

7. Training

* 15. Does your staff need on-going or additional training/certification in the following proficiencies?

	Yes	No
Geographic Information Systems (GIS)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Floodplain management/NFIP regulations	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Building inspection/code administration	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please specify training type

8. Mitigation Goals and Projects

* 16. List three mitigation projects that your community wishes to undertake in the next one to five (1-5) years, and provide a brief explanation of each.

Mitigation Project #1 -
Name

Project #1 - Details

Mitigation Project #2 -
Name

Project #2 - Details

Mitigation Project #3 -
Name

Project #3 - Details



PROJECT NO: Q2501

PROJECT TITLE: Catch Basin Repair/Replacement

PROJECT STATUS: New Project

*Prior Authorized Balance includes 2024 carryover funding only.

FUNDING SUMMARY:

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total 5 Year
New Funding:	\$ 50,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,000
*Prior Authorized Balance:	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000
2025-2029 Funding:	\$ 150,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000

*Prior Authorized Balance:
2025-2029 Funding:

CAPITAL BUDGET - PROJECT DETAIL

DEPARTMENT:	PWWR
DIVISION:	Stormwater
FUND:	Stormwater
PROJECT LOCATION:	Various
PROJECT PRIORITY:	3 - Medium-High
The City would be taking a calculated risk in the deferral of this item	
COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLANNING VISION ELEMENT: Healthy & Active Community	

\$ 806.1(3) SUMMARY OF PROJECT DATA

First Year in Program:	2025
Est. Completion Date:	2026
Est. Useful Life (in years):	N/A
Est. Total Cost:	\$ 250,000
Est. Spend @ 12/31/2024 (if underway):	\$ -
% Complete (if underway):	0.0%
Balance to be funded ¹ :	\$ 250,000

¹ For ongoing projects, we must estimate total spent since inception through current year to derive the balance to be funded thereafter.

PROJECT COST BY CATEGORY

CLASSIFICATION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	AMOUNT
Labor:		\$ -
Materials:		\$ -
Other Contracts:	5595506.9720	\$ 250,000
TOTAL PROJECT COST		\$ 250,000

² Council is not required to authorize budget year funding for this portion, but this portion of the project will indeed represent a cash outflow in the budget year and/or "out years."

Charter § 806.1(2) DESCRIPTION & JUSTIFICATION:

Based on our in-house inspections, we have over 480 catch basins (where rain enters our storm sewer system) on our repair list, graded like a report card A through F with no E. There are currently 72 basins with a Grade D or F, in need of reconstruction. Most of these basins were constructed of individual bricks and mortar, which continue to deteriorate and fall out, requiring more repairs. This project would remove the existing brick basins and replace with a pre-cast or poured in place concrete basin. We expect that a contractor will be needed to perform this work until our crews are filled out and experienced enough to complete these replacements efficiently. This contract would be similar to our HC Ramp contract in scope and duration.

PROJECT FINANCING BY PLAN YEAR

\$ 806.1(3) SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Actual Funds Utilized as of 04/30/24	Estimated Expenditures 04/01/24 - 12/31/24	Estimated Authorized Balance ² 12/31/24	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	TOTAL 5 Year CIP
				\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
CURRENT RESOURCES	-	-	-	50,000	100,000	-	-	-	150,000
CAPITAL RESERVES	-	-	-	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000
EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GRANTS (SPECIFY)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BOND ISSUES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
STATE REVOLVING LOAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (SPECIFY)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER (SPECIFY)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150,000	\$ 100,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,000
\$ 806.1(4) ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST OF OPERATING / MAINTAINING PROJECT OR ASSET				2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	TOTAL
OPERATING IMPACT:				\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
INCREMENTAL COSTS (NET SAVINGS)				-	-	-	-	-	-

PROJECT NO: Q2201
 PROJECT TITLE: Outfall and City Owned SWM Facility
 Repair
 PROJECT STATUS: Reoccurring (with no end date)



FUNDING SUMMARY:

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total 5 Year
New Funding:	\$ 150,000	\$ 700,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,250,000
* Prior Authorized Balance:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2025-2029 Funding:	\$ 150,000	\$ 700,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,250,000

* Prior Authorized Balance includes 2024 carryover funding only.

CAPITAL BUDGET - PROJECT DETAIL

DEPARTMENT:	PWWR
DIVISION:	Stormwater
FUND:	Stormwater
PROJECT LOCATION:	Various
PROJECT PRIORITY:	2 - High Priority Level
Critical need to remediate failing service, prevent failure, or generate savings	
COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLANNING VISION ELEMENT:	
Sustainable Community	

\$ 806.1(3) SUMMARY OF PROJECT DATA

First Year in Program:	2022
Est. Completion Date:	Perpetual
Est. Useful Life (in years):	100
Est. Total Cost:	\$ 2,795,875
Est. Spend @ 12/31/2024 (if underway)*:	\$ 545,875
% Complete (if underway):	19.5%
Balance to be funded ¹ :	\$ 2,250,000

¹ For ongoing projects, we must estimate total spent since inception through current year to derive the balance to be funded thereafter.

PROJECT COST BY CATEGORY

CLASSIFICATION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	AMOUNT
Labor:		\$ -
Materials:		\$ -
Other Contracts:	5595506.9720	\$ 2,250,000
TOTAL PROJECT COST		\$ 2,250,000

² Council is not required to authorize budget year funding for this portion, but this portion of the project will indeed represent a cash outflow in the budget year and/or "out years."

Charter § 806.1(2) DESCRIPTION & JUSTIFICATION:

City-owned stormwater facilities and outfalls need rehabilitation per annual inspections. Most major repairs are outside of the scope of in-house crew and equipment capabilities. This funding can also be used to repair Home Owner Association-owned facilities prior to take over by the City for long term maintenance.

2025 Update:

Moss Court Outfall rehab complete. Similar outfalls that are not quite as dramatic need to be addressed. 2025 funding will cover the engineering design of at least 2 identified outfalls needing significant rehabilitation with 2026 funding to complete the repairs. 2027-2029 will design and construct in same year due and may incorporate multiple outlets due to the reduced scope of work.

PROJECT FINANCING BY PLAN YEAR

\$ 806.1(3) SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Actual Funds Utilized as of 04/30/24	Estimated Expenditures 04/01/24 - 12/31/24	Estimated Authorized Balance ² 12/31/24	PROJECT FINANCING BY PLAN YEAR					TOTAL 5 Year CIP
				2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	
CURRENT RESOURCES	-	-	\$ -	-	700,000	400,000	500,000	500,000	\$ 2,100,000
CAPITAL RESERVES	-	-	\$ -	150,000	-	-	-	-	\$ 150,000
EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT	-	-	\$ -	-	-	-	-	-	-
GRANTS (SPECIFY)	-	-	\$ -	-	-	-	-	-	-
BOND ISSUES	-	-	\$ -	-	-	-	-	-	-
STATE REVOLVING LOAN	-	-	\$ -	-	-	-	-	-	-
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (SPECIFY)	-	545,875	\$ 545,875	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER (SPECIFY)	-	-	\$ -	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL:	\$ -	\$ 545,875	\$ -	\$ 150,000	\$ 700,000	\$ 400,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 2,250,000
\$ 806.1(4) ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST OF OPERATING / MAINTAINING PROJECT OR ASSET				OPERATING IMPACT:					TOTAL
				INCREMENTAL COSTS (NET SAVINGS)					2029
									\$ -



PROJECT NO: Q1301

PROJECT TITLE: Storm Drainage Improvements

PROJECT STATUS: Reoccurring (with no end date)

*Prior Authorized Balance includes 2024 carryover funding only.

FUNDING SUMMARY:

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Total 5 Year
New Funding:	\$ -	\$ 550,000	\$ 605,000	\$ 665,500	\$ 732,050	\$ 2,552,550
*Prior Authorized Balance:	\$ 584,855	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 584,855
2025-2029 Funding:	\$ 584,855	\$ 550,000	\$ 605,000	\$ 665,500	\$ 732,050	\$ 3,137,405

CAPITAL BUDGET - PROJECT DETAIL

DEPARTMENT:	PWWR
DIVISION:	Stormwater
FUND:	Stormwater
PROJECT LOCATION:	Various
PROJECT PRIORITY:	1 - Highest Priority Level
COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT PLANNING VISION ELEMENT:	Project underway and must be completed
	Sustainable Community

\$ 806.1(3) SUMMARY OF PROJECT DATA

First Year in Program:	2013
Est. Completion Date:	Perpetual
Est. Useful Life (in years):	75+
Est. Total Cost:	\$ 3,137,405
Est. Spend @ 12/31/2024 (if underway):	\$ -
% Complete (if underway):	0.0%
Balance to be funded ¹ :	\$ 3,137,405

¹ For ongoing projects, we must estimate total spent since inception through current year to derive the balance to be funded thereafter.

