M I N U T E S

Mayor and Council Regular Meeting
October 22, 2026
7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER –

A Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge was held in person in Council Chambers of the River Edge Municipal Building located at 705 Kinderkamack Road, River Edge, NJ 07661 and virtually via Zoom on October 22, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Thomas Papaleo.

SILENT PRAYER – FLAG SALUTE

Mayor Papaleo asked for a moment of silence for the great volunteers at both the local and State level as well as those who serve charitable organizations, commenting on how they make it possible for this country to achieve so much. Council President Kinsella then led those present in a salute to the flag.

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE -

Mayor Papaleo read the Statement of Compliance into the record as follows:

Statement of Compliance with Open Public Meeting Act: This meeting complies with the Open Public Meeting Act by notification on January 9, 2026 and January 16, 2026 of the location, date, time, and access information to the Town News and the Record and by posting of same on the municipal bulletin board and Borough website and filing a notice of the same with the Municipal Clerk.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:	Council President Kinsella, Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, Councilwoman Malellari, Councilwoman Dhariwal, and Mayor Papaleo.
ABSENT:	Councilman Glass and Councilman Feffer
ALSO PRESENT:	Borough Attorney John Shahdanian, Esq. Borough Administrator Lissette Aportela

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

On a motion by Council President Kinsella, seconded by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, with Councilwoman Malellari and Councilwoman Dhariwal abstaining from the September 24, 2026 Minutes, Councilwoman Montisano Koen abstaining from the October 8, 2026 Minutes, and Council President Kinsella abstaining from the October 8th Closed Session, and all other members present voting in favor, that the Minutes of the Mayor and Council Regular Meeting of September 24, 2026 and Regular Meeting and Closed Session of October 8, 2026 (not to be released) are hereby approved.

Mayor Papaleo announced that Resolution #26-276 will be considered next.

#26-276 Approve the Appointment of a Volunteer Firefighter

Motion by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, second by Councilwoman Malelleri, that Resolution #26-276 be approved.

The vote was recorded as follows:

Council President Kinsella:	aye	Councilman Glass:	absent
Councilwoman Montisano-Koen:	aye	Councilwoman Dhariwal:	aye
Councilwoman Malellari:	aye	Councilman Feffer:	absent

Mayor Papaleo administered the Oath of Office to Firefighter Trinkleback who was joined by his family.

William Sanders, Fire Chief, welcomed back Firefighter Trinkleback to the department, noting that he began with the department as a Junior Firefighter. He commented that Firefighter Trinkleback was an Eagle Scout when he became a regular member and noted that he was lucky enough to give Firefighter Trinkleback an award. He stated that Firefighter Trinkleback is well-trained and ready to go and the department welcomes him back with open arms.

Mayor Papaleo advised that it was because of this swearing in that he wanted to start the night recognizing volunteers, noting that volunteers are what make both River Edge and the United States so great.

PROCLAMATIONS & AWARDS –

Former Fire Chief Robert Schlossberg Proclamation

Mayor Papaleo advised that Robert Schlossberg, former Fire Chief, was recognized by the State as Chief of the Year and commented that the governing body wishes to acknowledge this great achievement. He then read the following proclamation into the record:

P R O C L A M A T I O N

WHEREAS, the safety, health, prosperity, and structural growth of the Borough of River Edge rely heavily on the diverse talents, tireless work ethic, and civic devotion of its community members; and

WHEREAS, Ex-Chief Robert Schlossberg has dedicated over 25 years of faithful service as a volunteer firefighter with the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department, demonstrating a lifelong commitment to the protection of life and property; and

WHEREAS, Chief Schlossberg served with profound distinction as the Chief of the Department for the years 2024 and 2025, and continues to shape the future of local public safety by currently serving as both the Department Training Officer and the President of Fire Company 1; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, he revolutionized departmental readiness by planning and coordinating over 70 comprehensive training exercises, including advanced courses in Building Construction, Fire Ground Strategies, Critical Stress Management, Basement Fires, Thermal Image Camera utilization, Beyond the Basics, and vital joint RIT training with the Hackensack Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, his relentless dedication to excellence culminated in his selection as the prestigious 2025 New Jersey Fire Chief of the Year, bringing immense pride to our community,

alongside being named one of the NJ-5 Hometown Heroes by Congressman Josh Gottheimer; and

WHEREAS, his deep-seated altruism has spanned across emergency services, having also proudly volunteered his medical skills with the River Edge Volunteer Ambulance Corps for 25 years, during which he executed three successful CPR saves and delivered a baby in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, beyond his extensive contributions as a first responder, Robert Schlossberg has directly helped shape the physical landscape of our neighborhood as a local contractor building homes in River Edge with MARJ Properties, LLC, while balancing a distinguished professional career as a Director of Sourcing Solutions International in Bergenfield; and

WHEREAS, Chief Schlossberg's inspiring legacy of public service is shared and magnified by his family, including his wife, Jo Ellen, who served with the River Edge Volunteer Ambulance Corps; his son Michael, a Lieutenant in the Fire Department; his son Joseph, a member of the Ambulance Corps; and his son Robert, a Police Officer in Wyckoff;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Thomas Papaleo, Mayor of the Borough of River Edge on behalf of the Borough Council and all our residents do Honor, Thank and Commend Robert Schlossberg for his many years of dedicated service and his legacy of accomplishments and contributions improving the lives of the residents of River Edge and the residents of Bergen County.

Former Chief Schlossberg thanked Chief Charlie Lind for nominating him, noting that Chief Lind is one of his biggest supporters. He thanked his wife and children, the governing body, the Borough Administrator, and most importantly, the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department. He commented that he was the success that he was because of the members of the department. He advised that Chief Sanders believed in him in both the River Edge Volunteer Ambulance Service and Fire Department and noted that Chief Sanders is a 3-time Chief. He noted that there were 3 major fires earlier this year in which life safety was a major concern and Chief Sanders ensured that all members got home safely.

