



MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
AUGUST 19, 2026 – MINUTES
7:00PM

* MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - SALUTE TO THE FLAG - MOMENT OF SILENCE
Mayor Slavicek called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, and all stood for a moment of silence for our armed forces.

* CALLING OF THE ROLL

Mayor Slavicek
Council President Karczewski
Councilwoman Bohinski
Councilman Dzingleski
Councilman Pirrone
Councilman Reid

* OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as is required under Chapter 231 Public Law 1975 specifying the time, date, location and to the extent known the agenda by posting a copy on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building outside of the meeting room and providing a copy to the Home News Tribune newspaper, Borough website and by filing a copy in the office of the Municipal Clerk in accordance with the certification which will be entered in the minutes of this meeting.

* PUBLIC PORTION

During the Public Portion of any Council Meeting members of the Public may only speak on topics of concern to the residents of the Borough. Everyone will be given five minutes to speak as per the Rules to Govern adopted January 1, 2026. During the Public Portion of any meeting, the members of the Public as well as the Governing Body shall be courteous and respectful to one another. No comments and/or behavior that are considered disrespectful, ill-willed or with the intent to harass will be tolerated. If such behavior occurs, then that individual member of the Public will be asked to sit down and his or her turn to speak will be over, even if the five minutes is not.

PUBLIC PORTION

MOTION TO OPEN – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

* ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – July 20, 2026

MOTION – Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* CONSENT AGENDA

Report of Municipal Clerk and Tax Collector for July 2026

RESOLUTIONS:

2026 – 105: Bills List

106: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

107: Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes for a Totally Disabled Veteran at Block 13 Lot 2 and Refunding Taxes Paid

108: Authorization to Sign Shared Services Agreement for Animal Control Services

109: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Solid Waste Disposal Agreement between the Borough of Helmetta and the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA) for Calendar Years 2027 through 2031

110: Appointment of Office of Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator

111: Resolution Authorizing Payment No.2 – Final to Reivax Contracting Corp. for the Borough Hall Paving Project, Contract HE-24-005-02

Councilman Reid asked for Resolution 2026-106 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Council President Karczewski asked for Resolution 2026-108 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

MOTION TO ADOPT Resolutions 2026-105, 2026-107, and 2026-109 through 2026-111-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

106: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski RECUSE- Councilman Reid

SECONDED – Councilwoman

ROLL CALL: 5-0-1

108: Authorization to Sign Shared Services Agreement for Animal Control Services

MOTION TO TABLE-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-08 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH AGE AND OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGE-
RESTRICTED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED –
Councilwoman Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Karczewski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-09 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08
ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, PROVIDING FOR REMEDIATION SITE
IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FORMER ANIMAL SHELTER PROPERTY, IN ORDER TO
INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$250,000 FOR A TOTAL
APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND
NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY
\$237,500 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$570,000, AND TO INCREASE
THE ALLOCATION OF THE APPROPRIATION TO COSTS PERMITTED UNDER
N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN
THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Reid

ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-10 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO
ERICSON AVENUE AND CLUB DRIVE, AND APPROPRIATING \$317,000
THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman
Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-11 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF
RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES,
APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF
\$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF,
AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF
MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman

*ORDINANCE 2026-12 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing Scheduled for September 16, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 55, ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH PARKING RESTRICTIONS ALONG HIGH STREET

MOTION TO INTRODUCE-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-13 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing Scheduled for September 16, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 23, ENTITLED “BICYCLES,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO CONFORM THE BOROUGH CODE TO CURRENT STATE LAW AND TO REGULATE BICYCLES, LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLES, MOTORIZED BICYCLES, ELECTRIC MOTORIZED BICYCLES, LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC SCOOTERS AND RELATED DEVICES

MOTION TO INTRODUCE-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilman Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* REPORTS of Committees, Business Administrator, Municipal Clerk

Councilman Dzingleski stated Helmetta Day is Saturday, September 12th with a rain date of Sunday, September 13th beginning at 4:00pm at the Maple Street Pavilion. Helmetta Day 2026 shirts are now for sale, \$20.00.

Councilman Reid thanked everyone for coming out to Splash Bash, it was a great event for all. He also thanked Chief Mueller and the Jamesburg Police Department for National Night Out.

Council President Karczewski stated that he had nothing for the public comment and would speak to the Chief of Police after the meeting.

Councilwoman Bohinski read a report from the Director of the DPW:

Public Works Update:

We continue to perform our daily operational responsibilities, including roadway maintenance, utility operations, facility upkeep, and routine services to ensure the Borough remains safe, clean, and well-maintained.

The Community Center improvement project continues to move forward. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. at the Community Center.

I would also like to revisit the possibility of entering into a shared services agreement with the Borough of Jamesburg for emergency sanitary sewer jetting. Having this option available could provide the Borough with an efficient and potentially more cost-effective resource when emergency sanitary sewer maintenance is required.

With Helmetta Day approaching, the Department is focusing on the Borough's daily maintenance and operational needs while also incorporating preparations for the event.

In addition to these efforts, the Department continues to respond to resident concerns, perform preventative maintenance, and complete the day-to-day work necessary to maintain the Borough's infrastructure and public facilities.

I am happy to answer any questions.

Have a great night.

Councilman Pirrone stated that he's looking forward to Helmetta Day and thanked the Mayor for all of his updates in the town on social media.

Borough Engineer Kevin Meade stated that tomorrow at 10:00am will be a pre-bidding meeting at the Community Center. The 2025 DOT project came back from DEP with minimal corrections, and it has been resubmitted.

Borough Clerk Melissa Hallerman stated we are still accepting Helmetta Day donations and sponsorships.

Councilman Dzingleski also wanted to wish the Mayor a Happy Birthday!

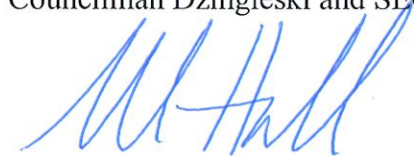
RESOLUTION 2026-112: Closed Session

MOTION -Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO OPEN MEETING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Dzingleski and SECONDED by Councilman Reid at 7:49pm. All were in favor.



Melissa Hallerman, RMC
Municipal Clerk

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

Tina McDermott

TINA MCDERMOTT
TAX COLLECTOR

MONTH OF: JULY

DATED: 8/4/2026

TAXES	2025	13.65
TAXES	2026	52,619.29
TAXES	2027	

ADJUSTMENTS

100% TAX EXEMPT VET	-470.00
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INTEREST	489.09
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(470.00)

RECORDING FEES
LIEN SEARCH FEES
LIEN REDEMPTION
DUPLICATE CERT
DUPLICATE BILL
TAX SALE PREMIUMS

CLOSING BALANCES

	DEBIT	CREDIT	NET
2025	0.00	1,075.71	1,075.71
2026	(68,016.05)	36,504.14	(31,511.91)
2027	0.00	0.00	0.00
			(30,436.20)

TOTAL	53,122.03
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TAX COLLECTORS TRUST

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CK#</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>	<u>DEBITS</u>	<u>CREDITS</u>	
6/30/2026					133,512.01
7/31/2026		interest paid		11.50	
			0.00	11.50	
		TOTAL AS PER 7/31/26 BANK STATEMENT			133,523.51

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BOROUGH OF HELMETTA

2025 TAX \$ SOLD AT 2025 TAX LIEN SALE

2025

DELINQUENT TAXES AS OF:

7/31/26

CREDIT BALANCE

(9,206.65)

DECEMBER				<u>68,894.44</u>
<u>2026</u>		Cash Recpts	adj	
JANUARY	68,894.44	(7,340.25)		61,554.19
FEBRUARY	61,554.19	(12,122.02)		49,432.17
MARCH	49,432.17	(14,223.22)		35,208.95
APRIL	35,208.95	(12,057.78)		23,151.17
MAY	23,151.17	(3,559.49)		19,591.68
JUNE	19,591.68	(18,502.32)		1,089.36
JULY	1,089.36	(13.65)		1,075.71
AUGUST	1,075.71			1,075.71
SEPTEMBER	1,075.71			1,075.71
OCTOBER	1,075.71			1,075.71
NOVEMBER	1,075.71			
BALANCE			4 PROPERTIES	<u>\$1,075.71</u>

2025 W/S \$ SOLD AT 2025 TAX LIEN SALE

30 PROPERTIES

\$13,246.34

July 2026

Municipal Clerk

DATE	NAME	FUND/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT	CK/CASH
7/2/2026	Christina Davis	Current - Certified Copy		\$15.00 Ck# 459
7/7/2026	Joyce Guerra	Current - Marriage License		\$28.00 Cash
7/7/2026	Jinny Lee	Current - Marriage License		\$28.00 Cash
7/8/2026	Bryan Domenichini	Current - Zoning Permit		\$50.00 Ck# 128
7/14/2026	Jinny Lee	Animal		\$23.00 Cash
7/14/2026	ADA Ice Cream Corp	Current - Permit (Helmetta Day)		\$55.00 Ck# 1153
7/15/2026	Evan Jeffrey	Current - Marriage License		\$28.00 Cash
7/15/2026	L&D Industries	Current - Permit (Helmetta Day)		\$55.00 Ck# 2521
7/15/2026	Brunswick Memorial Home	Trust - Recreation		\$100.00 Ck# 184052
7/16/2026	Danny Underwood II	Current - Marriage License		\$28.00 Ck# 101
7/16/2026	Patricia Faulk	Current - Marriage License		\$28.00 Cash
7/21/2026	Samantha Realmuto	Current - Marriage License		\$28.00 Ck# 145
7/21/2026	Remington & Vernick	Trust - Recreation		\$250.00 Ck# 1110
7/28/2026	Recoil NJ Inc.	Trust - Recreation		\$1,000.00 Ck# 3693
7/29/2026	T Mobile	Trust - Recreation		\$250.00 Cash
7/31/2026	Sophia Handmade Crafts	Trust - Recreation		\$20.00 Ck# 110

RESOLUTION

2026-105

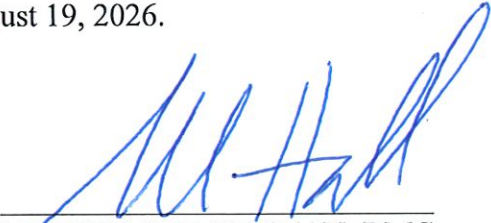
PAYMENT OF BILLS

All bills shall be paid per list.

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Karczewski	✓		✓			
Bohinski		✓	✓			
Dzingleski			✓			
Pirrone			✓			
Reid			✓			

CERTIFICATION

I, Melissa Hallerman, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, Middlesex County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Borough Council at the meeting held on August 19, 2026.



MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Municipal Clerk

Ranges		Item Status		Purchase Types		Misc	
Range: First to Last Rcvd Batch Id Range: First to Last		Open: N Void: N Paid: N Held: Y Aprv: N Rcvd: Y		Bid: Y State: Y Other: Y Exempt: Y		P.O. Type: All Format: Detail without Line Item Notes Include Non-Budgeted: Y Vendors: All	
PO #	PO Date	Vendor	Contract PO Type				
Item	Description	Amount	Charge Account	Acct Type	Description	Stat/Chk	First Enc Rcvd Chk/Void Date Date Date Invoice
26-00339	05/05/26 CDW01	CDW GOVERNMENT					
1	DELL LAPTOP/DESKTOPS	\$2,836.81	C-04-55-911-100	B	SERVER 2025-02	R	05/05/26 08/10/26
2	DELL LAPTOP/DESKTOPS	\$298.16	6-05-55-500-021	B	WATER OPERATING OE	R	05/18/26 08/10/26
3	DELL LAPTOP/DESKTOPS	\$298.17	6-07-55-500-021	B	SEWER OPERATING OE	R	05/18/26 08/10/26
		<u>\$3,433.14</u>					
26-00436	06/22/26 MAX	MAXIMUM SECURITY SYSTEMS					
1	MONITORING COM CENTER	\$112.50	6-01-26-772-020	B	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	06/22/26 08/14/26
26-00478	07/09/26 RARIT015	RARITAN GROUP					
1	HYDRANT PARTS	\$1,249.57	6-05-55-500-021	B	WATER OPERATING OE	R	07/09/26 08/19/26
26-00487	07/13/26 ALS01	ALS GROUP USA, CORP					
1	JUNE SAMPLE ANALYSIS	\$737.00	6-05-55-500-021	B	WATER OPERATING OE	R	07/13/26 08/10/26 TF61736
26-00497	07/30/26 HOM02	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES					
1	WATER	\$14.74	6-01-26-772-020	B	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	07/30/26 08/10/26 1621177
2	SCREWS	\$14.93	6-01-26-772-020	B	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	07/30/26 08/10/26 8514370
		<u>\$29.67</u>					
26-00498	07/30/26 COREM005	CORE & MAIN LP					
1	WATER METERS	\$1,850.00	6-05-55-500-021	B	WATER OPERATING OE	R	07/30/26 08/10/26 Z401487
26-00499	07/30/26 COREM005	CORE & MAIN LP					

Z401487

1621177
8514370

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BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
Bill List By P.O. Number

08/19/2026

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PO #	PO Date	Vendor	Contract	PO Type	Amount	Charge Account	Acct Type	Description	Stat/Chk	First Enc Date	Rcvd Date	Chk/Void Date	Invoice
<i>Account Continued</i>													
26-00499	07/30/26	COREM005	CORE & MAIN LP										
1	TOUCHPADS			B	\$750.00	6-05-55-500-021		WATER OPERATING OE	R	07/30/26	08/10/26		Z419891
26-00500	07/30/26	CIR01	CIRCLE JANITORIAL SUPPLIES										
1	GARBAGE BAGS/PAPER TOWELS			B	\$106.85	6-01-26-772-020		BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	07/30/26	08/10/26		31972-26
26-00502	07/30/26	BRI01	BRIAN'S LAWN MOWER										
1	REPAIR WHACKER/BLOWER			B	\$202.96	6-01-26-765-020		STREETS & ROADS OE	R	07/30/26	08/10/26		
26-00503	07/30/26	HOM02	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES										
1	NEW AIR COMPRESSOR HOSE/REEL			B	\$79.98	6-01-26-772-020		BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	07/30/26	08/17/26		3622072
26-00504	07/30/26	HOM02	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES										
1	MIX FUEL/CHAINSAW CHAINS			B	\$93.90	6-01-26-772-020		BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	07/30/26	08/10/26		2622170
26-00509	07/30/26	CLE04	CLEARY GIACOBBE ALFIERI&JACOBS										
1	LEGAL SERVICES-JUNE			B	\$76.00	6-01-20-712-020		LEGAL SERVICES OE	R	07/30/26	08/10/26		166053
26-00514	08/03/26	FRENC005	FRENCH & PARRELLO ASSOCIATES										
1	SHELTER REMEDY			B	\$4,966.25	C-04-55-909-100		ANIMAL SHELTER REMEDIATION 20	R	08/03/26	08/10/26		171099
26-00515	08/03/26	NAP02	JERSEY AUTO SUPPLY										
1	INV# 040918			B	\$484.07	6-01-25-749-020		FIRE DEPARTMENT OE	R	08/03/26	08/10/26		040918
2	CREDIT			B	79.77-	6-01-25-749-020		FIRE DEPARTMENT OE	R	08/03/26	08/10/26		041953
					<u>\$404.30</u>								
26-00516	08/03/26	ELE01	ELECTRONIC MEASUREMENT LABS										
1	MSA ALTAIR 4XR 02/EX/CO/H2S			B	\$2,190.00	6-01-25-749-020		FIRE DEPARTMENT OE	R	08/03/26	08/10/26		69032
26-00517	08/03/26	FIR16	FIREFIGHTER ONE										
1	CYLINDER & VALVE ASSEMBLY 4500			B	\$2,948.86	6-01-25-749-020		FIRE DEPARTMENT OE	R	08/03/26	08/10/26		00603100
26-00525	08/10/26	CAM01	CAMPBELL SUPPLY COMPANY, INC.										
1	INV# R001191277			B	\$2,702.67	6-01-25-749-020		FIRE DEPARTMENT OE	R	08/10/26	08/14/26		R001191277

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26-00525	08/10/26	CAM01	CAMPBELL SUPPLY COMPANY, INC.					Account Continued					
2	INV# R101015657:01				\$3,249.98	6-01-25-749-020	B	FIRE DEPARTMENT OE	R	08/10/26	08/14/26		R101015657:01
					<u>\$5,952.65</u>								
26-00526	08/10/26	MCU01	Middlesex Cty Utilities Auth										
1	DUMPING CHARGES- JULY 2026			B	\$5,854.70	6-01-32-837-020		LANDFILL/DISPOSAL SOLID WASTE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		
26-00527	08/10/26	ACT01	ACTION DATA SVC, INC										
1	2ND QTR PENSION FILING			B	\$526.20	6-01-20-705-021		FINANCE OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		97784
2	2ND QTR PENSION FILING			B	\$175.40	6-05-55-500-021		WATER OPERATING OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		97784
3	2ND QTR PENSION FILING			B	\$175.40	6-07-55-500-021		SEWER OPERATING OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		97784
					<u>\$877.00</u>								
26-00528	08/10/26	STICK005	STICKER CHICK GRAPHICS										
1	HELMETTA DAY SIGNS			B	\$360.00	6-01-28-795-020		RECREATION OE	R	08/10/26	08/17/26		1028
26-00529	08/10/26	MGL01	MGL PRINTING SOLUTIONS										
1	CAT/DOG LICENSE & TAGS			B	\$768.00	6-01-20-120-020		MUNICIPAL CLERK OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		225981
26-00530	08/10/26	NEW31	NJ DEPT OF HLTH & SR SVC (DOG)										
1	DOG LICENSES- JULY			B	\$1.20	T-09-00-000-001		ANIMAL CONTROL EXPENSES	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		
26-00531	08/10/26	AMAZO005	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES										
1	HELMETTA DAY SUPPLIES			B	\$59.12	6-01-28-795-020		RECREATION OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		11H6-N399-G1L9
2	HELMETTA DAY SUPPLIES			B	\$128.82	6-01-28-795-020		RECREATION OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		1DJN-DFPF-HXJW
3	HELMETTA DAY SUPPLIES			B	\$102.71	6-01-28-795-020		RECREATION OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		16C9-PD4V-RR7W
					<u>\$290.65</u>								
26-00532	08/10/26	MID10	MIDDLESEX WELDING SUPPLY, INC.										
1	WELDING TANK			B	\$146.10	6-01-26-772-020		BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		2784764
26-00533	08/10/26	POWER005	POWER PLACE										
1	BLADES AND PLUG FOR MOWER			B	\$79.72	6-01-26-765-020		STREETS & ROADS OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		

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26-00534	08/10/26	HOM02				HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES							
1	INV# 8521667				\$63.40	6-01-26-772-020	B	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	08/10/26	08/17/26		8521667
26-00535	08/10/26	MELIS005				MELISSA HALLERMAN							
1	REIMBURSEMENTS				\$37.95	6-01-20-120-020	B	MUNICIPAL CLERK OE	R	08/10/26	08/17/26		
2	REIMBURSEMENTS				\$699.63	6-01-28-795-020	B	RECREATION OE	R	08/10/26	08/17/26		
					<u>\$737.58</u>								
26-00536	08/10/26	SANGO005				SANGOMA US INC							
1	TELEPHONE AUGUST 2026				\$224.41	6-01-31-827-020	B	TELEPHONE COSTS	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		C197993
2	TELEPHONE AUGUST 2026				\$353.66	6-01-31-827-020	B	TELEPHONE COSTS	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		C197994
					<u>\$578.07</u>								
26-00537	08/10/26	WATER005				WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT,INC							
1	BACKUP WATER OPERATOR- JULY				\$300.00	6-05-55-500-021	B	WATER OPERATING OE	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		WHL25M01-19
26-00538	08/10/26	REM01				REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS							
1	INV# 1206T090-8				\$285.00	G-02-15-026-023	B	STORMWATER MANAGEMENT	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		1206T090-8
26-00539	08/10/26	REM01				REMINGTON & VERNICK ENGINEERS							
1	INV# 1206T091-8				\$191.00	C-04-55-904-100	B	22-06 GEOGRAPHIC MAPPING	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		1206T091-8
26-00541	08/10/26	STA01				STATE OF NJ - PWT							
1	2ND QTR WATER TAX 2026				\$259.35	6-05-55-500-025	B	PURCHASE OF WATER	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		
26-00544	08/10/26	WBM01				W.B. MASON							
1	PAPER				\$129.98	6-01-31-834-020	B	OFFICE SUPPLIES	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		
26-00545	08/10/26	AMAZO005				AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES							
1	TONER				\$115.99	6-01-31-834-020	B	OFFICE SUPPLIES	R	08/10/26	08/10/26		1Q44-4PM7-36D3
26-00546	08/10/26	ALS01				ALS GROUP USA,CORP							
1	JULY SAMPLE ANALYSIS				\$37.00	6-05-55-500-021	B	WATER OPERATING OE	R	08/10/26	08/14/26		TG61865

