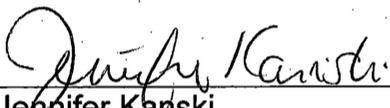


**CERTIFICATION
OF
NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY**

I, James D. Carone, hereby certify that I am the Executive Director of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and as such, certify that the attached copy of PROCEEDINGS OF THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the January 27, 2026 Meeting of the Authority.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority this 29th day of January 2026.

ATTEST:



Jennifer Kanski
Secretary to the Authority



James D. Carone
Executive Director

Corporate Seal

Date: January 29, 2026

Received in the Governor's Office January 29, 2026

Received by:

Print Name

Signature

Veto Period Ends:

February 12, 2026
(Write in the date the veto period ends)



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MIKIE SHERRILL
Governor

January 29, 2026

Via Electronic mail

Joe Bertoni, Chairman
New Jersey Turnpike Authority
One Turnpike Plaza
PO Box 5042
Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095-5042

Dear Chairman Bertoni,

In accordance with the provisions of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Act, N.J.S.A.27:23-1 *et seq.* (the "Act"), including specifically N.J.S.A. 27:23-3(f), and all other applicable law, I hereby approve that portion of the minutes of the January 27, 2026 Board meeting of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority (the "Authority") relating solely to the following resolution adopted at the Authority's Board meeting:

A Resolution Appointing Kris Kolluri as Executive Director of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority.

I specifically reserve my right to veto any and all other actions taken by the Authority at its meeting on January 27, 2026.

For purposes of the Act and all applicable law, this letter shall immediately be in full force and effect.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mikie Sherrill".

Mikie Sherrill
Governor

c. James Carone, Executive Director
Thomas Holl, Director of Law



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MIKIE SHERRILL
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AARON J. CREUZ
DEPUTY CHIEF COUNSEL

TO: Jennifer Kanski kanski@njta.com
FROM: Kelley Trimble, Authorities Unit, Office of the Governor
DATE: January 29, 2026
RE: New Jersey Turnpike Authority

This email is confirmation that the Authorities Unit received the minutes from the January 27, 2026 board meeting on January 29, 2026. The calculated veto date is February 12, 2026.

Thank you.

Attachment

cc: Jessica O'Connor

PROCEEDINGS OF MEETING OF NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

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Interim Commissioner Bertoni called the meeting of the Authority's Board of Commissioners (the Board) into session in the Executive Boardroom of the Authority's Headquarters Building at 1 Turnpike Plaza in Woodbridge, New Jersey, at 11:02 a.m.

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Pledge of Allegiance

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BOARD ATTENDANCE

Interim Commissioner Bertoni (by tele-conference), Vice Chair Ulises Diaz, Treasurer Michael DuPont, Commissioner Ronald Gravino, Commissioner Raphael Salerno (by tele-conference), Commissioner Francisco Maldonado and Commissioner John Wisniewski. The meeting commenced at 11:02 a.m.

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ALSO PRESENT

Executive Director James Carone, Deputy Executive Director Donna Wilser, Deputy Chief Financial Officer Erwin Luna, Chief Engineer Daniel Hesslein, Chief Information Officer Jose Dios, Director of Law Thomas Holl, Director of Human Resources Mary-Elizabeth Garrity, Director of Operations Kevin Dunn, Director of Procurement and Materials Management Angela McNally, Acting Director of Tolls George Petito, Deputy Director of Community and Government Relations Christopher D'Elia, Director of Internal Audit Amanda Felton, New Jersey State Police Major Sean O'Connor, Troop D and Secretary to the Authority Jennifer Kanski.

Also present were: Outside Counsel, Judy Verrone, Esq. of DeCotiis, FitzPatrick, Cole & Giblin, LLP and Governors' Authorities Unit Representative Michael Eleneski.

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NOTICE OF MEETING

This is a regular meeting of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. Adequate notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with Chapter 231, P.L. 1975 in that notice has been given to nj.com and the Asbury Park Press, as well as numerous other new outlets, posted in the main lobby of the Authority's Administration Offices at 1 Turnpike Plaza, Woodbridge, prominently posted on the New Jersey Turnpike Authority's website at www.njta.gov and on various social media platforms, including Facebook and X, and notice has been forwarded to the Secretary of State, Trenton, New Jersey. Additionally, Authority public meetings will be held in-person and telephonically. Information and instructions regarding telephonic access to the meetings by the public has been posted on the Authority's website.

Pursuant to Governor's Sherrill's directive delaying the start time for all government employees by two hours, the January 27, 2026 meeting of New Jersey Turnpike Authority Board of Commissioners previously scheduled for 9:00 a.m. was postponed to 11:00 a.m. Notice of this postponement was posted to the Authority's website and social media accounts. Physical notices were posted to the doors of the Authority Headquarters.

Secretary to the Authority Kanski takes Roll Call and the Following Were Present:

1. Vice Chair Diaz
2. Treasurer DuPont
3. Commissioner Gravino
4. Commissioner Salerno (by tele-conference)
5. Commissioner Maldonado
6. Commissioner Wisniewski
7. Interim Commissioner Bertoni (be tele-conference)

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion to enter into Executive Session, not open to the public in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12(b), to discuss matters pertaining to:

- Litigation

The motion was made by Treasurer DuPont and seconded by Commissioner Gravino and, after the voice vote, the motion was duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority.

Executive Session was adjourned at 11:21 a.m. A motion was made by Commissioner Maldonado and seconded by Commissioner Wisniewski to resume the public portion of the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Secretary to the Authority Kanski takes Roll Call and the Following Were Present:

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2. Treasurer DuPont
3. Commissioner Gravino
4. Commissioner Salerno (by tele-conference)
5. Commissioner Maldonado
6. Commissioner Wisniewski
7. Interim Commissioner Bertoni (by tele-conference)

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ACTION ON MINUTES

The Secretary to the Authority reported that ten days, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, have elapsed since Governor Philip D. Murphy received the minutes of the regular meeting of December 16, 2025; he did not exercise his power to veto any items in those minutes.

Upon motion made by Treasurer DuPont seconded by Vice Chair Diaz the minutes of the meeting were approved.

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RECUSALS

The Secretary to the Authority reported recusals or abstentions submitted for the record:

- Commissioner Maldonado is recused on Agenda Item Nos. 003 through 007, 018 and 019

These recusals have been identified by each of the Commissioners in correspondence that has been filed with the Board Secretary.

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PUBLIC COMMENT (in Person)

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Kris Kolluri

Mr. Kolluri, President and CEO and of NJ Transit, expressed that he is deeply honored that this Board would consider his appointment to be the Executive Director of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and shared that it was 20 years ago this week, then Governor Corzine, appointed him Commissioner of Transportation (Commissioner Wisniewski was Head Chairman of the New Jersey Assembly of Transportation Committee and Joe Bertoni was the first person he brought in and now is honored to work for Mr. Bertoni). Mr. Kolluri said this is an extraordinary organization and the Turnpike and the Garden State Parkway are the true gems of the state and stated they are the physical attributes of this place. Mr. Kolluri shared what makes this place even more important are the people that work at the Authority and further shared that he is personally aware between the folks that maintain our system, the State Police that run the safety portion of the system plus the people in the administrative branch, everyone makes sure everything goes according to plan and expressed these people put their heart and soul into this place and Mr. Kolluri wants everyone to know that he recognizes that. Mr. Kolluri expressed that Jim Carone is an extraordinary man and spent 49 years of his career at the Authority and stated that Jim should be proud of his legacy and shared that he is proud and his colleagues should be proud of his legacy and further stated that he should be leaving the Authority with his head held high and said that Jim is exactly the kind of person that we should honor and cherish. Mr. Kolluri stated this past weekend's snowstorm was a historic snowstorm and said that this agency did more than its fair share to make sure the roads were functional and that is a tribute to the men and women that operate this road. Mr. Kolluri explained the fact that we achieved blacktop by Monday morning shows what competence, dedication and care for this agency looks like. Mr. Kolluri advised that when the Governor talks about alignment and intersection between NJ Transit and the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, Mr. Kolluri said in no uncertain terms, in his prospective, that an alignment means how do you find ways to improve relations between organizations and how do you focus on moving people efficiently from one place to another and discussed how we don't destroy places that have existed for 70 plus years because it feels right, in is done because it makes sense. Mr. Kolluri spoke about aligning the interest of these organizations as that is owed to the taxpayers of New Jersey. Mr. Kolluri shared that he was honored to be able to speak today.

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COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Treasurer DuPont praised Jim Carone for his 45 years with the Authority and praised Mr. Kolluri for always leading humble and hungry and expressed he is proud to vote yes to his appointment and expressed his excitement to have Mr. Kolluri on board and is looking forward to a team effort.

Commissioner Wisniewski said in Jim Carone we had an Executive Director who brought decades of experience to this agency and that contributes to how this agency functions successfully, especially this past weekend with the snow storm and stated with Mr. Kolluri coming in and bringing a similar level of experience is what makes this agency stand out in the state of New Jersey as a true example of how government functions well.

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PUBLIC COMMENT CONTINUE (in Person)

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John Reichman

Mr. Reichman, Empower NJ, congratulated the Governor for appointing Mr. Kolluri to head both NJ Transit and the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and advised the plans to spend billions of dollars to expand highways need to be re-examined to determine how transportation dollars are spent. Mr. Reichman spoke against spending billions of dollars on an expansion. Mr. Reichman stated proceeding with this plan which was developed without any input from the public or Jersey City lies in the face of Governor Sherrill's priorities, reducing the cost of living, efficient and effective government spending, improving public transit, cleaner air and environmental justice in government. Mr. Reichman recognizes that the Governor said the bridge should be replaced but Mr. Reichman explained that does not mean the bridge should be double in size and building one bridge instead of two bridges would accomplish the project goals while saving billions of dollars in construction cost, reducing noise and air pollution and lessening the disturbances of hazardous substances in Newark Bay, allowing more revenue to improve public transit and removing the threat of litigation that could derail the project. Mr. Reichman ended by speaking about his concerns with bottlenecks and additional traffic.

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Chris Hartman

Mr. Hartman, Alliance for Action, stated on behalf of President Jerry Keenan, the Alliance is a non-partisan and non-profit association that represent thousands of businesses, laborers, government, utility, higher education and other professionals of New Jersey and explained that their mission is to improve New Jersey's infrastructure through environmentally friendly capital construction. Mr. Hartman stated that the Alliance really appreciates the hard work of the entire Authority team. Mr. Hartman said many of their members are interfacing with Authority employees on a daily basis and praised their dedication, professionalism, the amount that they put into their work, their wealth of knowledge about projects and general maintenance of the network and stated this past weekend with the snowstorm is

perfect example. Mr. Hartman congratulated Jim Carone on an awesome career and acknowledged his dedication to the New Jersey roadways and said he is a true professional and gentleman and he valued the time and conversations he had with Mr. Carone and wished him the very best on his next steps. Mr. Hartman also congratulated Mr. Kolluri as he prepares to head the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. Mr. Hartman spoke about all Mr. Kolluri's experience and shared that the Authority is getting another extremely dedicated professional in Mr. Kolluri and he understands the relationship in investing in our infrastructure and our economy and stated the Alliance is looking forward to working with him.

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David Pringle

Mr. Pringle, Empower NJ, shared that he and his family are frequent users of mass transit and the Garden State Parkway and the Turnpike and acknowledge how well the roads were maintained in this past weekend's snowstorm. Mr. Pringle explained that the Newark Bay Bridge, 14A to 14C on the Turnpike and NJ Transit all need work and acknowledged that the Authority helps pay for some of the NJ Transit work. Mr. Pringle is urging the Authority, Governor Sherrill and Mr. Kolluri to take a pause and reimagine and revisit the \$12 Billion expansion project and determine if that is really the best use of funds for the state. Mr. Pringle shared the one bridge option looks incredibly good for affordability, less pollution and less traffic.

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PUBLIC COMMENT (remote by tele-conference)

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Holly Cox

Ms. Cox, a 27-year resident of Montvale, expressed that the expansion project is bad for Jersey City residents and bad for the environment and to spend \$12 Billion on eight miles of roadway is based on the false information that it will alleviate traffic and she shared that congestion pricing in New York has been a great success. Ms. Cox advised that the Authority has not released any evidence that shows this project will help alleviate traffic and not hurt the environment. Ms. Cox expressed her concern with building two entirely new bridges and shared that the environmental assessment is also flawed because there should have been a more thorough environmental impact statement and the Authority should have consider a repair option. Ms. Cox shared that this expansion with the additional air pollution with harm people of color and low income communities. Ms. Cox shared the cost of this expansion would be better spent on public transportation, which stimulates more economic development and jobs, decrease traffic and will lower emissions. Ms. Cox stated this expansion should not take place without passing a climate test.

