



## **SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

Monday, July 27, 2026 - 7:00 PM

**(In-Person/Hybrid Meeting)**

South Orange Baird Community Center  
5 Mead Street - 3rd Floor Meeting Room

Executive Session - 6:15 PM

Virtual Zoom Meeting

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

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

**2. Roll Call**

Mayor Collum  
Councilwoman Canning  
Councilmember Greenberg  
Councilmember Haskins  
Councilwoman Jones  
Councilmember Lewis-Chang  
Councilwoman Zollman  
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 in-person and through hybrid communication via Zoom 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**

2026-180 Resolution Authorizing an Executive Session at the July 27, 2026, Regular Meeting of the South Orange Village Council



A. Matter/ (OPMA Exception)  
Executive Session

- Additional items for discussion may be introduced at the table

Voice Vote

5. **Reconvene into Open Session**

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Collum  
Councilwoman Canning  
Councilmember Greenberg  
Councilmember Haskins  
Councilwoman Jones  
Councilmember Lewis-Chang  
Councilwoman Zollman  
Ms. Doran, Village Administrator  
Mr. Rother, Village Counsel  
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Ms. Davis, Village Clerk

6. **Announcements**

A. **South Orange Farmers Market**

The South Orange Farmers Market returns for its 35th season, bringing fresh flavors and local favorites back to downtown. The market runs every Wednesday through October 28, from 1 to 6 PM, rain or shine, in the Sloan Street Parking Lot. Shop fresh produce, artisan breads, baked goods, juices, grab-and-go meals, and more from a mix of returning favorites and new vendors.

B.

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

National Night Out is Tuesday, August 4 on Flood's Hill, Meadowland Park. Festivities kick off at 5:00 PM. The movie screening: *The Bad Guys 2* begins at 8:00 PM (when the sun goes down).

The event features:

- 🍔 Free food
- 🏀 Dunk tank
- 🎈 Inflatables, games & popcorn
- 👮 First responder meet-and-greet
- 🎁 Giveaways + public safety gear on display
- 🎧 Beats all evening by DJ Lou Smith



It's a great evening of community, connection, and summer fun.

C.

**SOUTH ORANGE SUMMER MOVIES are lighting up your Wednesday nights in August!**

📍 Flood's Hill – Meadowland Park:

🆕 NEW THIS YEAR!

🕒 7:00 PM Family Jam Dance Party with DJ Lou Smith before the movie.

🌙 Movies start at dusk (approximately 8:00 PM)

🎟️ FREE!

Here's what's showing:

📅 August 12 – *Zootopia 2*

📅 August 19 – *The Goonies*

📅 August 26 – *The Princess Bride*

Bring your blankets, lawn chairs, family, friends, and all your summer-night vibes. There's nothing quite like watching a movie under the stars on Flood's Hill!

Part of South Orange Summer Nights, presented by South Orange Recreation & Cultural Affairs, SOPAC, and Meadowland Park Conservancy.

D.

**August Adult Swim Night at the South Orange Pool**

📅 Friday, August 14th: 70's night

🕒 5–8 PM

Grab your floaties, rally your crew, and get ready for:

🎧 Tunes from the 70s with **DJ Lou**

🍽️ Dinner poolside

📍 **Open to South Orange adult residents (18+) + their guests**

🎟️ Guest passes just **\$5**

📋 Residents must show ID badge or proof of residency

E.

**Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs**

Registration is now open for Early Fall classes at The Baird. The session begins the week of Sept. 8 and runs through Nov. 1. Whether you're looking to get creative, stay active, learn something new or connect with your community, there's something for everyone, from little ones to lifelong learners. Fall highlights include Pumpkins & Pinot — A Fall-



Themed Paint & Sip, Sing-along for Grownups, Halloween Cookie Decorating and Look Up: Cultivating Mindfulness in the Digital Age.

- F. Older Adults at the Movies: *The Odyssey*  
Sponsored by SOMA Two Towns for All Ages, older adults are invited to a free showing of *The Odyssey* on Thursday, July 30 at 11:00 AM at Box Office Cinemas in South Orange. Registration is required and space is limited. A special popcorn and soda combo will be available for \$8, and transportation is available for South Orange residents by calling (973) 821-5866.
- G. **Ribbon Cutting: The Able Baker**  
Join us on Wednesday, July 29 at 1:00 PM as we officially welcome The Able Baker to the South Orange Downtown community with a ribbon cutting ceremony. Come celebrate this exciting milestone and show your support for owner Julie and her team at 209 Valley Street. We look forward to seeing you there!

## 7. **Board of Health**

- A. Recess meeting of the South Orange Village Council and convene as the Board of Health.