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26-00547	08/10/26	CONFI005	CONFIRE FIRE PROTECTION SVS									
1	COM CENTER INSPECTION		\$279.00	6-01-26-772-020	B	BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R			08/10/26	08/14/26	0512547
26-00548	08/10/26	WOO005	WOODBRIIDGE DEPT OF HEALTH									
1	QTRLY PAYMENT		\$1,875.00	6-01-43-772-020	B	WOODBRIIDGE ANIMAL CONTROL	R			08/10/26	08/10/26	107
26-00549	08/10/26	ENCON005	ENCON SERVICE COMPANY									
1	IMPROVEMENTS TO HVAC SYSTEM		\$10,176.00	C-04-55-913-100	B	IMPROVEMENTS TO BORO HALL H ¹	R			08/10/26	08/14/26	68603
26-00550	08/10/26	DIL01	DILWORTH PAXSON LLP									
1	CAPITAL ORDINANCE 2026-07		\$450.00	C-04-55-913-100	B	IMPROVEMENTS TO BORO HALL H ¹	R			08/10/26	08/10/26	
26-00551	08/10/26	TAL01	JOHN TALNAGI									
1	TAX REFUND-TALNAGI		\$470.00	6-01-55-002-292	B	TAX REFUNDS	R			08/10/26	08/17/26	
26-00552	08/10/26	KELSO005	KELSO & BURGESS									
1	COURT SESSION- AUGUST 2026		\$600.00	6-01-25-757-020	B	MUNICIPAL PROSECUTOR OE	R			08/10/26	08/10/26	
26-00553	08/10/26	ROS02	THOMAS C. ROSELLI, ESQ.									
1	PUBLIC DEFENDER- AUGUST 2026		\$400.00	6-01-42-856-020	B	PUBLIC DEFENDER OE	R			08/10/26	08/10/26	
26-00554	08/12/26	DJWWE005	Wayne Handwerk Jr.									
1	HELMETTA DAY DJ		\$900.00	6-01-28-795-020	B	RECREATION OE	R			08/12/26	08/17/26	
26-00555	08/17/26	FLORI005	FLORIO PERRUCCI STEINHARDT									
1	JULY SERVICES		\$1,420.00	6-01-20-712-020	B	LEGAL SERVICES OE	R			08/17/26	08/17/26	671756
2	JULY SERVICES		\$1,540.00	6-01-25-749-020	B	FIRE DEPARTMENT OE	R			08/17/26	08/17/26	671756
			\$2,960.00									
26-00556	08/17/26	JCP01	JCP&L									
1	ACCT 100 008 806 760		\$11.03	6-01-31-825-020	B	ELECTRICITY	R			08/17/26	08/17/26	
2	ACCT 100 054 008 006		\$28.77	6-01-31-825-020	B	ELECTRICITY	R			08/17/26	08/17/26	

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26-00556	08/17/26	JCP01	JCP&L					Account Continued					
3	ACCT 100 114 338 708			B	\$5.35	6-01-31-825-020		ELECTRICITY	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
4	ACCT 100 128 456 728			B	\$28.09	6-01-31-825-020		ELECTRICITY	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
5	ACCT 100 128 267 034			B	\$35.16	6-01-31-825-020		ELECTRICITY	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
6	ACCT 100 117 346 864			B	\$757.36	6-01-31-825-020		ELECTRICITY	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
					<u>\$865.76</u>								
26-00557	08/17/26	BOR20	BOROUGH OF HELMETTA										
1	3RD QTR 2026 TAX			B	\$1,094.58	6-01-26-772-020		BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
26-00558	08/17/26	TRE02	TREASURER-ST OF NJ /DEP										
1	NJ SAFE DRINKING WATER ANNUAL			B	\$720.00	6-05-55-500-021		WATER OPERATING OE	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
26-00559	08/17/26	AMAZO005	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES										
1	DISINFECTING WIPES			B	\$14.67	6-01-26-772-020		BUILDINGS & GROUNDS OE	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	1PPF-YD97-Q1CV
2	TABLE CLOTH			B	\$22.99	6-01-28-795-020		RECREATION OE	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	1DXF-64FR-7PV3
3	POPCORN TABLE CLOTH			B	\$23.99	6-01-28-795-020		RECREATION OE	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	1MQY-1R3P-D6NK
4	TONERS			B	\$287.78	6-01-31-834-020		OFFICE SUPPLIES	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	1C46-QWYK-DQGN
					<u>\$349.43</u>								
26-00563	08/17/26	REI09	REIVAX CONTRACTING CORP.										
1	BORO HALL LOT PAVING FINAL PAY			B	\$2,263.69	C-04-55-912-100		BOROUGH HALL PARKING LOT 2021	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
26-00564	08/17/26	DOR01	DARREN DORAN										
1	2ND QTR MEDICARE REIMBURSE			B	\$365.22	6-01-23-733-020		HEALTH INSURANCE EMPLOYEE	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
2	2ND QTR MEDICARE REIMBURSE			B	\$121.74	6-05-55-500-030		Health Insurance	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
3	2ND QTR MEDICARE REIMBURSE			B	\$121.74	6-07-55-500-030		Health Insurance	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
					<u>\$608.70</u>								
26-00567	08/17/26	BOH02	SANDRA BOHINSKI										
1	2ND QTR MEDICARE REIMBURSEMENT			B	\$632.43	6-01-23-733-020		HEALTH INSURANCE EMPLOYEE	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	
26-00570	08/17/26	JAM01	JAMESBURG - BOROUGH OF										
1	POLICE SERVICES-JULY-SEPTEMBER			B	\$211,375.00	6-01-43-746-031		POLICE SERVICES - JAMESBURG	R	08/17/26	08/17/26	08/17/26	

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26-00572	08/19/26	MCI01		Middlesex Cty Improvement Auth									
1		CURBSIDE ASL- JULY 2026			\$4,115.40	6-01-43-786-020	B	MIDDLESEX CO RECYCLING PROG	R	08/19/26	08/19/26		AR041770
2		BRUSH/LEAVES JULY 2026			\$197.62	6-01-43-786-020	B	MIDDLESEX CO RECYCLING PROG	R	08/19/26	08/19/26		AR041750
					<u>\$4,313.02</u>								
26-00573	08/19/26	MID17		MIDDLESEX COUNTY TREASURER									
1		FUEL USAGE- JULY 2026			\$717.59	6-01-31-833-020	B	GASOLINE	R	08/19/26	08/19/26		CV-9-7-26
26-00574	08/19/26	MELIS005		MELISSA HALLERMAN									
1		REIMBURSEMENT-SIGN/CLEANING			\$121.84	6-01-28-795-020	B	RECREATION OE	R	08/19/26	08/19/26		
Total Purchase Orders:					55	Total P.O. Line Items:	78	Total List Amount:	\$277,430.41	Total Void Amount:	\$0.00		

Totals by Year-Fund	Fund	Budget Rcvd	Budget Held	Budget Total	Revenue Total	G/L Total	Total
Fund Description							
CURRENT FUND	6-01	\$249,166.93	\$0.00	\$249,166.93	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$249,166.93
WATER OPERATING FUND	6-05	\$6,498.22	\$0.00	\$6,498.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,498.22
SEWER OPERATING FUND	6-07	\$595.31	\$0.00	\$595.31	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$595.31
	Year Total:	\$256,260.46	\$0.00	\$256,260.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$256,260.46
GENERAL CAPITAL FUND	C-04	\$20,883.75	\$0.00	\$20,883.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$20,883.75
GRANT FUND	G-02	\$285.00	\$0.00	\$285.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$285.00
ANIMAL TRUST FUND	T-09	\$1.20	\$0.00	\$1.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.20
Total Of All Funds:		\$277,430.41	\$0.00	\$277,430.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$277,430.41

**RESOLUTION 2026-106
BOROUGH OF HELMETTA**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA RATIFYING THE HELMETTA
FIRE DEPARTMENT'S APPROVAL OF THE MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OF JOE
FRAGOSO**

WHEREAS, the Helmetta Fire Department accepted Joe Fragoso as a member in or about 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Borough subsequently became aware that Mr. Fragoso's original membership application was incomplete in that certain questions regarding prior criminal history had not been answered; and

WHEREAS, upon becoming aware of the incomplete application, the Borough undertook a review of the matter and requested that Mr. Fragoso submit a new and complete membership application accurately responding to all questions contained therein; and

WHEREAS, on or about June 28, 2026, Mr. Fragoso submitted a new, fully completed membership application to the Helmetta Fire Department, which application was reviewed and approved by the Fire Department in accordance with its membership procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has reviewed the complete application, together with the information provided by Mr. Fragoso and the recommendation of the Helmetta Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds that ratification of the Fire Department's approval of Mr. Fragoso's completed membership application is in the best interests of the Borough and the Helmetta Fire Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Helmetta, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Borough Council hereby acknowledges receipt of the completed membership application submitted by Joe Fragoso on or about June 28, 2026.
3. The Borough Council hereby ratifies and approves the Helmetta Fire Department's approval of Mr. Fragoso's completed membership application and confirms his membership in the Helmetta Fire Department, subject to all applicable laws, ordinances, bylaws, rules, regulations, and policies governing volunteer firefighters.
4. This ratification is based upon the complete application submitted by Mr. Fragoso and the information presented to and considered by the Borough Council in connection with its review.
5. The Borough Clerk is authorized to maintain this Resolution, together with the completed membership application and supporting documentation reviewed by the Borough Council, as part of the official records of the Borough.
6. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

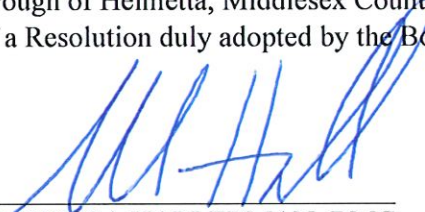
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BOROUGH OF HELMETTA**

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FRAGOSO**

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Karczewski			✓			
Bohinski		✓	✓			
Pirrone			✓			
Dzingleski	✓		✓			
Reid					✓	

CERTIFICATION

I, Melissa Hallerman, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, Middlesex County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Borough Council at the meeting held on August 19, 2026.



MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Municipal Clerk

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
2026-107**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF TAXES
FOR A TOTALLY DISABLED VETERAN, AT
BLOCK 13 LOT 2 AND REFUNDING TAXES PAID**

WHEREAS, the owner of real property located at Block 13 Lot 2 has made application for a Totally Disabled Veteran to the Helmetta Tax Assessor which has been accepted, and

WHEREAS, the Helmetta Tax Assessor has approved the cancellation of taxes on real property located at 1 Locust Drive, Block 13 Lot 2; and

WHEREAS, the Helmetta Tax Collector is authorized to refund any of taxes paid from the effective date June 18, 2026; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the governing body of the Borough of Helmetta, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey hereby approves, Talnagi, John located at Block 13 Lot 2 for a Total Disabled Veteran status, for the cancellation of taxes with an effective date of June 18, 2026 and thereafter and for the refunding of taxes overpaid in the amount of \$470.00.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Tax Collector, Tax Assessor and Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Helmetta and the Middlesex County Board of Taxation.

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Karczewski	✓		✓			
Bohinski		✓	✓			
Dzingleski			✓			
Pirrone			✓			
Reid			✓			

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MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION
#2026 - 108**

**AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT
FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Helmetta that the Mayor and the Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute a Shared Service Agreement for Animal Control Services between the Township of Woodbridge and the Borough of Helmetta in the form substantially similar to that on file in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Karczewski						
Bohinski						
Dzingleski						
Pirrone						
Reid						

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MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Municipal Clerk

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**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-109

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA AND THE MIDDLESEX
COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY (MCUA) FOR CALENDAR YEARS 2027
THROUGH 2031**

WHEREAS, the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (the "MCUA") owns and operates a state-of-the-art landfill facility located in East Brunswick, New Jersey, commonly known as the Middlesex County Landfill; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Helmetta (the "Borough") desires to dispose of all of its Acceptable Solid Waste ("ASW"), defined as NJDEP Solid Waste ID Type 10 and ID Type 27 (non-special handling), at the Middlesex County Landfill without aggregation with solid waste from other parties or public entities; and

WHEREAS, the MCUA and the Borough have negotiated terms and conditions governing the delivery and disposal of ASW for a five-year term commencing on January 1, 2027, and expiring on December 31, 2031; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Solid Waste Disposal Agreement sets forth the following contract rates per ton for ASW during the term of the Agreement:

- **2027:** \$76.64 per ton
- **2028:** \$78.29 per ton
- **2029:** \$80.14 per ton
- **2030:** \$82.09 per ton
- **2031:** \$84.04 per ton; and

WHEREAS, entering into this Agreement ensures the proper, legal, and cost-effective disposal of municipal solid waste generated within the Borough of Helmetta in accordance with applicable law and the Middlesex County Solid Waste Management Plan.

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

1. **Authorization to Execute.** The Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute the Solid Waste Disposal Agreement with the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA) for the term commencing January 1, 2027, and terminating December 31, 2031, substantially in the form provided and attached hereto.
2. **Implementation.** Borough officials, staff, and authorized contract haulers are hereby directed to take all necessary and appropriate actions to fulfill the Borough's obligations under the terms of said Agreement.

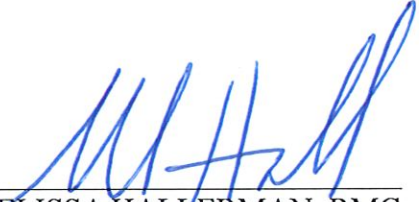
3. **Certified Copies.** A certified copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded by the Borough Clerk to:

- o The Executive Director of the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA)
- o The Borough Administrator
- o The Superintendent of Public Works
- o The Chief Financial Officer

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Karczewski	✓		✓			
Bohinski		✓	✓			
Dzingleski			✓			
Pirrone			✓			
Reid			✓			

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MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Municipal Clerk

**RESOLUTION
#2026-110**

**APPOINTMENT OF OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPUTY
COORDINATOR**

I, Christopher Slavicek, Mayor of the Borough of Helmetta, with the advice and consent of the Borough Council do hereby appoint

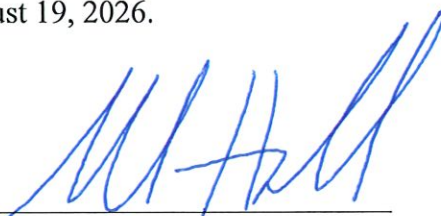
JOE FRAGOSO

as OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DEPUTY COORDINATOR for the Borough of Helmetta for a term to expire on December 31, 2028 in accordance with the Civilian Defense and Disaster Control Act, App. A: 9-40.1.

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Bohinski		✓	✓			
Karczewski	✓		✓			
Dzingleski			✓			
Pirrone			✓			
Reid			✓			

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MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Municipal Clerk

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

RESOLUTION 2026-111

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT NO. 2 – FINAL TO REIVAX
CONTRACTING CORP. FOR THE BOROUGH HALL PAVING PROJECT,
CONTRACT HE-24-005-02**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Helmetta entered into a contract with Reivax Contracting Corp. for the Borough Hall Paving Project, Contract No. HE-24-005-02; and

WHEREAS, Center State Engineers has reviewed the contractor's submission, including the applicable invoices, certified payroll records, and manning reports, and has inspected the completed work; and

WHEREAS, Center State Engineers has determined that the work has been completed in accordance with the contract requirements and is satisfactory; and

WHEREAS, Center State Engineers has recommended issuance of Payment No. 2 – Final to Reivax Contracting Corp. in the amount of Two Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Three Dollars and Sixty-Nine Cents (\$2,263.69), representing 100% completion of the project; and

WHEREAS, Reivax Contracting Corp. has provided the required Maintenance Bond for the completed project; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council has reviewed the recommendation of Center State Engineers and finds it appropriate to authorize final payment to the contractor.

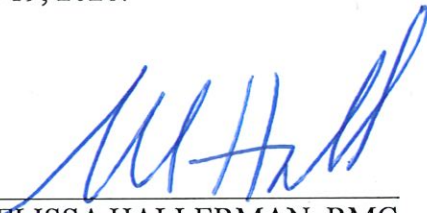
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Helmetta, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Payment No. 2 – Final in the amount of \$2,263.69 is hereby authorized and approved for payment to Reivax Contracting Corp. for the Borough Hall Paving Project, Contract No. HE-24-005-02.
2. The final payment represents 100% completion of the project, subject to any applicable contract requirements, guarantees, and maintenance obligations.
3. The Borough Clerk, Chief Financial Officer, and/or other appropriate Borough officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute any documents and take all actions necessary to effectuate the final payment authorized by this Resolution.
4. The Borough's acceptance of the completed work and issuance of final payment shall be subject to the terms and conditions of the contract and the Maintenance Bond provided by Reivax Contracting Corp.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Karczewski	✓		✓			
Bohinski		✓	✓			
Dzingleski			✓			
Pirrone			✓			
Reid			✓			

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 MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
 Municipal Clerk

RESOLUTION

2026-112

EXECUTIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Open Public Meetings Act, 1975, Chapter 231 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; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Helmetta wishes to discuss potential litigation.

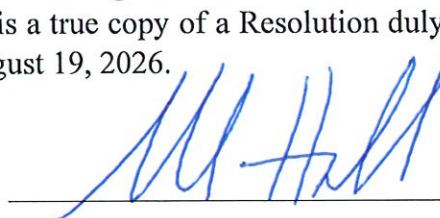
Minutes will be kept and once the matter involving the confidentiality of the matter is no longer considered confidential, then the minutes will be made public.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the public be excluded from the meeting.

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Karczewski		✓	✓			
Bohinski			✓			
Dzingleski	✓		✓			
Pirrone			✓			
Reid			✓			

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I, Melissa Hallerman, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, Middlesex County, New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a Resolution duly adopted by the Borough Council at the meeting held on August 19, 2026.



MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Municipal Clerk

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
ORDINANCE 2026-08**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH AGE AND OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGE-
RESTRICTED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Helmetta find that it is in the best interests of the Borough to establish clear and uniform occupancy standards applicable to age-restricted residential developments located within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to preserve housing intended for older persons while ensuring compliance with applicable federal and state laws governing age-restricted communities; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council further find that adopting uniform occupancy standards will promote consistency in the administration of age-restricted residential developments and affordable housing intended for older persons within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council deem it appropriate to amend the Borough Code to establish minimum age and occupancy requirements for all age-restricted residential developments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Helmetta, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION I. The Code of the Borough of Helmetta is hereby amended by adding a new section within the chapter governing zoning and/or affordable housing, to be numbered by the Borough Code Publisher, as follows:

§ _____. Age and Occupancy Requirements for Age-Restricted Residential Developments.

A. Applicability. The provisions of this section shall apply to every age-restricted residential development within the Borough of Helmetta, including any age-restricted affordable housing development, unless more restrictive occupancy requirements are imposed by applicable federal or state law, court order, deed restriction, affordable housing agreement, or other governmental approval.