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Doug O'Malley

Mr. O'Malley, Director of Environmental New Jersey, congratulated Mr. Kolluri on his nomination by Governor Sherrill for Executive Director of New Jersey Turnpike Authority and thanked the service of

Mr. Carone. Mr. O'Malley thanked the most recent elected officials for council of Jersey City as well as the new Mayor of Jersey City who weighed in heavily on issues and the impact the expansion would have on Jersey City. Mr. O'Malley pointed out this expansion is very much at odds with the priorities that Governor Sherrill laid out for her administration and the current Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Bayonne on today's agenda is at odds which Governor Sherrill's proposal to have an innovative solution to the Turnpike expansion. Mr. O'Malley explained that there needs to be a re-examination and a pause on this project and a reconsideration for the Newark Bay Bridge that may include repairs or construction of one bridge instead of building two bridges that are not needed. Mr. O'Malley said the proposal is pre-pandemic and outdated and wildly expensive and it needs to be looked at with fresh eyes.

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Emmanuel Morgan

Ms. Morgan, Executive Director of Hudson County Complete Street and resident of Jersey City, thanked Mr. Carone for his years of service and congratulated Mr. Kolluri on his appointment as the new Executive Director of New Jersey Turnpike Authority. Ms. Morgan respectively requested a pause and reconsideration of the Newark Bay Bridge Expansion project and pointed out that when this project was first conceived, we did not have a pandemic, congestion pricing or a reduction bill making its way through legislature. Ms. Morgan stated the 2020 needs assessment of this project did not consider coordination with transit, feasible alternatives for the project and it did not adequately consider the effects the traffic would have on the environmental justice communities. Ms. Morgan voiced her concerns regarding the health factors it would cause to Jersey City residents and said it is no wonder that the Mayors of Jersey City, Newark and Hoboken have opposed this project for several years. Ms. Morgan requested a new needs assessment and alternative study that shows just how the project will contribute to the state's goals.

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Tim Sevener

Mr. Sevener, member of the Board of Directors of New Jersey Association of Rail Passengers, stated they are hopeful that Mr. Kolluri will take seriously that NJ Transit and the Authority should be working together. Mr. Sevener spoke about an alternative, Essex Hudson Greenway that goes to Jersey City that is planned to be a pedestrian bike path only and explained it used to be a rail right of way and that should be light rail plus a trail. Mr. Sevener explained the Essex Hudson Greenway connects densely populated towns that have had already transit ordinate development but no transit and where he lives on the Morris line, since 2008, lost 19 trains to went to Hoboken on the Morris line. Mr. Sevener said the rail is already there and should be utilized and that would give another option. Mr. Sevener feels that would be a more economical option than expanding roadways.

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Elena Little

Ms. Little, Councilperson for Board E in downtown Jersey City, congratulated Mr. Kolluri on his new role and looks forward to him bringing his experience of mass transit to the decision making progress. Ms. Little is in support of cancelling the two-bridge proposal and is in support of moving forward with a single-bridge without any additional lanes. Ms. Little voiced her concerns on the health issues it will have on local communities with the expansion and from an environmental justice perspective on already overburden communities and is strongly urging that no additional lanes are added to this project and stated there is much better uses for the \$11 Billion included, but not limited to, mass transit investments.

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Nicholas Vero

Mr. Vero, a civilian soldier, member with the National Guard and full-time medical student, stated he agrees with previous callers that our roads are vital for commerce but feels our infrastructure should not be a burden to the vulnerable. Mr. Vero voiced his concerns that you can spend billions of dollars on steel and concrete for the Newark Bay – Hudson County Extension but can't find pennies to protect student soldiers. Mr. Vero explained that this project and 3% toll indexing does not comply with Governor Sherrill's Executive Order No. 1, declaring a state of emergency on affordability and wants to know why the New Jersey Turnpike Authority is moving in the opposite direction. Mr. Vero shared the Governor mandated a 90-day regulated freeze under Executive Order No. 7 to stop the red tape that drains people's pockets but these automatic hikes and the \$50 E-ZPass fee are exactly the kind of red tape she has ordered you to dismantle. Mr. Vero asked why the New Jersey Turnpike Authority is moving in the opposite direction of the state's goals. Mr. Vero demanded an immediate moratorium on the 2027 toll index to align with the affordability emergency and stated he emailed his demands to the Board Secretary and the Governor's Office because for a student soldier, readiness cannot wait for committee review. Mr. Vero expects an answer by the next meeting and said God Bless and thank you.

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Katie Brennan

Ms. Brennan, Councilwoman, newly elected to Hoboken and Jersey City in the 32nd District, thanked Mr. Carone and staff for their dedication during the snow storm and congratulated Mr. Kolluri and is thrilled for his leadership and Governor Sherrill's nomination of this dual role which will provide a holistic approach to transit around the state. Ms. Brennan encouraged a pause to the expansion project and is hoping for consideration of the one-bridge solution that will accomplish the goals of safety and access into Bayonne while saving billions of dollars and added that it won't be as harmful on the environment and traffic issues. Ms. Brennan stated congestion pricing is working and we should consider moving funds for this project into dedicated transit projects that will not only be cost effective and cleaner

but would provide thousands of union labor jobs. Ms. Brennan stated she looks forward to working with everyone and being a partner on this journey.

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Brian Scanlon

Mr. Scanlon, a former Councilman and Mayor of Wyckoff, congratulated Mr. Kolluri on his new role in addition to his position at NJ Transit and shared that his appointment will give everyone a moment to step back and ensure that any work done on this stretch of the road is done efficiently and cost effectively and advised that all alternatives should be considered after the project price tag ballooned up millions. Mr. Scanlon explained that the lack of transparency for this project in the past and the lack of public input are two other points of why Mr. Kolluri's leadership is so important now. Mr. Scanlon said it is important for cleaner air in already overburden cities and the proposed project will increase ozone pollution and particulate matter. Mr. Scanlon shared that he has noticed a reduction of traffic due to congestion pricing and a decrease in shipping traffic to the Port of New York and Port of New Jersey due to the tariffs implemented. Mr. Scanlon suggests looking at repairing the bridge or if a new one is necessary, to safely reduce the number of lanes. Mr. Scanlon stated it would be wonderful to save money on this project and fix the visibility of NJ Transit trains and to invest in mass transit.

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Patrick Baroma

Mr. Baroma, Bergen County Complete Streets, opposed the two-bridge project and is encouraging a one-bridge solution and stated adding lanes to any bridge will only increase traffic and cause greater air quality problems plus congestion pricing has now shown that there is no need for this project. Mr. Baroma feels we should be investing this money in transit and if we move forward with the two bridges, we are burdening this state long-term with infrastructure that is not only harmful to us but will be expensive to maintain and will burden future generations with the cost of the mistakes we make today.

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Abby Adams

Ms. Adams, Government Affairs Director for the Associated Construction Contractors of New Jersey, represents general building contractors, construction managers and heavy highway site development utility contractors in New Jersey and she congratulated Mr. Kolluri on his dual role representing NJ Transit and New Jersey Turnpike Authority and stated Mr. Kolluri's leadership comes at a pivotal moment for the state's transportation infrastructure and looks forward to working with Mr. Kolluri. Ms. Adams shared on behalf of her organization, their strong support for the Newark Bay-Hudson County Extension Improvements Program and support of the Authority advancing this critical initiative and for incorporating new improvements that will create a direct connection from the Turnpike extension to the port facilities in Bayonne and Jersey City, which are essential to the efficient movement of goods and long-term competitiveness of our ports. Ms. Adams shared that these improvements will enhance driver's

safety, reduce congestion for local communities and support the continued growth of our port facilities. Ms. Adams stated the Newark Bay-Hudson County Extension has reached the end of its service life and its replacement is not optional but necessary and stated they are in complete support of this project.

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Kathleen Easley

Ms. Easley, a kindergarten teacher, shared that she lives close to the proposed site of the expansion in Jersey City and stated that the traffic in Jersey City is already terrifying and voiced her great concerns on moving small children across the road where people are speeding and prioritizing their own speed over the lives of the most youngest and most vulnerable people. Ms. Easley shared they are a residential neighborhood but so close to cut through traffic and no one outside the community drives like it is a residential area and it is so dangerous. Ms. Easley advised that she agrees with every comment regarding the opposition of this project because it is so unethical and taking money from other priorities that need it. Ms. Easley shared concerns about her own health regarding her asthma as well as the high rate of asthma in children in her neighborhood. Ms. Easley shared that prioritizing convenience over the safety of people is so many different kinds of wrong and is short sided.

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Eric Connor

Mr. Connor, co-founder of Better Blocks New Jersey, congratulated Mr. Kolluri in his new dual role and said we have a historic opportunity to do some real good for the state of New Jersey and wanted to address Mr. Kolluri's statement on the gems of the state being the Turnpike and the Garden State Parkway. Mr. Connor respectfully disagreed and shared that the true gems of the state are the state's people and businesses and the state's infrastructure must serve our people and our cities. Mr. Connor said that Mr. Kolluri said we don't destroy places but highways have destroyed cities and asked what more will we destroy in pursuit of widening a highway while our railway system crumbles. Mr. Connor expressed that Mr. Kolluri deserves a lot of credit for his attempts to modernize NJ Transit, his projects have come in on time and under budget. Mr. Connor shared how rail infrastructure lasts much longer than highway infrastructure and questioned why the Authority is throwing so much money away on highway infrastructure. Mr. Connor expressed that we must focus on the ability and the future and that is what will serve the gems of the state, which are the people. Mr. Connor explained we need to look for alternatives for congestion, not expansion.

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Jeanne Fox

Ms. Fox thanked the Governor for appointing Kris Kolluri to represent the New Jersey Turnpike Authority as she stated he is a great asset. Ms. Fox said that congestion pricing has worked and the numbers have come out to support that. Ms. Fox does not support the expansion and suggested looking at alternatives that make better sense and that money should be invested in mass transit as that is our

future. Ms. Fox shared her concerns on climate change. Ms. Fox has urged the Governor to pause the project until cost analysis has been completed.

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Lauren Carlson

Ms. Carlson, an organizer of the Interface Climate Action Committee located in Essex County, congratulated Mr. Kolluri on becoming the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Executive Director and Governor Sherrill for naming a mutual leader for both organizations, which will allow for coordinated decision making. Ms. Carlson explained that the \$12 Billion expansion project fails to improve public transit or foster cleaner air. Ms. Carlson explained we should be looking into alternatives like repairing the bridge and building one new four or six lane bridge as opposed to building two bridges. Ms. Carlson stated that this will alleviate the anticipated noise and air pollution and allow more revenue to be spent of public transit and she has urged for this project to be re-examined and to include public input.

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Paula Rogovin

Ms. Rogovin, Co-Chair of Blue Water Watch North Jersey Volunteer Team, congratulated Mr. Kolluri on becoming Executive Director of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. Ms. Rogovin shared her appreciation for the earlier comments from the kindergarten teacher. Ms. Rogovin advised that spending \$12 Billion on bridges and roads is absolutely opposite of what is needed during this climate change and this expansion would cause increased pollution and environmental justice communities would be impacted. Ms. Rogovin stated we need to be building only one bridge and stated she will continue to oppose and stop highway expansion. Ms. Rogovin said this money should be used to expand NJ Transit service, buses and trains and stated spending the \$12 Billion on highway expansion is at odds with Governor Sherrill's priorities as she talked about reducing costs, improving public transit, cleaner air, environmental justice and governmental transparency. Ms. Rogovin reiterated the \$12 Billion should be redirected to public transportation and there should be input from the communities that are impacted.

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Alice Freund

Ms. Freund shared that \$12 Billion seems to be wasted on the unnecessary expansion project and understands that the bridge needs to be repaired and is urging for the one-bridge alternative. Ms. Freund voiced her concerns that more air pollution will cause more health issues in North Jersey and said we need more cleaner renewable transportation. Ms. Freund explained she has serious concerns about climate change for not only New Jersey but for the entire world and that money should be spent on public transportation to protect the planet.

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Akshay Varma

Mr. Varma, resident of Jersey City, congratulated Mr. Kolluri on his appointment at the Authority. Mr. Varma and his family are opposed to the expansion project and voiced their concerns over traffic

congestion and stated this project should be paused and reconsidered especially with the success of congestion pricing.

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Ravi Bhalla

Mr. Bhalla, Assemblyman, congratulated Mr. Kolluri on his nomination and knows his leadership along with the Governor's leadership will bring us to a better place. Mr. Bhalla wanted to reiterate the uniformed message that the public, advocates and elected officials are all concerned about having an expansion with a two-bridge project with expanding lanes going into a narrow two-lane entry point into Jersey City. Mr. Bhalla voiced concerns with bottlenecking from the project, environment issues and traffic issues and is asking Mr. Kolluri and the Governor to work with the public, advocates and the elected officials because they are here to represent the public's interests and would like to work with Mr. Kolluri collaborately and stated he is relying on his leadership to get us to a better place to make better progress.

