

REGULAR MEETING MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL July 23, 2026

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Gerety with a salute to the flag and a moment of silence for Officer Ryan Wogansky who recently lost his father in a motor vehicle accident. Roll call was recorded as follows:

Present: DePamphilis, Dill, Johnston, McGuigan, Shields, Slaughter, Gerety

Also Present: Mayor Tapp, Administrator Frost, City Clerk Heath, City Solicitor Smith, and City Engineer Schneider

Open Public Meetings Act:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to two local newspapers. The agenda has been posted at City Hall and on the City's website, somerspointgov.org.

Communications:

None.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Tapp announced this year's National Night Out will be held on August 4th at the Kennedy Park from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00p.m. hosted by the Somers Point Police Department and Somers Point Police Athletic League. Mayor Tapp thanked and congratulated the newest Volunteer Fire Fighters who graduated from the Fire Academy, Steve Morrow, Dan McNickel, Noah Love, Owen Ogden, and Cory Deomore. He thanked Public Works Director Steve Horning, City Clerk Shelby Heath, and Council Members Gerety, Johnston, and McGuigan for participating in the Somers Point Employee Appreciation Day. Lastly Mayor Tapp reminded everyone that the month of August is Military Veterans Appreciation Month and he encouraged everyone to pay respect to our Military Veterans.

Administrator's Report:

None

Solicitor's Report:

None

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Engineer's Report:

City Engineer Schneider reported the striping for the Road Program was completed, and additional striping was done near Kern Field to help with parking.

Committee Reports:

Council Member Johnston gave an update on several different things the Economic Development Advisory Committee has been focusing on, including becoming qualified to be a Film Ready Community. The City Solicitor is currently working on an ordinance pertaining to this project in hopes to have all requirements complete soon. The committee hopes to promote the boating industry and have met with professionals for different suggestions and ideas. They also are obtaining estimates to install binoculars at different areas throughout Somers Point. The temporary sign ordinance was reviewed by EDAC and they recommend the business association and code enforcement review it.

Council Member Johnston and the library committee met and are planning the fall events such as the board game, and genealogy club and hope to add a new book club. They are also researching an orchid seminar which is a popular interest.

Council Member McGuigan mentioned the Police Athletic League conducted a summer camp called Heros in Training, which has been wildly successful. He invited Council Members to attend the graduation ceremony being held in the Chambers on 7/24/2026.

Approval of Minutes:

On the motion of Council Member Dill, seconded of Council Member Johnston, and carried to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes and Executive Session Minutes of 7/9/2026, approved as to content only.

Ordinances:

Ordinance No. 17 of 2026

(Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)

This ordinance was defeated by a roll call vote.

Council President Gerety explained this ordinance is pertaining to the proposed parking on Bay Avenue for commercial properties.

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Council Member McGuigan explained his view on the proposed ordinance and why he thinks it would be beneficial to pass this ordinance.

Council President Gerety duly opened the meeting to the public.

Chuck Moore of Somers Point spoke against this ordinance.

Somers Point Resident Bob Wallace shared his displeasure of this ordinance.

Patricia Pierson of Somers Point voiced her disapproval of this ordinance.

Louis Gregory of Somers Point expressed her dissatisfaction of this ordinance stating she believes one business should not receive special privilege.

Gary Gray of Somers Point stated he is opposed to this ordinance.

Somers Point Resident Terry Doebley expressed she does not support this ordinance.

Ms. Lawler shared her opinion stating she thinks Somers Point is being overdeveloped and she does not support this ordinance.

Walt Gregory Somers Point Resident voiced his disapproval of this ordinance.

Brooke Guckin of Somers Point expressed her appreciation toward city council for encouraging redevelopment, but she disapproves of this ordinance.

Catherine Carver addressed her concerns about the parking situation but does not believe this ordinance will benefit the residents and does not support this ordinance being adopted.

Bill Collins of Somers Point shared his thoughts and ideas pertaining to the parking situation.

Kim O'Brien a 20-year resident of Somers Point, spoke against this ordinance.