B. Occupancy Requirements.

(1) At least eighty percent (80%) of the occupied dwelling units within each age-restricted residential development shall be occupied by at least one permanent resident who is fifty-five (55) years of age or older.

(2) Up to twenty percent (20%) of the occupied dwelling units within an age-restricted residential development may be permanently occupied by persons under fifty-five (55) years of age, provided that such occupancy is otherwise consistent with all applicable federal, state, and local laws governing housing for older persons.

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
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(3) One child who is at least nineteen (19) years of age may permanently reside in a dwelling unit together with his or her parent or parents.

C. Permanent Occupancy. For purposes of this section, a permanent resident shall mean any individual who occupies a dwelling unit as his or her principal residence.

D. Compliance. Each owner, homeowners' association, condominium association, property manager, or other entity responsible for administering an age-restricted residential development shall maintain records reasonably necessary to demonstrate compliance with the occupancy requirements set forth herein and with all applicable federal and state laws governing housing for older persons.

SECTION II. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION IV. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage, publication, and filing as required by law.

ORDINANCE 2026-08
BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced: July 15, 2026

Recorded Vote

Motion made by *Council President Karczewski*

Second by *Councilman Pirrone*

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on First Reading
Dated: July 15, 2026

M. Hall
Melissa Hallerman, RMC

Adopted: August 19, 2026

Recorded Vote

Motion made by *Council President Karczewski*

Second by *Councilwoman Bohinski*

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on Second Reading
Dated: August 19, 2026

M. Hall
Melissa Hallerman, RMC

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX**

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2026-09

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, PROVIDING FOR REMEDIATION SITE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FORMER ANIMAL SHELTER PROPERTY, IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$250,000 FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY \$237,500 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$570,000, AND TO INCREASE THE ALLOCATION OF THE APPROPRIATION TO COSTS PERMITTED UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough") finally adopted Bond Ordinance No. 2024-08 on September 18, 2024 (the "Prior Ordinance") providing for remediation site improvements to the former animal shelter property located in the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the costs associated with said improvements are higher than anticipated and has determined to supplement the appropriation and bonds and notes authorized therefor; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has an additional \$12,500 available in its Capital Improvement Fund in addition to the \$17,500 authorized by the Prior Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has determined that the \$175,000 authorized by the Prior Ordinance for purposes permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is insufficient and desires to increase such allocation by \$125,000 to an aggregate amount of \$300,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as general improvements to be undertaken in and by the Borough and were previously authorized by the Borough by the Prior Ordinance. For the improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$250,000 in addition to the \$350,000 appropriated by the Prior Ordinance, said sums being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore

made therefor, including the sum of \$30,000 as down payment, \$17,500 of such down payment was previously appropriated by the Prior Ordinance, and an additional down payment of \$12,500 is authorized hereby and is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in the Capital Improvement Fund of one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the costs of said improvements or purposes, \$237,500 negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in addition to the \$332,500 previously authorized by the Prior Ordinance, for a total principal amount not to exceed \$570,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and the purpose for which the bonds are to be issued consist of remediation site improvements to the former animal shelter property, located at 58 Main Street in the Borough and identified as Block 13, Lot 39.02 on the Borough Tax Map, together with all purposes necessary, incidental or appurtenant thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with contracts, plans, specifications or requisitions therefor on file with or through the Borough Clerk, as finally approved by the governing body of the Borough.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$570,000 including the \$237,500 authorized herein, as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$600,000, which is equal to the amount of the \$250,000 supplemental appropriation herein made therefor and the \$350,000 appropriation made by the Prior Ordinance.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer of the Borough, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer, who shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase

price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of such notes occurs, such report shall include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not a current expense and are improvements or purposes that the Borough may lawfully undertake as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the amount of the obligations authorized for said purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is fifteen (15) years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such Statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$237,500 and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$300,000, including \$125,000 authorized hereby and \$175,000 authorized by the Prior Ordinance, for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs, legal fees and other items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included as part of the cost of said improvements and is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for said improvements.

(e) To the extent that moneys of the Borough are used to finance, on an interim basis, costs of said improvements or purposes, the Borough reasonably expects such costs to be paid or reimbursed with the proceeds of obligations issued pursuant hereto. This ordinance shall constitute a declaration of official intent for the purposes and within the meaning of Section 1.150-2(e) of the United States Treasury Regulations.

Section 6. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Municipal Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 7. Any grant or similar moneys from time to time received by the Borough for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are received and so used.

Section 8. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and, unless paid from other sources, the Borough shall be obligated to levy *ad valorem* taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 9. All Ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are in such conflict or are inconsistent. In the event that any section, part or provision of this ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court, such holding shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole, or any part hereof other than the part so held unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 10. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first dissemination thereof through the Borough's website after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

ORDINANCE 2026-09
BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced: July 15, 2026

Recorded Vote

Motion made by *Councilwoman Bohinski*
Second by *Council President Karczewski*

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on First Reading
Dated: July 15, 2026

M. Hall
Melissa Hallerman, RMC

Adopted: August 19, 2026

Recorded Vote

Motion made by *Councilman Dzingleski*
Second by *Councilwoman Bohinski*

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on Second Reading
Dated: August 19, 2026

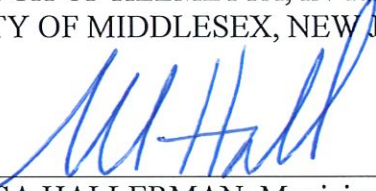
M. Hall
Melissa Hallerman, RMC

CERTIFICATE AS TO BOND ORDINANCE

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that annexed hereto is a true and complete copy of Bond Ordinance No. 2026-09 which was introduced at a duly convened meeting of the Borough Council on July 16, 2026, and finally adopted at a duly convened meeting of the Borough Council on August 19, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand and the seal of the Borough this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk



(SEAL)

DOCUMENT LIST

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, PROVIDING FOR REMEDIATION SITE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FORMER ANIMAL SHELTER PROPERTY, IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$250,000 FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY \$237,500 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$570,000, AND TO INCREASE THE ALLOCATION OF THE APPROPRIATION TO COSTS PERMITTED UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

- *1. General Certificate of Municipal Clerk regarding Incumbency of Municipal Officers
 - a. Original newspaper affidavits of publication attached showing publication of regular meetings in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act or notice of special meeting uploaded to municipality's website
2. Certificate as to Debt Statements
 - a. Annual Debt Statement
 - b. Supplemental Debt Statement showing date of filing with Municipal Clerk (prior to introduction of ordinance) and email confirmation of receipt from the Division of Local Government Services
3. Certificate of Financial Officer Concerning Down Payment
4. Notice of Pending Ordinance
5. Extract of Minutes showing Introduction of Ordinance and Certificate of Municipal Clerk
6. Extract of Minutes showing Public Hearing and Final Adoption of Ordinance and Certificate of Municipal Clerk
7. Notice of Final Adoption and Certificate of Municipal Clerk
8. Certificate as to Capital Budget
9. Municipal Clerk's Certificate Concerning Notice and No-Protest

* If introduction, public hearing or adoption of ordinance occurred at a meeting where special notice was given, please provide the uploaded notice with respect thereto.

1.

GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF MUNICIPAL CLERK

2026

(On file, please contact us with any changes)

NOTICES OF PUBLICATION

(Attach original Affidavit of Publication regarding notice of regular meetings of governing body at which introduction, public hearing and final passage of bond ordinance took place. It is acceptable to submit the General Certificate of Municipal Clerk and the annual notice of the regular meetings once a year, however, if action on this Ordinance takes place at a special meeting, please submit notice of such special meeting in the same form as was uploaded onto the municipality's website together with the entire transcript of the adoption proceedings.)

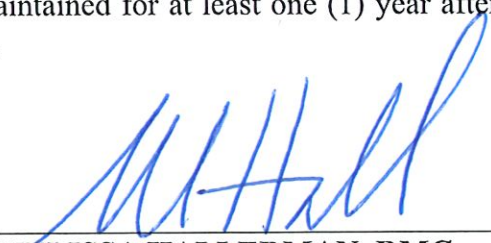
AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }
 }
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX } ss.:

I, **MELISSA HALLERMAN**, of full age, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say:

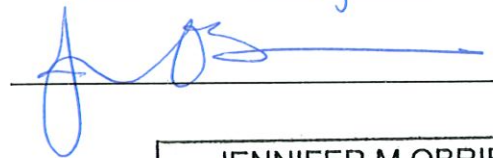
1. I am the Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey.
2. In accordance with P.L. 2025 c.72, signed into law by Governor Murphy on June 30, 2025, the legal/public notice for **Bond Ordinance 2026-09**, as required to be published or advertised by law has been made publicly accessible on the Borough of Helmetta's official Internet website, located at Public Notices - Borough of Helmetta in its complete text, free-of-charge as of **July 16, 2026**. Such notice remained on the Borough's website for at least one week from the date of initial posting, or such other time period as required by law.
3. The direct hyperlink for the Borough's legal notices webpage, which included this legal/public notice, was conspicuously placed on the homepage of the Borough's official website.
4. Upon removal of this legal/public notice from the Borough's legal notices webpage, it shall be archived, which archive shall be maintained for at least one (1) year after having been transferred from it the legal notices webpage.

Dated: July 16, 2026



MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Helmetta Borough Clerk

Sworn to and subscribed to before me
this 16th day of July, 2026



JENNIFER M OBRIEN
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JULY 25, 2027
COMMISSION: #50201716

**CERTIFICATE AS TO ANNUAL DEBT STATEMENT
AND SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENT**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (herein called the "Borough"), HEREBY CERTIFY that annexed hereto is a true and complete copy of the ANNUAL DEBT STATEMENT of the Borough which was prepared as of December 31, 2025 by Denise Marabello, who was then Chief Financial Officer of the Borough and said Statement was filed in my office on July 14, 2026, and that a complete, executed copy of said Statement was filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of the State of New Jersey on July 14, 2026 and endorsed by the Director on July 14, 2026.

I HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY that annexed hereto is a true and complete copy of the SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENT of the Borough, prepared as of July 14, 2026 by Denise Marabello, then Chief Financial Officer of the Borough and filed in my office on July 14, 2026, prior to the introduction of Bond Ordinance No. 2026-09 entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, PROVIDING FOR REMEDIATION SITE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FORMER ANIMAL SHELTER PROPERTY, IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$250,000 FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY \$237,500 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$570,000, AND TO INCREASE THE ALLOCATION OF THE APPROPRIATION TO COSTS PERMITTED UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY",

and that a complete executed copy of said Statement was filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of the State of New Jersey on July 14, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Borough this 14th day of July, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Municipal Clerk

(SEAL)

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA

Supplemental Debt Statement

Budget Year Ending December 31, 2026



Department of Community Affairs Supplemental Debt Statement



Local Unit: Helmetta Borough 1206 County: Middlesex
Prepared as of:

Budget Year Ending: December 31 2026
Name: Denise Marabello Phone: 732-521-1263
Title: Chief Financial Officer Email: d.marabello@helmettaboro.com
CFO Cert. # N-0527 Address: 51 Main Street
Helmetta NJ 08828

Denise Marabello, Being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Deponent is the Chief Officer of Helmetta Borough here and in the statement hereinafter mentioned called the local unit. The Supplemental Debt Statement annexed hereto and hereby made a part hereof is a true statement of the debt condition of the local unit as of the date therein and is computed as provided by the Local Bond Law of New Jersey.

☐ By checking this box, I am swearing that the above statement is true.

	Net Debt as per Annual Debt Statement	Decrease (Since December 31, last past)	Increase	Net Debt
Bonds and Notes for School Purposes (Local and Regional)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds and Notes for Self Liquidating Purposes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Bonds and Notes	\$ 1,024,553.72	\$ 132,053.72		\$ 892,500.00
Net Debt at the time of this statement is.....				\$ 892,500.00

The amounts and purposes separately itemized of the obligations about to be authorized, and any deductions which may be made on account of each such item are: (see Note "C" below)

Bond Ordinance	Purpose(s)	Amount	Deduction	Net
2026-09	Remediation improvements to the former Animal Shelter	\$ 237,500.00	\$ -	\$ 237,500.00
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ 237,500.00	\$ -	\$ 237,500.00

4 The net debt of the local unit determined by the addition of the net debt amounts stated in items 2 and 3 above is: \$ 1,130,000.00

5 Equalized valuation basis (the average of the equalized valuations of real estate, including improvements and the assessed valuation of class II railroad property of the local unit for the last 3 preceding years) as stated in the Annual Debt Statement or the revision thereof last filed.

Year	Equalized Valuation Real Property with Improvements plus assessed valuation of Class II RR Property	
(1) 2023		\$ 286,358,456.00
(2) 2024		\$ 321,582,604.00
(3) 2025		\$ 339,270,991.00

6 Equalized Valuation Basis - Average of (1), (2) and (3)..... \$ 315,737,350.33

7 Net Debt (Line 4 above) expressed as a percentage of such equalized valuation basis (Line 6 above) is: 0.358%

NOTES

- A If authorization of bonds or notes is permitted by an exception to the debt limit, specify the particular paragraph of NJSA 40A:2-7 or other section of law providing such exception.
This form is also to be used in the bonding of separate (not Type I) school districts as required by NJSA 18A:24-16, and filed before the school district election. In such case pages 4, 5 and 6 should be completed to set forth the computation supporting any deduction in line 3 above.
- B Only the account of bonds or notes about to be authorized should be entered. The amount of the "down payment" provided in the bond ordinance should not be included nor shown as a deduction.
- C

Public Utility:

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☐ Check if municipality or county has no local school district.

Total

☐ Check if municipality of county has no regional school district.

Totals	\$
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SPECIAL DEBT STATEMENT
BORROWING POWER AVAILABLE UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(f)

(a) NJSA 40A:2-7(d)	_____
(b) NJSA 40A:2-7(f)	_____
(c) NJSA 40A:2-7(g)	_____
Total	_____

BORROWING POWER AVAILABLE UNDER NJSA 40A:2-7(g)

2a.

ANNUAL DEBT STATEMENT

(Attach certified copy of Annual Debt Statement as filed with the Division of Local Government Services. You may submit the Annual Debt Statement once a year.)

SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENT

(Attach to the preceding Certificate a certified copy of the Supplemental Debt Statement showing the date of filing with the Municipal Clerk, on or prior to the date of introduction, and provide email confirmation of receipt of Supplemental Debt Statement by the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) prior to adoption.)

(Note: If this bond ordinance authorizes a water and/or sewer project (or project component) of \$1,000,000 or greater, and it is not anticipated to be funded through the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank, the Supplemental Debt Statement must include a Water Infrastructure Savings Enabling (WISE) Act calculation when filed with the DLGS prior to adoption. The Local Finance Notice containing a link to the WISE Act Calculator can be found at <http://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dlgs/lfns/17/2017-16.pdf>.)

**CERTIFICATE OF FINANCIAL OFFICER
CONCERNING DOWN PAYMENT**

I, DENISE MARABELLO, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (hereinafter, the "Borough"), HEREBY CERTIFY that prior to the final adoption on August 19, 2026 of Bond Ordinance No. 2026-09 entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, PROVIDING FOR REMEDIATION SITE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FORMER ANIMAL SHELTER PROPERTY, IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$250,000 FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY \$237,500 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$570,000, AND TO INCREASE THE ALLOCATION OF THE APPROPRIATION TO COSTS PERMITTED UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY",

there was available as a down payment for the purposes authorized by said ordinance the sum of \$12,500 which amount was appropriated as a down payment by said ordinance and was made available from one or more of the following sources:

- * _____ 1.a. by provision in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Borough for down payment or for capital improvement purposes; or
- * _____ b. from moneys then actually held by the Borough and previously contributed for such purpose other than by the Borough; or
- * _____ c. by emergency resolution; or
- * _____ 2. a down payment is not necessary because obligations were authorized for a purpose referred to in paragraphs a, b, c, d, e, or h of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7; or
- * _____ 3. a down payment is not necessary because no additional debt was authorized.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

Denise Marabello
DENISE MARABELLO, Chief Financial Officer

* Please initial appropriate section.

FORM OF NOTICE ON INTRODUCTION

Instructions to Municipal Clerk: Complete the notice on the next page and upload to the municipality's website. The ordinance must be timely uploaded in accordance with Local Bond Law. Please attach a copy of the notice therewith.

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX
BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2026-09**

NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough"), held on July 15, 2026. It will be further considered for final passage after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of said governing body to be held at Borough Hall, located at 51 Main Street, Helmetta, New Jersey, on August 19, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at which time and place all persons who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.

A copy of this ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Borough Municipal Building during the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting; copies of the ordinance are available to the general public of the Borough who shall request such copies, at the office of the Municipal Clerk in said Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, PROVIDING FOR REMEDIATION SITE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FORMER ANIMAL SHELTER PROPERTY, IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$250,000 FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY \$237,500 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$570,000, AND TO INCREASE THE ALLOCATION OF THE APPROPRIATION TO COSTS PERMITTED UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY.

Purpose(s): Providing for remediation site improvements to the former animal shelter property, located at 58 Main Street in the Borough and identified as Block 13, Lot 39.02 on the Borough Tax Map.

Appropriation: \$600,000

Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$570,000

Section 20 Costs: \$300,000

Useful Life: 15 Years

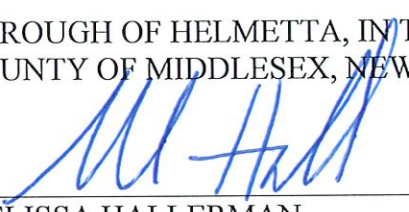
MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Helmetta
County of Middlesex, New Jersey

**CERTIFICATE OF MUNICIPAL CLERK
EXTRACT OF MINUTES
SHOWING INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that the annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said Borough, duly called and held on July 15, 2026, has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of said governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of said original minutes so far as the same relate to Bond Ordinance No. 2026-09 and the subject matters referred to in said extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough, this 15th day of July, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Municipal Clerk



(SEAL)



MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JULY 15, 2026 – MINUTES
7:00PM

* MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - SALUTE TO THE FLAG - MOMENT OF SILENCE
Mayor Slavicek called the meeting to order at 7:05pm, and all stood for a moment of silence for our armed forces.

* CALLING OF THE ROLL

Mayor Slavicek
Council President Karczewski
Councilwoman Bohinski
Councilman Dzingleski
Councilman Pirrone
Councilman Reid

* OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as is required under Chapter 231 Public Law 1975 specifying the time, date, location and to the extent known the agenda by posting a copy on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building outside of the meeting room and providing a copy to the Home News Tribune newspaper, Borough website and by filing a copy in the office of the Municipal Clerk in accordance with the certification which will be entered in the minutes of this meeting.

* PUBLIC PORTION

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PUBLIC PORTION

MOTION TO OPEN – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

Corrine Larsen, Ridgefield Court, inquired about the Borough's involvement with snow plowing in Heather Glen, specifically on Heatherwood Drive. She stated that the residents there were just given an assessment on their property for snow in addition to their HOA fees. Business Administrator Crane stated that we are still in negotiations with the HOA and that from November of 2025 to February 2026 the DPW plowed Heatherwood. Mayor Slavicek stated that in Lakeview Commons they also had an assessment for snow because of the heavy snow this winter and it was \$900.00. Councilman Pirrone stated that she should have received an option to pay it over two installments by mid-August.

Charlie Pistor, Regency Walk, stated that in the Regency Walk complex they went through their entire budget of \$56,000 for snow removal because of the snow this past winter.