PROJECT COST BY CATEGORY

CLASSIFICATION	ACCOUNT NUMBER	AMOUNT
Labor:		\$ -
Materials:	5595506.9720	\$ 3,137,405
Other Contracts:		\$ -
TOTAL PROJECT COST		\$ 3,137,405

² Council is not required to authorize budget year funding for this portion, but this portion of the project will indeed represent a cash outflow in the budget year and/or "out years."

Charter § 806.1(2) DESCRIPTION & JUSTIFICATION:

This project is an ongoing project to tackle stormwater and drainage problems throughout the City. An engineering consultant has completed a detailed CCTV Inspection and Priority Ranking in order to aid the decision making for the future replacement or rehabilitation of all of the known Corrugated Metal Pipe (CMP) in the City. The issues with the premature failure and deterioration of CMP has been well documented over the past several years and will be the focus of this Capital Project. The memorandum from JMT identifies approximately \$3,500,000 in lining and replacement of CMP. JMT has prepared a 14 year plan for the repairs and annual repair locations are presented as part of any Contract Recommendation brought to Council. Exhibits are attached for the anticipated work in 2023. Emergent and newly identified problems which may be priority over the CMP progress may arise over the term of this project and will be paid for under this project.

2025 Update:

Academy Street: Expect to have plans and specs for bidding in Fall 2024 and construction in early 2025. Will need to use reserves to complete this project and expect BA in late 2024 to award project. We expect to utilize significant reserves in 2025 to address long-standing drainage concerns along Swarthmore Drive and more recent CMP additions at Windsor Drive. The funding for this project was inadvertently moved to SRF funding in the 2024 budget. Funding should be moved back to Current Resources and values reverted to roughly \$500,000 per year with inflation added. Reserves exist in SW Utility fund due to the forethought of it's creators and partially due to the creators inability to complete the projects on time.

PROJECT FINANCING BY PLAN YEAR

	Actual Funds Utilized as of 04/30/24	Estimated Expenditures 04/01/24 - 12/31/24	Estimated Authorized Balance ² 12/31/24	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	TOTAL 5 Year CIP
§ 806.1(3) SOURCE OF FUNDS:	Prior Authorized ²								
CURRENT RESOURCES	-	-	-	-	550,000	605,000	665,500	732,050	\$ 2,552,550
CAPITAL RESERVES	-	-	\$ 84,855	584,855	-	-	-	-	\$ 584,855
EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GRANTS (SPECIFY)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BOND ISSUES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
STATE REVOLVING LOAN	-	-	\$ 500,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (SPECIFY)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER (SPECIFY)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 584,855	\$ 584,855	\$ 550,000	\$ 605,000	\$ 665,500	\$ 732,050	\$ 3,137,405
§ 806.1(4) ESTIMATED ANNUAL COST OF OPERATING / MAINTAINING PROJECT OR ASSET		OPERATING IMPACT:		2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	TOTAL
		INCREMENTAL COSTS (NET SAVINGS)		-	-	-	-	-	-

1. Municipality Information

1. Municipality Information

Municipality Name

Point of Contact

Title

Email Address

Phone Number

2. Please provide information on buildings in the floodplain within your municipality.

Total buildings in floodplain

Total flood insurance policies

Total Repetitive Loss (RL) Properties

Total Severe Repetitive Loss (SRL) Properties

2. Critical Facilities

* 3. Do any critical facilities (police station, fire stations, hospitals, schools, etc.) fall within flood hazard areas?

Yes

No

4. Please indicate the name of each facility and location.

Facility #1 Name and
Location

Facility #2 Name and
Location

Facility #3 Name and
Location

Facility #4 Name and
Location

Facility #5 Name and
Location

* 5. How many critical facilities have been damaged in the past five years from natural hazards?

0

2

1

3 or more

6. Please indicate details of each facility damaged.

Facility #1 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description

Facility #2 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description

Facility #3 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description

Facility #4 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description

Facility #5 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description



3. Existing Plans and Ordinances

* 7. Do any of your plans and ordinances contain the following policies? (Check all that apply)

- Freeboard requirement?
- A requirement that critical facilities be protected from higher flood levels?
- A policy preventing new development or substantial improvements to structures in floodplains?
- A policy encouraging cluster development near floodplains, wetlands?
- A regulation prohibiting fill in the floodplain?

Please Indicate Name and Year of each Plan/Ordinance

8. Are there any other policies that mitigate/reduce risk? (If yes, please include plan/ordinance name and year)

our zoning ordinance addresses development in a flood zone.

* 9. Are any restrictions on floodplain use enforced through the municipality's subdivision and building permit process? (If yes, please explain)

our zoning ordinance addresses development in a flood zone.

* 10. Do all proposed developments require plans to go through the Municipality's subdivision approval process or to acquire a building permit for new structures? (If yes, please explain)

there is no "development" here - no open land to develop. we are waiting for redevelopment. all new structures would require a building permit.

4. Emergency Services

* 11. What types of emergency response services does your municipality have in place? (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Municipal Police Force | <input type="checkbox"/> Paid Emergency Medical Services (EMS) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Police Force | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer ALS/BLS (Ambulance Service) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Fire Department * | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Emergency Management Coordinator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paid Fire Department | <input type="checkbox"/> Specialized Response Teams (Dive Team, USAR, High-Angle Rescue, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) | |

* The volunteer fire company is not under the town's purview although located in town.

5. Mitigation Projects

* 12. Has your municipality completed any mitigation projects in the past five years?

Yes

No

* 13. Please indicate the type of projects undertaken in the past five years. (Check all that apply)

Buy-outs (acquisition and relocation)

Post disaster recovery (clearing streets, debris removal)

Elevation of structures

Critical Facilities Protection (power stations, water/sewer

Floodproofing

facilities, police, fire, EMS, hospitals)

Berms/floodwalls

Wetlands protection

Levees

Erosion and sedimentation control

Retrofit projects for critical facility structures

Outreach projects (newsletters, brochures)

Retention/detention basins

Environmental education programs

Hazard warning (sirens, reverse 911)

Promotion of flood insurance sales

Hazard response (EOC activation, evacuation orders)

Please provide project type, location, and year completed for each checked project

--

6. Staffing

* 14. Do you currently have the following staffing?

	Yes	No	Responsibilities Covered by Other Staff
Floodplain Administrator	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<u>Building</u> <u>Official/Inspector</u>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Site Plan Reviewer	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <i>the building inspector does this</i>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Surveyor	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GIS Specialist	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

7. Training

* 15. Does your staff need on-going or additional training/certification in the following proficiencies?

	Yes	No
Geographic Information Systems (GIS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Floodplain management/NFIP regulations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Building inspection/code administration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please specify training type

We never had GIS training, but I can navigate the county's website/gis system okay.

8. Mitigation Goals and Projects

* 16. List three mitigation projects that your community wishes to undertake in the next one to five (1-5) years, and provide a brief explanation of each.

Mitigation Project #1 - Name	<input type="text"/>
Project #1 - Details	<input type="text"/>
Mitigation Project #2 - Name	<input type="text"/>
Project #2 - Details	<input type="text"/>
Mitigation Project #3 - Name	<input type="text"/>
Project #3 - Details	<input type="text"/>

We have not identified any mitigation projects because our budget rarely allows for it.



HAZARD AREA IDENTIFICATION

Municipality: *Newport*
Contact Name: *Wendy King*
Contact Email: *wendyking99@yahoo.com*
Contact Phone Number: *302-994-6403*

Please identify problem/hazard areas within the municipality along with a brief description of the hazard and any past occurrences.

Hazard Areas:

Hazard Area #1: *Walnut / Christian streets*

Location (ex. - address, cross streets, or road segments.):

Hazard type (ex. - flood area): *flooding*

Hazard Description (ex. - no stormwater pipes along roadway, rainwater washes out roads):

poor drainage. Ices in the winter, floods when rainy. washes away asphalt.

