:
 - b) Community Dev.:
 - c) Finance & Administration:
 - d) Fire:
 - e) Housing:
 - f) Licensing:
 - g) Police:
 - h) Public Works/Water Dept:
- 6. Resolutions for Discussion:
- R Resolution Providing that Budget be Read by Title Only
- R Introduction of the 2024 Municipal Budget
 - Public Hearing on the 2024 Municipal Budget will be on May 30, 2024 at 7 p.m.
- R Resolution to Adjustments to Various Tax Records
- R Resolution to Correct Billing Charges on Utility Records
- R Resolution Approving and Adopting the Gloucester City Community Energy Plan
- R Resolution Authorizing the Award of the Contract for Resurfacing of Atlantic Street from Market Street (C.R. 634) to Ridgeway Street to Think Pavers Hardscaping, LLC
- R Resolution Authorizing Donation of City-Owned Equipment (Fire Dept.)

- R Resolution Designating Handicapped Parking Space: Removing 501 N Brown Street
- R Resolution Awarding a Contract to Triad Associates for Extraordinary Unspecifiable Services
- R Resolution Authorizing an Employment Contract with Thomas Quinn as the City of Gloucester City's Director of Fire Department
- R Resolution Amending the Renewal of 2023-2024 Plenary Retail Consumption License
- R Resolution Authorizing Gloucester City to Make Application to the Camden County Open Space, Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund for \$25,000 Grant
- R Resolution Designating a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area within the City of Gloucester City
- R Resolution Authorizing Refund of Lead Based Paint Fee
- R Resolution of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden Authorizing the Execution of an Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding

7. Ordinances to be voted on next week April 22, 2024:

- O 06-2024 Amending the Ordinance Regulating the Salaries of the Employees of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey (PBA Local 40)
- O 07-2024 Amending the Ordinance Regulating the Salaries of the Employees of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey (SOA Local 40)
- O 08-2024 Ordinance Approving the Application and Financial Agreement for a Long-Term Tax Exemption with VP Burlington Urban Renewal, LLC for the Project Improvements Set Forth In the Application to be Constructed on Portions of Block 50, Lot 1 on the Official Tax Map of the City of Gloucester City
- O 09-2024 Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Certain Real Property and the Improvements Thereon in and for the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$550,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of up to \$522,500; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing
- O 10-2024 Ordinance Amending Chapter 87, Vehicles and Traffic, Article I., Entitled Street Traffic and Parking, § 87-10. Schedule C: No Parking, of the Code of the City of Gloucester, County of Camden, State of New Jersey

Ordinances for First Reading next week April 22, 2024:

- Ordinance Amending the Code of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey to Include New Chapter 57, Entitled, "Privately-Owned Salt Storage"
- O- Ordinance Creating Chapter 74 of the Code of the City of Gloucester City, Establishing Requirements for Tree Removal and Replacement in the City of Gloucester City to Reduce Soil Erosion and Pollutant Runoff, Promote Infiltration of Rainwater into the Soil
- O- Ordinance Amending and Supplementing Chapter 4, Administrative Code, Article IX, Entitled Fire Department in the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey

- 8. <u>Correspondence:</u> From St. Mary Church, requesting to waive local permit fees.
- 9. Adjournment:

RESOLUTION PROVIDING THAT BUDGET BE READ BY TITLE ONLY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8 as amended by Chapter 259, Laws of 1995, provides that the budget may be read by title only at the time of the public hearing if a resolution is passed by not less than a majority of the full governing body, conditioned that at least one week prior to the date of hearing a complete copy of the approved budget has been made available for public inspection. Copies must also be made available by the Clerk to persons requesting them; and

WHEREAS, these conditions have been met.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common	Council
of Gloucester City that the budget be read by title only.	

Dayl R. Baile, Mayor	
Adopted by the Mayor and Common 2024.	n Council of Gloucester City this 22 nd day of April
	Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk

RESOLUTION TO ADJUSTMENTS TO VARIOUS TAX RECORDS

WHEREAS, there is a need to make necessary various billing adjustments on Tax Records; and

WHEREAS, the adjustments to be made include the following:

Block/Lot	Amount	Address	Issue
156/9	1318.56	918 Somerset	TD Bank returned check, payment removed
170/15	1487.44	115 N Brown	TD Bank returned check, payment removed

; and

WHEREAS, these billing adjustments were reviewed by the Finance Committee and they have recommended that these adjustments be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector of the City of Gloucester City is authorized to make the adjustments to the tax records as noted and file the proper documentation accordingly.

Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City, this 22nd day of April, 2024.

Dayl R Baile, Mayor	
	Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk

RESOLUTION TO CORRECT BILLING CHARGES ON UTILITY RECORDS

WHEREAS, there is a need to make necessary adjustments for various billing adjustments on Utility Records; and

WHEREAS, these adjustments to be made include the following:

Block/Lot	ID	Address	Amount	Issue
156/9	23079-0	918 Somerset	\$177.02	TD Bank returned check, payment removed
170/15	25559-0	115 N Brown	\$187.00	TD Bank returned check, payment removed
265/12	38607-0	1145 Miller	\$358.65	Online payment returned, payment removed

; and

WHEREAS, these billing adjustments were reviewed by the Finance Committee, and they have recommended these adjustments be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Tax Collector of the City of Gloucester City is authorized to make the adjustments to the utility records as noted and file the proper documentation accordingly.

Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City, this 22nd day of April, 2024.

Dayl R Baile, Mayor	t			
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RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE GLOUCESTER CITY COMMUNITY ENERGY PLAN

WHEREAS, a sustainable community seeks to ensure that its environmental, economic and social objectives are balanced and mutually supportive; and

WHEREAS, Gloucester City strives to assure clean land, air and water for current and future generations; and

WHEREAS, New Jersey's Energy Master Plan: Pathway to 2050 ("EMP") established that community-level action is necessary to achieve the state's goal of 100% clean energy by 2025; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities created a Community Energy Plan Grant (CEPG) program for municipalities to develop a community energy plan to meet the goals of the state's Energy Master plan; and

WHEREAS, Gloucester City applied for and received funding under the CEPG to prepare, through a collaborative process that involved elected officials, residents and stakeholders, a living Community Energy Plan that reflects the point-in-time clean energy priorities of the City and can serve as a document to inform and guide future clean energy projects and priorities; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of Gloucester City has reviewed the Community Energy Plan Grant program and desires to pursue funding to help advance one or more of the clean energy priorities noted in the City's Community Energy Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Common Council of Gloucester City hereby approves and adopts the Woodbine Community Energy Plan in its entirety; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Gloucester City's Community Energy Plan will be reviewed from time to time and revised as needed and as appropriate to reflect future clean energy goals and priorities of the community.

Dayl R.	Baile,	Mayor	

Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City this 22nd day of April, 2024.

Vanessa	ıL.	Little,	City Clerk	

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE CONTRACT FOR RESURFACING OF ATLANTIC STREET FROM MARKET STREET (C.R. 634) TO RIDGEWAY STREET TO THINK PAVERS HARDSCAPING, LLC

WHEREAS, the City of Gloucester City ("City") advertised for bids for the contract for the Resurfacing of Atlantic Street from Market Street (C.R. 634) to Ridgeway Street project; and

WHEREAS, the City received three (3) bids for the Contract as follows:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
1. LGP Contracting, LLC	\$273,121.50
2. Think Pavers Hardscaping, LLC	\$354,344.00
3. Landberg Construction, LLC	\$385,923.19

WHEREAS, following the opening of the bids, the City received correspondence dated March 21, 2024, from Lawrence Paynter, Owner of LGP Contracting, LLC ("LGP") requesting the withdrawal of their bid; and

WHEREAS, the withdrawal requests were reviewed by the City Solicitor who, via opinion letter dated March 26, 2024, recommended that the City allow for the withdrawal of the bids submitted by LGP; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to allow for the withdrawal of the bid submitted by LGP; and

WHEREAS, following the withdrawal of the bid submitted by LGP, the apparent low bidder is Think Pavers Hardscaping, LLC ("Think Pavers"); and

WHEREAS, the City Solicitor reviewed the bid received and recommended the award of the contract to Think Pavers as the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City concur with the above recommendation and desire to award the contract to Think Pavers.

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

- 1. The provisions of the **WHEREAS** clauses set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
- 2. The bid submitted by LGP for the contract for the Resurfacing of Atlantic Street from Market Street (C.R. 634) to Ridgeway Street project is hereby withdrawn.

- 3. The contract for the Resurfacing of Atlantic Street from Market Street (C.R. 634) to Ridgeway Street project is hereby awarded to Think Pavers Hardscaping, LLC.
- 4. The Mayor, Acting City Administrator and/or their designees are hereby directed to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate the award and execution of the aforementioned contract.
- 5. Funds are available for payment of this Contract.