Hearing nothing from the public, the public portion was duly closed.

Solicitor Smith explained this proposed ordinance was sent to the Planning Board on July 25th, 2026 for review to see if it was consistent with the City's Master Plan. The Planning Board found this ordinance is not consistent with the Master Plan of the City therefore he explained when the vote is called if a Council Member votes yes, they are going against the consensus of the Planning Board and need to state why.

Council Member Dill asked Solicitor Smith for clarification on voting, and explained he does not agree with the Planning Boards determination but is voting no.

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Council Member McGuigan stated he believes the professional leaders originally found the proposed ordinance to be consistent with the Master Plan. He feels the Planning Board went against their recommendation. Council Member McGuigan then voiced his view on the proposed ordinance.

This ordinance was defeated by a roll call vote that was recorded as follows:

McGuigan -Yes- he believes the Planning Boards decision was contrary with the professional's recommendation.

Slaughter- No

Dill-No- He stated he does not agree with the Planning Boards findings and is voting no because he doesn't believe the residents want to see this move forward.

Johnston-No- She respects the Planning Board and the Professionals' decision, but she believes the proposed redevelopment is too big for that area.

Shields -No

DePamphilis-No- Agrees with the Planning Boards findings.

Gerety-No

Council Member Gerety commended Council Member McGuigan for his ideas. He also expressed he supports all business ideas being put on the agenda for transparency.

Council Member Dill voiced his opinion that there is no such thing as a bad idea.

Council Member Johnston suggested listing all new business ideas on the agenda under new business before it becomes a resolution or ordinance.

Council Member DePamphilis suggested they have a city-wide town hall meeting to discuss Bay Ave proposed redevelopment ideas.

Council Member Johnston agreed with Council Member DePamphilis's suggestion and would like to invite the Environmental Advisory Development Committee.

On the motion of Council Member DePamphilis, seconded of Council Member Dill, and carried to approve a Special Meeting to discuss the redevelopment on Bay Avenue.

**No. 17 of 2026
DEFEATED**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING MUNICIPAL CODE
CHAPTER 250-61.2**

WHEREAS, the economic development of commercial businesses benefits the City of Somers Point and its taxpayers; and

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WHEREAS, the development of certain commercial properties, particularly along Bay Avenue and between Bay Avenue and Shore Road where commercial development is permitted or a conditional use, is constrained due to the size of the parcels; and

WHEREAS, there are several City owned and controlled parking lots situated along Bay Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that a limited number of parking spaces within such lots, if made available for use by new commercial businesses which otherwise may not be able to satisfy the minimum number of parking spaces required for such development, is inherently beneficial, will promote efficient utilization of available parking spaces, assist traffic circulation and access, and will inure to the benefit of the new commercial developer, the taxpayers, and the general public which will then be able to patronize such new development.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, in the County of Atlantic. State of New Jersey that

Section 1. The Somers Point Municipal Code Chapter **250-61.2** “No City-owned space excluded from minimum-parking-space requirement” - is amended and supplemented as follows.

Section 1.

Article 250-61.2

250-61.2a. Exception # 1

Notwithstanding the above language, the City Council of the City of Somers Point may, by ordinance, grant a deed of easement to the owner of a new commercial business situated within one hundred (100) yards of a City owned parking lot (to be measured from nearest property line to nearest property line along abutting sidewalks) giving the commercial property owner (the “owner/ applicant”) a right to the exclusive use of certain parking spaces within such lot which shall, at the sole expense of the business owner, be designated by signing described in Article 250-61.3; and the use of which spaces the business owner / applicant shall be solely responsible to enforce through arrangements with a private towing company.

The aggregate number of such spaces which may be made available by easement to all such new business owner(s) / applicant(s) in each such City owned parking lot shall not exceed twenty (20) percent of the total spaces within each such parking lot.

The City Council shall fix a fee for the annual use of such parking space(s) which may, from time to time, be amended through a Council resolution.