Diwali Proclamation

Mayor Papaleo called Councilwoman Dhariwal and those who wished to accept this proclamation forward. He advised that this proclamation is done every year at the request of the residents and he and the members of the audience who came forward read the following proclamation into the record:

DIWALI PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Diwali comes from the Sanskrit word 'Deepavali', a row of lights, while the festival is known as 'Festival of Lights', symbolizing the victory of light over darkness, goodness over evil, and knowledge over ignorance, and

WHEREAS, Diwali, is celebrated igniting traditional clay lamps 'Diyas', in the autumn of each year, at the end of harvest season, during 'Hindu Heritage' month, beginning on a New Moon, the darkest night of the Hindu calendar ("Panchanga"), Diwali date being determined by the Lunar calendar each year, and

WHEREAS, Diwali is celebrated over five days by Hindus, Sikhs, Jains, and some Buddhists, throughout Bergen County, and around the world; each with its own significance and traditions, the five days of Diwali being "Dhanteras", "Naraka Chaturdashi", "Diwali", "Govardhan Puja" and "Bhai Dooj"; and

WHEREAS, Diwali includes many traditions, such as charitable giving ("dana"), providing selfless service ("seva"), gathering with friends and family for prayer ("Puja"), exchanging gifts, eating sweets, setting off fireworks and decorating homes with colorful rice, sand, chalk or flower patterns ('rangolis'); and

WHEREAS, for Hindus, Diwali marks Lord Rama's return to his home, "Ayodhya", after defeating King Ravana and is therefore a celebration of goodness over evil, and light over darkness; and

WHEREAS, for Sikhs, Diwali is the day when the sixth founding Sikh Guru, Guru Hargobind, was released from confinement by the Mughal Emperor Jehangir; and

WHEREAS, for Jains, Diwali symbolizes the attainment of Self-Realization, ("Nirvana"), by Lord Mahavira, the last of the Tirthankaras, who were the great teachers of Jainism; and

WHEREAS, for Buddhists, Diwali represents the day Emperor Ashoka chose the peaceful path of Buddhism over destruction and carnage; and

WHEREAS, the holiday is a uniting force, as it is celebrated by the majority of people from India, regardless of their faith and is celebrated by more than one billion people worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Bergen County is the home to nearly 35,000 Indian-American residents, who strengthen and enrich 70 municipalities with their valued history, culture, heritage and vibrant traditions, while diversity represents one of Bergen County's greatest strengths, and Bergen County joins with the people of Asian Indian heritage across New Jersey and those around the world celebrating Diwali.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Thomas Papaleo, alongside Councilmembers, in the State of New Jersey, do hereby recognize November 8, 2026 as DIWALI DAY and we call this observance to the attention of all our residents and public officials of River Edge, to learn and recognize the religious, cultural and historical significance of the festival, observing the holiday with appropriate activities and programs.

PRESENTATIONS –

Recreation Projects

Joseph Ricca, Recreation Director, advised that he solicited proposals from NV5 and Neglia Group, the appointed firms as Special Projects Engineers, for the Concession Stand Improvements at Kenneth B. George Park and Veteran's Memorial Park – Tennis Courts & Memorial projects. He recommended that NV5 be awarded the project at KBG and Neglia the project at Veterans Memorial Park. He explained the work that would be entailed with each project and the sources of funding which included the Open Space Trust Fund for both projects and Tennis Trust for the tennis courts, confirming that there would be no impact to the taxpayers.

Borough Administrator Aportela explained that a Bergen County Open Space grant was awarded in the amount of $131,780 for upgrades to the walking paths at Memorial Park. As the park is in need of a major overhaul and it is best not to complete the work piecemeal, it was decided to transfer the grant to this project and an extension was granted until December 13th. She noted that, if necessary, an additional extension can be sought.

There were questions regarding when the projects would commence, whether the puddling and flooding in Memorial Park would be addressed, and whether trees would be impacted in Memorial

Park.

Recreation Director Ricca advised that the concession stand work can commence right away while the tennis courts would need to wait until the spring. With respect to Memorial Park, he explained that addressing the puddling and flooding would simply be a matter of proper grading, and as of the design, no trees should be impacted. He finished by noting that, with each firm handling one of the projects, it will be a good opportunity to observe how each firm does with respect to timelines and Change Orders.

Borough Administrator Aportela advised that the governing body needs to provide direction as to whether they agree with the Recreation Director's recommendation to award the Concession Stand Improvements at Kenneth B. George Park project to NV5 and Veteran's Memorial Park – Tennis Courts & Memorial project to Neglia Group. If so, she explained that resolutions of award would be listed on the November 12th agenda for approval.

Council President Kinsella asked for confirmation that there will be an onsite person from each firm who will be overseeing the project.

Recreation Director Ricca confirmed this information and noted that NV5's hourly rate for this person to be onsite was taken into consideration when recommending the firm for each project. As he expressed his belief that the hourly rate is high, he recommended NV5 for the concession stand work as this project will be shorter in duration.

It was the consensus of the governing body to move forward as recommended by the Recreation Director.

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

On a motion by Council President Kinsella, seconded by Councilwoman Malellari, and all present voting in favor, to open for public comments.

Peter Dunsay, 446 Oak Avenue, advised that, as the Cultural Center is a 501(c)(3) organization, it is unable to solicit funds unless it has a lease. He noted that he received pledges in excess of $11,000 to be used towards the required repairs as well as over 500 signatures on a petition to save the Cultural Center. He reported that he reached out to an Assemblywoman with respect to a grant who advised that she was told by a Borough official not to get involved. He expressed his opinion that the Borough should solicit a grant. He advised that his letter of June 30th was not addressed by the Borough Attorney for 8 weeks and commented that the center would like to reach a resolution on this matter.

On a motion by Council President Kinsella, seconded by Councilwoman Dhariwal, and all present voting in favor, to close public comments.

Borough Attorney Shahdanian advised that it did not take 8 weeks to respond, noting that Mr. Dunsay has both his office and cell phone number in addition to his email address.