Dayl R. Baile, Mayor	
Passed by the Mayor and Common Council of	of Gloucester City this 22 nd day of April 2024.
	Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DONATION OF CITY-OWNED EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS, the City of Gloucester City Fire Department is the owner of a 1995 International Navistar 47000; and
International Navistar 47000, and
WHEREAS, the City of Gloucester City Fire Department is requesting to donate such equipment to the Camden Fire Department.
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City authorizing that the below pieces of equipment shall be donated to the Camden Fire Department.
 1995 International Navistar 47000, VIN#11795, 98,401.9 Miles
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Common council of the City of Gloucester City hereby authorize the donation of the above pieces of equipment.
Dayl R. Baile, Mayor
Passed by Mayor and Common Council this 22 nd day of April, 2024.
Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE: REMOVING: 501 N BROWN STREET

WHEREAS, it is necessary to designate a handicapped parking space; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City, pursuant to the authority granted to this municipality by N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.5, and other statutory authority that the locations designated on the attached Schedule A are hereby designated <u>removed</u> as restrictive parking spaces.

This resolution is passed in conformance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-97(3)(c). Proper signs are to be removed regarding the said space.

SCHEDULE A

John & Eleanor Kain	501 N Brown Street (on corner of Mercer)
Dayl R. Baile, Mayor	
Passed by the Mayor and Common Cour	ncil of Gloucester City this 22 nd day of April, 2024.
	Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk

RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT TO TRIAD ASSOCIATES FOR EXTRAORDINARY UNSPECIFIABLE SERVICES

WHEREAS, the City of Gloucester City is desirous to authorize and proceed with the preparation and process of Resubmission FY2025 Community Project Funding (CPF) Congressman Norcross Application and Resubmission FY2025 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) Senator Booker Application Seawall Project as an authorized project under the existing Professional Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gloucester City has publicly solicited qualifications and proposals for grants consulting in a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the City of Gloucester City has complied with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii), regarding extraordinary unspecifiable services, a copy of the Certificate being attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, funds are available for this contract as qualified by the conditions in the attached Certificate of Availability of Funds executed by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City, New Jersey, that the City of Gloucester City be and it hereby is authorized to enter into an agreement with TRIAD Associates for the Resubmission FY2025 Community Project Funding (CPF) Congressman Norcross Application and Resubmission FY2025 Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) Senator Booker Application Seawall Project for an amount not to exceed 15 hours as set forth on Exhibit "B" hereto.

Dayl R. Baile, Mayor	
Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City this 22 nd day of April, 20	24.

Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH THOMAS QUINN AS THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY'S, DIRECTOR OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Thomas Quinn ("Quinn") was duly appointed as Director of Fire Department effective March 1, 2024 and possesses the requisite qualifications to serve in said capacity, and is well verse and prepared to assume the responsibilities of the City of Gloucester City's Fire Department ("City"); and

WHEREAS, Quinn has a long history of fire service elevated himself from a firefighter to the position of Fire Chief of the City of Camden and is well respected throughout the area; and

WHEREAS, Quinn will to serve in said capacity subject to certain terms and conditions, as established by the Mayor and Common Council; and

WHEREAS, Quinn and the City have negotiated a fair and reasonable employment contract.

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

- 1. The provisions of the **WHEREAS** clauses set forth above are incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.
- 2. The Honorable Dayl Baile, Mayor of the City of Gloucester City and Vanessa Little, City Clerk, RMC, are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Employment Agreement by and between the City of Gloucester City and the Director of Fire Department, Tom Quinn, effective retroactively from March 1, 2024 and take any and all other actions necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution.
- 3. A copy of the Employment Contract shall remain on file with the City Clerk for public inspection.
- 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Dayl Baile, Mayor

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify this is a true and	exact copy of a	Resolution ado	pted by the May	yor and Common
Council of the City of Gloucester this	day of April,	2024.		

Vanessa L. Little.	RMC	

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RENEWAL OF 2023-2024 PLENARY RETAIL CONSUMPTION LICENSE

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that Alcoholic Beverage License below be granted the amendment to the licensee below and that VANESSA L. LITTLE, CITY CLERK, is hereby authorized to issue, sign and deliver said license on behalf of the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City, New Jersey:

License Number	<u>License Name</u>	Trade Name	Licensed Premises
0414-33-035-007	Jay Maharaj NJ LLC	C&S Bob's Liquor	312-314 Jersey Ave.
Dayl R. Baile, May			
Passed by the May	or and Common Council of G	floucester City this 26 th day of June,	2023.
		Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk	

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GLOUCESTER CITY TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE CAMDEN COUNTY OPEN SPACE, FARMLAND, RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION TRUST FUND FOR \$25,000 GRANT

WHEREAS, the City of Gloucester is making application to Camden County Open Space, Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund for a \$25,000 grant for Playground Area Fencing in Gloucester City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body that Gloucester City make application to Camden County Open Space, Farmland, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund for the above referenced grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Gloucester City that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute grant documents as an authorized representative thereunder, as the representative for the City of Gloucester.

Dayl R. Baile, Mayor
Passed by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City this 22 nd day of April, 2024.
Vanessa L. Little. City Clerk

RESOLUTION #____.24

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A NON-CONDEMNATION REDEVELOPMENT AREA WITHIN THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12-6 authorizes the governing body of any municipality, by resolution, to have its Planning Board conduct a preliminary investigation to determine whether any area of the municipality is a redevelopment area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution #R106-2024, adopted by the Mayor and Council of the City of Gloucester City, the Planning/Zoning Board of the City of Gloucester City ("Planning Board") conducted an investigation to determine whether Block 61, Lots 1, 17, 17.01, 17.02, 27, 28, 29, Block 62, Lots 1, 2, 5, 6, and the Atlantic Street ROW, should be designated as an area in need of redevelopment ("Study Area") and considered the redevelopment area study prepared by Matthew Wanamaker, PP, AICP, Stan Slachetka, PP, FAICP, and Geoffrey Gray-Cornelius, PP, AICP, of Pennoni Associates, Inc. (collectively "Pennoni") entitled "Gloucester City Redevelopment Study Preliminary Investigation Report" dated September 25, 2023 ("Study"); and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board conducted a public hearing on April 17, 2024 (the "Hearing") concerning the designation of the Study Area, as a condemnation redevelopment area, and the meeting was open to the public and all members of the public had an opportunity to address questions and comments to the Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, due notice of the public hearing was given to the property owners as mandated by the aforesaid statute and also notice was posted and published in accordance with the law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, the Planning Board prepared a map showing the boundaries of the Study Area being proposed as a non-condemnation redevelopment area and the location of the various parcels of property included therein. Appended to the map was a statement setting forth the basis for the investigation; and

WHEREAS, the Study prepared by Pennoni, is adopted herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, all members of the Planning Board reviewed the Study for the Study Area submitted by Pennoni; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board made the following findings of fact and drew the following conclusions of law:

- 1. Geoffrey Gray-Cornelius, PP, AICP, a professional planner licensed in the State of New Jersey, presented substantial, credible evidence that the Study Area qualifies as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment.
- 2. The Study Area is a blighted area as defined by the Supreme Court of New Jersey due to the lack of investment plaguing the Study Area. This lack of investment has resulted

in reduced property values and lack of development in an area designated for growth. These conditions have an overall detrimental effect on a community. As a result, development of this area will not occur without governmental assistance.

- 3. That the Study Area meets the redevelopment criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5 or otherwise satisfies N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-3, as follows:
 - a. The Study Area is located in the Residential Medium (R-M) zoning district;
 - b. Approximately 75% of the Study Area is non-compliant with the existing zoning requirements, either because they do not meet minimum lot frontage or area or they exceed maximum impervious coverage, or both;
 - c. Most of the land is underutilized because it contains abandoned buildings or vacant land:
 - d. The generality of buildings is substandard, unsafe, unsanitary, dilapidated, or obsolescent, or possess any of such characteristics, or are so lacking in light, air, or space, as to be conducive to unwholesome living or working conditions;
 - e. The portion of the Atlantic Street Right-of-Way between Cumberland and Ridgeway Streets is owned by the municipality and not likely to be developed solely through private capital;
 - f. The portion of the Atlantic Street Right-of-Way between Cumberland and Ridgeway Streets is located within an active Urban Enterprise Zone;
 - g. The portion of the Atlantic Street Right-of-Way between Cumberland and Ridgeway Streets satisfies criteria "c" and "g" set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5;
 - h. Block 61, Lot 1 contains a gravel and dirt parking lot with no delineated parking spaces or circulation aisles and has poorly defined ingress and egress resulting in a faulty arrangement or design that is detrimental to the safety, health, morals, and welfare of the community;
 - i. Block 61, Lot 1 has no sidewalk or walkway for pedestrians to enter the building from the parking lot resulting in a faulty arrangement or design that is detrimental to the safety, health, morals, and welfare of the community;
 - j. Block 61, Lot 1 satisfies criterion "d" set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5;
 - k. Block 61, Lots 27, 28 and 29 are vacant lots with remnants of a concrete driveway in poor condition, a chain-link fence in damaged and poor condition, overgrown vegetation, and uncontrolled access resulting in a potential attractive nuisance;
 - 1. Block 61, Lot 27 is located within an active Urban Enterprise Zone;

