

**BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD  
AGENDA**



**COUNCIL AGENDA CONFERENCE**

**MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2025**

*following the Board of Health Meeting*

Pursuant to the Executive Order of New Jersey Governor Murphy requiring social distancing due to Covid-19, this meeting excludes public attendance. The entire meeting proceedings, including opportunity for public comment will be made available live, in real time via the “Zoom” system. Join Zoom Meeting via the following link:

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**ROLL CALL:**

Council Members:

Aimee Corzo  
Suzette Given  
Steven McIntyre, Vice President  
Everett Merrill  
Keiona R. Miller  
Wendy Schaefer  
Frank “Skip” Stabile, Council President

Compliance Statement

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

General public comments shall be limited to five minutes for each individual.

*(Rule 29 of the Borough Council’s Rules of Order)*

**COUNCIL PROCLAMATION:**

**PRIDE MONTH**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. PROPOSED CAPITAL BUDGET REQUESTS - (L.L. & D.E.H.)**
- 2. INCREASED FEES FOR EXTRANEIOUS EMPLOYMENT OF POLICE PERSONNEL – (L.L. & D.E.H.)**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. CANNABIS – (A.C. & S.M.)**

**REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of North Plainfield cherishes the value and dignity of each person and appreciates the importance of equality and freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, all are welcome in North Plainfield to live, work, and play, and every family, in any definition, deserves a place to call home where they are safe, happy, and supported by friends and neighbors; and

**WHEREAS**, Pride Month began in June of 1970 on the one year anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising in New York City after LGBTQ+ and allied friends rose up and fought against the constant police harassment and discriminatory laws; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough of North Plainfield denounces prejudice and unfair discrimination based on age, gender identity, gender expression, race, color, religion, marital status, national origin, sexual orientation, or physical attributes; and

**WHEREAS**, North Plainfield appreciates the cultural, civic, and economic contributions of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, plus (LGBTQ+) community which strengthens our social welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, celebrating Pride Month raises awareness and provides support and advocacy for the LGBTQ+ community, and is an opportunity to become educated, engage in dialogue, strengthen alliances and build understanding; and

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that young people in our community, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, feel valued, safe, empowered, and supported by their peers and their community; and

**WHEREAS**, despite being marginalized, LGBTQ+ people continue to celebrate authenticity, acceptance, and love.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED**,  
that we the Council members of the Borough of North Plainfield do hereby declare **June** as **LGBTQ+ Pride Month** and urge residents to recognize the contributions made by members of the LGBTQ+ community and to actively promote the principles of equality, liberty and justice this month and always.



**Borough of North Plainfield - 2025 Capital Budget Recommendations and 5 year Projections**

June 3, 2025

Department/Project/Purchase	Status	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2025-2030
<b><u>Police Department</u></b>								
Portable Surveillance Cameras for CID		\$20,000						\$20,000
Replace Original Radio Console Inside HQ		\$325,000						\$325,000
Replace DARE/LEAD Specialty Vehicle			\$80,000					\$80,000
Replace In-car Radar Units for Patrol Vehicles			\$15,000					\$15,000
Replace/Add Exterior Avigilon Surveillance Cameras				\$80,000				\$80,000
Replace Patrol Car Light Bars for Fleet				\$40,000				\$40,000
Replace All Vehicle and Hand-Held Radios					\$450,000			\$450,000
Replace Body Worn Cameras/Cloud Storage						\$80,000		\$80,000
Replace In-car Computers (mobile-data-computers)							\$100,000	\$100,000
<b><u>Technology/Office Equipment</u></b>								
Equipment - Hardware/Software		\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$150,000
<b><u>Fire Department</u></b>								
New SUV Command/Fire Prevention Vehicle		\$65,000						\$65,000
Oxygen Generating Compressor		\$24,000						\$24,000
Enclosed Trailer for Rescue Equipment		\$20,000						\$20,000
Contribution to Watchung for New Mini Pumper		\$15,000						\$15,000
Radio Communication Equipment		\$14,000						\$14,000
Hose Equipment and Hose Testing Pump		\$36,000						\$36,000
SCBA Compressed Air Cylinders			\$60,000					\$60,000
Vehicle Exhaust System			\$95,000					\$95,000
AED Defibrillators			\$4,000					\$4,000
Ambulance to Replace Rescue 5 (10 yrs old, 90K miles)				\$300,000				\$300,000
SUV Fire Prevention Vehicle to Replace Car 2 (12 yrs old)					\$80,000			\$80,000
Firehouse 2nd Floor Upgrades					\$200,000			\$200,000
Equipment TBD						\$100,000	\$100,000	\$200,000
<b><u>Office of Emergency Management</u></b>								
Reconditioning /Overhaul of High Water Rescue Vehicle		\$23,000						\$23,000
Radios Compatible with County System		\$35,000						\$35,000
Equipment TBD			\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$150,000

