



OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Hadassah Mativetsky, City Council President
Sarah Dinhofer, City Clerk

**BOARD OF ESTIMATE & APPORTIONMENT
MINUTES
City Council Chambers – Binghamton City Hall
Wednesday, September 25, 2024**

I. CALL TO ORDER

At 11:08AM by Mayor Kraham

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Jared Kraham, Mayor; Joshua Paludi, Acting DPW Commissioner; Ron Lake, City Engineer; Charles Robinson, Comptroller; Sophie Bergman, Corporation Counsel
Also Present: Sarah Dinhofer, City Clerk

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Request to approve the minutes from 9/18/2024

- a. Motion: Lake
- b. Second: Paludi
- c. Vote: 5-0-0-0

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Introductory Ordinance 24-77. An Ordinance to amend the 2024 Budget for demolition of a fire-damaged property at 2 Pleasant Street

- a. Motion: Lake
- b. Second: Paludi
- c. Vote: 5-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 24-78. An Ordinance to amend the 2024 General Fund to transfer funds for over-budget items for year end

- a. Motion: Lake
- b. Second: Paludi
- c. Vote: 5-0-0-0

Introductory Ordinance 24-79. An Ordinance to amend the 2024 Budget for demolition of a fire-damaged property at 51 Robinson Street

- a. Motion: Lake
- b. Second: Paludi
- c. Vote: 5-0-0-0



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Introductory Ordinance 24-80. An Ordinance to amend the 2024 Parks budget for playground surfacing at the Discovery Center

- a. Motion: Lake
- b. Second: Paludi
- c. Vote: 5-0-0-0

V. MOTION TO ADJOURN

- a. Motioned at 11:11AM: Lake
- b. Second: Paludi
- c. Vote: 5-0-0-0



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: October 9, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Cavanaugh, Hotchkiss, Kosty, Dundon

Introduced by Committee: Finance

ORDINANCE

entitled

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024 BJCSTF
BUDGET TO INCLUDE DEPRECIATION**

WHEREAS, the City of Binghamton (the “City”) is a joint owner of the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Facilities (the “BJCJSTF”) with the Village of Johnson City (the “Village”); and

WHEREAS, the BJCJSTF is operated and maintained by the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board (the “JSB”) under a series of inter-municipal agreements between the City and the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City and the Board of Trustees of the Village approve the BJCJSTF budget; and

WHEREAS, the Comptroller of the City of Binghamton finds it proper and necessary to amend the 2024 BJCSB budget to include depreciation; and

WHEREAS, the owners must approve a transfer through legislation; and

WHEREAS, the budget transfer was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on October 9, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Comptroller and Treasurer of the City of Binghamton are hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2024 BJCSB budget to include depreciation as follows:

- (i) \$16,091,299.36 increase in expense line ES1994.54999 (DEPRECIATION)
- (ii) \$8,833,877.36 decrease in revenue line ES.49999 (JS FUND BALANCE)
- (iii) \$3,868,687.00 decrease in expense line ES8130.54001.COB (DEBT SERVICE BINGHAMTON)
- (iv) \$3,888,735.00 decrease in expense line ES8130.54001.VJC (DEBT SERVICE VILLAGE OF JC)

Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds are unencumbered and available

Charles Robinson, Comptroller

Introductory No. O24-81

Permanent No. _____

Sponsored by City Council Members: Cavanaugh,
Hotchkiss, Kosty, Dundon

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024
BJCSTF BUDGET TO INCLUDE
DEPRECIATION**

The within Ordinance was adopted by the Council of
the City of Binghamton.

Date

City Clerk

Date Presented to Mayor

Date Approved

Mayor

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Porter				
Councilmember Middleton				
Councilmember Cavanaugh				
Councilmember Hotchkiss				
Councilmember Mativetsky				
Councilmember Kosty				
Councilmember Dundon				
Total				

Code of the City of Binghamton

Adopted Defeated

____ Ayes ____ Nays ____ Abstain ____ Absent

I hereby certify the above to be a true
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Council of the City of Binghamton at a
meeting held on _____. Approved
by the Mayor on _____.



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY
STATE OF NEW YORK**

OF BINGHAMTON

Date: October 9, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Cavanaugh, Hotchkiss, Kosty, Middleton, Dundon

Introduced by Committee: Finance

ORDINANCE

entitled

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024 BJCSTF
BUDGET TO INCREASE 3 ELECTRICITY LINES
AND DECREASE CHEMICALS**

WHEREAS, the City of Binghamton (the “City”) is a joint owner of the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Facilities (the “BJCJSTF”) with the Village of Johnson City (the “Village”); and

WHEREAS, the BJCJSTF is operated and maintained by the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board (the “JSB”) under a series of inter-municipal agreements between the City and the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City and the Board of Trustees of the Village approve the BJCJSTF budget; and

