

# THE CITY OF SUMMIT

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CITY HALL 512 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE SUMMIT, NJ 07901

## **Preview November 15 Common Council meeting agenda by Council President Marjorie Fox**

The next Common Council meeting will be held on Monday, November 15 at 7:30PM. Masks are required in City Hall and in Council Chamber. Extra seating will be available in the lobby to allow for social distancing.

Members of the public may comment by email to [cityclerk@cityofsummit.org](mailto:cityclerk@cityofsummit.org). Comments must be received by noon on November 15. Those submitting written comments will have their comment read by the clerk or summarized if substantially like other comments and will not be permitted to speak on that same subject at the meeting. The rules for public comments are posted on the city [website](#). Every Common Council meeting is broadcast live on the City of Summit [YouTube Channel](#) and HTTV Verizon channel 30 and Comcast channel 36 and 34.

There will be a presentation from the City's Affordable Housing Administrative Agent Mark Leckington of Leckington Advisors, LLC.

Council will hold a public hearing on a Safety and Health Committee ordinance to amend the Police Rules and Regulations Manual. This repeal and replacement of the manual reflects current accreditation standards.

Council will also consider three ordinances for introduction. The first ordinance will amend the city code to provide free holiday parking annually on the ground level of the Tier Garage, in the Bank Street lot, and the 90-minute street meters beginning on the second Saturday in December through December 30. The Safety and Health Committee will introduce two ordinances intended to increase pedestrian and motor vehicle safety and improve traffic flow during peak hours around Summit High School and Kent Place School. The first amends city code to prohibit left turns from Weaver Street and Norwood Avenue onto Morris Avenue between 7:30 and 8:30 AM and 2:30 to 3:30 PM on school days. The other ordinance for introduction will prohibit stopping or standing on the north side of Sherman Avenue between Norwood Avenue and McGregor Road between 2:30 and 3:30 PM on school days. Council will hold public hearings on all three ordinances on December 1.

Council will hear four Law and Labor Committee resolutions. The first will set the council meeting schedule for 2022. The second grants a person-to-person liquor license transfer from Nimish Corporation to OS Wine, LLC. The next resolution authorizes the execution of an agreement between the city and the State Policeman's Benevolent Association (PBA). Finally, council will consider a resolution to appoint a municipal court judge.

Council will vote on two resolutions from the Community Programs and Parking Services Committee to authorize purchases through the state cooperative pricing system for the resurfacing of basketball courts at Tatlock Field and Memorial Field. These courts are heavily used and in need of upgrades, which include new hoops and backboards. Half of the cost of these projects will be reimbursed by a 2020 Union County Kids Recreation Trust Grant.

The Finance Committee will introduce three resolutions. Two of the resolutions authorize agreements for 2022 Bond Counsel services in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 and 2022 Tax Appeal Counsel services in an amount not to exceed \$135,000. The final Finance resolution will authorize the transfer of

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funds from 2021 operating accounts with a balance to those accounts with insufficient funds. These transfers are routine and are only allowed during the last two months of a fiscal year and the first three months of the following fiscal year.

The Capital Projects and Community Services Committee will introduce four resolutions. The first resolution will authorize Union County bow hunters to cull deer at the Reeves-Reed Arboretum. This is an annual practice and is necessary to preserve the garden at the Arboretum. Because the Arboretum property is owned by the city, council approval is needed. The next resolution authorizes the execution of an amended agreement with New Jersey Transit to extend the licensing agreement for a bike shelter to be operated by the New Jersey Bike Walk Coalition at the train station from five years to eight years with an option for an additional three years. Council will also consider resolutions to declare a vacancy in the Department of Community Services and to appoint an Acting Construction Official.

Finally, council will consider two Safety and Health resolutions to: (1) appoint a new Captain, Lieutenant, and Sergeant in the police department to fill the vacancies attributable to the upcoming retirement of the Police Chief; and (2) to appoint two new police officers.

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**Next Common Council Meeting:** Wednesday, December 1.