



UNION COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2026
AGENDA SETTING MEETING AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PRAYER AND SALUTE TO THE FLAG

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

PRESENTATION BY THE BOARD

1. A Resolution Presentation will be made by the Board to Leslie Anderson, CEO of the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority, congratulating her on her retirement after many years of dedicated service.

APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS

1. Note and File

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. February 26, 2026 - Agenda Setting Session
2. February 26, 2026 - Regular Meeting
3. February 26, 2026 - Executive Session

ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION

- 865-2026 **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND “THE LAWS OF UNION COUNTY: ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION” BY AMENDING: PART II-POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION: CHAPTER 49, FEES, ARTICLE X (NEW), GENERAL FEES TO OFFSET THE COST OF ELECTRONIC RECEIPT TRANSACTIONS.**

PUBLIC HEARING

The meeting is open for public comment on Ordinance number 865-2026 only.

FINAL READING STATEMENT

Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, Policy Committee Chair, will move Ordinance number 865-2026 for Final Reading and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law.

ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION

866-2026 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND “THE LAWS OF UNION COUNTY: ADMINISTRATIVE CODE AND POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION” BY AMENDING PART II- POLICIES AND GENERAL LEGISLATION: CHAPTER 115, SAFETY CODE, ARTICLE VI, DISORDERLY CONDUCT, AND CHAPTER 140, CONTRACTED OFF-DUTY EMPLOYMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.**FIRST READING STATEMENT**

Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, Policy Committee Chair, will move Ordinance Number 866-2026 for First Reading and authorize the Clerk of the Board to advertise same in accordance with the law. The Public Hearing and Final Reading will be held on April 30, 2026.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

LAURA SCUTARI, DIRECTOR

1. Authorizing the County of Union to establish a regional cooperative purchasing system to allow for regional cooperative pricing agreements. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**
2. Affirming the County of Union's compliance with the Certification of Compliance with the United States Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's “Enforcement Guidance on the Consideration of Arrest and Conviction Records in Employment Decisions Under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.” **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**
3. Amending Resolution 2025-753, an Employee Health and Prescription Self-Insurance Program to the County's contracted Third Party Administrators, Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey (medical claims) and CAREMARKPCS, L.L.C. d/b/a as CVS CAREMARK (prescription claims), for the period of July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2027 to add an account number only used for payment of medical claims incurred by County of Union employees and retirees. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to sign any and all documents necessary to enter into a Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Park Maintenance Association, effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2027. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

AMY CRISP WAGNER, DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER/DIRECTOR

1. Amending Resolution 2025-556 to increase CDBG funding utilizing contingency funds to cover the cost of the Emergency Warming Center Request for Mount Olive Baptist Church Code Blue Warming Center, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort)**

2. Amending Resolution 2025-556, to increase CDBG funding utilizing contingency funds to cover the cost to support Child Care program operations through the end of 2025-2026 school year at the Plainfield – Greater Somerset County YMCA: School Child Care Public Services in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, for a new total not to exceed \$18,250.00. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort)**
3. Appointing the Union County Department of Finance as the Fiscal Agent responsible for disbursing grant funds for local workforce investment activities under the direction of the Union County Workforce Development Board. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort)**
4. Amending Resolution 2017-538 to cancel the unexpended HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) grant balance of \$23.28, in order to properly close out the year 2017 funding. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept a Local Efficiency Achievement Program (LEAP) County Coordinator Fellowship Grant from the Department of Community Affairs, Division of Local Government Services, for a contract period of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to award HOME Investment Partnerships Program – American Rescue Plan (ARP) grant funds to Family Promise Union County for the purpose of providing short to medium-term rental assistance, financial assistance costs, housing search service costs and salaries for a period of April 1, 2026, through July 31, 2027, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort)**
7. Amending Resolution 2025-135, approving the Community Development Block Grant COVID-19 Funds (Phase 4) to increase CDBG-CV Cares Act funding for the Second Street Youth Center – The Navigator Program in Plainfield in the amount of \$1,416.29, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$11,416.29. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort)**