WHEREAS, the Comptroller of the City of Binghamton finds it proper and necessary to amend the 2024 BJCSB budget to increase 3 electricity lines and decrease chemicals; and

WHEREAS, the owners must approve a transfer through legislation; and

WHEREAS, the budget transfer was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on October 9, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Comptroller and Treasurer of the City of Binghamton are hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2024 BJCSB budget to increase insurance and decrease contingency:

Transfer From:

\$316,000 ES8130.54150 (CHEMICALS)

Transfer To:

\$260,000 ES8130.54202
(ELECTRICITY)

\$26,000 ES8130.54203
(ELECTRICITY- PLANT PUMP STA)

\$30,000 ES8130.54204
(ELECTRICITY- TERMINAL PUMP STA)

Total: \$316,000

\$316,000

Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds are unencumbered and available

Charles Robinson, Comptroller

Introductory No. O24-82

Permanent No. _____

Sponsored by City Council Members: Cavanaugh,
Hotchkiss, Kosty, Middleton, Dundon

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024
BJCSTF BUDGET TO INCREASE 3
ELECTRICITY LINES AND DECREASE
CHEMICALS**

The within Ordinance was adopted by the Council of
the City of Binghamton.

Date

City Clerk

Date Presented to Mayor

Date Approved

Mayor

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Porter				
Councilmember Middleton				
Councilmember Cavanaugh				
Councilmember Hotchkiss				
Councilmember Mativetsky				
Councilmember Kosty				
Councilmember Dundon				
Total				

Code of the City of Binghamton

Adopted Defeated

_____ Ayes _____ Nays _____ Abstain _____ Absent

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**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: October 9, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Cavanaugh, Hotchkiss, Kosty, Dundon

Introduced by Committee: Finance

ORDINANCE

entitled

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024 BJCSTF
BUDGET TO INCREASE INSURANCE AND
DECREASE CONTINGENCY**

WHEREAS, the City of Binghamton (the “City”) is a joint owner of the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Facilities (the “BJCJSTF”) with the Village of Johnson City (the “Village”); and

WHEREAS, the BJCJSTF is operated and maintained by the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board (the “JSB”) under a series of inter-municipal agreements between the City and the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City and the Board of Trustees of the Village approve the BJCJSTF budget; and

WHEREAS, the Comptroller of the City of Binghamton finds it proper and necessary to amend the 2024 BJCSB budget to increase insurance and decrease contingency; and

WHEREAS, the owners must approve a transfer through legislation; and

WHEREAS, the budget transfer was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on October 9, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Comptroller and Treasurer of the City of Binghamton are hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2024 BJCSB budget to increase insurance and decrease contingency:

<u>Transfer From:</u>	<u>Transfer To:</u>
\$65,000 ES8130.55000 (CONTINGENCY)	\$65,000 ES8130.54300 (INSURANCE)

Total: \$65,000	\$65,000
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Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds are unencumbered and available

Charles Robinson, Comptroller

Introductory No. O24-83

Permanent No. _____

Sponsored by City Council Members: Cavanaugh,
Hotchkiss, Kosty, Dundon

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024
BJCSTF BUDGET TO INCREASE
INSURANCE AND DECREASE
CONTINGENCY

The within Ordinance was adopted by the Council of
the City of Binghamton.

Date

City Clerk

Date Presented to Mayor

Date Approved

Mayor

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Porter				
Councilmember Middleton				
Councilmember Cavanaugh				
Councilmember Hotchkiss				
Councilmember Mativetsky				
Councilmember Kosty				
Councilmember Dundon				
Total				

Code of the City of Binghamton

Adopted Defeated

____ Ayes ____ Nays ____ Abstain ____ Absent

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by the Mayor on _____.

**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY
STATE OF NEW YORK**



OF BINGHAMTON

Date: October 9, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Kosty, Middleton, Dundon, Porter

Introduced by Committee: Finance

ORDINANCE

entitled

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024 BJCSTF
BUDGET FOR PUMP REPAIR**

WHEREAS, the City of Binghamton (the “City”) is a joint owner of the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Treatment Facilities (the “BJCJSTF”) with the Village of Johnson City (the “Village”); and

WHEREAS, the BJCJSTF is operated and maintained by the Binghamton-Johnson City Joint Sewage Board (the “JSB”) under a series of inter-municipal agreements between the City and the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City and the Board of Trustees of the Village approve the BJCJSTF budget; and

WHEREAS, the Comptroller of the City of Binghamton finds it proper and necessary to amend the 2024 BJCSB budget for water and pump repair; and

WHEREAS, the owners must approve a transfer through legislation; and

WHEREAS, the budget transfer was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on October 9, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Comptroller and Treasurer of the City of Binghamton are hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2024 BJCSB budget as follows:

Transfer From:

\$10,000 ES8130.54112 (GAS/DIESEL)
\$30,100 ES8130.54150 (CHEMICALS)
\$50,000 ES8130.54201 (GAS HEAT)
\$40,000 ES8130.54656 (MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS)
\$30,000 ES8130.54804 (SLUDGE/WASTE)
\$95,000 ES8130.55000 (CONTINGENCY)

Transfer To:

\$160,000 ES8130.XXXXXX (REPAIR)
\$95,100 ES8130.XXXXXX (REPAIR)

Total: \$255,100

\$255,100

Section 2. That this ordinance shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds are unencumbered and available

Charles Robinson, Comptroller



**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: October 9, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Porter, Dundon, Kosty

Introduced by Committee: Employees

ORDINANCE

entitled

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024
CLERK’S OFFICE BUDGET TO ADJUST FOR
RESPONSIBILITY ADJUSTMENTS AND TO
FUND REGISTRAR POSITION

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Binghamton voted to approve Permanent Legislation O24-76 to provide various responsibility adjustments in the Clerk’s Office due to a vacancy in the Vital Statistics Department; and

WHEREAS, the vacancy in the Vital Statistics Department has been filled and requires funding through the end of 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk’s Office requests an inter-departmental transfer of \$10,382.52 to fund the vacant position; and

WHEREAS, the budget transfer was approved by the Board of Estimate and Apportionment on October 9, 2024.

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain as follows:

Section 1. That the Comptroller and Treasurer of the City of Binghamton are hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2024 City Clerk’s Office budget to fund the position of Registrar of Vital Statistics as follows:

Transfer From (Decrease):

\$7,073.42 A1410.51000 (PRS SVC)

\$3,309.10 A1410.51000 (PRS SVC)

Transfer To (Increase):

\$10,382.52 A4020.51000 (PRS SVC)

\$10,382.52

\$10,382.52

Section 2. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above described funds
are unencumbered and available

Charles Robinson, Comptroller

Introductory No. O24-85

Permanent No. _____

Sponsored by City Council Members: Porter, Dundon,
Kosty

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE 2024
CLERK'S OFFICE BUDGET TO ADJUST
FOR RESPONSIBILITY ADJUSTMENTS
AND TO FUND REGISTRAR POSITION

The within Ordinance was adopted by the Council of
the City of Binghamton.

Date

City Clerk

Date Presented to Mayor

Date Approved

Mayor

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Porter				
Councilmember Middleton				
Councilmember Cavanaugh				
Councilmember Hotchkiss				
Councilmember Mativetsky				
Councilmember Kosty				
Councilmember Dundon				
Total				

Code of the City of Binghamton

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**THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON
STATE OF NEW YORK**

Date: October 9, 2024

Sponsored by Council Members: Cavanaugh, Hotchkiss, Kosty, Dundon

Introduced by Committee: Planning

ORDINANCE

entitled

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF
A PORTION OF OVERLAND DRIVE**

WHEREAS, pursuant to General City Law section 20(7), the City of Binghamton discontinued that portion of Overland Drive adjacent to 25 Overland Drive and ending at the intersection with Harding Avenue, beginning approximately 224' south of the intersection with Dewey Ave and ending at the intersection with Harding Ave (the Premises); and

WHEREAS, the contiguous property owner Mian N. Shah has submitted an Offer to Purchase the Premises for \$4,500.00; and

WHEREAS, the City has no public use for the Premises; and

WHEREAS, the Assessor of the City of Binghamton has determined the sale price to be fair and equitable; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Estimate and Apportionment approved and recommended sale of the Premises on October 9, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council of the City of Binghamton, duly convened in regular session, does hereby ordain by at least a three-fourths vote as follows:

Section 1. That the Mayor of the City of Binghamton, or his designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract for sale and to execute all necessary and appropriate documentation, approved as to form and content by the Office of Corporation Counsel, to transfer the Premises to Mian N. Shah or its designee, by quitclaim deed for \$4,500, to be paid by cash, certified, or local bank check; and

Section 2. That this sale is subject to such conditions as may be determined by the Corporation Counsel, including, but not limited to, the City's right of access for maintenance, repair, or replacement of all existing utilities; and

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Introductory No. O24-87

Permanent No. _____

Sponsored by City Council Members: Cavanaugh,
Hotchkiss, Kosty, Dundon

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF
A PORTION OF OVERLAND DRIVE

The within Ordinance was adopted by the Council of
the City of Binghamton.

Date

City Clerk

Date Presented to Mayor

Date Approved

Mayor

	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Porter				
Councilmember Middleton				
Councilmember Cavanaugh				
Councilmember Hotchkiss				
Councilmember Mativetsky				
Councilmember Kosty				
Councilmember Dundon				
Total				

Code of the City of Binghamton

Adopted Defeated

____ Ayes ____ Nays ____ Abstain ____ Absent

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