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Rosella Sabatini

Ms. Sabatini, resident of Highland Park, congratulated Mr. Kolluri and is very encouraged that the Governor chose to put two very important institutions under one leader and welcomes fresh eyes to look at this pot of money to align with the Governor's prioritizations. Ms. Sabatini explained after moving to Highland Park 20 years ago, her commute to New York City only took an hour of travel door to door and right before she retired, it took two hours to commute each way on a good day and explained she doesn't understand \$12 billion going towards roadwork when that can be used for mass transit. Ms. Sabatini asked that we keep in mind strategic objectives, the health of our climate and cost benefits analysis and asked to look at the benefits of congestion pricing.

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Corey Hannigan

Mr. Hannigan, Active Transition Program Manager of Tri-State Transportation Campaign, congratulated Mr. Kolluri for his new appointment and stated he is excited to have both NJ Transit and New Jersey Turnpike Authority under one leadership. Mr. Hannigan expressed he hopes that decisions about funding will be more uniformed going forward. Mr. Hannigan is opposed to the \$12 Billion expansion project as it will lock in more traffic, more air pollution and traffic crashes in an area where there is already serious problems and stated that public transit is the real solution. Mr. Hannigan explained that New York had the right idea with congestion pricing and suggests that New Jersey does something similar to simultaneously address highway congestion and transit funding. Mr. Hannigan discussed that widening the bridge will only increase the bottlenecking and this should be a single bridge replacement, which will save on costs. Mr. Hannigan further discussed the environmental and health impacts on those communities affected by the project. Mr. Hannigan stated his hope is that the Authority will finally listen to the community and pause this wasteful counterproductive project, which never really considered alternatives beyond expansion and never considered any input from the public.

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Ester Barkin

Ms. Barkin, resident of Edison, stated she agreed with all the comments and facts that have been presented today with the exception of the person advocating for jobs. Ms. Barkin shared jobs are important but not for an outdated project and a project that is going to be harmful. Ms. Barkin voiced her concerns on traffic issues and stated North Jersey is not only dealing with traffic issues but she is drowning in traffic in Edison as well, which is bad for the environment and bad for our health. Ms. Barkin shared that instead of spending \$12 Million on this project, that the bare minimum should be done to correct any safety features of the bridge and the Authority should think about massive, environmentally sound bus, light rail and train projects that would serve the communities better.

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Elenore Gruber

Ms. Gruber, Co-Chair of the League of Women Voters of New Jersey (a public interest organization), called in to oppose the \$12 Billion expansion project. Ms. Gruber voiced her concerns that there has been no input from public officials and until there is public input, the current proposal should be paused and a reconsideration of all alternatives should occur. Ms. Gruber stated congestion pricing does reduce traffic and eliminates the need for additional lanes and it has already reduced traffic to the Holland Tunnel and widening the highway will only create more traffic. Ms. Gruber stated a better way to move people efficiently through New Jersey to New York is to increase public transportation, which will reduce our carbon footprint while making the air cleaner.

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Bradley London

Mr. London spoke regarding democracy and shared that he is impressed with today's open call and representer's engagement and was very impressed with today's callers and feels the statements and testimony he heard today are very clear and that he feels encouraged because of so much of what was said today has inspired him to tell other people about the call.

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Winifred Victor-Heines

Ms. Victor-Heines, resident of Newark, congratulated Mr. Kolluri and Governor Sherrill. Ms. Victor-Heines agreed with the views of her colleagues that spoke before her and will speak after her opposing the expansion and is urging the Governor and the Authority to stop the proposed expansion because it would harm residents in Newark, Bayonne and Jersey City. Ms. Victor-Heines discussed the immense truck traffic and air pollution that is already in Newark and is causing respiratory distress and real health impacts like asthma. Ms. Victor-Heines shared concerns regarding environmental impact, climate change and flooding from highway infrastructures that are not draining naturally. Ms. Victor-Heines asked that this project be paused and to direct the funds towards better solutions.

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Robert Stein

Mr. Stein stated he supports all the earlier comments against the expansion and added that he is excited and thankful that we now have the same leader for public transit and the Turnpike because this is a historic opportunity to see our situation in a bigger light and a holistic approach to transport is exactly what is needed. Mr. Stein said more of an emphasis should be on mass transit, less emphasis on cars. Mr. Stein supports congestion pricing and feels we need more congestion pricing on other parts of the Turnpike and looks forward to a much more holistic approach to our transit problems. Mr. Stein pointed out that there will still be union jobs if money is spent in public transportation.

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Horacio Nichols

Mr. Nichols congratulated the Governor and Mr. Kolluri for their public service to all the residents. Mr. Nichols feels the expansion project should be paused and reconsidered and the Authority should seek ways that we can make transportation more cost effective and cost efficient.

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Jennifer Nielsen

Ms. Nielsen, a member of the coordinating committee of 3rd Act New Jersey, a part of a nationwide community of people over 60, stated she is going to yield her time as all previous speakers have made compelling statements on the opposition of the expansion project.

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Matthew Walsh

Mr. Walsh, member of the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Association of Railroad Passengers, voiced his concerns of the serious lack of underutilization of existing passenger rail that money was already invested in. Mr. Walsh spoke about the North Jersey Coastline that runs parallel to the Turnpike from Monmouth County all the way to Hudson County and explained that there was a waterfront connection to the Northeast Corridor to Northeast Coastline and that connection was a very important connection because that provided direct service to the waterfront to Hoboken and since covid, the waterfront connection has not been used and there is capacity for six trains each way from Red Bank to Hoboken on this line through this connection. Mr. Walsh shared this would take a lot of cars off the roadway if this was utilized and improve air quality and strongly asked everyone to explore alternative existing options that don't involve eminent domain and the destruction of property and again asked to utilize the passenger rail system.

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Peter Goggi

Mr. Goggi, resident of Jersey City, highlighted that there are less costly alternatives to the proposed full replacement expansion and spoke regarding a study performed by Jacobs Engineering in

2020 that stated rehabilitating the Newark Bay Bridge could extend its useful life for decades for a fraction of the cost of a full replacement and it seems to him that spending \$12 Billion for a full replacement is a negligent misappropriation of funds and asks that the Authority decision makers consider other cost saving alternatives before committing to a massive expansion and stated he is opposed to the expansion because expanding the highway does not solve congestion issues. Mr. Goggi expressed his concerns over more congestion and air quality and stated we should be investing more in mass transit.

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Ostavo Jose

Mr. Jose, resident of Brooklyn, shared that he would like to see more improvement in public transportation and is asking for a reconsideration of the expansion project and to include the public and officials in the decision making process. Mr. Jose appreciates that he can make comments today. Mr. Jose asked the Authority to look again at the cost of each of the projects and consider the cost differences between repairing the bridge as opposed to building two bridges. Mr. Jose voiced his concerns over the recent announcement that the Authority is not planning to include a new travel lane into the bridge but doubling the size of the bridge which would mean four lanes of bridge traffic going into two lanes and that will cause a massive bottleneck and cause worse traffic on local streets. Mr. Jose stated this will also make air quality concerns worse.

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Beatriz Bofill

Ms. Bofill congratulated Mr. Kolluri on his new position and shared she is hopeful in him overseeing both agencies and that he will make careful and measured decisions and is hoping that he will lead the Authority to pivot to a one-bridge solution and to maintain two lanes to enter into Jersey City so not to create a bottleneck. Ms. Bofill explained that with a one-bridge solution we would have money left over to invest in mass transit. Ms. Bofill mentioned how local officials do not want the expansion as well. Ms. Bofill commented on the neglect of our infrastructure and she has seen the effects of the neglect on our mass transit systems and stated we need to get the unions working to improve mass transit. Ms. Bofill stated that mass transit moves many more people efficiently. Ms. Bofill shared her concerns on the environmental issues too.

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Vincent Fedor

Mr. Fedor, resident of Bayonne, explained his view that there has always been the mentality of either NJTA or NJ Transit and it is very difficult for him to see that the Governor nominated Kris Kolluri to be the Chair of both and feels there needs to be a both end kind of mentality. Mr. Fedor commented that there is a huge difference regarding the health of children that around mass transit verses more cars and shared his health concerns for children that around traffic congestion. Mr. Fedor urged Mr. Kolluri to say no to the expansion.

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Melanie McDermott

Ms. McDermott, resident of Highland Park, explained that we need to think of our public transit system as a whole and we need to decide what we want it to deliver. Ms. McDermott shared that we need to consider cost, environmental and health impact and the Turnpike expansion fails to meet that text. Ms. McDermott said more lanes will create more traffic, more health issues and more pollution on already overburden communities. Ms. McDermott asked for a pause on the expansion and to consider all alternatives and consider building one bridge instead of two and stated that \$12 Million saved could improve public transit hugely. Ms. McDermott ended by explaining that she would like to see more consideration for meaningful input from the public, officials and the affected residents.

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Britton Fullwood

Ms. Fullwood, a former Toll Collector, shared her support for the Authority and commented on how everyone needs to stay safe and thanked everyone for doing a great job during the snowstorm.

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Celeste Racano

Ms. Racano, a volunteer for Food Water Action, expressed her congratulations and sincere best wishes to Governor Sherrill and to Mr. Kolluri. Ms. Racano commented that Governor Sherrill clearly outlined her vision for her administration especially for environmental areas like cleaner air, improving public transit and environmental justice and Ms. Racano thanked the Governor for prioritizing these issues. Ms. Racano shared the proposed Turnpike expansion would not be in line with these concerns. Ms. Racano stated the proposed plan will make traffic worse and not alleviate congestion and the \$12 Million could be used to improve mass transit. Ms. Racano shared her concerns over more noise pollution and explained it is time to re-examine this costly project and include input from the public and public officials.

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David Rible

Mr. Rible, CEO of the Utility Transportation Contractors Association, UTCA is non-profit trade association located in Wall Township that represent approximately 1,100 members and firms in public and private sectors in construction. Mr. Rible said he is here to reaffirm the UTCA's support for the Newark Bay-Hudson County Extension Improvement Program. Mr. Rible said the extension has reached the end of its service life and must be replaced. Mr. Rible feels this will also provide a major economic boost to our state at a critical time and support tens of thousands of jobs and will create opportunities for small businesses and underserved communities while not using tax payers dollars for this project. Mr. Rible congratulated Mr. Kolluri in leading the New Jersey Turnpike Authority while leading NJ Transit and shared that he is looking forward to his leadership and partnership and thanked Mr. Carone for his dedication and service and wished him the best in the future.

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Mary Saudargas

Ms. Saudargas, a volunteer with Food and Water Watch in Central Jersey, stated she is really looking forward to Mr. Kolluri leading both agencies and feels it is a forward thinking approach on management. Ms. Saudargas shared she agrees with others that are pleading for a pause on the expansion and agrees with the one-bridge solution because she feels it will be more cost effective, a realistic approach to the automobile and truck traffic and better approach to the environmental concerns. Ms. Saudargas would like to see the money saved from this prior proposed project rolled into NJ Transit for train and station upgrades, on-going maintenance, route upgrades and construction of more light rail lines so we can reduce automobile traffic.

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Stephanie Martinez

Ms. Martinez, resident of Newark, gave a shout out to Mr. Kolluri for being the new Authority Executive Director and congratulated Governor Sherrill for nominating him because of his experience and because of his transportation knowledge. Ms. Martinez stated she rides the bus as well as driving her car.

[Ms. Martinez lost her connection]

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Patrick Colmon

Mr. Colmon, former President of Bike JC Jersey City, shared that he agrees with everything that has been said regarding the opposition of the expansion and that it doesn't make sense to add additional lanes only to go down to two lanes coming out of the Holland Tunnel and agrees with finding alternatives to the original proposal. Mr. Colmon spoke about the Essex Hudson Greenway being a crucial part of this and explained that we know the state bought that land to create the Greenway and that would be a great way to spend some of this money, especially for those that want to use active transportation.

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Jimmy Lee

Mr. Lee, a resident of Jersey City, congratulated Governor Sherrill and Mr. Kolluri on his dual appointment at the Authority and NJ Transit. Mr. Lee shared that he has been impressed with Mr. Kolluri's work at the NJ Transit and explained that the Authority should not be making multi-billion decisions in a vacuum. Mr. Lee explained that the goal of transportation policies should be on how you move people and not how we move our vehicles. Mr. Lee spoke about the Lincoln Tunnel's dedicated bus lane and how that single lane that is only open for a few hours each morning moves ten times the number of people than vehicles. Mr. Lee stated buses through the Lincoln Tunnel are the biggest movers across the Hudson River every day. Mr. Lee spoke about noise, air pollution and health issues that neighborhood communities are already experiencing.