The grant of any such easement for use by such owner / applicant shall remain subject to all necessary approval from the Somers Point Planning or Somers Point Zoning Board, as the case may be, including any conditions which may be imposed by said board as a condition of approval. If such approval is not granted no easement shall be granted by the City.

250-61.2b. Exception 2.

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In the alternative, the City Council of the City of Somers Point may, subject to receipt of necessary approvals by the Somers Point Planning Board or Somers Point Zoning Board, as the case may be, enter into a Reciprocal Non- Exclusive Parking Space Agreement which shall permit the owner / applicant's customers, employees, and patrons of a new commercial establishment situated with the area described in Article 250-62.1a by which such persons may have the non-exclusive use of parking spaces within a specific municipal parking lot, and the City shall have the non-exclusive right to utilize parking spaces within the owner's lot for overflow parking when needed, and as available. Any such agreement used to satisfy a portion of the owner / applicant's parking requirements shall be further subject to conditions which may be imposed by the City and / or the Somers Point Planning or Zoning Board which approves such development.

SECTION 2. All ordinances of the City of Somers Point that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any subsection, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid in any Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. This Ordinance shall take effect following final passage and publication in accordance with law.

Ordinance No. 18 of 2026

(Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)

M/S- Dill/Shields

This ordinance was defeated by a roll call vote.

Council President Gerety duly opened the meeting to the public.

A member of the public asked for clarification on the setbacks of this proposal.

Engineer Schnieder clarified the setbacks on this ordinance will not change.

Hearing nothing from the public, the public portion was duly closed.

Solicitor Smith explained this proposed ordinance was sent to the Planning Board on July 25th, 2026 for review to see if it was consistent with the City's Master Plan. The Planning Board found this ordinance is not consistent with the Master Plan of the City therefore he explained when the vote is called if a Council Member votes yes, they are going against the consensus of the Planning Board and need to state why.

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Council Member McGuigan stated he disagreed with the Planning Boards Decision because he believes they removed this requirement from the Master Plan and it was originally in the Master Plan which was conflicting.

On the Motion of Johnston, seconded of Council Member Slaughter a roll call vote was recorded as follows to table Ordinance No 18 of 2026.

Johnston-Yes
Dill-No
McGuigan-No
Slaughter-Yes
Shields-No
DePamphilis-Yes
Gerety-No

This motion did not carry.

This ordinance was defeated by a roll call vote recorded as follows:

Johnston-No
Dill-Yes- He agrees with the planning board.
McGuigan-Yes – disagrees with the planning board because the Planning Board was contrary with this matter in the previous six months.
Slaughter-No
Shields-No
DePamphilis-No
Gerety – Yes – believes the Planning Board was indecisive with its findings.

**No. 18 of 2026
DEFEATED
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 114, “LAND USE AND
DEVELOPMENT,”
ARTICLE XVI, “SOMERS POINT HISTORIC DISTRICT,” SECTION 114-101,
“HISTORIC VILLAGE WATERFRONT ZONE,” TO REMOVE THE
REQUIREMENT FOR A LANDSCAPED HARBORWALK**

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WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point has adopted a Master Plan and Land Use Ordinance to guide the orderly development and redevelopment of property within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City has recently undertaken a review of its Master Plan, including policies related to waterfront access and development; and

WHEREAS, as a result of that review, the requirement for a mandatory landscaped harborwalk within the Historic Village Waterfront Zone is no longer deemed necessary nor appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the best interest of the City to amend the Land Use Ordinance to remove said requirement and ensure consistency with the Master Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 114, Land Use and Development, Article XVI, Somers Point Historic District,” Section 114-101, Historic Village Waterfront Zone,” Paragraph (E), “Relationship of structure to Great Egg Harbor Bay,” Subparagraph (1), is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following language:

All uses located on property abutting the Great Egg Harbor Bay shall provide, in a manner acceptable to the municipal agency, reasonable public access to the harbor as may be required by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection. Buildings shall be set back a minimum of 25 feet from the water as measured from the mean high-water line.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3. REPEALER