Notes:

There is only one catchbasin at the end of Walnut Street so Walnut carries runoff from Highland down to the catchbasin @ Justice

Hazard Area #2:

Location (ex. - address, cross streets, or road segments):

Hazard type (ex. - flood, pipeline, land subsidence):

Hazard Description:

Notes:

Hazard Area #3:

Location (ex. - address, cross streets, or road segments):

Hazard type (ex. - flood, pipeline, land subsidence):

Hazard Description:

Notes:

New Castle County – Floodplain Coordinator Questionnaire (NFIP Questionnaire)

Flood Identification and Mapping	County	Municipalities
Does the County/Municipality make the Flood Insurance Rate Map and Flood Insurance Studies available to the public? Where are these documents housed within the County?		<i>We are not members.</i>
Will the recently developed Digital Flood Insurance Rate Maps be made available to the public as well? How?		
Are Letters of Map Revisions (LOMRs) reviewed and signed by County/Municipality officials?		
If during the subdivision review process a new development determines a reduction in the floodplain delineation of the FIRM floodplain, is the developer required to submit a LOMR submission to FEMA?		
Does the County/Municipality provide advice to community residents regarding elevation certificates and Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA) applications?		
Does the County/Municipality maintain records of approved letters of map change?		
Does the County/Municipality assist residents in interpreting the FIRM and County flood studies to determine the property's status in the floodplain? If yes, which department?		
Floodplain Management		
Are any restrictions on floodplain use enforced through the subdivision and building permit process?		
Do all proposed developments require plans to go through the County/Municipality subdivision approval process or to acquire a building permit for new structures?		
Are all new structures required to be at least 1.5 feet above the 100-year base flood elevation?		
Flood Insurance		
Is the County/Municipality committed to educating residents about the value and availability of flood insurance?		
Is an annual letter sent to residents in the floodplain explaining the importance of flood insurance and where it may be obtained?		
Does the County/Municipality assist residents in interpreting the FIRM and County flood studies to determine the resident's property's flood plain status, and offer advice regarding elevation certificates and LOMA applications?		
When was the last Community Assistance Visit conducted and, as of that date, was the County found to meet the requirements for continued participation in the NFIP?		

Municipal Mitigation Actions (By Hazard)

Please fill out the table below. A sample action update has been completed in orange.

New Castle County Municipal Hazard Mitigation Actions					
Municipality	Hazard Mitigated	Mitigation Action	Lead Agency	Status (In Progress, On-going, Not Applicable, Completed, Cancelled)	Notes
	Flood	Sample Action	Municipal Utilities (MUG)	On-going	Backflow prevention devices are being installed throughout the township. Four or seven have been installed. Schedule completion by fall 2019.
	Flooding	Initiate wetlands protective measures along the Christina River.			
	Flooding	Work with the County to conduct a detailed flood vulnerability study for the entire Town.	Town / NCC DLU		I don't believe this has started but I am interested in this
	Flooding	Study and recommend solutions to alleviate the periodic flooding threat on the Christina River at Interstate 95/US 14/202.			
	Flooding	Install catch basins throughout Town.	Town Admin		This had not begun because our budget was not allowed. Still interested
Newport	Flood	Install two (2) new sewer pump stations in the Industrial Park	Town		Motors were replaced in 2021.

1. Municipality Information

1. Municipality Information

Municipality Name

Town of Odessa

Point of Contact

Amy Marie Ottinger

Title

Town Secretary

Email Address

townofodessa@gmail.com

Phone Number

302-378-2510

2. Please provide information on buildings in the floodplain within your municipality.

Total buildings in floodplain

Total flood insurance
policies

Total Repetitive Loss (RL)
Properties

Total Severe Repetitive
Loss (SRL) Properties

2. Critical Facilities

* 3. Do any critical facilities (police station, fire stations, hospitals, schools, etc.) fall within flood hazard areas?

Yes

No

4. Please indicate the name of each facility and location.

Facility #1 Name and
Location

Facility #2 Name and
Location

Facility #3 Name and
Location

Facility #4 Name and
Location

Facility #5 Name and
Location

* 5. How many critical facilities have been damaged in the past five years from natural hazards?

0

2

1

3 or more

6. Please indicate details of each facility damaged.

Facility #1 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description

Facility #2 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description

Facility #3 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description

Facility #4 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description

Facility #5 - Name, Hazard

Event, Damage

Description

3. Existing Plans and Ordinances

* 7. Do any of your plans and ordinances contain the following policies? (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Freeboard requirement? | <input type="checkbox"/> A requirement that critical facilities be protected from higher flood levels? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A policy preventing new development or substantial improvements to structures in floodplains? | <input type="checkbox"/> A policy encouraging cluster development near floodplains, wetlands? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A regulation prohibiting fill in the floodplain? | |

Please Indicate Name and Year of each Plan/Ordinance

8. Are there any other policies that mitigate/reduce risk? (If yes, please include plan/ordinance name and year)

* 9. Are any restrictions on floodplain use enforced through the municipality's subdivision and building permit process? (If yes, please explain)

* 10. Do all proposed developments require plans to go through the Municipality's subdivision approval process or to acquire a building permit for new structures? (If yes, please explain)

YES



4. Emergency Services

* 11. What types of emergency response services does your municipality have in place? (Check all that apply)

- Municipal Police Force
- County Police Force
- Volunteer Fire Department
- Paid Fire Department
- Other (please specify)
- Paid Emergency Medical Services (EMS)
- Volunteer ALS/BLS (Ambulance Service)
- Local Emergency Management Coordinator
- Specialized Response Teams (Dive Team, USAR, High-Angle Rescue, etc.) *Through Fire Company*

5. Mitigation Projects

* 12. Has your municipality completed any mitigation projects in the past five years?

Yes

No

* 13. Please indicate the type of projects undertaken in the past five years. (Check all that apply)

Buy-outs (acquisition and relocation)

Post disaster recovery (clearing streets, debris removal)

Elevation of structures

Critical Facilities Protection (power stations, water/sewer

Floodproofing

facilities, police, fire, EMS, hospitals)

Berms/floodwalls

Wetlands protection

Levees

Erosion and sedimentation control

Retrofit projects for critical facility structures

Outreach projects (newsletters, brochures)

Retention/detention basins

Environmental education programs

Hazard warning (sirens, reverse 911)

Promotion of flood insurance sales

Hazard response (EOC activation, evacuation orders)

Please provide project type, location, and year completed for each checked project



6. Staffing

* 14. Do you currently have the following staffing?

	Yes	No	Responsibilities Covered by Other Staff
Floodplain Administrator	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Building Official/Inspector <i>Outside Agency</i>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Site Plan Reviewer <i>Outside Agency</i>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Surveyor	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
GIS Specialist	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

7. Training

* 15. Does your staff need on-going or additional training/certification in the following proficiencies?

	Yes	No
Geographic Information Systems (GIS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Floodplain management/NFIP regulations	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Building inspection/code administration	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Please specify training type

8. Mitigation Goals and Projects

* 16. List three mitigation projects that your community wishes to undertake in the next one to five (1-5) years, and provide a brief explanation of each.

Mitigation Project #1 -
Name

Project #1 - Details

Mitigation Project #2 -
Name

Project #2 - Details

Mitigation Project #3 -
Name

Project #3 - Details

Resolution 2026-25

A Resolution regarding Public Services Vehicles for FY 2026

WHEREAS, the City currently has two Chevy Bolt electric vehicles utilized for the Public Services Building Department; and

WHEREAS; during the budget planning process for Fiscal Year 2026, the City allocated \$14,000 to pay off two Public Works vehicles or begin new leases to replace the existing vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the two Chevy Bolts are no longer under warranty, but have an expiring lease. The City has worked with our fleet management company; Enterprise to determine what next steps would be for these vehicles and have determined that securing a new vehicle under a new lease would be more cost effective than buying out the existing vehicles in the long run and provide the City with two new vehicles which will be under a warranty; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council wishes to clarify that the City Administrator should proceed with two new vehicle lease to replace the two existing Chevy bolts for the Public Services Building Department.

PASSED this 14th day of April, 2026.

Suzanne Souder, City Council President

Joseph F. Day, III, Councilperson

Nermin Zubaca, Councilperson

Andrew Zeltt, Councilperson

Brian Mattaway, Councilperson

Attest:

Courtaney Taylor, City Clerk

Resolution 2026-26

A Resolution to Support the Nomination of a Census Tract to be designated as a Federal Opportunity Zone 2.0

WHEREAS, the Delaware Division of Small Business in partnership with Delaware Governor Matt Meyer, launched an online form allowing investors, economic development professionals, and governmental officials to nominate Census Tracts for consideration in the Federal Opportunity Zone 2.0 program with a deadline of Friday, May 15, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Opportunity Zone 2.0 commences on January 1st, 2027, and expires on December 31st, 2036. Applicable program guidelines and benefits are managed at the Federal Government Level with residents, businesses, and investors; and

WHEREAS, Opportunity Zones are census tracts that serve as an economic development tool to encourage investment in economically distressed communities with long term investments made to job creation, infrastructure, residential real estate, redevelopment, business and industrial development and contribute to overall community and economic health; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Castle residents would greatly benefit from this vitalization program that will help create positive generational impact; and

WHEREAS the City of New Castle will complete the online Nomination Form for Census Tract 10003015802(New Castle County, Non- Rural).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of New Castle hereby resolves that the City Council supports the application for Opportunity Zone 2.0 as described above and supports the City Administrator in the application process.

