

February 5, 2025
Brigantine, New Jersey

A Council meeting was held this date in Council Chambers at 5:00 P.M. with Mayor Sera presiding.

Present: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Riordan, Sera.
Absent: Virgilio.

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Mayor Sera led the flag salute. Councilwoman Bew offered a prayer. Councilwoman Bew asked for a moment of silence for Mary Ann DeJulius.

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Christine Murray, Acting City Clerk read the statement pertaining to the Open Public Meetings Act

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Riordan to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-38

APPOINTED OF REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS CHRISTINE MURRAY

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Riordan, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Swearing In of Acting City Clerk, Chrstine Murray.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-39

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Riordan, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Council retired to executive session at 5:13 P.M.

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Council returned from executive session at 6.13 P.M.

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Councilman Riordan left the meeting.

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Municipal Attorney George Morris reported that Council discussed the following topic in executive session: contract negotiations and personnel.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to approve the 1/15/25 Council Meeting Minutes.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to approve the Payroll, Requisition List and Operating Expenses.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Public Comment on Agenda Items Only.

No public comments were made.

Close of Public Comment.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following ordinance.

City of Brigantine
Ordinance No. 3 of 2025

Removal of a Handicap Parking Space at 2904 Bayshore Avenue

Mayor Sera called for the public hearing of Ordinance 3 of 2025. The Ordinance was read by title by the Mayor.

No public comments were made.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-40

AUTHORIZING OF CONTRACT WITH EVERGREEN CONSOLIDATION LLC FOR
CONCRETE WORK 14TH STREET LOT

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-41

AUTHORIZING TO APPLY FOR APPLICATIONS FOR FY 2024 FLOOD MITIGATION ASSISTANCE (FMA) PROGRAM GRANTS FROM THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-42

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ATLANTIC COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY FOR OPERATION OF THE LINKS AT BRIGANTINE GOLF COURSE

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-43

AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO 2022 ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM SOUTH STATE INCORPORATED DECREASING THE FINAL CONTRACT BY \$35,327.59

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-44

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH MUNICIPAL MAINTENANCE COMPANY FOR A NEW PUMP STATION AT THE SHERIDAN PUMP STATION

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE

RESOLUTION 2025-45

GRANTING A REVOCABLE LICENSE AT 235 14TH STREET NORTH FOR AN ENCROACHMENT ON A CITY RIGHT OF WAY

City Manager, Tiger Platt commented that the property has always had parking that did encroach on the City’s right of way, further stating the Planning Board instructed to put this Resolution in place. Mr. Platt then stated that the parking does not encroach on the sidewalk.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-46

AUTHORIZING REFUNDS OF RECREATION CLASSES

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2054-47

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP INC. FOR METAL FACE STORZ ADAPTER SPECIAL THREAD

Fire Chief, Paul Fuller commented that this as to upgrade the existing fire hydrants.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-48

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF COMPETITIVE CONTRACTING TO PROCURE A VENDOR FOR THE SALE OF COFFEE ON BRIGANTINE CITY BEACHES DURING THE SUMMER SEASON

Mayor Sera commented that for many years people have requested this and stated that preference will be made to local businesses and further commented that they will not sell the same products as the Ice Cream Vendors.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-49

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH MATHIS CONSTRUCTION FOR THE SANITARY
SEWER REPLACEMENT PHASE 1

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-50

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH GE TRAILERS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW
8.5 FT X 20 FT ENCLOSED TRAILER

Mr. Doring commented that this was needed for storage at Public Works.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-51

AUTHORIZING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES OF STOCKTON UNIVERSITY
COSTAL RESEARCH CENTER

Mayor Sera commented that Stockton has been monitoring the beaches for decades and this information is used for beach replenishment research.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to adopt the following resolution.

CITY OF BRIGANTINE
RESOLUTION 2025-52

AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE IPERL METERS & 520M RADIOS
THROUGH CORE AND MAIN LP

Mr. Doring commented that this is for the remote water meters.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Consent Agenda

Councilman Lettieri moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to adopt the following requests.

- A. Brigantine Elks Raffle License # 1095
- B. St. Andrews by the Sea Beach Request
- C. Clean Ocean Action Beach Sweep Request
 Dates: April 12, 2025 & October 18, 2025

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Council/Manager Discussion: Tiger Platt presented a new sign that will be placed at beach street ends, stating that Public Works will be replacing the old signs with this new sign. Mayor Sera thanked Mr. Platt and Mr. Doring for coming up with the idea for the sign layout stating that the need for this has come up in discussions with the Beach Committee. Councilwoman Bew congratulated Mrs. Murray, announced Camp Brigantine is accepting applications, congratulated Fire Lieutenant Mike Lange on his retirement, congratulated Paul Amalfatano on becoming the President of the Chamber. Councilman Lettieri congratulated Mrs. Murray, spoke about construction on the streets at the North End. Councilman Haney congratulated Mrs. Murray, wished Mrs. Sweeney a happy retirement, spoke about the many things President Trump is doing since being sworn in, commented about the many accomplishments of Martin Luther King, commented on the proposed offshore wind turbine project that has recently been stopped and spoke about the success of the Philadelphia Eagles. Councilman Kane congratulated Mrs. Murray, congratulated Mr. Lange, congratulated the new board of the Chamber of Commerce and commented on the cancellation of the proposed windmill project. Mayor Sera congratulated Mrs. Murray & Mr. Lange and spoke about the cancellation of the proposed offshore windmill project and thanked Senator VanDrew for all his work on this.

