



TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
CAUCUS MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
Tuesday, March 10, 2026 - 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

FLAG SALUTE

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

ROLL CALL

CEREMONIAL RESOLUTIONS

1.	Women's History Month 2026
2.	St. Patrick's Day 2026

MINUTES

December 9, 2025	December 23, 2025
February 10, 2026	February 24, 2026

PAYMENT OF BILLS

March 10, 2026

ORDINANCES

First Reading & Introduction

O-26-01	An Ordinance Amending Chapter 291, Section 10, Paragraphs "A" through "J" Overnight Parking of Trucks and/or Buses Prohibited
O-26-02	An Ordinance Amending Chapter 188, Section 44, Paragraph D to Increase the Fee for a Zoning Permit Application

RESOLUTIONS

1.	R-26-047	Resolution Appointing Risk Management Consultant for the 2026 Fund Year
2.	R-26-048	Resolution Appointing a Municipal Alliance Coordinator to the Township Municipal Alliance Committee
3.	R-26-049	Resolution of Support for the County to Seek Federal Funding and to Request that the County of Union Design and Install New Traffic Signals
4.	R-26-050	Authorizing an Agreement Between Township of Hillside Department of Health and Seton Hall University School of Nursing for the Term February 12, 2026 through February 12, 2029
5.	R-26-051	Resolution Authorizing a Revaluation of Property within the Township of Hillside to be Effective for 2027 the Tax Year
6.	R-26-052	Resolution Authorizing Payment of Accumulated Severance Liabilities – Kenneth Orange, Fire Department
7.	R-26-053	Resolution Authorizing Payment of Accumulated Severance Liabilities - Francisco Vega, Police Department
8.	R-26-054	Resolution Authorizing Payment of Accumulated Severance Liabilities – Hope M. Smith, Department of Administration

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Please state your name and address for the record. Each citizen may only speak for three (3) minutes, to allow everyone the opportunity to ask questions and express their opinions or concerns. Please direct all comments to the Council President and appropriate consideration will be given to all comments.

CORRESPONDENCE

COMMUNICATION

COUNCIL REMARKS

ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Regular Meeting: March 24, 2026 - 6:30 pm

Caucus Meeting: April 14, 2026 - 6:30 pm

AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

WHEREAS, women have played a central and indispensable role in the founding, building, and flourishing of our nation, our state, and our Township, often in the face of tremendous obstacles and without the recognition they deserved; and

WHEREAS, from the suffragists who fought for the right to vote, to the trailblazers who broke barriers in science, law, medicine, the arts, and public service, women have continuously advanced the cause of justice, equality, and progress for all Americans; and

WHEREAS, the women of Hillside— as mothers, educators, healthcare workers, business owners, civic leaders, first responders, volunteers, and neighbors — contribute immeasurably every day to the strength, safety, and vitality of our community; and

WHEREAS, Women's History Month offers a vital opportunity to reflect upon the achievements and sacrifices of women throughout history, to uplift the voices of women whose stories have gone untold, and to reaffirm our collective commitment to a future of full and equal opportunity for all; and

WHEREAS, the Hillside Township Council recognizes that honoring women's history is not merely an act of remembrance, but a call to action — to champion equity, dismantle barriers, and ensure that every woman and girl in our Township may achieve her fullest potential; and

WHEREAS, the launch of the very first **Hillside HerStory Friday spotlight**. A Weekly Series, we are honored to celebrate the women entrepreneurs who help shape the heart and spirit of our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Hillside Township Council that the month of March 2026 be officially designated as *Women's History Month* throughout the Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hillside Township Council calls upon all residents, schools, businesses, and organizations to join in celebrating the extraordinary women who have shaped our history, to educate our youth about their contributions, and to honor the women in our midst whose daily acts of courage and service inspire us all; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hillside Township Council expresses its deepest gratitude to the women of our Township — past, present, and future — and pledges its continued dedication to building a community where every woman is valued, respected, and empowered.

Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Council President

ATTEST:

I, Rayna E. Harris, Township Clerk of the Township of Hillside, County of Union, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Council at a meeting held on March 10, 2026.

