

ATLANTIC COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY
August 20th, 2026 - 3:00 PM
6700 Delilah Road, Egg Harbor Township, New Jersey

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Sunshine Law Announcement
2. Flag Salute
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Minutes:
Meeting of July 16th, 2026
5. Board Committee Reports:
Treasurer's report – Ms. Mento
Personnel – Ms. Mento
Finance/Audit - Mrs. Pfrommer
Engineering – Mr. Marino
Centralized Maintenance & Asset Management – Mr. Pullia
Solid Waste/Recycling – Mr. Akers
Wastewater/Sludge - Mrs. Ward
6. Public and Board Comments on Agenda Items
7. Proposed Resolutions:

WASTEWATER - Mrs. Ward Chair

Resolution 26-8-193: Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the County of Atlantic for 2027 Lab Testing Services. Contract term is January 1, 2027, to December 31, 2027. Estimated revenue to the Authority is \$30,000.

Explanation: The Authority is performing lab testing services for the Atlantic County Division of Public Health.

Resolution 26-8-194: Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement between Atlantic County Utilities Authority and the County of Atlantic for Operation and Maintenance of Atlantic County Nursing Home (Meadowview) Pumping Station, Gerard L. Gormley Justice Facility Grinding Station, Lake Lenape Pumping Station, Lake Lenape Seasonal Campsite Location, Northfield Planning & Engineering Complex, and the Tony Canale Fire Academy. Contract term is September 1, 2026, to August 31, 2029. Estimated annual revenue to the Authority is \$79,564.90.

Explanation: The ACUA will provide routine maintenance and response services.

Resolution 26-8-195: Authorizing an agreement with AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center for Sanitary Sewer System Inspections, Routine maintenance, Emergency Response and Additional Services. Contract term is September 1, 2026, to August 31, 2029. Estimated annual revenue to the Authority is \$11,900.00.

Explanation: Renewal of pump station maintenance agreement.

Resolution 26-8-196: Authorizing a contract amendment to contract with Applied Technical Industries, for the supply and delivery of various replacement pumps, motors and ancillary parts needed for the Systems Pump Station operations, through the OMNIA Partners National Cooperative Purchasing System. Amount of increase is \$5,000.

Explanation: Additional funds are needed due to the need to replace the grinder at the Atlantic County Jail.

SOLID WASTE - Mr. Akers, Chair

Resolution 26-8-197: Authorizing the award of a professional services contract in RFP No. 2026-RFP-28, REBID, to ARM Group, LLC, for 2026-2027 Post-Closure Activities at Pinelands Park Landfill. Amount is not to exceed \$30,715.00, for the contract term August 1, 2026, to July 31, 2027.

Explanation: Awarded to the highest-scoring proposal.

Resolution 26-8-198: Authorizing a contract amendment to an agreement between the Atlantic County Utilities Wastewater Division and the Atlantic County Utilities Authority Solid Waste Division for Pinelands Park Landfill Sanitary Sewer System Inspections Routine Maintenance, Emergency Response and Additional Services. Contract term is July 1, 2023, to June 30, 2026. Amount of increase is \$1,180.12.

Explanation: To close out the contract.

Resolution 26-8-199: Authorizing a Rider to the Shared Services Agreement between the Atlantic County Utilities Authority and the Township of Mullica for Solid Waste Collection Services, to extend the contract term to December 31, 2026. Estimated revenue to the Authority for the four (4)-month period is \$85,200.

Explanation: Extending Solid Waste Collection Services for an additional four (4)-month period. During this timeframe, the Authority and the Township of Mullica will discuss continuing Solid Waste Collection Services beyond the proposed extension.

Resolution 26-8-200: Authorizing a contract amendment to a professional services contract with ARM Group, Inc., for 2025 Solid Waste Annual Reports, 2025-RFP-08. Amount of increase is \$6,000.

Explanation: Additional funds are needed to complete necessary work.

