

The City of Vineland
City Council Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 13, 2026
5:30 PM

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Vineland was called to order by the President, Paul F. Spinelli.

The following members were present at roll call:
Councilmember Dr. Arthur, Councilmember English, Councilmember Vargas, Council Vice President Gomez, Council President Spinelli

Also present were:

Robert E. Dickenson, Jr., Business Administrator
Richard P. Tonetta, Esq., City Solicitor
Maryanne Wolf, Deputy City Clerk
Edwin Alicea, Director of Public Safety
H. James Neher, Director of Public Works
Dennis Koons, Director of Municipal Utilities

Pledge of Allegiance

The President introduced students from the Dane Barse Elementary School Safety Patrol to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

(ENTER STUDENT NAMES)

Public Notice

The City Clerk stated that Public Notice of this meeting, pursuant to the Open Public Meetings Act, has been given on December 12, 2025 by the City Clerk, in the following manner:

1. Posting written notice on the official bulletin board in the lobby of the City Hall;
2. Providing written notice to the offices of The Daily Journal, The Press of Atlantic City and the Vineland Voice; and;
3. Filing written notice in the office of the City Clerk of the City of Vineland.

Approval of the Meeting Minutes

- 1) Pre-Meeting Conference and the Regular Meeting of December 23, 2025, and the Work Session and Closed Meeting of January 6, 2026.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Arthur, that the minutes of the Pre-Meeting Conference and the Regular Meeting of December 23, 2025, and the Work Session and Closed Meeting of January 6, 2026. be approved as submitted.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion to be heard, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

General Public Comment

The Clerk read the following: Public comment provides an opportunity for members of the public to inform the governing body about their views. The governing body prescribes to City Council's by-laws and the NJ Statutes on Open Public Meetings when engaging during public comment. As such, each individual shall have a 5-minute limit to comment; cannot yield time to another individual; may only approach the podium once during public comment for any one topic; vulgar/offensive language is prohibited; and City Council will not engage in dialogue with the public during this time. The governing body maintains model courtesy and respect and requires members of the public to do the same.

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard.

(Spelling of names may be incorrect due to some citizens not signing in before publicly speaking)

Elora Malat, Vineland, questioned officials' loyalties; opposed AI/data center.

Sergio Sanchez, Vineland resident for 10 years. Works with LiUNA Local 77. He spoke about fair opportunity for the data center to with the labor union and he said unfortunately, no one wants to deal with them.

Avery Iveson, argued, because of council's decision, property values will likely plummet. He claimed Tax revenue would be lost; already strained aquifers will dry up; animals will lose their habitats; and Jobs will be hurt.

Jenna Hulitt Williams, born in Millville but now live in Vineland. criticized PILOT secrecy; cited tax shortfalls to schools/county.

Roger Merle – Malaga. Cited an article in The Guardian concerning canceled data centers elsewhere; criticized political parties.

Kate Delaney, Collingswood NJ. Member of South Jersey Food and Water Watch, urged NO on corporate tax breaks.

Katina Lampropoulus from Vineland was disappointed and asked for an independent study; cited \$6M city investment and a potential ~\$800k school tax loss.

Deborah Hartman, Galloway Twp. Opposes cell towers and antennas and legislation to put them up everywhere and asked to please stop the FCC from having free reign.

Tricia Cleaves from Vineland, mentioned Water usage and carbon emissions were her concerns and Asked council to vote NO on tax exemption on the data center.

Bayley Winder, Mays Landing NJ. mentioned he has 1,100 signed petitions demanding transparency and answers on the data center project to Governor-Elect Sherrill. He argued lack of transparency and environmental review.

Diane Garrity, Vineland, claimed MLV city council is not aware of what is going to happen.

Effect 12 counties. He argued the Millville mayor is at every meeting and wanted to know where Mayor Fanucci is and claimed We (the city) need someone to take responsibility in

protecting the environment.

Nicole Petrongolo, Vineland, resident after resident has shared fact-back concerns about electric, water, environmental, and infrastructure impacts at multiple council meetings. Where is Vineland's Town Hall's session. Help the people get a city session and help get an impact study and ensure transparency around how the future of PILOTS are spent. She demanded council decline the pilot application.

Terry Reese, Northfield candidate for Congress 2026, (Pres. Spinelli interjected to ask if this was a political speech) to which she replied - no. She argued these deals cause a loss of over \$800,000 in taxes that could go to our schools or first responders and urged the governing body to vote no on PILOTS and explore alternatives that work for the people of Vineland.

