

BOROUGH OF HIGHLAND PARK
MAYOR & COUNCIL CONFERENCE MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2019

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Open Public Meetings Statement.
2. Roll Call.

NOTE: Upcoming Meeting schedule:

**August 20, 2019 Standing Committee Meetings; Special Meeting if needed.
September 3, 2019 Agenda Meeting 6:30 PM; Regular Meeting 7:00 PM;
 Conference Meeting to follow.**

3. Public Discussion (15 minutes).
4. Memorial or Commendatory Resolutions or Presentations scheduled as indicated:
 - a.
 - b.
5. Ordinances on 1st Reading –scheduled for introduction 9/3/19:
 - a.
 - b.
6. Ordinances on 2nd Reading – scheduled for 9/3/19:
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
7. Resolutions for Next Meeting - scheduled for 9/3/19:
 - a. Bills List (9/3/19).
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
 - e.
 - f.
8. Appointments.
9. Borough Attorney's Report.
10. Borough Administrator's Report.
11. Standing Committee Status Report.

12. Discussion Items.
 - a. 2020 Meeting Schedule (GBM).
 - b. Bike/Pedestrian Plan (SW).
 - c. Police Academy Recruit for 2020 (EFD).
 - d. Anti-BDS Resolution (MH/JF).
 - e. Anti-Idling Resolution (PG).
 - f. Bond Rating and Next Steps (JF/SKC).
 - g. Band-Aid Bench (SKC).
13. Council Goals.
14. Executive Session Resolution.
15. Meeting Adjourned to Executive Session

Executive Session Items:

- Litigation - Cappell v. Highland Park

Municipal Resolution in Support of Idle-Free Zones

WHEREAS, emissions from gasoline and diesel-powered vehicles contribute significantly to air pollution, including greenhouse gases, ozone formation, fine particulates, and a multitude of potentially harmful pollutants that can trigger an asthma attack and other ailments; and

WHEREAS, asthma is a significant public health concern in NJ, especially among children (up to 25% of NJ's school-age children are asthmatic) and the elderly; and

WHEREAS, for every gallon of gasoline used, the average car produces about 20 pounds of carbon dioxide (CO²), the largest contributor to greenhouse climate change, with one-third of greenhouse gas emissions coming from the transportation sector; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Argonne National Laboratory estimated that about 20 million barrels of diesel fuel are consumed each year by idling long-haul trucks (estimated truck emissions total about 10 million tons of CO², 50,000 tons of nitrogen oxides, and 2,000 tons of particulates); and

WHEREAS, we can avoid producing unnecessary greenhouse gas emissions and exposure to air toxins by reducing or eliminating wasteful vehicle idling; and

WHEREAS, petroleum-based gasoline and diesel fuel are nonrenewable fuels and should be used wisely and not wasted; and

WHEREAS, idling is not generally beneficial to a vehicle's engine because it wears engine parts; and

WHEREAS, idling more than 10 seconds uses more fuel and emits more pollutants than turning a warm engine on and off again; and

WHEREAS, idling for more than 10 minutes uses as much fuel as it takes to travel 5 miles; and

WHEREAS, vehicle idling occurs in locations (e.g. school grounds, parking lots, drive-through windows, business centers, etc.) where New Jerseyans can be exposed to air pollutant emissions; and

WHEREAS, moving beyond New Jersey's existing no-idling code of 3 minutes would significantly improve public health and air quality and reduce costs and greenhouse gas emissions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Borough Council of the Borough of Highland Park supports the adoption of a strong anti-idling policy by government agencies, schools, business, and other organizations by:

- Encouraging any gasoline or diesel-powered motor vehicle to turn off their engines after 10 seconds if they plan to remain at that location for more than 1 minute.
- Ensuring idling does not occur at idle-frequent locations by enforcing violations and penalties under New Jersey's existing no-idling law a priority for all municipal Peace Officers pursuant to C. 39:3-70.2 and C. 26:2C-1.
- Maintaining municipal vehicles to eliminate any visible exhaust.
- Enforcing existing violations and penalties under NJ's existing no-idling code.
- Supporting broad education of the public about the health, environmental and economic impacts of idling and ways to reduce idling.

Resolution condemning all efforts to delegitimize the State of Israel and the global movement to boycott, divest from, and sanction the people of Israel.

Whereas, The Global Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Movement (BDS Movement) is a campaign seeking to exclude the Israeli people from the economic, cultural, and academic life of humanity; and

Whereas, This movement targets not just the Israeli government but Israeli academic, cultural, and civil society institutions, as well as individual Israeli citizens of all political persuasions, and in some cases even Jews of other nationalities who support Israel; and

Whereas, The Global BDS Movement targets Israel and only Israel, while ignoring the world's myriad despotic regimes; and

Whereas, Israel is far and away the most democratic and open society in the Middle East, with well-established rights for religious minorities, women, and all citizens that far exceeds those of any other nation in the region; and

Whereas, The Global BDS Movement does not recognize the right of the Jewish people to national self-determination; and

Whereas, some of the BDS Movement's supporters and leaders have trafficked in unacceptable anti-Semitic rhetoric, including comparison of Israeli policy to that of Nazi Germany; and
Whereas, University-based BDS efforts violate the core goals of the university and global cultural development, which thrive on a free and open exchange and debate; and

Whereas, Both Israelis and Palestinians have the right to live in safe and secure states, free from fear; and

Whereas, Both Israelis and Palestinians have the right to live in safe and secure states, free from fear and violence, with mutual recognition; and

Whereas, The Global BDS Movement does not support the two-state solution, a goal which can only be reached through direct negotiations between Israel and the Palestinians; and

Whereas, Israel is an ally of the United States; and

Whereas, our local region has the largest population of Jewish residents in the nation and is home to the largest Jewish community outside of Israel; now, therefore be it Resolved, That the Township of _____ condemns all efforts to delegitimize the State of Israel and the global movement to boycott, divest from, and sanction its government and people.
