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# TRENTON CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING TUESDAY, JULY 29, 2025, AT 5:30 PM A G E N D A

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. FLAG SALUTE
- III. STATEMENT: Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, pursuant to Public Laws 1975, Chapter 231. This Agenda is complete to the extent known and was sent to the Trenton Times and the Trentonian Newspapers, posted on the first-floor bulletin board in City Hall, filed in the City Clerk's Office and posted on the City of Trenton Website. Formal action will be taken.
- IV. ROLL CALL
- V. INVOCATION
- VI. PRESENTATIONS: LAFAYETTE YARD HOTEL PRESENTATIONS, 1 Lafayette Street, Trenton, NJ
- VII. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR AGENDA ITEMS ONLY
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

ORDINANCES [1st Reading and Introduction]

25-069 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 146, ARTICLE V (HOURS OF OPERATION)
TO FURTHER RESTRICT THE HOURS OF OPERATION FOR BUSINESS
ESTABLISHMENTS LOCATED IN NONRESIDENTIAL ZONES AND REMOVE
CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS.

#### RESOLUTION

- 25-255 RESOLUTION CHANGING THE DATE OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING FROM AUGUST 5, 2025, TO AUGUST 7, 2025
- IX. PUBLIC COMMENT
- X. CIVIC COMMENT
- XI. ADJOURNMENT

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## **ORDINANCE**

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Wesley Bridges, Esq., City Attorney	Brandon L. Garcia, RMC, City Clerk					
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## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 146, ARTICLE V (HOURS OF OPERATION) TO FURTHER RESTRICT THE HOURS OF OPERATION FOR BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS LOCATED IN NONRESIDENTIAL ZONES AND REMOVE CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS

WHEREAS, the City Council of Trenton has determined that allowing certain establishments located within the city to be open for business or invite or permit access by the general public until 2:00 A.M. poses a significant risk to public safety and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, limiting certain establishments located in the city to being open no later than 12:00 has been determined to be in the best interest of the city's residents and will promote public safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the city is committed to protecting both the safety of its citizens and the economic stability of establishments doing business in the city;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council for the City of Trenton as follows:

1. That Section 146-22 (Hours established; public access when closed; alcoholic beverage premises.) of the code of the City of Trenton is hereby amended by changing the following language in Section 146-22 D thereof as follows:

No establishment whose buildings or grounds are within 100 feet to the closest point of a residential property line situated within any residential zone of the City or located within a nonresidential zone shall be open for business or invite or permit access by the general public for any other purposes between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. unless expressly exempted under § 146-23, Applicability.

2. That Section 146-23 (Applicability.) is hereby amended as follows:

This article applies to any business that sells to the general public any goods, merchandise, food or material, except in those categories of businesses listed below which are specifically exempted, along with any businesses or establishments which have been in continuous, uninterrupted operation since prior to October 6, 1988, are in the same location and owned by the same individual or entity since that date, and are primarily and substantially operated as:

## **ORDINANCE**

- A. Hotels.
- B. Twenty-four hour diners.
- C. B. Fast-food or quick-service restaurants where business is conducted solely through a drive-up window during otherwise prohibited hours of service.
- D. C. Pharmacies.
- E. D. Licensed alcoholic beverage premises. This exemption extends only to the sale of alcoholic beverages between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. Hours of operation as stipulated under § 10-5, Restrictions, still apply.
- F. E. Gasoline stations.
  - (1) This provision shall not exempt the operation of a retail portion of a business which is primarily a gasoline station unless the business owner can demonstrate that they cannot reasonably operate the gasoline filling portion of the business without accessing the retail portion. A gasoline station shall be exempt from the operating hour restrictions as defined in § 146-22 only if it fulfills one of the following requirements:
    - (a) Operating on a property along state-administered highways or designated trucking routes;
    - (b) Employing an off-duty police officer between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 5:00 a.m. as set forth in § 2-58.2 of the Trenton City Code.
    - (c) Taking other security measures as may be defined by the Director of the Trenton Police Department or a designee.
  - (2) All gasoline stations not fulfilling one or more of the above criteria shall not operate between the hours of 12:00 midnight. and 5:00 a.m.
    - G. F. Bakeries in which baking operations are actually conducted on the premises.

## H. Located within the City's established Entertainment District

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Maria Richardson, Business Administrator
PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION
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## RESOLUTION CHANGING THE DATE OF THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025 MUNICIPAL **BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING FROM AUGUST 5, 2025, TO AUGUST 7, 2025**

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council of the City of Trenton previously scheduled the public hearing for the Calendar Year 2025 Municipal Budget for August 5, 2025; and

WHEREAS, due to scheduling considerations, it is necessary to change the public hearing date; and

WHEREAS, the City will duly publish notice of the new hearing date in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:4-8.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Municipal Council of the City of Trenton, that the public hearing on the Calendar Year 2025 Municipal Budget is hereby rescheduled to August 7, 2025, at 5:30 PM, to be held at 319 E. State Street, City Council Chambers, Trenton, NJ 08608.

BE IT, FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is authorized and directed to publish notice of the rescheduled hearing in the official newspaper of the City of Trenton.

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This Resolution was adopted at a Meeting of the City Council of the City of Trenton on \_\_\_\_

President of Council

City Clerk