- m. Block 61, Lot 27 satisfies criterion "d" and "g" set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5;
- n. Block 61, Lots 28 and 29 satisfy criterion "d" set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5;
- o. Block 62, Lot 1 is the former Mary Ethel Costello School which has been vacant since 2017. The building exhibits a significant level of deterioration and dilapidation, including warped flooring, collapsed ceilings, roof leaks, active mold, exposed wiring, peeling paint and plaster, damaged and inoperable plumbing and toilets, stairs in a deteriorated and hazardous condition, trash and disorganized storage of materials in hallways and stairwells, and deteriorated and inoperative windows. The utility room exhibits significant deterioration and dilapidation with exposed pipe insulation, rusting of pipes and equipment, and evidence of flooding and water damage. The building is in a dilapidated and unusable condition and is substandard, unsafe, and unsanitary, representing an unwholesome living or working condition.
- p. Block 62, Lot 1 exhibits significant exterior maintenance issues with boarded and cracked windows, peeling paint from facia and soffits, cracked pavement, and damaged brickwork. A substantial area of the parking lot is fenced and not accessible, with limited available parking along Atlantic Street. The parking lot is poorly maintained with concrete wheel stops out of place and damaged curbing. The exterior site conditions constitute an area with buildings or improvements which, by reason of their dilapidation, obsolescence, faulty arrangement or design, and obsolete layout are detrimental to the safety, health, and welfare of the community.
- q. Block 62, Lot 1 satisfies criterion "a" and "d" set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5;
- r. Block 61, Lots 17, 17.01, 17.02, Block 62, Lots 2, 5, and 6 do not satisfy any of the criteria, but due to their close proximity to the Study Area and frontage on an improved street, the lots are necessary for the effective redevelopment of the Study Area; and
- s. The Study Area, as a whole, satisfies criteria N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5(a), (c), (d) and/or (g), or is otherwise necessary for the effective development of the area and should be designated as a Non-Condemnation Redevelopment Area.

WHEREAS, at the Hearing, the Planning Board found that the above-noted Study Area satisfies the statutory requirements set forth in <u>N.J.S.A</u>. 40A:12A-5 or is otherwise necessary for the effective development and recommended to Mayor and Council that the Study Area should be declared a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has reviewed the proposed redevelopment area Study for the Study Area submitted by Pennoni and determines that it is in the best interest of the City of Gloucester City to declare Block 61, Lots 1, 17, 17.01, 17.02, 27, 28, 29, Block 62, Lots 1, 2, 5, 6, and the Atlantic Street ROW, as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the Study and the report and recommendation of the Planning Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, that:

- 1. The City Council hereby accepts the report and recommendation of the Planning Board and hereby designates Block 61, Lots 1, 17, 17.01, 17.02, 27, 28, 29, Block 62, Lots 1, 2, 5, 6, and the Atlantic Street ROW, as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-5.
- 2. The City Clerk, or her designee, is hereby directed to serve within ten (10) days a copy of this Resolution upon each person, if any, who filed a written objection to the Planning Board's recommendation, with service to be in a manner provided by *N.J.S.A.* 40A:12A-1 et seq., as amended.
- 7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

 Dayl Baile, Mayor

 Passed by Mayor and Common Council this 22nd day of April 2024.

 Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REFUND OF LEAD BASED PAINT FEE

WHEREAS, Patrick Meredith pulled a permit for a lead-based paint inspection at 208 Morris Street; and

WHEREAS, Patrick Meredith rescinded the permit application, and

NOW,	THEREFORE,	BE IT RESOI	VED by the	Mayor and	Common	Council of
Gloucester Cit	y that a refund be	e issued to Patric	k Meredith ir	the amount	of \$300.00	for refund
of lead-based p	paint fee.					

Dayl Baile, Mayor	
Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council	of Gloucester City this 22 nd day of April, 2024.
	Vanessa Little, City Clerk

RESOLUTION # .2024

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY, CAMDEN COUNTY AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, <u>N.J.S.A</u>. 40A:12A-1, <u>et seq.</u>, as amended and supplemented (the "Redevelopment Law"), provides a process for municipalities to participate in the redevelopment and improvement of areas in need of rehabilitation or redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, by way of Resolution 105-97, adopted on April 3, 1997, the Mayor and Council of the City of Gloucester City (the "City Council") formally declared Blocks 100.01, 101, 102, 104, 105, 107, 110, 111, 112.01, 113, 114, 115, 116.01, 119, 120, 120.01, 120.02, 120.03, 121, 122, 124, 126, 126.01, and 127, and portions of the abutting and adjoining streets an area in need of redevelopment (the "Redevelopment Area") pursuant to the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its plans for the revitalization of the City of Gloucester City, the City Council adopted Ordinances #017-2004, #016-2006, and #013-2010 (the "Redevelopment Plan") setting forth plans for the development, redevelopment, and rehabilitation of the Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, the property identified on the City's Official Tax Map as:

Block 101, Lot 1 (inclusive of Lot 1.01), Block 112.01, Lot 1, Block 120.02, Lot 1 (inclusive of Lot 1.01), Block 120.03, Lot 2, Block 124, Lot 3 (inclusive of Lot 2), Block 126, Lots 1 (inclusive of Block 126.01, Lots 1 and 1.01) 2, 3, 4, Block 126.01, Lot 6, and Block 127, Lots 1, 1 Q B01, 1 Q B02, 1.01

Block 110, Lot 2 (inclusive of Lots 7, 7.01, 8, 9, 14, 16, and 17) (AmSpec Site)

Block 110, Lot 3.02 (Vanguard Vinyl Site)

Block 110, Lot 2.01 (inclusive of Lots 3, 3.01, 4, 5, 6, 15, 20) (Gloucester Point Site)

Block 110, Lot 10 (inclusive of Lots 1, 11, 12, 13, 18, 19), Block 120, Lot 1 (inclusive of Lots 4, 5, 6) (Gloucester Titanium Site)

Block 111, Lot 1, Block 116.01, Lots 14.01 (inclusive of Lots 14, 15, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67), 16 (inclusive of Lot 17), 18, 19 (inclusive of Lots 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28), Block 120.01, Lots 2, 3 (GAF Site)

Block 120, Lot 2 (Organic Diversion)

collectively (the "Property") is located within the Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, the City has been in discussion with Catalyst Development Partners, LLC (the "Conditional Redeveloper") regarding the rehabilitation and redevelopment of the Property; and

WHEREAS, Conditional Redeveloper has presented its rehabilitation and redevelopment concepts to the City, and the City and Conditional Redeveloper desire that the Property be rehabilitated and redeveloped in accordance with the Redevelopment Plan and any amendments thereto; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et seq., as amended and supplemented, provides for a process for redevelopment entities to enter into agreements with redevelopers to carry out and effectuate the terms of a redevelopment plan; and

WHEREAS, by way of Resolution #094-2023, adopted on April 24, 2023, the City Council entered into a non-binding Memorandum of Understanding with the Conditional Redeveloper permitting exclusive negotiations with Conditional Redeveloper for the rehabilitation and redevelopment of the Property; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the MOU, the Conditional Redeveloper exercised its two (2) extensions to the MOU on October 23, 2023 and January 22, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City and Conditional Redeveloper desire to continue negotiations regarding the Property and the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City to enter into further additional negotiations with Conditional Redeveloper, and therefore to enter into an amendment extending the MOU.

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

- 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
- 2. That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding between the City and Conditional Redeveloper evidencing the Parties' agreement to continue exclusive negotiations toward the formulation of various agreements for the redevelopment of the Property.
 - 3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ATTEST:	CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY		
	DAYLE R. BAILE, Mayor		
Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk	_		

CERTIFICATION

I, VANESSA L. LITTLE, City Clerk, of the City of Gloucester City, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Municipal Council of the City of Gloucester City at a public meeting held on the _____ day of April 2024, a quorum being present

and voting in the majority.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this day of April 2024.
ADDDOVED.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SALARIES OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey as follows:

SCHEDULE A

Base	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Recruit	\$54,563.22	\$56,200.12	\$57,886.12	\$59,622.70	\$61,411.38
1st	\$61,240.63	\$63,077.85	\$64,970.18	\$66,919.29	\$68,926.87
2nd	\$67,920.02	\$69,957.62	\$72,056.35	\$74,218.04	\$76,444.58
3rd	\$74,596.07	\$76,833.95	\$79,138.97	\$81,513.14	\$83,958.54
4th	\$81,269.89	\$83,707.99	\$86,219.23	\$88,805.81	\$91,469.98
5th	\$87,952.64	\$90,591.22	\$93,308.95	\$96,108.22	\$98,991.47
6th	\$96,997.86	\$99,907.80	\$102,905.03	\$105,992.18	\$109,171.95
10th	\$97,470.58	\$100,394.70	\$103,406.54	\$106,508.73	\$109,704.00
15th	\$98,889.86	\$101,856.55	\$104,912.25	\$108,059.62	\$111,301.41
20th	\$101,779.69	\$104,833.08	\$107,978.07	\$111,217.41	\$114,553.93
Detective	\$98,603.32	\$101,561.42	\$104,608.26	\$107,746.51	\$110,978.91
6th	\$101,068.38	\$104,100.43	\$107,223.44	\$110,440.15	\$113,753.35
10th	\$101,561.17	\$104,608.01	\$107,746.25	\$110,978.64	\$114,307.99
15th	\$103,040.69	\$106,131.91	\$109,315.86	\$112,595.34	\$115,973.20
20th	\$105,504.55	\$108,669.68	\$111,929.77	\$115,287.67	\$118,746.30