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<b><u>Buildings and Grounds</u></b>								
<b>Public Works Yard -</b>								
Roof Replacement (Barrel Roof) Original Building		\$125,000						\$125,000
Repave Lot		\$50,000						\$50,000
Roof Replacement (Flat Roof) Former County Building			\$200,000					\$200,000
Soffit Repairs (Former County Building)			\$50,000					\$50,000
Site Improvements - Paving, Masonry, HVAC System				\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$80,000
<b>Veterans Memorial Library -</b>								
New Roof/Drains		\$300,000						\$300,000
Reconstruct Entrance Façade		\$700,000						\$700,000
Main Floor Bathroom Floors/Drains			\$20,000					\$20,000
Boiler Removal - Basement			\$10,000					\$10,000
Replace Carpet Tiles - Main Floor			\$125,000					\$125,000
Replace Carpet Tiles - Lower Level				\$100,000				\$100,000
New Light Fixtures					\$25,000			\$25,000
Install Elevator						\$200,000		\$200,000
Site Improvements - Paving, Masonry, Communications							\$50,000	\$50,000
<b>Municipal Complex -</b>								
Roof Replacement		\$270,000						\$270,000
ADA Doors - Front Entrance		\$50,000						\$50,000
Lincoln Pl. Parking Lot Acquisition and Improvements					\$500,000			\$500,000
Site Improvements - Electrical, Communications, Paving, Roofing		\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$180,000
<b>Vermeule Mansion, Community Center and Grounds -</b>								
Community Center Roof		\$160,000						\$160,000
ADA Doors		\$50,000						\$50,000
Demo Existing Recreation Buildings		\$150,000						\$150,000
New Recreation Building			\$1,750,000					\$1,750,000
Site Improvements - Paving, Masonry, Communications		\$10,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$160,000
<b>Green Acres Parks/Recreation Improvements -</b>								
Sports Court Resurfacing		\$81,000						\$81,000
(\$260,000 Est'd Total, \$179,000 Grant Rec'd from DCA)								
ADA Accessible Playground -		\$5,000						\$5,000
(\$875,000 Est'd Total, \$435,000 Grant Rec'd from Green Acres, \$435,000 Grant Rec'd from Somerset County)								
Site Improvements - Paving Masonry, Fencing, Drainage			\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$50,000
<b>Villa Maria Park -</b>								
Recreation Path and Exercise Equipment:		\$0						\$0
(\$500,000 Est'd Total, \$500,000 Grant Rec'd from Somerset Co.)								
Dog Park:		\$0						\$0
(\$200,000 Est'd Total, \$200,000 Grant Rec'd from Somerset Co.)								

