



Borough of Leonia

Municipal Center
229 Fort Lee Road
Leon, NJ 07605

Jonathan Mandel

Borough Clerk

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Meeting: 07/07/25 7:30 PM

**Mayor and Council
Meeting - Regular**

1 FLAG SALUTE

2 OPEN MEETING STATEMENT - *Conditions of the Open Meetings Act have been met by Notice placed on the Bulletin Board at Borough Hall and notice sent to the Official Newspaper.*

3 ROLL CALL

4 PRESENTATIONS/REMARKS

5 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - "AGENDA ITEMS ONLY" TWO (2) MINUTES PER SPEAKER

6 MAYORAL APPOINTMENT

6.1 Mayor's Advisory Committee on the World Cup 1. Member

7 APPOINTMENT/OATHS OF OFFICE

7.1 RES. 2025-175 Authorize Additional Swim Club Hires
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7.2 RES. 2025-176 Appoint Police Officer
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7.4 RES. 2025-178 Appoint Police Officer
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8 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

8.1 June 25, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes

9 REPORTS

A. Council Reports

Finance Committee

B. Mayor's Report

C. Borough Administrator's Report

D. Borough Attorney's Report

E. Borough Engineer's Report

10 ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

11 INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

- 11.1 ORD. 2025-15 Special Emergency Ordinance for Revaluation for the 2026 Tax Year
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12 NON-CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

- 12.1 RES. 2025-179 Authorize Execution of Right-of-Way License Agreement
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- 12.2 RES. 2025-180 Award Difference Card Contract to Nelson, Patterson Agency
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13 CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

- 13.1 RES. 2025-181 Award of \$5,000 Stipend for MS4 Certification
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- 13.2 RES. 2025-182 Appoint Municipal Representatives to BCCD Regional Committee
[2025-182_Appoint Municipal Representatives to BCCD Regional Committee_7.7.25.pdf](#)
- 13.3 RES. 2025-183 Authorize Application to Municipal Aid FY2026 Grant for Improvements to Oakdene Avenue
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- 13.4 RES. 2025-184 Resolution Increase in Bid Threshold
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- 13.5 RES. 2025-185 Authorize Advertisement for Temporary DPW Laborers
[2025-185_Authorize Advertisement for Temporary DPW Laborers_7.7.25.pdf](#)
- 13.6 RES. 2025-186 Authorize Serving of Alcohol in Wood Park - HSA Fall Festival
[2025-186_Authorize Consumption and Sale of Liquor in Wood Park - Fall Festival_7.7.25.pdf](#)
- 13.7 RES. 2025-187 Authorize Consumption and Sale of Liquor in Wood Park - Oktoberfest
[2025-187_Authorize Consumption and Sale of Liquor in Wood Park - Oktoberfest_7.7.25.pdf](#)
- 13.8 RES. 2025-188 Resolution Authorizing the Use of the Purchasing Procedures Manual and Vendor Manual

[2025-188_Authorize Use of the Purchasing Procedures Manual and Vendor Manual_7.7.25.pdf](#)

13.9 RES. 2025-189 Authorize Purchase of Variable Message Board for Police Department
[2025-189_Authorize Purchase of Variable Message Sign Board_7.7.25.pdf](#)

14 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

14.1 ROSI for Sculpture Garden - Diane Scarangella / Christoph Hesterbrink

14.2 Utility Alternatives - Marisa Mesropian

15 NEW BUSINESS

15.1 DPW Duties / Charging Non-Leonian's for Services - Marisa Mesropian

15.2 New Jersey League of Municipalities Convention - Mayor Ziegler

16 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC "AGENDA AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY" THREE (3) MINUTES PER SPEAKER

17 CORRESPONDENCE

17.1 Petition on Rainbow Flags

18 CLOSED SESSION - *Whereas the Borough of Leonia desires to meet in private and/or Executive Session to discuss matters that are permitted by the exceptions to the Open Public Meetings Act as indicated herein:*

18.1 A. Litigation

[2025-190_Closed Session_7.07.25.pdf](#)

19 ADJOURNMENT

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-175

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

AUTHORIZE ADDITIONAL SWIM CLUB HIRES

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey authorize the Leonia Recreation Commission to enter into a contract to hire the following staff for the 2025 Swim Club Season funded by the Swim Club Budget:

LIFEGUARDS

Jude Baron, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour
Olivia Choi, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour
Emilee Chung, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour
Thomas Dahiya, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour
Sarai Fronimos, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour
Conrad Garcia, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour
Rouen Ha, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour
Jacob Han, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour
Erin Kim, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour
Landon Lee, at a rate of \$14.63 per hour
Natalie Oysovsky, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour

FRONT DESK

Mariana Cardona, at a rate of \$14.53 per hour

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-176

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

POLICE OFFICER APPOINTMENT

WHEREAS, a need for the position of Police Officer presently exists in the Leonia Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council authorized the Chief of Police to advertise for this position and statement of qualifications on POLICEAPP and the Borough website; and

WHEREAS, a number of applications were received and reviewed by the Command Staff of the Leonia Police Department; and

WHEREAS, from that review Ms. Melissa Dias was selected to participate in numerous interviews with the Command Staff, Police Committee and the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Melissa Dias has successfully completed the Police Department's selection process and background investigation; and

WHEREAS, the Police Committee hereby recommends the Mayor's nomination of Ms. Melissa Dias for appointment to the position of Police Officer with the fully endorsed recommendation of said nomination; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that Ms. Melissa Dias is hereby appointed as a probationary police officer in the Leonia Police Department at a salary of \$45,711 and with full benefits as contained in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-177

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

POLICE OFFICER APPOINTMENT

WHEREAS, a need for the position of Police Officer presently exists in the Leonia Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council authorized the Chief of Police to advertise for this position and statement of qualifications on POLICEAPP and the Borough website; and

WHEREAS, a number of applications were received and reviewed by the Command Staff of the Leonia Police Department; and

WHEREAS, from that review Mr. Anthony Coleman was selected to participate in numerous interviews with the Command Staff, Police Committee and the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Anthony Coleman has successfully completed the Police Department's selection process and background investigation; and

WHEREAS, the Police Committee hereby recommends the Mayor's nomination of Mr. Anthony Coleman for appointment to the position of Police Officer with the fully endorsed recommendation of said nomination; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that Mr. Anthony Coleman is hereby appointed as a probationary police officer in the Leonia Police Department at a salary of \$45,711 and with full benefits as contained in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-178

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

POLICE OFFICER APPOINTMENT

WHEREAS, a need for the position of Police Officer presently exists in the Leonia Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council authorized the Chief of Police to advertise for this position and statement of qualifications on POLICEAPP and the Borough website; and

WHEREAS, a number of applications were received and reviewed by the Command Staff of the Leonia Police Department; and

WHEREAS, from that review Mr. Jayson Cohen was selected to participate in numerous interviews with the Command Staff, Police Committee and the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jayson Cohen has successfully completed the Police Department's selection process and background investigation; and

WHEREAS, the Police Committee hereby recommends the Mayor's nomination of Mr. Jayson Cohen for appointment to the position of Police Officer with the fully endorsed recommendation of said nomination; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that Mr. Jayson Cohen is hereby appointed as a probationary police officer in the Leonia Police Department at a salary of \$45,711 and with full benefits as contained in the current Collective Bargaining Agreement.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF LEONIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-15

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL EMERGENCY
APPROPRIATION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53 FOR THE PREPARATION
AND EXECUTION OF A COMPLETE PROGRAM OF REASSESSMENT OF ALL
REAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA FOR THE TAX YEAR
2026**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia has been issued an Order by the Bergen County Board of Taxation dated January 5, 2022, to undertake a complete program of reassessment of all real property within the Borough of Leonia for the use of the Borough Tax Assessor as of October 1, 2023 for the tax year 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia requested and was granted extensions of the order in 2023 and 2024, and also requested and was granted permission in 2025 to transition the order from a revaluation to a reassessment of all property within the Borough, as of October 1, 2025 for the tax year 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia had prepared and disseminated, request for proposals in a fair and open manner consistent with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5, to reassessment firms on February 27, 2025 and April 2, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia estimates that the cost therefor shall be \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A.* 40A:4-53 authorizes the adoption of a special emergency appropriation ordinance for the carrying out of the preparation and execution of a complete program of reassessment of real property for the use of the local assessor when such is ordered by the county board of taxation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, by not less than a two-thirds affirmative vote of the full governing body, that pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:4-53 that the sum of \$300,000.00 is hereby appropriated for the preparation and execution of a complete program of reassessment of all real property within the Borough of Leonia for the use of the Borough Assessor for the tax year 2026, which shall be deemed a special emergency appropriation as defined and provided for in *N.J.S.A.* 40A:4-53 and 40A:4-55.