PASSED this 14th day of April 2026

Suzanne Souder, City Council President

Nermin Zubaca, Councilperson

Joseph F. Day, III, Councilperson

Brian Mattaway, Councilperson

Andrew H. Zeltt, Councilperson

Attest:

Courtaney Taylor, City Clerk



DSB Launches Online Form to Nominate New Opportunity Zone Census Tracts

Featured Posts (<https://news.delaware.gov/category/featured-posts/>) | Small Business (<https://news.delaware.gov/category/state/small-business/>) | Date Posted: Wednesday, March 4, 2026



Dover, Del. – Today the Delaware Division of Small Business in partnership with Delaware Governor Matt Meyer, launched an online form allowing investors, economic development professionals and government officials to nominate Census Tracts for the Opportunity Zone 2.0 program.

Opportunity Zones (OZ) are census tracts that serve as an economic development tool to encourage private sector investment in economically distressed communities. These OZ census tracts offer significant tax benefits to investors who are willing to make long-term investments that result in substantial improvements within the OZ.

DSB will hold a webinar on **Monday March 9th, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** The webinar will provide more details about what it and the Governor’s office are looking for in nominations of potential census tracts. Register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wiQm9Zm3Qlu-OJrKEZF6Gw (https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_wiQm9Zm3Qlu-OJrKEZF6Gw).

“Opportunity Zones are a powerful tool for attracting investment and growing Delaware’s economy,” said **Governor Matt Meyer**. “But we need your help to decide which eligible census tracts are most likely to attract investment and grow our communities.”

“The process of selecting the next round of Opportunity Zones is vital to Delaware’s economic development efforts,” said **DSB Director of Special Projects Patricia Cannon**. “The census tracts that are nominated should have investible assets that can be attractive to investors and have long-term positive impacts on the designated underserved communities.”

Changes at the federal level in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act make the OZ program permanent and now require the OZ program to be updated every 10 years. Governors submit nominations of eligible tracts from a list provided by US Treasury. The next round of designations will begin July 1, 2026. Governor Meyer will have until September 30, to nominate 25 census tracts from that list.

In preparation DSB and the Governor's office encourage community leaders, developers, financial institutions, property owners, officials, and potential investors to help identify parcels of land and projects that could be important to consider as assets to attract investment from Qualified Opportunity Zone Fund investors. The nomination form can be found at de.gov/OppZoneForm (<https://degovforms.formstack.com/forms/opportunityzonenomination>).

Once approved by US Treasury, the newly designated OZ will go into effect Jan. 1, 2027.

###

The Delaware Division of Small Business is a service-focused state agency, within the Delaware Department of State, that is committed to helping businesses start and grow in Delaware. Our Regional Business Managers can help you navigate government processes, connect with partner organizations that offer resources to small businesses and identify opportunities to access capital. DSB also oversees the Delaware Tourism Office and the Office of Supplier Diversity

Media Contact

Patty Cannon

Division of Small Business

C: (302) 943-0000

patricia.cannon@delaware.gov



Print (<https://news.delaware.gov/2026/03/04/dsb-launches-online-form-to-nominate-new-opportunity-zone-census-tracts/?print=print>)



Keep up to date by receiving a daily digest email, around noon, of current news release posts from state agencies on news.delaware.gov.

Here you can subscribe (</subscribe/>) to future news updates.

Delaware's Government

- Delaware's Governor (<https://governor.delaware.gov/>)
State Agencies (https://delaware.gov/topics/agencylist_alpha)
Elected Officials (<https://delaware.gov/topics/yourgovernment>)
General Assembly (<https://legis.delaware.gov/>)
Delaware Courts (<https://courts.delaware.gov/>)
State Employees (<https://dhr.delaware.gov/personnel/employee-resources.shtml>)
Cities & Towns (<https://delaware.gov/topics/municipalities>)
Delaware State Code (<http://delcode.delaware.gov/>)
State Regulations (<http://regulations.delaware.gov/>)
Business First Steps (<https://firststeps.delaware.gov/>)
- Phone Directory (<https://phonedirectory.delaware.gov/>)
Locations Directory (<https://delaware.gov/locationsdirectory/>)
Public Meetings (<https://publicmeetings.delaware.gov/>)
Voting & Elections (<https://elections.delaware.gov/>)
Transparency (<https://delaware.gov/topics/transparency>)
Delaware Marketplace (<https://www.choosehealthde.com/Health-Insurance>)
Tax Center (<https://delaware.gov/topics/TaxCenter>)
Personal Income Tax (https://revenue.delaware.gov/pit_onlinefiling.shtml)
Privacy Policy (<https://delaware.gov/help/privacy>)
Weather & Travel (<https://delaware.gov/topics/weatherpage>)
- Contact Us (<https://delaware.gov/help/degov-contact.shtml>)
Corporations (<https://corp.delaware.gov/>)
Franchise Tax (<https://corp.delaware.gov/paytaxes.shtml>)
Gross Receipts Tax (<https://grossreceiptstax.delaware.gov/grtpublic/>)
Withholding Tax (<https://dorweb.revenue.delaware.gov/EDIOOnline/EDIOOnline.dll>)
Delaware Topics (<https://delaware.gov/topics/>)
Help Center (<https://delaware.gov/help/>)
Mobile Apps (<https://delaware.gov/topics/apps>)
E-mail / Text Alerts (<https://delaware.gov/topics/subscribeemail>)
Social Media (<https://delaware.gov/topics/socialmedia>)



(<https://www.facebook.com/delaware.gov>)



(https://twitter.com/delaware_gov/)



(http://www.flickr.com/groups/delaware_gov/)



(<https://www.youtube.com/user/DelawareGovernment>)

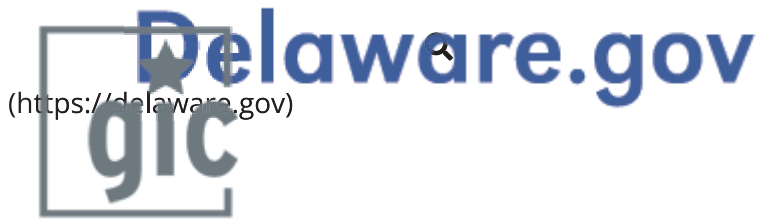


(https://www.instagram.com/delaware_gov/)

Make Text Size Smaler—

Reset Text Size**A**

Make Text Size Bigger+



(<https://delaware.gov>)

Built by the Government Information Center (<https://gic.delaware.gov>)

©MMXXVI Delaware.gov (<https://delaware.gov>)

Delaware.gov

(<https://delaware.gov>)

Delaware.gov




(<https://delaware.gov>)

Census Tracts Eligible for Opportunity Zone N...

Filter by rur...