MOTION TO CLOSE – Councilman Karczewski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

* ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – June 17, 2026

MOTION – Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman Reid

ABSTAIN – Councilman Karczewski

ROLL CALL: 4-1-0

*PUBLIC HEARING ON INTRODUCED 2026 BUDGET

Mayor Slavicek read a statement:

On the 17th of June 2026, The Governing Body is introducing the 2026 municipal budget. The budget is a combined effort of the Mayor, Business Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and the Finance Committee who have had several meetings since January 1, 2026. The Borough maintains three (3) separate operating funds. The resultant Amount to be Raised by Taxation increased \$85,171 or 5.41% to \$1,660,174 from \$1,575,003. The Ratables of the Borough have increased \$1,173,500 or .62% to \$189,121,900 from \$188,295,400. The value of a Tax Point has increased to \$18,912 from \$18,829. The average residential unit value is approximately \$209,127. The tax rate of 87.8¢ is an increase of 4.1¢ from 83.7¢ and the amount of municipal tax that an average residential unit pays will be \$1,836 in 2026 compared to \$1,750 in 2025. The cause of this increase is a decrease in available fund balance and lease rental revenue, an increase in Insurance along with inflationary pressures. Net appropriations are higher by \$136,418 or 5.08%. Significant Areas of Increase: Retiree health benefits, public

safety, debt service and capital improvements. WATER FUND: Total budget \$768,548 – funded by existing customer user fees of \$544,000, fair share fees \$63,184 tower rental fees of \$100,000 and capital reserve of \$14,414. There was a 25% rate increase required to balance the 2026 budget due to the loss non-recurring revenue. The budget appropriations include Purchase of Water of \$420,000 or 54.65% of the total budget and debt service of \$88,158 or 11.47%. SEWER FUND: Total budget \$620,020 – funded by user fees of \$490,000 and surplus of \$100,020 and capital reserve of \$30,000. There is no rate increase required to balance the 2026 budget; However, due to the use of non-recurring revenue a significant increase in the future is possible; The budget appropriations include Treatment of Sewer in the amount of \$380,000 or 61.29% of the total budget. FUTURE PROSPECTS:

- Improvements to Various Roads in 2026 partially funded by NJDOT funds
- HVAC System at Town Hall
- Upgrades to the Water Meters (Borough Wide)
- Sewer Utility User Rates need to be reviewed in 2026 to be in effect in 2027

CONCLUSION: I emphasize that surplus was used to balance the three (3) budgets but must point out that surplus and use of reserves is not always guaranteed. This is my eleventh (11th) budget as Mayor and I will continue to monitor the finance for any changes and start planning for next year and beyond. I will continually review all aspects of the Borough's financial operations in order to ensure that the levels of service to residents are maintained and that expenses incurred are appropriate. The budget will be available on the Borough's website at www.Helmettaboro.com. All of these items will hopefully point to a better future for the Borough. The public hearing on the introduced budget tonight July 15, 2026, at 7 P.M.

MOTION TO OPEN – Councilman Dzingleski
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman

Charlie Pistor, Regency Walk, asked if the statement from the Mayor will be available online. He was informed that the budget will be online.

MOTION TO CLOSE – Councilman Dzingleski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman Reid

* CONSENT AGENDA

Report of Municipal Clerk and Tax Collector for June 2026

RESOLUTIONS:

2026 – 94: Bills List

95: Resolution to Read Budget by Title Only

96: Adoption of 2026 Budget

97: Authorization for Self-Examination of the 2026 Budget

98: Authorizing a Temporary Solicitation Permit Fee for Vendors Participating in

Helmetta Day 2026

99: Resolution for Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the 2027 Roadway Improvements

100: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

101: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Payroll Services Agreement between the Borough of Helmetta and Action Data Services, Inc.

102: Resolution Authorizing Salaries & Wages to be Paid to Employees of the Borough of Helmetta, Retroactive January 1, 2026

103: Extension of Grace Period for 2026 Third Quarter Tax Payment

Borough Attorney Graise asked for Resolution 2026-100 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda as Council can not vote on it at this time.

Resolutions 2026-94 through Resolution 2026-99, and Resolutions 2026-101 through Resolution 2026-103

MOTION -Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-08 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing August 19, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH AGE AND OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGE-
RESTRICTED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

MOTION -Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilman Pirrone

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-09 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing August 19, 2026)
BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08
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THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION -Councilwoman Bohinski SECONDED – Councilman Karczewski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-10 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing August 19, 2026)
CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO
ERICSON AVENUE AND CLUB DRIVE, AND APPROPRIATING \$317,000
THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION -Councilwoman Bohinski SECONDED – Councilman Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-11 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing August 19, 2026)
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF
RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES,
APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF
\$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF,
AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF
MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION -Councilwoman Bohinski SECONDED – Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* REPORTS of Committees, Business Administrator, Municipal Clerk

Councilman Dzingleski stated that Helmetta Day 2026 will take place on Saturday, September 12th with a rain date of Sunday, September 13th beginning at 4:00pm at the Maple Street Pavilion. The Borough is once again hosting a school supply drive for local families in need. A bin is located in the front hallway of Borough Hall. He thanked everyone that came out for Spark in the Park, it was a great turnout, and Spotswood did an excellent job.

Councilman Reid thanked everyone that helped and participated in Spark in the Park. Although he couldn't make it, he heard it was great. August 13th beginning at 6:00pm, the Borough will once again be hosting a Splash Bash with the Helmetta Fire Department at the tennis courts, all are welcome!

Council President Karczewski stated that the radios are delayed a month from the Jamesburg Police Department.

Councilwoman Bohinski read a report from the Director of the DPW:

Public Works Update:

We continue to perform daily operational responsibilities, including roadway maintenance, utility operations, facility upkeep, and routine services to ensure the Borough remains safe, clean, and well-maintained.

The Railroad Avenue Storm Drain Basin #2 repairs have been completed.

The Borough continues to await additional information regarding the Community Center improvement project. Once updates are received and the project progresses, they will be shared with the Mayor and Council.

Due to the recent drought conditions and increased water demand, the Borough was required to receive additional water from East Brunswick to maintain adequate levels in the water tower. We

are currently working with East Brunswick regarding the additional billing associated with this increased usage, as they are attempting to apply the charges against days when our contractual water allocation was not fully utilized.

Street sweeping was completed prior to the Fourth of July. The next scheduled round of sweeping is anticipated to take place in December following the completion of the fall leaf season.

Following a resident's sanitary sewer lateral backup on Avenue A and North 13th Street, I arranged for maintenance jetting of the sanitary sewer main to verify that the Borough's infrastructure was clear and functioning properly. The main was found to be in good condition with no obstructions identified.

Looking ahead, I would like to explore the possibility of entering into a shared services agreement with the Borough of Jamesburg for sanitary sewer maintenance, specifically for routine cleaning and jetting of sewer mains. This type of partnership could improve efficiency, reduce costs, and provide operational benefits to both communities.

In addition to these projects, the Department continues to respond to resident concerns, perform preventative maintenance, and complete the day-to-day work necessary to maintain the Borough's infrastructure and public facilities.

Councilwoman Bohinski stated that she was approached by the Spotswood CERT team if we had any Helmetta residents that were interested in joining them. She also stated that e-bikes laws in the state are now in effect and we should consider adopting an ordinance for them.

Councilman Pirrone stated he attended the Board of Education meeting last night, and although not too much was discussed he is looking forward to collaborating with them in the future. He heard Spark in the Park was great, but could not attend, as him and his wife were welcoming their first baby being born.

Mayor Slavicek congratulated Councilman Pirrone on the birth of his new baby boy and thanked everyone for all of their efforts for Spark in the Park.

Borough Engineer Kevin Meade stated he has been in contact with the DPW to move forward with the Community Center project. The 2027 DOT project for Avenue A, Avenue B, and North 13th Street was approved tonight.

Borough Clerk Melissa Hallerman stated that we are now accepting sponsorships for Helmetta Day!

RESOLUTION 2026-104: Closed Session

MOTION -Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman Pirrone

* ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Dzingleski and SECONDED by Councilwoman Bohinski at 8:08pm. All were in favor.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Hall', written in a cursive style.

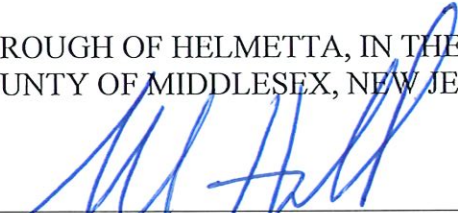
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**CERTIFICATE OF MUNICIPAL CLERK
EXTRACT OF MINUTES
SHOWING PUBLIC HEARING
AND FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that the annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said Borough, duly called and held on August 19, 2026, has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of said governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of said original minutes so far as the same relates to Bond Ordinance No. 2026-09 and the subject matter referred to in said extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough, this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Municipal Clerk

(SEAL)



MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
AUGUST 19, 2026 – MINUTES
7:00PM

* MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - SALUTE TO THE FLAG - MOMENT OF SILENCE
Mayor Slavicek called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, and all stood for a moment of silence for our armed forces.

* CALLING OF THE ROLL

Mayor Slavicek
Council President Karczewski
Councilwoman Bohinski
Councilman Dzingleski
Councilman Pirrone
Councilman Reid

* OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

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PUBLIC PORTION

MOTION TO OPEN – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

* ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – July 20, 2026

MOTION – Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* CONSENT AGENDA

Report of Municipal Clerk and Tax Collector for July 2026

RESOLUTIONS:

2026 – 105: Bills List

106: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

107: Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes for a Totally Disabled Veteran at Block 13 Lot 2 and Refunding Taxes Paid

108: Authorization to Sign Shared Services Agreement for Animal Control Services

109: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Solid Waste Disposal Agreement between the Borough of Helmetta and the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA) for Calendar Years 2027 through 2031

110: Appointment of Office of Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator

111: Resolution Authorizing Payment No.2 – Final to Reivax Contracting Corp. for the Borough Hall Paving Project, Contract HE-24-005-02

Councilman Reid asked for Resolution 2026-106 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Council President Karczewski asked for Resolution 2026-108 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

MOTION TO ADOPT Resolutions 2026-105, 2026-107, and 2026-109 through 2026-

111-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

106: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski RECUSE- Councilman Reid

SECONDED – Councilwoman

ROLL CALL: 5-0-1

108: Authorization to Sign Shared Services Agreement for Animal Control Services

MOTION TO TABLE-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-08 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
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STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH AGE AND OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGE-
RESTRICTED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED –
Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

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THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

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COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman
Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-11 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
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MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman

*ORDINANCE 2026-12 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing Scheduled for
September 16, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 55, ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND
TRAFFIC,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH
PARKING RESTRICTIONS ALONG HIGH STREET

MOTION TO INTRODUCE-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-13 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing Scheduled for
September 16, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 23, ENTITLED
“BICYCLES,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO CONFORM
THE BOROUGH CODE TO CURRENT STATE LAW AND TO REGULATE BICYCLES,
LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLES, MOTORIZED BICYCLES, ELECTRIC
MOTORIZED BICYCLES, LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC SCOOTERS AND RELATED
DEVICES

MOTION TO INTRODUCE-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilman
Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* REPORTS of Committees, Business Administrator, Municipal Clerk

Councilman Dzingleski stated Helmetta Day is Saturday, September 12th with a rain date of
Sunday, September 13th beginning at 4:00pm at the Maple Street Pavilion. Helmetta Day 2026
shirts are now for sale, \$20.00.

Councilman Reid thanked everyone for coming out to Splash Bash, it was a great event for all.
He also thanked Chief Mueller and the Jamesburg Police Department for National Night Out.

Council President Karczewski stated that he had nothing for the public comment and would
speak to the Chief of Police after the meeting.

Councilwoman Bohinski read a report from the Director of the DPW:

Public Works Update:

We continue to perform our daily operational responsibilities, including roadway maintenance,
utility operations, facility upkeep, and routine services to ensure the Borough remains safe,
clean, and well-maintained.

The Community Center improvement project continues to move forward. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. at the Community Center.

I would also like to revisit the possibility of entering into a shared services agreement with the Borough of Jamesburg for emergency sanitary sewer jetting. Having this option available could provide the Borough with an efficient and potentially more cost-effective resource when emergency sanitary sewer maintenance is required.

With Helmetta Day approaching, the Department is focusing on the Borough's daily maintenance and operational needs while also incorporating preparations for the event.

In addition to these efforts, the Department continues to respond to resident concerns, perform preventative maintenance, and complete the day-to-day work necessary to maintain the Borough's infrastructure and public facilities.

I am happy to answer any questions.

Have a great night.

Councilman Pirrone stated that he's looking forward to Helmetta Day and thanked the Mayor for all of his updates in the town on social media.

Borough Engineer Kevin Meade stated that tomorrow at 10:00am will be a pre-bidding meeting at the Community Center. The 2025 DOT project came back from DEP with minimal corrections, and it has been resubmitted.

Borough Clerk Melissa Hallerman stated we are still accepting Helmetta Day donations and sponsorships.

Councilman Dzingleski also wanted to wish the Mayor a Happy Birthday!

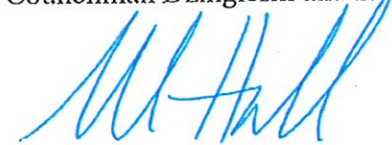
RESOLUTION 2026-112: Closed Session

MOTION -Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO OPEN MEETING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*** ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Dzingleski and SECONDED by Councilman Reid at 7:49pm. All were in favor.



Melissa Hallerman, RMC
Municipal Clerk

CERTIFICATE AS TO CAPITAL BUDGET

I, DENISE MARABELLO, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that attached hereto is a true and complete copy of the 2026 Capital Budget of the Borough or a Capital Budget Amendment adopted August 19, 2026, which Capital Budget or Capital Budget Amendment shows the improvements authorized by Bond Ordinance No. 2026-09.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

Denise Marabello
DENISE MARABELLO, Chief Financial Officer

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX
BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2026-09**

BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENT AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the governing body of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (the "Borough"), by the recorded affirmative votes of at least two-thirds (2/3rds) of the full membership of the governing body on August 19, 2026, and the twenty (20) day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, has begun to run from the date of the first dissemination of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08 ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, PROVIDING FOR REMEDIATION SITE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FORMER ANIMAL SHELTER PROPERTY, IN ORDER TO INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$250,000 FOR A TOTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY \$237,500 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$570,000, AND TO INCREASE THE ALLOCATION OF THE APPROPRIATION TO COSTS PERMITTED UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY.

Purpose(s): Providing for remediation site improvements to the former animal shelter property, located at 58 Main Street in the Borough and identified as Block 13, Lot 39.02 on the Borough Tax Map.

Appropriation: \$600,000

Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$570,000

Section 20 Costs: \$300,000

Useful Life: 15 Years

MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Helmetta
County of Middlesex, New Jersey

**MUNICIPAL CLERK'S CERTIFICATE
CONCERNING NOTICE AND NO-PROTEST**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (the "Borough"), HEREBY CERTIFY that:

1. I am and was at all times referred to herein, the duly appointed Municipal Clerk of the Borough. In this capacity, I have the responsibility to maintain the Minutes of the meetings of the governing body of the Borough and the records relative to all ordinances and resolutions of the Borough. The representations made herein are based upon the records of the Borough.

2. Attached hereto is a true and complete copy of Bond Ordinance No. 2026-09 which was passed by the governing body of the Borough on first reading on July 15, 2026 and finally adopted by said governing body on August 19, 2026 and the Mayor approved on August 19, 2026.

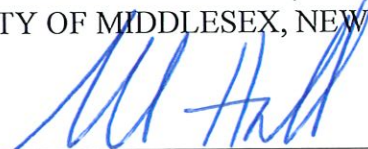
3. On July 16, 2026, I caused to be posted, in the principal municipal building of the Borough at the place where public notices are customarily posted, a copy of said Ordinance and a notice that copies of the Ordinance would be made available to the members of the general public of the Borough who requested copies, up to and including the time of further consideration of the Ordinance by the governing body. Copies of the Ordinance were made available to all who requested same.

4. After introduction, the Ordinance was duly disseminated on the Borough's website On July 16, 2026 and after final passage, the Ordinance was duly disseminated on August 19, 2026. No protest signed by any person against making the improvement or incurring the indebtedness authorized therein, nor any petition requesting that a referendum vote be taken on the action proposed in the Ordinance has been presented to the governing body or to me or filed in my office within twenty (20) days after dissemination of said notice following final adoption or at any other time after the final passage thereof.

5. A certified copy of the Ordinance and a copy of the amended capital budget form, if required, have been filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough, this 16th day of September, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Municipal Clerk

(SEAL)

(Note: This Certificate must be executed no earlier than 21 days following the first dissemination after adoption of the Ordinance.)

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX**

CAPITAL ORDINANCE NO. 2026-10

CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO ERICSON AVENUE AND CLUB DRIVE, AND APPROPRIATING \$317,000 THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough") has determined to provide for roadway improvements to Ericson Avenue and Club Drive in the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has available \$40,502 in the Borough's General Capital Improvement Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Borough expects to receive \$276,498 grant funds from the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) to partially fund said improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 2 of this ordinance are hereby authorized as general capital improvements to be undertaken in and by the Borough. For the improvements or purposes described in Section 2, there is hereby appropriated \$317,000, said sum being inclusive of \$40,502 from the Borough's General Capital Improvement Fund and \$276,498 in grant funds expected to be received by the Borough from the NJDOT.

Section 2. The improvements hereby authorized to be undertaken consist of roadway improvements to Ericson Avenue and Club Drive in the Borough, together with all purposes necessary, incidental or appurtenant thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with contracts, plans, specifications or requisitions therefor on file with or through the Borough Clerk, as finally approved by the governing body of the Borough.

Section 3. The 2026 capital budget of the Borough will conform to the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 4. An aggregate amount not exceeding \$84,700 for engineering costs, legal fees and other items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included as part of the cost of said improvements and is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for said improvements.

Section 5. Any grant or similar moneys from time to time received by the Borough for the improvements or purposes described in Section 2 hereof, shall be applied to direct payment of the cost of the improvements within the appropriation herein authorized.

Section 6. The Borough Attorney and other Borough officials and representatives are hereby authorized to do all things necessary to accomplish the purposes of the appropriation made herein.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect as provided by law.

ORDINANCE 2026-10
BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced: July 15, 2026

Recorded Vote

Motion made by *Councilwoman Bohinski*

Second by *Councilman Reid*

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on First Reading
Dated: July 15, 2026

M. Hall
Melissa Hallerman, RMC

Adopted: August 19, 2026

Recorded Vote

Motion made by *Councilman Dzingleski*

Second by *Councilman Pirrone*

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on Second Reading
Dated: August 19, 2026

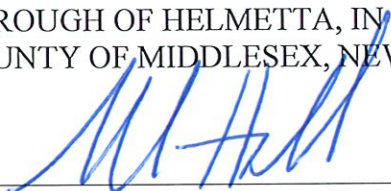
M. Hall
Melissa Hallerman, RMC

CERTIFICATE AS TO ORDINANCE

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that annexed hereto is a true and complete copy of Ordinance No. 2026-10 which was introduced at a duly convened meeting of the Borough Council on July 15, 2026, and finally adopted at a duly convened meeting of the Borough Council on August 19, 2026 and has not been repealed, revoked, rescinded or amended and remains in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand and the seal of the Borough this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN, Borough Clerk



(SEAL)

DOCUMENT LIST

CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO ERICSON AVENUE AND CLUB DRIVE, AND APPROPRIATING \$317,000 THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

- *1. General Certificate of Borough Clerk regarding Incumbency of Municipal Officers
 - a. Original newspaper affidavits of publication attached showing publication of regular meetings in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act or notice of special meeting uploaded to the municipality's website
- 2. Certificate as to Debt Statements (N/A)
 - a. Annual Debt Statement
 - b. Supplemental Debt Statement showing date of filing with Borough Clerk (prior to introduction of ordinance) and email confirmation of receipt from the Division of Local Government Services
- 3. Certificate of Financial Officer Concerning Down Payment (N/A)
- 4. Notice of Pending Ordinance
- 5. Extract of Minutes showing Introduction of Ordinance and Certificate of Borough Clerk
- 6. Extract of Minutes showing Public Hearing and Final Adoption of Ordinance and Certificate of Borough Clerk
- 7. Notice of Final Adoption and Certificate of Borough Clerk
- 8. Certificate as to Capital Budget
- 9. Borough Clerk's Certificate Concerning Notice and No-Protest

*If introduction, public hearing or adoption of ordinance occurred at a meeting where special notice was given, please provide the uploaded notice with respect thereto.