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<b>Roads/Safety Improvements</b>								
Street Sign Replacements		\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$30,000
Sidewalk Repairs and Leveling due to Borough Tree Roots		\$75,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$525,000
100% Locally Funded Capital Road Improvements - 2025-2026								
Ayers Avenue (Lawrence Avenue to Clinton Avenue)		\$90,000						\$90,000
Azalea Court		\$65,000						\$65,000
Beech Lane		\$45,000						\$45,000
Craig Place (Grove Street to Duer Street)		\$80,000						\$80,000
Redmont Road		\$90,000						\$90,000
Stone Street		\$90,000						\$90,000
Union Street		\$20,000						\$20,000
Washington Avenue (Prospect Place to Plainfield Border)		\$55,000						\$55,000
Whitewood Avenue		\$105,000						\$105,000
Total Locally Funded Roadway Improvements = \$640,000								
100% Locally Funded Capital Road Improvements TBD - Future								
			\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$5,300,000
NJDOT Funded Roadway Improvements -								
NJDOT 2024 Fairview Avenue Improvements (\$496,025 Est. Total, \$303,489 Grant Received)		\$192,536						\$192,536
NJDOT 2025 Walnut Street & Jefferson Avenue Improvements (\$666,228 Est. Total, \$518,505 Grant Received)		\$147,723						\$147,723
Roadway Safety/Traffic Calming Improvements Various Locations		\$100,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$350,000
Municipal Parking Lots Paving, Curbing, Masonry, Meters		\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$150,000

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<b><i>Public Works/Property Maintenance</i></b>								
SUV Vehicle - Property Maintenance Inspections		\$75,000						\$75,000
Pick-up Trucks		\$110,000			\$60,000			\$170,000
Single Axle Dump Truck		\$175,000	\$85,000					\$260,000
Sewer Jet Truck				\$125,000				\$125,000
Skid Steer/Bobcat				\$50,000				\$50,000
Equipment TBD						\$125,000	\$125,000	\$250,000
<b><i>Stormwater Maintenance and Compliance</i></b>								
Stormwater System Improvements & MS4 Compliance		\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$300,000
Outfall Repairs		\$75,000	\$75,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$350,000
Storm Sewer Repairs		\$50,000	\$75,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$525,000
<b><i>Miscellaneous</i></b>								
Demolition of Hazardous Properties		\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$150,000
Affordable Housing Rehab Program, Friends of the Carpenter		\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$300,000
<b>Total Pages 1-4 (non-Sewer)</b>		<b>\$4,384,334</b>	<b>\$4,055,078</b>	<b>\$2,276,081</b>	<b>\$3,021,084</b>	<b>\$2,211,087</b>	<b>\$2,081,090</b>	<b>\$18,028,754</b>

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<b>Department/Project/Purchase</b>									
<b><i>Sewer Utility</i></b>									
<b><i>Sanitary Sewer Repair Program</i></b>									
<b><i>CDBG Projects -</i></b>									
2024 CDBG Sewer Rehabilitation - Jennings Lane (\$280,000 Est. Cost, \$99,703 Funding Received)		\$180,297							\$180,297
2025 CDBG Sewer Replacement - Grove Street (\$449,000 Est. Cost, \$124,120 Funding Received)		\$324,880							\$324,880
Future CDBG Projects - TBD			\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$300,000	\$300,000		\$1,350,000
<b><i>Other Sewer Projects -</i></b>									
TBD			\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000		\$2,500,000
<b>Total Sewer Capital</b>		<b>\$505,177</b>	<b>\$750,000</b>	<b>\$750,000</b>	<b>\$750,000</b>	<b>\$800,000</b>	<b>\$800,000</b>		<b>\$4,355,177</b>

**2025 Capital Budget Highlights**

- 2025 Adopted Operating Budget Provides for \$7.5M in Total Bonding Capacity, \$4.4M is Proposed
- Sewer Capital Improvements (\$0.5M proposed this year) are paid for out of the Sewer Utility which is a "self-liquidating" utility, meaning that it funds debt and operating expenses entirely from its revenues, separate from the Municipal Budget.
- Last Capital Bond Ordinance Was Adopted in 2024
- Borough Debt (Borough) as of 12/31/24 is \$23,257,105 which is 0.966% of total valuation (3.5% of total valuation is the permissible debt limit)
- THIS CAPITAL BUDGET INCLUDES PROJECTS FOR WHICH THE BOROUGH RECEIVED \$2.8M IN GRANT MONEY!  
Other Major 100% Grant-funded projects are the \$1.0M Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant, and \$0.9M Leafing Out Grant***