All tracts

OZ Eligibility

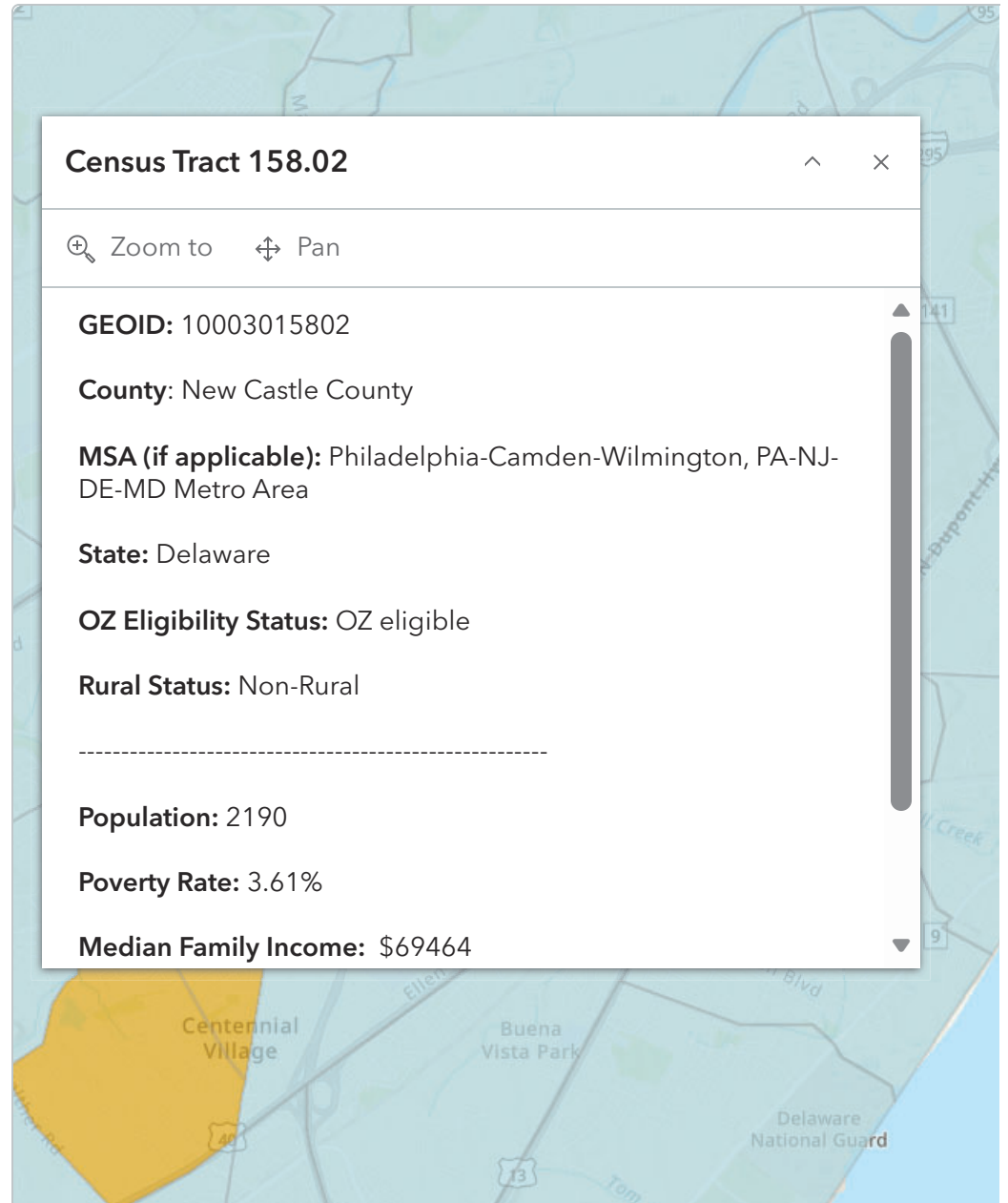
-  OZ eligible
-  OZ ineligible
-  insufficient information

MAP INFORMATION

The budget reconciliation act of 2025 permanently extends the Opportunity Zone tax incentive and calls for a new round of census tracts to be designated as qualifying Opportunity Zones in July 2026. This map depicts which census tracts will be eligible for nomination by governors and subsequent designation based on the criteria laid out in the legislation and according to the latest available data (currently the 2020-2024 American Community Survey 5 Year

Download Data:

Download KML
Download SHP



Resolution 2026-27

A Resolution to Amend the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget for The City of New Castle, Delaware, for the Twelve (12) Months Beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026, Appropriating Money for Each Item of Expenditure Therin Provided for; and for Other Purposes

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 18 (Budget) of the City of New Castle Charter, the City Council reviewed and approved the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 budget at the June 26th, 2025 City Council Special Meeting; and

WHEREAS, City Council has deemed necessary that a revision be made to increase the reallocate the expenditures of the FY 2026 budget from Salaries- Public Safety PSAF to Uniforms/ Maintenance- PSAF and Prof Development and Travel to account for officers who have retired and to hire and send two new officers to the Academy; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Castle City Council wishes to determine if impact fees could be imposed on new development in order to increase revenues for capital expenditures which will increase with new development; and

WHEREAS, the City of New Castle has reached out to a company called Tischler Bise to obtain a quote to conduct a study to determine if impact fees could be established for the City of New Castle; and

WHEREAS, the reallocation of expenses does not impact the bottom line of the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of New Castle City that:

Section 1. This resolution shall amend the FY 2025 budget for the City of New Castle for the twelve (12) month period beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025. The attached budget is amended for the following items within the General Budget:

1. Reducing Public Safety Salaries expenses in the amount of \$10,000.
2. Increasing Public Safety Prof Development and Travel – PSAF expenses in the amount of \$3,000.
3. Increasing Public Safety Uniforms/Maintenance – PSAF expenses in the amount of \$7,000.
4. Reducing Salaries Bldg Code Enforcement – PSERV expenses in the amount of \$30,270.
5. Reducing Temporary Labor/Consultant- HR expenses in the amount of \$7,000.
6. Reducing Computer, Hardware & IT Services - ADMIN expenses in the amount of \$8,000.
7. Reducing Sea Level Rise Task Force expenses in the amount of \$5,000

8. Reducing Sea Level Rise Task Force expenses in the amount of \$3,000
9. Increasing Special Projects and Grants- Admin expenses in the amount of \$50,270 to account for a study by Tishcler Bise for Impact Fees

Section 2. The respective funds for each item of expenditure proposed in the budget for Fiscal Year 2026 are hereby approved and adopted for the operation of the City of New Castle by the City Council on this date and constitute an appropriation of funds which are lawfully applicable to the items contained within the budget. This budget may be altered or revised by action of City Council and unpledged funds may be subsequently appropriated to another purpose except as prohibited by law.

Section 3. The City Council hereby amends the FY 2026 Budget as approved and recommended by the City Administrator and Finance Office of the City of New Castle. This resolution is effective on this 14th day of April 2026, for Fiscal Year 2026, upon its enactment by the Council of the City of New Castle.

PASSED this 14th day of April, 2026.

Suzanne Souder, City Council President

Joseph F. Day, III, Councilperson

Nermin Zubaca, Councilperson

Andrew Zeltt, Councilperson

Brian Mattaway, Councilperson

Attest:

Courtaney Taylor, City Clerk

CITY OF NEW CASTLE
FISCAL YEAR 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET- GRANT FUND REVENUES

Account Number	Revenue Account Description	FY2026 Revenues
10-0000-420-0001	Property Tax Current Year	4,645,765.00
10-0000-420-0002	Tax Penalties	25,000.00
10-0000-420-0003	Property Tax Transfers	450,000.00
10-0000-420-0004	Delinquent Tax Collection	20,500.00
10-0000-430-0001	Business Licenses	135,000.00
10-0000-430-0002	Rental	51,000.00
10-0000-430-0003	Building/HAC Applications	205,000.00
10-0000-430-0004	Bldg Dept Penalties	1,000.00
10-0000-430-0005	Vacant Bldg Registration Fees	5,000.00
10-0000-430-0006	Code Violation Penalties	25,000.00
10-0000-430-0007	Code Enforcement Cost Reimbursements	2,000.00
10-0000-430-0008	Special Trash	9,000.00
10-0000-440-0001	State Courts	30,000.00
10-0000-440-0002	Towing/Storage Fees	15,000.00
10-0000-450-0003	Impact Fees-Riverbend	40,000.00
10-0000-450-0004	Accident Reports	5,000.00
10-0000-450-0005	Engineering/Planning Dev Reimbursement	5,000.00
10-0000-450-0006	Zoning/BOA Hearings	4,000.00
10-0000-455-0001	Franchise Fees	80,000.00
10-0000-470-0001	CCATT, Verizon	110,000.00
10-0000-470-0004	Trustees Appropriations	225,000.00
10-0000-470-0005	MSC Appropriation	808,218.00
10-0000-470-0007	Rivertown Ride and Festival	0.00
10-0000-480-0001	Interest Other	150,000.00
10-0000-480-0002	Insurance Reimbursement	0.00
10-0000-480-0003	Misc Income Gen Fund	2,000.00
10-0000-480-0004	Proceeds - Sale of Assets	1,500.00
10-0000-511-0001	Loan Proceeds	0.00
10-0000-511-0005	Restricted Fund Balance Carry Forward	385,163.00
10-0000-511-0006	Unreserved Fund Balance Carry Forward	0.00
10-0000-524-0000	Police Pension Supplement	70,000.00
10-0000-526-0000	Pay Job Reimbursement	93,500.00
GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES:		7,598,646.00

