



SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, September 9, 2024 - 7:00 PM

Virtual Webex Meeting

To access information on how to use WebEx to join the meeting, please click on the following link: <https://www.southorange.org/800/WebEx-FAQs>

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call Meeting to Order

2. Roll Call

Mayor Collum
Councilman Brown
Councilmember Greenberg
Councilmember Haskins
Councilwoman Hartshorn Hilton
Councilwoman Jones
Councilmember Lewis-Chang
Ms. Doran, Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel
Mr. Otis, Village Counsel
Ms. Davis, Village Clerk

3. Meeting Notice Statement

In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act of the State of New Jersey, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the official newspapers of the Village, posted on the Village's website and filed in the Office of the Village Clerk indicating that this meeting is being held virtually via Cisco WebEx video conferencing. During a remote meeting, participants, including members of the public may be muted by the host. However, there will be an opportunity for them to participate and speak during the public portion of the meeting where participants will be unmuted at their request. Official action may be taken.

4. Resolution to go into Executive Session

2024-215 Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session at the September 9, 2024, Regular Meeting of the South Orange Village Council

- A. Matter/ (OPMA Exception)
Executive Session



- Water Utility (Attorney/Client Privilege Matter)
- Additional items for discussion may be introduced at the table

Voice Vote

5. Reconvene into Open Session

ROLL CALL

Mayor Collum
Councilman Brown
Councilmember Greenberg
Councilmember Haskins
Councilwoman Hartshorn Hilton
Councilwoman Jones
Councilmember Lewis-Chang
Ms. Doran, Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel
Mr. Otis, Village Counsel
Ms. Davis, Village Clerk

6. Announcements

A. South Orange Downtown

Farmers Market - The Farmers Market is back every Wednesday in the Sloan St Lot from 2-7pm. Shop for Jersey Fresh fruits and vegetables, eggs, bread, meats, pickles, olives, soups, homemade ice cream, apple cider, soul food, sweet treats, plus grab and go lunch/dinner options and much more. Exciting new vendors will join the market this season in addition to your returning favorites!

Downtown After Sundown - Join us in Spiotta Park from 6:30PM-8:30PM every Saturday for Downtown After Sundown. Enjoy live performances from talented local musicians covering several genres including, R&B, soul, flamenco, rock, jazz and more. Grab your favorite lawn chairs, order some delicious takeout from South Orange's finest eateries and let the sweet sounds of South Orange ignite your summer nights.

Join us on Saturday, September 14, from 2-6 p.m. at the Sloan Street Parking Lot for Beer Fest. This new and exciting event will feature a diverse selection of craft brews from over 20 local New Jersey brewers. This is a unique opportunity for beer enthusiasts and casual



drinkers to sample over 40 delicious brews. Visit southorangedowntown.org to learn more. The rain date for this event is Sunday, September 15.

**B. SOUTH ORANGE WATER SYSTEM POTENTIAL SALE
TOWN HALL MEETINGS ANNOUNCED**

South Orange Village has scheduled three Town Hall meetings to discuss the potential sale of the water system to New Jersey American Water (NJAW). These meetings are part of a broader outreach plan aimed at informing and engaging the community before the referendum question appears on the November ballot.

The town hall meetings will be held on:

- Wednesday, September 11, 7 p.m.; virtual meeting
- Wednesday, September 25, 7 p.m.; virtual meeting
- Wednesday, October 9, 7 p.m.; In-person meeting at the Baird Community Center, 5 Mead Street, 3rd Floor

Links to attend the virtual meetings will be posted on the Village website calendar.

All meetings will be recorded and made available on the website.

7. Public Comment

Village Mayor opens meeting for public comment.