Zac Landicini – Vineland, requested environmental and water-utility impact studies; raised VOC/generator concerns.

Victor Faust, Millville. Disappointed with the pilot program and said, If Mike Trout wants to act like a hometown hero then tell him put his money where his mouth is and help the people.

Adele Faust, Millville, argued AI is a bubble...and bubbles burst. She asked if the developer has the money – make them pay it and stop asking the citizens to foot the bill.

Michael Atkinson, Vineland, spoke about the PILOT program and wanted to know why a company spending \$299 million is in the need for tax breaks.

Larry Garrity from Vineland, thought this was all a sick joke. He argued he was lied to and forgotten. He stated he conversed with Senator Michael Testa who supports the data center. He asked each councilmember if they had any financial involvement in the data center including stocks in Nebius. Councilmembers did not entertain his questions. He made various accusations about council, city administration, and the government itself.

Steve Boric, from Vineland. Claimed the data center has destroyed transparency. He said we should be getting more from these companies and we are not.

Jennifer Ainley. She believed in the project at first and bought stock in Nebius. But it's a potential disaster for our environment and city. She is withdrawing support and wishes council does the same.

Matt Williams, Vineland, concerns about the regional grid for electric. 50mw of power requested off the ACE grid. He claimed this was a lack of transparency or incompetence on the governing body's part.

Jeff Lindsey, Vineland, he spoke about the justice system is not working in their favor but now the people are at the party. He said we all want to see things get done. He argued if the City can move forward with the data center and loans – they should help citizens, claiming 3 million could be used on a recreation center. He said Talk is cheap. Take action. We are all Americans.

Helen from Vineland, spoke concerning the senior citizens and lives in a development with many others and doesn't know what is going on for this data center project. The people are scared and she doesn't know what to tell them about water use; the land. She mentioned people are worried it will be bombed with a nuclear weapon because it is infrastructure and we live too close.

Tara Barden, Vineland, mentioned skipped the main excuse that notices were printed in the paper. It's a pay paper in one of the poorest cities in the state and county. They can't buy a newspaper. She works with children and close to the center and she is deeply concerned with the air quality. Air quality has gotten worse in the past 18months in our area.

Megan Biondi, Mays Landing, mother lives in Vineland. He Implored council to think about

their actions and decisions affecting this community. What is the City getting out of it? Data Centers have been stopped. Activist in this room will continue to fight this. RJ Franceschini, Vineland, asked if anyone knows if / when a town hall meeting is going to happen.

Ordinances for Public Hearing and Final Reading

- 1) **ORDINANCE NO. 2025-93, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A PILOT AGREEMENT FOR PROJECT TAX EXEMPTION FOR VARIOUS APPLICANTS.**

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2025-93, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A PILOT AGREEMENT FOR PROJECT TAX EXEMPTION FOR VARIOUS APPLICANTS., which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-93 be taken up for a public hearing and open to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-93.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-93 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-93 be taken up for a Final Reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2025-93 by title and announced the vote tally.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2025-93 to the Mayor for approval or disapproval.

2) **ORDINANCE NO. 2025-94, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT OF SALE AND OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE JOINT ACQUISITION WITH THE CCIA OF VACANT LAND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A YOUTH SPORTS FACILITY.**

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2025-94, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT OF SALE AND OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE JOINT ACQUISITION WITH THE CCIA OF VACANT LAND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A YOUTH SPORTS FACILITY, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-94 be taken up for a public hearing and open to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-94.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-94 be continued to Tuesday January 27, 2025

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

3) **ORDINANCE NO. 2025-95, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY TO THE VINELAND INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b) FOR ONE DOLLAR AND EXECUTION OF A RECOVERABLE GRANT.**

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2025-95, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY TO THE VINELAND INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b) FOR ONE DOLLAR AND EXECUTION OF A RECOVERABLE GRANT, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-95 be taken up for a public hearing and open to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-95.

With no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-95 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-95 be taken up for a Final Reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2025-95 by title and announced the vote tally.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2025-95 to the Mayor for approval or disapproval.