ENGINEERING - Mr. Marino, Chair

Resolution 26-8-201: Authorizing the award of a Lease Agreement in Bid No. 2026-ITB-26, for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Pad Site Lease, to Viridity Energy Solutions, Inc., d/b/a Ormat Nevada, Inc., for a 5-year lease beginning October 18, 2026, and terminating October 17, 2031. Estimated revenue to the Authority over the 5-year period is \$69,000.

Explanation: Viridity/Ormat will lease a parcel of property located at the Wastewater Treatment Plant site, together with a portion of the buildings and improvements thereon, as set forth in the Lease Agreement.

Resolution 26-8-202: Authorizing the award of an emergency contract to Lafayette Utility Construction Co., Inc. for the Hamilton Township Emergency Repair on Old Egg Harbor Road in Mays Landing. Amount of contract is \$98,096.39.

Explanation: For emergency repair of a leak from the ACUA's Mays Landing force main.

CENTRALIZED MAINTENANCE & ASSET MANAGEMENT - Mr. Pullia, Chair

Resolution 26-8-203: Authorizing the re-establishment of registration for the Atlantic County Utilities Authority Commodity Resale System (99024-ACUACR) for a 5-year period. The contract term will be provided by the Division of Local Government Services (“DLGS”) subsequent to approval by the ACUA Board of Commissioners of this resolution.

Explanation: Re-establishment of the ACUA’s registration with the State of New Jersey for a 5-year period.

Resolution 26-8-204: Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement between the Atlantic County Utilities Authority and the South Jersey Transportation Authority (SJTA) for the purchase of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) for a five (5)-year period, beginning September 1, 2026, to August 31, 2031.

Explanation: The SJTA will purchase CNG from the Authority for use in their official vehicles.

Resolution 26-8-205: Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic City Municipal Utilities Authority (ACMUA) for Project Management and Technical Support Services for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) System. Contract term is from September 1, 2026, to August 31, 2027. Estimated revenue to the ACUA is \$17,500.

Explanation: The ACUA will provide certain project management and technical support services to the ACMUA.

Resolution 26-8-206: Authorizing the award of a Public Utilities Contract to Comcast Business for Internet Services. Amount is not to exceed \$108,000.00 for a three (3)-year period, beginning August 1, 2026, through July 31, 2029.

Explanation: Utility services contract as regulated by the Board of Public Utilities, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(f).

Resolution 26-8-207: Authorizing the award of a contract to Fastenal, Inc. for Industrial/MRO Supplies & Equipment, under New Jersey State Contract. Amount is not to exceed \$15,750.00, for contract term September 1, 2026, to August 31, 2027.

Explanation: For facilities maintenance and repair, and operations, and for industrial supplies.

Resolution 26-8-208: Authorizing a contract amendment to contract with David Weber Oil Co. for the Supply of Oils, Lubricants, Greases and Antifreeze, Bid No. 2024-SW-13. Amount of increase is \$3,525.12.

Explanation: Additional funds are needed to cover upcoming invoices and to close out the contract.

Resolution 26-8-209: Authorizing a contract amendment to contract with Grainger Parts Operations, Inc., under New Jersey State Contract, for Industrial/MRO Supplies & Equipment. Amount of increase is \$11,500.

Explanation: To cover expenses for the remainder of 2026, and to extend the contract until December 31, 2026.

Resolution 26-8-210: Authorizing a contract amendment to contract with VOIP Networks for the purchase of Telephone System Service, through the Sourcewell Government Purchasing System. Amount of increase is \$50,600.

Explanation: Additional funds are needed due to the increase in the number of users, increased usage, and increased fees over the life of the contract, which expires on 4/30/2027.

Resolution 26-8-211: Authorizing the receipt of competitive bids through Internet Auction Site for the sale of surplus equipment.

Explanation: Sale of equipment that is no longer used by the Authority.

PERSONNEL/BENEFITS – Ms. Mento, Chair

Resolution 26-8-212: Authorizing the ACUA's transition from a Fully-Insured Health Benefits Program to a Self-Funded Employee Health Benefits Program, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:10-6(e), effective September 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027.

Explanation: To transition to a Self-Funded Employee Health Benefits Program which will provide greater long-term financial flexibility, improved transparency of healthcare costs, and enhanced control over plan administration while maintaining comprehensive benefits. Transition includes active employees and retirees under age 65, and over age 65 currently enrolled in the Horizon Fully-Insured Health Benefits Plan.