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

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(First Reading/Introduction)

M/S- Dill/Johnston

This ordinance was introduced by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 19 of 2026

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SYSTEM MANHOLE
REHABILITATION PROGRAM IN AND BY THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT,
IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$250,000
THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$250,000 BONDS OR
NOTES OF THE CITY TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, IN
THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof
affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is hereby
authorized to be undertaken by the City of Somers Point, in the County of Atlantic, New Jersey
(the "City"). For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a), there is hereby
appropriated the sum of \$250,000. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c), no down payment is
provided for the cost of the improvement or purpose since the improvement or purpose described
in Section 3(a) hereof is being funded through the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank and because the
improvement or purpose authorized herein is deemed self-liquidating and the bonds and bond
anticipation notes authorized herein are deductible from the gross debt of the City, as more fully
described in Section 6(e) of this bond ordinance.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose, negotiable bonds
are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$250,000 pursuant to the Local Bond
Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby
authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

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Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is the System Manhole Rehabilitation Program, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or bond anticipation notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date, unless such bond anticipation notes are permitted to mature at such later date in accordance with applicable law. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law or other applicable law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the

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amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The City hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the City is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvement or purpose described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose that the City may lawfully undertake as a self-liquidating purpose of a municipal public utility. No part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is 40 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the City as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes

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provided in this bond ordinance by \$250,000, but that the net debt of the City determined as provided in the Local Bond Law is not increased by this bond ordinance. The obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$50,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement.

(e) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the City solely for purposes described in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(h). The obligations authorized herein are to be issued for a purpose that is deemed to be self-liquidating pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-47(a) and are deductible from the gross debt of the City pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44(c).

Section 7. The City hereby makes the following covenants and declarations with respect to obligations determined to be issued by the chief financial officer on a tax-exempt basis. The City hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the obligations, including, if necessary, the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the obligations. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the City to deem the obligations authorized herein as bank-qualified for the purposes of Section 265 of the Code, when appropriate. The City hereby declares the intent of the City to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the cost of the purpose described in Section 3(a) of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a

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declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purpose described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the City is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the City and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the City. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the City pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the City and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the City fails to comply with its undertaking, the City shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the City, and the City shall be obligated

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to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the City for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Ordinance No. 20 of 2026
(First Reading/Introduction)

M/S- Dill/Johnston

This ordinance was introduced by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 20 of 2026

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO
THE SEWER UTILITY IN AND BY THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, IN THE
COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$975,000
THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$975,000 BONDS OR
NOTES OF THE CITY TO FINANCE THE COST THEREOF.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized to be undertaken by the City of Somers Point, in the County of Atlantic, New Jersey (the "City"). For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$975,000. No down

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payment is required as the purposes authorized herein are deemed self-liquidating and the bonds and bond anticipation notes authorized herein are deductible from the gross debt of the City, as more fully explained in Section 6(e) of this bond ordinance.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$975,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation & Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds & Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a) Improvements to buildings and facilities, including, but not limited to, station aeration upgrades and rehabilitation, lining/coating of wet wells, the replacement of pipes and renovations to Station 7 Broadway and Station 11 Atkinson and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$200,000	\$200,000	15 years

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b) The acquisition of vehicles, including, but not limited to, a service truck and a pickup truck with plow and further including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$210,000	\$210,000	5 years
c) The acquisition of equipment, including, but not limited to, a muffin monster and a forklift and further including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$65,000	\$65,000	15 years
d) System Main Lining Program, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	<u>\$500,000</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>	40 years
Total:	<u>\$975,000</u>	<u>\$975,000</u>	

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date, unless such bond anticipation notes are permitted to mature at such later date in accordance with applicable law. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law or other applicable law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing

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to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The City hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the City is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements or purposes that the City may lawfully undertake as self-liquidating purposes of a municipal public utility. No part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 25.66 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the City as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$975,000, but that the net debt of the City determined as provided in the Local Bond Law is not increased by this bond ordinance. The obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

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(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$195,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes or improvements.