Voice Vote:

Roll Call:

Board Member Canning  
Board Member Collum  
Board Member Greenberg  
Board Member Haskins  
Board Member Jones  
Board Member Zollman  
Board President Lewis-Chang

Candice Davenport, Health Officer:

Health Officer updates:

- Nursing Update
- Environmental Health Update
- Animal Control updates
- Social Services/Mental Health Updates

Adjourn as the Board of Health to reconvene as the South Orange Village Council.



Voice Vote:

Roll Call:

Mayor Collum  
Councilmember Canning  
Councilmember Greenberg  
Councilmember Haskins  
Councilwoman Jones  
Councilmember Lewis-Chang  
Councilmember Zollman  
Ms. Doran, Village Administrator  
Mr. Rother, Village Attorney  
Mr. Otis, Village Attorney  
Ms. Davis, Village Clerk

**8. Proclamations**

A. Proclamation recognizing July 2026 as UV Safety Awareness Month

**9. Public Comment**

Mayor opens the meeting for public comment.

**10. Approval of Minutes**

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

- Regular meeting held on July 13, 2026 (Councilwoman Canning is ineligible to vote)

Roll Call Vote:

**11. Ordinances for First Reading**

A. 2026-19 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING HANDICAPPED PARKING FOR VICTORIA V. KING RESIDING AT 65 RANDOLPH PLACE, SOUTH ORANGE, AND THE AMENDMENT OF CODE CHAPTER 340-38, SUBSECTION B

ROLL CALL VOTE:

B. 2026-20 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RESTATING THE VILLAGE CODE, CHAPTER 143, "FEES," BY AMENDING MEMBERSHIP AND VARIOUS FEES RELATING TO RECREATION PROGRAMS



ROLL CALL VOTE:

- C. 2026-21 AN ORDINANCE OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE, COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CHURCH STREET REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

- D. 2026-22 AN ORDINANCE OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE, COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY, ADOPTING THE VALLEY STREET REDEVELOPMENT PLAN

ROLL CALL VOTE:

- E. 2026-23 AN ORDINANCE OF SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE IN ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, REVISING THE 560 BERKELEY AVENUE STREET ADDRESS NUMBER TO 544, PURSUANT TO VILLAGE CODE CHAPTER 90-10

ROLL CALL VOTE:

## **12. Resolutions for Consent Agenda**

- A. 2026-181 RESOLUTION HIRING PER DIEM TELECOMMUNICATION DISPATCHERS IN THE SOUTH ORANGE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY/POLICE FORCE
- B. 2026-182 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF PART-TIME SEASONAL EMPLOYEES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS FOR SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE
- C. 2026-183 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH MIDWEST CONSTRUCTION INC. FOR THE 2026 SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT PROGRAM
- D. 2026-184 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO CP ENGINEERS FOR WHITEOAK DRIVE HYDRAULIC STUDY IN AN AMOUNT OF \$49,230.00
- E. 2026-185 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT AND HIRING OF JASON MITCHELL AS THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF RECREATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS FOR SOUTH ORANGE VILLAGE
- F. 2026-186 RESOLUTION APPOINTING THOMAS HORTON AS A LIEUTENANT IN THE SOUTH ORANGE POLICE DEPARTMENT
- G. 2026-187 RESOLUTION PROMOTING AND APPOINTING DYLAN O'CONNOR AS A SERGEANT IN THE SOUTH ORANGE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY/POLICE FORCE



- H. 2026-188 RESOLUTION PROMOTING AND APPOINTING NIKO NASISI AS A SERGEANT IN THE SOUTH ORANGE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY/POLICE FORCE

ROLL CALL VOTE:

**13. Approval of Bills**

- A. Councilwoman Canning, Chair of the Finance and Capital Projects Committee, presents the Bills List audited by the Village Treasurer, dated July 27, 2026. The Village Council members were provided with a copy of the Bills List prior to the meeting for examination.

2026-189 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF BILLS AND THE ISSUANCE OF CHECKS FOR THE PERIOD THROUGH JULY 27, 2026, IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$3,853,083.72

ROLL CALL VOTE:

**14. Mayor Report**

**15. Village Administrator Report**

**16. Village Attorney Report**

**17. Council Members Reports**

- A. Councilwoman Canning
- B. Councilmember Greenberg
- C. Councilmember Haskins
- D. Councilwoman Jones
- TAPS Update
  - SOPA Update
  - Senior Shuttle
  - America 250 Ad-Hoc Committee:
    - National Black Business Month (August)
- E. Councilmember Lewis-Chang
- F. **Councilwoman Zollman**
- South Orange Downtown Update
  - SPACE Committee Update

**18. Public Comment**



Mayor opens meeting for public comment

**19. New Business**

**20. Next Regular Meeting Date**

A. Monday, August 17, 2026

**21. Adjournment**