Resolution 26-8-213: Authorizing payment to Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield of New Jersey for Health Benefit Claims under the Authority's Self-Funded Employee Health Benefits Program, which will become effective on September 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027. Amount is not to exceed \$13,052,757 for the sixteen (16)-month period.

Explanation: The ACUA will implement a self-insured health plan in which the Authority is responsible for reimbursing Horizon for all medical and prescription claims incurred under the program as related to active employees and retirees under age 65, and over age 65 currently enrolled in the Horizon Fully-Insured Plan. To initiate the plan, the ACUA will provide Horizon with a deposit equal to seven (7) days of estimated claims activity. Horizon will then process and pay claims on behalf of the ACUA and issue a monthly invoice reflecting the actual claims paid.

Resolution 26-8-214: Authorizing the purchase of Stop-Loss and Aggregate Insurance, from First Symetra National Life Insurance Company of New York, as an Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Service, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii), for the Authority's Self-Funded Employee Health Benefits Program, effective September 1, 2026, through August 31, 2027. Amount is not to exceed \$1,263,550.

Explanation: The Authority will purchase Stop-Loss and Aggregate Insurance to protect the ACUA from unusually high medical claims. This coverage reimburses the Authority for any individual claim costs that exceed the established threshold. The stop-loss level is set at \$150,000 per covered individual, ensuring that the ACUA is protected from significant, unexpected expenses within the self-insured plan.

Resolution 26-8-215: Authorizing a contract with Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield of New Jersey, as an Extraordinary, Unspecifiable Service, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a)(ii), for Third-Party Administration (TPA) services for the Authority's Self-Funded Employee Health Benefits Program. Contract term is September 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027. Amount is not to exceed \$380,043.

Explanation: Horizon will administer the Self-Funded Health Benefits Program and remit monthly broker fees on the Authority's behalf. Horizon will manage claims processing, customer service, and plan administration. The cost for services includes an estimated \$283,083 for TPA services and \$96,960 in broker fees paid by Horizon to Marsh McLennan.

Resolution 26-8-216: Authorizing a contract amendment to contract with Horizon Blue Cross/Blue Shield of New Jersey for Health Insurance and Prescription Program Coverage for Retirees enrolled in Braven Health Medicare Advantage (PPO), and extending the contract term through December 31, 2026. Amount of increase is \$275,000.

Explanation: The Authority will continue health insurance and prescription-program coverage for eligible retirees enrolled in Braven through December 31, 2026.

FINANCE/AUDIT – Mrs. Pfrommer, Chair

Resolution 26-8-217: Authorizing the opening of an Atlantic County Utilities Authority Claims Operating Account with OceanFirst Bank and Designating Authorized Signatories.

Explanation: This account will be used solely for transactions associated with the Authority's Self-Funded Employee Health Benefits Program.

Resolution 26-8-218: Authorizing a Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority (ACIA) for their participation in the ACUA Self-Funded Employee Health Benefits Program, effective September 1, 2026, through December 31, 2027.

Explanation: The ACIA wishes to participate in the ACUA's Self-Funded Employee Health Benefits Program through a Shared Services Agreement. The ACIA will also pay its proportionate share of the stop-loss premium and monthly broker fees.

Resolution 26-8-219: Authorizing the adoption of an Updated Deferred Compensation Plan Document.

Explanation: Authorizing amendments to the Authority's Deferred Compensation Plan to comply with the Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement ("SECURE") Act of 2019.

Resolution 26-8-220: Authorizing Execution of a Release Agreement and Acceptance of a \$1,000,000 Payment from the New Jersey Counties Excess Joint Insurance Fund.

Explanation: To authorize a Release Agreement to accept a one-time payment of \$1,000,000 from the New Jersey Counties Excess Joint Insurance Fund for application toward litigation defense costs.

Resolution 26-8-221: Authorizing payment of certain expenditures: \$7,059,446.47

8. Public and Board Comments

9. Adjourn