DEPARTMENT OF ENGINEERING, PUBLIC WORKS & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT

JOSEPH POLICAY, DIRECTOR

1. Authorizing the County Manager to execute the proposed lease agreement with the Elizabeth Parking Authority, Elizabeth, New Jersey, for the purpose of providing Jury Parking as per state mandate, for a contract period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, with the provision for one twelve (12) month optional extension, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Xerox Corporation, Woodbridge, NJ, through State of New Jersey State Contract No. 40469 for equipment leasing and labor services for the Union County Print Shop during the period of April 1, 2026, through March 31, 2031, in an amount not to exceed \$2,008,000.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**

3. Amending Resolution 2025-332 for the Martine Avenue Bridge, over stream 10-7-22-1, Township of Scotch Plains, New Jersey, to reflect a time extension in the project completion date as per NJDOT requirements. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
4. Amending Resolution 2024-455, a contract obtained through the public bidding process, with J. Fletcher Creamer & Sons, Inc., approving Change Order 1 for the Ashbrook Restoration Project in Scotch Plains in an additional amount of \$282,709.35, for a new contract amount not to exceed \$1,164,449.35. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
5. Authorizing a County-Wide aerial dispensing operation by the Union County Division of Public Works, Bureau of Mosquito Control. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
6. Authorizing the County Manager to execute Agreement No. 2026-DT-DLA-509 with the New Jersey Department of Transportation, Division of Local Aid & Economic Development for the Rahway Valley Rails to Trails Project, Boroughs of Kenilworth and Roselle Park, County of Union, through the Federal Highway Administration Transportation Alternative Grant. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
7. Amending Resolution 2023-99, a contract with Colliers Engineering and Design, Mount Arlington, NJ to provide necessary services for a Boiler Replacement Project in the Union County Courthouse, Elizabeth, NJ, increasing the contract by \$720,110 for Phase II and \$13,264 for Phase III for a new contract in an amount not to exceed \$832,993. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
8. Authorizing the County Manager to award a proposed contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to Rak Plumbing & Heating LLC, East Rutherford, NJ for the purpose of providing Plumbing Services for twenty-four (24) consecutive months with the provision for one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension in an amount not to exceed \$151,809.50. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
9. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., to J1 Door Company Inc., Plainfield, NJ for the purpose of Locksmith Services and Locking Hardware for twenty-four (24) consecutive months with the provision for one (1) twenty-four (24) month optional extension in an amount not to exceed \$241,000.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
10. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Colliers Engineering & Design, Mt. Arlington, NJ to provide On-Call Environmental Engineering Services for various Union County Facilities commencing January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
11. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Remington & Vernick Engineers (RVE), Secaucus, NJ to provide On-Call Environmental Engineering Services commencing January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**

12. Amending Resolution 2025-698, a contract with Pennoni Associates Inc., Newark, NJ for the East Coast Greenway Bikeway, Multiple Municipalities, County of Union, New Jersey, to reflect a no-cost time extension to the grant award date as per NJDOT request. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCEBIBI TAYLOR, DIRECTOR

1. Approving the COLA to establish a CAP Bank (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14). **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**
2. Introducing and Approving the Annual Budget of the County of Union for the Fiscal Year 2026. **(Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded)**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICESDEBBIE-ANN ANDERSON, DIRECTOR

1. Amending Resolution 2025-997, a contract with Primepoint LLC, Westhampton, NJ to provide Time and Labor Management Services for the Division of Social Services for the period of December 1, 2025 through November 30, 2026. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**
2. Authorizing the County Manager to apply for and accept grant funding from New Jersey Transit in the amount of \$240,000.00 with a cash match in the amount of \$60,000.00 for the period of May 1, 2026 through December 31, 2027, for the development of a Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with Geneva Worldwide Inc., New York, NY to provide interpretation services for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into the Second Amendment to Lease Agreement By and Between the County Of Union and Alfieri-342 Westminster Associates, L.P., extending the Lease for a period of August 1, 2026 through April 30, 2027, in a total rental amount not to exceed \$1,939,734.89. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS & RECREATIONVICTORIA DURBIN-DRAKE, DIRECTOR