- 4) **ORDINANCE NO. 2025-96, ORDINANCE DENYING AN APPLICATION TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2004-25, AS AMENDED ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CENTER CITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN CONSISTENT WITH RESOLUTION 5203 OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF VINELAND SO AS TO DENY AN AMENDMENT TO BLOCK 4003 LOT 21, CONSISTENT WITH RESOLUTION 6738 OF THE PLANNING BOARD.**

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2025-96, ORDINANCE DENYING AN APPLICATION TO AMEND ORDINANCE 2004-25, AS AMENDED ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CENTER CITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN CONSISTENT WITH RESOLUTION 5203 OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF VINELAND SO AS TO DENY AN AMENDMENT TO BLOCK 4003 LOT 21, CONSISTENT WITH RESOLUTION 6738 OF THE PLANNING BOARD, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-96 be taken up for a public hearing and open to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-96.

There being no one in the audience to be heard, the President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-96 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-96 be taken up for a Final Reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2025-96 by title and announced the vote tally.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2025-96 to the Mayor for approval or disapproval.

- 5) ORDINANCE NO. 2025-97, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2004-25, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CENTER CITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN CONSISTENT WITH RESOLUTION 5203 OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF VINELAND SO AS TO ALLOW A SINGLE FAMILY HOME TO BE CONVERTED TO A SPECIALIZED AUTOMOBILE REPAIR GARAGE AT 1316 WEST LANDIS AVENUE, BLOCK 2707 LOT 16 CONSISTENT WITH RESOLUTION 6739 OF THE PLANNING BOARD.

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2025-97, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2004-25, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CENTER CITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN CONSISTENT WITH RESOLUTION 5203 OF THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE CITY OF VINELAND SO AS TO ALLOW A SINGLE FAMILY HOME TO BE CONVERTED TO A SPECIALIZED AUTOMOBILE REPAIR GARAGE AT 1316 WEST LANDIS AVENUE, BLOCK 2707 LOT 16 CONSISTENT WITH RESOLUTION 6739 OF THE PLANNING BOARD, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-97 be taken up for a public hearing and open to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember

Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-97.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-97 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-97 be taken up for a Final Reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2025-97 by title and announced the vote tally.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2025-97 to the Mayor for approval or disapproval.

- 6) ORDINANCE NO. 2025-98, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 96-4, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 425, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 425-66 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF VINELAND ENTITLED PROCEDURE FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN APPROVAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION 6675 OF THE CITY OF VINELAND PLANNING BOARD

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2025-98, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 96-4, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 425, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 425-66 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF VINELAND ENTITLED PROCEDURE FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN APPROVAL IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION 6675 OF THE CITY OF VINELAND PLANNING BOARD, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-98 be taken up for a public hearing and open to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-98.

There being no one to be heard, the President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-98 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-98 be taken up for a Final Reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2025-98 by title and announced the vote tally.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2025-98 to the Mayor for approval or disapproval.

- 7) **ORDINANCE NO. 2025-99, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT OF THE CITY OF VINELAND TO AWARD CERTAIN CONTRACTS WITHOUT THE NECESSITY OF ACTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY AND ESTABLISHING A BID THRESHOLD AS MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3C.**

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2025-99, ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE QUALIFIED PURCHASING AGENT OF THE CITY OF VINELAND TO AWARD CERTAIN CONTRACTS WITHOUT THE NECESSITY OF ACTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY AND ESTABLISHING A BID THRESHOLD AS MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:11-3C, which was ready for a Public Hearing.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-99 be taken up for a public hearing and open to the public for discussion.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The President asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to be heard on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-99.

There being no one in the audience to be heard, the President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that the public hearing on ORDINANCE NO. 2025-99 be closed.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli.

The President entertained a motion by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2025-99 be taken up for a Final Reading and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion. There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2025-99 by title and announced the vote tally.

The President directed the Clerk to submit ORDINANCE NO. 2025-99 to the Mayor for approval or disapproval.

Ordinances for First Reading

- 1) ORDINANCE NO. 2026-1, ORDINANCE FOR THE PURCHASE OF 440 W. LANDIS AVENUE, BLOCK 2902, LOT 13 FOR \$50,000.00.

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2026-1 which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-1 be taken up for a First Reading.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2026-1, ORDINANCE FOR THE PURCHASE OF 440 W. LANDIS AVENUE, BLOCK 2902, LOT 13 FOR \$50,000.00..

