



City of Lambertville
Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting
Thursday, October 6, 2022, 7:00 P.M.
Phillip L. Pittore Justice Center, 25 South Union
Street, Lambertville
AGENDA

- I. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT
The meeting agenda provides for all action items known at the time of publication and is subject to change.
- II. ROLL CALL
Councilwoman Lambert, Councilman Sanders, Councilman Stegman, Council President Taylor, Mayor Nowick
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE
- IV. BILLS LIST
- V. RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NUMBER 170-2022: A Resolution to Authorize the Grant Application (Shade Tree Commission)

RESOLUTION NUMBER 170-2022

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAMBERTVILLE, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, TO ENTER INTO A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW JERSEY URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY PROGRAM

WHEREAS, our urban forest is an important resource that contributes to the quality of life for the residents of the City of Lambertville; and

WHEREAS, our urban forest works to improve air and water quality, mitigate the heat island effect, increase property values, increase economic stability, improve citizen health and beautify the City; and

WHEREAS, day-trippers and tourists provide vital income to the City via local businesses, and a landscape including tree-lined streets adds to the city's attractiveness and directly supports its economy; and

WHEREAS, storm-related damage and flooding in the last decade have been devastating, with a large number of trees brought down by Hurricane Sandy's winds; and

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the importance of trees in flood mitigation through the interception of stormwater, slowing of runoff, and infiltration of water into the soil; and

WHEREAS, our City's residents have been made even more vulnerable to flash flooding due to the significant loss of ash trees on the hillsides above our community; and

WHEREAS, a tree inventory is necessary to understand the condition of our urban forest and how to best maintain and enhance it.,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Lambertville, County of Hunterdon, that the Mayor and Council of the City of Lambertville authorizes the Mayor, City Attorney and City Clerk to enter into a

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Stewardship Grant agreement with the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Urban and Community Forestry Program to complete a tree inventory for the City.

ADOPTED at a meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Lambertville, Hunterdon County, on October 6, 2022.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 171-2022: *A Resolution to Establish a Green Team as Part of Sustainable Jersey*

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RESOLUTION NUMBER 171-2022
A Resolution to Establish a Green Team Pursuant to Sustainable Jersey

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Lambertville strives to save tax dollars, assure clean air and water, improve working and living environments, and build a community that is sustainable economically, environmentally, and socially; and

WHEREAS, the governing body of the City of Lambertville wishes to build a model of government which benefits its residents with green community initiatives which are environmentally and economically sound, easy to replicate, and affordable to implement; and

WHEREAS, in an attempt to focus on green issues, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville wishes to re-establish a Green Team;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Lambertville, in the County of Hunterdon, in the State of New Jersey, that the Green Team will be comprised of the following membership which will be nominated by the Mayor and confirmed by Council:

Environmental Commission Representative;
Parks and Recreation Commission Representative;
Resilience Team;
The City Clerk;
The Public Works Director;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the purpose of the Green Team is to:

- ☐ facilitate the successful completion of the requirements for re-certification of Sustainable Jersey;
- ☐ educate and encourage all city employees, residents, and businesses to participate in green initiatives;
- ☐ collaborate with public and private green committees to ensure the replication of best practices and to ensure a coordinated effort within the City of Lambertville;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Green Team will consist of no more than 13 members who will serve a three year term.

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VI. PRESENTATION ON STORMWATER UTILITIES

Brianne Callahan, New Jersey Futures

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James Thompson, New Jersey League of Conservative Voters

VII. AMENDMENT TO THE AUGUST 18, 2022 MINUTES

Amending Mr. Hencheck's statement to include: *I have the highest concentration of arsenic in my well in the State of NJ.*

VIII. APPOINTMENT TO BOARDS/COMMISSIONS

- a. Library
 - i. Term Expiring 12/31/2023
 - ii. Term Expiring 12/31/2025

IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Closson Property: RFEI for the Farm Market
- b. Valet Parking
- c. Sidewalks: ban of trip hazards;
- d. Proposed Setback Ordinance
- e. SAFE (Hunterdon County): October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

X. ORDINANCES FIRST READING

- a. ORDINANCE NUMBER 27-2022: *An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Code, 2014, Chapter 7, Traffic, Section 7-4.3. Parking Prohibited at all Times on Certain Streets, Adding A Section on North Union Street*

XI. ORDINANCES CURRENTLY IN DRAFT FORM:

ORDINANCE NUMBER XX-2022: *An Ordinance to Revise the Lambertville City Code, 2014, Chapter XX, Flood Damage Prevention, Incorporating the Mandated Higher State Standards Found in the Flood Hazard Area Control Act. See 08-19-2022 Letter from NJDEP.*

The Construction Official is working on this revision.