Associates	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Recruit	\$55,343.89	\$57,004.20	\$58,714.33	\$60,475.76	\$62,290.03
1st	\$62,021.06	\$63,881.69	\$65,798.14	\$67,772.09	\$69,805.25
2nd	\$68,700.45	\$70,761.47	\$72,884.31	\$75,070.84	\$77,322.97
3rd	\$75,376.50	\$77,637.80	\$79,966.93	\$82,365.94	\$84,836.92
4th	\$82,050.33	\$84,511.84	\$87,047.19	\$89,658.61	\$92,348.36
5th	\$88,733.07	\$91,395.06	\$94,136.91	\$96,961.02	\$99,869.85
6th	\$97,778.29	\$100,711.64	\$103,732.99	\$106,844.98	\$110,050.33
10th	\$98,251.01	\$101,198.54	\$104,234.50	\$107,361.53	\$110,582.38
15th	\$99,670.29	\$102,660.40	\$105,740.21	\$108,912.41	\$112,179.79
20th	\$102,548.97	\$105,625.44	\$108,794.21	\$112,058.03	\$115,419.77
Detective	\$99,383.76	\$102,365.28	\$105,436.23	\$108,599.32	\$111,857.30
6th	\$101,848.81	\$104,904.27	\$108,051.40	\$111,292.94	\$114,631.73
10th	\$102,341.60	\$105,411.85	\$108,574.21	\$111,831.43	\$115,186.38
15th	\$103,821.12	\$106,935.75	\$110,143.82	\$113,448.14	\$116,851.58
20th	\$106,284.98	\$109,473.53	\$112,757.73	\$116,140.47	\$119,624.68
		2022	2024	2025	2026
Bachelors	2022	2023	2024		
Recruit	\$56,124.32	\$57,808.05	\$59,542.29	\$61,328.56	
1st	\$62,801.49	\$64,685.53	\$66,626.10	\$68,624.88	
2nd	\$69,480.89	\$71,565.31	\$73,712.27	\$75,923.64	
3rd	\$76,156.94	\$78,441.65	\$80,794.90	\$83,218.75	
4th	\$82,808.47	\$85,292.72	\$87,851.50	\$90,487.05	
5th	\$89,513.50	\$92,198.90	\$94,964.87	\$97,813.82	\$100,748.23
6th	\$98,558.73	\$101,515.49	\$104,560.96	\$107,697.79	\$110,928.72
10th	\$99,031.45	\$102,002.39	\$105,062.47	\$108,214.34	\$111,460.77
15th	\$100,450.72	\$103,464.24	\$106,568.17	\$109,765.21	\$113,058.17
20th	\$103,340.52	\$106,440.73	\$109,633.96	\$112,922.97	\$116,310.66

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Detective	\$99,762.82	\$102,755.71	\$105,838.38	\$109,013.53	\$112,283.94
6th	\$102,629.25	\$105,708.13	\$108,879.37	\$112,145.75	\$115,510.13
10th	\$103,122.06	\$106,215.72	\$109,402.19	\$112,684.25	\$116,064.78
15th	\$104,601.55	\$107,739.59	\$110,971.78	\$114,300.93	\$117,729.96
20th	\$107,065.41	\$110,277.37	\$113,585.69	\$116,993.26	\$120,503.06

App. B (3%) hired on or after 1.1.2014

Base	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Recruit	\$54,563.46	\$56,200.36	\$57,886.37	\$59,622.96	\$61,411.65
1st	\$61,240.63	\$63,077.85	\$64,970.18	\$66,919.29	\$68,926.87
2nd	\$67,920.02	\$69,957.62	\$72,056.35	\$74,218.04	\$76,444.58
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4th	\$81,269.89	\$83,707.99	\$86,219.23	\$88,805.81	\$91,469.98
5th	\$87,952.64	\$90,591.22	\$93,308.95	\$96,108.22	\$98,991.47
6th	\$94,632.02	\$97,470.98	\$100,395.11	\$103,406.97	\$106,509.18
20th	\$95,121.48	\$97,975.12	\$100,914.38	\$103,941.81	\$107,060.06
Detective	\$98,603.32	\$101,561.42	\$104,608.26	\$107,746.51	\$110,978.91
20th	\$99,112.83	\$102,086.22	\$105,148.80	\$108,303.27	\$111,552.37

Associates	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Recruit	\$55,343.89	\$57,004.20	\$58,714.33	\$60,475.76	\$62,290.03
1st	\$62,021.06	\$63,881.69	\$65,798.14	\$67,772.09	\$69,805.25
2nd	\$68,700.45	\$70,761.47	\$72,884.31	\$75,070.84	\$77,322.97
3rd	\$75,376.50	\$77,637.80	\$79,966.93	\$82,365.94	\$84,836.92
4th	\$82,050.33	\$84,511.84	\$87,047.19	\$89,658.61	\$92,348.36
5th	\$88,732.44	\$91,394.41	\$94,136.25	\$96,960.33	\$99,869.14
6th	\$95,412.46	\$98,274.84	\$101,223.08	\$104,259.78	\$107,387.57
20th	\$95,901.91	\$98,778.97	\$101,742.34	\$104,794.61	\$107,938.44

Detective	\$99,383.76	\$102,365.28	\$105,436.23	\$108,599.32	\$111,857.30
20th	\$99,883.23	\$102,879.73	\$105,966.12	\$109,145.10	\$112,419.46
Bachelors	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Recruit	\$56,124.32	\$57,808.05	\$59,542.29	\$61,328.56	\$63,168.42
1st	\$62,801.49	\$64,685.53	\$66,626.10	\$68,624.88	\$70,683.63
2nd	\$69,480.89	\$71,565.31	\$73,712.27	\$75,923.64	\$78,201.35
3rd	\$76,156.94	\$78,441.65	\$80,794.90	\$83,218.75	\$85,715.31
4th	\$82,830.76	\$85,315.68	\$87,875.15	\$90,511.40	\$93,226.75
5th	\$89,513.50	\$92,198.90	\$94,964.87	\$97,813.82	\$100,748.23
6th	\$96,192.89	\$99,078.68	\$102,051.04	\$105,112.57	\$108,265.95
20st	\$96,682.34	\$99,582.81	\$102,570.30	\$105,647.40	\$108,816.83
Detective	\$100,164.19	\$103,169.12	\$106,264.19	\$109,452.12	\$112,735.68
20th	\$100,673.70	\$103,693.91	\$106,804.73	\$110,008.87	\$113,309.14

All salaries specified in this ordinance shall take effect as of final adoption and shall continue in effect until an amendment to this ordinance or passage of any ordinance inconsistent with this ordinance.

Introduced and Passed on First Reading: March 25, 2024

Dayl R. Baile, Mayor

Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City this 22nd day of April, 2024.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORDINANCE REGULATING THE SALARIES OF THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey as follows:

SCHEDULE A

Sergeant	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Base	\$112,724.44	\$116,106.17	\$119,589.35	\$123,177.03	\$126,872.35
6th Year	\$115,542.55	\$119,008.82	\$122,579.09	\$126,256.46	\$130,044.15
10th Year	\$116,106.16	\$119,589.35	\$123,177.03	\$126,872.34	\$130,678.51
15th Year	\$117,797.03	\$121,330.94	\$124,970.87	\$128,720.00	\$132,581.60
20th Year	\$120,615.14	\$124,233.60	\$127,960.60	\$131,799.42	\$135,753.41

Lieutenant	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Base	\$120,297.86	\$123,906.80	\$127,624.00	\$131,452.72	\$135,396.30
6th Year	\$123,305.31	\$127,004.47	\$130,814.60	\$134,739.04	\$138,781.21
10th Year	\$123,906.80	\$127,624.00	\$131,452.72	\$135,396.30	\$139,458.19
15th Year	\$125,711.26	\$129,482.60	\$133,367.08	\$137,368.09	\$141,489.13
20th Year	\$128,718.72	\$132,580.28	\$136,557.69	\$140,654.42	\$144,874.05

Captain	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Base	\$124,846.63	\$128,592.03	\$132,449.79	\$136,423.28	\$140,515.98
6th Year	\$127,967.80	\$131,806.83	\$135,761.04	\$139,833.87	\$144,028.88
10th Year	\$128,591.93	\$132,449.68	\$136,423.17	\$140,515.87	\$144,731.35
15th Year	\$133,788.62	\$137,802.27	\$141,936.34	\$146,194.43	\$150,580.27
20th Year	\$136,796.07	\$140,899.95	\$145,126.95	\$149,480.76	\$153,965.18

All salaries specified in this ordinance shall take effect as of final adoption and shall continue in effect until an amendment to this ordinance or passage of any ordinance inconsistent with this ordinance.