Rayna E. Harris, Township Clerk

2026 TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE HONORABLE COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Council President Dr. Angela R. Garretson, 2nd Ward

Council Vice President David Feuerstein, 4th Ward

Council Member George Cook, 1st Ward

Council Member Daryl Joyner, 3rd Ward

Council Member Lisa Bonanno, At-Large

Council Member Calvin Lofton, At-Large

Council Member Armando Dasilva, At-Large

★ Honoring the Women Who Shape Our World ★



TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE

RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

WHEREAS, Saint Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, brought faith, hope, and perseverance to the people of Ireland in the fifth century, and whose legacy has inspired generations across the globe; and

WHEREAS, generations of Irish immigrants and their descendants have enriched our Township through their labor, creativity, traditions, and indomitable spirit, weaving the green thread of Irish heritage into the fabric of our community; and

WHEREAS, the traditions of Saint Patrick's Day — the wearing of the green, the playing of traditional music, and the gathering of family and friends — embody the values of joy, community, and cultural pride that our Township holds dear; and

WHEREAS, our Township is proud to be home to residents of Irish heritage and to all who, on this day, claim a little Irish in their hearts; and

WHEREAS, we recognize that the spirit of Saint Patrick's Day — courage in adversity, warmth of community, and celebration of life — belongs to all people, of every heritage, in every corner of our Township; and

WHEREAS, the Union County Saint Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2026. The first parade stepped off in 1997, and through cooperative efforts, it has grown to be one of the largest St. Patrick's Day Parades in New Jersey.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council, in recognition of these proud traditions, that March 17, 2026, be officially designated as *Saint Patrick's Day* throughout the Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hillside Township Council extends its warmest wishes to all residents for a joyful and festive celebration and encourages the community to come together in the spirit of friendship, unity, and the enduring luck of the Irish.

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**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE O-26-01

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 291, SECTION 10, PARAGRAPHS “A”
THROUGH “J” OVERNIGHT PARKING OF TRUCKS AN/OR BUSES PROHIBITED**

The section shall be renamed to **291-10 Parking of Commercial Vehicles**

A. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

COMMERCIAL VEHICLE

Includes, but is not limited to, vehicles with commercial or contractor registrations, any vehicle containing advertising to promote the interest of any business, or any vehicle used in connection with a business, or any vehicle used for commercial purposes.

PARK or PARKING

The standing, idling, or waiting on a street, road or highway of a vehicle not actually engaged in receiving or discharging passengers or merchandise, unless for the purpose of complying with traffic regulations or traffic signs or signals.

PERSON

Natural persons, firms, associations, partnerships, companies, and corporations.

B. Overnight parking from 8:00 PM until 7:00 AM of commercial vehicles is prohibited.

C. Overnight parking of commercial vehicles. No person shall park the following types of vehicles (but not limited to) overnight on any public street in the Township of Hillside:

- (1) Any tractor truck cabs with or without trailers attached; or any trailer or combination of trailers incapable of being moved on its or their own power.
- (2) Pickup trucks, vans, cars or trucks or any type of commercial markings. Trucks or any type loaded or equipped in a manner that would lead a reasonable observer to believe that same was being used for commercial or industrial purposes.
- (3) Buses of any type. Jitneys and taxicabs.

D. No person, firm or corporation who owns or operates a commercial vehicle, excluding emergency vehicles, or those owned by a public utility, shall park or let stand said vehicle on any public street in the Township between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. If any such vehicle should be disabled, that shall not be grounds for any changes to the effect of this section, and any such vehicle so disabled shall be promptly removed by the owner or operator so as not to constitute a violation as herein set forth.

E. Exceptions. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prohibit the parking or storing of commercial vehicles, or equipment related thereto, on a residential street while it is being used in the transaction of business with the owner or occupant of residential property in the area. The provisions of this section shall not apply to vehicles owned by a public utility, as defined in N.J.S.A. 48:2-13, when such vehicles are being used for work in connection with the furnishing or supplying of the commodity which by law the public utility is authorized to furnish or supply.

F. Enforcement. Enforcement of this section shall be the responsibility of the Hillside Police Department and/or Code Enforcement. After the issuance of a summons, such vehicle may be towed or otherwise removed from the public street, with the owner of such vehicle being responsible for the cost of such removal.

G. Penalties. Any person convicted of violating this section shall be liable to a fine of \$175 for each such violation, and each day in which such violation continues shall constitute a separate violation or offense.

H. Any vehicle in violation of this section is subject to being towed with the owner of such vehicle being responsible for all costs.