The authorization to finance the appropriation shall be provided for in succeeding annual budgets by the inclusion of at least 1/5 of the amount authorized pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:4-55.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a copy of this ordinance, as adopted, shall be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services and with the Bergen County Board of Taxation and shall take effect at the time and in the manner provided by law.

RECORD OF VOTE												
ORD. 2025-15												
	First Reading						Second Reading					
	July 7, 2025						July 21, 2025					
Council	M	S	Y	N	A	AB	M	S	Y	N	A	AB
Zeigler												
Fisher												
Grandelis												
Hesterbrink												
Scarangella												
Terrell												
Mayor Ziegler												
M - Motion S - Seconded Y- Yes N - No A - Abstain AB - Absent												

 Bill Ziegler, Mayor

ATTEST:

 Jonathan Mandel, Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-179

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

**AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH 409
GREENWAY DRIVE**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia is the owner of a municipal right-of-way located on Greenway Drive adjacent to Block 606, Lot 9, commonly known as 409 Greenway Drive, Leonia, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Osman and Annmarie Sayan are the owners of the property located at 409 Greenway Drive, Block 606, Lot 9, Leonia, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, Osman and Annmarie Sayan submitted a survey delineating encroachments into the Borough's right-of-way on Greenway Drive, consisting of a retaining wall and stairway into the Borough right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, Osman and Annmarie Sayan desire to enter into a Right-of-Way License Agreement with the Borough of Leonia for use of a portion of the Greenway Drive right-of-way at the location where the retaining wall and stairway encroach into the public right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia has determined that it is in the best interests of the Borough to accept this License Agreement and to authorize the execution of the Right-of-Way License Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia as follows:

1. The Mayor and Borough Clerk are authorized to execute the Right-of-Way License Agreement in the form annexed to this Resolution.
2. The Borough Attorney, Brian M. Chewcaskie, in his discretion, may cause the original Right-of-Way License Agreement to be recorded in the Office of the Bergen County Clerk.

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-179

3. Certified copies of this Resolution shall be provided to the following:
Osman and Annmarie Sayan, the property owners; Brian Chewcaskie,
Borough Attorney; and Marisa Mesropian, Borough Administrator.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council
of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-180

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

**RESOLUTION AWARDING DIFFERENCE CARD CONTRACT TO NELSON,
PATTERSON AGENCY**

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Leonia to find cost-saving opportunities to help address rising health insurance costs; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Administrator has performed research and determined that the Difference Card program is a valuable way for the Borough of Leonia to save on costs; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia would be awarding a contract to Nelson, Patterson Agency with the terms of a one-time \$2,500 fee, an ongoing \$70.05 per employee per month of administrative expense, as well as coverage of claims and co-pays by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough will agree to cover out-of-pocket expenses for employees in compensation for them moving from the high-premium insurance plan Direct 10 to a low-premium Direct 2035 plan, which will result in significant cost savings for both the Borough of Leonia and the employees who decide to opt into the program; and

WHEREAS, as it is an opt-in program next steps will be to market the plans to employees and advise them of the benefits of the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the award for the Difference Card program is hereby awarded to Nelson, Patterson Agency with the terms of a one-time \$2,500 fee, an ongoing \$70.05 per employee per month of administrative expense as well as coverage of claims and co-pays by the Borough.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-181

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

RESOLUTION APPROVING A STIPEND FOR MS4 WORK

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia (the “Borough”) is seeking to establish a stipend for the MS4 work performed by one (1) Borough employee in the amount of \$5,000.00 and that such stipend be reevaluated each year; and

WHEREAS, the Borough employs Keri Mescall (“Mescall”) in the Borough’s Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, Mescall has obtained a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (“MS4”) certification and performs all MS4 work for the Borough;

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to afford Mescall with the stipend; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that the governing body hereby approves a non-pensionable stipend in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Keri Mescall for her MS4 work. This stipend shall be retroactive to January 1, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the yearly non-pensionable stipend is not permanent and may be removed at the end of the calendar year and further that the stipend is subject to reevaluation by the Borough Council.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-182

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MUNICIPAL REPRESENTATIVES
TO THE BERGEN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT REGIONAL COMMITTEE
PY 2025-2026 COVERING PERIOD JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025**

