

BOROUGH OF KEYPORT

MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2025 at 7:00 PM

MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS

70 W. FRONT STREET, KEYPORT, NJ

CALL TO ORDER: PM

SUNSHINE LAW NOTICE:

ROLL CALL: __ Councilmember Brady __ Councilmember Gross __ Councilmember McNamara
__ Councilmember Merla __ Councilmember Reilly __ Council President Vecchio __ Mayor Araneo

As a courtesy to those around you, please silence your cell phones

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/MOMENT OF SILENCE

PRESENTATION

Municipal Parking Services, Inc. – Solar SafetyStick

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Meeting is opened to the public for comments on **agenda items only**.

Comments are limited to no more than five minutes per person.

Opened: MM: 2ND: Closed: MM: 2ND:

CONSENT AGENDA

(All resolutions listed hereunder will be enacted in one motion. Any person may request that an item be removed for separate consideration.)

- R2025-193 Payment of Bills Listed on the June 27, 2025 Bills List
- R2025-194 Payment of Bills Listed on the July 1, 2025 Bills List
- R2025-195 Requesting Approval of Items of Revenue and Appropriation – N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 – Clean Communities Program
- R2025-196 Granting Renewal of an Inactive Plenary Retail Consumption Liquor License for Keyport Liquor 3, LLC for the 2025-2026 License Term
- R2025-197 Appointment to Library Board of Trustees
- R2025-198 Approving the Issuance of a Social Affair Permit for the Keyport Fire Department
- R2025-199 Authorizing the Use of Steamboat Dock Museum Lot by the Keyport Fire Department
- R2025-200 Authorizing Execution of Developer’s Agreement for Blaze Keyport, LLC, Application No. 24-12, Block 110, Lot 24, Located at 105 Highway 35
- R2025-201 Resolution Calling for the Restoration of Energy Taxes to Municipalities
- R2025-202 Resolution Opposing A-2145 and S-2373 that will Significantly Increase Workers’ Compensation Legal and Medical Costs
- R2025-203 Resolution Declaring Opposition to the Construction of the Williams Transco Northeast Supply Enhancement (NESE) Pipeline
- R2025-204 Authorizing PBA Local 223 to Host a Community Event on American Legion Drive on August 5, 2025 – National Night Out
- R2025-205 Authorizing PBA Local 223 to Host an Event on West Front Street on August 23, 2025 – Car Show

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS

Motion to approve resolutions on the Consent Agenda

MM: 2nd: Roll Call: Brady, Gross, McNamara, Merla, Reilly, Vecchio

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

1. Ordinance – Procedures Regarding Street Vacation Requests

The Clerk reads the Ordinance by Title: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF KEYPORT, IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING BOROUGH CODE CHAPTER XVI (STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND SANITATION) BY ADDING SECTION 16-9 TO PROVIDE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING STREET VACATION REQUESTS**

1a. Motion to introduce:

MM: 2nd: Roll Call: Brady, Gross, McNamara, Merla, Reilly, Vecchio

1b. Motion authorizing the Clerk to publish the Ordinance as introduced for a public hearing:

MM: 2nd: Ayes: Nays:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 1, 2024 Workshop Meeting

December 17, 2024 Regular Meeting

MM: 2nd: Ayes: Nays:

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Meeting is opened to the public for comments.

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Opened: MM: 2ND: Closed: MM: 2ND:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

R2025-206 - Authorizing a Meeting Not Open to the Public in Accordance with the Provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b for the purpose of discussing matters related to the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(5); and for the purpose of discussing personnel matters pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(8).

MM: 2nd: Ayes: Nays:

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn MM: 2nd:

RESOLUTION FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

R25-193

6/27/25

Be it resolved by the Mayor and the Council of the Borough of Keyport, New Jersey that the following numbered vouchers be paid to the person therein respectively and hereinafter named, for the amounts set opposite their respective names, and endorsed and approved on said vouchers.