1.

GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF BOROUGH CLERK

2026

(On File, please contact us with any changes)

1a.

NOTICES OF PUBLICATION

(Attach original Affidavit of Publication regarding notice of regular meetings of governing body at which introduction, public hearing and final passage of capital ordinance took place. It is acceptable to submit the General Certificate of Municipal Clerk and the annual notice of the regular meetings once a year, however, if action on this ordinance takes place at a special meeting, please submit notice of such special meeting in the same form as was uploaded onto the municipality's website together with the entire transcript of the adoption proceedings.)

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }
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COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX } ss.:

I, **MELISSA HALLERMAN**, of full age, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say:

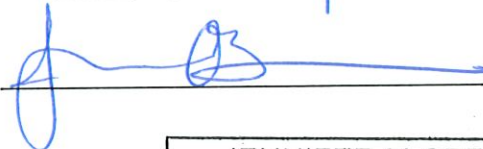
1. I am the Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey.
2. In accordance with P.L. 2025 c.72, signed into law by Governor Murphy on June 30, 2025, the legal/public notice for **Capital Ordinance 2026-10**, as required to be published or advertised by law has been made publicly accessible on the Borough of Helmetta's official Internet website, located at Public Notices - Borough of Helmetta in its complete text, free-of-charge as of **July 16, 2026**. Such notice remained on the Borough's website for at least one week from the date of initial posting, or such other time period as required by law.
3. The direct hyperlink for the Borough's legal notices webpage, which included this legal/public notice, was conspicuously placed on the homepage of the Borough's official website.
4. Upon removal of this legal/public notice from the Borough's legal notices webpage, it shall be archived, which archive shall be maintained for at least one (1) year after having been transferred from it the legal notices webpage.

Dated: July 16, 2026



MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Helmetta Borough Clerk

Sworn to and subscribed to before me
this 16th day of July, 2026



JENNIFER M OBRIEN NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JULY 25, 2027 COMMISSION: #50201716
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2.

**CERTIFICATE AS TO ANNUAL DEBT STATEMENT
AND SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENT**

(Not Applicable)

3.

**CERTIFICATE OF FINANCIAL OFFICER
CONCERNING DOWN PAYMENT**

(Not Applicable)

FORM OF NOTICE ON INTRODUCTION

Instructions to Municipal Clerk: Complete the notice on the next page and upload to the municipality's website. The ordinance must be timely uploaded in accordance with Local Bond Law. Please attach a copy of the notice therewith.

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX
CAPITAL ORDINANCE NO. 2026-10**

NOTICE OF PENDING CAPITAL ORDINANCE

The capital ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough"), held on July 15, 2026. It will be further considered for final passage after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of said governing body to be held at Borough Hall, located at 51 Main Street, Helmetta, New Jersey, on August 19, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at which time and place all persons who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.

A copy of this ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Borough Municipal Building during the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting; copies of the ordinance are available to the general public of the Borough who shall request such copies, at the office of the Municipal Clerk in said Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey. The summary of the terms of such capital ordinance follows:

Title: CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO ERICSON AVENUE AND CLUB DRIVE, AND APPROPRIATING \$317,000 THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY.

Purpose(s): Providing for roadway improvements to Ericson Avenue and Club Drive in the Borough.

Appropriation: \$317,000

Grant(s) Appropriated: \$276,498 NJDOT

Section 20 Costs: \$84,700

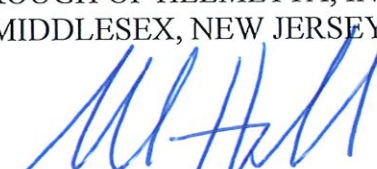
MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Helmetta
County of Middlesex, New Jersey

**CERTIFICATE OF BOROUGH CLERK
EXTRACT OF MINUTES
SHOWING INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that the annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said Borough, duly called and held on July 15, 2026, has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of said governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of said original minutes so far as the same relate to Ordinance No. 2026-10 and the subject matters referred to in said extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough, this 16th day of July, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY
OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN, Borough Clerk



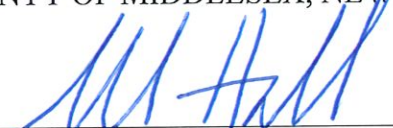
(SEAL)

**CERTIFICATE OF BOROUGH CLERK
EXTRACT OF MINUTES
SHOWING PUBLIC HEARING
AND FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that the annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said Borough, duly called and held on August 19, 2026, has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of said governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of said original minutes so far as the same relates to Ordinance No. 2026-10 and the subject matter referred to in said extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough, this 20th day on August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN, Borough Clerk



(SEAL)



MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
AUGUST 19, 2026 – MINUTES
7:00PM

* MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - SALUTE TO THE FLAG - MOMENT OF SILENCE
Mayor Slavicek called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, and all stood for a moment of silence for our armed forces.

* CALLING OF THE ROLL

Mayor Slavicek
Council President Karczewski
Councilwoman Bohinski
Councilman Dzingleski
Councilman Pirrone
Councilman Reid

* OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as is required under Chapter 231 Public Law 1975 specifying the time, date, location and to the extent known the agenda by posting a copy on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building outside of the meeting room and providing a copy to the Home News Tribune newspaper, Borough website and by filing a copy in the office of the Municipal Clerk in accordance with the certification which will be entered in the minutes of this meeting.

* PUBLIC PORTION

During the Public Portion of any Council Meeting members of the Public may only speak on topics of concern to the residents of the Borough. Everyone will be given five minutes to speak as per the Rules to Govern adopted January 1, 2026. During the Public Portion of any meeting, the members of the Public as well as the Governing Body shall be courteous and respectful to one another. No comments and/or behavior that are considered disrespectful, ill-willed or with the intent to harass will be tolerated. If such behavior occurs, then that individual member of the Public will be asked to sit down and his or her turn to speak will be over, even if the five minutes is not.

PUBLIC PORTION

MOTION TO OPEN – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

* ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – July 20, 2026

MOTION – Councilman Dzingleski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman Reid

* CONSENT AGENDA

Report of Municipal Clerk and Tax Collector for July 2026

RESOLUTIONS:

2026 – 105: Bills List

106: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

107: Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes for a Totally Disabled Veteran at Block 13 Lot 2 and Refunding Taxes Paid

108: Authorization to Sign Shared Services Agreement for Animal Control Services

109: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Solid Waste Disposal Agreement between the Borough of Helmetta and the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA) for Calendar Years 2027 through 2031

110: Appointment of Office of Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator

111: Resolution Authorizing Payment No.2 – Final to Reivax Contracting Corp. for the Borough Hall Paving Project, Contract HE-24-005-02

Councilman Reid asked for Resolution 2026-106 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Council President Karczewski asked for Resolution 2026-108 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

MOTION TO ADOPT Resolutions 2026-105, 2026-107, and 2026-109 through 2026-111-Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman Bohinski

106: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski RECUSE- Councilman Reid

SECONDED – Councilwoman

ROLL CALL: 5-0-1

108: Authorization to Sign Shared Services Agreement for Animal Control Services

MOTION TO TABLE-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-08 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH AGE AND OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGE-
RESTRICTED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED –
Councilwoman Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Karczewski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-09 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08
ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, PROVIDING FOR REMEDIATION SITE
IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FORMER ANIMAL SHELTER PROPERTY, IN ORDER TO
INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$250,000 FOR A TOTAL
APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND
NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY
\$237,500 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$570,000, AND TO INCREASE
THE ALLOCATION OF THE APPROPRIATION TO COSTS PERMITTED UNDER
N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN
THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Reid

ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-10 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO
ERICSON AVENUE AND CLUB DRIVE, AND APPROPRIATING \$317,000
THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman
Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-11 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF
RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES,
APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF
\$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF,
AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF
MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman

*ORDINANCE 2026-12 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing Scheduled for
September 16, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 55, ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND
TRAFFIC,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH
PARKING RESTRICTIONS ALONG HIGH STREET

MOTION TO INTRODUCE-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-13 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing Scheduled for
September 16, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 23, ENTITLED
“BICYCLES,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO CONFORM
THE BOROUGH CODE TO CURRENT STATE LAW AND TO REGULATE BICYCLES,
LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLES, MOTORIZED BICYCLES, ELECTRIC
MOTORIZED BICYCLES, LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC SCOOTERS AND RELATED
DEVICES

MOTION TO INTRODUCE-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilman
Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* REPORTS of Committees, Business Administrator, Municipal Clerk

Councilman Dzingleski stated Helmetta Day is Saturday, September 12th with a rain date of
Sunday, September 13th beginning at 4:00pm at the Maple Street Pavilion. Helmetta Day 2026
shirts are now for sale, \$20.00.

Councilman Reid thanked everyone for coming out to Splash Bash, it was a great event for all.
He also thanked Chief Mueller and the Jamesburg Police Department for National Night Out.

Council President Karczewski stated that he had nothing for the public comment and would
speak to the Chief of Police after the meeting.

Councilwoman Bohinski read a report from the Director of the DPW:

Public Works Update:

We continue to perform our daily operational responsibilities, including roadway maintenance,
utility operations, facility upkeep, and routine services to ensure the Borough remains safe,
clean, and well-maintained.

The Community Center improvement project continues to move forward. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. at the Community Center.

I would also like to revisit the possibility of entering into a shared services agreement with the Borough of Jamesburg for emergency sanitary sewer jetting. Having this option available could provide the Borough with an efficient and potentially more cost-effective resource when emergency sanitary sewer maintenance is required.

With Helmetta Day approaching, the Department is focusing on the Borough's daily maintenance and operational needs while also incorporating preparations for the event.

In addition to these efforts, the Department continues to respond to resident concerns, perform preventative maintenance, and complete the day-to-day work necessary to maintain the Borough's infrastructure and public facilities.

I am happy to answer any questions.

Have a great night.

Councilman Pirrone stated that he's looking forward to Helmetta Day and thanked the Mayor for all of his updates in the town on social media.

Borough Engineer Kevin Meade stated that tomorrow at 10:00am will be a pre-bidding meeting at the Community Center. The 2025 DOT project came back from DEP with minimal corrections, and it has been resubmitted.

Borough Clerk Melissa Hallerman stated we are still accepting Helmetta Day donations and sponsorships.

Councilman Dzingleski also wanted to wish the Mayor a Happy Birthday!

RESOLUTION 2026-112: Closed Session

MOTION -Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO OPEN MEETING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Dzingleski and SECONDED by Councilman Reid at 7:49pm. All were in favor.



Melissa Hallerman, RMC
Municipal Clerk

FORM OF NOTICE OF FINAL ADOPTION

Instructions to Municipal Clerk: The statement and notice on the next page must be uploaded to the municipality's website after final adoption of the ordinance. Please attach a copy of the notice therewith.

CERTIFICATE AS TO CAPITAL BUDGET

I, DENISE MARABELLO, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that attached hereto is a true and complete copy of the 2026 Capital Budget of the Borough or a Capital Budget Amendment adopted August 19, 2026, which Capital Budget or Capital Budget Amendment shows the improvements authorized by Ordinance No. 2026-10.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand of said Borough, this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

Denise Marabello
DENISE MARABELLO,
Chief Financial Officer

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX
CAPITAL ORDINANCE NO. 2026-10**

ORDINANCE STATEMENT AND SUMMARY

The capital ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the governing body of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, by the recorded affirmative votes of at least two-thirds (2/3rds) of the full membership of the governing body on August 19, 2026, and the ten (10) day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, has begun to run from the date of the first dissemination of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such capital ordinance follows:

Title: CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO ERICSON AVENUE AND CLUB DRIVE, AND APPROPRIATING \$317,000 THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY.

Purpose(s): Providing for roadway improvements to Ericson Avenue and Club Drive in the Borough.

Appropriation: \$317,000

Grant(s) Appropriated: \$276,498 NJDOT

Section 20 Costs: \$84,700

MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Helmetta
County of Middlesex, New Jersey

**BOROUGH CLERK'S CERTIFICATE
CONCERNING NOTICE AND NO-PROTEST**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (the "Borough"), HEREBY CERTIFY that:

1. I am and was at all times referred to herein, the duly appointed Borough Clerk of the Borough. In this capacity, I have the responsibility to maintain the Minutes of the meetings of the governing body of the Borough and the records relative to all ordinances and resolutions of the Borough. The representations made herein are based upon the records of the Borough.

2. Attached hereto is a true and complete copy of Ordinance No. 2026-10 which was passed by the governing body of the Borough on first reading on July 15, 2026 and finally adopted by said governing body on August 19, 2026 and approved by the Mayor on August 19, 2026.

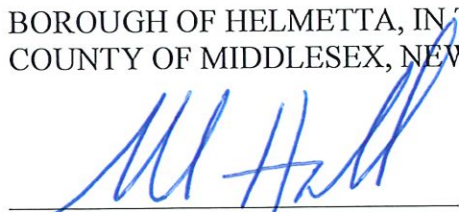
3. On August 20, 2026, I caused to be posted, in the principal municipal building of the Borough at the place where public notices are customarily posted, a copy of said Ordinance and a notice that copies of the Ordinance would be made available to the members of the general public of the Borough who requested copies, up to and including the time of further consideration of the Ordinance by the governing body. Copies of the Ordinance were made available to all who requested same.

4. After introduction, the Ordinance was duly disseminated on the Borough's website on July 16, 2026 and after final passage, the Ordinance was duly disseminated on August 20, 2026. No protest signed by any person against making the improvement authorized therein, nor any petition requesting that a referendum vote be taken on the action proposed in the Ordinance has been presented to the governing body or to me or filed in my office within ten (10) days after said dissemination of said notice following final adoption or at any other time after the final passage thereof.

5. A certified copy of the Ordinance and a copy of the amended capital budget form, if required, have been filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough, this 16th day of September, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY


MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Borough Clerk

(SEAL)

(Note: This Certificate must be executed no earlier than 11 days following the first dissemination after adoption of the Ordinance.)

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX**

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2026-11

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES, APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED by the BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The improvements described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are hereby authorized as Water Utility improvements to be undertaken in and by the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough"). For the improvements or purposes described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$80,000, said sum being inclusive of all appropriations heretofore made therefor, including the sum of \$20,000 as the down payment for said purposes. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in the Capital Improvement Fund of one or more previously adopted budgets. In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11c of the Local Bond Law, no down payment is required as this bond ordinance authorizes obligations solely for purposes which are self-liquidating and deductible from the gross debt of the Borough as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7h.

Section 2. In order to finance the costs of said improvements or purposes not provided for by the application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount not to exceed \$60,000, pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of said bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purposes, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvements hereby authorized and the purposes for which the obligations are to be issued consist of the acquisition and installation of radio read water meter reader component upgrades, together with all purposes necessary, incidental or appurtenant thereto, all as shown on and in accordance with contracts, plans, specifications or requisitions therefor on file with or through the Borough Clerk, as finally approved by the governing body of the Borough.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$60,000, as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvements or purposes described in Section 3(a) hereof is \$80,000, which is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor. The excess of the appropriation of \$80,000 over the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued therefor being the amount of said \$20,000 down payment for said purposes.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer of the Borough, provided that no note shall mature later than one (1) year from its date. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer, who shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of such notes occurs, such report shall include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section 5. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvements or purposes described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not a current expense and are improvements or purposes that the Borough may lawfully undertake as Water Utility improvements, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of the improvements or purposes, within the limitations of the Local Bond Law and taking into consideration the amount of the obligations authorized for said purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is five (5) years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Municipal Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such Statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is not increased by the authorization of the \$60,000 bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance because the purposes authorized herein are self-liquidating and are deductible from the Borough's gross debt in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44c and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$5,000 for interest on said obligations, costs of issuing said obligations, engineering costs, legal fees and other items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included as part of the cost of said improvements and is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for said improvements.

(e) To the extent that moneys of the Borough are used to finance, on an interim basis, costs of said improvements or purposes, the Borough reasonably expects such costs to be paid or reimbursed with the proceeds of obligations issued pursuant hereto.

(f) This bond ordinance authorizes obligations of the Borough solely for purposes described in subparagraph (h) of §40A:2-7 of the Local Bond Law, and the obligations authorized herein are to be issued for purposes which are self-liquidating within the meaning and limitation of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-45 of said Law and are deductible from the gross debt of the Borough pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-44c and N.J.S.A. 40A:2-47(a) of said Law.

Section 6. The capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available there for public inspection.

Section 7. Any grant or similar moneys from time to time received by the Borough for the improvements or purposes described in Section 3 hereof, shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvements within the appropriation herein authorized or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are received and so used.

Section 8. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and, unless paid from other sources, the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 9. This bond ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first dissemination thereof through the Borough's website after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

ORDINANCE 2026-11
BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced: July 15, 2026

Recorded Vote

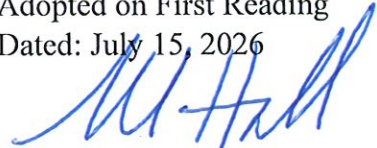
Motion made by *Councilwoman Bohinski*
Second by *Council President Karczewski*

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on First Reading
Dated: July 15, 2026


Melissa Hallerman, RMC

Adopted: August 19, 2026

Recorded Vote

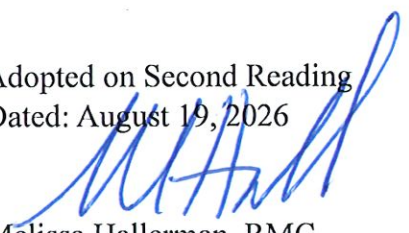
Motion made by *Councilman Dzingleski*
Second by *Councilwoman Bohinski*

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on Second Reading
Dated: August 19, 2026

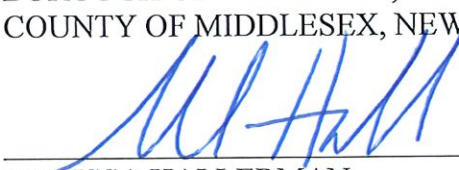

Melissa Hallerman, RMC

CERTIFICATE AS TO BOND ORDINANCE

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that annexed hereto is a true and complete copy of Bond Ordinance No. 2026-11 which was introduced at a duly convened meeting of the Borough Council on July 15, 2026, and finally adopted at a duly convened meeting of the Borough Council on August 19, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby set my hand and the seal of the Borough this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Municipal Clerk



DOCUMENT LIST

BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES, APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

- *1. General Certificate of Municipal Clerk regarding Incumbency of Municipal Officers
 - a. Original newspaper affidavits of publication attached showing publication of regular meetings in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act or notice of special meeting uploaded to municipality's website
- 2. Certificate as to Debt Statements
 - a. Annual Debt Statement
 - b. Supplemental Debt Statement showing date of filing with Municipal Clerk (prior to introduction of ordinance) and email confirmation from the Division of Local Government Services
- 3. Certificate of Financial Officer Concerning Down Payment
- 4. Notice of Pending Ordinance
- 5. Extract of Minutes showing Introduction of Ordinance and Certificate of Municipal Clerk
- 6. Extract of Minutes showing Public Hearing and Final Adoption of Ordinance and Certificate of Municipal Clerk
- 7. Notice of Final Adoption and Certificate of Municipal Clerk
- 8. Certificate as to Capital Budget
- 9. Municipal Clerk's Certificate Concerning Notice and No-Protest

*If introduction, public hearing or adoption of ordinance occurred at a meeting where special notice was given, please provide the uploaded notice with respect thereto.

1.

GENERAL CERTIFICATE OF MUNICIPAL CLERK

2026

(On file, please contact us with any changes)

1a.