CITY OF NEW CASTLE
FISCAL YEAR 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET- GRANT FUND REVENUES

Account Number	Account Description	Adopted Budget	FY2026 Amendments
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>			
10-0101-001-6001	Salaries - PSAF	1,438,559.00	1,428,559.00
10-0101-001-6002	Salaries Supervision - PSAF	359,241.00	
10-0101-001-6003	Shift Differential - PSAF	0.00	
10-0101-001-6004	Salaries Civilian - PSAF	58,174.00	
10-0101-001-6005	Overtime/Contract Holiday - PSAF	165,000.00	
10-0101-001-6008	Vacation/Sick Sellback - PSAF	30,000.00	
10-0101-001-6010	FICA Expense - PSAF	156,900.00	
10-0101-001-6015	Health/Life/Dental Expense - PSAF	430,404.00	
10-0101-001-6020	Pension Plan - PSAF	276,454.00	
10-0101-001-6105	Prof Development & Travel - PSAF	5,000.00	8,000.00
10-0101-001-6110	Books/Publications/Dues/Tolls - PSAF	1,500.00	
10-0101-001-6120	Computer - PSAF	3,000.00	
10-0101-001-6155	Maintenance Contracts - PSAF	21,000.00	
10-0101-001-6170	Office Supplies/Equipment - PSAF	5,500.00	
10-0101-001-6180	Postage - PSAF	500.00	
10-0101-001-6195	Phone Service - PSAF	12,520.00	
10-0101-001-7066	Security Cameras/Citywide - PSAF	4,170.00	
10-0101-001-7080	Body Cameras - PSAF	13,400.00	
10-0101-001-7120	Administrative Expense - PSAF	500.00	
10-0101-001-7200	Uniforms/Maintenance - PSAF	9,510.00	16,510.00
10-0101-001-8020	Medical Testing - PSAF	3,000.00	
10-0101-001-8030	Janitorial Services - PSAF	7,382.00	
10-0101-001-8050	Bldg Repairs/Maint - PSAF	8,000.00	
10-0101-001-8060	Preventative/Termite/Pest Control - PSAF	400.00	
10-0101-001-8070	Building Heat/Electric - PSAF	22,000.00	
10-0101-001-8085	Special Events Supplies - PSAF	0.00	
10-0101-001-8095	SEO Pay Job Overtime - PSAF	80,000.00	
10-0101-001-8098	Investigative/Evidence Testing - PSAF	5,000.00	
10-0101-002-7005	Range Supplies - PSAF	10,000.00	
10-0101-002-7125	Motor Fuel - PSAF	45,000.00	
10-0101-002-7150	Radar/Radio repair - PSAF	2,000.00	
10-0101-002-7220	Vehicle Parts/Repair - PSAF	20,000.00	
10-0107-001-6198	Debt Service / Vehicles - PSAF	101,995.00	
10-0107-001-7350	Leased Color Copier - PSAF	3,990.00	
10-0107-004-7355	Capital Outlays/Equip & Vehicles - PSAFE	24,436.00	
Public Safety Total =		3,324,535.00	3,324,535.00

Account Number	Expenses Account Description	FY2026 Expenses	FY2026 Amendments
<u>PUBLIC SERVICES</u>			
10-0200-001-6001	Salaries Supervision - PSERV	154,800.00	
10-0200-001-6003	Salaries Bldg Code Enforcement - PSERV	112,818.00	82,548.00
10-0200-001-6005	Overtime - PSERV	22,000.00	
10-0200-001-6006	Salaries - PSERV	485,254.00	
10-0200-001-6008	Vacation & Sick Sellback - PSERV	10,000.00	
10-0200-001-6010	FICA - PSERV	58,745.00	
10-0200-001-6015	Health/Life/Dental Expense - PSERV	256,401.00	
10-0200-001-6020	Pension Plan - PSERV	41,538.00	
10-0200-001-6105	Professional Dev & Travel - PSERV	10,000.00	
10-0200-001-6110	Book/Reference Materials - PSERV	0.00	
10-0200-001-6120	Computer & Software Expense - PSERV	4,500.00	
10-0200-001-6170	Office Supplies/Equip/Printing - PSERV	4,000.00	

CITY OF NEW CASTLE
FISCAL YEAR 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET- GRANT FUND REVENUES

10-0200-001-6175	Operating Supplies - PSERV	8,500.00	
10-0200-001-6180	Postage - PSERV	1,600.00	
10-0200-001-6195	Phone Service - PSERV	7,331.00	
10-0200-001-7075	Reimbursable Private Prop. Maint. - CODE	2,000.00	
10-0200-001-7120	Administrative Expense- PSERV	500.00	
10-0200-001-8020	Medical Testing - PSERV	3,000.00	
10-0200-001-8030	Janitorial Services - PSERV	2,217.00	
10-0200-001-8040	Temporary Labor	500.00	
10-0200-001-8050	Bldg Repairs/Sec Maint - PSERV	12,000.00	
10-0200-001-8060	Preventative/Termite/Pest Control	550.00	
10-0200-001-8070	Bldg Heat/Electric/Street lights - PSERV	48,000.00	
10-0200-003-7085	Fuel & Lubricants - PSERV	40,000.00	
10-0200-003-7105	Landfill Fees/Recycle - PSERV	145,000.00	
10-0200-003-7106	Yard Waste - PSERV	18,500.00	
10-0200-003-7155	Safety Equipment/Signs/Markings - PSERV	5,150.00	
10-0200-003-7170	Small Tools/Equip Repairs/Maint. - PSERV	4,000.00	
10-0200-003-7171	Radio Repairs - PSERV	250.00	
10-0200-003-7195	Truck/Vehicle Repair/Maint. - PSERV	55,000.00	
10-0200-003-7200	Uniforms/Maintenance - PSERV	10,000.00	
10-0200-003-8095	Special Event Overtime - PSERV	3,500.00	
10-0200-003-8105	Street Materials - PSERV	8,000.00	
10-0200-004-8120	Street Repairs - PSERV	1,000.00	
10-0203-003-8080	Sand & Abrasives/ Snow & Ice Control	8,000.00	
10-0203-003-8090	Outside Contractors / Snow & Ice Control	1,000.00	
Account Number	Expense Account Description	FY2026 Expenses	FY2026 Amendments
<u>PW PARKS & PUBLIC PROPERTY</u>			
10-0204-003-7060	Equipment - PARKS	107,261.00	
10-0204-003-7061	Pruning/Planting Trees - ROW/PARKS	40,000.00	
10-0204-003-7100	Playground Maintenance/Wood Carpet-PARKS	42,875.00	
10-0204-003-7430	Contract Maintenance - City Prop/PARKS	115,000.00	
10-0204-003-7432	Dog Park - PARKS	25,000.00	
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY - PSERV</u>			
10-0205-004-7355	Capital Outlays/Equip & Vehicles - PSERV	15,000.00	
10-0205-004-7446	Handicap Curb Ramps	25,000.00	
10-0205-004-7533	Debt Service / Vehicle lease - PSERV	105,684.00	
10-0205-004-7534	Debt Service / Road Repair -GO Bond 2018	225,000.00	
10-0205-004-7536	Storm Drainage/MS4 - PSERV	130,000.00	
10-0205-004-7540	Capital Improvement/Road Repairs - PSERV	54,700.00	
Public Services Total =		2,431,174.00	2,400,904.00
<u>MAYOR AND COUNCIL</u>			
10-0301-001-6001	Salaries - M&C	20,100.00	
10-0301-001-6010	FICA Expense - M&C	1,540.00	
10-0301-001-6101	Advertising - M&C	15,500.00	
10-0301-001-6105	Prof Development - M&C	600.00	
10-0301-001-6106	Association Dues - M&C	4,200.00	
10-0301-001-6550	Economic Dev Activities - M&C	15,000.00	
10-0301-001-6560	Sea Level Rise Task Force	40,000.00	32,000.00
10-0301-001-7024	General Code Updates - M&C	4,000.00	
10-0301-001-7040	Contributions - M&C	98,500.00	
10-0301-001-7055	Meeting Security/Rental Fees - M&C	7,000.00	
10-0301-001-7065	Equipment Purchases - M&C	1,000.00	
10-0301-003-6185	Election Expenses - M&C	0.00	

CITY OF NEW CASTLE
FISCAL YEAR 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET- GRANT FUND REVENUES

10-0301-003-6190	Rivertowns Ride & Festival - M&C	0.00	
10-0301-003-7010	Annual Calendar/Monthly Newsletter - M&C	4,500.00	
10-0301-003-7011	Transcription Services - M&C	16,444.00	
10-0301-003-7042	Fees to Good Will Riverbend - M&C	6,000.00	
Mayor & Council Total =		234,384.00	226,384.00

CITY CLERK / CITY TREASURER

10-0302-001-6001	Salaries - CLERK/TREAS	2,260.00	
10-0302-001-6010	FICA Expense - CLERK/TREAS	160.00	
City Clerk/City Treasurer Total =		2,420.00	2,420.00

FINANCE

10-0303-001-6001	Salaries - FIN	0.00	
10-0303-001-6008	Sellback Vacation & Sick - FIN	0.00	
10-0303-001-6010	FICA Expense - FIN	0.00	
10-0303-001-6015	Health/Life/Dental Expense - FIN	0.00	
10-0303-001-6020	Pension Plan - FIN	0.00	
10-0303-003-7090	FY Audit - FIN	45,000.00	
Finance Total =		45,000.00	45,000.00

