

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
RESOLUTION 2026-7.9**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF AWARD DATE
FROM THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR
IMPROVEMENTS TO ABEY DRIVE, MALLARD PLACE AND QUEENS LANE
UNDER THE NJDOT-FY 2024 MUUNICIPAL AID PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) has awarded funding for the 2024 fiscal year to the Borough of Pennington in the amount of \$478,710.00 for a project consisting of improvements to Abey Drive, Mallard Place and Queens Lane in the Borough;

WHEREAS, the NJDOT advised that the construction contract for this project must be awarded within 24 months from the date of the execution of the grant agreement. Equating to an initial deadline of October 31, 2025, and that failure to award a construction contract by that date would jeopardize the use of State funds on this project;

WHEREAS, in October 2025 the Borough approved Resolution 2026-10.10 requesting a six-month extension of this deadline to April 30, 2026 in order to finalize work required to secure necessary permits and to complete the design and advertising for bids to award a contract;

WHEREAS, on February 5, 2026, the Borough received seven (7) bids in response to the advertisement for bids but all of the bids received were well above the grant award;

WHEREAS, the Borough then decided it necessary to reject all bids, submit a scope modification request reducing the project limits so that the cost would be within the grant, and then rebid the project;

WHEREAS, by Resolution 2026-3.13 the Borough therefore requested from NJDOT an additional three-month extension for modifying the project and obtaining NJDOT approval and awarding the contract, and an extension was granted to July 30, 2026;

WHEREFORE, delay caused by selection and appointment of the Borough Engineer will prevent the Borough from meeting this deadline and it therefore must request an additional extension from NJDOT;

WHEREFORE, the Borough remains committed to constructing the project in 2026 and going out to bid as soon as the project is approved by the NJDOT;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington that for the foregoing reasons, Borough Council requests from the New Jersey Department of Transportation an additional three-month extension to October 30, 2026 for award of a construction contract for the above-described improvements to Abey Drive, Mallard Place and Queens Lane in the Borough.

Record of Council Vote on Passage

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.
Angarone					Rubenstein				
Chandler					Stern				
Kassler-Taub					Valenza				

I, Gian-Paolo Caminiti , Clerk of Pennington Borough, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of Pennington Borough at its meeting held July 27, 2026.

Gian-Paolo Caminiti , Municipal Clerk