I. It shall be unlawful to park any commercial truck, tractor, trailer, or omnibus in residential driveways in the Township of Hillside. Parking of such vehicles inside an attached or detached garage shall not be considered a violation of this chapter. The definition of the above vehicles shall be those described in the Hillside Municipal Code. The same penalties as outlined in Subsection G of this section shall apply to this provision.

J. No person shall park a recreational vehicle, boat, motor home, trailer, camper, etc. on any municipal street or on any residential property in the Township. Enforcement of this section shall be the responsibility of the Hillside Police Department and/or Code Enforcement and/or Parking Enforcement. After the issuance of a summons, such vehicle may be towed or otherwise removed from the public street, with the owner of such vehicle being responsible for the cost of such removal.

First Reading and Introduction: March 10, 2026

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		Garretson, CP					

**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
UNION COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE O-26-02

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 188, SECTION 44, PARAGRAPH D TO
INCREASE THE FEE FOR A ZONING PERMIT APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the township is authorized to establish reasonable fees to cover administrative, processing, and inspection cost for the issuance of permits and services; and

WHEREAS, the Building Department has reviewed the current fee for a Zoning Permit Application and has determined that the current fee established January 9th, 2007 (19 years ago) no longer cover the cost of providing the service; and

WHEREAS, the attached Comparative Analysis of 25 other municipalities throughout the state further shows the current fee is outdated.

WHEREAS, the township finds that the increase in fees is necessary to maintain the existing level of services and to achieve some cost recovery.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE, in the County of Union and State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The Township of Hillside Municipal Code Chapter 188, Section 44, Paragraph D, (188-44D) current Zoning Application Fee of \$35 is increased.
2. The fee for a residential property Zoning Permit or Zoning Verification Letter shall be \$80 and the fee for a commercial property Zoning Permit or Zoning Verification Letter shall be \$160 made payable to the Township of Hillside.

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Comparative Analysis
Zoning Permit Application Fees

Line	Municipality	County	Current Fee	Comments
1	Bayonne	Hudson	\$50 to \$150	
2	Collingwood	Camden	\$35 & \$50	
3	Elizabeth	Union	\$25 & \$100	
4	Hillside	Union	\$35	Since 2007
5	Irvington	Essex	\$129	
6	Jersey City	Hudson	\$150	
7	Linden	Union	\$25	
8	Livingston	Essex	\$75 & \$140	
9	Montclair	Essex	\$50	
10	New Brunswick	Middlesex	\$25 to \$150	
11	Newark	Essex	None	Called Zoning 973.733.6333
12	North Plainfield	Somerset	\$50	
13	Paramus	Bergen	\$25 & \$100	
14	Passaic	Passaic	\$50	
15	Plainfield	Union	\$50	
16	Rahway	Union	\$20	
17	Roselle	Union	\$75 & \$125	
18	Flemington	Hunterdon	\$50	
19	South Orange	Essex	\$125	
20	Sparta	Sussex	\$30 & \$60	
21	Summit	Union	\$100	
22	Trenton	Mercer	\$50	
23	Union	Union	\$100	
24	West Orange	Essex	\$75 & \$200	
25	Willingboro	Burlington	\$35 to \$50	

**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
RESOLUTION R-26-047**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT
FOR THE 2026 FUND YEAR**

WHEREAS, Township of Hillside (hereinafter “Local Unit”) has joined the Statewide Insurance Fund (hereinafter “Fund”), a joint insurance fund as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A:10-36 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws require participating members to appoint a Risk Management Consultant, as those positions are defined in the Bylaws, if requested to do so by the “Fund”; and

WHEREAS, the Local Unit has complied with relevant law with regard to the appointment of a Risk management Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the “Fund” has requested its members to appoint individuals or entities to that position; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the governing body of “Local Unit”, in the County of Union and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. **Township of Hillside** (Local Unit) hereby appoints **Fairview Insurance Agency Associates** its Risk Management Consultant.
2. The **Mayor** and Risk Management Consultant are hereby authorized to execute the Risk Management Consultant’s Agreement for the year **2026** in the form attached hereto.