APPOINTMENTS & PERSONNEL CHANGES –

On motion by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, seconded by Council President Kinsella, and all members present voting in favor, to approve the following appointments and personnel changes:

a. Accept the resignation of Stephen Depken as Zoning Official, effective 10/31/2026

MONTHLY REPORTS –

Mayor Papaleo advised that the following reports are on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk and available for review:

Historic Commission	-	September 22, 2026
Library Board of Trustees	-	September 1, 2026
Fire Prevention	-	September 30, 2026

FIRST READING – ORDINANCES –

Ordinance #26-16

Motion by Council President Kinsella that the following ordinance be introduced and passed on first reading and setting November 12, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard as the date and time and both Council Chambers as the place and Zoom as the virtual platform for the hearing on said ordinance. Second by Councilwoman Dhariwal.

Mayor Papaleo read the title of the ordinance into the record:

ORDINANCE 26-16 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 208 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, ENTITLED "FILMING"

Borough Administrator Aportela explained that the purpose of this ordinance is to amend the current filming ordinance to comply with NJ Film Ready requirements. She noted that this step is the first of many with the next step being the Real Scout Program. She advised that the hope is to attract filming in the Borough to not only showcase various areas within River Edge but to also help the businesses. As the NJ Film Commission requires uniformity throughout the State, she advised that their template must be adopted.

The vote was recorded as follows:

Councilwoman Montisano-Koen:	aye	Councilman Glass:	absent
Council President Kinsella:	aye	Councilwoman Dhariwal:	aye
Councilwoman Malellari:	aye	Councilman Feffer:	absent

RESOLUTIONS - By Consent

With respect to Resolution #26-281, Council President Kinsella questioned whether other municipalities have also requested deer management.

Borough Administrator Aportela confirmed that multiple municipalities have adopted this resolution, advising that it is a County-wide movement.

Mayor Papaleo reported that New York had 34,000 deer killed by car accidents last year, with New Jersey having a similar number. He noted that the population is out of control, detailed the various solutions and why certain ones will not work, and expressed his belief that there either needs to be a statewide solution or regional plan.

Councilwoman Dhariwal asked for additional information on Resolution #26-280, and with respect to Resolution #26-277, she questioned whether Section 9 addresses the road.

Borough Administrator Aportela explained that Resolution #26-277 pertains to the grant received from the NJ Department of Transportation and will be used to replace curbs and sidewalks on a portion of Concord as well as from Monroe to Adams. She noted that, although the bids for Section 10 will need to be rejected and the project rebid at the next meeting, this section will complete the replacement of curbs and sidewalks from Adams to Continental which will allow Bogert Road to be paved. She then explained that Resolution #26-280 is done annually and appoints municipal representative to the Bergen County Community Development Block Grant Regional Committee. She commented that, although the Borough no longer has a census tract, this program is used to help in rehabilitating homes as part of the Borough's affordable housing requirements.

~~a.~~	~~**#26-276**~~	~~Approve the Appointment of a Volunteer Firefighter~~ *Approved earlier in the meeting*
b.	**#26-277**	Award Contract – Bogert Road – Section 9 Project
c.	**#26-278**	Approve Refunds – Shade Tree Bonds
d.	**#26-279**	Authorize Execution of an Agreement between the Borough of River Edge and the River Edge Board of Education for the Resale of Snow Removal Chemicals As Part of a Commodity Resale System
e.	**#26-280**	Appoint Municipal Representatives to the Bergen County Community Development Regional Committees PY 2026 - 2027 Covering Period July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027
f.	**#26-281**	Regional Deer Management Request to the County of Bergen
g.	**#26-282**	Renew Contract – General Labor Services for the Department of Public Works
h.	**#26-283**	Approve Refunds – Farmers Market
i.	**#26-284**	Approve the Appointment of Crossing Guard
j.	**#26-285**	Approve the Appointment of Crossing Guard
k.	**#26-286**	Approve the Appointment of Crossing Guard

Motion by Council President Kinsella, second by Councilwoman Malellari, that the Consent Agenda be approved as amended.

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

Council President Kinsella:	aye	Councilman Glass:	absent
Councilwoman Montisano-Koen:	aye*	Councilwoman Dhariwal:	aye
Councilwoman Malellari:	aye	Councilman Feffer:	absent

*Councilwoman Montisano-Koen abstained from Resolution #26-279.

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#26-287 Payment of Bills

Council President Kinsella read resolution #26-287 into the record:

At a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, held on October 22, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge approve the following expenditures.

CURRENT FUND	$	1,988,053.27

GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	$	86,840.40
GRANT FUND	$	1,888.00
TRUST OTHER	$	2,886.00
PAYROLL	$	24,525.22
RECREATION TRUST	$	6,547.67

Motion by Council President Kinsella, second by Councilwoman Kinsella, that Resolution #26-287 be approved.

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

Council President Kinsella:	aye	Councilman Glass:	absent
Councilwoman Montisano-Koen:	aye	Councilwoman Dhariwal:	aye*
Councilwoman Malellari:	aye	Councilman Feffer:	absent

Councilwoman Dhariwal recused herself from check #69671, #69677, #69678, #69679, #69687, #69688, #69694, #69715, #69739, #69755, and #6313 through #6318.

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NEW BUSINESS –

2026 Best Practices Inventory

Borough Administrator explained that the Best Practices Inventory is an annual submission to the State which is due this year on October 30, 2026. She advised that its purpose is to evaluate each municipality's compliance with various laws, regulations, and mandates and evaluates the implementation of fiscal and operational best practices. She noted that there were 71 questions of which 55 were scored and 16 unscored and each municipality needed to receive a minimum of 34 points to receive its final State Aid payment. She advised that the Borough received 43.5 points, and as such, the Borough will receive its State Aid payment in the amount of $1,086,495.