Account Number	Expense Account Description	FY2026 Expenses	FY2026 Amendments
----------------	-----------------------------	-----------------	-------------------

ADMINISTRATION

10-0304-001-6001	Salaries - ADMIN	389,533.00	
10-0304-001-6005	Overtime - ADMIN	1,000.00	
10-0304-001-6008	Sellback Vacation & Sick - ADMIN	0.00	
10-0304-001-6010	FICA Expense - ADMIN	29,800.00	
10-0304-001-6015	Health/Life/Dental Expense - ADMIN	96,831.00	
10-0304-001-6020	Pension Plan - ADMIN	21,347.00	
10-0304-001-6100	Employee Retention	10,000.00	
10-0304-001-6105	Professional Development - ADMIN	4,000.00	
10-0304-001-6115	City Administrator Expense - ADMIN	4,000.00	
10-0304-001-6120	Computer, Hardware & IT Services - ADMIN	60,000.00	52,000.00
10-0304-001-6130	Dues & Publications - ADMIN	1,000.00	
10-0304-001-6170	Office Supplies/Printing - ADMIN	5,000.00	
10-0304-001-6180	Postage - ADMIN	3,500.00	
10-0304-001-6195	Telephone/Internet Service - ADMIN	5,052.00	
10-0304-001-7120	Administrative Expense - ADMIN	5,500.00	
10-0304-001-8020	Medical Testing - ADMIN	250.00	
10-0304-001-8030	Janitorial Services - ADMIN	1,377.00	
10-0304-001-8050	Building Repairs - ADMIN	3,500.00	
10-0304-001-8055	Bldg Security Maintenance - ADMIN	5,500.00	
10-0304-001-8060	Preventative/Termite/Pest Control -ADMIN	950.00	
10-0304-001-8070	Building Heat - ADMIN	5,500.00	
10-0304-002-7085	Fuel & Oil - ADMIN	3,500.00	
10-0304-003-6122	Software Support - ADMIN	38,291.00	
10-0304-004-7350	Lease Copier ADMIN	3,313.00	
10-0304-005-7000	Special Projects & Grants	35,000.00	85,270.00
Administration Total =		733,744.00	776,014.00

HUMAN RESOURCES

10-0308-001-6101	Advertising- HR	1,000.00	
10-0308-001-6105	Professional Development- HR	0.00	
10-0308-001-6130	Dues & Publications- HR	0.00	
10-0308-001-6183	Temporary Labor/Consultant- HR	10,000.00	3,000.00
10-0308-001-7404	Employee Training Programs- HR	1,000.00	
10-0308-001-8096	Contract Reimbursements- HR	3,000.00	

CITY OF NEW CASTLE
FISCAL YEAR 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET- GRANT FUND REVENUES

10-0308-001-8098	Pre-employ Background Investigation- HR	300.00	
Human Resources Total =		15,300.00	8,300.00
<u>BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT</u>			
10-0801-001-6101	Advertising - BOA	1,000.00	
10-0801-001-6105	Professional Fees - BOA	6,000.00	
Board of Adjustment Total =		7,000.00	7,000.00
Account Number	Expense Account Description	FY2026 Expenses	FY2026 Amendments
<u>BUILDING MAINTENANCE</u>			
10-0901-001-7045	County Sewer Assessments - BLDG	3,000.00	
10-0901-001-7135	Contractual Services - BLDG	6,000.00	
10-0901-003-8082	Capital Reserves - BLDG	259,500.00	
10-0901-004-8085	Battery Park / Porta Potties - BLDG	5,000.00	
Building Maintenance Total =		273,500.00	273,500.00
<u>INSURANCE</u>			
10-1001-001-7145	Public Officials Liability - INS	5,927.00	
10-1001-001-8055	Police Liability - INS	6,596.00	
10-1001-001-8065	Property and Liability - INS	138,776.00	
10-1001-001-8130	Workers Compensation - INS	77,000.00	
10-1001-001-8135	Unemployment Insurance - INS	11,000.00	
Insurance Total =		239,299.00	239,299.00
<u>PROFESSIONAL/CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>			
10-1002-001-8011	City Engineer - CONT	40,000.00	
10-1002-001-8025	City Solicitor - CONT	125,000.00	
10-1002-003-6140	AFSCME Contract Negotiations - CONT	5,000.00	
10-1002-003-6141	HR/Other Legal - CONT	5,000.00	
10-1002-003-6145	FOP Contract Negotiations - CONT	0.00	
Professional/Contractual Total =		175,000.00	175,000.00
<u>PLANNING COMMISSION</u>			
10-1102-003-6105	Professional Dev & Training - PC	500.00	
10-1102-003-6190	Contractual Services - PC	40,000.00	
10-1102-003-7004	Comprehensive Plan Update - PC	14,000.00	
Planning Commission Total =		54,500.00	54,500.00
<u>HISTORIC AREA COMMISSION</u>			
10-1103-003-6105	Prof Development - HAC	200.00	
10-1103-003-6140	Historic Preservation	7,000.00	
10-1103-003-6162	Architect - HAC	25,000.00	
10-1103-003-6190	Meeting Security	3,000.00	
Historic Area Commission Total =		35,200.00	35,200.00
<u>BOARD OF HEALTH</u>			
10-1109-001-6105	Professional Development - BOH	500.00	
10-1109-001-6170	Supplies - BOH	250.00	
10-1109-001-6180	Postage - BOH	1,000.00	
10-1109-001-7080	Meeting Security - BOH	840.00	
Board of Health Total =		2,590.00	2,590.00
<u>LONG TERM FINANCING/RESERVES</u>			
10-1110-004-6124	Accrued Benefits	25,000.00	
Long Term Financing/Reserves Total =		25,000.00	25,000.00
GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENSES:		7,598,646.00	7,595,646.00

CITY OF NEW CASTLE
FISCAL YEAR 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET- GRANT FUND REVENUES

Account Number	Grant Revenue Account Description	FY2026 Revenues
20-0000-500-0000	Municipal Street Aid	116,100.00
20-0000-500-0001	Municipal Street Aid Reserve carry over	625,067.00
23-0000-500-0000	CTF 24-P-PROG-67 GoodWill Fire Co.	5,697.00
24-0000-500-0000	DNREC (FY22 Bond) Cap Improv/Trans Trust	80,000.00
25-0000-500-0000	CTF P-PROG-01 (Road Repairs)	65,000.00
26-0000-500-0000	CRF (FY25 BOND) Roads /Playground /PSAF	1,233,589.23
27-0000-500-0000	CRF (FY23 BOND) \$605,654	88,206.95
28-0000-500-0000	CRF (FY24 BOND) \$765,000	598,015.43
40-0000-500-0000	DEMA FY19 PDM Grant	12,727.04
41-0000-500-0000	DelDOT CYCLING Trail Feasibility Study	15,180.00
42-0000-500-0000	DEMA FY25 CYBERSECURITY GRANT	6,764.90
80-0000-500-0000	CJC - 2023-AR-P/T-3188 Grant	215,738.36
84-0000-500-0000	SALLE Grant	6,000.00
85-0000-500-0000	Highway Safety Grants	8,000.00
88-0000-500-0000	EIDE Grant	4,746.00
89-0000-500-0000	FCVC GRANT / V-67-25	24,893.60
95-0000-500-0000	Separation Day Grant	36,000.00
95-0000-500-0001	Separation Day -Fees/Contributions	33,000.00
95-0000-500-0002	Separation Day - Admission/Sales	8,500.00
Grant Revenue Total =		3,183,225.51

Account Number	Grant Expense Account Description	FY2026 Expenses
20-0208-001-8121	MSAF Expenses	116,100.00
20-0208-001-8125	MSAF Reserve Expenses	625,067.00
23-0205-004-7540	CTF 24-P-PROG-67 GoodWill Fire Co.	5,697.00
24-0205-001-8015	DNREC (FY22 BOND) / Floating Pier	80,000.00
25-0207-001-8120	CTF P-PROG-01 (Road Repairs)	65,000.00
26-0205-001-7540	CRF (FY25 Bond) Road Repair	858,589.23
26-0205-001-7541	CRF (FY25 Bond) Battery Park Playground	375,000.00
27-0205-001-7542	CRF (FY23 BOND) City Wide Cameras	28,428.98
27-0205-001-8015	CRF (FY23 BOND) Floating Pier	59,777.97
28-0205-001-7540	CRF (FY24 BOND) Misc Capital Projects	598,015.43
40-0205-004-7536	Contractual Service - DEMA FY19 PDM	12,727.04
41-0205-004-8015	DelDOT CYCLING Trail Feasibility Study	15,180.00
42-0205-004-7536	DEMA FY25 CYBERSECURITY GRANT	6,764.90
80-0101-001-7060	CJC/ 2023-AR-P/T-3188	215,738.36