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Stephanie Martinez

Ms. Martinez, resident of Newark, stated she echoes all previous callers in that the bridge needs to be fixed but environmental impacts need to be looked at and she is concerned about how the expansion will threaten her community and future generations. Ms. Martinez explained that scientists stated that we only have a few more years to reduce carbon emissions. Ms. Martinez discussed how there are so many public comments and concerns regarding this \$12 Billion expansion in causing additional air pollution, additional traffic and more cars on the roads causing additional accidents and additional health issues. Ms. Martinez expressed she is hopeful that the new Governor and her administration will help reduce costs and improve public transportation.

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Dan Blanco

Mr. Blanco, a student at Rutgers University, shared he agreed with the comments thus far and does not believe two new bridges is the solution. Mr. Blanco gave alternative options for allocating the \$12 Million dollars: 1) Hudson to Bergen light rail expansion 2) fund approximately four years of NJ Transit operations including wages and benefits and 3) fund electric buses. Mr. Blanco voiced his concerns that the expansion will only increase traffic and health issues and worsen the climate impact on these cities. Mr. Blanco asked that the two bridge project be paused and no further construction be carried out until more public comments have been heard.

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Jeanette Bergeron

Ms. Bergeron congratulated Mr. Kolluri on his new role at the Authority along with his current role at NJ Transit and shared she is a huge supporter of increasing mass transit as that is the future of transportation in New Jersey. Mr. Bergeron shared that she agrees with most of the comments from previous callers in that the project must be re-examined and must include meaningful input from the public and public officials.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Executive Director Carone took a moment to acknowledge New Jersey Department of Transportation Commissioner Francis O'Connor for his service to both our agency and to the state. Executive Director Carone recalled his 16-year career at the Authority, then out to the private consulting community to only return as Commissioner for the past two years. Executive Director Carone shared that Mr. O'Connor's number one priority has been safety, so much so that when Governor Murphy in January of 2025 signed the Target Zero Commission, he appointed Mr. O'Connor as the Chair and commissioned with 13 state agencies, which issued its final report last month and it contained 72 specific actions, which will be implemented moving forward to reduce fatalities and crashes. Executive Director

Carone stated from all of us here at the Authority that we wish him, his wife and family the best of luck in all his future endeavors.

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GENERAL BUSINESS

Interim Commissioner Bertoni stated if no Commissioners have any objections, he would like to move to vote on Agenda Item 2026-01-034. There were no objections.

Interim Commissioner Bertoni requested approval of Agenda Item No. 2026-01-034. Moved is the item as follows:

2026-01-034

In a document dated January 27, 2026, **Resolution Appointing Kris Kolluri as the Executive Director of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority**, was approved.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the State of New Jersey and its residents to provide a coordinated and integrated transportation system; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's New Jersey Turnpike and Garden State Parkway are essential components of the State's integrated transportation network that includes NJ TRANSIT's bus and commuter rail public transportation system; and

WHEREAS, a collaborative and creative approach is necessary to ensure that New Jersey's integrated transportation system is up to the challenges and opportunities affecting the State and its residents; and

WHEREAS, Kris Kolluri has served as a New Jersey Commissioner of Transportation, Chairman of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, Chairman of the NJ TRANSIT Board of Directors, Chairman of the South Jersey Transportation Authority, Chief Executive Officer of the Gateway Development Commission, and in other senior executive leadership positions, and has extensive experience in overseeing transportation systems, including toll roads and mass transit, as well as transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Kris Kolluri has served as the Executive Director and President & CEO of NJ TRANSIT since January 2025; and

WHEREAS, Kris Kolluri has the unique qualifications to oversee the State's public transportation system, including its toll roads and public bus and commuter rail services, to provide for a better coordinated and integrated transportation system that will inure to the benefit of the State and its residents; and

WHEREAS, Kris Kolluri thereby possesses the qualifications, experience and vision to meet the requirements of Executive Director of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority and to continue to serve the needs of NJ TRANSIT; and

WHEREAS, Governor Sherrill has recommended Kris Kolluri to the New Jersey Turnpike Authority Board to fulfill the Authority's mission to provide an efficient, safe and responsive roadway transportation system,

and to unify and coordinate transportation strategy with NJ TRANSIT to improve the daily commute for millions of New Jersey residents,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Kris Kolluri is hereby appointed Executive Director of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, effective on February 9, 2026; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair is authorized to negotiate and execute an employment agreement with Kris Kolluri with memorializing terms reflecting an at will and non-pensionable employment status, no employer contribution to the retirement program, no health or vacation benefits, a salary of no more than One Dollar, and an Authority-purchased life insurance policy with a face value of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars.

2026-01-034

On motion by Commissioner Wisniewski and seconded by Commissioner Gravino the Board unanimously approved item number 2026-01-034; and authorized or ratified, as presented, the recommendations contained therein; and received and filed the memoranda.

ROLL CALL

DIAZ	DuPONT	GRAVINO	SALERMO	MALDONADO	WISNIEWSKI	BERTONI
YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

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HUMAN RESOURCES

Director of Human Resources Mary-Elizabeth Garrity requested approval of Agenda Item No. 2026-01-001. Moved is the item as follows:

2026-01-001

Director of Human Resources Mary-Elizabeth Garrity submitted the **Personnel Agenda**, dated January 27, 2026, and requested confirmation of the personnel matters contained therein. The Executive Director certified the recommendations for consideration.

2026-01-001

On motion by Commissioner Wisniewski and seconded by Vice Chair Diaz employment of those named to serve at the pleasure of the Authority and other recommended personnel actions, were approved, ratified and confirmed, to become effective as of the dates specified and at the salaries listed.

ROLL CALL

DIAZ	DuPONT	GRAVINO	SALERMO	MALDONADO	WISNIEWSKI	BERTONI
YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

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LAW

Director of Law Thomas Holl requested approval of Agenda Item Nos. 2026-01-002. Moved is the item as follows:

2026-01-002

In a memorandum dated January 2, 2026, **Authorization for the Executive Director to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the City of Bayonne in connection with the Newark Bay-Hudson County Extension Improvements Program**, was approved.

The New Jersey Turnpike Authority ("Authority") is proceeding with its plans for the Newark Bay-Hudson County Extension Improvements Program ("Program") in ways that will benefit residents of the City of Bayonne ("Bayonne") and assist the Authority with the Program. Specifically, the Authority will provide portions of the structures that are demolished for the Program to the Bayonne Historic Preservation Commission for incorporation into a public display; plan for and provide continuing community access to a municipal park during construction; and, after construction is completed, create a waterfront walkway. Approval of this item will allow the Executive Director to execute a Memorandum of Agreement incorporating these terms.

Accordingly, it is requested that the Board of Commissioners delegate to the Executive Director the authority to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with Bayonne incorporating the terms outlined above, should he deem it in the best interest of the Authority, upon the recommendation of the Engineering Department. It is further recommended that the Commissioners authorize the Executive Director to execute any such documents and take any other actions as are deemed necessary to effectuate the intent of this authorization.

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2026-01-002

On motion by Vice Chair Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Wisniewski, the Board unanimously approved Agenda Item No. 2026-01-002 and authorized and ratified, as presented, the recommendations contained therein; and received and filed the memoranda.

ROLL CALL

DIAZ	DuPONT	GRAVINO	SALERMO	MALDONADO	WISNIEWSKI	BERTONI
YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

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ENGINEERING

Chief Engineer Daniel Hesslein requested approval of item numbers 2026-01-003 through 2026-01-007. Moved are the items as follows:

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PUBLIC BID SOLICITATIONS – AWARD OF CONTRACTS

2026-01-003

In a document dated December 23, 2025, **Recommendation to Award Contract No. P100.743, Garden State Parkway, Ferreira Construction Co. Inc., Bridge Repairs and Resurfacing, Milepost 0 to 126 (2026), R-198677, Budget Code: 0390002007, Amount: \$12,711,472.00,** was approved.

This contract will provide for bridge repairs concentrated in the southern portion of the Parkway and will perform work on 19 structures. The work generally involves selective replacement of complete deck panels, concrete spall repairs, replacement of existing asphalt wearing surface, bearing replacement, and miscellaneous substructure repairs. All work is expected to be substantially completed by March 2027.

Three bid proposals were received on December 18, 2025, for the above publicly advertised contract, as shown on the attached bid summary sheet. The low bid proposal, in the amount of \$12,711,472.00, may be compared to the second low bid proposal in the amount of \$15,545,461.00. The low bid was substantially lower than the Engineer's Estimate in the amount of \$15,097,469.00 and likely due to the low bidder's existing mobilization and the local availability of traffic control devices. Engineering Department Representatives confirmed with the low bidder that they can perform the work at the bid prices. The low bidder, Ferreira Construction Co. Inc., has performed work for the Authority and is considered competent to complete this contract.

It is therefore recommended that Contract No. P100.743 be awarded to the low bidder, Ferreira Construction Co. Inc. of Branchburg, New Jersey in the amount of \$12,711,472.00. Bids for this work were procured, and the authorization being sought is to award this fair and open contract to the lowest responsible bidder, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

The General Consultant, HNTB Corporation, concurs with this recommendation.

2026-01-004

In a document dated December 22, 2025, **Recommendation to Award Contract No. T100.744, New Jersey Turnpike, Ferreira Construction Co. Inc., Bridge Repairs and Resurfacing, Milepost 0 to 92, and the Pearl Harbor Memorial Turnpike Extension (2026), R-198678, Budget Code: 0390000010, Amount: \$17,923,472.00,** was approved.

This contract will provide for bridge repairs concentrated in the southern portion of the Turnpike and will perform work on 19 structures. The work generally involves selective replacement of complete deck panels, concrete spall repairs, replacement of existing asphalt wearing surface, bearing replacement, and miscellaneous substructure repairs. All work is expected to be substantially completed by March 2027.

Two bid proposals were received on December 16, 2025, for the above publicly advertised contract, as shown on the attached bid summary sheet. The low bid proposal, in the amount of \$17,923,472.00, is significantly lower than the Engineer's Estimate in the amount of \$26,680,972.05, which is likely due to the low bidder's prior experience with this type of work and their ability to equip and

self-perform certain tasks. Engineering Department Representatives confirmed with the low bidder that they can perform the work at the bid prices. The low bidder, Ferreira Construction Co. Inc., has performed work for the Authority and is considered competent to complete this contract.

It is therefore recommended that Contract No. T100.744 be awarded to the low bidder, Ferreira Construction Co. Inc. of Branchburg, New Jersey in the amount of \$17,923,472.00. Bids for this work were procured, and the authorization being sought is to award this fair and open contract to the lowest responsible bidder, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

The General Consultant, HNTB Corporation, concurs with this recommendation.

2026-01-005

In a document dated January 22, 2026, **Recommendation to Award Contract No. P200.721, Garden State Parkway, Crisdel Group, Inc., Roadway Resurfacing, Milepost 0 to 126 Section 9 and 12 (2026), R-198651, Budget Code: 0390038011, Amount: \$20,777,628.00**, was approved.

This contract, managed by the Operations Department, will provide for pavement removal and resurfacing of bituminous asphalt surface course pavement with warm mix asphalt along the Northbound Inner (Express) and Outer (Local) roadways from Milepost 116 to 125 and Northbound and Southbound Parkway mainline roadways from Milepost 125 to 127. Both areas include shoulders, interchange ramps, toll plazas and other incidental work between Milepost 0 and 126 in Cape May, Atlantic, Burlington, Ocean, Monmouth and Middlesex Counties, New Jersey. All work is expected to be substantially completed by September 2027.

Six bid proposals were received on December 17, 2025, for the above publicly advertised contract, as shown on the attached bid summary sheet. The low bid proposal, in the amount of \$20,777,628.00, may be compared to the second low bid proposal in the amount of \$20,789,408.69. The bids were lower than the Engineer's Estimate in the amount of \$23,378,325.00 and likely due to workload and proximity to the Project. The low bidder Crisdel Group, Inc. has performed work for the Authority and is considered competent to complete this contract.

It is, therefore, recommended that Contract No. P200.721 be awarded to the low bidder, Crisdel Group, Inc. of South Plainfield, New Jersey, in the amount of \$20,777,628.00 This award is contingent upon the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey completing the review of all documents submitted by the selected awardee, pursuant to Public Law 2005, Chapter 51 (formerly Executive Order 134) and Executive Order 117 (Corzine 2008), and having no objection to same. Bids for this work were procured, and the authorization being sought is to award this contract to the lowest responsible bidder, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

The General Consultant, HNTB Corporation, concurs with this recommendation.

2026-01-006

In a document dated December 22, 2025, **Recommendation to Award Contract No. T200.735, New Jersey Turnpike, Creamer Ruberton, A Joint Venture, Guide Rail Improvements, Milepost 105.8 to W109.4 and Milepost 105.8 to E115.7, R-198695, Budget Code: 5000004101, Amount: \$17,174,629.00,** was approved.