WHEREAS the Municipality of Leonia has entered into a three-year Cooperative Agreement with the County of Bergen as provided under the Interlocal Services Act N.J.S.A. 40A:65-1 et seq. and Title 1 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974; and

WHEREAS, said Agreement requires that the Municipal Council appoint a representative and alternate and that the Mayor appoint a representative and alternate for the PY 2025-2026 term starting July 1, 2025, and ending on June 30, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipal Council hereby appoints Diane Tausner as its representative and that the Mayor hereby appoints Marisa Mesropian as his representative to serve on the Community Development Regional Committee for PY 2025-2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an original, certified copy of this resolution be emailed to Robert G. Esposito, Director; Bergen County Division of Community Development; One Bergen County Plaza, Fourth Floor; Hackensack, New Jersey 07601

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-183

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

**APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION AND EXECUTE A GRANT
CONTRACT WITH THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
MUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM FOR CURBING AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS TO
OAKDENE AVENUE BETWEEN PALMER PLACE AND GRAND AVENUE**

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia formally approves the grant application for the above stated project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an electronic grant application identified as *MA-2026-Oakdene Avenue between Palmer Place -00536* to the New Jersey Department of Transportation on behalf of the Borough of Leonia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the grant agreement on behalf of the Borough of Leonia and that their signatures constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

My signature and the Clerk's seal serve to acknowledge the above resolution and constitute acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approve the execution of the grant agreement as authorized by the resolution above.

ATTEST AND AFFIX SEAL _____
Jonathan Mandel
Borough Clerk

William Ziegler
Mayor

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-184

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

RESOLUTION INCREASE IN BID THRESHOLD

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3*, the State Treasurer increased the minimum bid threshold to \$53,000.00 for the execution of contracts without public bid by the Qualified Purchasing Agent when said contracts do not exceed \$53,000.00 in aggregate for the contract year in those municipalities whose purchasing agents possess a Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) certificate awarded by the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, as a result the new quote threshold for the above noted municipalities with a Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) is now \$7,950.00 (15% of the \$53,000 QPA bid threshold); and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia has had an appointed Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) as required under *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3* and in accordance with *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9*; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia finds it is in the interest of efficiency and economy for the Borough of Leonia to continue with the increase in the bid threshold and as a result the quote threshold, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3*, that its bid threshold is increased to \$53,000.00 and as a result the quote threshold shall be \$7,950.00.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-185

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

AUTHORIZE ADVERTISEMENT FOR TEMPORARY DPW LABORER

WHEREAS, there exists a need for temporary help for the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the DPW Committee, Borough Administrator, and DPW Superintendent recommend that the Borough of Leonia advertise for temporary help for the Department of Public Works.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that authorization is given to advertise for a temporary DPW Laborer.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-186

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR SALE AND
CONSUMPTION IN WOOD PARK FOR ANNA C SCOTT’S HOME AND SCHOOL
ASSOCIATION’S ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL**

WHEREAS, the Anna C Scott Home and School Association is hosting the event, the Anna C Scott’s Home and School Association’s Fall Festival, to be held at Wood Park on Sunday, November 2, 2025 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM with a Sunday, November 16, 2025 rain date at the same time; and

WHEREAS, the ACS HSA has submitted a request to the Mayor and Council requesting authorization for the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages in Wood Park during the Fall Festival event; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk and Police Chief are authorized to sign off on a complete alcohol permit application submitted for the event that complies with all the regulations and stipulations set forth by the ABC and municipality; and

WHEREAS, this resolution’s effectiveness is pending proper Alcoholic Beverage Commission (ABC) approval of any application for a permit submitted for the event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby authorize alcoholic beverages to be sold and consumed at the Fall Festival event at Wood Park on Sunday, November 2, 2025 from 1:00 – 4:00 PM, with a Sunday, November 16, 2025 rain date pending appropriate ABC approval of a permit application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. Sean Krakower, Recreation Superintendent; and
2. Scott Tamagny, Chief of Police; and
3. Marisa Mesropian, Borough Administrator

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-186

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-187

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR SALE AND
CONSUMPTION IN WOOD PARK FOR THE ROTARY CLUB OF THE PALISADES
26th ANNUAL LEONIA OKTOBERFEST**

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of the Palisades is hosting the event, the 26th Annual Leonia Oktoberfest, to be held at Wood Park on Saturday, September 27, 2025 from 12:01 – 11:00 PM with a Sunday, September 28, 2025 rain date at 12:01 – 10:00 PM; and