CITY OF NEW CASTLE

FISCAL YEAR 2026 ADOPTED BUDGET- GRANT FUND REVENUES

84-0104-001-7060	Equipment/Rental - SALLE	6,000.00
85-0102-001-6005	Overtime - Hightway Safety	8,000.00
88-0103-001-6005	Overtime - EIDE	4,746.00
89-0101-001-6005	Overtime / V-67-25	24,893.60
95-1108-001-6105	Professional Fees - SEPDAY	50,000.00
95-1108-001-6170	Supplies - SEPDAY	5,000.00
95-1108-001-6185	Printing/Publications/Adv - SEPDAY	1,000.00
95-1108-001-6190	Rent - SEPDAY	4,500.00
95-1108-001-7120	Administrative Expense - SEPDAY	7,500.00
95-1108-001-7222	Police/EMS/Public Works - SEPDAY	8,500.00
95-1108-001-8065	Insurance - SEPDAY	1,000.00
Grant Expenses Total =		3,183,225.51

GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND & GRANT: 10,781,871.51

- (aa) To exercise all municipal powers necessary to the proper administration of the municipal government, and for the wellbeing of the inhabitants of said City, whether said powers be expressly enumerated herein or not.

interest therein, is payable from the revenue pledged to the payment thereof, and that said bond does not constitute a debt of the City of New Castle within the meaning of the bonded indebtedness limitation contained in Section 21(b) above provided, however, that in the event of some emergency, the City may temporarily borrow, advance or loan such amount as is necessary to meet current interest on outstanding bonds, such advance or loan to be repaid to the City of revenue subsequently received from the undertaking. If revenue bonds are issued, the Council shall prescribe and have collected reasonable rates, fees or charges for the service, facilities and accommodations of said undertaking and shall revise such rates, fees or charges from time to time whenever necessary so that such undertaking shall be and always remain self-supporting. The rates, fees or charges prescribed shall be such as will procure revenue at least sufficient to pay, when due, all bonds and interest thereon the payment of which such revenue is or shall have been pledged, charged or otherwise encumbered, including reserves therefore, and to provide for all expenses of operation and maintenance of such undertaking, payments in lieu of taxes, depreciation and other reserves. Any bonds or indebtedness secured by both revenues and the full faith and credit of the City, shall be subject to the limitations contained in Section 21(b).

- (e) In connection with development plans, the Mayor and Council have the power to impose, upon new development or construction, upon first-time occupancy of new construction, or upon annexed property such 'impact fees' as are reasonably calculated to recover the proportionate cost of installing, enlarging, improving or expanding public or municipal improvements including sewer, water, electric, gas, roads, parking, police and parks and to contribute to the costs of operations of those volunteer fire companies and/or ambulance/paramedic companies providing services within the City.
- (f) Any bonds, notes or evidence of indebtedness issued pursuant to this Section and the interest thereon shall be exempt from taxation by the State of Delaware, its agencies and political subdivisions. The form of the bonds or certificates of indebtedness authorized under this Section, if any, the time or times of payment, the interest rate, the classes, the series, the maturity, the registration, any callable or redeemable feature, the denomination, the name thereof, and any other relative or appurtenant matter pertaining thereto shall all be determined by the Council of the City of New Castle, by resolution. Any such bonds, notes or evidences of indebtedness may be sold in a public or private sale as determined by the said Council.
- (g) If the City shall irrevocably deposit in trust with a Delaware bank or trust company that has offices in the State of Delaware, amounts sufficient, together with investment proceeds thereof, to pay principal and interest on indebtedness of the City when due and upon maturity or earlier redemption, such indebtedness shall not be deemed outstanding for purposes of the debt limitations contained herein. Any bonds or other debt instruments issued by the City to currently or advance refund-existing indebtedness shall not require a special election, provided that the refunding results in debt service savings to the City.

CHAPTER 1 - INTRODUCTION

I Introduction

It would be difficult to improve on author Warren Boeschstein's eloquent summary of the special character of the City of New Castle in his *Historic American Towns Along the Atlantic Coast* book. It is important to note, however, that Boeschstein's evident delight is not focused on the City's well-documented architectural history, but rather on its service as an outstanding model for community planning. Equally significant is that Boeschstein refers mostly to New Castle's historic core. The mapping contained in his essay, for example, does not stray far beyond the edges of the downtown. But this, of course, is just part of the picture. The small colonial town founded on Peter Stuyvesant's fort has now expanded to contain a land area of over three-square miles and encompasses four centuries of development.

While the City is rightfully proud of the historic downtown – a pedestrian-oriented precinct of unmatched physical beauty and architectural distinction – it must likewise recognize that not all areas of the City benefit from the same level of design quality. For example the quality of life in neighborhoods on the periphery of downtown, such as Washington Park, Shawtown, and Dobbinsville, is significantly diminished by the high volumes of traffic that pass through these communities. Farther along the development timeline, the suburban-style subdivisions strung out along Route 9, such as Van Dyke Village, Boothurst and contemporary development in the Buttonwood area, are rather isolated – both from each other and the downtown. And the character of commercial and mixed use development taking shape on the City's edges is an improvement and provides a gateway transition into the City.

Clearly, with such an ideal model so close at hand, New Castle is more prepared than most communities to address the planning and design miscues of the recent decades, and to achieve the promise of “adaptive change” that Boeschstein believes is possible.

AUTHORITY TO PLAN

Title 22, Section 702(a) of the Delaware Code assigns responsibility for comprehensive plan preparation to municipal planning commissions in order to “encourage the most appropriate uses of the physical and fiscal resources of the municipality and the coordination of municipal growth, development and infrastructure investment actions with those of other municipalities, counties and the State through a process of municipal comprehensive planning.” Section 702(b) provides that:



“Comprehensive plan means a document in text and maps, containing at a minimum, a municipal development strategy setting forth the jurisdiction's position on population and housing growth within the jurisdiction, expansion of its boundaries, development of adjacent areas, redevelopment potential, community character, and the general uses of land within the community, and critical community development and infrastructure issues. The comprehensive planning process shall demonstrate coordination with other municipalities, the county and the State during plan preparation...”

Once adopted, comprehensive plans must be reviewed every five years as stated in Section 702(e):

“At least every 5 years a municipality shall review its adopted comprehensive plan to determine if its provisions are still relevant given changing conditions in the municipality or in the surrounding areas. The adopted comprehensive plan shall be revised, updated and amended as necessary, and readopted at least every 10 years; provided, however, the municipality may request an extension of such date by forwarding an official request to the Cabinet Committee at least 90 days prior to the deadline.”

In addition, Section 702(g) requires that annual reports on plan progress be filed with the Office of State Planning Coordination (OSPC):

“...describing implementation of their comprehensive plan and identifying development issues, trends or conditions since the plan was last adopted or amended. The report shall be due annually no later than on each anniversary of the effective date of the most recently adopted comprehensive plan or plan update until January 1, 2012, and annually no later than July 1 each year thereafter starting on July 1, 2012.”

REASON FOR PLAN UPDATE

Comprehensive plans are not meant to be static documents and should be re-evaluated as local and regional conditions evolve. New data has become available since the last Plan was completed in 2009, including new demographic information from the 2010 U.S. Census, demographic estimates from the annual releases of the American Community Survey, the 2017 population projections from the Delaware Population Consortium, and a variety of plans, upgrades, and implementation items that have occurred or are underway.

This Plan serves as an official statement about the future of the City. First and foremost, it is a unified advisory document to the City Council and the Planning Commission on land use and growth issues. It should be used to guide future development decisions, rezonings, annexations, and capital improvements throughout the City.

This Plan is also an informational document for the public. Citizens, business people, and government officials can turn to it to learn more about New Castle and its policies for future land use decisions. Potential new residents can use the document as an information resource about the City, its characteristics, and its facilities to help make decisions about relocating to New Castle. This document contains the most current information on population, transportation, housing, employment, and the environment, which will be of interest to developers, economic development professionals, and financial sources.

Finally, the New Castle Comprehensive Plan is a legal document. The Delaware Code specifies that “...any incorporated municipality under this chapter shall prepare a comprehensive plan for the city or town or portions thereof as the commission deems appropriate”. The Code further specifies that, “after a comprehensive plan or portion thereof has been adopted by the municipality in accordance with this chapter, the comprehensive plan shall have the force of law and no development shall be permitted except as consistent with the plan (22 Del. C. 1953 § 702 (c)).” The 2020 Comprehensive Plan meets the requirements set forth in the Delaware Code for a comprehensive plan for a city with a population greater than 2,000. It further updates the 2009 Plan to comply with new State initiatives and regulations for land use and planning.