Pre-Construction Meeting – 2026 Road Improvement Plan

Borough Administrator Aportela reported that a pre-construction meeting was held with DLS, the contractor for 2026 Local Road Improvement Program, along with her, the DPW Superintendent, Jeyson Flores of Costa Engineering, and Sgt. Patrick Diamond from the Police Department. She advised that the streets included this year are Richard Court from Kinderkamack Road to the cul-de-sac, Bloomfield Avenue, Mohawk Drive from 212 Mohawk Drive to Cherry Lane, and Lozier Terrace. She stated that work is anticipated to commence on November 9th and is expected to take four days. Should there be weather delays, the contractor has assured the Borough that this project would be the first completed in the spring.

OLD BUSINESS –

There was no Old Business.

COUNCIL COMMENTS –

Council President Kinsella reminded the public that the Halloween in the Park Parade is this Saturday from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. She announced that this event includes a costume parade, candy, costume prizes, and family fun. She further announced that Halloween Home Decorating Contest voting closes tomorrow at 11:59 p.m.

Councilwoman Montisano-Koen congratulated former Chief Schlossberg on his statewide award which she commented is well-deserved.

Mayor Papaleo added that this year is the first that a Fire Chief was recognized. He also expressed appreciation to Chief Sanders who he noted also serves as Emergency Management Coordinator.

CLOSED SESSION –

On a motion from Council President Kinsella, seconded by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, and all present voting in favor, the meeting was recessed to the Closed Executive Session via Resolution #26-288 at 7:57 p.m.

#26-288 Resolution to Go Into Closed Session and Exclude Public

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-12 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

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

1. That the public shall be excluded from the October 22, 2026 regular meeting and discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matter:

    A. Personnel – N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(8)
        1. Borough Clerk
        2. Zoning Officer
    B. Attorney-Client Privilege 10:4-12(b)(7)
        1. Borough Hall Construction Project
        2. 201 Continental Avenue

2. Formal action may/may not be taken.

3. Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public.

The Regular Meeting resumed at 9:16 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Council President Kinsella, Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, Councilwoman Malellari, Councilwoman Dhariwal, and Mayor Papaleo.

ABSENT: Councilman Glass and Councilman Feffer

ALSO PRESENT: Borough Attorney John Shahdanian, Esq.
Borough Administrator Lissette Aportela

#26-289 Eliminate Position of Assistant Borough Administrator

Borough Administrator Aportela read Resolution #26-289 into the record:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that the position of Assistant Borough Administrator and its corresponding annual stipend of $8,195.45 as authorized via Resolution #26-139, adopted on April 23, 2026, are hereby eliminated effective October 31, 2026.

Motion by Council President Kinsella, second by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, to approve Resolution #26-289.

On a roll call, the vote was recorded as follows:

Council President Kinsella:	aye	Councilman Glass:	absent
Councilwoman Montisano-Koen:	aye	Councilwoman Dhariwal:	aye
Councilwoman Malellari:	aye	Councilman Feffer:	absent

ADJOURNMENT –

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, on a motion by Council President Kinsella, second by Councilwoman Montisano-Koen, and unanimously carried, to adjourn this meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Dodd, RMC
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
ORDINANCE NO. 26-16

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 208 OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE, ENTITLED "FILMING"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 208 entitled "Filming" shall be replaced in its entirety by the following:

§ 208-1 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

FILMING - The taking of still, television or motion pictures either on film or videotape or similar recording medium, for commercial or educational purposes intended for viewing on television, in theaters, for institutional uses, or other non-private viewing. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to News Productions: Current news productions, which includes reporters, photographers or cameramen in the employment of a newspaper, news service, broadcasting station or similar entity engaged in the broadcasting of news events within the Borough.

FILM PERMIT - A Film Permit means an official authorization from a town, borough, city, county, or government agency that grants a production entity legal permission to film on public property while ensuring compliance with local laws and managing potential disruptions, including but not limited to noise, light levels, traffic, and activities involving stunts or equipment. It acts as an agreement detailing the scope of filming, including location, time, crew, and effects, and protects filmmakers from fines and legal issues while establishing professionalism.

LOCATION FEE - A Location Fee means a charge assessed and negotiated between a town and a production entity to allow the use of the town's premises and/or land for film and television projects. The Location Fee is intended to provide a fair return for using the space and cover administrative or operational costs. Location Fees should specify the payment amount, schedule, and terms, including rates for preparation days, filming days, overtime, and cancellation policies.

MAJOR MOTION PICTURE - Any film which is financed and/or distributed by a major motion picture studio, including but not limited to the following: NBCUniversal, including Peacock; Warner Bros. Discovery, including New Line Cinema, HBO, DC Studios and Castle Rock Entertainment; Paramount Pictures, including Miramax, MTV Films, Showtime, Skydance, Dreamworks and Nickelodeon Movies; Walt Disney Studios, including 20th Century Studios, Searchlight Pictures, Hulu and Marvel Studios; Sony Pictures, including Columbia Pictures, Screen Gems and Tristar

Pictures; Amazon MGM Studios; Netflix Studios; A24; any film for which the budget is at least $20,000,000; or any recurrent weekly television series. programming.

MUNICIPAL LANDS - Any and every public street, highway, sidewalk, square, public park or playground or any other public place within the Borough which is within the jurisdiction and control of the Borough.

§ 208-2 Permit required.

A. No person or organization shall film or permit filming on public or on private property where such filming involves the use of public property for the operation, placement or temporary storage of vehicles or equipment utilized in such filming, including, but not limited to, any temporary structure, barricade or device intended to restrict or block off pedestrian or vehicular traffic, without first having obtained a permit from the office of the Borough Clerk, which permit shall set forth the approved location of such filming and the approved duration of such filming by specific reference to day or dates. Said permit must be readily available for inspection by Borough officials at all times at the site of the filming.

B. All permits shall be applied for and obtained from the office of the Borough Clerk during normal business hours. Applications for such permits shall be in a form approved by the Borough Clerk and be accompanied by a permit fee in the amount established by this chapter in § 208-10 herein.

