

ORDINANCE 2025-10

BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE BOROUGH OF KENILWORTH, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$2,298,500 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO APPROPRIATE VARIOUS GRANTS, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT OR PARTIALLY FUND AN APPROPRIATION FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Kenilworth, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The Borough of Kenilworth, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey (the "Borough") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new information technology equipment, new communication and signal systems equipment and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said Borough, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. The cost of the improvements includes all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized, and the various grants and the Capital Improvement Fund moneys (either to make a down payment or to partially fund an appropriation) appropriated, by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said Borough.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the various grants hereinafter appropriated, and (3) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the appropriation from the Capital Improvement Fund hereinafter made to either partially fund the appropriation or to provide a down payment, and (4) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (5) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. (i) Undertaking of pedestrian safety improvements and (ii) acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new communication and signal systems equipment and a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, for the use of the Department of Public Works ("DPW"), including, but not limited to: (a) radio equipment, (b) traffic signs and (c) a pickup truck.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 170,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 15,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 155,000
Period of Usefulness	5 years

B. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, for the use of the Police Department, including, but not limited to: (i) traffic/radar signal equipment and (ii) SUVs.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 210,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 15,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 195,000
Period of Usefulness	5 years

C. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, for the use of the Fire Department consisting of (i) turnout gear, (ii) self-contained breathing apparatus equipment, (iii) various firefighting tools and other equipment and (iv) an SUV.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 105,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 10,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 95,000
Period of Usefulness	5 years

D. Acquisition of new information technology equipment consisting of computer equipment for the use of various Borough departments, offices and agencies.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 25,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 20,000
Period of Usefulness	5 years

E. Undertaking of various improvements to public buildings and property. It is hereby determined and stated that the public buildings being improved are of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 100,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 95,000
Period of Usefulness	15 years

F. Undertaking of the Tree Planting Program.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 8,000
County Grant Appropriated	\$ 4,000

Capital Improvement Fund Appropriated	\$ 4,000
Period of Usefulness	15 years

G. Undertaking of various improvements to the Senior Center, including window replacement. It is hereby determined and stated that said public building being improved is of "Class B" or equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 33,500
Federal Grant Appropriated	\$ 33,500
Period of Usefulness	15 years

H. Undertaking of the following public improvements:
 (i) installation of an ADA ramp at the Police Detective Bureau and
 (ii) installation of a cleanwater vehicle wash facility at the DPW Yard.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 200,000
County Grant Appropriated	\$ 50,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 10,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 140,000
Period of Usefulness	10 years

I. Undertaking of various improvements to parks.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 447,000
County Grants Appropriated	\$ 350,000
Federal Grant Appropriated	\$ 22,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 70,000
Period of Usefulness	15 years

J. Undertaking of the 2025 Capital Road Improvement Program (including roadway reconstruction and resurfacing, and the undertaking of the following, where necessary: repair of the storm drainage system, construction or reconstruction of curbs, sidewalks and driveway aprons and the making of landscaping improvements), as set forth on a list prepared by the Borough Engineer on file or to be placed on file with the Borough Clerk, and hereby approved as if set forth herein in full. Depending upon the contract price and other exigent circumstances, and upon approval by the Borough Council, there may be additions to or deletions from the aforesaid list. It is hereby determined and stated that said roads to be improved are of "Class B" or

equivalent construction as defined in Section 22 of the Local Bond Law.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 500,000
State Grant Appropriated	\$ 363,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 12,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 125,000
Period of Usefulness	10 years

K. Undertaking of sidewalk improvements at Boulevard and other locations.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 200,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 15,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 185,000
Period of Usefulness	10 years

L. Undertaking of drainage improvements at Vernon Avenue and Michigan Avenue.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 50,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 5,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 45,000
Period of Usefulness	15 years

M. Reconstruction of catch basins at various locations.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 25,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 4,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 21,000
Period of Usefulness	15 years

N. Undertaking of sanitary and storm sewer system improvements at various locations.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 225,000
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 11,000
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 214,000
Period of Usefulness	40 years

Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$2,298,500
Aggregate Grants Appropriated	\$ 822,500
Aggregate Capital Improvement Fund	

Appropriated either as a Down Payment or to Partially Fund an Appropriation	\$ 116,000
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$1,360,000

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$300,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 6. The sum of \$4,000 received or to be received as a Greening Union County Grant is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the tree planting authorized in Section 4.F hereof.

Section 7. The sum of \$33,500 received or to be received as a grant from the Union County Community Development program, pursuant to the Federal Housing and Community Development Act (the "CDBG Program"), is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the Senior Center improvements authorized in Section 4.G hereof.

Section 8. The sum of \$50,000 received or to be received as a grant from the Union County Infrastructure and Municipal Aid Grant Program is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the public improvements authorized in Section 4.H hereof.

Section 9. The sum of \$50,000 received or to be received as a grant from the Union County Kids Recreation Trust Fund is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the park improvements authorized in Section 4.I hereof.

Section 10. The sum of \$22,000 received or to be received as a grant from the CDBG Program is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the park improvements authorized in Section 4.I hereof.

Section 11. The sum of \$300,000 received or to be received as a Union County Capital Project Grant is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the park improvements authorized in Section 4.I above.

Section 12. The sum of \$363,000 received or to be received as a grant from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the road improvement program authorized in Section 4.J hereof.

Section 13. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$116,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said Borough, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$116,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 14. To finance said purposes, bonds of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,360,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 15. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said Borough of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,360,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 16. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said Borough and attested by the Borough Clerk or Deputy Borough Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 17. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of the purposes to be financed with bonds or notes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 13.86 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 18. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the Borough Clerk of said Borough, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said Borough, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$1,360,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 19. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Union, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes (other than the various grants hereinbefore appropriated which shall be applied to the cost of such purposes, but shall not be applied to the payment

of outstanding bond anticipation notes and the reduction of the amount of bonds authorized), shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.


Section 20. The Borough intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Section 4 of this bond ordinance (except for Sections 4.F and 4.G). If the Borough incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the Borough hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 21. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 22. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the Borough Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 23. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

Linda Karlovitch, Mayor

INTRODUCTION						COUNCILPERSON	FINAL ADOPTION					
Moved	Sec.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	NP		Moved	Sec.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	NP
X		X				PATRICK BOYLE			X			
					X	JOSEPH FINISTRELLA			X			
		X				TONI GIORDANO PICERNO			X			
	X	X				WILLIAM MAURO	X		X			
		X				DOUG PIPER			X			
		X				SAVINO SCORESE		X	X			
						MAYOR KARLOVITCH						
Introduced: July 2, 2025				I hereby certify the above ordinance was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Kenilworth, County of Union, State of New Jersey on the aforementioned date.								
Final Adoption: August 20, 2025												
				<div> Laura Reinertsen, Borough Clerk</div>								