Name of Entity: **Township of Hillside**

Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Council President

ATTEST:

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Rayna E. Harris, Township Clerk

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STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND
RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT'S AGREEMENT

2026 Fund Year

THIS AGREEMENT entered into this _____ day of _____ 20____, among the Statewide Insurance Fund ("FUND"), a joint insurance fund of the State of New Jersey, Township of Hillside ("MEMBER") and Fairview Insurance Agency Associates ("RISK MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT") through a fair and open process, pursuant to N.J.S.A.19:44A-20.4.

WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT has offered to the MEMBER professional risk management consulting services as required by the Bylaws of the FUND; and

WHEREAS, the CONSULTANT has advised the FUND that he/she is familiar with the terms, conditions and operations of the FUND; and

WHEREAS, the MEMBER desires these professional services from the CONSULTANT; and

WHEREAS, the MEMBER has complied with relevant law in regard to the appointment of a Risk Management Consultant; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the FUND require that members engage a CONSULTANT and that the CONSULTANT comply with certain requirements set forth therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants set forth herein, agree as follows:

1. For and in consideration of the amount stated hereinafter, the CONSULTANT shall:
 - (a) assist in evaluating the MEMBER'S exposures and advise on matters relating to the Member's operation and coverage.
 - (b) explain to the MEMBER, or its representatives, the various coverages available from the FUND.
 - (c) explain to the MEMBER, or its representatives, the terms of the member's commitment and obligations to the FUND.
 - (d) explain to the MEMBER, or its representatives the operation of the FUND.

- (e) prepare applications, statements of values, etc., on behalf of the MEMBER, if required by the FUND.
- (f) review the MEMBER'S assessment and assist in the preparation of the MEMBER'S insurance budget.
- (g) review losses and engineering reports and provide assistance to the MEMBER'S safety committee, if required.
- (h) assist in the claim settlement process, if required, by MEMBER or FUND.
- (i) attend the majority of meetings of the Fund Commissioners or Executive Committee, if requested, and perform such other services as required by the MEMBER or the FUND.
- (j) comply with the obligations imposed upon Risk Managers in the FUND's Bylaws.
- (k) act in good faith and fair dealing to the FUND.
- (l) perform other duties for the FUND as may be required from time to time by the FUND.

2. In exchange for the above services, the CONSULTANT shall be compensated in the following manner:

- (a) The CONSULTANT shall be paid by the FUND, on behalf of the MEMBER, a fee as compensation for services rendered. Said fee, an apportionment of the MEMBER's assessment: 6% of workers' compensation (excluding any fees, PLIGA, and loss ratio apportionment); 7.5% of non WC assessment (excluding any fees, PLIGA, and loss ratio apportionment);
- (b) The CONSULTANT shall be entitled to compensation for services provided during any calendar year only if the CONSULTANT has been appointed and holds the position of Risk Management Consultant, as of January 31 of the said calendar year for counties and municipalities holding general elections and July 30 for municipalities holding regular elections.
- (c) For any insurance coverages authorized by the MEMBER to be placed outside the FUND, the CONSULTANT shall receive as compensation the normal brokerage commissions paid by the insurance company. The premiums for said policies shall not be added to the FUND's assessment in computing the fee set forth in 2(a).
- (d) If the MEMBER shall require of the CONSULTANT extra services other than those outlined above, the CONSULTANT shall be paid by the MEMBER a fee at a rate to be negotiated by the parties.

3. The term of this Agreement shall be from **January 1, 2026** to **January 1, 2027**. However, this Agreement may be terminated by either party at any time by mailing to the other thirty (30) days written notice, certified mail return receipt.
4. The CONSULTANT shall comply with all laws applicable to producers who provide insurance products to public entities and shall comply with all applicable statutes and regulations relating to joint insurance funds.
5. The CONSULTANT agrees to comply with all affirmative action laws applicable in accordance with Exhibit A and to submit all necessary documentation establishing compliance within seven (7) days of this Agreement.

ATTEST:

Member Representative

ATTEST:

Risk Management Consultant Corporate Officer

ATTEST:

Statewide Insurance Fund Chairperson

**EXHIBIT A
STATEWIDE INSURANCE FUND**

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY NOTICE
(N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.)

GOODS, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICE CONTRACTS

This form is a summary of the successful professional service entity's requirement to comply with the requirements of **N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq.** and **N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.**

The successful professional service entity shall submit to the Statewide Insurance Fund, after notification of award but prior to execution of this contract, one of the following three documents as forms of evidence:

(a) A photocopy of a valid letter that the vendor is operating under an existing Federally approved or sanctioned affirmative action program (good for one year from the date of the letter);

OR

(b) A photocopy of a Certificate of Employee Information Report approval, issued in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.;

OR

(c) A photocopy of a completed Employee Information Report (Form AA302) provided by the Division of Contract Compliance and completed by the vendor in accordance with N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq.