C. If a permit is issued and, due to inclement weather or other good cause, filming does not in fact take place on the dates specified, the Borough Clerk may, at the request of the applicant, issue a new permit for filming on other dates subject to full compliance with all other provisions of this chapter. No additional fee shall be paid for this permit.

D. Standard exterior filming hours are authorized between the hours of 7am through 9pm camera wrap, with crew wrap by 10 pm, Monday through Sunday. Night filming restrictions shall only apply to a Project with exterior filming. Exterior filming in residential zones outside of the aforementioned hours shall be approved in the permit to be granted in accordance with § 208-3 herein.

§ 208-3 Issuance of permits.

A. No permits will be issued by the Borough Clerk unless applied for prior to four business days before the requested shooting date; provided, however, that the Borough Administrator may waive the four-day period if it is deemed that the applicant has obtained all related approvals and adjacent property owners or tenants do not need to be notified.

B. No permit shall be issued for filming upon municipal lands unless the applicant shall provide the Borough with satisfactory proof of the following:

(1) Proof of insurance coverage as follows:

(a) Commercial general liability insurance coverage, written on an occurrence basis, and must not be altered by any endorsements limiting coverage. Limits of liability shall not be less than the following:

- $2,000,000 General Aggregate per location/per job
- $2,000,000 Products/Completed Operations
- $1,000,000 Personal Injury and Advertising Injury Limit
- $1,000,000 Each Occurrence Combined Single Limit Bodily Injury and Property Damage

(b) Worker's Compensation insurance in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey and other states where work is being performed. The contractor shall also have and maintain Employers Liability Insurance as well as Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act (LHWCA) coverage where applicable.

(c) Comprehensive Automobile Liability insurance covering the use of all owned, non-owned, hired or leased automobiles with limits of liability not less than one million ($1,000,000.00) dollars combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage. Coverage should include uninsured and underinsured motorist at limits no less than the minimum statutory limits.

(d) The Borough is named as an additional insured.

The insurance coverage required by this subsection shall at all times be maintained in the full amount. The policy of insurance required by this subsection, to be filed with the Borough Clerk shall contain a clause obligating the company issuing the same to give not less than thirty (30) days' written notice to the Borough Clerk before cancellation or amendments of any of the terms thereof. Notice of cancellation shall not relieve the company issuing such policy of liability for any injury or claim arising before the cancellation becomes effective.

The cancellation of any such policy shall have the immediate effect of suspending the license of such person to film or tape covered thereby without further notice to the applicant until a new policy complying with the provisions of this subsection is filed with the Borough Clerk and a letter, in writing, confirming the new effective date of the license is issued by the Borough Clerk.

The policy shall contain a provision for continuing liability thereunder to the full amount thereof notwithstanding any recovery thereon, that the liability of the insured

shall not be affected by the insolvency or the bankruptcy of the insured and that until the policy is canceled the insurance company will not be relieved from liability on account of nonpayment of premium or of any act or omission by the named insured. Such policy of insurance shall be further conditioned for the payment of any and all judgments up to the limits of such policy.

(2) An agreement, in writing, whereby the applicant agrees to indemnify and save harmless the Borough from any and all liability, expense, claim or damages resulting from the use of municipal lands.

(3) The hiring of an off-duty police officer, if required by the Chief of Police, and firefighters, if required by the Fire Chief, according to the agreed upon public safety plan, for the times indicated on the permit.

C. The holder of the permit shall take all reasonable steps to minimize interference with the free passage of pedestrians and traffic over municipal lands and shall comply with all lawful directives issued by the Police Department with respect thereto.

§ 208-4 Interference with public activity; notice of filming.

A. The holder of a permit shall conduct filming in such a manner as to minimize the inconvenience or discomfort to adjoining property owners attributable to such filming and shall, to the extent practicable, abate noise and park vehicles associated with such filming off the public streets.

B. The holder shall avoid any interference with previously scheduled activities upon municipal lands and limit, to the extent possible, any interference with normal public activity on such municipal lands. Where the applicant's production activity, by reason of location or otherwise, will directly involve and/or affect any businesses, merchants or residents, these parties shall be given written notice of the filming at least three days prior to the requested shooting date and be informed that objections may be filed with the Borough Clerk, said objections to form a part of applicant's application and be considered in the review of the same. Proof of service of notification to adjacent owners shall be submitted to the Borough Clerk within two days of the requested shooting date.

§ 208-5 Refusal to issue permit; employment of patrolmen and electrician.

A. The Borough Administrator may refuse to issue a permit whenever it has been determined on the basis of objective facts and after a review of the application and a report thereon by the Police Department, Fire Department, and by other Borough agencies involved with the proposed filming site, that filming at the

location and/or the time set forth in the application would violate any law or ordinance or would unreasonably interfere with the use and enjoyment of adjoining properties, unreasonably impede the free flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic or otherwise endanger the public's health, safety or welfare.

B. Further, the Chief of Police and/or Fire Chief reserves the right to require one or more on-site patrolmen and/or firefighters when in situations where the proposed production may impede the proper flow of traffic or present a public safety concern, according to the agreed upon public safety plan. The cost of said patrolman and/or firefighters to be borne by the applicant as a cost of production. Where existing electrical power lines are to be utilized by the production, an on-site licensed electrician may be similarly required if the production company does not have a licensed electrician on staff.

§208- 6 Appeals.

Any person aggrieved by a decision of the Borough Administrator denying or revoking a permit or a person requesting relief may appeal to the Mayor and Council. A written notice of appeal setting forth the reasons for the appeal shall be filed with the Administrator within 10 days of the denial.

§ 208-7 Waiver of requirements.

The Borough Administrator may authorize a waiver of any of the requirements, provisions or restrictions of this chapter, with the exception of the fee, if the Administrator determines that a waiver thereof may be granted without endangering the public health, safety and welfare. In determining whether to issue a waiver, the Administrator shall consider the following factors:

(1) Potential traffic congestion at the location.