This contract will provide for removal and replacement of guide rail, concrete barrier, parapet extensions and other incidental work at various locations along the New Jersey Turnpike from Milepost 105.8 to W109.4 on the westerly alignment and Milepost E115.7 on the easterly alignment. All work is expected to be substantially completed by June 2027.

One bid proposal was received on December 10, 2025, for the above publicly advertised contract, as shown on the attached bid summary sheet. The low bid proposal, in the amount of \$17,174,629.00, may be compared to the Engineer's Estimate in the amount of \$15,141,984.00. The low bidder, Creamer Ruberton, A Joint Venture has performed work for the Authority and is considered competent to complete this contract.

It is therefore recommended that Contract No. T200.735 be awarded to the low bidder, Creamer Ruberton, A Joint Venture of Hackensack, New Jersey in the amount of \$17,174,629.00. Bids for this work were procured, and the authorization being sought is to award this fair and open contract to the lowest responsible bidder, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

The General Consultant, HNTB Corporation, concurs with this recommendation.

2026-01-007

In a document dated December 22, 2025, **Recommendation to Award Contract No. A900.557, New Jersey Turnpike, Kyle Conti Construction, LLC, Construction of Flood Mitigation, Turnpike Interchange 11, R-198680, Budget Code: 5000010004, Amount: \$10,888,888.10,** was approved.

This contract will provide for construction of stormwater management basins and drainage improvements and other incidental work within the infield and median areas adjacent to Turnpike Interchange 11, and storm pipe modifications along the mainline to provide flood mitigation of the Authority's Headquarters property in Woodbridge. All work is expected to be substantially completed by August 2027.

Nine bid proposals were received on December 10, 2025, for the above publicly advertised contract, as shown on the attached bid summary sheet. The low bid proposal, in the amount of \$10,888,888.10, may be compared to the second low bid proposal in the amount of \$11,669,003.29. The low bid was substantially lower than the Engineer's Estimate in the amount of \$15,806,571.00 and likely due to the low bidder's knowledge of the work based on similar completed projects and more competitive prices for site work and paving. Engineering Department representatives confirmed with the low bidder

that they can perform the work at bid prices. The low bidder, Kyle Conti Construction, LLC has performed work for the Authority and is considered competent to complete this contract.

It is therefore recommended that Contract No. A900.557 be awarded to the low bidder, Kyle Conti Construction, LLC of Hillsborough, New Jersey in the amount of \$10,888,888.10. Bids for this work were procured, and the authorization being sought is to award this fair and open contract to the lowest responsible bidder, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

The General Consultant, HNTB Corporation, concurs with this recommendation.

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On motion by Treasurer DuPont and seconded by Commissioner Gravino, the Board approved Agenda Item No. 2026-01-003 through 2026-01-007; and authorized and ratified, as presented, the recommendations contained therein; and received and filed the memoranda.

ROLL CALL

DIAZ	DuPONT	GRAVINO	SALERMO	MALDONADO	WISNIEWSKI	BERTONI
YES	YES	YES	YES	RECUSED	YES	YES

Chief Engineer Daniel Hesslein requested approval of item number 2026-01-008 through 2026-01-017. Moved are the items as follows:

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ORDER FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (OPS)

2026-01-008

In a document dated December 22, 2025, **Recommendation to Issue Order for Professional Services No. A3827, New Jersey Turnpike and Garden State Parkway, IH Engineers, P.C., Supervision of Construction Services for Contract No. A900.557, Construction of Flood Mitigation, Turnpike Interchange 11, R-198682, Budget Code: 5000010004, Amount: \$2,280,000.00,** was approved.

This Order for Professional Services will provide supervision of construction services for Contract No. A900.557, Construction of Flood Mitigation, Turnpike Interchange 11. These services include construction inspection, material testing, record keeping, preparation of payment estimates, and other services required to ensure compliance with the contract documents.

This assignment is classified as a "Simple Procurement" based on the scope of work being clearly defined and not likely to change during the course of the project, and the cost not exceeding \$6,000,000.00. The solicitation for Expressions of Interest (EOI) was posted on the Authority's website

and sixty-six (66) engineering firms were prequalified and eligible under Profile Code: B153, Roadway Construction Inspection. Three firms submitted EOIs by the closing date of December 9, 2025.

Subsequent to the scoring of EOIs by the Review Committee, Fee Proposals were requested from the top three technically ranked firms. The firms in the order of ranking are: 1) IH Engineers, P.C.; 2) AECOM Technical Services; and 3) Techno Consult, Inc. The fee submitted by IH Engineers, P.C. has been reviewed and is considered to be fair and reasonable for the services to be provided.

It is therefore recommended that Order for Professional Services No. A3827 be issued to the firm of IH Engineers, P.C. of Princeton, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$2,280,000.00. This amount includes reimbursement of direct salaries times a maximum multiplier of 2.35 to cover the cost of fringe benefits, overhead and profit, plus authorized direct non-salary expenses. These professional services were procured by a fair and open process, and the recommended firm was selected in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-9.1, et seq., N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1 of the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.8, promulgated pursuant thereto, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

2026-01-009

In a document dated December 22, 2025, **Recommendation to Issue Order for Professional Services No. T4104, New Jersey Turnpike Authority, NAIK Consulting Group, P.C., Supervision of Construction Services for Contract No. T200.735, Guide Rail Improvements, Milepost 105.8 to W109.4 and Milepost 105.8 to E115.17 and Contract No. T200.736, Guide Rail Improvements, Milepost 103.5 to Milepost 106.3, R-198684, Budget Code: 5000004101, Amount: \$3,550,000.00,** was approved.

This Order for Professional Services will provide supervision of construction services for Contract No. T200.735 which will provide guide rail improvements along the New Jersey Turnpike from Milepost 105.8 to W109.4 on the westerly alignment and Milepost E115.7 on the easterly alignment and Contract No. T200.736 which will provide guide rail improvements along the New Jersey Turnpike from Milepost 103.5 to Milepost 106.3. These services include roadway construction inspection, material testing, video archiving, record keeping, preparation of payment estimates, and other services required to ensure compliance with the contract documents.

This assignment is classified as a "Simple Procurement" based on the scope of work being clearly defined and not likely to change during the course of the project, and the cost not exceeding \$6,000,000.00. The solicitation for Expressions of Interest (EOI) was posted on the Authority's website and sixty-five (65) engineering firms were prequalified and eligible under Profile Code: B153, Roadway Construction Inspection. Nine firms submitted EOIs by the closing date of November 26, 2025.

Subsequent to the scoring of EOIs by the Review Committee, Fee Proposals were requested from the top three technically ranked firms. The firms in the order of ranking are: 1) NAIK Consulting Group, P.C.; 2) Boswell Inc.; and 3) M&J Engineering, P.C. The fee submitted by NAIK Consulting

Group, P.C. has been reviewed, negotiated, and is considered to be fair and reasonable for the services to be provided.

It is therefore recommended that Order for Professional Services No. T4104 be issued to the firm of NAIK Consulting Group, P.C. of Edison, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$3,550,000.00. This amount includes reimbursement of direct salaries times a maximum multiplier of 2.33 to cover the cost of fringe benefits, overhead and profit, plus authorized direct non-salary expenses. These professional services were procured by a fair and open process, and the recommended firm was selected in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-9.1, et seq., N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1 of the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.8, promulgated pursuant thereto, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

2026-01-010

In a document dated December 22, 2025, **Recommendation to Issue Order for Professional Services No. P4157, Garden State Parkway, LiRo Engineers, Inc., Supervision of Construction Services for Contract No. P100.743, Bridge Repairs and Resurfacing, Milepost 0 to 126 (2026), R-198685, Budget Code: 0390002007, Amount: \$2,100,000.00**, was approved.

This Order for Professional Services will provide supervision of construction services for Contract No. P100.743, Bridge Repairs and Resurfacing, Milepost 0 to 126 (2026). These services include bridge repair inspection, material testing, record keeping, preparation of payment estimates, and other services required to ensure compliance with the contract documents.

This assignment is classified as a "Simple Procurement" based on the scope of work being clearly defined and not likely to change during the course of the project, and the cost not exceeding \$6,000,000.00. The solicitation for Expressions of Interest (EOI) was posted on the Authority's website and fifty-seven (57) engineering firms were prequalified and eligible under Profile Codes: B156, Bridge Repair Inspection and B157, Bridge Deck Repair/Replacement Inspection. Two firms submitted EOIs by the closing date of November 19, 2025.

In accordance with the current procurement regulations, if fewer than three EOIs are deemed complete, the EOI solicitation may be re-solicited, with or without modification, or the procurement may continue with fewer than three firms, as determined by the Executive Director, in consultation with the Chief Engineer. Approval to continue with the procurement was received on November 24, 2025.

Subsequent to the scoring of EOIs by the Review Committee, Fee Proposals were requested from the two firms. The firms in the order of ranking are: 1) LiRo Engineers, Inc. and 2) KC Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. The fee submitted by LiRo Engineers, Inc. has been reviewed and is considered to be fair and reasonable for the services to be provided.

It is therefore recommended that Order for Professional Services No. P4157 be issued to the firm of LiRo Engineers, Inc. of Edison, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000.00. This amount includes reimbursement of direct salaries times a maximum multiplier of 2.35 to cover the cost of fringe benefits, overhead and profit, plus authorized direct non-salary expenses. These professional

services were procured by a fair and open process, and the recommended firm was selected in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-9.1, et seq., N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1 of the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.8, promulgated pursuant thereto, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

2026-01-011

In a document dated December 22, 2025, **Recommendation to Issue Order for Professional Services No. T4158, New Jersey Turnpike, ATANE Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors, P.C., Supervision of Construction Services for Contract No. T100.744, Bridge Repairs and Resurfacing, Milepost 0 to 92, and the Pearl Harbor Memorial Turnpike Extension (2026), R-198686, Budget Code: 0390000010, Amount: \$2,475,000.00,** was approved.

This Order for Professional Services will provide for supervision of construction services for Contract No. T100.744, Bridge Repairs and Resurfacing, Milepost 0 to 92, and the Pearl Harbor Memorial Turnpike Extension (2026). These services include bridge repair inspection, material testing, record keeping, preparation of payment estimates, and other services required to ensure compliance with the contract documents.

This assignment is classified as a "Simple Procurement" based on the scope of work being clearly defined and not likely to change during the course of the project, and the cost not exceeding \$6,000,000.00. The solicitation for Expressions of Interest (EOI) was posted on the Authority's website and fifty-seven (57) engineering firms were prequalified and eligible under Profile Codes: B156, Bridge Repairs Inspection and B157, Bridge Deck Repairs/Replacement Inspection. Three firms submitted EOIs by the closing date of December 10, 2025.

Subsequent to the scoring of EOIs by the Review Committee, Fee Proposals were requested from the top three technically ranked firms. The firms in the order of ranking are: 1) ATANE Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors, P.C.; 2) Remington & Vernick Engineers; and 3) MAKs Engineers, PC. The fee submitted by ATANE Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors, P.C. has been reviewed, negotiated and is considered to be fair and reasonable for the services to be provided.

It is therefore recommended that Order for Professional Services No. T4158 be issued to the firm of ATANE Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors, P.C. of Edison, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$2,475,000.00. This amount includes reimbursement of direct salaries times a maximum multiplier of 2.22 to cover the cost of fringe benefits, overhead and profit, plus authorized direct non-salary expenses. These professional services were procured by a fair and open process, and the recommended firm was selected in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-9.1, et seq., N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1 of the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.8, promulgated pursuant thereto, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

2026-01-012

In a document dated December 22, 2025, **Recommendation to Issue Order for Professional Services No. P4266, Garden State Parkway, Dresdner Robin Environmental Management, Inc., Environmental Compliance Services at the Frank Sinatra, Celia Cruz, Judy Blume and Bon Jovi Service Areas, R-198681, Budget Code: 010-00-850-446050, Funding Allocation: \$250,000.00 FY 2026, \$300,000.00 FY 2027, \$300,000.00 FY 2028, \$300,000.00 FY 2029, \$300,000.00 FY 2030, \$45,000.00 FY 2031, Amount: \$1,495,000.00**, was approved.

This Order for Professional Services ("OPS") will provide the professional services of an environmental engineering consultant to provide groundwater compliance monitoring, reporting, and required remedial investigations and remedial actions at the above-referenced service areas along the Garden State Parkway. All services will be performed in accordance with current New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regulations. The term of the OPS is five years.