NOTICES OF PUBLICATION

(Attach original Affidavit of Publication regarding notice of regular meetings of governing body at which introduction, public hearing and final passage of bond ordinance took place. It is acceptable to submit the General Certificate of Municipal Clerk and the annual notice of the regular meetings once a year, however, if action on this Ordinance takes place at a special meeting, please submit notice of such special meeting in the same form as was uploaded onto the municipality's website together with the entire transcript of the adoption proceedings.)

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }
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COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX } ss.:

I, **MELISSA HALLERMAN**, of full age, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say:

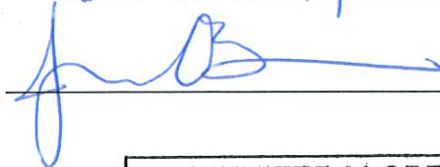
1. I am the Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey.
2. In accordance with P.L. 2025 c.72, signed into law by Governor Murphy on June 30, 2025, the legal/public notice for **Bond Ordinance 2026-11**, as required to be published or advertised by law has been made publicly accessible on the Borough of Helmetta's official Internet website, located at Public Notices - Borough of Helmetta in its complete text, free-of-charge as of **July 16, 2026**. Such notice remained on the Borough's website for at least one week from the date of initial posting, or such other time period as required by law.
3. The direct hyperlink for the Borough's legal notices webpage, which included this legal/public notice, was conspicuously placed on the homepage of the Borough's official website.
4. Upon removal of this legal/public notice from the Borough's legal notices webpage, it shall be archived, which archive shall be maintained for at least one (1) year after having been transferred from it the legal notices webpage.

Dated: July 16, 2026



MELISSA HALLERMAN, RMC
Helmetta Borough Clerk

Sworn to and subscribed to before me
this 16th day of July, 2026.



JENNIFER M OBRIEN
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JULY 25, 2027
COMMISSION: #50201716

**CERTIFICATE AS TO ANNUAL DEBT STATEMENT
AND SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENT**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (herein called the "Borough"), HEREBY CERTIFY that annexed hereto is a true and complete copy of the ANNUAL DEBT STATEMENT of the Borough which was prepared as of December 31, 2025 by Denise Marabello, who was then Chief Financial Officer of the Borough and said Statement was filed in my office on July 14, 2026, and that a complete, executed copy of said Statement was filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of the State of New Jersey on July 14, 2026 and endorsed by the Director on July 14, 2026.

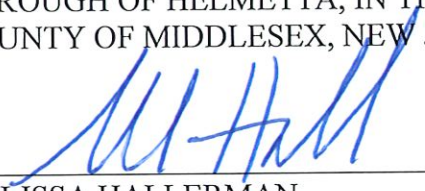
I hereby further certify that annexed hereto is a true and complete copy of the Supplemental Debt Statement of the Borough, prepared as of July 14, 2026 by Denise Marabello, then Chief Financial Officer of the Borough and filed in my office on July 14, 2026, prior to the introduction of Bond Ordinance No. 2026-11 entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES, APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY",

and that a complete executed copy of said Statement was filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of the State of New Jersey on July 14, 2026.

14th IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the Borough this day of July, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Municipal Clerk

(SEAL)

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA

Supplemental Debt Statement

Budget Year Ending December 31, 2026



Department of Community Affairs
Supplemental Debt Statement



Local Unit:

Helmetta Borough

1206

County:

Middlesex

Prepared as of:

Budget Year Ending: December 31 2026

Name: Denise Marabello

Title: Chief Financial Officer

CFO Cert. # N-0527

Phone: 732-521-1263

Email: d.marabello@helmettaboro.com

Address: 51 Main Street

Helmetta NJ 08828

Denise Marabello, Being duly sworn, deposes and says:

Deponent is the Chief Officer of Helmetta Borough here and in the statement hereinafter mentioned called the local unit. The Supplemental Debt Statement annexed hereto and hereby made a part hereof is a true statement of the debt condition of the local unit as of the date therein and is computed as provided by the Local Bond Law of New Jersey.

☐ By checking this box, I am swearing that the above statement is true.

	Net Debt as per Annual Debt Statement	Decrease (Since December 31, last past)	Increase	Net Debt
Bonds and Notes for School Purposes (Local and Regional)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Bonds and Notes for Self Liquidating Purposes	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Other Bonds and Notes	\$ 1,024,553.72	\$ 132,053.72		\$ 892,500.00
Net Debt at the time of this statement is.....				\$ 892,500.00

The amounts and purposes separately itemized of the obligations about to be authorized, and any deductions which may be made on account of each such item are: (see Note "C" below)

Bond Ordinance	Purpose(s)	Amount	Deduction	Net
2026-09	Remediation improvements to the former Animal Shelter	\$ 237,500.00	\$ -	\$ 237,500.00
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
		\$ 237,500.00	\$ -	\$ 237,500.00

4 The net debt of the local unit determined by the addition of the net debt amounts stated in items 2 and 3 above is: \$ 1,130,000.00

5 Equalized valuation basis (the average of the equalized valuations of real estate, including improvements and the assessed valuation of class II railroad property of the local unit for the last 3 preceding years) as stated in the Annual Debt Statement or the revision thereof last filed.

Year		
(1) 2023	Equalized Valuation Real Property with Improvements plus assessed valuation of Class II RR Property	\$ 286,358,456.00
(2) 2024	Equalized Valuation Real Property with Improvements plus assessed valuation of Class II RR Property	\$ 321,582,604.00
(3) 2025	Equalized Valuation Real Property with Improvements plus assessed valuation of Class II RR Property	\$ 339,270,991.00

6 Equalized Valuation Basis - Average of (1), (2) and (3)..... \$ 315,737,350.33

7 Net Debt (Line 4 above) expressed as a percentage of such equalized valuation basis (Line 6 above) is: 0.358%

NOTES

If authorization of bonds or notes is permitted by an exception to the debt limit, specify the particular paragraph of NJSA 40A:2-7 or other section of law providing such exception.

- A This form is also to be used in the bonding of separate (not Type I) school districts as required by NJSA 18A:24-16, and filed before the school district election. In such case pages 4, 5 and 6 should be completed to set forth the computation supporting any deduction in line 3 above.
- B Only the account of bonds or notes about to be authorized should be entered. The amount of the "down payment" provided in the bond ordinance should not be included nor shown as a deduction.
- C

COMPUTATION AS TO INDEBTEDNESS FOR IMPROVEMENT OR EXTENSION OF AN
EXISTING MUNICIPAL PUBLIC UTILITY, NJSA 40A:2-7(h); NJSA 40A:2-47(a)

Public Utility:					

☐ Check if municipality or county has no local school district.

Total

☐ Check if municipality of county has no regional school district.

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Municipality	Average Equalized Valuations (N.J.S.A. 40A:2-43)		Apportionment of Previous Bonds Issued or Authorized		Amount Apportionment of Proposed Bond Issue	Total apportionment of previous bonds issued or authorized plus apportionment of proposed bond issue Column 3 plus 4	
	Amount	Percentage					
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SPECIAL DEBT STATEMENT
BORROWING POWER AVAILABLE UNDER N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7(f)

(a) NJSA 40A:2-7(d)	_____
(b) NJSA 40A:2-7(f)	_____
(c) NJSA 40A:2-7(g)	_____
Total	_____

BORROWING POWER AVAILABLE UNDER NJSA 40A:2-7(g)

2a.

ANNUAL DEBT STATEMENT

(Attach certified copy of Annual Debt Statement as filed with the Division of Local Government Services. You may submit the Annual Debt Statement once a year.)

SUPPLEMENTAL DEBT STATEMENT

(Attach to the preceding Certificate a certified copy of the Supplemental Debt Statement showing the date of filing with the Municipal Clerk, on or prior to the date of introduction, and provide email confirmation of receipt of Supplemental Debt Statement by the Division of Local Government Services (DLGS) prior to adoption.)

(Note: If this bond ordinance authorizes a water and/or sewer project (or project component) of \$1,000,000 or greater, and it is not anticipated to be funded through the New Jersey Infrastructure Bank, the Supplemental Debt Statement must include a Water Infrastructure Savings Enabling (WISE) Act calculation when filed with the DLGS prior to adoption. The Local Finance Notice containing a link to the WISE Act Calculator can be found at <http://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dlgs/lfns/17/2017-16.pdf>.)

**CERTIFICATE OF FINANCIAL OFFICER
CONCERNING DOWN PAYMENT**

I, DENISE MARABELLO, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (hereinafter, the "Borough"), HEREBY CERTIFY that prior to the final adoption on August 19, 2026 of Bond Ordinance No. 2026-11 entitled:

"BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES, APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY",

there was available as a down payment for the purposes authorized by said ordinance the sum of \$20,000 which amount was appropriated as a down payment by said ordinance and was made available from one or more of the following sources:

- * 1.a. by provision in a previously adopted budget or budgets of the Borough for down payment or for capital improvement purposes; or
- * b. from moneys then actually held by the Borough and previously contributed for such purpose other than by the Borough; or
- * c. by emergency resolution; or
- * 2. a down payment is not necessary because obligations were authorized for a purpose referred to in paragraphs a, b, c, d, e, or h of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-7; or
- * 3. a down payment is not necessary because no additional debt was authorized.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

Denise Marabello
DENISE MARABELLO, Chief Financial Officer

* Please initial appropriate section.

FORM OF NOTICE ON INTRODUCTION

Instructions to Municipal Clerk: Complete the notice on the next page and upload to the municipality's website. The ordinance must be timely uploaded in accordance with Local Bond Law. Please attach a copy of the notice therewith.

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX**

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2026-11

NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey (the "Borough"), held on July 15, 2026. It will be further considered for final passage after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of said governing body to be held at Borough Hall, located at 51 Main Street, Helmetta, New Jersey, on August 19, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as said matter can be reached, at which time and place all persons who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.

A copy of this ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Borough Municipal Building during the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting; copies of the ordinance are available to the general public of the Borough who shall request such copies, at the office of the Municipal Clerk in said Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

TITLE: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES, APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY.

Purpose(s): Providing for the acquisition and installation of radio read water meter reader component upgrades.

Appropriation: \$80,000

Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$60,000

Section 20 Costs: \$5,000

Useful Life: 5 Years

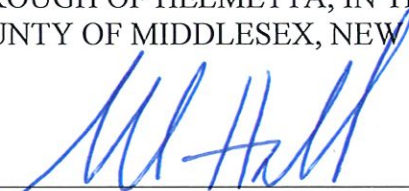
MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Helmetta
County of Middlesex, New Jersey

**CERTIFICATE OF MUNICIPAL CLERK
EXTRACT OF MINUTES
SHOWING INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that the annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said Borough, duly called and held on July 15, 2026, has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of said governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of said original minutes so far as the same relate to Bond Ordinance No. 2026-11 and the subject matters referred to in said extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough, this 16th day of July, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Municipal Clerk



(SEAL)



MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
JULY 15, 2026 – MINUTES
7:00PM

* MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - SALUTE TO THE FLAG - MOMENT OF SILENCE
Mayor Slavicek called the meeting to order at 7:05pm, and all stood for a moment of silence for our armed forces.

* CALLING OF THE ROLL

Mayor Slavicek
Council President Karczewski
Councilwoman Bohinski
Councilman Dzingleski
Councilman Pirrone
Councilman Reid

* OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided as is required under Chapter 231 Public Law 1975 specifying the time, date, location and to the extent known the agenda by posting a copy on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building outside of the meeting room and providing a copy to the Home News Tribune newspaper, Borough website and by filing a copy in the office of the Municipal Clerk in accordance with the certification which will be entered in the minutes of this meeting.

* PUBLIC PORTION

During the Public Portion of any Council Meeting members of the Public may only speak on topics of concern to the residents of the Borough. Everyone will be given five minutes to speak as per the Rules to Govern adopted January 1, 2026. During the Public Portion of any meeting, the members of the Public as well as the Governing Body shall be courteous and respectful to one another. No comments and/or behavior that are considered disrespectful, ill-willed or with the intent to harass will be tolerated. If such behavior occurs, then that individual member of the Public will be asked to sit down and his or her turn to speak will be over, even if the five minutes is not.

PUBLIC PORTION

MOTION TO OPEN – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

Corrine Larsen, Ridgefield Court, inquired about the Borough's involvement with snow plowing in Heather Glen, specifically on Heatherwood Drive. She stated that the residents there were just given an assessment on their property for snow in addition to their HOA fees. Business Administrator Crane stated that we are still in negotiations with the HOA and that from November of 2025 to February 2026 the DPW plowed Heatherwood. Mayor Slavicek stated that in Lakeview Commons they also had an assessment for snow because of the heavy snow this winter and it was \$900.00. Councilman Pirrone stated that she should have received an option to pay it over two installments by mid-August.

Charlie Pistor, Regency Walk, stated that in the Regency Walk complex they went through their entire budget of \$56,000 for snow removal because of the snow this past winter.

MOTION TO CLOSE – Councilman Karczewski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

* ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – June 17, 2026

MOTION – Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman Reid

ABSTAIN – Councilman Karczewski

ROLL CALL: 4-1-0

*PUBLIC HEARING ON INTRODUCED 2026 BUDGET

Mayor Slavicek read a statement:

On the 17th of June 2026, The Governing Body is introducing the 2026 municipal budget. The budget is a combined effort of the Mayor, Business Administrator, Chief Financial Officer and the Finance Committee who have had several meetings since January 1, 2026. The Borough maintains three (3) separate operating funds. The resultant Amount to be Raised by Taxation increased \$85,171 or 5.41% to \$1,660,174 from \$1,575,003. The Ratables of the Borough have increased \$1,173,500 or .62% to \$189,121,900 from \$188,295,400. The value of a Tax Point has increased to \$18,912 from \$18,829. The average residential unit value is approximately \$209,127. The tax rate of 87.8¢ is an increase of 4.1¢ from 83.7¢ and the amount of municipal tax that an average residential unit pays will be \$1,836 in 2026 compared to \$1,750 in 2025. The cause of this increase is a decrease in available fund balance and lease rental revenue, an increase in Insurance along with inflationary pressures. Net appropriations are higher by \$136,418 or 5.08%. Significant Areas of Increase: Retiree health benefits, public

safety, debt service and capital improvements. WATER FUND: Total budget \$768,548 – funded by existing customer user fees of \$544,000, fair share fees \$63,184 tower rental fees of \$100,000 and capital reserve of \$14,414. There was a 25% rate increase required to balance the 2026 budget due to the loss non-recurring revenue. The budget appropriations include Purchase of Water of \$420,000 or 54.65% of the total budget and debt service of \$88,158 or 11.47%. SEWER FUND: Total budget \$620,020 – funded by user fees of \$490,000 and surplus of \$100,020 and capital reserve of \$30,000. There is no rate increase required to balance the 2026 budget; However, due to the use of non-recurring revenue a significant increase in the future is possible; The budget appropriations include Treatment of Sewer in the amount of \$380,000 or 61.29% of the total budget. FUTURE PROSPECTS:

- Improvements to Various Roads in 2026 partially funded by NJDOT funds
- HVAC System at Town Hall
- Upgrades to the Water Meters (Borough Wide)
- Sewer Utility User Rates need to be reviewed in 2026 to be in effect in 2027

CONCLUSION: I emphasize that surplus was used to balance the three (3) budgets but must point out that surplus and use of reserves is not always guaranteed. This is my eleventh (11th) budget as Mayor and I will continue to monitor the finance for any changes and start planning for next year and beyond. I will continually review all aspects of the Borough's financial operations in order to ensure that the levels of service to residents are maintained and that expenses incurred are appropriate. The budget will be available on the Borough's website at www.Helmettaboro.com. All of these items will hopefully point to a better future for the Borough. The public hearing on the introduced budget tonight July 15, 2026, at 7 P.M.

MOTION TO OPEN – Councilman Dzingleski
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman

Charlie Pistor, Regency Walk, asked if the statement from the Mayor will be available online. He was informed that the budget will be online.

MOTION TO CLOSE – Councilman Dzingleski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman Reid

* CONSENT AGENDA

Report of Municipal Clerk and Tax Collector for June 2026

RESOLUTIONS:

2026 – 94: Bills List

95: Resolution to Read Budget by Title Only

96: Adoption of 2026 Budget

97: Authorization for Self-Examination of the 2026 Budget

98: Authorizing a Temporary Solicitation Permit Fee for Vendors Participating in

Helmetta Day 2026

99: Resolution for Approval to Submit a Grant Application and Execute a Grant Contract with the New Jersey Department of Transportation for the 2027 Roadway Improvements

100: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

101: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Payroll Services Agreement between the Borough of Helmetta and Action Data Services, Inc.

102: Resolution Authorizing Salaries & Wages to be Paid to Employees of the Borough of Helmetta, Retroactive January 1, 2026

103: Extension of Grace Period for 2026 Third Quarter Tax Payment

Borough Attorney Graise asked for Resolution 2026-100 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda as Council can not vote on it at this time.

Resolutions 2026-94 through Resolution 2026-99, and Resolutions 2026-101 through Resolution 2026-103

MOTION -Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-08 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing August 19, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF
HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH AGE AND OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGE-
RESTRICTED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

MOTION -Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilman Pirrone

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-09 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing August 19, 2026)
BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2024-08
ADOPTED ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2024, PROVIDING FOR REMEDIATION SITE
IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FORMER ANIMAL SHELTER PROPERTY, IN ORDER TO
INCREASE THE APPROPRIATION THEREFOR BY \$250,000 FOR A TOTAL
APPROPRIATION OF \$600,000, TO INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED BONDS AND
NOTES TO BE ISSUED TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF BY
\$237,500 FOR A TOTAL DEBT AUTHORIZATION OF \$570,000, AND TO INCREASE
THE ALLOCATION OF THE APPROPRIATION TO COSTS PERMITTED UNDER
N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN
THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION -Councilwoman Bohinski SECONDED – Councilman Karczewski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-10 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing August 19, 2026)
CAPITAL ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS TO
ERICSON AVENUE AND CLUB DRIVE, AND APPROPRIATING \$317,000
THEREFOR, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION -Councilwoman Bohinski SECONDED – Councilman Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-11 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing August 19, 2026)
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF
RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES,
APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF
\$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF,
AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF
MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION -Councilwoman Bohinski SECONDED – Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* REPORTS of Committees, Business Administrator, Municipal Clerk

Councilman Dzingleski stated that Helmetta Day 2026 will take place on Saturday, September 12th with a rain date of Sunday, September 13th beginning at 4:00pm at the Maple Street Pavilion. The Borough is once again hosting a school supply drive for local families in need. A bin is located in the front hallway of Borough Hall. He thanked everyone that came out for Spark in the Park, it was a great turnout, and Spotswood did an excellent job.

Councilman Reid thanked everyone that helped and participated in Spark in the Park. Although he couldn't make it, he heard it was great. August 13th beginning at 6:00pm, the Borough will once again be hosting a Splash Bash with the Helmetta Fire Department at the tennis courts, all are welcome!

Council President Karczewski stated that the radios are delayed a month from the Jamesburg Police Department.

Councilwoman Bohinski read a report from the Director of the DPW:

Public Works Update:

We continue to perform daily operational responsibilities, including roadway maintenance, utility operations, facility upkeep, and routine services to ensure the Borough remains safe, clean, and well-maintained.

The Railroad Avenue Storm Drain Basin #2 repairs have been completed.

The Borough continues to await additional information regarding the Community Center improvement project. Once updates are received and the project progresses, they will be shared with the Mayor and Council.

Due to the recent drought conditions and increased water demand, the Borough was required to receive additional water from East Brunswick to maintain adequate levels in the water tower. We

are currently working with East Brunswick regarding the additional billing associated with this increased usage, as they are attempting to apply the charges against days when our contractual water allocation was not fully utilized.