(2) The applicant's ability to remove the applicant's vehicles and equipment from the public streets or other public property.

(3) The extent to which the applicant is requesting restrictions on the use of public streets or public parking facilities during filming.

(4) The nature of the filming, including whether filming will take place indoors or outdoors, and the proposed hours for filming.

(5) The extent to which the filming may affect adjoining and nearby property owners and occupants.

(6) The Borough 's prior experience with the applicant, if any.

§ 208-8 Copies of permit; inspections.

Copies of the approved permit will be sent to the Police and Fire Departments before filming takes place and to the New Jersey Film Commission at njfilm@njeda.gov. The applicant shall permit the Fire Prevention Bureau or other Borough inspectors to inspect the site and the equipment to be used, if deemed necessary. The applicant shall comply with all safety instruction issued by the Fire Prevention Bureau or other Borough inspectors.

§ 208-9 Reimbursement of certain costs.

In addition to any other fees or costs mentioned in this chapter, the applicant shall reimburse the Borough for any lost revenue, such as repairs to public property or other revenues that the Borough was prevented from earning because of filming.

§ 208-10 Fees.

The schedule of fees for the issuance of permits authorized by this chapter are as follows:

A. Basic film permit application: $100. Where an applicant requests a waiver of the provision of § 3A requiring expedited processing of a permit application within 24 hours of the filming date, the basic filming permit fee for processing the application on an expedited basis shall be $250.

B. Daily film permit fee payable in addition to the basic filming permit when filming on public property: $150 per day.

C. Daily film permit fee payable for major motion picture when filming on public property: $500 per day.

D. Public Property Location Fee: Fee negotiated between a production company and locality

E. Daily film permit for major motion picture when filming on private property: no fee charged by locality.

F. Filming permit for nonprofit applicants filming for educational purposes (no daily rate required): $25.

G. Street closures: up to $5,000 per day

H. Parking fees: Same rates that are charged to the public

G. Student films for school purposes: No Fee

§ 208-11 Violations and penalties.

Any person who violates any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding $2,000, imprisonment in the county/municipal jail

for a term not exceeding 90 days, or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days, or any combination thereof as determined by the Municipal Court Judge. Each day on which a violation of an ordinance exists shall be considered a separate and distinct violation and shall be subject to imposition of a separate penalty for each day of the violation as the Municipal Court Judge may determine.

Section 2. Any and all other ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms hereof are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.

Section 3. In case any article, section or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid in any court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect any other article, section or provision of this ordinance except insofar as the article, section or provision so declared invalid shall be inseparable from the remainder or any portion thereof.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.

INTRODUCED:

ADOPTED:

_____
Thomas Papaleo, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____
Anne Dodd, RMC
Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-276

Approve the Appointment of a Volunteer Firefighter – Edward Trinkleback

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that Edward Trinkleback is hereby appointed as a Firefighter in the River Edge Volunteer Fire Department effective October 22, 2026.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Kinsella		X	X			
Montisano-Koen	X		X			
Malellari			X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

I hereby certify that this resolution, consisting of 1 page(s), was adopted at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, held on this 22nd day of October, 2026

Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-277

Award Contract –
Bogert Road – Section 9 Project

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, October 6. 2026 at 10:00 a.m., three bids were submitted at the date and time specified for the Bogert Road Section 9 Project and the Borough Administrator did open and read each bid aloud; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Engineer has reviewed the base bid submitted by Marini Brothers Construction in the amount of $215,040.00 and has recommended the bid be awarded to Marini Brothers Construction; and

WHEREAS, Chief Financial Officer Chris Battaglia has certified funds are available for this project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that a contract for the Bogert Road Section 9 Project shall be awarded to Marini Brothers Construction, having its principal office at 9 Lafayette Street, Hackensack, NJ 07601 in the amount of $215,040 based on the bid submitted on March October 6, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to sign said contract on behalf of the Borough of River Edge.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

Certification of Availability of Funds
NJAC 5:30-5

Date: October 22, 2026 For Resolution #R26-277

To: Mayor and Council

I hereby certify to the availability of public funds for the following specific purpose:

Purpose: Award contract for the Bogert Road Section 9 Project to Marini Brothers Construction, having its principal office at 9 Lafayette Street, Hackensack, NJ 07601 in the amount of $215,040.00 based on the bid submitted on October 6, 2026

Line Item (or Ordinance) to be Charged:
C-04-25-010-100

Chris Battaglia, CFO

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October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Line Item (or Ordinance) to be Charged:
C-04-25-010-100

Chris Battaglia, CFO

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-278

Approve Refunds – Shade Tree Bonds

WHEREAS, construction bonds have been posted for shade trees adjacent to the listed properties below; and

WHEREAS, DPW Superintendent Jason Milito and Tree Foreman Eric Phillips performed inspections at these sites and have recommended that said bonds be returned to the applicants.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, that the refunds listed below are hereby approved; and

BOND POSTING DATE	PROPERTY ADDRESS	APPLICANT	AMOUNT
8/10/2026 9/1/2026	220 Madison Avenue	Roderick P. Besa 220 Madison Avenue River Edge, NJ 07661	$800
9/29/2026	453 Windsor Road	Jill D. Bosworth 453 Windsor Road River Edge, NJ 07661	$800
9/28/2026	449 Windsor Road	Richard D. Lynch 449 Windsor Road River Edge, NJ 07661	$1,200
4/13/2026	457 The Fenway	Quality Home Developers, LLC 906 Lotus Avenue Oradell, NJ07649	$1,600

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Finance Department, Department of Public Works and Building Department.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Anne Dodd

Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-279

Authorize Execution of an Agreement between the Borough of River Edge and the River Edge Board of Education for the Resale of Snow Removal Chemicals As Part of a Commodity Resale System

WHEREAS the Borough of River Edge and River Edge Board of Education have agreed to enter into an Agreement for the purchase of snow removal chemicals pursuant to the Commodity Resale Provisions of the Cooperative Purchasing Rules (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby approve the attached Agreement between the Borough of River Edge and River Edge Board of Education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Mayor Papaleo is hereby authorized to execute said Agreement on behalf of the Borough of River Edge; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Public Works, Finance Department, and River Edge Board of Education.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen					X	
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

COMMODITY RESALE AGREEMENT

AN AGREEMENT for the resale of snow removal chemicals (salt) made on this _____ day of _____ , 2026 by and between the River Edge Board of Education and the Borough of River Edge entered into pursuant to the Commodity Resale Provisions of the Cooperative Purchasing Rules (N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq.)