8. Approval of Minutes

A. The Village Clerk is requesting the Council members' approval of the minutes for the following meeting:

- Special meeting held on July 29, 2024 (All Council members are eligible to vote)
- Regular meeting held on August 12, 2024 (All Council members are eligible to vote)
- Regular meeting held on August 28, 2024 (Councilmember Haskins and Councilwoman Jones are ineligible to vote)

Roll Call Vote:

9. Ordinances for First Reading

A. 2024-19 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE, SECTION 340-22 WITH RESPECT TO LOADING AND



UNLOADING ON IRVINGTON AVENUE

ROLL CALL VOTE:

10. Ordinance for Second Reading

- A. 2024-16 AN ORDINANCE OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE AMENDING AND RESTATING SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE CODE CHAPTER 9 – BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS, SECTIONS 9-17 THROUGH AND INCLUDING SECTION 9-29 IN THEIR ENTIRETY - ALL RELATING TO THE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION

PUBLIC HEARING:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

- B. 2024-17 AN ORDINANCE OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE AMENDING AND RESTATING VILLAGE CODE CHAPTER 157 FIRE PREVENTION, SECTION 4 - INSPECTION AND REGISTRATION FEES AND AMENDING AND RESTATING CHAPTER 143 FEES, SECTION 10 - FIRE PREVENTION BY THE ADDITION OF EXPEDITED FEES AND MISSED APPOINTMENT FEES

PUBLIC HEARING:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

- C. 2024-18 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING HANDICAPPED PARKING FOR EMILY CHASAN AT 190 TICHENOR AVENUE, SOUTH ORANGE, AND THE AMENDMENT OF CODE CHAPTER 340-38, SUBSECTION B.

PUBLIC HEARING:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

11. Resolutions for Consent Agenda

- A. 2024-216 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING DESIGN AND ON-SITE SUPPORT FROM HDR TO TASK ORDER 2022- 03 WEST END WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT AND ASSOCIATED COMPONENTS – SERVICE LINES, HYDRANTS, VALVES, ETC.
- B. 2024-217 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF PART-TIME SEASONAL EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS FOR SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE
- C. 2024-218 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR WORK AT THE SOUTH ORANGE LIBRARY FOR ASBESTOS REMOVAL



REFLECTING A NET INCREASE OF \$7,500.00 TO THE ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT

- D. 2024-219 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND RATIFYING RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN THE MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND
- E. 2024-220 RESOLUTION URGING CONGRESS TO ALLOW EXPIRATION OF THE DEDUCTIBILITY CAP OF STATE AND LOCAL TAXES (SALT)

ROLL CALL VOTE:

12. Village Mayor Appointment

- A. 2024-VP05 VILLAGE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF COURTNEY DE VOMECOURT AS A REGULAR MEMBER TRUSTEE TO THE SOUTH ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

13. Alcohol Beverage Control Board

- A. Recess meeting of the Village Council and convene as the Alcohol Beverage Control Board.

Voice Vote:

Roll Call:

Board Member Brown
Board Member Greenberg
Board Member Haskins
Board Member Hartshorn Hilton
Board Member Jones
Board Member Lewis-Chang
Board President Collum

2024-ABC04 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF LIQUOR LICENSE FOR THE 2024-2025 LICENSE TERM

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Adjourn as the Alcohol Beverage Control Board to reconvene as the Village Council.

Voice Vote:

Roll Call:



Mayor Collum
Councilman Brown
Councilmember Greenberg
Councilmember Haskins
Councilwoman Hilton
Councilwoman Jones
Councilmember Lewis-Chang
Ms. Doran, Village Administrator
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel
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14. Approval of Bills

- A. Councilwoman Hartshorn Hilton, Chair of the Finance and Capital Projects Committee presents the Bills List audited by the Village Treasurer dated September 9, 2024. The Village Council members were provided with a copy of the Bills List prior to the meeting for examination.

2024-221 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE
ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9, 2024,
IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,895,592.30
ROLL CALL VOTE:

15. Village Mayor Report

16. Village Administrator Report

17. Village Attorney Report

18. Council Members Reports

- A. Councilman Brown
B. Councilmember Greenberg
C. Councilmember Haskins
D. Councilwoman Hartshorn Hilton
E. Councilwoman Jones
F. Councilmember Lewis-Chang

19. Public Comment

Village Mayor opens meeting for public comment



20. New Business

- A. Resolution Supporting Ranked Choice Voting, including but not limited to S1622/A4042 (Mayor Collum)
- B. Moving Elections to November (Mayor Collum)

21. Adjournment