Street sweeping was completed prior to the Fourth of July. The next scheduled round of sweeping is anticipated to take place in December following the completion of the fall leaf season.

Following a resident's sanitary sewer lateral backup on Avenue A and North 13th Street, I arranged for maintenance jetting of the sanitary sewer main to verify that the Borough's infrastructure was clear and functioning properly. The main was found to be in good condition with no obstructions identified.

Looking ahead, I would like to explore the possibility of entering into a shared services agreement with the Borough of Jamesburg for sanitary sewer maintenance, specifically for routine cleaning and jetting of sewer mains. This type of partnership could improve efficiency, reduce costs, and provide operational benefits to both communities.

In addition to these projects, the Department continues to respond to resident concerns, perform preventative maintenance, and complete the day-to-day work necessary to maintain the Borough's infrastructure and public facilities.

Councilwoman Bohinski stated that she was approached by the Spotswood CERT team if we had any Helmetta residents that were interested in joining them. She also stated that e-bikes laws in the state are now in effect and we should consider adopting an ordinance for them.

Councilman Pirrone stated he attended the Board of Education meeting last night, and although not too much was discussed he is looking forward to collaborating with them in the future. He heard Spark in the Park was great, but could not attend, as him and his wife were welcoming their first baby being born.

Mayor Slavicek congratulated Councilman Pirrone on the birth of his new baby boy and thanked everyone for all of their efforts for Spark in the Park.

Borough Engineer Kevin Meade stated he has been in contact with the DPW to move forward with the Community Center project. The 2027 DOT project for Avenue A, Avenue B, and North 13th Street was approved tonight.

Borough Clerk Melissa Hallerman stated that we are now accepting sponsorships for Helmetta Day!

RESOLUTION 2026-104: Closed Session

MOTION -Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Dzingleski and SECONDED by Councilwoman Bohinski at 8:08pm. All were in favor.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Hall', written in a cursive style.

Melissa Hallerman, RMC
Municipal Clerk

**CERTIFICATE OF MUNICIPAL CLERK
EXTRACT OF MINUTES
SHOWING PUBLIC HEARING
AND FINAL ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that the annexed extract from the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said Borough, duly called and held on August 19, 2026, has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the Minute Book of said governing body and is a true, complete and correct copy thereof and of the whole of said original minutes so far as the same relates to Bond Ordinance No. 2026-11 and the subject matter referred to in said extract.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough, this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY



MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Municipal Clerk



(SEAL)



MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
AUGUST 19, 2026 – MINUTES
7:00PM

* MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - SALUTE TO THE FLAG - MOMENT OF SILENCE
Mayor Slavicek called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, and all stood for a moment of silence for our armed forces.

* CALLING OF THE ROLL

Mayor Slavicek
Council President Karczewski
Councilwoman Bohinski
Councilman Dzingleski
Councilman Pirrone
Councilman Reid

* OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT STATEMENT

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PUBLIC PORTION

MOTION TO OPEN – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE – Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilwoman

* ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – July 20, 2026

MOTION – Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* CONSENT AGENDA

Report of Municipal Clerk and Tax Collector for July 2026

RESOLUTIONS:

2026 – 105: Bills List

106: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

107: Resolution Authorizing the Cancellation of Taxes for a Totally Disabled Veteran at Block 13 Lot 2 and Refunding Taxes Paid

108: Authorization to Sign Shared Services Agreement for Animal Control Services

109: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Solid Waste Disposal Agreement between the Borough of Helmetta and the Middlesex County Utilities Authority (MCUA) for Calendar Years 2027 through 2031

110: Appointment of Office of Emergency Management Deputy Coordinator

111: Resolution Authorizing Payment No.2 – Final to Reivax Contracting Corp. for the Borough Hall Paving Project, Contract HE-24-005-02

Councilman Reid asked for Resolution 2026-106 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Council President Karczewski asked for Resolution 2026-108 to be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

MOTION TO ADOPT Resolutions 2026-105, 2026-107, and 2026-109 through 2026-

111-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

106: Resolution of the Borough of Helmetta Ratifying the Helmetta Fire Department's Approval of the Membership Application of Joe Fragoso

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski
Bohinski RECUSE- Councilman Reid

SECONDED – Councilwoman

ROLL CALL: 5-0-1

108: Authorization to Sign Shared Services Agreement for Animal Control Services

MOTION TO TABLE-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski

ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-08 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
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HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH AGE AND OCCUPANCY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGE-
RESTRICTED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED –
Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

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THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
– Councilman Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
 – Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilwoman
 Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-10 (Second Reading/Public Hearing/Adoption)
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ERICSON AVENUE AND CLUB DRIVE, AND APPROPRIATING \$317,000
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COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
 – Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
 – Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman
 Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

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MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

MOTION TO OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
 – Councilwoman Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

No one from the public spoke.

MOTION TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED
 – Councilman Pirrone
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO ADOPT-Councilman Dzingleski
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

SECONDED – Councilman

*ORDINANCE 2026-12 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing Scheduled for
September 16, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 55, ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND
TRAFFIC,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH
PARKING RESTRICTIONS ALONG HIGH STREET

MOTION TO INTRODUCE-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilwoman
Bohinski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*ORDINANCE 2026-13 (First Reading/Introduction/Public Hearing Scheduled for
September 16, 2026)
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 23, ENTITLED
“BICYCLES,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO CONFORM
THE BOROUGH CODE TO CURRENT STATE LAW AND TO REGULATE BICYCLES,
LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLES, MOTORIZED BICYCLES, ELECTRIC
MOTORIZED BICYCLES, LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC SCOOTERS AND RELATED
DEVICES

MOTION TO INTRODUCE-Councilman Karczewski SECONDED – Councilman
Reid
ROLL CALL: 5-0

* REPORTS of Committees, Business Administrator, Municipal Clerk

Councilman Dzingleski stated Helmetta Day is Saturday, September 12th with a rain date of
Sunday, September 13th beginning at 4:00pm at the Maple Street Pavilion. Helmetta Day 2026
shirts are now for sale, \$20.00.

Councilman Reid thanked everyone for coming out to Splash Bash, it was a great event for all.
He also thanked Chief Mueller and the Jamesburg Police Department for National Night Out.

Council President Karczewski stated that he had nothing for the public comment and would
speak to the Chief of Police after the meeting.

Councilwoman Bohinski read a report from the Director of the DPW:

Public Works Update:

We continue to perform our daily operational responsibilities, including roadway maintenance,
utility operations, facility upkeep, and routine services to ensure the Borough remains safe,
clean, and well-maintained.

The Community Center improvement project continues to move forward. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. at the Community Center.

I would also like to revisit the possibility of entering into a shared services agreement with the Borough of Jamesburg for emergency sanitary sewer jetting. Having this option available could provide the Borough with an efficient and potentially more cost-effective resource when emergency sanitary sewer maintenance is required.

With Helmetta Day approaching, the Department is focusing on the Borough's daily maintenance and operational needs while also incorporating preparations for the event.

In addition to these efforts, the Department continues to respond to resident concerns, perform preventative maintenance, and complete the day-to-day work necessary to maintain the Borough's infrastructure and public facilities.

I am happy to answer any questions.

Have a great night.

Councilman Pirrone stated that he's looking forward to Helmetta Day and thanked the Mayor for all of his updates in the town on social media.

Borough Engineer Kevin Meade stated that tomorrow at 10:00am will be a pre-bidding meeting at the Community Center. The 2025 DOT project came back from DEP with minimal corrections, and it has been resubmitted.

Borough Clerk Melissa Hallerman stated we are still accepting Helmetta Day donations and sponsorships.

Councilman Dzingleski also wanted to wish the Mayor a Happy Birthday!

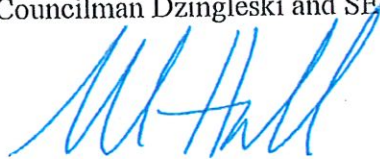
RESOLUTION 2026-112: Closed Session

MOTION -Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

MOTION TO OPEN MEETING-Councilman Dzingleski SECONDED – Councilman
Karczewski
ROLL CALL: 5-0

*** ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Councilman Dzingleski and SECONDED by Councilman Reid at 7:49pm. All were in favor.



Melissa Hallerman, RMC
Municipal Clerk

**BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX**

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 2026-11

BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENT AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the governing body of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, by the recorded affirmative votes of at least two-thirds (2/3rds) of the full membership of the governing body on August 19, 2026, and the twenty (20) day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, has begun to run from the date of the first dissemination of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

TITLE: BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF RADIO READ WATER METER READER COMPONENT UPGRADES, APPROPRIATING \$80,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$60,000 BONDS AND NOTES TO FINANCE A PORTION OF THE COSTS THEREOF, AUTHORIZED IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY.

Purpose(s): Providing for the acquisition and installation of radio read water meter reader component upgrades.

Appropriation: \$80,000

Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$60,000

Section 20 Costs: \$5,000

Useful Life: 5 Years

MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk
Borough of Helmetta
County of Middlesex, New Jersey

CERTIFICATE AS TO CAPITAL BUDGET

I, DENISE MARABELLO, Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, HEREBY CERTIFY that attached hereto is a true and complete copy of the 2026 Capital Budget of the Borough or a Capital Budget Amendment adopted August 19, 2026, which Capital Budget or Capital Budget Amendment shows the improvements authorized by Bond Ordinance No. 2026-11.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereby set my hand this 20th day of August, 2026.

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA, IN THE
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

Denise Marabello
DENISE MARABELLO, Chief Financial Officer

**MUNICIPAL CLERK'S CERTIFICATE
CONCERNING NOTICE AND NO-PROTEST**

I, MELISSA HALLERMAN, Municipal Clerk of the Borough of Helmetta, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (the "Borough"), HEREBY CERTIFY that:

1. I am and was at all times referred to herein, the duly appointed Municipal Clerk of the Borough. In this capacity, I have the responsibility to maintain the Minutes of the meetings of the governing body of the Borough and the records relative to all ordinances and resolutions of the Borough. The representations made herein are based upon the records of the Borough.

2. Attached hereto is a true and complete copy of Bond Ordinance No. 2026-11 which was passed by the governing body of the Borough on first reading on July 15, 2026 and finally adopted by said governing body on August 19, 2026 and the Mayor approved on August 19, 2026.

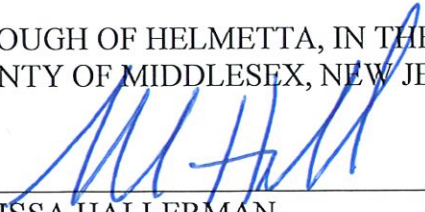
3. On July 16, 2026, I caused to be posted, in the principal municipal building of the Borough at the place where public notices are customarily posted, a copy of said Ordinance and a notice that copies of the Ordinance would be made available to the members of the general public of the Borough who requested copies, up to and including the time of further consideration of the Ordinance by the governing body. Copies of the Ordinance were made available to all who requested same.

4. After introduction, the Ordinance was duly disseminated on the Borough's website on July 16, 2026 and after final passage, the Ordinance was duly disseminated on August 20, 2026. No protest signed by any person against making the improvement or incurring the indebtedness authorized therein, nor any petition requesting that a referendum vote be taken on the action proposed in the Ordinance has been presented to the governing body or to me or filed in my office within twenty (20) days after dissemination of said notice following final adoption or at any other time after the final passage thereof.

5. A certified copy of the Ordinance and a copy of the amended capital budget form, if required, have been filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Borough, this 16th day of September, 2026.

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MELISSA HALLERMAN,
Municipal Clerk

(Note: This Certificate must be executed no earlier than 21 days following the first dissemination after adoption of the Ordinance.)

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA

ORDINANCE 2026-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 55, ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC," OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO ESTABLISH PARKING RESTRICTIONS ALONG HIGH STREET

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Helmetta have determined that parking restrictions are necessary along portions of High Street to promote the safe and orderly movement of vehicles, preserve adequate roadway clearance, maintain access for emergency and service vehicles, and protect the area adjacent to the railroad right-of-way;

WHEREAS, the short roadway segment extending from Main Street to High Street across the railroad tracks is not separately identified or labeled on the Borough tax map, but an existing street sign identifies the roadway as High Street because it provides access to High Street;

WHEREAS, to clearly identify the limits of the parking restrictions established by this Ordinance and avoid ambiguity, that roadway segment is designated and referred to herein as the "High Street Railroad Crossing"; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council find that the restrictions established herein are in the public interest and are authorized by N.J.S.A. 39:4-197 and other applicable law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Helmetta, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 55, Article II, Section 55-6, entitled "Words and phrases defined," is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following paragraph at the end thereof:

For purposes of this Chapter, "High Street Railroad Crossing" means the short roadway segment extending from Main Street to High Street across the railroad tracks. Although the segment is not separately identified or labeled on the Borough tax map, it is identified by an existing street sign as High Street and provides access from Main Street to High Street.

SECTION 2. Chapter 55, Article III, Section 55-8, entitled "Parking prohibited at all times on certain streets," is hereby amended and supplemented as follows: the existing text is designated as Subsection A and shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect, and new Subsections B through E are added to read as follows:

§ 55-8. Parking prohibited at all times on certain streets.

A. No person shall park a vehicle at any time upon any of the streets or parts thereof described in Schedule I, § 55-28, attached to and made a part of this chapter.

B. In addition to the parking prohibitions set forth in Subsection A, no person shall park a commercial vehicle at any time on either side of High Street between the High Street Railroad Crossing and Lake Avenue, except as expressly permitted by Subsection D below.

C. For purposes of this section, "commercial vehicle" means a commercial motor vehicle as defined in N.J.S.A. 39:1-1 and includes, regardless of its use or configuration, any vehicle having a registered gross vehicle weight or gross vehicle weight rating in excess of four tons (8,000 pounds).

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D. The prohibition in Subsection B shall not apply to a commercial vehicle temporarily parked while actively engaged in making a delivery to, collecting materials from, performing work at, or providing services to a property within the immediate vicinity. The vehicle shall remain only for the time reasonably necessary to complete the delivery, collection, work or service and shall not obstruct the travel lane, railroad crossing, driveway, fire hydrant or emergency access.

E. Subsection B shall not apply to emergency vehicles; vehicles owned or operated by the Borough or another governmental entity while engaged in official duties; or public utility vehicles while engaged in the installation, maintenance, repair or restoration of utility service.

SECTION 3. Chapter 55, Article XIII, Section 55-28, entitled "Schedule I: Parking," is hereby amended and supplemented by adding the following entries:

Name of Street	Side	Location
High Street	Both	Beginning at the High Street Railroad Crossing and extending in a southwesterly direction approximately 1,140 linear feet to the terminus of the High Street right-of-way at its intersection with Block 19, Lot 1.02.
High Street	South	Beginning at the High Street Railroad Crossing and extending to Lake Avenue, along the side of High Street adjacent to the Conrail railroad right-of-way.

SECTION 4. The north side of High Street between the High Street Railroad Crossing and Lake Avenue shall remain available for lawful parking by vehicles not prohibited under Section 55-8, subject to all other applicable statutory and municipal parking restrictions. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to create or guarantee a parking space or to permit parking where otherwise prohibited by law.

SECTION 5. Any person who violates Section 55-8 or Schedule I, Section 55-28, as amended by this Ordinance, shall be subject to a fine of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each violation. Each vehicle and each calendar day on which a violation occurs or continues shall constitute a separate offense. A vehicle parked, stopped or standing in violation of this Ordinance, upon incurring two or more violations, may be removed, and the owner or operator shall be responsible for all lawful towing and storage charges.

SECTION 6. The Borough Engineer is authorized and directed to determine the precise placement of all required signs and, before enforcement, to certify that the restrictions and signage established by this Ordinance have been investigated, are in the interest of safety and the expedition of traffic, conform to accepted engineering standards and the current Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, and satisfy all requirements of N.J.S.A. 39:4-

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8. The Borough shall install and maintain all signs necessary to provide adequate notice of the restrictions established herein. No restriction created by this Ordinance shall be enforced until the applicable signs have been erected.

SECTION 7. To the extent approval of the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Transportation or any other governmental or railroad authority is required, the applicable provision of this Ordinance shall not become operative until such approval is obtained. The Borough Clerk and Borough Engineer are authorized to transmit this Ordinance and all required supporting documentation and to take all ministerial actions necessary to obtain any required approval.

SECTION 8. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. All other provisions of Chapter 55 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 10. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law, subject to the signage, certification and approval requirements set forth herein.

ORDINANCE 2026-12
BOROUGH OF HELMETTA
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Introduced: August 19, 2026

Recorded Vote

Motion made by *Councilman Dzingleski*

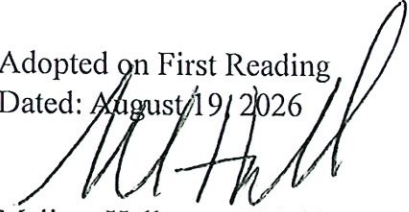
Second by *Councilwoman Bohinski*

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on First Reading
Dated: August 19, 2026


Melissa Hallerman, RMC

Adopted: September 21, 2026

Recorded Vote

Motion made by

Second by

Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Council President Karczewski				
Councilwoman Bohinski				
Councilman Dzingleski				
Councilman Pirrone				
Councilman Reid				

Adopted on Second Reading
Dated: September 21, 2026

Melissa Hallerman, RMC

BOROUGH OF HELMETTA

ORDINANCE 2026-13

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 23, ENTITLED
“BICYCLES,” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HELMETTA TO CONFORM
THE BOROUGH CODE TO CURRENT STATE LAW AND TO REGULATE
BICYCLES, LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLES, MOTORIZED BICYCLES,
ELECTRIC MOTORIZED BICYCLES, LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC SCOOTERS AND
RELATED DEVICES**

WHEREAS, Chapter 23 of the Code of the Borough of Helmetta, entitled “Bicycles,” contains regulations relating to the operation of bicycles within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the laws of the State of New Jersey governing bicycles and electrically powered bicycles have been substantially amended since the adoption of Chapter 23, including most recently through the enactment of P.L. 2025, c.285, approved January 19, 2026; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2025, c.285 amended, among other provisions, N.J.S.A. 39:1-1, N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3, N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3f, N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3i and N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16 and established new definitions and State requirements concerning low-speed electric bicycles, motorized bicycles and electric motorized bicycles; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has established State requirements concerning the classification, age of operators, licensing, registration, insurance and operation of low-speed electric bicycles and motorized bicycles; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3(b), no municipality may limit or otherwise restrict the operation of motorized bicycles upon public roads or highways under its jurisdiction in contravention of State law or regulations adopted pursuant thereto; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3(a), motorized bicycles shall not be operated upon public land where expressly prohibited by the governing body, department or agency having jurisdiction thereof; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16(d), a local government entity may prohibit the operation of low-speed electric bicycles and low-speed electric scooters upon bicycle paths under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16(e), low-speed electric bicycles and low-speed electric scooters may not be operated upon certain natural-surface trails designated for non-motorized traffic unless such operation is affirmatively permitted by the local government entity having jurisdiction; and

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RELATED DEVICES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:61-1, the Borough possesses authority to make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations governing the use and policing of municipal parks, open spaces, playgrounds and places for public recreation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, the Borough may adopt ordinances not contrary to State or federal law as necessary for the protection of persons and property and preservation of the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council find that the operation of motor-assisted bicycles and similar powered devices within pedestrian-oriented parks, playgrounds, athletic areas, recreational facilities and other non-highway Borough property presents safety considerations materially different from operation upon public streets and highways; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to protect pedestrians, children, recreational users and other members of the public while respecting and preserving the rights of operators established by State law; and

WHEREAS, it is the express intent of the Borough that this Ordinance supplement State law only in those areas in which municipal regulation is authorized and that no provision herein be construed as establishing a separate municipal licensing, registration, insurance, vehicle-classification or public-road regulatory scheme;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Helmetta, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 23 repealed and replaced.