NUMBER OF VOUCHERS	BANK ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
See attached listing		
	CURRENT ACCT.2025	\$ 291,671.41
	WATER/SEWER ACCT. 2025	\$ 30,537.01
	PAYROLL FUND BUDGET	\$ 29,284.44
	FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS	\$ 4,732.73
	TRUST OTHER FUND	\$ 9,506.25

AUTHORIZED PER RESOLUTION

PASSED:

APPROVED:

MAYOR ROSE P. ARANEO

ATTEST:

MICHELE CLARK, BOROUGH CLERK

OFFERED BY:

SECOND BY:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

I, MICHELE CLARK, BOROUGH CLERK HEREBY CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF KEYPORT AT THE _____ MEETING OF

MICHELE CLARK, BOROUGH CLERK

RESOLUTION FOR THE PAYMENT OF BILLS

R25-194

7/8/25

Be it resolved by the Mayor and the Council of the Borough of Keyport, New Jersey that the following numbered vouchers be paid to the person therein respectively and hereinafter named, for the amounts set opposite their respective names, and endorsed and approved on said vouchers.

NUMBER OF VOUCHERS	BANK ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
See attached listing		
	CURRENT ACCT.2025	\$ 84,023.75
	WATER/SEWER ACCT. 2025	\$ 1,732.44
	ANIMAL CONTROL TRUST	\$ 1,470.00
	TRUST OTHER FUND	\$ 30.00
	OPEN SPACE TRUST FUND	\$ 4,375.00
	DEVELOPER ESCROW	\$ 12,443.50

AUTHORIZED PER RESOLUTION

PASSED:

APPROVED:

MAYOR ROSE P. ARANEO

ATTEST:

MICHELE CLARK, BOROUGH CLERK

OFFERED BY:

SECOND BY:

ROLL CALL VOTE:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

I, MICHELE CLARK, BOROUGH CLERK HEREBY CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF KEYPORT AT THE _____ MEETING OF

MICHELE CLARK, BOROUGH CLERK

R25-195

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

**REQUESTING APPROVAL OF ITEMS OF REVENUE
AND APPROPRIATION – N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87
*CLEAN COMMUNITIES PROGRAM***

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-87 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve the insertion of any special item of revenue in the budget of any county or municipality when such item shall have been made available by law and the amount was not determined at the time of the adoption of the budget; and

WHEREAS, the Director may also approve the insertion of an item of appropriation for equal amount,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough Council of the Borough of Keyport in the County of Monmouth, New Jersey, hereby requests the Director of the Division of Local Government Services to approve the insertion of an item of revenue in the budget of the year 2025 in the sum of \$19,480.06, which is now available from State of New Jersey Clean Communities Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the like sum of \$19,480.06 is hereby appropriated under the caption of Clean Communities Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be filed with the Division of Local Government Services for approval thereof.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

**GRANTING THE RENEWAL OF AN INACTIVE PLENARY RETAIL
CONSUMPTION LIQUOR LICENSE FOR KEYPORT LIQUOR 3, LLC
FOR THE 2025-2026 LICENSE TERM**

WHEREAS, the plenary retail consumption liquor license (License No. 1322-33-007-016) issued to Keyport Liquor 3, LLC (“License Holder”) is currently an inactive “pocket” license in the Borough of Keyport; and

WHEREAS, the renewal application is complete in all respects and the applicant is qualified to be licensed according to all statutory, regulatory and local governmental Alcoholic Beverage Control laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, all requisite fees have been paid; and

WHEREAS, the requisite Alcoholic Beverage Retail License Clearance Certificate (Renewal) has been received.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the plenary retail consumption license of Keyport Liquor 3, LLC, License #1322-33-007-016, be renewed for the 2025-2026 license term; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to transmit a certified true copy of this resolution to the New Jersey Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

APPOINTMENT TO LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Patricia Burns

Mayor Rose P. Araneo announces with the advice and consent of the Council, the appointment of Patricia Burns as a member of the Library Board of Trustees to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2025.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the Borough of Keyport that the appointment of Patricia Burns to the Library Board of Trustees be and the same is hereby confirmed.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

**APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF A SOCIAL AFFAIR PERMIT FOR
THE KEYPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Keyport Fire Department has filed an application for a Social Affair Permit for an event to be held July 29, 2025, through August 2, 2025, from 6:30 p.m. to midnight. at Fireman's Park; and