This assignment is classified as a "Simple Procurement" based on the scope of work being clearly defined and not likely to change during the course of the project, and the cost not exceeding \$6,000,000.00. The solicitation for Expressions of Interest (EOI) was posted on the Authority's website and twenty-two (22) engineering firms were prequalified and eligible under Profile Codes: C195, Soil and Groundwater Remediation Investigations, C196, Soil and Groundwater Remediation Design, and C197, Remediation Systems: Operation and Maintenance. Five firms submitted EOIs by the closing date of October 27, 2025.

Subsequent to the scoring of EOIs by the Review Committee, Fee Proposals were requested from the top three technically ranked firms. The firms in the order of ranking are: 1) Dresdner Robin Environmental Management, Inc.; 2) Paulus, Sokolowski and Sartor, LLC; and 3) D&B Engineers and Architects of New Jersey, P.C. The fee submitted by Dresdner Robin Environmental Management, Inc. has been reviewed, negotiated, and is considered to be fair and reasonable for the services to be provided.

It is therefore recommended that Order for Professional Services No. P4266 be issued to the firm of Dresdner Robin Environmental Management, Inc. of Jersey City, New Jersey, in an amount not to exceed \$1,495,000.00 which is allocated as follows: \$250,000.00 for FY 2026; \$300,000.00 for FY 2027; \$300,000.00 for FY 2028; \$300,000.00 for FY 2029; \$300,000.00 for FY 2030; and \$45,000.00 for FY 2031. This amount includes reimbursement of direct salaries times a maximum multiplier of 2.80 to cover the cost of fringe benefits, overhead and profit, plus authorized direct non-salary expenses. These professional services were procured by a fair and open process, and the recommended firm was selected in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-9.1, et seq., N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1 of the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.8, promulgated pursuant thereto, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

2026-01-013

In a document dated January 12, 2026, **Recommendation to Issue Order for Professional Services Nos. A4286, A4287 and A4288, New Jersey Turnpike and Garden State Parkway, GFT Infrastructure, Inc. (OPS No. A4286), Dewberry Engineers Inc. (OPS No. A4287), Michael Baker International, Inc. (OPS No. A4288), Order for Professional Services No. A4286, On-Call Engineering Services, RM-198132, Budget Code: Various Funding Sources, Amount: \$10,000,000.00 and Order for Professional Services No. A4287, On-Call Engineering Services, RM-198133, Budget Code: Various Funding Sources, Amount: \$10,000,000.00 and Order for Professional Services No. A4288, On-Call Engineering Services, RM-198136, Budget Code: Various Funding Sources, Amount: \$10,000,000.00,** was approved.

Through this single procurement process, the Authority will select three consultants to provide on-call engineering services for a two-year term with the option of two one-year extensions on an as-needed basis to assist the Engineering Department in the review and development of engineering documents. Anticipated efforts include assistance with engineering studies, the design and preparation of contract documents, License to Cross agreement review and construction oversight, and other engineering services that may be required.

These assignments are classified as "Simple Procurements." Although the estimated fees exceed \$6,000,000.00, the work consists of limited-scope tasks where the requirements are clearly defined and unlikely to change. Approval to proceed with this multi-project solicitation as a "Simple" procurement was received on September 24, 2025. The Solicitation for Expressions of Interest (EOIs) was posted on the Authority's website and sixteen (16) engineering firms were prequalified and eligible under Profile Codes: A092, Bridges: Miscellaneous Repairs; A093, Bridges: Deck Replacements and Rehabilitations; A250, Fully Controlled Access Highways; A257, Roadside Safety Features; A300, Roadway Lighting Systems; B151, Construction Management; B153, Roadway Construction Inspection; B154, Roadway Resurfacing Inspection; B155, Bridge Construction Inspection; B157, Bridge Deck Repair/Replacement Inspection; and D490, Transportation Planning: Location and Alignment Studies. Seven firms submitted EOIs by the closing date of October 30, 2025. One firm subsequently rescinded its submission due to personnel changes.

The scoring of the EOIs by the Review Committee resulted in the following order of ranking: 1) GFT Infrastructure, Inc.; 2) Dewberry Engineers Inc.; 3) Michael Baker International, Inc.; and 4) Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. These four firms were requested to submit sealed Fee Proposals, which were received and have been reviewed.

A review of the Fee Proposal of the highest technically ranked firm, GFT Infrastructure, Inc., for OPS No. A4286 (in accordance with the Solicitation for EOIs), was reviewed and negotiated, which resulted in acceptance of their original Fee Proposal amount. Subsequently, a review of the Fee Proposals of the second highest technically ranked firm, Dewberry Engineers Inc., for OPS No. A4287 and the third highest technically ranked firm, Michael Baker International, Inc., for OPS No. A4288 (in

accordance with the Solicitation for EOIs), were reviewed and negotiated, which resulted in acceptance of their original Fee Proposal amounts. All three fees are considered to be fair and reasonable for the services to be provided.

It is therefore recommended that Order for Professional Services No. A4286 be issued to the firm of GFT Infrastructure, Inc., of East Brunswick, New Jersey, not to exceed the amount of \$10,000,000.00. This amount includes reimbursement of direct salaries times a maximum multiplier of 2.69 (and capped at 2.35 for construction services tasks) to cover the cost of fringe benefits, overhead and profit, plus authorized direct non-salary expenses.

It is further recommended that Order for Professional Services No. A4287 be issued to the firm of Dewberry Engineers Inc., of Bloomfield, New Jersey, not to exceed the amount of \$10,000,000.00. This amount includes reimbursement of direct salaries times a maximum multiplier of 2.80 (and capped at 2.35 for construction services tasks) to cover the cost of fringe benefits, overhead and profit, plus authorized direct non-salary expenses.

It is further recommended that Order for Professional Services No. A4288 be issued to the firm of Michael Baker International, Inc., of Hamilton, New Jersey, not to exceed the amount of \$10,000,000.00. This amount includes reimbursement of direct salaries times a maximum multiplier of 2.74 (and capped at 2.35 for construction services tasks) to cover the cost of fringe benefits, overhead and profit, plus authorized direct non-salary expenses.

These professional services were procured by a fair and open process, and the recommended firms were selected in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:34-9.1, et seq., N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1 of the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.8, promulgated pursuant thereto, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

2026-01-014

In a document dated December 22, 2025, **Recommendation to Issue Supplement B to Order for Professional Services No. T3725, New Jersey Turnpike, Michael Baker International, Inc., Design Services for Contract No. T100.518, Bridge Repairs and Resurfacing, Milepost 0 to 92 and the Pearl Harbor Memorial Turnpike Extension (2021), R-198690, Budget Code: 5000000004, Original OPS Amount: \$1,345,000.00, Amount of Supplement A: \$5,150,000.00, Amount of Supplement B: \$550,000.00, Revised OPS Amount: \$7,045,000.00,** was approved.

This Order for Professional Services was issued at the October 22, 2019, Commission Meeting in the amount of \$1,345,000.00. It provided for bridge inspection, condition evaluation, and preparation of contract documents for Bridge Deck Repairs, Resurfacing and Miscellaneous Structural Repairs on the southern portion of the Turnpike.

Supplement A was issued at the August 25, 2020, Commission Meeting in the amount of \$5,150,000.00. It provided for accelerated design services including bridge inspection, condition

evaluation, development of construction documents, and post-design construction support services for two contracts from Milepost 35.30 to 37.97 and Milepost 74.31 to 74.39.

Supplement B will provide for unanticipated design and post-design services which are beyond the current scope of work. The supplement will include design for a permanent construction staging facility in the vicinity of Turnpike Interchange 8A and includes development of plans and specifications, permits, and other miscellaneous tasks.

It is, therefore, recommended that Supplement B to Order for Professional Services No. T3725 be issued to Michael Baker International, Inc., not to exceed the amount of \$550,000.00 with compensation on the same basis as the original Order for Professional Services. The addition of this amount increases the total authorized fee from \$6,495,000.00 to \$7,045,000.00. The original contract was procured pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-9.1, et seq., N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1 of the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.8, promulgated pursuant thereto, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

2026-01-015

In a document dated January 13, 2026, **Recommendation to Issue Supplement B to Order for Professional Services No. T3839, New Jersey Turnpike, AECOM Technical Services, Inc., Program Manager and Environmental Services for New Jersey Turnpike Interchange 1 to 4 Widening Program, R-198688, Budget Code: 5000056003, Original OPS Amount: \$47,875,000.00, Amount of Supplement A: \$20,000,000.00, Amount of Supplement B: \$35,000,000.00, Revised OPS Amount: \$102,875,000.00,** was approved.

This Order for Professional Services was issued at the March 23, 2021, Commission Meeting in the amount of \$47,875,000.00. It provided for program management, preparation of preliminary design documents and comprehensive environmental services for the one lane widening in each direction of the existing four-lane New Jersey Turnpike from the southern terminus of Interchange 1 (Route 49) to just north of Interchange 4, connecting to the existing six-lane roadway.

Supplement A was issued at the September 24, 2024, Commission meeting in the amount of \$20,000,000.00. It provided for unanticipated design and environmental permitting, preparation of construction contract documents, and other related work for the realignment of Interchange 3 Ramp TW to improve operations and safety between the Turnpike and State Route 168 (Black Horse Pike) and upgrades to the acceleration and deceleration lanes of the remaining interchange ramps.

Supplement B will provide for unanticipated professional services, which are beyond the current authorized scope of work. The supplement will include preliminary design and environmental analysis for improvements outside Turnpike Interchange 2 and related studies, as well as additional program management and environmental services for the Turnpike Interchange 1 to 4 Widening Program due to the extended program completion timeline, restructuring of final design to add nine new design sections to improve contract interfaces and advance local road bridge replacements within the Program corridor. The

supplement will also include the associated subsurface investigations to advance the final design of the U-turn structures and other subsurface final design needs.

It is, therefore, recommended that Supplement B to Order for Professional Services No. T3839 be issued to AECOM Technical Services, Inc., not to exceed the amount of \$35,000,000.00 with compensation on the same basis as the original Order for Professional Services. The addition of this amount increases the total authorized fee from \$67,875,000.00 to \$102,875,000.00. The original contract was procured pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:34-9.1, et seq., N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1 of the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.8, promulgated pursuant thereto, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

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MISCELLANEOUS

2026-01-016

In a document dated December 17, 2025, **Recommendation to Execute Utility Order No. 1761-P, Garden State Parkway, Buckeye Pipe Line Company, L.P., Contract No. P300.680, Operational Improvements between Garden State Parkway Interchange 130 and 131, R-198192, Budget Code: 5000020001, Amount: \$9,400,000.00,** was approved.

This Utility Order will reimburse Buckeye Pipe Line Company, L.P. for materials and labor required for the relocation of existing Buckeye Pipe Line Company, L.P. facilities that will be directly impacted by the construction of operational improvements between Garden State Parkway Interchanges 130 and 131. This work includes final engineering; right of way services; permitting fees; required materials; construction; and construction inspection and supervision services for the relocated facilities.

It is, therefore, recommended that the Executive Director be authorized to execute Utility Order No. 1761-P, not to exceed the amount of \$9,400,000.00. The Authority is required by its enabling legislation, N.J.S.A. 27:23-6, to ascertain and pay the costs of relocation or removal of any public utility facilities that the Authority deems necessary to relocate or remove in furtherance of the Authority's highway projects.

[As a result of an indirect business relationship, Commissioner Wisniewski recused himself on Agenda Item 2026-01-016]

2026-01-017

In a document dated December 23, 2025, **Authorization to Purchase Wetland Mitigation Credits – Agreement No. 232-25, New Jersey Turnpike, Kane Mitigation, LLC, Purchase Wetland Mitigation Credits, Reconstruction of Newark Bay Bridge over Newark Bay, R-198691, Budget Code: 5000056102, Amount: \$16,300,000.00,** was approved.

This Agreement will provide for the purchase of mitigation credits to mitigate for up to 12.895 acres of wetlands impacted by improvements proposed for the reconstruction of the Newark Bay Bridge

over Newark Bay as part of the Newark Bay-Hudson County Extension Improvements Program. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Permit issued for the reconstruction of the Newark Bay Bridge over Newark Bay requires credit purchase of 4.272 mitigation credits from the federally approved Evergreen MRI3 Mitigation Bank ("MRI3 Bank") and 9.895 mitigation credits from the federally approved Richard P. Kane Bank. Per Agreement No. 223-25, the Authority purchased 1.272 credits from MRI3 Bank. The remaining 3.0 credits of the 4.272 mitigation credits are not available to purchase from MRI3 Bank. The Richard P. Kane Bank Wetland Mitigation Bank, leased and operated by Kane Mitigation, LLC, was verified by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to be the only bank with a service area that includes the site of the filling that currently offers wetland credits. Procurement will be a sole source, pursuant to the Authority's regulations.

It is, therefore, recommended that the Executive Director be authorized to execute Agreement No. 232-25 with Kane Mitigation, LLC to purchase wetland mitigation credits at a cost not to exceed \$16,300,000.00, pursuant to the terms outlined above. It is further recommended that the Commissioners authorize the Executive Director to execute any such other documents and take any such other actions as are deemed necessary to effectuate the intent of this authorization.