Introduced and Passed on First Reading: March 25, 2024

Dayl R. Baile, Mayor

Adopted by the Mayor and Common Council of Gloucester City this 22nd day of April, 2024.

Vanessa L. Little, City Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

GLOUCESTER CITY, NEW JERSEY ORDINANCE .24

ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPLICATION AND FINANCIAL AGREEMENT FOR A LONG-TERM TAX EXEMPTION WITH VP BURLINGTON URBAN RENEWAL, LLC FOR THE PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS SET FORTH IN THE APPLICATION TO BE CONSTRUCTED ON PORTIONS OF BLOCK 50, LOT 1 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY

SUMMARY

The purpose of this Ordinance is to approve the application of and authorize a financial agreement with VP Burlington Urban Renewal, LLC for a long-term tax exemption. The tax exemption shall only apply to the project improvements set forth in the application and not to the land value.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading on the 25th day of March 2024, at a regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gloucester City and will be taken up for final consideration after a public hearing at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gloucester City to be held on the 22nd day of April 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall, 313 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City, New Jersey. Copies of the foregoing Ordinance are available free of charge at the City Clerk's office located at the Municipal Building, 512 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City, New Jersey, Monday through Wednesday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Thursday 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Vanessa L. Little, RMC, CMR Clerk, City of Gloucester City

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY #O - 2024

Bond Ordinance Authorizing the Acquisition of Certain Real Property and the Improvements Thereon in and for the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey; Appropriating the Sum of \$550,000 Therefor; Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds or Bond Anticipation Notes of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden, New Jersey in the Aggregate Principal Amount of up to \$522,500; Making Certain Determinations and Covenants; and Authorizing Certain Related Actions in Connection with the Foregoing

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY #O - 2024

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 87, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE I., ENTITLED STREET TRAFFIC AND PARKING, § 87-10. SCHEDULE C: NO PARKING, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, this amendment is in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Gloucester City ("City"); and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:72-3, entitled, General powers; power to pass ordinances for specific purposes, empowers all municipality to make, amend, repeal and enforce ordinances for the following purposes: (a). The protection of life, health and property; (b). The declaration, prevention and summary abatement of nuisances; c. The preservation and enforcement of good government; and the (d) general welfare, order and security of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City desire to amend the Code of the City of Gloucester City, specifically Chapter 87, entitled No Parking, by amending Schedule C as set forth in §87-10.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Ordained by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1: The following additional residents only parking by permit shall be in effect for the following area pursuant to Chapter 87. Vehicles and Traffic, Article XII A., Parking Permits:

§ 87-61A.11. Streets designated.

No person shall park a vehicle on the following streets or parts of streets unless an appropriate and current parking permit, as issued by the municipality, is displayed on said vehicle for the appropriate street or part of a street as described or listed below:

Sylvan Avenue	Entire Length East Side	6:00 a.m. to 6:00	Monday through Sunday
	from Highland Blvd to	a.m. (24 hours)	
	Klemm Avenue		

SECTION 2: The	following	No	Parking	area	is	added t	Ю	Chapter	87,	Vehicles	and	Traffic,
Article I, Street Traffic and	Parking:											

§ 87-10. Schedule C: No Parking.

A. In accordance with the provisions of § 87-5, no persons may park a vehicle at any time upon any of the following described streets:

Meadowbrook Drive,	Both sides	Within 5 feet from any	Either side of mailbox
Springdale Road,		mailbox and/or within	or curve
Springdale Court and		25 feet of any curve	
Green Acres Lane			

SECTION 3: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4: If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

	Dayl Baile, Mayor
Passed on First Reading: April 22, 2024	
Adopted by the Mayor and Common Cour	ncil of Gloucester City this day of May, 2024.
$\overline{\mathbf{v}}$	Vanessa Little, RMC, City Clerk

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#O - 2024

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO INCLUDE NEW CHAPTER 57, ENTITLED, "PRIVATELY-OWNED SALT STORAGE"

WHEREAS the City of Gloucester City (the "City") is a municipal corporation organized and operating under the laws of the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS the City adopted new stormwater control regulations through Ordinance; and

WHEREAS the revised regulations require the City adopt regulations on privately-owned salt storage; and

WHEREAS pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, the City Council is authorized to enact and amend ordinances as deemed necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the City by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Gloucester City that the Code of the City of Gloucester City is hereby amended, revised and/or supplemented as follows:

SECTION 1. The Code of the City of Gloucester City is hereby amended, revised, and supplemented by adding new Chapter 57, entitled "Privately-Owned Salt Storage" as follows:

§ 57-1 Purpose.

The purpose of this ordinance is to prevent stored salt and other solid de-icing materials from being exposed to stormwater. This ordinance establishes requirements for the storage of salt and other solid de-icing materials on properties not owned or operated by the municipality (privately-owned)* in the City of Gloucester City to protect the environment, public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

§ 57-2 Definitions:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- A. "De-icing materials" means any granular or solid material such as melting salt or any other granular solid that assists in the melting of snow.
- B. "Impervious surface" means a surface that has been covered with a layer of material so that it is highly resistant to infiltration by water.
- C. "Storm drain inlet" means the point of entry into the storm sewer system.

D. "Permanent structure" means a permanent building or permanent structure that is anchored to a permanent foundation with an impermeable floor, and that is completely roofed and walled (new structures require a door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall).

A fabric frame structure is a permanent structure if it meets the following specifications:

- 1. Concrete blocks, jersey barriers or other similar material shall be placed around the interior of the structure to protect the side walls during loading and unloading of de-icing materials;
- 2. The design shall prevent stormwater run-on and run through, and the fabric cannot leak;
- 3. The structure shall be erected on an impermeable slab;
- 4. The structure cannot be open sided; and
- 5. The structure shall have a roll up door or other means of sealing the access way from wind driven rainfall.
- E. "Person" means any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.

§ 57-3. Deicing Material Storage Requirements:

- A. Temporary outdoor storage of de-icing materials in accordance with the requirements below is allowed between October 15th and April 15th, but no longer than 30 days without prior written approval from the Department:
 - 1. Materials shall be placed on a flat, impervious surface in a manner that prevents stormwater run-through;
 - 2. Materials shall be placed at least 50 feet from surface water bodies, storm drain inlets, and/or ditches or other stormwater conveyance channels;
 - 3. Materials shall be formed in a cone-shaped storage pile;
 - 4. All storage piles shall be covered as follows:
 - a. The cover shall be waterproof, impermeable, and flexible;
 - b. The cover shall extend to the base of the pile(s);
 - The cover shall be free from holes or tears;
 - d. The cover shall be secured and weighed down around the perimeter to prevent removal by wind;
 - e. Weight shall be placed on the cover(s) in such a way that minimizes the

potential of exposure as materials shift and runoff flows down to the base of the pile.

- (1) Sandbags lashed together with rope or cable and placed uniformly over the flexible cover, or poly-cord nets provide a suitable method. Items that can potentially hold water (e.g., old tires) shall not be used.
- 5. The site shall be free of all de-icing materials between April 16th and October 14th.
- B. De-icing materials should be stored in a permanent structure if a suitable storage structure is available. For storage of solid de-icing materials in a permanent structure, such storage may be permanent, and thus not restricted to October 15th April 15th.
- C. The property owner shall designate a person(s) responsible for operations at the site where these materials are stored, and who shall document that weekly inspections are conducted to ensure that the conditions of this ordinance are met.

§ 57-4. Exemptions:

This ordinance does not apply to facilities where the stormwater discharges from salt storage activities are regulated under another NJPDES permit.

§ 57-5. Enforcement:

This ordinance shall be enforced by the City of Gloucester City Police Department or its designee during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

§ 57-6. Violations and Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall have 72 hours to complete corrective action. Repeat violations and/or failure to complete corrective action shall be subject to penalties. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not to exceed \$500 or by imprisonment not to exceed 90 days, or both.

SECTION 2:

All other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3:

If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such subdivision, clause or provision and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

SECTION 4:

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

	Dayl Baile, Mayor		
Passed on First Reading: April 22, 2024			
Adopted by the Mayor and Common Co	ouncil of Gloucester City this day of May, 2024.		
	Vanessa Little, RMC, City Clerk		

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#O - 2024

AN ORDINANCE CREATING CHAPTER 74 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY, ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR TREE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT IN THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY TO REDUCE SOIL EROSION AND POLLUTANT RUNOFF, PROMOTE INFILTRATION OF RAINWATER INTO THE SOIL

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") revised Tier A of the Municipal Stormwater General Permit; and

WHEREAS, the NJDEP also took steps to reclassify all municipalities into the Tier A category; and

WHEREAS, the revised permit requires municipalities to adopt and enforce a community-wide ordinance covering tree removal/replacement, conditioned upon the existence of a compliant pre-existing Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, to assist municipalities in adopting a complying ordinance, the NJDEP undertook the development of a model tree replacement/removal ordinance, which has been finalized and is now available for dissemination; and

WHEREAS, in addition to finalizing the ordinance, the NJDEP has extended the due date for municipalities to adopt a tree removal/replacement ordinance from January 1, 2024 to May 1, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey, of the City Code, shall be amended as follows:

SECTION 1: There is hereby created Part II, General Legislation Chapter 74 of the Code of the City of Gloucester City entitled, Tree Removal and Replacement, as follows:

Chapter 74. Tree Removal and Replacement

§74-1. Purpose.