WHEREAS, the Rotary Club of the Palisades has submitted a request to the Mayor and Council requesting authorization for the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages in Wood Park during the Oktoberfest event; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Clerk and Police Chief are authorized to sign off on a complete alcohol permit application submitted for the event that complies with all the regulations and stipulations set forth by the ABC and municipality; and

WHEREAS, this resolution's effectiveness is pending proper Alcoholic Beverage Commission (ABC) approval of any application for a permit submitted for the event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey hereby authorize alcoholic beverages to be sold and consumed at the 26th Annual Leonia Oktoberfest event at Wood Park on Saturday, September 27, 2025 from 12:01 – 11:00 PM, with a Sunday, September 28, 2025 rain date pending appropriate ABC approval of a permit application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the following:

1. Sean Krakower, Recreation Superintendent; and
2. Scott Tamagny, Chief of Police; and
3. Marisa Mesropian, Borough Administrator

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-187

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-188

Council	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Zeigler						
Fisher						
Grandelis						
Hesterbrink						
Scarangella						
Terrell						
Mayor Ziegler	---	---				

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE PURCHASING
PROCEDURES MANUAL AND VENDOR MANUAL**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia has appointed Sean P. Canning as the Borough's Qualified Purchasing Agent in accord with *N.J.S.A. 40A:11-9*; and

WHEREAS, the QPA has prepared for the Borough a purchasing procedures manual and vendor manual to be utilized in the public bidding and procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the Administrator has reviewed and has recommended the use of these documents and has requested the Governing Body approves use for the daily operations to maintain purchasing compliance with applicable New Jersey and Federal Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, that it approves the purchasing procedures manual as updated, to be used in the public bidding and procurement process and hereby directs all procurement in the Borough to be in accord with said regulations, laws and authorizes departments and personnel to use same and to conduct bid openings and procurement in accord with New Jersey and Federal Law.

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
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**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF LEONIA, COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF
NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING A REQUIRED DISCLOSURE PROCUREMENT FOR
THE PURCHASE OF ONE VER-MAC PCMS-548-LE VARIABLE MESSAGE BOARD
FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM CERTIFIED SPEEDOMETER SERVICE
INC.**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Leonia police department has a need for its daily operations of one (1) Ver-Mac PCMS-548 LE Variable Message Board from Certified Speedometer Service Inc. in a required disclosure manner in accord with N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.5; and

WHEREAS, the police department obtained three (3) quotes for service prior to this replacement, in accord with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1; and

WHEREAS, Certified Speedometer Service Inc. has provided for a quote in the total amount of \$19,825.00 for one (1), which is deemed to be the most advantageous to the Borough, Price and Other factors considered (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1); and

WHEREAS, the Qualified Purchasing Agent has certified that the procurement is in excess of the pay to play threshold of \$17,500.00 but less than the bid threshold of \$44,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Certified Speedometer Service Inc. has provided for a Business Entity Disclosure Contribution form as well as a Political Contribution Disclosure form, indicating no reportable donations have occurred in the past contract year; and

WHEREAS, the cost for the purchase of the aforesaid one (1) Ver-Mac, PCMS-548-LE Center - Post Variable Message Signs shall not exceed the total amount of \$19,825.00; and

WHEREAS, the award of the contract aforesaid shall be conditioned upon the certification of the availability of funds from the Current Fund Appropriations, by the Chief Financial Officer.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Leonia, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey as follows:

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

Date: July 7, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-189

1. That a purchase of one (1), Ver-Mac, PCMS-548-LE Center - Post Variable Message Sign from Certified Speedometer Inc. is hereby authorized in an amount not to exceed \$19,825.00.
2. That the execution of the contract aforesaid shall be conditioned upon the certification of availability of funds by the Chief Financial Officer
3. That the Borough Clerk shall forward a certified copy of this Resolution to the following:
 - A. Business Administrator;
 - B. Purchasing Agent;
 - C. Chief Financial Officer;
 - D. Chief of Police;

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk

**BOROUGH OF LEONIA
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

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CLOSED SESSION

BE IT RESOLVED in compliance with N.J.S.A. 10:4-12, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia entered into Closed Executive Session to discuss the following matters:

A. Litigation

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Leonia at a meeting of said Borough Council on July 7, 2025.

Jonathan Mandel, RMC
Borough Clerk