(e) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the City solely for purposes described in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(h). The obligations authorized herein are to be issued for purposes that are deemed to be self-liquidating pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-47(a) and are deductible from the gross debt of the City pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44(c).

Section 7. The City hereby declares the intent of the City to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of the Treasury Regulations.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purposes or improvements described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the City is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the City and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the City. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the City pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the City and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the City fails to comply with its undertaking, the City shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

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Section 10. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the City, and the City shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the City for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Ordinance No. 21 of 2026

(First Reading/Public Introduction)

M/S- Dill/Johnston

This ordinance was introduced by a unanimous vote of those present.

No. 21 of 2026

**BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENTS IN AND BY THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, IN THE
COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$2,774,823
THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,636,080 BONDS OR
NOTES OF THE CITY TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The several improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby respectively authorized to be undertaken by the City of Somers Point, in the County of Atlantic, New Jersey (the "City"), as general improvements. For the several improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there are hereby appropriated the respective sums of money therein stated as the appropriation made for each improvement or purpose, such sums amounting in the aggregate to \$2,774,823, and further including the aggregate sum of \$138,743 as the several

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down payments for the improvements or purposes required by the Local Bond Law. The down payments have been made available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the several improvements or purposes not covered by application of the several down payments, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$2,636,080 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. The several improvements hereby authorized and the several purposes for which the bonds are to be issued, the estimated cost of each improvement and the appropriation therefor, the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for each improvement and the period of usefulness of each improvement are as follows:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Appropriation & Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Estimated Maximum Amount of Bonds & Notes</u>	<u>Period of Usefulness</u>
a) <u>Fire Department</u> 1) The acquisition of turnout gear and water rescue gear, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$74,000	\$70,300	5 years
2) The acquisition of equipment, including, but not limited to, rescue harnesses, attack/supply hoses, air bags, jaws of life and gas detection meters and further including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$91,500	\$86,925	15 years

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3) The acquisition of a thermal imager, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$5,000	\$4,750	10 years
4) The refurbishment of a rescue pumper, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$52,000	\$49,400	5 years
b) <u>Police Department</u>			
1) The acquisition of vehicles, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$150,000	\$142,500	5 years
2) The acquisition of equipment, including, but not limited to, automated license plate readers, digital cameras, ballistic vests, pistols, firearms training equipment and a sniper riffle with scope and further including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$228,800	\$217,360	5 years
3) The acquisition of information technology firewall, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$11,000	\$10,450	5 years
d) <u>Municipal Facilities</u>			
1) The acquisition of equipment, including, but not limited to, a chiller for City Hall, bleachers and a heating, ventilation and air-conditioning unit for the Youth Center, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$168,000	\$159,600	15 years

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2) Various improvements, including, but not limited to, the installation of a safety partition, garage and office roof coating for the Department of Public Works, garage door replacement for the Department of Public Works, security upgrades for the Department of Public Works and flagpole and lighting replacement at Veterans Park and further including all work and materials necessary thereof and incidental thereto.	\$164,000	\$155,800	10 years
3) The installation of a new roof at the Gateway Theatre and general renovations to municipal facilities, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$63,000	\$59,850	15 years
4) The acquisition of a sign, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$13,000	\$12,350	5 years
5) The acquisition of information technology firewall, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$11,000	\$10,450	5 years
e) <u>Computers</u> The acquisition of computers for the Court, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$6,500	\$6,175	5 years
f) <u>City Clerk</u> The acquisition of archival sleeves and binders, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$8,232	\$7,819	5 years