Chapter 23, entitled “Bicycles,” of the Code of the Borough of Helmetta is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced as follows:

**CHAPTER 23
BICYCLES, ELECTRIC BICYCLES AND RELATED DEVICES**

§ 23-1. Purpose; intent; construction.

A. The purpose of this Chapter is to:

1. conform the Borough Code to current New Jersey law governing bicycles, low-speed electric bicycles, motorized bicycles, electric motorized bicycles, low-speed electric scooters and related devices;

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2. exercise the Borough's lawful authority over Borough-owned and controlled public lands, parks, playgrounds, open spaces, recreational facilities and bicycle paths;
 3. preserve the safety of pedestrians, children, recreational users, bicyclists and other members of the public;
 4. avoid local regulation of matters that have been expressly or impliedly committed to the State of New Jersey; and
 5. establish clear distinctions between regulation of public streets and highways and regulation of non-highway Borough public lands.
- B. This Chapter shall be construed consistently with Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, including N.J.S.A. 39:1-1, N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3, N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3i and N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16, as the same may be amended.
- C. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit conduct that State law affirmatively requires a municipality to permit or to authorize conduct prohibited by State law.
- D. In the event of an inconsistency between this Chapter and applicable State law or regulation, State law or regulation shall control.

§ 23-2. Definitions.

For purposes of this Chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

BICYCLE

A bicycle as defined by applicable New Jersey law.

BOROUGH BICYCLE PATH

An off-road path or portion of Borough Public Land under the jurisdiction of the Borough that is designated or intended principally for bicycle travel. The term shall not include a bicycle lane or other portion of a public street, highway or roadway regulated pursuant to Title 39.

BOROUGH PARK AND RECREATION LAND

Any park, open space, playground, athletic field, athletic court, recreation ground, public square, recreational facility, lawn, landscaped recreational area or place for public resort or recreation owned, leased, maintained or controlled by the Borough, excluding any portion thereof constituting a public street, highway, roadway, sidewalk or other public right-of-way regulated pursuant to Title 39.

BOROUGH PUBLIC LAND

Real property owned, leased, maintained or controlled by the Borough of Helmetta, including Borough Park and Recreation Land, municipal grounds, courtyards, pedestrian plazas and other non-highway public grounds.

The term shall not include:

1. any public street, highway or roadway as defined by Title 39;
2. any shoulder, sidewalk or other portion of a highway right-of-way as defined by Title 39;

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3. any roadway, driveway, access road or vehicular travelway to the extent that such area constitutes a highway or is otherwise subject to traffic regulation pursuant to Title 39; or
4. any property over which the Borough lacks legal authority to regulate the particular use at issue.

ELECTRIC MOTORIZED BICYCLE

An electric motorized bicycle as defined by N.J.S.A. 39:1-1, as amended.

LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC BICYCLE

A low-speed electric bicycle as defined by N.J.S.A. 39:1-1, as amended.

LOW-SPEED ELECTRIC SCOOTER

A low-speed electric scooter as defined by N.J.S.A. 39:1-1, as amended.

MOTORIZED BICYCLE

A motorized bicycle as defined by N.J.S.A. 39:1-1, as amended.

MOTORIZED SCOOTER

A motorized scooter as defined by N.J.S.A. 39:1-1, as amended. The term shall not include a low-speed electric scooter.

NATURAL-SURFACE TRAIL

A trail designated for non-motorized traffic having a natural-surface tread made by clearing and grading soil without the addition of surfacing materials, as contemplated by N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16(e).

PEDESTRIAN-ONLY AREA

A portion of Borough Public Land designated, constructed or maintained principally or exclusively for pedestrian use, including a pedestrian plaza, courtyard or walkway located wholly outside a public highway right-of-way. The term shall not include a “sidewalk” as defined by N.J.S.A. 39:1-1.

STATE LAW

Title 39 of the Revised Statutes, P.L. 2025, c.285, applicable regulations of the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission and New Jersey Department of Transportation, and any other applicable laws or regulations of the State of New Jersey, as amended from time to time.

§ 23-3. State requirements; operation upon public streets and highways.

- A. All bicycles, low-speed electric bicycles, motorized bicycles, electric motorized bicycles and low-speed electric scooters shall be operated upon public streets and highways in accordance with applicable State law.

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- B. Age requirements, licensing requirements, registration requirements, insurance requirements, equipment requirements, helmet requirements and vehicle classifications shall be determined by State law.
- C. Nothing in this Chapter shall establish:
 - 1. a Borough driver's license or operator permit;
 - 2. a Borough registration requirement for a privately owned low-speed electric bicycle, motorized bicycle or low-speed electric scooter;
 - 3. a Borough insurance requirement;
 - 4. a Borough vehicle classification;
 - 5. a Borough motor-wattage or motor-capacity classification;
 - 6. an operator age requirement different from State law; or
 - 7. a helmet requirement different from applicable State law.
- D. Nothing in this Chapter shall prohibit or restrict the lawful operation of a low-speed electric bicycle or motorized bicycle upon a public road or highway where such operation is authorized by State law.
- E. Any future limitation upon the operation of a class of bicycles or motorized bicycles upon a particular Borough public street or highway shall be considered separately as a traffic regulation under Chapter 55 of the Borough Code and applicable provisions of Title 39.
- F. No traffic restriction upon a Borough public road or highway shall be established pursuant to this Chapter solely by the placement of a sign or other traffic-control device.
- G. Any proposed Borough ordinance limiting operation of motorized bicycles upon a particular public street or highway shall be supported by such traffic and engineering investigation as is required by law and shall be submitted to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for review and approval to the extent required by N.J.S.A. 39:4-8, N.J.S.A. 39:4-197, N.J.A.C. 16:26-1.3 or other applicable law or regulation.

§ 23-4. Motorized bicycles upon Borough Public Land.

- A. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3(a), the operation of a motorized bicycle is hereby expressly prohibited upon Borough Public Land.
- B. The prohibition established by this section shall not apply to a public street, highway, roadway, sidewalk or other area excluded from the definition of Borough Public Land contained in § 23-2.
- C. A person who is dismounted and walking or pushing a motorized bicycle with the motor fully disengaged shall not be deemed to be operating the motorized bicycle for purposes of this section.
- D. Nothing herein shall prohibit conduct expressly exempted pursuant to § 23-12 of this Chapter.

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§ 23-5. Low-speed electric bicycles and low-speed electric scooters upon Borough lands.

- A. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:61-1, N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16 and the Borough's authority to regulate the use of its property, no person shall operate a low-speed electric bicycle or low-speed electric scooter upon Borough Park and Recreation Land except:
1. upon a public road or highway passing through such property, where operation is authorized by State law;
 2. upon a Borough Bicycle Path upon which operation has been affirmatively permitted pursuant to § 23-6;
 3. upon a natural-surface trail upon which operation has been affirmatively permitted pursuant to § 23-7; or
 4. as otherwise expressly authorized by this Chapter or State law.
- B. No person shall operate a low-speed electric bicycle or low-speed electric scooter:
1. upon a playground or playground play surface;
 2. upon an athletic field or athletic court;
 3. upon lawns, gardens, planted areas or landscaped areas not designated for such operation;
 4. within bleachers, spectator seating areas or similar facilities;
 5. inside a Borough building or structure not intended for operation of such devices;
 6. within a Pedestrian-Only Area; or
 7. within any area where operation would interfere with an organized Borough program, recreational activity, public event or emergency operation.
- C. A person who is dismounted and walking or pushing a low-speed electric bicycle or low-speed electric scooter with the motor fully disengaged may traverse an area otherwise prohibited by this section, provided that such conduct is not prohibited by another applicable law or property regulation.
- D. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit lawful operation upon a public street, highway or roadway by reason merely of the fact that the street, highway or roadway traverses or adjoins Borough Park and Recreation Land.

§ 23-6. Borough Bicycle Paths.

- A. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16(d), the operation of low-speed electric bicycles and low-speed electric scooters is prohibited upon Borough Bicycle Paths under the jurisdiction of the Borough unless expressly permitted pursuant to subsection B.
- B. The Mayor and Council may, by resolution, permit the operation of low-speed electric bicycles, low-speed electric scooters, or both, upon a specifically identified Borough Bicycle Path after considering the recommendation of the Chief of Police, Borough Engineer or other appropriate Borough official.

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- C. Any permission granted pursuant to subsection B may be subject to reasonable conditions concerning safety, hours of operation, direction of travel, yielding to pedestrians, designated entrances and exits, or other conditions consistent with State law.
- D. A resolution adopted pursuant to subsection B may narrow or remove the prohibition established by this section but shall not establish a prohibition upon a public road or highway or otherwise enlarge the scope of conduct prohibited by this Chapter.
- E. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the lawful operation of a non-motorized bicycle upon a Borough Bicycle Path unless otherwise provided by law.
- F. Motorized bicycles remain subject to § 23-4 and shall not be authorized pursuant to a resolution adopted under this section.

§ 23-7. Natural-surface trails.

- A. This Chapter does not constitute permission by the Borough for the operation of low-speed electric bicycles or low-speed electric scooters upon a natural-surface trail designated for non-motorized traffic within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16(e).
- B. Accordingly, low-speed electric bicycles and low-speed electric scooters shall remain subject to the prohibition established by N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16(e) upon such trails unless the Borough affirmatively permits operation.
- C. The Mayor and Council may, by resolution, affirmatively permit low-speed electric bicycles, low-speed electric scooters, or both, upon an identified natural-surface trail under Borough jurisdiction after consideration of:
 - 1. pedestrian usage;
 - 2. trail width and physical condition;
 - 3. sight distance;
 - 4. environmental conditions;
 - 5. anticipated speed and volume of bicycle traffic;
 - 6. emergency access;
 - 7. compatibility with existing recreational uses; and
 - 8. any recommendation of the Chief of Police, Borough Engineer or other appropriate Borough official.
- D. Any permission granted pursuant to this section may contain reasonable operating and safety conditions.
- E. Permission pursuant to this section shall not constitute permission for operation of a motorized bicycle otherwise prohibited pursuant to § 23-4.

§ 23-8. Sidewalks; parking; obstruction.

- A. For purposes of this Chapter, a sidewalk within a public highway right-of-way shall be treated in accordance with its status under Title 39 and shall not constitute Borough Public Land

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merely because the Borough owns, maintains or exercises jurisdiction over the adjoining roadway or right-of-way.

- B. Nothing contained in this Chapter shall independently prohibit or authorize the riding of a low-speed electric bicycle, motorized bicycle or low-speed electric scooter upon a sidewalk. Such operation shall be governed by applicable State law and any lawfully effective municipal traffic regulation.
- C. Consistent with N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16(a), a low-speed electric bicycle or low-speed electric scooter may be parked upon a sidewalk only when it does not impede the normal movement of pedestrian or other traffic.
- D. No bicycle, low-speed electric bicycle, motorized bicycle or low-speed electric scooter shall be parked, left, placed or stored upon a sidewalk or Borough Public Land in a manner that:
 - 1. obstructs the normal movement of pedestrians;
 - 2. obstructs an accessible pedestrian route;
 - 3. obstructs a curb ramp or accessibility feature;
 - 4. blocks a building entrance or exit;
 - 5. blocks a driveway or lawful vehicular access;
 - 6. blocks a fire hydrant, fire department connection, fire lane or emergency access route;
 - 7. obstructs a crosswalk;
 - 8. obstructs an official traffic-control device;
 - 9. creates an unreasonable tripping or collision hazard; or
 - 10. otherwise creates a condition prohibited by State or local law.
- E. Nothing in this section shall be construed as prohibiting sidewalk parking affirmatively permitted by State law where the device does not create an obstruction.

§ 23-9. Electric motorized bicycles.

- A. An electric motorized bicycle, as defined by N.J.S.A. 39:1-1, is included within the State definition of a motorcycle and shall be operated in accordance with all State laws applicable thereto.
- B. Nothing in this Chapter shall classify an electric motorized bicycle as a low-speed electric bicycle or motorized bicycle.
- C. Nothing herein shall authorize operation of an electric motorized bicycle in a location where operation of motorcycles is otherwise prohibited.
- D. Electric motorized bicycles shall not be operated upon playgrounds, athletic fields or courts, lawns, landscaped recreational areas, pedestrian-only areas or other Borough Park and Recreation Land not lawfully open to motorcycle operation.

§ 23-10. Motorized scooters.

- A. A motorized scooter, as defined by N.J.S.A. 39:1-1, is distinct from a low-speed electric scooter.

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- B. Nothing in this Chapter shall constitute municipal permission to operate a motorized scooter upon municipal property pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.14.
- C. Motorized scooters shall remain subject to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.12 and all other applicable State law.
- D. Any future Borough authorization permitting motorized scooters upon specifically designated municipal property shall be adopted separately in accordance with all requirements of N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.14.

§ 23-11. Shared bicycle and scooter operations; use of Borough property.

- A. No person or business entity engaged in the business of providing shared, rental or fleet low-speed electric bicycles or low-speed electric scooters shall place, stage, dock, charge, maintain or store fleet inventory upon Borough Public Land without written authorization from the Borough.
- B. Authorization may be granted by contract, license, permit or other written agreement approved by the Mayor and Council as required by law and may establish reasonable property-use conditions, including designated staging areas, maintenance obligations, removal requirements, insurance, indemnification and fees for use of Borough property.
- C. Nothing in this section shall prohibit an individual user from temporarily and lawfully parking a low-speed electric bicycle or low-speed electric scooter in a location where such parking is otherwise authorized by State and local law.
- D. Nothing herein shall require the Borough to enter into a contract with an operator of shared low-speed electric bicycles within the meaning of N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3(c)(4).

§ 23-12. Exceptions.

The prohibitions of this Chapter shall not apply to the extent otherwise authorized by law to:

- A. police officers, firefighters, emergency medical personnel or other emergency responders acting in the performance of official duties;
- B. Borough employees or authorized contractors performing official maintenance, inspection, public safety or other governmental duties;
- C. utility personnel performing authorized work;
- D. persons operating motorized wheelchairs, mobility scooters or other mobility-assisting devices that are excluded from the applicable statutory definitions and are used by persons with physical disabilities or impaired ambulatory mobility;
- E. persons who are dismounted and walking or pushing a device with its motor completely disengaged, where specifically permitted by this Chapter; or
- F. other operation specifically required or protected by State or federal law.

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§ 23-13. E-trikes and devices not within statutory definitions.

- A. Nothing in this Chapter shall cause an electric tricycle or other device that does not satisfy the State definition of a low-speed electric bicycle, motorized bicycle, electric motorized bicycle, low-speed electric scooter or motorized scooter to be classified as such a device.
- B. Any such device shall be governed according to its actual classification under applicable State law and any otherwise applicable provision of the Borough Code.

§ 23-14. Signage and notice.

- A. Restrictions governing Borough parks, open spaces, playgrounds and recreation areas shall be conspicuously posted where effective in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:61-1.
- B. The Borough Administrator, Department of Public Works and Chief of Police are authorized to install and maintain signage necessary to provide notice of restrictions established by this Chapter.
- C. No Borough employee or official shall, pursuant solely to this Chapter, erect a sign that creates a new prohibition upon operation of low-speed electric bicycles or motorized bicycles upon a public road or highway.
- D. Signs affecting public roads or highways shall be installed only pursuant to a lawfully effective traffic regulation and in accordance with applicable State law and the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
- E. Where State or local law requires posting as a prerequisite to enforcement, no local penalty shall be imposed until the required sign has been installed.

§ 23-15. Enforcement.

- A. This Chapter may be enforced by the Police Department and any other law enforcement officer having jurisdiction.
- B. Violations of State licensing, registration, insurance, age, equipment, roadway-operation or other State-law requirements shall be charged and prosecuted under the applicable State statute or regulation.
- C. Nothing in this Chapter shall create a separate local offense for conduct solely because the same conduct constitutes a violation of State law.
- D. Local enforcement pursuant to this Chapter shall be limited to provisions lawfully adopted pursuant to the Borough's municipal authority, including the use of Borough Public Land, Borough Park and Recreation Land, Borough Bicycle Paths, pedestrian areas, parking and obstruction.
- E. Nothing herein shall limit the authority of a law enforcement officer under Title 39, Title 2C or any other applicable law.

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§ 23-16. Violations and penalties.

- A. Any person who violates a provision of this Chapter that constitutes an independently enforceable municipal offense, and for which no specific penalty is otherwise prescribed by State law, shall be subject to:
 - 1. for a first offense, a fine not exceeding \$100;
 - 2. for a second offense occurring within twelve months of a prior violation under this Chapter, a fine not exceeding \$200; and
 - 3. for a third or subsequent offense occurring within twelve months of a prior violation under this Chapter, a fine not exceeding \$250.
- B. No term of imprisonment is authorized as a penalty for a violation of this Chapter.
- C. Where the conduct at issue constitutes a violation of State law for which a specific penalty is prescribed, the State-law penalty shall apply to the State offense.
- D. Nothing herein shall authorize duplicative local punishment for the same conduct where such punishment is prohibited or preempted by State law.
- E. Nothing in this Chapter shall independently authorize seizure, impoundment or forfeiture of a bicycle, low-speed electric bicycle, motorized bicycle, electric motorized bicycle or low-speed electric scooter. Any seizure, impoundment or forfeiture shall be undertaken only pursuant to authority otherwise provided by law.

§ 23-17. State-law preemption and savings provision.

- A. This Chapter is intended to supplement State law only to the extent municipal regulation is authorized.
- B. Nothing contained herein shall be interpreted to:
 - 1. alter the classification of any bicycle, electric bicycle, motorized bicycle, scooter, motorcycle or other device established by State law;
 - 2. establish a municipal driver's license, vehicle registration or insurance requirement;
 - 3. impose a municipal age requirement inconsistent with State law;
 - 4. impose a municipal helmet or equipment standard inconsistent with State law;
 - 5. prohibit operation upon a public road or highway where such prohibition would contravene N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.3, N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16 or applicable regulations;
 - 6. authorize operation upon a public road or highway where State law prohibits such operation;
 - 7. authorize operation upon a natural-surface trail contrary to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.16(e);
 - 8. constitute permission to operate a motorized scooter pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-14.14; or
 - 9. regulate any matter expressly or impliedly preempted by State law.
- C. If State law is amended in a manner that conflicts with this Chapter, State law shall control to the extent of the conflict.

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D. The provisions of this Chapter regulating Borough Public Land shall not be interpreted to regulate a public street, highway, roadway or sidewalk merely because the Borough owns, maintains or exercises jurisdiction over the underlying property or right-of-way.

SECTION 2. Existing traffic authority preserved.

Nothing contained in this Ordinance shall repeal, modify or diminish any otherwise valid provision of Chapter 55, Vehicles and Traffic, of the Code of the Borough of Helmetta.

Any future regulation specifically restricting a class of bicycles or motorized bicycles upon a Borough public street or highway shall be considered and adopted pursuant to Chapter 55 and applicable provisions of Title 39 and shall be subject to such engineering investigation, certification, New Jersey Department of Transportation review or approval, signage and other requirements as may then be required by law.

SECTION 3. Severability.

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or provision of this Ordinance is adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, unconstitutional or unenforceable, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Repealer.

All ordinances or portions of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. Effective date.

This Ordinance shall take effect following final passage, adoption and publication in accordance with applicable law.

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Introduced: August 19, 2026

Recorded Vote

Motion made by *Council President Karczewski*

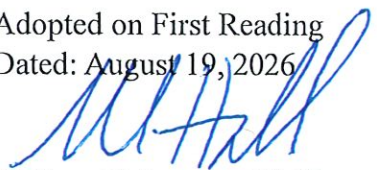
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Roll Call

RECORDED VOTE

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Council President Karczewski	✓			
Councilwoman Bohinski	✓			
Councilman Dzingleski	✓			
Councilman Pirrone	✓			
Councilman Reid	✓			

Adopted on First Reading
Dated: August 19, 2026


Melissa Hallerman, RMC

Adopted: September 21, 2026

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Councilman Dzingleski				
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Adopted on Second Reading
Dated: September 21, 2026

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