1. Authorizing the County Manager to award the 2026 Union County History Grants in an amount not to exceed \$63,069.00. **(Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams)**

2. Authorizing the County Manager to award a contract obtained through advertised public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq to Nimavi Group, LLC Clifton, NJ for the purpose of providing the Watchung Stable main riding ring improvements, Borough of Mountainside, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$606,191.68. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
3. Authorizing the County Manager through the Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, to execute any and all agreements for the 2026 HEART (History, Education, Arts, Reaching Thousands) Grant Program for the total allocated amount of \$100,000.00. **(Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams)**
4. Authorizing the County Manager to execute a License Agreement with the Fanwood-Scotch Plains YMCA, Scotch Plains, NJ allowing utilization of the Walter E. Ulrich Memorial Pool during off hours for swim practice and other programs, through May 31, 2027. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
5. Authorizing the County Manager to enter into a contract with the Union County Performing Arts Center, Rahway, NJ to provide talent acquisition, booking and day of facilitation for the 2026 Union County Summer Concert Series and the 2026 Rhythm and Blues by the Brook Concert for a contract period ending December 31, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$174,100.00. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**
6. Amending Resolution 2024-605, a contract obtained through the public bidding process with J.A. Alexander, Inc, Bloomfield, NJ, approving Change Order #1 for the Zimmerman Park parking lot improvements in an additional amount of \$16,887.34 for new contract amount \$280,981.65. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSELBRUCE H. BERGEN, COUNTY COUNSEL

1. Appointing Eric M. Bernstein & Associates, LLC, Warren, NJ 07059 as Special Counsel to provide Legal Services to the County Of Union in connection with Litigation Defense and General Counsel Services for the year 2026 in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek)**

COMMISSIONER SPONSORED RESOLUTIONS2026 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CHAIRMAN JOSEPH C. BODEK

OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE BOARDJAMES E. PELLETTIERE, CLERK OF THE BOARD

1. Re-appointing the following members to the Disabilities Advisory Board (DAB): Adrienne Robertiello to a three-year term expiring December 31, 2028. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr.)**

2. Appointing the following members to the Human Services Advisory Council (HSAC): Lillian Roman and Julissa Montalvo to a three-year term expiring December 31, 2028; appointing Bernadette Griswold to an unexpired through December 31, 2026; and reappointing Priscilla Garces and Curtis A. Myers Jr. to a three-year term expiring December 31, 2028. **(Commissioner Stanley J. Neron)**

LAUDATORY RESOLUTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS OF CONDOLENCE

1. Recognizing April as Autism Awareness Month throughout the County of Union. **(Commissioner James E. Baker Jr., Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board)**
2. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Madeline Marie Stiles during this time of sorrow. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort, and the Entire Board)**
3. Congratulating Maria Z. Carvalho, Commissioner A'Dorian Murray-Thomas, Claudia Abrantes, Medinah Muhammad, Wendy S. Martinez, and Dr. Diane Barbosa upon being honored at the House of Hearts Network Women's Day Leadership Brunch on Sunday, March 8, 2026. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort, Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board)**
4. Congratulating Nancy Herssens upon being honored with the SHERO Award at the Township of Union Women's Business & Leadership Panel Discussion on Thursday, March 19, 2026. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort, and the Entire Board)**
5. Congratulating Christ Community Church Family Worship Center upon celebrating their 30th Church Anniversary on Saturday, March 21, 2026. **(Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort, and the Entire Board)**
6. Recognizing April as Alcohol Awareness Month throughout the County of Union. **(Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, and the Entire Board)**
7. Recognizing David Arminio for his lifelong commitment to education, civic engagement, and the betterment of the Union County community. **(Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, and the Entire Board)**
8. Recognizing Barbara La Mort for her lifelong commitment to education, civic engagement, and the betterment of the Union County community. **(Commissioner Alexander Mirabella, and the Entire Board)**
9. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Janice Hill Lee during this time of sorrow. **(Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board)**
10. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Joseline P. Ferdinand during this time of sorrow. **(Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board)**

