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MOTION TO INTRODUCE AND PASS AT FIRST READING: **ORDINANCE NO. 764** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCE NO. 722-2023, ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 27, 2023, BY THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, IN THE COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW JERSEY, TO AMEND CERTAIN CAPITAL PURCHASES PREVIOUSLY SPECIFIED THEREIN, AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE PURCHASE OF A BRUSH FIRE TRUCK FOR THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, ATLANTIC COUNTY, NEW **JERSEY Council Member** Aye Nay **Abstain Absent** Recuse GIOVINAZZI MOTION: ALVAREZ ADAMS SECOND: **BARSUGLIA** ANDALORO **RCV** DESTEFANO MOTION TO INTRODUCE AND PASS AT FIRST READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF BUENA, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, NEW **ORDINANCE NO. 765** JERSEY, APPROPRIATING CERTAIN UNEXPENDED PROCEEDS OF THE SALE OF PREVIOUSLY ISSUED NOTES TO FINANCE THE COST OF AN ADDITIONAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND TAKING RELATED ACTIONS Council Member Abstain Absent Recuse Nav Aye GIOVINAZZI **MOTION**: ALVAREZ ADAMS SECOND: **BARSUGLIA** ANDALORO **RCV DESTEFANO** Consent Agenda includes items of business which are not controversial and do not require individual discussion. A Motion

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

approving the Consent Agenda is moved, seconded and voted upon as one item by the Borough Council. If any discussion is requested on a Consent Agenda item, it is removed from the Consent Agenda to the Regular Agenda

- RESOLUTION 52-25 A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION OF THE APPROVAL OF ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC TO INCREASE RATES MORE THAN 17% IN JUNE AND A CALL ON THE NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TO REJECT THE PROPOSED ADDITIONAL RATE OF 8%
- RESOLUTION 53-25 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JASMINE STRICKLAND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN FROM BUENA EMS
- **RESOLUTION 54-25** A RESOLUTION APPROVING A 2025 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET
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- CLERK'S REPORT MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 10, 2025

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	FRANK DESTEFANO, MAYOR BARUFFI
FINANCE/TAX COLLECTOR/ASSESSOR	CHAIRMAN JORGE ALVAREZ,
	DOUGLAS ADAMS, MAYOR BARUFFI
PUBLIC SAFETY/STREET LIGHTS	CHAIRMAN DOUGLAS ADAMS
	JORGE ALVAREZ, MAYOR BARUFFI
RECREATION	CHAIRWOMAN MARINA BARSUGLIA,
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#### **RESOLUTION NO. 52-25**

# A RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION OF THE APPROVAL OF ATLANTIC CITY ELECTRIC TO INCREASE RATES MORE THAN 17% IN JUNE 2025 AND A CALL ON THE NEW JERSEY BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES TO REJECT THE PROPOSED ADDITIONAL RATE OF 8%

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJ BPU) approved rate increases for Atlantic City Electric, an Exelon Company, in June 2024 that averaged 4.6%;

**WHEREAS**, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJ BPU) announced on Wednesday, February 12, 2025 that residential electricity rates for Atlantic City Electric customers will again increase in June by more than 17%;

**WHEREAS**, Atlantic City Electric, an Exelon Company, has also requested a separate and additional 8% increase to pay for infrastructure upgrades, including investments in smart meters and reliability improvements that is expected to be heard by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJ BPU) in April 2025;

WHEREAS, the significant bill fluctuations and substantial increase in costs directly impacts the residents and businesses in the Borough of Buena; and

WHEREAS, the continuing rise in utility costs at rapid pace strains household budgets for families in the Borough of Bunea;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena emphasizes the importance of public opposition to these substantial increases in rates by Atlantic City Electric, an Exelon Company, and urges residents and businesses to file a complaint with the NJ BPU via an online complaint form or by calling (800) 624-0241 and to contact the Office of the Governor of New Jersey by calling (609) 292-6000; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this Resolution shall be sent to Governor Phil Murphy, Senator Vincent J. Polistina, Assemblywoman Claire Swift, Assemblyman Don Guardian, Atlantic County Executive Dennis Levinson, and the Atlantic County Board of Commissioners.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 53-25**

#### A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RESIGNATION OF JASMINE STRICKLAND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN FROM BUENA EMS

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Buena that the following resignation be regretfully accepted effective immediately:

Jasmine Strickland

## RESOLUTION NO. 54-25 BOROUGH OF BUENA 2025 EMERGENCY TEMPORARY BUDGET

WHEREAS, an emergent condition has arisen with respect to providing appropriation for expenditures and no adequate provision has been made in the 2025 temporary appropriations for the aforesaid purpose, and N.J.S. 40A:4-20 provides for the creation of an emergency temporary appropriation for the purpose above mentioned, and

**WHEREAS**, the total emergency temporary resolutions adopted in the year 2025 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 96, P.L. 1951 (N.J.S.40A:4-20) including this resolution total \$1,669,482.76.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S. 40A:4-20:

- 1. Emergency temporary appropriations be and the same are hereby made for the attached list of line items.
- 2. That said emergency temporary appropriations will be provided for in 2025 municipal budget as adopted.
- 3. That one certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of Local Government Services.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the following appropriations shall constitute the Borough of Buena 2025 Temporary Budget:

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General Gove	rnment:	
Mayo	r and Council	
	Other Expenses	1,000.00
Computer Op	erations	
	Other Expenses	6,000.00
Assessment of	Taxes	
	Other Expenses	1,200.00
	Tax Map	2,000.00
Engineering S	ervices & Costs	
Other Expenses		10,000.00
Unclassified:		
	Electric	16,000.00
	Heating Fuel/Gas Heat	9,000.00
	Street Lighting	25,000.00
Statutory Exp	enditures:	
	PERS	102,513.00

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