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g) <u>Department of Public Works</u> 1) The acquisition of a dump trucks with plows, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$193,000	\$183,350	10 years
2) The acquisition of a lawn mower, including all related costs and expenditures incidental thereto.	\$12,000	\$11,400	15 years
h) <u>Recreation</u> Various recreation improvements, including, but not limited to, renovation of Kern Field snack stand and restroom building, repairs/upgrades of baseball/softball dugouts, renovation of little league building restrooms, improvements to key fobs/locks various recreation buildings, flooring at the Youth Center, upgrades to hockey rinks and upgrades to various recreation facilities and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$240,000	\$228,000	10 years
i) <u>Roadways and Drainage</u> 1) Various road improvements, including, but not limited to, Amber Road, from Bala Drive to Massachusetts Avenue, Bay Avenue from Goll Avenue to Jersey Avenue, and Broadway Avenue, from Somers Point-Mays Landing Road to Dead End, and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$467,291	\$443,926	10 years
2) Stormwater repairs and maintenance, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$120,000	\$114,000	20 years

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3) Dredging improvements, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$60,000	\$57,000	10 years
4) Bike path improvements, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	\$296,500	\$281,675	10 years
5) Improvements to Kern Field, including, but not limited to, track resurfacing, field drainage, facility renovations to the softball building and little league building, renovation of ball field bathrooms, renovation of snack stands and bathrooms, security door replacements and miscellaneous repairs and further including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.	<u>\$340,000</u>	<u>\$323,000</u>	10 years
Total	<u>\$2,774,823</u>	<u>\$2,636,080</u>	

The excess of the appropriation made for each of the improvements or purposes aforesaid over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor, as above stated, is the amount of the down payment for each purpose.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no bond anticipation note shall mature later than one year from its date, unless such bond anticipation notes are permitted to mature at such later date in accordance with applicable law. The bond anticipation notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this bond ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the bond anticipation notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local

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Bond Law or other applicable law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the bond anticipation notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the bond anticipation notes pursuant to this bond ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the bond anticipation notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The City hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the City is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this bond ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

Section 6. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are all improvements or purposes that the City may lawfully undertake as general improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness, computed on the basis of the respective amounts of obligations authorized for each purpose and the reasonable life thereof within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, is 10.03 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the City as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes

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provided in this bond ordinance by \$2,636,080, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$501,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purposes or improvements.

Section 7. The City hereby makes the following covenants and declarations with respect to obligations determined to be issued by the chief financial officer on a tax-exempt basis. The City hereby covenants that it will comply with any conditions subsequent imposed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), in order to preserve the exemption from taxation of interest on the obligations, including, if necessary, the requirement to rebate all net investment earnings on the gross proceeds above the yield on the obligations. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the City to deem the obligations authorized herein as bank-qualified for the purposes of Section 265 of the Code, when appropriate. The City hereby declares the intent of the City to issue bonds or bond anticipation notes in the amount authorized in Section 2 of this bond ordinance and to use the proceeds to pay or reimburse expenditures for the costs of the purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance. This Section 7 is a declaration of intent within the meaning and for purposes of Treasury Regulations §1.150-2 or any successor provisions of federal income tax law.

Section 8. Any grant moneys received for the purposes or improvements described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section 9. The chief financial officer of the City is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the City and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the City. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the City pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the City and to amend such undertaking from time to time in

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connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the City fails to comply with its undertaking, the City shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section 10. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the City, and the City shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the City for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 11. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

Resolutions:

Public Portion Resolutions:

Council President Gerety duly opened the meeting to the public.

Hearing nothing from the public, the public portion was duly closed.

Resolution No. 191 of 2026

M/S- Dill/Slaughter

This resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote of those present.

Council Members Johnston, Dill, and McGuigan congratulated Rosemary Howell on her well-deserved advancement.

No. 191 of 2026

Subject: Employee Advancement of Rosemary Howell

Introduced By: Council President Gerety

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WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Somers Point to advance employees according to their individual merits and in accordance with the New Jersey Civil Service Commission Policies and Procedures; and

WHEREAS, Rosemary Howell has been employed by the City of Somers Point since August 1st, 2022, and has performed the duties of Technical Assistant to the Construction Official in the Construction Office; and

WHEREAS, the Construction Official, City Administrator, and City Council Personnel Committee have recommended that Rosemary Howell be promoted; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available within the Construction Department operations in the 2026 Budget for this promotion.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point as follows:

- 1.) The promotion of Rosemary Howell to the position of Administrative Secretary, New Jersey Civil Service Local Government Job Specification 00112, within the Construction Department, is hereby approved effective January 1st, 2026 on a provisional basis, pending the results of a Departmental Promotional Examination to be issued by the New Jersey Civil Service Commission, if necessary.
- 2.) Effective January 1st, 2026, the salary of Rosemary Howell will be \$55,000 reflective of the promotion to Administrative Secretary in conjunction with her duties as Technical Assistant to the Construction Official.