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By voice resolution Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to appoint the following to the Recreation Commission: Paul Amalfitano, Mike Stinson, Frank Burbridge, John Johnson, Ed Fitzgerald, Paul Kabala, Dennis Haney, Karen Bew, Guy Porpora, Paul Danaher, Tom Ripici, Lauren Doran, Bob Galbraith, Jim Mogan, Joe Urbonas, Betsy Dougherty, Susan Shotland, Mark Virgilio & Devin Findley.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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By voice resolution Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to appoint the following to the Golf Course Committee: Karen Bew, Neil Kane, John Savini, Bruce Hunt, Mike Lange Jr. & Susan Stinson Brigantine Women's Golf Association Ex-Officio.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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By voice resolution Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to appoint the following to the Green Team: Janette Kessler (Chair), Karen Bew, Alex Lukacher, Donna Piekarski, Fran Paullin, Shirley Morgan & Judy Starkey.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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By voice resolution, Councilman Lettieri moved seconded by Councilman Kane to appoint the following to the Municipal Alliance: John DiMatteo (Chair), Dawn Jones (Coordinator), Paul Robinson, Andy Grossman, Irene Brodsky, Joanne Guglielmo, Paul Lettieri, Ann Phelps, John Gans, Rosie Culleney, Police Representative Jim Powderly, School Representative Maria Faia, School Alternate Lisa Glick & School Alternative Glenn Robbins,

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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By voice resolution, Councilman Haney moved seconded by Councilman Kane to appoint the following to the Clean Communities Commission: John Doring (Chair), Charlie Miller (voting), James Doring (voting), Madison Dickerson (voting), Trish Cosgrove (voting), Non-Voting Vince Sera, Dennis Haney, Bill Barnish, Ann Phelps, Melissa Hannan, John DiMatteo Jr., Dawn Jones, Megan Baldwin, Erin Baldwin, Charles Gill, Pat Orchard & Janette Kessler.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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By voice resolution Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to appoint the following to the Garden Club: Louise Groeber, Co-Chair, Patricia Baldt, Co-Chair, James Coia, Treasurer, Kathy Olsen, Secretary, Meredith Birchall, Board Member, Donna Cowhey, Board Member, Lyle Resch, Board Member, John Doring (Advisor) & Neil Kane.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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By voice resolution, Councilwoman Bew moved, seconded by Councilman Kane to re-appoint the following to the Economic Development Committee: Mike Riordan, Chair, Angela Reynolds, John Burns.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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By vice resolution, Councilman Kane moved, seconded by Councilman Haney to appoint the following to the Beach Committee: Mark Virgilio (Chair), Paul Lettieri, Christina Perry, Tony Saxby, Andy Grossman, Frank DeAngelis, Dar Sandler, Jay Ferreira, Ryan Hurst, Murray Rosenberg, Fran Chambers, Danielle Smith, Public Works representative John Doring, Fire Department representative Tim Daley & Beach Patrol representative Fran Masino.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. “Yes”.

Motion Carried.

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By voice resolution, Councilman Kane Moved, seconded by Councilwoman Bew to the following to the Beach Committee: Police representative Steve Ward.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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By voice resolution moved, seconded to appoint the following to the Cultural Arts Commission: Mary DeMarco (Chair), Pamela Carchidi, Grace Franzoi, Jane Ann Hart, Robert Kerns, Joanne DeMayo, Mike Riordan, Patricia Orchard, Leah Holcombe, Joanne Schailey & Patrizia Violante.

Roll Call: Bew, Lettieri, Haney, Kane, Sera. "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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Public Comment

John Johnson of 36 Coquille Beach congratulated Mrs. Murray, thanked Mayor Sera for his efforts on the cancellation of the proposed offshore wind project, asked for the status on the Links Clubhouse and Mayor Sera explained the proposed project details. Councilwoman Bew commented on the project. Mr. Johnson spoke about Resolution 2025-48 asking if there can be a saying on cup regarding "no littering".

Anne Phillips of 308 27th Street spoke about the cancellation of the proposed offshore wind project and asked if the Board of Commissioners would be drafting a resolution regarding the cancellation and Mayor Sera stated that he has been in contact with the county regarding.

Close of Public Comment

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Councilman Haney moved, seconded by Councilman Lettieri to adjourn the meeting.

Roll Call: All "Yes".

Motion Carried.

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There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Vince Sera

Acting City Clerk, Christine Murray