The successful professional service entity may obtain the Employee Information Report (AA302) from the Statewide Insurance Fund during normal business hours.

The undersigned professional service entity certifies that he/she is aware of the commitment to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq. and agrees to furnish the required forms of evidence.

The undersigned professional service entity further understands that his/her submission shall be rejected as non-responsive if said professional service entity fails to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq.

COMPANY: Fairview Insurance Agency Associates
Risk Management Consultant

SIGNATURE: _____

PRINT NAME: _____

TITLE: _____ DATE: _____

**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
RESOLUTION R-26-048**

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COORDINATOR TO THE
TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillside recognizes that substance abuse remains a serious public health and safety concern affecting individuals, families, and the overall quality of life within the community; and

WHEREAS, the Township participates in the Municipal Alliance Program, a County initiative established to support community-based efforts to prevent and reduce substance abuse through evidence-based prevention strategies; and

WHEREAS, the Township Municipal Alliance Committee is responsible for planning, implementing, and coordinating community-level prevention initiatives designed to reduce substance abuse throughout the Township; and

WHEREAS, the effective operation of the Municipal Alliance Committee requires the appointment of a qualified individual to serve as Municipal Alliance Coordinator to oversee programming, grant administration, reporting, and collaboration with community partners.

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Hillside, upon recommendation of Mayor Andrea L. Hyatt, consents to the appointment of Captain Shonda Burgess-Mason to be appointed as Coordinator of the Municipal Alliance for a one-year term expiring March 31,2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Council President

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**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
RESOLUTION R-26-049**

**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE COUNTY TO SEEK FEDERAL FUNDING AND TO
REQUEST THAT THE COUNTY OF UNION DESIGN AND INSTALL A NEW TRAFFIC
SIGNALS**

WHEREAS, the Director of the Department of Public Works has requested the adoption of a resolution authorizing the proper Township Officials to request that the County of Union design and install a new traffic signal at the intersection of LIBERTY AVENUE (County Route 509) and HILLSIDE AVENUE (County Route 628) and the intersection of LIBERTY AVENUE (County Route 509) and Maple Avenue (a Township roadway); and

WHEREAS, the existing traffic signals at these intersections are obsolete and in need of upgrades and replacement; and

WHEREAS, the County of Union is seeking funding sources for the traffic signal replacements; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillside supports any and all efforts to obtain said funding; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillside is authorized to enter into a cost sharing agreement defining the responsibilities and expectations of all parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Council of the Township of Hillside authorizes the proper Township Officials to request that the County of Union design and install new traffic signals at the intersections of LIBERTY AVENUE (County Route 509) and HILLSIDE AVENUE (County Route 628) and the intersection of LIBERTY AVENUE (County Route 509) and Maple Avenue (a Township roadway), provide support as the County seeks funding and enter into a cost sharing agreement defining the responsibilities and expectations of all parties, and execute any and all documents related to this request, if applicable.

Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Council President

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TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE

Office of the Mayor

1409 Liberty Avenue
Hillside, New Jersey 07205

Andrea L. Hyatt
Mayor

Faheem J. Ra'Oof, CPA
Business Administrator & CFO

March 3, 2026

Ricardo Matias, PE
Director of Engineering
County of Union
2325 South Avenue
Scotch Plains, New Jersey 07076

RE: Intersection Improvements Traffic Signal at the Intersection Hillside Avenue at Liberty Avenue and Hillside Avenue at Maple.

Dear Mr. Matias,

I fully support Union County's pursuit of grants to replace obsolete traffic signals. We are grateful that two locations in our municipality will be included in your application and we look forward to providing you with a fully executed resolution after our Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, March 10th.