WHEREAS, the Borough of River Edge owns and operates a salt storage facility for its own needs; and

WHEREAS, the River Edge Board of Education is desirous of making use of the road salt system owned by the Borough of River Edge located at the Department of Public Works, 500 Riverside Way, River Edge, New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration for the promises and of the mutual covenants herein contained, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. SUPPLY OF SALT

   The Borough of River Edge will provide an estimated not to exceed 50 tons for use by the River Edge Board of Education's 2 parking lots at Roosevelt School and 2 parking lots at Cherry Hill School. The River Edge Board of Education shall contact the Department of Public Works to arrange the loading of salt as needed.

2. RATE

   The rate that the River Edge Board of Education shall pay for the salt will be $200 per distribution.

3. PAYMENT OBLIGATION

   An invoice shall be issued to the River Edge Board of Education at the end of the month in which a delivery has been made. Monies received from the River Edge Board of Education shall be placed in the Borough of River Edge Commodity Resale System Account. If the River Edge Board of Education has a negative cash balance for 2 consecutive billing periods, that shall constitute cause for termination of the Agreement. Prior to any termination, the River Edge Board of Education shall receive a ten (10) day advance notice regarding its negative cash balance.

4. HOURS OF SERVICE

   Unless notified in writing, the supply of salt is available Monday through Friday between the hours of 7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

5. EMERGENCIES

   In the event of an emergency, the Borough of River Edge will use its best efforts to provide the salt as stipulated in this Agreement.

6. EXCUSED PERFORMANCE

   The Borough of River Edge agrees to use its best efforts to provide the salt based on the Borough's supply, subject to the terms of this Agreement.

7. MUTUAL INDEMNIFICATION

The Borough assumes all liability for, and agrees to indemnify and hold the Board of Education and its agents, servants, employees, students, guests, licensees, and invitees, harmless from and against any and all claims, losses, damages, injuries, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of, resulting from, or incurred in connection with, any negligent, grossly negligent, or willful acts or omissions by the Borough, its agents, servants, or employees related to the performance of the Borough's obligations under the terms of the Agreement. Likewise, the Board of Education assumes all liability for, and agrees to indemnify and hold the Borough and its agents, servants, and employees, harmless from and against any and all claims, losses, damages, injuries and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, arising out of, resulting from, or incurred in connection with, any negligent, grossly negligent, or willful acts or omissions by the Board of Education, its agents, servants, or employees related to the performance of the Borough's obligations under the terms of the Agreement.

8. INSURANCE

Both parties shall maintain full and complete liability insurance, in limits not less than the coverage determined by the parties' respective risk manager, throughout the term of the Agreement. Both parties shall also name each other as additional insured under their policies, and both parties shall provide a certificate of insurance confirming the coverage types and amounts no later than thirty (30) days after the Agreement is executed. The certificate of insurance shall also contain a ten (10) day cancellation and/or modification clause with a requirement of written notice to the other respective party.

9. TERMINATION

This Agreement shall be in effect upon the execution of this agreement to June 30, 2028 upon the approval by the governing bodies of the Borough of River Edge and the River Edge Board of Education. Either party may terminate this Agreement with a thirty (30) calendar days advance notice by certified mail, to the official address of the other party.

10. GOVERNING LAW

This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed as of the day and year first written.

FOR THE LEAD AGENCY:

BY: _____

Thomas Papaleo, Mayor

FOR THE PARTICIPATING UNIT:

BY:_____

Eric Thomasevich, Business Administrator
River Edge Board of Education

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-280

Appoint Municipal Representatives to the Bergen County Community Development Regional Committees PY 2026 - 2027 Covering Period July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027

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

WHEREAS, said Agreement requires the Municipal Council to appoint a representative and an alternate, and the Mayor to appoint a representative and an alternate, for the PY 2026-2027 term, starting July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council hereby appoints Lissette Aportela, Borough Administrator as its representative and Mayor Thomas Papaleo as its alternate to serve on the Community Development Regional Committee for PY 2026-2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an original, certified copy of this resolution be immediately emailed to Robert G. Esposito, Director, Bergen County Division of Community Development, One Bergen County Plaza, Fourth Floor, Hackensack, New Jersey 07601 | resposito@co.bergen.nj.us as soon as possible and no later than FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2026.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

I hereby certify that this resolution, consisting of 1 page(s), was adopted at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, held on this 22nd day of October, 2026

Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-281

Regional Deer Management Request to the County of Bergen

WHEREAS, residents of the Borough of River Edge have expressed growing concern regarding the impact of increasing deer populations on public safety, property damage, vegetation, and natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council recognize that the increasing deer population is a regional issue that extends beyond the borders of any individual municipality and that a deer management program implemented solely within the Borough of River Edge would have limited effectiveness in addressing the broader overpopulation problem; and

WHEREAS, effective management of the regional deer population requires coordination among municipalities and appropriate county and regional authorities in order to address deer movement and population levels across municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, management methods such as deer relocation, culling, and sterilization may involve significant financial and administrative costs that can be difficult for a small municipality to undertake independently; and

WHEREAS, increasing deer populations may contribute to public health and safety concerns, including the accumulation of deer droppings in public areas and fields used by children, the spread of ticks, the potential spread of disease, and other environmental and sanitary concerns; and