This Agreement was procured under the sole source procurement authorization of N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1, promulgated under N.J.S.A. 27:23-1 et seq., the Authority's enabling legislation. A resolution, as required by N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1, is attached hereto.

RESOLUTION FOR SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

WETLAND MITIGATION CREDITS

WHEREAS, the reconstruction of the Newark Bay Bridge over Newark Bay ("Project") will impact wetlands; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Waterfront Development Individual Upland, Waterfront Development Individual In-Water, Flood Hazard Area Individual, and Freshwater Wetland Individual Permit and Water Quality Certificate Permits (NJDEP Permit #0000-23-0012.2 LUP230001) and Mitigation Conditions Correction Letter, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Permit (USACE Permit #NAN-2020-00729), issued for the improvements will require construction of a mitigation site, site preservation, or the purchase of mitigation credits from a wetland mitigation bank within the local watershed to mitigate impacts to the wetlands by the Project; and

WHEREAS, such aforementioned Permits will allow the Authority to purchase wetland mitigation credits from Richard P. Kane Bank Wetlands Mitigation Bank; and

WHEREAS, as of December 10, 2025, the Richard P. Kane Bank Wetlands Mitigation Bank, leased and operated by Kane Mitigation, LLC located in the Borough of Carlstadt, Bergen County, New Jersey, was verified by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to be the only currently approved mitigation bank with a service area that includes the site of filling and offers wetland mitigation credits; and

WHEREAS, the Engineering Department has determined that the purchasing of mitigation credits is found to be the most cost-effective method of mitigation and will allow for the Project to proceed on schedule; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's regulations, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1 promulgated under N.J.S.A. 27:23-1, permit sole source procurement when only one source for the required product exists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Authority's Commissioners hereby authorize and approve the award to Kane Mitigation, LLC for wetland mitigation credits in an amount not to exceed \$16,300,000.00, as a sole source exception to procurement by public advertisement permitted by N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1 promulgated under the Authority's enabling legislation, N.J.S.A. 27:23-1.

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On motion by Vice Chair Diaz and seconded by Treasurer DuPont, the Board approved Agenda Item Nos. 2026-01-008 through 2026-01-017; and authorized and ratified; as presented, the recommendations contained therein; and received and filed the memoranda.

ROLL CALL

DIAZ DuPONT GRAVINO SALERMO MALDONADO WISNIEWSKI BERTONI

YES YES YES YES YES YES YES

(except 2026-01-016
recused himself)

Chief Engineer Daniel Hesslein requested approval of item numbers 2026-01-018 and 2026-01-019. Moved are the items as follows:

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FINAL ACCEPTANCES

2026-01-018

In a document dated December 22, 2025, All work performed on each of the construction contracts listed below has been completed in accordance with the contract documents and to the satisfaction of the Engineering Department. Accordingly, it is recommended that these contracts be deemed complete and approved for Final Acceptance. The table below lists each contract and includes pertinent Change Order and financial information including the final payment amount due the Contractor upon Final Acceptance, was approved.

Contract No.	Contractor	Award Total Amount	No. of Change Orders	Additions/ Reductions	Final Total Contract Amount	Final Payment Amount
T100.559	Joseph M. Sanzari, Inc.	\$15,232,198.00	4	\$326,496.10	\$15,558,694.10	\$185,558.81
P100.590	Earle Asphalt Company	\$16,999,613.13	8	\$8,017,563.49	\$25,017,176.62	\$250,171.77
Total						\$435,730.58

The Certification and Recommendation for Final Acceptance has been executed by the Engineers, the General Consultant and the Chief Engineer. All required contract documents including the Engineer's Final Certifications, Maintenance Bonds, Affidavit of Prevailing Wage and the Final Payment certificates have been submitted to the Law Department and approved as to correctness of form. Furthermore, the Contractors have certified that there are no liens outstanding against the Contractors. Accordingly, it is recommended that each contract listed above be accepted and final payment in the amounts shown above be made to the Contractors.

2026-01-018

On motion by Vice Chair Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Gravino, the Board approved Agenda Item No. 2026-01-018; and authorized and ratified, as presented, the recommendations contained therein; and received and filed the memoranda.

ROLL CALL

DIAZ	DuPONT	GRAVINO	SALERMO	MALDONADO	WISNIEWSKI	BERTONI
YES	YES	YES	YES	RECUSED	YES	YES

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**ACKNOWLEDGE REPORTS OF
ENGINEERING EXPENDITURES UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

2026-01-019

The Board acknowledges the reports of Engineering Expenditures Under Delegated Authority as indicated below:

- Construction Contract Progress Summary
- Change Order Summary
- Utility Order Report

2026-01-019

The Authority accepted the reports contained in agenda item number 2026-01-019 and received same for file.

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PROCUREMENT AND MATERIALS MANAGEMENT ("PMM")

Director of PMM Angela McNally requested approval of Agenda Item Nos. 2026-01-020 through 2026-01-030. Moved are the items as follows:

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PUBLIC BIDS

2026-01-020

In a document dated January 23, 2026, **Coarse Paper Products, Spruce Industries, Inc., RM-197953 (Inventory), Budget Code: Various, Amount: \$166,996.28**, was approved.

Under this contract, Spruce Industries, Inc. will provide coarse paper and related products to be held in inventory for use at Authority facilities. These items include but are not limited to paper towels, paper cups, toilet tissue and dispensers for the janitorial section. Bidders were required to bid unit and total prices for 18 line items included in the bid. This procurement was designated as a Small Business Enterprise ("SBE") Set-Aside contract. The bid was fully advertised and the 11 vendors listed in the Authority's database for the referenced commodity were notified of the procurement. On December 22, 2025, a sole bid was received as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Bid Price</u>
Spruce Industries, Inc., Rahway, NJ	\$ 166,996.28

Department Estimate: \$110,000.00.

Bids for these contracts were procured, and the authorization being sought is to award these fair and open contracts to the lowest responsible bidders, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

Accordingly, authorization is requested to award a contract to provide coarse paper and related products to Spruce Industries, Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$166,996.28, subject to funding availability at the time of ordering. Authorization is further requested for the Executive Director to approve each of the two (2), one-year extensions upon satisfactory performance by the vendor.

2026-01-021

In a document dated January 23, 2026, **Axle Counting Treadles, The Revenue Markets, Inc., RM-197960 (Inventory), Budget Code: Various, Amount: \$334,800.00**, was approved.

Under this contract, The Revenue Markets, Inc. will provide two (2) types of axle counting treadles, which will be kept in inventory, for use on both Roadways. The treadles provide a redundant method of counting axles in the toll collection lanes on both Roadways and are a component of the Authority's Automatic Vehicle Classification subsystem. The Revenue Markets, Inc. will supply approximately 65 treadles annually at an estimate of \$5,100.00 each. Bidders were required to bid unit and total prices for each type of treadle. The bid was fully advertised and the three (3) vendors listed in the Authority database for the referenced commodity were notified of the procurement. On December 23, 2025, a sole bid was received as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Bid Price</u>
The Revenue Markets, Inc.	\$ 334,800.00

Departmental Estimate: \$ 380,000.00.

Bids for these contracts were procured, and the authorization being sought is to award these fair and open contracts to the lowest responsible bidders, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

Accordingly, authorization is requested to award a contract for axle counting treadles to The Revenue Markets, Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$334,800.00, subject to funding availability at the time of ordering. Authorization is further requested for the Executive Director to approve each of the two (2), one-year extensions upon satisfactory performance by the vendor.

2026-01-022

In a document dated January 23, 2026, **Collection, Transportation and Disposal of Roadway Sweepings, Active Environmental Technologies, Inc., RM-197996, Budget Code: 00 010 585 446010, Amount: \$161,700.00 (2-Year Contract)**, was approved.

Under this contract, Active Environmental Technologies, Inc. will collect, transport, recycle and dispose of screened roadway sweepings from both Roadways. Bidders were required to provide separate prices per ton for 1) Loading, Separating and Screening and 2) Transporting and Recycling/Disposal of an estimated 2,100 tons of material annually at nine (9) locations on both Roadways. The contract is for a term of one (1) year with the option to extend for two (2) additional one (1) year terms. The bid was fully advertised and the four (4) vendors listed in the Authority's database for this service were notified of the procurement. On December 22, 2025, two (2) compliant bids were received as follows:

<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Total Bid Price</u>
Active Environmental Technologies, Inc., Mount Holly, NJ	\$ 161,700.00
DCRS LLC, Cream Ridge, NJ	\$ 585,700.00

Departmental Estimate: \$250,000.00.

Bids for these contracts were procured, and the authorization being sought is to award these fair and open contracts to the lowest responsible bidders, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1, N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

Accordingly, authorization is requested to award a contract to Active Environmental Technologies, Inc. for the collection, transportation, recycling and disposal of screened roadway sweepings in the amount not to exceed \$161,700.00, subject to funding availability at the time of service. Authorization is further requested for the Executive Director to approve each of the two (2), one-year extensions upon satisfactory performance by the vendor.

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STATE/GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

2026-01-023

In a document dated January 8, 2026, **New Jersey State Police Automatic License Plate Reader Project, Gold Type Business Machines, Inc., RM-197606 (Information Technology**

Services), Budget Code: 0490052020, State Contract No. T0106/17-FLEET-00716 expiring 05/14/2026, Amount: \$2,500,000.00, was approved.

Under this contract, Gold Type Business Machines, Inc. ("GTBM") will provide the Authority with an Automatic License Plate Reader ("ALPR") system. As part of Attorney General's Law Enforcement Directive No. 2022-12, the Authority will manage the installation and maintain an ALPR solution, which will be part of the New Jersey Statewide ALPR Program (NJSNAP). The images will be uploaded to NJSNAP and shared with other law enforcement agencies. All hardware, software, installation, support, and warranties will be provided by GTBM. This procurement is available under State Contract No. T0106/17-FLEET-00716 expiring 05/14/2026.

This procurement, under State Contract No. T0106/17-FLEET-00716 is in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.5(a), promulgated pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:23-1 *et seq.*, the Authority's enabling legislation, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006) which permits the Authority, without advertising, to purchase goods and services directly from vendors who hold contracts with the State of New Jersey.

Accordingly, authorization is requested to award a contract to Gold Type Business Machines, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.00.

2026-01-024

In a document dated December 31, 2025, **Jira Service Desk Software Renewal, Carahsoft Technology Corp., RM-198468 (Information Technology Services), Budget Code: 010 00 830 121020, State Contract No. M4002/19-COMP-00601 expiring 09/15/2026, Amount: \$118,316.90,** was approved.

Under this contract, Carahsoft Technology Corp. will supply the Authority with Jira Service Desk Software renewal. This software is used by the Authority to manage projects and allows Authority users to enter service tickets. Jira Service Desk Software will allow the Authority to continue running the helpdesk software on-premise and provide a redundant infrastructure. This contract will be for one (1) year, covering the period 03/09/2026 to 03/09/2027 and is available under State Contract No. M4002/19-COMP-00601 expiring 09/15/2026.

This procurement, under State Contract No. M4002/19-COMP-00601, is in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.5(a), promulgated pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:23-1 *et seq.*, the Authority's enabling legislation, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006) which permits the Authority, without advertising, to purchase goods and services directly from vendors who hold contracts with the State of New Jersey.

Accordingly, authorization is requested to award a contract to Carahsoft Technology Corp. for an amount not to exceed \$118,316.90.

2026-01-025

In a document dated December 31, 2025, **Kubota Tractors with Mowing Attachments (20), Cherry Valley Tractor Sales, R-197766 (Operations), Budget Code: 0490016033, State Contract No. M4018/25-FLEET-102584 expiring 08/09/2026, Amount: \$1,734,740.25,** was approved.

Under this contract, Cherry Valley Tractor Sales will provide the Authority with 20 Kubota tractors with mowing attachments. These tractors are replacing existing older models that have reached their life expectancy with rising maintenance and operating costs and will be sold as surplus, if feasible. These tractors are available from NJ State Contract No. M4018/25-FLEET-102584 expiring 08/09/2026.

This procurement, under State Contract No. M4018/25-FLEET-102584 is in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.5(a), promulgated pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:23-1 *et seq.*, the Authority's enabling legislation, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006) which permits the Authority, without advertising, to purchase goods and services directly from vendors who hold contracts with the State of New Jersey.

Accordingly, authorization is requested to purchase 20 Kubota tractors with mowing attachments for an amount not to exceed \$1,734,740.25.

2026-01-026

In a document dated December 31, 2025, **Microsoft Enterprise Advanced Support 2026-2027, Dell Marketing, LP, RM-198814 (Information Technology Services), Budget Code: 010 00 830 445900, State Contract No. T-3121/20-TELE-01510 expiring 05/24/2026, Amount: \$242,644.00,** was approved.