Consent Agenda Resolutions:

On the motion of Council Member Dill, seconded of Council Member DePamphilis and carried to approve the Consent Agenda Resolutions.

No. 192 of 2026

Subject: Chapter 159 Resolution – FY 2023 Recycling Tonnage

Introduced By: Council President Gerety

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

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

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point has received a grant in the amount of \$23,247.66 and wishes to amend its 2026 budget to include this amount as a revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Somers Point hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2026 in the sum of \$23,247.66 which item is now available as a revenue from:

Miscellaneous Revenue

Special Items of General Revenue Anticipated with Prior Written Consent of the
Director of Local Government Services:

Public and Private Revenue Offset with Appropriations:

FY 2023 Recycling Tonnage Grant \$23,247.66

pursuant to the provision of Statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a like sum of \$23,247.66 be and the same is hereby appropriated under the caption of:

General Appropriations

(A) Operations - Excluded from "CAPS"

Public and Private Programs Offset by Revenues:

FY 2023 Recycling Tonnage Grant \$23,247.66

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be certified and submitted to the Director of Local Government Services for approval.

No. 193 of 2026

Subject: **Authorizing Advertisement of RFP for Multi-Sport Surface for the Somers Point Hockey Courts**

Introduced By: **Council President Gerety**

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point is in possession of property known as 595 Marks Rd. Somers Point NJ 08244; Block 1016 Lot 12 on the tax maps of the City of Somers Point and

WHEREAS, this property includes the location of the Somers Point Hockey Courts and Recreational Facilities; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the City to explore the application of a Multi-Sport Surface for use on one or two Street Hockey Courts; and

WHEREAS, the governing body recognizing this need, seeks to solicit bids from qualified bidders for the supply and potential install of the Multi-Sport Surface on one or both Street Hockey Court Surfaces.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers Point as follows:

1. The City Clerk is hereby directed to advertise the Requests for Proposals for the supply and potential install of the Multi-Sport Surface on one or both Street Hockey Courts located at 595 Marks Rd. Somers Point NJ; at Block 1016, Lot 12 located within the City of Somers Point.

2. Said advertisement shall be published as soon as possible, but no later than July 24th 2026.

3. All proposals must be received by the City Clerk no later than 10:00 a.m. on August 25th, 2026 at which time they will be publicly opened, announced and recorded in the Office of Administration.

No. 194 of 2026

Subject: A Resolution of Support Authorizing the Submission of an Application for the Sustainable Communities Grant Program Funded by Atlantic City Electric

Introduced By: Council Member McGuigan

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point is committed to improving the quality of life for its residents by promoting environmental stewardship, economic vitality, and social responsibility; and

WHEREAS, the City strives to reduce costs, conserve natural resources, protect clean land, air, and water, and improve the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point is an active participant in the Sustainable Jersey Program; and

WHEREAS, Sustainable Jersey administers the Sustainable Communities Grant Program, funded by Atlantic City Electric, to assist municipalities in implementing sustainability initiatives and advancing local environmental and community goals; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Somers Point to submit an application for funding through the Sustainable Communities Grant Program.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that the City hereby authorizes the submission of an application for the Sustainable Communities Grant Program funded by Atlantic City Electric.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appropriate City officials are hereby authorized to execute any documents and take any actions necessary to effectuate the submission of the grant application.