WHEREAS, increasing deer populations have contributed to an increased risk of motor vehicle accidents involving deer, thereby presenting a concern for motorists, pedestrians, and the general public; and

WHEREAS, the increasing deer population has resulted in substantial damage to natural vegetation, landscaping, gardens, and homeowner plantings throughout the Borough of River Edge; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council believe that a coordinated regional approach, supported by population monitoring, data collection, and cooperation among municipalities and Bergen County, is necessary to effectively address the ongoing deer overpopulation issue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, Bergen County, New Jersey, respectfully requests that Bergen County monitor deer populations and their impact on public safety, vegetation, natural resources, and property throughout Bergen County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council respectfully request that Bergen County coordinate with municipalities throughout the County to evaluate the scope of the regional deer population and develop appropriate, effective, and financially responsible regional deer management strategies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Bergen County Executive and Bergen County Board of Commissioners; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Governor Mikie Sherill, the District 38 Legislators, NJ League of Municipalities, and municipalities within Bergen County.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

I hereby certify that this resolution, consisting of 2 page(s), was adopted at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, held on this 22nd day of October, 2026

Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-282

Renew Contract – General Labor Services
for the Department of Public Works

WHEREAS, on January 23, 2025, via Resolution #25-58, the Mayor and Council awarded a contract for General Labor Services for the Department of Public Works to Northeast Staffing Solutions, LLC for a contract term from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2026, with an option to renew the contract for two 1-year terms; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of the Department of Public Works recommends renewing the contract for the first 1-year term option of January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027; and

WHEREAS, Chief Financial Officer Chris Battaglia has certified funds are available for this service.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that a contract for the General Labor Services for the Department of Public Works shall be renewed with Northeast Staffing Solutions, LLC having its principal office at 28 Walters Street in Bergenfield, NJ 07621 in the amount of $62,000.00 for the term of January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

Certification of Availability of Funds
NJAC 5:30-5

Date: October 22, 2026 For Resolution #R26-282

To: Mayor and Council

I hereby certify to the availability of public funds for the following specific purpose:

Purpose: Renew contract for the General Labor Services for the Department of Public Works to Northeast Staffing Solutions, LLC having its principal office at 28 Walters Street in Bergenfield, NJ 07621 in the amount of $62,000.00 for the term of January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2027.

Line Item (or Ordinance) to be Charged:
7-01-26-305-195

Chris Battaglia, CFO

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-283

Approve Refunds – Farmers Market

WHEREAS, various vendors had prepaid for the 2026 Farmers Market season; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to refund certain vendors due to inclement weather.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, that the refunds listed below are hereby approved; and

VENDOR	ADDRESS	AMOUNT
Jersey Pickles	9 Romanelli Avenue, Unit A South Hackensack, NJ 07606	$68
The Ice Cream Lady of NJ, LLC	354 Midland Avenue Paramus, NJ 07653	$68
Empanada Lady	20 Grove Avenue Verona, NJ 07044	$68
Hackensack Brewing	78 Johnson Avenue Hackensack, NJ 07601	$74
Orlando's Bakery	236 Harrison Avenue Lodi, NJ 07644	$68
Lara's Kitchen	236 Harrison Avenue Lodi, NJ 07644	$68

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Finance Department.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-284

Approve the Appointment of Crossing Guard

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that Andrew J. Golden is hereby appointed as a part-time School Crossing Guard at an hourly probationary rate of $20.00 with a six-month probationary period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appointment date is predicated on passing a physical examination.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-285

Approve the Appointment of Crossing Guard

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that Alice Spivack is hereby appointed as a part-time School Crossing Guard at an hourly probationary rate of $20.00 with a six-month probationary period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appointment date is predicated on passing a physical examination.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-286

Approve the Appointment of Crossing Guard

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of River Edge that Kathryn Diehl is hereby appointed as a part-time School Crossing Guard at an hourly probationary rate of $20.00 with a six-month probationary period.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appointment date is predicated on passing a physical examination.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-287

Payment of Bills

At a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, held on October 22, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge approve the following expenditures.

CURRENT FUND	$	1,988,053.27
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	$	86,840.40
GRANT FUND	$	1,888.00
TRUST OTHER	$	2,886.00
PAYROLL	$	24,525.22
RECREATION TRUST	$	6,547.67

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Montisano-Koen			X			
Kinsella	X		X			
Malellari		X	X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X*			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

*Councilwoman Dhariwal recused from check #69671, #69677, #69678, #69679, #69687, #69688, #69694, #69715, #69739, #69755, and #6313 through #6318.

I hereby certify that this resolution, consisting of 1 page(s), was adopted at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge, held on this October 22, 2026

Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-288

Resolution to Enter Into Closed Session

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, NJSA 10:4-12 permits the exclusion of the public from a meeting in certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, this public body is of the opinion that such circumstances presently exist.

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

1. That the public shall be excluded from the October 22, 2026 regular meeting and discussion of the hereinafter specified subject matter:

    A. Personnel – N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(8)
        1. Borough Clerk
        2. Zoning Officer
    B. Attorney-Client Privilege – N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b)(7)
        1. Borough Hall Construction Project
        2. 201 Continental Avenue

2. Formal action may/may not be taken.

3. Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the above no longer requires that confidentiality, then the minutes can be made public.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Kinsella	X		X			
Montisano-Koen		X	X			
Malellari			X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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Anne Dodd

Anne Dodd, Borough Clerk

BOROUGH OF RIVER EDGE
RESOLUTION #26-289

Eliminate Position of Assistant Borough Administrator

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of River Edge that the position of Assistant Borough Administrator and its corresponding annual stipend of $8,195.45 as authorized via Resolution #26-139, adopted on April 23, 2026, are hereby eliminated effective October 31, 2026.

October 22, 2026

	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Kinsella	X		X			
Montisano-Koen		X	X			
Malellari			X			
Glass						X
Dhariwal			X			
Feffer						X
Mayor Papaleo						

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