An ordinance to establish requirements for tree removal and replacement in the City of Gloucester City to reduce soil erosion and pollutant runoff, promote infiltration of rainwater into the soil, and protect the environment, public health, safety, and welfare.

§74-2. Definitions.

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this ordinance clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When consistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The use of the word "shall" means the requirement is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- A. "Applicant" means any "person", as defined below, who applies for approval to remove trees regulated under this ordinance.
- B. "Critical Root Radius (CRR)" means the zone around the base of a tree where the majority of the root system is found. This zone is calculated by multiplying the diameter at breast height (DBH) of the tree by 1.5 feet. For example: a tree with a 6" DBH would have a CRR =6"x1.5' = 9'.
- C. "Diameter at Breast Height (DBH)" means the diameter of the trunk of a mature tree generally measured at a point four and a half feet above ground level from the uphill side of the tree.
- D. "Hazard Tree" means a tree or limbs thereof that meet one or more of the criteria below. Trees that do not meet any of the criteria below and are proposed to be removed solely for development purposes are not hazard trees.
 - 1. Has an infectious disease or insect infestation;
 - 2. Is dead or dying;
 - 3. Obstructs the view of traffic signs or the free passage of pedestrians or vehicles, where pruning attempts have not been effective;
 - 4. Is causing obvious damage to structures (such as building foundations, sidewalks, etc.); or
 - 5. Is determined to be a threat to public health, safety, and/or welfare by a certified arborist or LTE.
- E. "Person" means any individual, resident, corporation, utility, company, partnership, firm, or association.
- F. "Planting strip" means the part of a street right-of-way between the public right-of-way adjacent to the portion of the street reserved for vehicular traffic the abutting property line and the curb or traveled portion of the street, exclusive of any sidewalk.
- G. "Resident" means an individual who resides on the residential property where a tree(s) regulated by this ordinance is removed or proposed to be removed.
- H. "Street Tree" means a tree planted in the sidewalk, planting strip, and/or in the public right-of-way adjacent to the portion of the street reserved for vehicular traffic. This also includes trees planted in planting strips within the roadway right-of-way, i.e.,

islands, medians, pedestrianrefuges.

- I. "Tree" means a woody perennial plant, typically having a single stem or trunk growing to a considerable height and bearing lateral branches at some distance from the ground.
- J. "Tree Caliper" means the diameter of the trunk of a young tree, measured six (6) inches from the soil line. For young trees whose caliper exceeds four (4) inches, the measurement is taken twelve (12) inches above the soil line.
- K. "Tree removal" means to kill or to cause irreparable damage that leads to the decline and/or death of a tree. This includes, but is not limited to, excessive pruning, application of substances that are toxic to the tree, over-mulching or improper mulching, and improper grading and/or soil compaction within the critical root radius around the base of the tree that leads to the decline and/or death of a tree. Removal does not include responsible pruning and maintenance of a tree, or the application of treatments intended to manage invasive species.

§74-3. Regulated Activities.

A. Application Process:

- 1. Any person planning to remove a street tree with DBH of 2.5" or more or any non-street tree with DBH of 6" or more on their property shall submit a Tree Removal Application to City. No tree shall be removed until municipal officials have reviewed and approved the removal.
- 2. For larger scale clearing projects, a tree protection management plan must be submitted at the time of site plan or subdivision application. A tree protection management plan shall contain the following information on a plot plan:
 - a. Location of all existing or proposed buildings, driveways, grading, septic fields, easements, underground utility lines, rights-of-way, and other improvements.
 - b. Location of existing wetland buffers, natural features, including wooded areas, watercourses, wetlands, and floodplains.
 - c. The limits of the tree protection zone.
 - d. Location of all existing live street tree with DBH of 2.5" or more or any non-street tree with DBH of 6". Each tree shall be noted by its species, size and general health condition. Whenever possible, the actual canopy spread shall be shown.
 - e. Each tree, or mass of trees, to be removed or transplanted shall be clearly marked.
 - f. A chart tabulating the diameter inches being removed, and the required compensatory trees.
 - g. Specifications for the removal of existing trees and for the protection of existing trees to be preserved, including detail(s) of tree protection fencing, as required.
 - h. Location of compensatory proposed trees.

Applicants will be subject to an application fee as per the Table below.

B. Tree Replacement Requirements

- 1. Any person who removes one or more street tree(s) with a DBH of 2.5" or more, unless exempt under Section IV, shall be subject to the requirements of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table below.
- 2. Any person, other than a resident, who removes one or more tree(s) with a DBH of 6" or more per acre, unless exempt under Section IV, shall be subject to the requirements of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table.

The species type and diversity of replacement trees shall be in accordance with Appendix A. Replacement tree(s) shall:

- 1. Be replaced in kind with a tree that has an equal or greater DBH than tree removed or meet the Tree Replacement Criteria in the table below;
- 2 Be planted within twelve (12) months of the date of removal of the original tree(s) or at an alternative date specified by the municipality;
- 3. Be monitored by the applicant for a period of two (2) years to ensure their survival and shall be replaced as needed within twelve (12) months; and
- 4. Shall not be planted in temporary containers or pots, as these do not count towards tree replacement requirements.

Tree Replacement Requirements Table:

Category	Tree Removed (DBH)	Tree Replacement Criteria (See Appendix A)	Application Fee	
1	DBH of 2.5" (for street trees) or 6" (for non-street trees) to 12.99"	Replant 1 tree with a minimum tree caliper of 1.5" for each tree removed	\$100.00	
2	DBH of 13" to 22.99"	Replant 2 trees with minimum tree calipers of 1.5" for each tree removed	\$100.00	
3	DBH of 23" to 32.99"	Replant 3 trees with minimum tree calipers of 1.5" for each tree removed	\$100.00	
4	DBH of 33" or greater	Replant 4 trees with minimum tree calipers of 1.5" for each tree removed	\$100.00	

C. Replacement Alternatives:

1. If the municipality determines that some or all required replacement trees cannot be planted on the property where the tree removal activity occurred, then the

applicant shall do one of the following:

- Plant replacement trees in a separate area(s) approved by the municipality.
- b. Pay a fee according to the schedule below. This fee shall be placed into a fund dedicated to tree planting and continued maintenance of the trees.

Tree Replacement Fees Table:

Category	Tree Removed (DBH)	Replacement Tree Value (See Sub-Section C(1)(b))
1	DBH of 2.5" (for street trees) or 6" (for non-street trees) to 12.99"	\$350
2	DBH of 13" to 22.99"	\$700
3	DBH of 23" to 32.99"	\$1,050
4	DBH of 33" or greater	\$1,400

§74-3. Exemptions.

All persons shall comply with the tree replacement standard outlined above, except in the cases detailed below. Proper justification shall be provided, in writing, to the municipality by all persons claiming an exemption. Proper justification shall consist of submissions such as photos and/or statements from NJ licensed tree expert as per NJ Statue 45:15C-11 or arborist.:

- A. Residents who remove less than four (4) trees per acre that fall into category 1, 2, or 3 of the Tree Replacement Requirements Table within a five-year period. The number of trees removed is a rolling count across a five-year period. For example, if 3 trees from category 1 are removed in July 2023, the 'count' resets to zero in July 2028. However, if 1 one tree from category 1 is removed in July 2023 and another in July of 2025 the first tree will come off the countin July 2028 and the second in July 2030.
- B. Tree farms in active operation, nurseries, fruit orchards, and garden centers.
- C. Properties used for the practice of silviculture under an approved forest stewardship or woodland management plan that is active and on file with the municipality.
- D. Any trees removed as part of a municipal or state decommissioning plan. This exemption only includes trees planted as part of the construction and predetermined to be removed in the decommissioning plan.
- E. Any trees removed pursuant to a New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) or U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved environmental cleanup, or NJDEP approved habitat enhancement plan.

- F. Approved game management practices, as recommended by the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife;
- G. Hazard trees may be removed with no fee or replacement requirement.

§74-4. Enforcement.

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department and/or other Municipal Officials of City during the course of ordinary enforcement duties.

§74-5. Violations and Penalties.

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of \$350.00 per replacement tree required per this section.

SECTION 2: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3: If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

<u>SECTION 4</u>: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

	Dayl Baile, Mayor
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Vanessa Little, RMC, City Clerk

Appendix A

Approved list of Replacement tree Species and Planting Standards for City

Proper planting standard procedures shall be in accordance with the American Association of Nurseryman Standards and ANSI A300 "Tree Care Management Practices".