No. 195 of 2026

Subject: Accepting Ocean Wind Pro-NJ Grantor Trust Grant

Introduced By: Council President Gerety

WHEREAS, the Ocean Wind Pro-NJ Grantor Trust is a \$15 million independent fund initially established in 2019. In the first round of funding for coastal resiliency projects, the Trust awarded grants totaling \$3.9 million to seven municipalities. In addition to providing funding for coastal resiliency projects, the Trust offers small, women-owned and minority-owned businesses support in reconfiguring or adapting their businesses to participate in the developing offshore wind industry. To date, the Trust has awarded a total of \$4.8 million in grants in support of its purpose.

WHEREAS, the Trustees of the Ocean Wind Pro-NJ Grantor Trust Fund recently announced the opening of a new round of funding for coastal infrastructure and resiliency projects in Ocean, Atlantic and Cape May counties. This funding aims to help communities prepare for, withstand, mitigate and recover from severe weather occurrences, flooding, natural disasters and other climate-related challenges.

WHEREAS, during this round of funding, the Trust will award up to \$10 million supporting coastal resiliency, coastal transportation and grid reliability in Ocean, Atlantic and Cape May Counties.

WHEREAS, this grant program does not require a local match; and

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point carefully considers grant programs that assist the City in achieving projects and programs that are priorities for the community; and

WHEREAS, the City has been awarded an Ocean Wind Pro-NJ Grantor Trust grant for the Exton Road Resiliency Project for \$645,491.17.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the governing body of the City of Somers Point, State of New Jersey, hereby accepts this Ocean Wind Pro-NJ Grantor Trust grant.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, Administrator, and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign grant agreements on behalf of the City of Somers Point and that their signature

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constitutes acceptance of the terms and conditions of the grant agreement and approves the execution of the grant agreement.

Old Business:

Council President Gerety explained copies of Somers Point Vendor Ordinance was distributed for all Council Members to review. He plans to work with Solicitor Smith and City Clerk Heath to make improvements to this ordinance and would like any feedback and suggestions for the next City Council Meeting.

On the motion of Council Member Dill, seconded by Council Member Johnston, and carried to approve, a recommendation was made to have the Recreation Board review the fees pertaining to the beach concerts.

New Business:

On the motion of Council Member Johnston, seconded by Council Member Dill and carried to approve a Social Affair Permit Application for the Somers Point Historical Society for the Good Old Days Festival on 9/12/2026 from 12PM.-6PM.

Council President Gerety addressed a noise complaint he received about Pablos's Restaurant and recommended that the Mayor who is on the Public Safety Committee investigate this complaint. He also stated the Zoning Board had a resignation, and they hope to find a replacement soon.

Discussion of Bills:

Administrator Frost reported a Bill List dated 7/21/2026 in the amount of \$785,408.65, and an emergency check run dated 7/10/2026 in the amount of \$4,087.95.

Public Portion:

Council President Gerety duly opened the meeting to the public.

A Somers Point Resident addressed City Council with her concerns about the traffic light located at MacArthur Blvd / Mays Landing Road. She also reminded residents that Art in the Park will be held on September 19th from 10AM-4PM.

Engineer Schnieder mentioned the traffic light will be looked at during the traffic study.

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Gregory Ogden of Somers Point mentioned his son was one of the Volunteer Fire Fighters who graduated the Fire Academy. He stated he was the one who submitted a noise complaint regarding Pablo and wanted to clarify it's not the volume but the actual bass that's disturbing and he hopes there is a solution for both the business and residents.

Bill Collins of Somers Point researched the fees collected from the boat ramp passes sold by the City of Somers Point in the year 2025 and 2026 by submitting an Open Public Records Request. He then shared his opinions and suggestions pertaining to the boat ramp fees.

Hearing nothing further from the public, the public hearing was duly closed.

Payment of Bills:

M/S: Dill/Slaughter

The Bill List was approved by a unanimous vote of those present. A complete list of bills is on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Comments from Governing Body:

None

Adjournment:

There being no further business to come before City Council, Council Member Slaughter moved, Council Member Dill seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelby Heath, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Approved: 8/27/2026