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-1 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

2) **ORDINANCE NO. 2026-2, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FOUR-TON WEIGHT LIMIT FOR RIECK TERRACE.**

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2026-2 which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-2 be taken up for a First Reading.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2026-2, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A FOUR-TON WEIGHT LIMIT FOR RIECK TERRACE.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-2 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

3) **ORDINANCE NO. 2026-3, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PILOT AGREEMENTS FOR PROJECT TAX EXEMPTION FOR VARIOUS APPLICANTS.**

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2026-3 which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-3 be taken up for a First Reading.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2026-3, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PILOT AGREEMENTS FOR PROJECT TAX EXEMPTION FOR VARIOUS APPLICANTS.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-3 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 4) ORDINANCE NO. 2026-4, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2012-62, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 157, ARTICLE III OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF VINELAND ENTITLED SALARIES AND COMPENSATION.

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2026-4 which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-4 be taken up for a First Reading.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2026-4, ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2012-62, AS AMENDED, CHAPTER 157, ARTICLE III OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF VINELAND ENTITLED SALARIES AND COMPENSATION.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-4 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

5) ORDINANCE NO. 2026-5, AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK.

The Clerk presented, ORDINANCE NO. 2026-5 which was ready for a First Reading.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-5 be taken up for a First Reading.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

The Clerk read ORDINANCE NO. 2026-5, AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, that ORDINANCE NO. 2026-5 be passed for First Reading and that a Public Hearing be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

Resolutions

- 1) **[out of consent]** RESOLUTION NO. 2025-632, A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ALAN PAGNINI UPON RETIRING FROM PUBLIC SERVICE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026 AND APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF VINELAND POLICE DUTY WEAPON IN RECOGNITION OF YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE VINELAND POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2025-632, A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ALAN PAGNINI UPON RETIRING FROM PUBLIC SERVICE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026 AND APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF VINELAND POLICE DUTY WEAPON IN RECOGNITION OF YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE VINELAND POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2025-632 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 2) **[out of consent]** RESOLUTION NO. 2025-633, A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ALBERTO ROSARIO UPON RETIRING FROM PUBLIC SERVICE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026 AND APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF VINELAND POLICE DUTY WEAPON IN RECOGNITION OF YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE VINELAND POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2025-633, A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ALBERTO ROSARIO UPON RETIRING FROM PUBLIC SERVICE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026 AND APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF VINELAND POLICE DUTY WEAPON IN RECOGNITION OF YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE VINELAND POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2025-633 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 3) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-1, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ORIGINAL, RENEWAL AND/OR TRANSFER TAXICAB LICENSES FOR THE YEAR 2026.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-1, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ORIGINAL, RENEWAL AND/OR TRANSFER TAXICAB LICENSES FOR THE YEAR 2026.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-1 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 4) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-2, RESOLUTION DONATING OFFICE FURNITURE

**NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE CITY OF VINELAND TO THE CITY OF
MILLVILLE FOR THEIR MUNICIPAL COURT.**

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-2, RESOLUTION DONATING OFFICE FURNITURE NO LONGER NEEDED BY THE CITY OF VINELAND TO THE CITY OF MILLVILLE FOR THEIR MUNICIPAL COURT.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-2 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 5) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-3, A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2025-605 TO REFLECT A VENDOR NAME CHANGE FROM PETROCHOICE, LLC, TO MOOVE NA DISTRIBUTION, LLC.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-3, A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2025-605 TO REFLECT A VENDOR NAME CHANGE FROM PETROCHOICE, LLC, TO MOOVE NA DISTRIBUTION, LLC.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-3 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 6) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-4, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HARDENBERGH INSURANCE GROUP, MARLTON, NJ FOR RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT SERVICES.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-4, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HARDENBERGH INSURANCE GROUP, MARLTON, NJ FOR RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT SERVICES.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-4 be approved and adopted