Tree Species	Planting Season	Planting Procedure
Flowering dogwood (white) tree form	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	May be planted under wires
Flowering dogwood	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted under
(pink) tree form Washington Hawthorne (tree form)	to Mid-June Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	wires May be planted under wires
Sentry ginkgo (male grafted only)	April to Mid-June; and Sept-October	May be planted where no wires overhead May be planted where no
Shademaster locust	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	wires overhead
Sunburst locust	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	May be planted where no wires overhead
Panicled goldenrain tree	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	May be planted under wires
Sweetgum	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	May be planted where no wires overhead
Japanese flowering crab	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	May be planted under wires
Sourwood	April to Mid-June; and Sept-October	May be planted under wires
Amur corktree	April to Mid-June; and Sept-October	May be planted under wires, must be high branched 6-7 ft
White pine	April to Mid-June; and Sept-October	May be planted where no wires overhead
London plane	Fall Dig Hazard	May be planted where no wires overhead
American plane	Fall Dig Hazard	May be planted where no wires overhead
Kwanzan (Japanese flowering cherry)	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	May be planted under wires
Northern red oak	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	May be planted where no wires overhead
Scarlet oak	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	May be planted where no wires overhead
Shingle oak	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	May be planted where no wires overhead

Tree Species	Planting Season	Planting Procedure
Burr oak	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no
	to Mid-June	wires overhead
Chestnut oak	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no
	to Mid-June	wires overhead
Black oak	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no
	to Mid-June	wires overhead
Pagoda tree	April to Mid-June; and	May be planted under
	Sept-October	wires
American linden	April to Mid-June; and	May be planted where no
	Sept-October	wires overhead
European littleleaf	April to Mid-June; and	May be planted where no
linden	Sept-October	wires overhead
Greenspire linden	April to Mid-June; and	May be planted where no
•	Sept-October	wires overhead
Silver linden	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no
	to Mid-June	wires overhead
European linden	April to Mid-June; and	May be planted where no
	Sept-October	wires overhead
American elm	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no
	to Mid-June	wires overhead
Red maple	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no
	to Mid-June	wires overhead
Columnar red maple	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no
	to Mid-June	wires overhead
Sugar maple	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no
	to Mid-June	wires overhead
Columnar sugar	April to Mid-June; and	May be planted where no
maple	Sept-October	wires overhead
European hornbeam	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted under
	to Mid-June	wires
Pyramidal	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted under
European hornbeam	to Mid-June	wires
Katsura tree	April to Mid-June; and	May be planted where no
T 11	Sept-October	wires overhead
Japanese zelkova	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no
XX7*11	to Mid-June	wires overhead
Willow oak	Fall Dig Hazard; April	May be planted where no wires overhead
Ostahan Clari Dad	to Mid-June	May be planted where no
October Glory Red	Fall Dig Hazard; April to Mid-June	wires overhead
maple Ruby red	April to Mid-June; and	May be planted where no
Ruby red horsechestnut	Sept-October	wires overhead
(parking areas)	Sept-October	Wiles Overhoad
Amur maple	April to Mid-June; and	May be planted where no
Amui mapie	Sept-October	wires overhead
	pepi-Octobel	INTERIOR OF OUTCOME

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY #O - 2024

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 4. ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, ARTICLE IX. ENTITLED FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER CITY, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter 4, Article IX, of the Code of the City of Gloucester City ("City") there is created a Fire Department subject to certain organizational structure, rules and regulations; and

WHEREAS pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, the Mayor and Common Council of the City is authorized to enact and amend ordinances as deemed necessary for the preservation of the public's health, safety and welfare as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the City by law; and

WHEREAS, said Ordinances address several components of the Fire Department including the Establishment and Responsibilities; Organization of Fire Department; Chain of Command; Authority of Fire Committee; Disciplinary Measures; Authority of Chief and other officers; Maintenance of Apparatus, Equipment and Gear; Career Personnel; Compensation; Shifts to be Served and the like; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Common Counsel believe it to be in the best interest of the public's health safety and welfare to make certain modification thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Gloucester City, County of Camden and State of New Jersey, that the City Code, shall be amended as follows:

SECTION 1: Chapter 4. Administrative Code, Article IX, entitled "Fire Department" is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

§ 4-49. Establishment and Responsibilities.

There shall be established in the City of Gloucester City a Fire Department. This Department shall, in accordance with this article of the Administrative Code and in compliance with all pertinent statutes, rules and regulations governing municipal Fire Departments, be responsible:

- A. To enact policies and procedures to prevent, extinguish, and control fire and hazardous conditions.
- B. To enact and enforce policies and procedures to identify and rectify circumstances that may be related to the ability to prevent, extinguish and control fires and hazardous conditions.

- C. To enact policies and procedures to rescue, safeguard and educate the public as to prevention, extinguishment and control of fire and hazardous conditions.
- D. To enact policies and procedures to issue violations to correct circumstances that hinder the Department in the prevention, extinguishment and control of fire and hazardous conditions and to create billing procedures for the collection of funds for the provision of services or violations.

§ 4-49.1. Number and Location of Stations.

The Gloucester City Fire Department shall consist of a minimum of [one station] and be geographically located as listed below:

- [A. At least one station shall be located to provide for efficient response to all portions within the City Limits.]
- [B.] Any other station as may be available shall be located where possible and be subject to the conditions of this ordinance.

§ 4-50. Organization of Fire Department.

- A. There shall be a [Director] of Fire appointed by the Common Council in accordance with the rules and regulations of the [City of Gloucester City]. The [Director] shall be the ranking officer of the Department and will also be in full charge of the [Fire] Department. The [Director] shall make, administer, and enforce rules and regulations for the control, discipline and disposition of the Department and its officers and employees. He shall have exclusive jurisdiction of the control, extinguishment, and prevention of fires. He shall, within the appropriations of the annual budget, assign personnel, maintain the headquarters and acquire and maintain equipment and apparatus.
- B. There shall be a Fire and Emergency Medical Services staffed with sufficient personnel to safely operate under the terms of this ordinance and departmental standard operating procedures. All personnel shall be appointed by the Council in accordance with the regulations of the New Jersey Department of Personnel including the provision that each fire fighter shall have and maintain a valid emergency medical technician certification to be appointed and remain a member of the Department. There shall be an amount of personnel as authorized by this ordinance and limited annually only by the appropriations of the final adopted budget of the City.
 - There shall be four supervisory officers, if eligible and appointed through the promotional procedures of the New Jersey Department of Personnel. These shall be in the title of Battalion Chief. At those times when there are no eligible employees to be permanently promoted to Battalion Chief, an employee meeting the requirements and appointed to the position of Fire Lieutenant shall serve in this position until such time as a promotion to Battalion Chief shall be available. The supervisory officer shall be the shift supervisor and have full responsibility for all personnel, both career and volunteer, for the purpose of daily operations of the Department. The supervisory officers shall be in command behind the [Director] of the Department as specified in the hierarchy section of this ordinance.

- There shall be a fire fighter appointed to a title as set by the New Jersey Department of Personnel as the EMS Training Officer, who shall be certified as required by the New Jersey Department of Health. This staff position reports to the Deputy Fire Chief. of the Department on administrative matters and to the Supervisory Officer for fire operations.
- (3) The following titles shall be maintained within the career service division:
 - (a) Fire fighter.
 - (b) Fire Prevention Specialist UFD.
 - (c) Fire Lieutenant (should no one be available for permanent appointment to Battalion Chief).
 - (d) Battalion Chief.
 - [(e) Deputy Fire Chief]
 - (f) [Director] of Fire.
- C. There shall be a Volunteer Division staffed with a sufficient number of officers and firefighters as determined by the Chief and Fire Committee of Council to safely operate under the terms of this ordinance and standard operating procedures. Members shall be assigned to stations at the discretion of the Chief.
 - (1) There shall be a Deputy Chief assigned to the entire Department subordinate only to the Chief of the Department. Common Council, upon consultation with the officers of all the battalions and the Chief of the Department, shall appoint the Deputy Chief.
 - (2) There shall be one Battalion Chief assigned to each station and shall have full responsibility of the operations of their respective station and the supervision of the Captains, Lieutenants and firefighters under his/her command. Common Council, upon consultation with the officers of the affected battalion and the Chief of the Department, shall appoint Battalion Chiefs.
 - (3) There shall be one Captain assigned to each station. Captains shall meet the requirements set forth by this ordinance and Department policy. Common Council, upon consultation with the officers of the affected battalion and the Chief of the Department, shall appoint Captains.
 - (4) There shall be one Lieutenant assigned to each station. Lieutenants shall meet the requirements set forth by this ordinance and Department policy. Common Council, upon consultation with the officers of the affected battalion and the Chief of the Department, shall appoint Lieutenants.
 - (5) There shall be firefighters assigned as available among the ranks of the Volunteer Division. The firefighters shall meet all the training requirements as set forth in this ordinance and departmental policy.
- <u>CD</u>. There shall be a Division of Emergency Management. The City's Emergency Management Coordinator shall come from the ranks of the career employees. Council shall make the appointment according to the terms of this ordinance, the City Code and in consultation with the [Director] of Fire and pursuant to the regulations of the New Jersey Department of Personnel. The employee shall, in a timely manner acquire and maintain all certifications

and training certificates as specified under the State of New Jersey regulations in a timely manner. The EMC shall report to the [Director] of Fire on all fire duties and the Mayor and [Common] Council or New Jersey State Police, through the designated procedures.