ORDINANCE NUMBER XX-2022: *An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Code, 2014, Chapter 10, Section 10-7 Rental of Housing Units (certificate of insurance from all owners of rental properties)*

Amendments include:

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE: In accordance with Senate, No. 1368, Business Owners and Rental Unit Owners to maintain certain liability insurance policies. The owner of a multi-family home of four or fewer units, one of which is

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owner occupied, shall annually register the certificate insurance demonstrating compliance with section 1 of P.L. 2022, c.92.

Replacing Housing Officer with Zoning Officer and Fire Official (where applicable).

Addition of Lead Paint Certifications.

ORDINANCE NUMBER XX-2022: *An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Code, 2014, Addition Provisions for Film and Media.*

Councilman Sanders and Councilman Stegman are working on this Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NUMBER XX-2022: *An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Code, 2014, Metered Parking Spaces, to Reserve Three Spaces in the Bank Parking Lot for Visitors to the Bank.*

At the bank's request, the City is amending our Ordinance to permit Wells Fargo and its successors to bag three meters for their customers.

ORDINANCE NUMBER XX-2022: *An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Code, 2014, Board of Health Food Licenses to Permit the Issuance of Cottage Food Permit.*

Zoning Ordinance: will need to define where they are permissible;

Cottage Food Licenses are issued by the State of New Jersey. The City can regulate where they go and require the applicant obtain a Zoning Perm

ORDINANCE NUMBER XX-2022: *An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Zoning Ordinances, Application Fees and Escrow Deposits*

The Secretary to the Boards and the Deputy Treasurer are working on the revision.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 28-2022: *An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Code, 2014, Chapter 3, Section 3-17, Human Rights Council.*

ORDINANCE NUMBER 28-2022

An Ordinance to Amend the Lambertville City Code, 2014, Chapter 3, Section 17.4, Human Rights Council, Appointments, Compensation, Terms, Vacancies

§ 3-17.4 Council Established; Appointment; Compensation; Terms; Vacancies.

[Amended 5-16-2019 by Ord. No. 11-2019]

The City of Lambertville Human Rights Council (LHRC) will consist of a total of 11 members, from both the public and private sector, and is hereby established in the City of Lambertville. The members of the City of Lambertville Human Rights Council (LHRC) shall be appointed by the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Lambertville City Council.

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a.

Public Sector Members:

1. : The Mayor of the City of Lambertville, or his or her representative, to run concurrent with the Mayor's three-year term;

2. :The President of the Lambertville City Council, or his/her representative, for a one-year term;

3. :The Police Director or Officer-in-Charge of the City of Lambertville or his/her representative, for a one-year term;

4. :The Director of Public Assistance of the City of Lambertville, for a three-year term concurrent with the Mayor's three-year term;

5. :The President of Board of Education from the Lambertville-Stockton-West Amwell unified school district, or his/her representative, for three-year term concurrent with their term;

6. : The Chairperson of the Lambertville Free and Public Library, or his or her representative, for a one-year term.

b. : Private Sector Members:

There shall be five members from the private sector appointed to serve on the Human Rights Council. They shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Governing Body.

One member may be a non-resident of the municipality to be appointed annually. One member may be a student of the South Hunterdon Regional School District. The student representative will serve for a 12-month period beginning with the start of the academic calendar year.

- 1) A resident of the City of Lambertville for a 2-year term;
- 2) A resident of the City of Lambertville for a 3-year term;
- 3) A resident of the City of Lambertville for a 5-year term;
- 4) A non-resident of the City of Lambertville for a 1-year term;
- 5) A student from the South Hunterdon Regional School District

All members of the LHRC shall serve without compensation.

One (1) of said members shall be appointed by the Mayor as Chairperson. Additional Officers shall be elected by the majority of the membership at the annual reorganization meeting.

The City of Lambertville Human Relations Council (LHRC) may have such other officers, as it deems necessary.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING: October 20, 2022

PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND READING: November 17, 2022

XII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

XIII. ADJOURNMENT