Under this contract, Dell Marketing, LP will provide the Authority with a Microsoft Enterprise Advanced Support Agreement for 2026-2027. This support agreement enables the Authority to receive 24x7x365 technical support for all Microsoft products, including but not limited to Windows operating systems, Office products, Exchange, and other server-based application packages. This advanced agreement also includes proactive support, which includes training and evaluation tools to ensure the operating environment is running efficiently. This contract will be for one (1) year, covering the period from 03/1/2026 to 02/28/2027 and is available under State Contract No. T3121/20-TELE-01510 expiring 05/24/2026.

This procurement, under State Contract No. T3121/20-TELE-01510, is in accordance with N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.5(a), promulgated pursuant to N.J.S.A. 27:23-1 *et seq.*, the Authority's enabling legislation, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006) which permits the Authority, without advertising, to purchase goods and services directly from vendors who hold contracts with the State of New Jersey.

Accordingly, authorization is requested to award a contract to Dell Marketing, LP for an amount not to exceed \$242,644.00.

2026-01-027

In a document dated January 8, 2026, **State Contract Modifications**, was approved.

At prior Board of Commissioners meetings, the Authority approved purchases (up to a maximum authorized dollar amount) from the vendors listed herein under the New Jersey State contract referenced below. The terms of the referenced State contract have since been extended and additional funds are needed to purchase these necessary goods and/or services through the extended terms of the State contract.

The original procurements, under the State contracts, were in accordance with *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.5(a)*, promulgated pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 27:23-1 et seq.*, the Authority's enabling legislation, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006) which permits the Authority, without advertising, to purchase goods and services directly from vendors who hold contracts with the State of New Jersey.

Accordingly, given that the period of time during which the Authority may make additional purchases under the referenced State Contract was extended through the new expiration dates of these contracts, approval is hereby requested to increase the Authority's current authorized amounts to the new authorized amounts stated in the attached chart, subject to funding availability at the time of order.

Description / Original Agenda Item or Award Date and Reg #	Vendor Name	Requisition Number	NJTA Contract No.	NJ State Contract No. Expiration	Current Authorized Amount	New Authorized Amount	Requested Increase Amount
Locking Hardware for Both Roadways	Bell's Security Sales Inc.	RM-198282 Operations	3252	21-FOOD-16464 Expiring 07/31/2026	\$75,000.00	\$150,000.00	\$75,000.00
Chain Link, Rock Fall, Wooden, Vinyl & Ornamental Fence Installation & Repair for Both Roadways 2014-10-396 RM-110112	EB Fence, LLC	RM-198278 Operations	2541	T0640/88679 expiring 06/30/2026	\$487,000.00	\$687,000.00	\$200,000.00
Total							\$275,000.00

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

2026-01-028

In a document dated January 23, 2026, **Health Benefits Consulting Services, Gallagher Benefits Services, Inc., RM-196480 (Human Resources), Budget Code: Various, Amount: \$861,000.00**, was approved.

The New Jersey Turnpike Authority ("Authority") issued a request for proposal ("RFP") to engage the services of a firm to provide Health Benefits Consulting Services related to the procurement and placement of third-party claims administration vendors ("TPAs") for its Medical, Dental, Vision and Pharmacy Plans. The Authority's COBRA, Flexible Spending and Health Spending Accounts will also be included in the TPA procurement. In addition, the firm would oversee the implementation of the

Employer Group Waiver Plan ("EGWP"). The Authority's TPA's must be implemented and effective as of January 1, 2027.

The RFP was publicly advertised on November 18, 2025, posted on the Authority's and State of New Jersey websites and distributed to seven (7) firms. On December 9, 2025, proposals were received from the following three (3) firms:

1. Gallagher Benefits Services, Inc. ("Gallagher") – Whippany, NJ
2. The Segal Company ("Segal") – New York, NY
3. USI Insurance Services ("USI") – Florham Park, NJ

An Evaluation Committee (the "Committee"), established by the Executive Director, consisted of personnel from the Authority's Human Resources, Internal Audit and Finance Departments. In addition, staff from the Law and Procurement and Materials Management Departments served as non-voting members of the Committee. The Committee reviewed the written proposals based on the criteria set forth in the RFP and scored each firm individually. Based on the Committee's review of the proposals, the Committee invited representatives from the two top ranked firms, Gallagher and Segal, to make oral presentations and provide best and final offers ("BAFO"s):

The Committee's findings were presented in an Evaluation Report. The Committee scored the firms based on the written proposals, oral presentations, responses to questions and BAFOs.

Gallagher received the highest overall score. Gallagher's written proposal was fully responsive to the Scope of Services in the RFP, and the firm presented a professional and comprehensive oral presentation by their senior management. Gallagher's proposed project team have extensive and recognized experience in health care consulting services and Employer Group Waiver Plans. Gallagher's proposed timeline is aggressive and considers all the Authority's needs. Gallagher also guaranteed up to 50% of its fees for the services related to the procurement process of the coverage outlined in the RFP.

Gallagher submitted a BAFO for competitively marketing all lines of coverage for a total comprehensive fee of \$440,000. In addition, should there be a change to a new TPA, Gallagher has proposed the following fees to implement a new medical administrator for \$75,000, a pharmacy administrator for \$100,000, a dental administrator for \$35,000, a vision administrator for \$35,000, and a new COBRA/FSA/HSA administrator for \$45,000. In addition, Gallagher proposed a fee of \$131,000 to implement the Employer Group Waiver Plan.

The procurement process for this professional services contract was conducted in accordance with *N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1* of the Authority's enabling legislation, *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.9* promulgated pursuant thereto, and Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006).

Accordingly, authorization is requested to award a one-year contract to Gallagher Benefits Services, Inc. for Health Benefits Consulting Services in an amount not to exceed \$861,000.00 subject to availability of funding at the time of service. It is also requested that the Executive Director be

authorized to take such actions and to execute any and all documents as may be deemed necessary and appropriate to further the intent and purpose of the authorizations stated herein.

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SOLE SOURCE

2026-01-029

In a document dated December 31, 2025, **John Deere Heavy-Duty OEM Parts, Repairs and Diagnostic Services, Jesco, Inc., RM-197998 (Operations), Budget Code: Various, Amount: \$400,000.00**, was approved.

Under this contract, Jesco, Inc. will provide OEM parts, repairs and diagnostic services for John Deere heavy-duty construction equipment. The equipment is used for excavating and salt loading, which must be readily available during inclement weather. Jesco, Inc. is the sole distributor for the state of New Jersey for OEM repair parts for John Deere heavy-duty construction equipment as well as for qualified service and repairs.

Thus, it is recommended that this award be made without public advertisement under the sole source procurement authorization of *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1* as promulgated under *N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1* and consistent with Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006). A resolution, as required by *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1*, is attached hereto.

Accordingly, authorization is requested to award a sole source contract to Jesco, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00, subject to availability of funding at the time of service. Authorization is further requested for the Executive Director to approve each of the two (2), one-year extensions upon satisfactory performance by the vendor.

RESOLUTION FOR SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

John Deere Original Equipment Manufacturer ("OEM") Parts

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority's Maintenance Department has requested the award of a sole source contract to Jesco, Inc. ("Jesco") to provide Deere & Company, d/b/a John Deere original equipment manufacturer parts ("OEM"); and

WHEREAS, Jesco is the sole authorized distributor in the State of New Jersey for John Deere OEM parts and is authorized to provide qualified and trained service and repairs; and

WHEREAS, the OEM parts are required to repair the Authority's John Deere heavy-duty equipment used for excavating and salt loading in snow plow operations and must be readily available to protect the motoring public; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1* of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority's regulations, promulgated under *N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1*, permits sole source procurement when only one source of the required goods or service exists;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Authority's Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and approves the award of a contract to Jesco, Inc. to provide the necessary John Deere OEM parts and

repairs in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.00, as a sole source exception to procurement by public advertisement permitted by *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1* promulgated under the Authority's enabling legislation, *N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1*.

2026-01-030

In a document dated December 31, 2025, **Roadway Weather Information System (RWIS) Equipment and Spare Parts, Vaisala, Inc., RM-198317 (Information Technology Services), Budget Code: 04000052001, Amount: \$1,400,000.00,** was approved.

Under this contract, Vaisala, Inc. will provide the technology equipment required to install, activate, and deploy the Roadside Weather Information Systems (RWIS) to be constructed at 16 locations on both Roadways in 2026. In addition, a quantity of spare parts is required to maintain the existing 26 stations that were installed in 2021.

Thus, it is recommended that this award be made without public advertisement under the sole source procurement authorization of *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1* as promulgated under *N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1* and consistent with Executive Order No. 37 (Corzine 2006). A resolution, as required by *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1*, is attached hereto.

Accordingly, authorization is requested to award a sole source contract to Vaisala, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000.00. Authorization is further requested for the Executive Director to approve each of the two (2), one-year extensions upon satisfactory performance by the vendor.

RESOLUTION FOR SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

ROADWAY WEATHER INFORMATION SYSTEM WX HORIZON PRO

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Turnpike Authority's Information Technology Services Department has requested the award of a "sole source" contract to Vaisala, Inc. to supply the equipment and spare parts for the new and existing Roadway Weather Information Systems (RWIS); and

WHEREAS, Vaisala, Inc. exclusively provides RWIS technology, equipment and software applications and therefore the sole provider of RWIS; and

WHEREAS, the equipment and spare parts are required to install, monitor and manage the Authority's Roadway Weather Information Systems; and

WHEREAS, the Authority's regulations pursuant to *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1* promulgated under *N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1* permits sole source procurement when only one source of the required service exists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Authority's Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes and approves the award of a contract to Vaisala, Inc. to provide RWIS equipment and spare parts in an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000.00, as a sole source exception to procurement by public advertisement permitted by *N.J.A.C. 19:9-2.2(d)1* promulgated under the Authority's enabling legislation, *N.J.S.A. 27:23-6.1*.

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On motion by Commissioner Maldonado and seconded by Commissioner Wisniewski the Board unanimously approved item numbers 2026-01-020 through 2026-01-030; and authorized or ratified, as presented, the recommendations contained therein; and received and filed the memoranda.

ROLL CALL

DIAZ DuPONT GRAVINO SALERMO MALDONADO WISNIEWSKI BERTONI
YES YES YES YES YES YES YES

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GENERAL BUSINESS

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OPERATIONS

Director of Operations Kevin Dunn requested acceptance of Agenda Item No. 2026-01-031.

Moved is the item as follows:

2026-01-031

Director of Operations Kevin Dunn requested acceptance of Volumes and Crash Synopses for the Garden State Parkway and New Jersey Turnpike: Period 01/01/2025 through 12/31/2025; with 2024-2025 Yearly Comparisons through December 2025, was approved.

2026-01-031

On motion by Commissioner Gravino and seconded by Commissioner Maldonado, the Board unanimously accepted Agenda Item No. 2026-01-031; and authorized or ratified, as presented, the recommendations contained therein; and received and filed the memoranda.

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STATE POLICE

Major Sean O'Connor requested acceptance of Agenda Item No. 2026-01-032. Moved is the item as follows:

2026-01-032

Major Sean O'Connor requested acceptance of the New Jersey State Police Troop D Activity Reports for December 2025, with 2024–2025 Yearly Comparisons.

2026-01-032

On motion by Commissioner Gravino and seconded by Commissioner Maldonado, the Board unanimously accepted the reports contained in Agenda Item No. 2026-01-032 and received same for file.

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FINANCE

Deputy Chief Financial Officer Erwin Luna requested acceptance of Agenda Item No. 2026-01-

033. Moved is the item as follows:

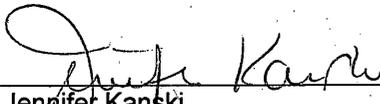
2026-01-033

Deputy Chief Financial Officer Erwin Luna presented the Financial Summary for the Twelve (12) months ended December 31, 2025, was accepted.

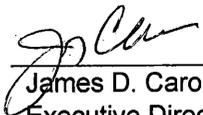
2026-01-033

On motion by Treasurer DuPont and seconded by Commissioner Maldonado, the Board unanimously accepted Agenda Item No. 2026-01-033; and authorized and ratified, as presented, the recommendations contained therein; and received and filed the memoranda.

The motion to adjourn was made by Interim Commissioner Bertoni and seconded by Commissioner Wisniewski and, after the voice vote, the motion was duly adopted. The Board of Commissioners adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m. and advised that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in person, with optional telephonic public call in (check the website NJTA.com to get call-in information), at the Authority's headquarters building located at 1 Turnpike Plaza in Woodbridge, New Jersey.



Jennifer Kanski
Secretary to the Authority



James D. Carone
Executive Director

Date: January 29, 2026