- (1) The EMC shall coordinate investigations and emergency responses to situations that have the potential to become environmental/health hazards to the City and perform related emergency prevention work.
- (2) The EMC shall plan, organize and develop varied emergency management programs and procedures within the municipality and perform related work as required.
- (3) The EMC shall assist with directing and integrating the practice exercises of the municipality with that of the County and State Emergency Management organizations.
- (4) The EMC shall manage the environmental cleanup activities through the City and represent the City on environmental issues.
- (5) The EMC shall manage the Emergency Operations Center and coordinate all agencies involved in the abatement of an incident, whether caused by nature, chemicals or some other disaster.
- (6) The EMC shall maintain and update all annexes to the City Emergency Management Plan and be the liaison between the City and the County, State, and Federal FEMA representatives.

§ 4-50.1. Bureau of Fire Prevention.

There shall be in the Department a Division of Fire Prevention. This office shall be manned by a Fire Prevention Specialist UFD who shall serve under the direction of the [Director] of Fire and perform such duties as assigned, including those outlined in this section and as a fire fighter under the command established in this ordinance.

A. Staffing:

- (1) The appointment to this position shall be made by the Common Council under the regulations of the New Jersey Department of Personnel.
- (2) The employee in this position shall maintain all requirements remain a career fire fighter in Gloucester City as well as the licensing required to perform such life, safety and inspection duties required under the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

B. Duties:

- (1) Under the direction of the [Director] of the Department, perform all inspections as required in the Uniform Fire Code of New Jersey (N.J.A.C. 5) as Life Hazard Uses and Non-Life Hazard Uses.
- (2) Perform all inspections as encoded in the local fire prevention standards per Chapter 48 of the ordinances of the City of Gloucester City.

- (3) Establish and implement programs for the instruction and investigation of business establishments in fire safety practice.
- (4) Report findings and violations to the Fire Official, detailing infractions and recommendations.
- (5) Coordinate and take reports from fire fighters conducting neighborhood inspections to issue violations and/or recommendations to situations found during block inspections.
- (6) Maintain files of inspections and findings.
- (7) Coordinate and implement programs with schools, business organizations, and civic organizations to promote fire awareness and safety, including participation in scheduling and reviewing fire drills and demonstration of proper utilization of equipment and procedures.
- (8) Coordinate with the Emergency Management Coordinator to establish and conduct tests of emergency awareness programs.
- (9) Perform special duties at events where congregations of people may dictate special arrangements.
- (10) Inspect fire hydrants or coordinate inspections with fire fighters and utility division.
- (11) Perform as a fire fighter or Emergency Medical Technician where needed in response to alarms.
- (12) Perform other various tasks as may be directed by the [Director of Fire] in conformance with the description of this title.

§ 4-51. Volunteer allotments.

The volunteer members of the Department that are in good standing shall receive the following allotment:

Position	Annual Allotment
Deputy Chief	\$550
Battalion Chief	\$450
Captain	\$400
Lieutenant	\$350
Firefighters	\$300

§ 4-512. Chain of Command.

- A. The chain of command of the Gloucester City Fire Department shall be as follows: Upon the occurrence of an incident, the first arriving officer shall establish command until a higher ranking officer arrives on the scene. At this time, he shall be briefed on the incident and will become the incident commander. The same procedure shall occur upon the arrival of each higher ranking officer until the arrival of the Director of the Fire Department.
- B. The following shall be the hierarchy for the Department during fire suppression activities: The chain of command of the Gloucester City Fire Department shall be as follows: Upon the occurrence of an incident, the first arriving officer shall establish command until a higher ranking officer arrives on the scene. At this time, he shall be briefed on the incident and will become the incident commander. The same procedure shall occur upon the arrival of each higher ranking officer until the arrival of the [Director of the Fire Department].
- C. The following shall be the hierarchy for the Department during fire suppression activities:
 - (1) Director of Fire.
 - (2) Deputy Fire Chief (volunteer).
 - (3) Shift Supervisory Officer (career).
 - (3) (4)-Battalion Fire Chief (volunteer).
 - (54) Captain (volunteer).
 - (65) Lieutenant (volunteer).
 - (6) Fire Prevention Specialist UFD (career).
 - (7) Fire fighter (career).
 - (9) Fire fighter (volunteer).

§ 4-532. Authority of Fire Committee; Disciplinary Measures.

Members of the Gloucester City Fire Department and all staff positions established by this ordinance shall be subject to the orders and administration of the [Director of Fire].

A. The [Director of Fire] shall have the power to take disciplinary action after a review of the infraction or violation of this ordinance, the City's Personnel Policy as provided in accordance with the standard operating procedures and/or any departmental policies. The Career Division-employees shall be disciplined in accordance with the regulations of the New Jersey Department of Personnel and any pertinent contractual provisions. The Fire Committee of the Common Council shall have the right to hear any appeal of action taken by the [Director of Fire].

§ 4-543. Authority of Chief and Other Officers.

All personnel of the Department shall function as a single unit under one command while on the scene of a fire or incident; all personnel shall be subject to the orders of any officer, whether Uniform Division or Volunteer.

§ 4-554. Maintenance of Apparatus, Equipment and Gear.

Any apparatus, equipment or gear in need of repair or maintenance shall be reported to the on-duty ranking officer for action. The ranking officer shall take action in accordance with departmental policies. Certain responsibilities may be assigned by the [Director of Fire] to maintain an effective and efficient policy on the maintenance of departmental property.

§ 4-565. Mandatory Retirement Age.

The Department and the City shall follow all state and federal laws and guidelines concerning the retirement age of both career and volunteer members.

§ 4-576. Life Members of Fire Department.

Any member having completed 20 years of service to the Department, who is in good standing, may be presented for life membership. This shall include the recommendation of the [Director of Fire]. The Fire Committee and the Chief shall review all other cases. Once approved, the Council may pass a resolution declaring the life member status of the person presented.

§ 4-58. Training requirements.

A. All firefighters and candidates for officer must have the following minimum training.

These requirements are a minimum standard only and are not the final requirement for appointment. The Chief shall have the authority to set additional requirements as needed and in accordance with standard operating procedures and departmental policy.

(1) Deputy Chief.

- (a) Advance pump operations.
- (b) Engine company fire ground operations.
- (c) Advance ladder operations.
- (d) Truck company fire ground operation.
- (e) Building construction.
- (f) Firefighter safety.
- (g) Fire officer leadership.
- (h) Fire Department administration and management.

(2) Battalion Chief.

- (a) Advance pump operations.
- (b) Engine company fire ground operations.
- (c) Advance ladder operations.
- (d) Truck company fire ground operation.
- (e) Building construction.

- (f) Firefighter safety.
- (g) Fire officer leadership.

(3) First Captain.

- (a) Advance pump operations.
- (b) Engine company fire ground operations.
- (c) Advanced ladder operations.
- (d) Truck company fire ground operations.
- (e) Building construction.
- (f) Firefighter safety.
- (g) Fire officer leadership.

(4) Lieutenant.

- (a) Advance pump operations.
- (b) Engine company fire ground operations.
- (c) Advance ladder operations.
- (d) Truck company fire ground operations.
- (e) Building construction.
- (f) Firefighter safety.

(5) Firefighter Level 1 training.

- (a) OSHA right to know training.
- (b) Hazmat awareness.
- (c) Hazmat operations.
- (d) SCBA certification.
- B. All levels of training shall be completed prior to the appointment of said positions. All levels of training shall be in addition to any lower level positional requirements.
- [AC. The Deputy Fire Chief shall be the Departmental Training Officer. Training Instructors may be appointed from the ranks of the employees of the Department. The Training Officer shall coordinate all training and be assisted by other department personnel.]
- B. All EMS training shall be handled by the FF/EMT assigned by the [Director of Fire] to perform such duties as Administrative Aide listed above.

§ 4-597. Career personnel.

All career personnel and officers shall be appointed in accordance with the New Jersey Department of Personnel requirements for entry and promotion.

§ 4-597.1. Compensation.

The annual salaries provided by ordinance for the members of the Department shall be in lieu of any and all fees, commissions, emoluments of any kind paid to or received by any such member. All members of the Department of Fire shall be required to account for and pay any fees, commissions, or emoluments to the Treasurer of the City.

§ 4-597.2. Shifts to be served.

All members of the Department of Fire shall be required to serve on such shifts and for such hours and for such times as may be assigned by the [Director of Fire].

SECTION 2: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

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Vanessa Little, RMC, City Clerk