WHEREAS, the application is complete in all respects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport hereby approve the issuance of the Social Affair Permit to the Keyport Fire Department for an event to be held July 29, 2025 through August 2, 2025, from 6:30 p.m. to midnight at Fireman's Park.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-**AUTHORIZING THE USE OF STEAMBOAT DOCK MUSEUM LOT
BY THE KEYPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Keyport Fire Department has requested the use of Borough property in connection with its annual Fireman's Fair, scheduled to take place from July 29, 2025 through August 2, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department has requested the use of the Steamboat Dock Museum Lot for the purpose of staging rides and carnival equipment associated with the event; and

WHEREAS, the requested use of the lot will be from Sunday, July 27, 2025 through Sunday, August 3, 2025, to allow for set-up and breakdown of the equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport recognize the value of the Fireman's Fair as a longstanding community tradition and support the efforts of the Keyport Fire Department in organizing this annual event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that the Keyport Fire Department is hereby authorized to use the Steamboat Dock Museum Lot for the purpose of staging rides and carnival equipment in connection with the 2025 Fireman's Fair, from July 27, 2025 through August 3, 2025.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF DEVELOPER'S
AGREEMENT FOR BLAZE KEYPORT, LLC, APPLICATION NO.
24-12, BLOCK 110, LOT 24, LOCATED AT 105 HIGHWAY 35**

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2024, the Keyport Borough Planning Board adopted a Resolution granting preliminary and final site plan approval to Blaze Keyport, LLC (the "Developer"), Application No. 24-12, Block 110, Lot 24, located at 105 Highway 35; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Planning Board approval, the Developer is required to enter into a Developer's Agreement with the Borough of Keyport; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Attorney has prepared a Developer's Agreement for this application.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Keyport that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and the Borough Clerk to attest the Developer's Agreement between the Borough of Keyport and the Developer in accordance with the approval granted by the Keyport Borough Planning Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution certified by the Borough Clerk to be a true copy be forwarded to: Borough Engineer, Borough Attorney, Borough Planning Board, Borough Construction Official and the Developer.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-**RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE RESTORATION OF
ENERGY TAXES TO MUNICIPALITIES**

WHEREAS, taxes on gas and electric utilities were originally collected by the host municipalities to be used for local purposes and to compensate the public for the use of their rights of way; and

WHEREAS, when the State made itself the collection agent for these taxes, it promised to dedicate the proceeds to municipal property tax relief; since, just as municipalities collect property taxes for the benefit of school districts, counties and other entities; the State is supposed to collect Energy Taxes for the benefit of municipal governments; and

WHEREAS, for years State budget makers have diverted funding from Energy Taxes to fund State programs; and instead of being spent on local programs and services and used to offset property taxes, the money has been spent as successive Legislatures and Administrations have seen fit; and

WHEREAS, while the State may need to have the right to override the statutory dedication of these revenues to local governments, in order to deal with emergencies and crises that may occur; current State policymakers should not exercise that right automatically; and

WHEREAS, while that right should be the exception, it has become the rule; and

WHEREAS, by keeping flat funding of the appropriation for CMPTRA year-over-year, State Budget makers have been able to continue collecting Energy Taxes, while keeping additional revenue that should have been returned to provide property tax relief; and

WHEREAS, in SFY 2023, the State did provide some much-needed relief in the allocation of \$75 million of new funds identified as the Municipal Relief Fund; and

WHEREAS, in SFY 2024, the State allocated \$150 million in Municipal Relief Funds, however, in SFY 2025 and, as proposed in SFY 2026, no allocation will exist; and

WHEREAS, in SFY 2024 the Energy Tax Receipts Program should have received over \$350 million to restore municipalities back to 2008 levels, however, the State's diversion of Energy Taxes has continued to grow causing more of a financial gap; and

WHEREAS, the cumulative impact of years of flat funding and underfunding has left many municipalities with serious needs and burdensome property taxes; and