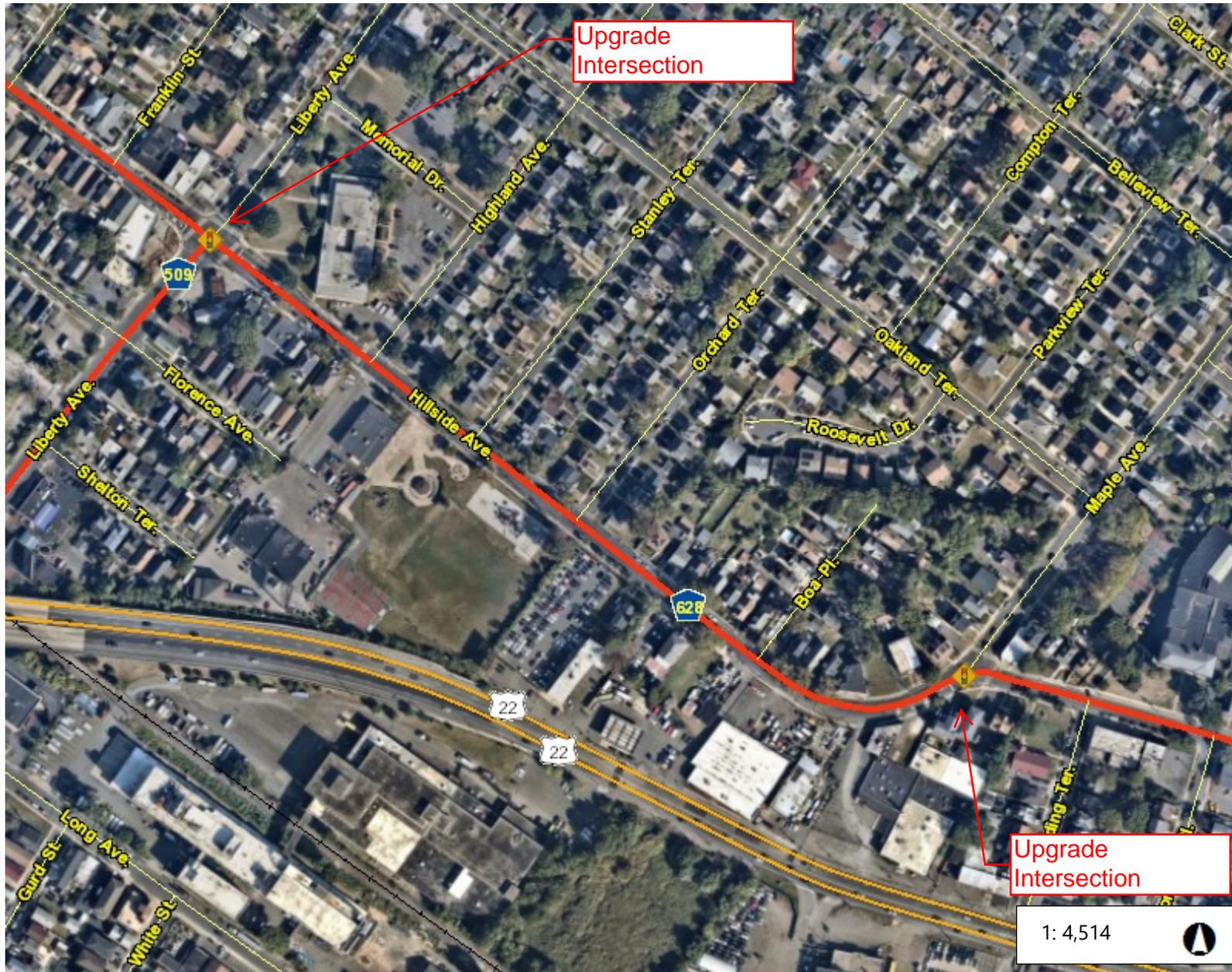
Thank you for your efforts and we look forward to communicating again soon.

Warm Regards,

Andrea L. Hyatt
Mayor, Township of Hillside

Council Members

George L. Cook, III, Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Daryl Joyner, David Feuerstein, Lisa Bonanno, Armando DaSilva, Calvin Lofton



Legend

- Union Signal Data
- Roads**
- Local Roads
- Interstate
- US Highway
- State Highway
- County Highway
- GSP
- Rail Roads
- Boundary
- Citations**
- World Imagery
- Low Resolution 15m Imagery
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**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
RESOLUTION R-26-050**

**AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SETON HALL UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF
NURSING FOR THE TERM FEBRUARY 12, 2026 THROUGH FEBRUARY 12, 2029**

WHEREAS, the Seton Hall University School of Nursing will provide nurse case management, health education and field services for Township residents.