11. Congratulating the 2026 Woman of the Year honorees of the Ola Edwards Community School Women's History Month Assembly on Thursday, March 19, 2026. **(Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, Commissioner Kimberly Palmieri-Mouded, Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board)**
12. Congratulating Leslie A. Anderson upon her retirement after three decades of dedicated service as President & Chief Executive Officer of the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority, a multimillion-dollar independent financing authority created by the State of New Jersey to transform urban communities through direct investment and technical support. **(Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board)**
13. Extending the Board's deepest condolences to the family of Patricia (Patty) Janet Ganley Bender during this time of sorrow. **(Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board)**
14. Congratulating the following honorees of the Annual Women's High Tea Women's History Month Celebration on Saturday, March 21, 2026: Tiffany Andrade DiCarlo, Tamecka Dixon, Mikki Ponticello, and Evelyn Rivera; and further recognizing the many contributions each of the honorees has provided the City of Linden. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, & the Entire Board)**
15. Recognizing March 2026 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board)**
16. Recognizing March 2026 as Social Work Month. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board)**
17. Congratulating the Cranford St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee on their second annual St. Patrick's Day Parade held on March 15th, 2026, and recognizing this year's honorees, Bob Bruns, Nancy Mahoney, and Jerry Conheeney. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner Joseph Signorello III, and the Entire Board)**
18. Congratulating Rosemary Dean of Berkeley Heights on celebrating her 100th birthday on March 12th, 2026. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, and the Entire Board)**
19. Congratulating the Portuguese Instructive Social Club upon celebrating their 104th Anniversary on Saturday, March 21, 2026. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner Michele S. Delisfort, and the Entire Board)**
20. Congratulating Jersey & Co. Gelato, Jonathan Phillips, The Mills at Jersey Gardens, United Airlines, Paramount Assets, LLC, and Maria Carvalho upon being honored at the Elizabeth Development Company 10th Annual Leadership Award Reception on Wednesday, March 11, 2026. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Commissioner Lourdes M. Leon, Commissioner Stanley J. Neron, and the Entire Board)**

21. Congratulating the 2026 Circle of Hope Honorees at the United Way of Greater Union County Circle of Hope Gala on Friday, March 27, 2026. **(Chairman Joseph C. Bodek, Vice Chair Rebecca L. Williams, and the Entire Board)**

ADJOURNMENT

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**Union County Board of County Commissioners
2026 Meeting Schedule**

**Reorganization Meeting - Thursday, January 1, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.
Union County Courthouse- 2 Broad Street, Elizabeth**

Agenda Setting Session

Thursday, January 29, 2026
Thursday, February 26, 2026
Thursday, March 26, 2026
Thursday, April 30, 2026
Thursday, May 28, 2026
Thursday, June 25, 2026
Thursday, July 30, 2026
Thursday, August 27, 2026
Thursday, September 24, 2026
Thursday, October 15, 2026
Thursday, November 12, 2026
Thursday, December 10, 2026

Regular Meeting

Thursday, January 29, 2026
Thursday, February 26, 2026
Thursday, March 26, 2026
Thursday, April 30, 2026
Thursday, May 28, 2026
Thursday, June 25, 2026
Thursday, July 30, 2026
Thursday, August 27, 2026
Thursday, September 24, 2026
Thursday, October 15, 2026
Thursday, November 12, 2026
Thursday, December 10, 2026

Please note that the County Commissioners' meetings are to be regularly held on Thursday evenings. These meetings are scheduled to be held on the same evening, with the Agenda Setting Session to commence at 6:00pm and the Regular Meeting to commence as soon as possible after the Agenda Setting Session, unless otherwise noted. All meetings are to be held in the Commissioner Meeting Room within the Administration Building, 6th floor, located at 10 Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey, 07207. Persons requiring a sign language interpreter should contact the Office of the Clerk of the Board at 908-527-4140.