WHEREAS, local elected officials are in the best position to decide the best use of these resources, which were always intended to fund local programs and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Borough of Keyport in the County of Monmouth calls for the immediate restoration of funding diverted from Energy Taxes intended for local use; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we, respectfully, call on State policy makers to end the diversion of our municipal resources to cover State spending and to provide us with this important tool to relieve the worst-in-the-nation property tax burden borne, for too long, by the people of New Jersey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution is forwarded to Assemblyman Gerry Scharfenberger, Assemblywoman Vicky Flynn, and Senator Declan O'Scanlon, the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs Jacquelyn Suárez, the State Treasurer Elizabeth Maher Muoio, the Lieutenant Governor Tahesha Way, the Governor of the State of New Jersey Phil Murphy, and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities by the Borough Clerk.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-**RESOLUTION OPPOSING A-2145 AND S-2373 THAT WILL SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LEGAL AND MEDICAL COSTS**

WHEREAS, the legislature is currently considering A-2145 and S-2373 allegedly to protect public safety workers suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD); and

WHEREAS, this protection already exists and claims involving PTSD are routinely adjudicated in the workers' compensation system; and

WHEREAS, it is also well established in NJSA 34:15-39.1 that employers may not discharge, harass, or otherwise discriminate or retaliate against an employee on the basis of a health-related matter, including post-traumatic stress disorder; and

WHEREAS, our Supreme Court ruled in *Lally v Copygraphics* (85 NJ 668 1981) that an employee who is retaliated against for pursuing a workers' compensation claim has recourse both before the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development and in civil court; and

WHEREAS, under the current law, the plaintiff's attorney receives a fee in workers' compensation matters of 25% of the award not including medical bills; and

WHEREAS, under A-2145 and S-2373, the attorney will receive a fee of one-third of the entire claim including medical bills; and

WHEREAS, under current law, medical providers are paid based on a fee schedule negotiated with a network of providers, typically about 50% of the rate paid by someone not covered by insurance; and

WHEREAS, under A-3245 and S-2373, the determination that a first responder has suffered job related PTSD can be made by any licensed physician or licensed mental health professional, even if the medical provider has no experience treating PTSD; and

WHEREAS, this provision effectively eliminates any incentive for providers to join a network panel; and

WHEREAS, A-2145 and S-2373 will pose a significant cost increase for taxpayers, municipalities, counties, and the state at a time New Jersey workers compensation rates are the highest in the nation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough of Keyport is opposed to the adoption of A-2145 and S-2373.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the legislative delegation of the 13th district, along with the Governor, Senate President and Assembly Speaker.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION DECLARING OPPOSITION TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WILLIAMS TRANSCO NORTHEAST SUPPLY ENHANCEMENT (NESE) PIPELINE

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2019, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation denied Transco's application for a Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification citing "significant water quality impacts from the resuspension of sediments and other contaminants, including mercury and copper"; and

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2019, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection denied a second set of permits for failing to meet surface water quality requirements, disturbing wetlands, endangering species and without a compelling public need; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2020, the Synapse Economic Energy Report found there is no demonstrable supply-and-demand-gap that could justify NESE or any other large-scale gas infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2020, the Institute for Energy Economics and Financial Analysis report found that there is no public need for the NESE pipeline and that the National Grid utility's contract for the pipeline would have required ratepayers in Long Island, Brooklyn, Staten Island and most of Queens to pay \$193 million a year for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2020, National Grid identified in its "Long-term Capacity Report" an alternative for natural gas services, including a clean energy, no-infrastructure alternative, that did not require construction of a new pipeline; and

WHEREAS, on April 20, 2020, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation denied another of Transco's application for a Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification "with prejudice"; and

WHEREAS, on May 15, 2020, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection denied Williams the Wetland and 401 Water Quality permits for 23 miles of submarine pipeline off the Raritan Bay cutting under Sayreville and Old Bridge and requiring a new compressor station in Franklin; and

WHEREAS, in May of 2024, the Transcontinental Gas Pipeline Company LLC (Transco), a subsidiary of Williams, notified the Federal Energy Regulatory Authority it would not seek an extension to build the NESE project abandoning it altogether by letting the expiration of a previously granted extension by FERC on May 3, 2024 occur; and

WHEREAS, on May 29, 2025, Williams Transco petitioned FERC for "Expedited Reissuance of Certification Authority Northeast Supply Enhancement Project"; and