WHEREAS, there is no cost to the Township for the nursing services outlined on the Agreement term of February 12, 2026 through February 12, 2029.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the Township of Hillside that

1. The term of the Agreement for the services is approved from February 12, 2026 through February 12, 2029.
2. There is no cost to the Township for the services described in the attached Agreement.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Council President

ATTEST:

I, Rayna E. Harris, Township Clerk of the Township of Hillside, County of Union, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Council at a meeting held on March 10, 2026.

Rayna E. Harris, Township Clerk

<u>MOTION</u>	<u>SECOND</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>EXCUSED</u>
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**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
RESOLUTION R-26-051**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REVALUATION OF PROPERTY WITHIN THE
TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE TO BE EFFECTIVE FOR 2027 THE TAX YEAR**

WHEREAS, the Township of Hillside has a need for a revaluation of all real property for tax equalization purposes, which will be performed by a state qualified professional revaluation firm to provide such services by way of the professional's compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19: 44-let.seq. and N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5(1)(a)(i); and

WHEREAS, The Union County Board of Taxation, pursuant to its statutory duty to revise, correct and equalize the assessed value of all property in the respective taxing districts (NJSA 54:4-47), has determined that the assessments of the Township of Hillside result in an unequal distribution of the tax burden within the Municipality; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N. J. S. A. 54:3-13, the Union County Board of Taxation has the responsibility to secure the taxation of all property within Union County at its taxable value prescribed by law in order that all property, except as exempt by law, shall bear its full equal and just share of taxes; and

WHEREAS, the Union County Board of Taxation has ordered that the Township and the Tax Assessor shall implement a Township wide assessment revaluation by October 1, 2026, and to be effective for the tax year of 2027.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED that the Township Council of Hillside authorize a revaluation of all real property within the Township of Hillside to be effective for the 2027 tax year.

Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Council President

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**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
RESOLUTION R-26-052**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ACCUMULATED SEVERANCE LIABILITIES –
KENNETH ORENGE**

WHEREAS, Kenneth Orenge will be retiring from the Township of Hillside after 26 years and 28 days of service, effective February 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, under the applicable collective negotiated agreement between the Township of Hillside and the bargaining unit from which he is a member, he is entitled to a severance payout as indicated on the attached “Severance Pay Worksheet” in the total amount of \$76,739.05.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE THAT:

1. The compensation set forth below is hereby approved for payment through Payroll, which must be funded from the appropriation Accumulated Severance Liabilities.
2. Payment in the amount of \$76,739.05 shall be made to Kenneth Orenge upon approval of this Resolution.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately, and a certified copy shall be placed in the employee’s personnel file.

Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Council President

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**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
RESOLUTION R-26-053**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ACCUMULATED SEVERANCE LIABILITIES –
FRANCISCO VEGA**

WHEREAS, Francisco Vega will be retiring from the Township of Hillside after 20 years of service, effective February 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, under the applicable collective negotiated agreement between the Township of Hillside and the bargaining unit from which he is a member, he is entitled to a severance payout as indicated on the attached “Severance Pay Worksheet” in the total amount of \$76,033.30.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE THAT:

1. The compensation set forth below is hereby approved for payment through Payroll, which must be funded from the appropriation Accumulated Severance Liabilities.
2. Payment in the amount of \$76,033.30. shall be made to Francisco Vega upon approval of this Resolution.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately, and a certified copy shall be placed in the employee’s personnel file.

Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Council President

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**TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
RESOLUTION R-26-054**

**AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF ACCUMULATED SEVERANCE LIABILITIES –
HOPE M. SMITH**

WHEREAS, Hope M. Smith will be retiring from the Township of Hillside after 32 years of service effective February 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, under the applicable collective negotiated agreement between the Township of Hillside and the bargaining unit from which she is a member, she is entitled to a severance payout as indicated on the attached “Severance Pay Worksheet” in the total amount of \$52,925.76.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE THAT:

1. The compensation set forth below is hereby approved for payment through Payroll, which must be funded from the appropriation Accumulated Severance Liabilities.
2. Payment in the amount of \$52,925.76 shall be made to Hope M. Smith upon approval of this Resolution.
3. This resolution shall take effect immediately, and a certified copy shall be placed in the employee’s personnel file.

Dr. Angela R. Garretson, Council President

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