according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 7) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-5, A RESOLUTION AWARDDING AN OPEN-END CONTRACT TO MPW INDUSTRIAL WATER, HEBRON, OH, FOR THE PURCHASE OF MOBILE DEMINERALIZER SYSTEMS FOR UNIT 11 & CLAYVILLE UNIT 1 FOR VMEU-GENERATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$192,840.00.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-5, A RESOLUTION AWARDDING AN OPEN-END CONTRACT TO MPW INDUSTRIAL WATER, HEBRON, OH, FOR THE PURCHASE OF MOBILE DEMINERALIZER SYSTEMS FOR UNIT 11 & CLAYVILLE UNIT 1 FOR VMEU-GENERATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$192,840.00.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-5 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 8) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-6, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN OPEN-END CONTRACT TO ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS, LLC, CHARLOTTE, NC, FOR DELIVERING AND SUPPLYING OFFICE SUPPLIES AND RELATED PRODUCTS THROUGH STATE CONTRACT #24-COMG-78746.
- 9) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-7, A RESOLUTION AWARDDING A CONTRACT TO THE SPORTS FACILITIES COMPANIES, CLEARWATER, FL, FOR A CITY SPORTS COMPLEX FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$71,225.00.
- 10) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-8, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN AMENDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO PURCHASE ORDER NO. 25-00066, ISSUED TO J. BISHOP CONSTRUCTION, INC., MILLVILLE, NJ, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,337.50.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-8, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE

ISSUANCE OF AN AMENDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO PURCHASE ORDER NO. 25-00066, ISSUED TO J. BISHOP CONSTRUCTION, INC., MILLVILLE, NJ, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,337.50.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-8 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 11) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-9, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN AMENDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. C25-0242, PURCHASE ORDER NO. 25-03591, ISSUED TO THINK PAVERS HARDSCAPING, LLC, MT. ROYAL, NJ, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,093.70.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-9, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN AMENDATORY SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO CONTRACT NO. C25-0242, PURCHASE ORDER NO. 25-03591, ISSUED TO THINK PAVERS HARDSCAPING, LLC, MT. ROYAL, NJ, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,093.70.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-9 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 12) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE REFUND OF TAXES.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE REFUND OF TAXES.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-10 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 13) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-11, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY OF VINELAND.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-11, A RESOLUTION PROVIDING AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF BILLS AND DEMANDS AGAINST THE CITY OF VINELAND.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-11 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 14) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-12, A RESOLUTION MAKING TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 PENDING FINAL ADOPTION OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 BUDGET.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-12, A RESOLUTION MAKING TEMPORARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 PENDING FINAL ADOPTION OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026 BUDGET.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-12 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English,
Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 15) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-13, A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2025-404, AMENDING THE TERMS OF THE SECOND AMENDED REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SUBSEQUENT FEASIBILITY STUDY AGREEMENT BY AND

BETWEEN ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC, AN EXELON COMPANY (ACE) AND THE CITY OF VINELAND FOR TRANSMISSION PLANNING STUDIES AND ROUTE ANALYSIS FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4087 SOUTH LINCOLN AVENUE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE AMENDED SECOND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT.

Added by: Legal Department on January 13, 2026.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-13, A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2025-404, AMENDING THE TERMS OF THE SECOND AMENDED REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SUBSEQUENT FEASIBILITY STUDY AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC, AN EXELON COMPANY (ACE) AND THE CITY OF VINELAND FOR TRANSMISSION PLANNING STUDIES AND ROUTE ANALYSIS FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4087 SOUTH LINCOLN AVENUE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE AMENDED SECOND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-13 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 16) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-14, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF AN INVOICE TO THE PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY FOR 2026 ANNUAL DUES AND ASSESSMENTS.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-14, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF AN INVOICE TO THE PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY FOR 2026 ANNUAL DUES AND ASSESSMENTS.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-14 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

- 17) RESOLUTION NO. 2026-15, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MAKEMA EDWARDS DOUGLAS AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY.

The Clerk presented, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-15, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MAKEMA EDWARDS DOUGLAS AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY.

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur that, RESOLUTION NO. 2026-15 be approved and adopted according to law.

The President asked if there was any discussion by Council Members on this motion.

There being no discussion, the Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

Privilege of the Floor

All members of City Council thanked the Barse school students for attending for the Pledge of Alligience and also congratulated the retirees and thanked them for their public service to the City of Vineland.

Adjournment

The President entertained a motion moved by Councilmember Vargas, and seconded by Councilmember Dr. Arthur, to adjourn the meeting.

The Clerk called the roll: YEAS:

Councilmember Dr. Elizabeth Arthur, Councilmember Scott English, Councilmember Albert Vargas, Council Vice President Cruz Gomez, Council President Paul Spinelli

Meeting adjourned at 07:41 PM

ATTEST:

Paul F. Spinelli
Council President

Richard G. Franchetta, RMC
City Clerk