WHEREAS, Williams Transco has made no changes to the project and failed to update cost estimates; and

WHEREAS, Williams Transco is proposing to construct a 32,000 hp compressor station to accelerate flow through its existing pipeline, constructed in the 1950s; and

WHEREAS, the construction and operation of the proposed compressor station will release toxins to the air, ground water and nearby streams, as well as noise above and beyond accepted regulatory levels, all of which will impact the quality of life of local residents, children attending schools, businesses, places of worship, farmers and their farms which produce crops for local and regional consumption, and area and migratory wildlife for many years; and

WHEREAS, the NESE pipeline will adversely impact industries to the New Jersey Bayshore communities, disturb commercial and recreational fishing and shellfishing activities and potentially damage the tourism industry; and

WHEREAS, the NESE pipeline will have severe negative impacts to the Raritan and Lower New York Bays, such as disruption of roughly 14,165 acres of the seabed of the Raritan Bay, the discharge of 690,000 gallons of drilling fluid and chemicals into the bay, the re-suspending over 1,090,000 tons of toxic muck contaminated by PCBs, dioxin, lead, mercury and arsenic and the destruction of over 1,000 acres of benthic habitat that houses marine fish, shellfish and larva; and

WHEREAS, the project poses serious concerns related to environmental harm to marine and coastal ecosystems, as well as negative impacts to the safety, health and wellbeing of Bayshore coastal communities, resulting in well documented public opposition; and

WHEREAS, the NESE pipeline will endanger marine and wildlife through decreased water quality from re-suspended toxins, the sieving of over 3.5 million gallons of seawater destroying any living thing that is caught in the process, and the creation of loud sounds and powerful vibrations that accompany pipeline development which will impact migration patterns, communication systems and other important biological processes; and

WHEREAS, the ocean disposal of the contaminated material would harm the marine environment by leaving the contaminated sediment exposed and subject to bioaccumulation in the food chain and would utilize the limited remaining capacity at the Historic Area Remediation Site which must be preserved for needed maintenance dredging for navigational projects; and

WHEREAS, the NESE pipeline will have significant upstream environmental impacts that will directly harm the Raritan Bay, such as negatively affecting 41 acres of wetlands, including approximately 20 acres of forested wetland; and

WHEREAS, the financial stability of Williams was questioned, leading to suggestions that the company might not be able to sustain maintenance and safety of the compressor station, having previously cut staff and abandoned the project previously; and

WHEREAS, the compressor would be subject to regular 'blowdowns' releasing methane and methyl mercaptan into the surrounding atmosphere, as well as constant high temperature exhaust containing carbon monoxide and formaldehyde (oxides of nitrogen were stated to be controlled by injecting urea, but products were not specified); and

WHEREAS, the compressor station would be near active mining in the Trap Rock Quarry, which carries out explosive blasting to break loose rock, and Williams was not able to present evidence that the compressors would be stable to shocks created by the blasting; and

WHEREAS, the project would not in any way serve the State of New Jersey or its residents, and will only supply climate-altering-methane-gas to Brooklyn, Queens, and Long Island, New York where state and local policies are actively supporting residents switching from oil heat to gas; and

WHEREAS, natural gas as fuel that is burned creates carbon dioxide, and methane leaks and releases have 84 times the effect of an equal concentration of carbon dioxide over a 20-year period, and

WHEREAS, New York State and New York City are actively working to decrease gas demand by instituting policies that encourage building electrification, and

WHEREAS, limitation of global temperature increases due to the greenhouse effect depends on replacement of CO₂-emitting energy sources by other sources as quickly as possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on this date, July 1, 2025, the Borough of Keyport hereby opposes the construction and installation of a 23.4 mile methane natural gas pipeline through Raritan Bay from Old Bridge, New Jersey, to Rockaway, New York. Construction of the pipeline will negatively impact the health of the Bayshore, coastal ecosystems, marine life, benthic habitats, and coastal communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Keyport urges the company Williams to eliminate any further consideration for a pipeline.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Keyport urges the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to deny any permit application for the project and any other pipeline, and urges its representatives of the New Jersey Legislature, United States Congress and United States Senate, as well as the Governor of New Jersey to oppose this pipeline application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be certified and forwarded to New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy, Matthew Resnick of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Land Use Regulation, Declan O'Scanlon, Assemblyman Gerry Scharfenberger and Assemblywoman Vicky Flynn.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

Authorized by: _____
NAME (PLEASE PRINT)

SIGNATURE MUNICIPALITY/GOVERNING BODY TITLE

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ *Email:* _____

R25-204

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

**AUTHORIZING KEYPORT PBA LOCAL 223 TO HOST A COMMUNITY EVENT
ON AMERICAN LEGION DRIVE ON AUGUST 5, 2025
NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**

WHEREAS, Keyport PBA Local 223 has requested authorization to host a community event known as National Night Out on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, beginning at 6:00 PM; and

WHEREAS, National Night Out is a nationwide event intended to strengthen community relations, foster positive relationships between law enforcement and residents, and promote neighborhood safety and unity; and

WHEREAS, the event is proposed to be held on American Legion Drive in the Borough of Keyport; and

WHEREAS, the Keyport PBA Local 223 has further requested that the Department of Public Works provide assistance by placing barricades at each end of American Legion Drive to temporarily restrict vehicle traffic for the duration of the event, in the interest of public safety; and

WHEREAS, additional event details have been requested by the Borough and will be reviewed as they are provided by Keyport PBA Local 223.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that:

1. Authorization is hereby granted to Keyport PBA Local 223 to host the National Night Out community event on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, beginning at 6:00 PM on American Legion Drive;
2. The Department of Public Works is authorized and directed to assist with traffic control by placing barricades at each end of American Legion Drive to close the street to vehicular traffic for the duration of the event;
3. Final approval of the event is subject to review of the full event details to be submitted by Keyport PBA Local 223 and any required coordination with the Police Department or other relevant Borough officials.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Keyport PBA Local 223, the Department of Public Works, the Chief of Police, and the Borough Administrator.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-**AUTHORIZING KEYPORT PBA LOCAL 223 TO HOST AN EVENT
ON WEST FRONT STREET ON AUGUST 23, 2025
CAR SHOW**

WHEREAS, Keyport PBA Local 223 has submitted a request to host a Car Show on Saturday, August 23, 2025, beginning at 2:00 PM; and

WHEREAS, the event is proposed to take place on W. Front Street within the Borough of Keyport and is intended to engage the community and promote positive public interaction; and

WHEREAS, the closure of a portion of W. Front Street to vehicular traffic will be necessary to safely accommodate the display of vehicles and ensure the safety of event attendees; and

WHEREAS, coordination with the Keyport Police Department and Department of Public Works may be required to ensure public safety, traffic control, and logistical support; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has requested additional event details from Keyport PBA Local 223 and will review the full scope of the event as the information is received.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that:

1. Authorization is hereby granted to Keyport PBA Local 223 to host a Car Show on W. Front Street on Saturday, August 23, 2025, beginning at 2:00 PM;
2. The temporary closure of a portion of W. Front Street to vehicular traffic is authorized for the duration of the event, with details of the specific closure area and timing to be coordinated with the Keyport Police Department and Department of Public Works;
3. Final approval of the event is subject to the submission and review of complete event details, including safety and logistical plans, as well as coordination with all relevant Borough departments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Keyport PBA Local 223, the Chief of Police, the Department of Public Works, and the Borough Administrator.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

R25-206

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-

RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF KEYPORT, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING A MEETING NOT OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE NEW JERSEY OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12.

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12* provides that an Executive Session, not open to the public, may be held for certain specified purposes when authorized by resolution; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Borough to discuss, in a session not open to the public, matters related to the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(5)*; and for the purpose of discussing personnel matters pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 10:4-12b(8)*.

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

1. The Mayor and Council assembled in public session on July 1, 2025, and determined that an Executive Session closed to the public shall be held on July 1, 2025, at approximately 7:00 P.M. at the Borough Hall located at 70 West Front Street, Keyport, New Jersey, for the discussion of matters relating to the specific items designated above.

2. This resolution will take effect immediately.

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the Resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Keyport at the Regular Council Meeting held on July 1, 2025.

Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk