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001	Core Competencies	Budget
Pursuant to recently enacted P.L. 2025, c.185, calendar year municipalities must approve/adopt their introduced budgets no later than March 31/April 30 or the date of the next regularly scheduled governing body meeting thereafter (or, for State Fiscal Year municipalities, August 10/September 20 or the date of the next regularly scheduled governing body meeting thereafter). See Local Finance Notice 2026-05. Timely budget adoption helps a municipality avoid having to issue estimated tax bills or tax anticipation notes (TANs). Did your municipality introduce and adopt its current year budget no later than the above-referenced dates? This question may only be answered N/A if your municipality's budget is subject to adoption by the Local Finance Board under State Supervision or if the Division instructed the municipality to delay budget adoption.		[0.00] No
002	Core Competencies	Budget
As amended by P.L. 2025, c.185, N.J.S.A. 40A:5-12 requires the chief financial officer of each Calendar Year municipality to file the Annual Financial Statement (AFS) with the Division no later than March 10. The deadline remains August 10 for SFY municipalities. The law was also amended to allow the Director to issue a $100 per day penalty, payable by the CMFO, for failure to file. Did your municipality file its AFS with the Division by no later than the statutory deadline?		[1.00] Yes
003	Core Competencies	Budget
Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-40, the chief financial officer in each municipality shall, before the end of the first month of the fiscal year, file its Annual Debt Statement with the Division of Local Government Services. Did your municipality file its Annual Debt Statement for the preceding fiscal year with the Division no later than January 31 (July 31 for SFY municipalities)?		[1.00] Yes

004	Core Competencies	Budget	
Ahead of the public hearing on the budget, did your municipality make a user-friendly section of its CY2026/SFY2027 introduced budget available to the public as required pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-3.8?			[1.00] Yes
005	Core Competencies	Budget	
N.J.A.C. 5:30-7.4 disqualifies from local examination a municipality that has failed to submit to the Division the user-friendly budget section corresponding with the previous year's adopted budget. Has your municipality electronically submitted to the Division the User-Friendly Budget section of its adopted CY2024/SFY2025 and CY2025 budgets?			[1.00] Yes
006	Best Practices	Budget	
Has your municipality created an accumulated absence liability trust fund pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-15.5, and annually deposit appropriations into the fund? Only answer N/A if your municipality 1) does not offer (for any employee hired after a certain date) payouts upon retirement for accumulated sick leave, and 2) no current employee has a grandfathered right to sick leave payouts upon retirement.			[0.50] Yes
007	Best Practices	Budget	
N.J.S.A. 40A:4-62.1 allows municipalities to establish a storm recovery reserve for purposes such as, but not limited to, snow, ice, and debris removal. Unexpended balances budgeted annually for storm recovery purposes may be lapsed into the reserve. Review LFN 2025-10 for further information. Has your municipality established a storm recovery reserve to ensure the consistent availability of funds for this purpose?			[0.50] Yes
008	Best Practices	Budget	
Does your municipality engage in long-term financial planning with 5-year budget projections and cash flow forecasts?			[0.00] No

009	Best Practices	Budget
A formal policy regarding municipal budget surplus (i.e. fund balance) is critical to making informed financial decisions, and the lack of a policy could lead bond rating agencies to downgrade your municipality's credit rating. In developing said surplus policy, the CMFO should analyze and explain at least a five (5) year trend of surplus, describing the factors causing each annual increase or decrease in order to develop a realistic and sustainable surplus policy. Has your municipality formally adopted a written policy that clearly states a specific unrestricted surplus amount or percentage of total revenue available to support its annual budget?		[0.00] No
010	Best Practices	Budget
Did your municipality's most recent adopted budget maintain a fund balance (surplus) of at least 20% of appropriations or higher? If you answered No, please state the reason(s) for this budgeting decision under Comments.		[0.00] No
011	Best Practices	Budget
Did your municipality's most recent adopted budget rely on one-time revenues in an amount at or below 10% of total revenues? If you answered No, please state the reason(s) for this budgeting decision under Comments.		[0.00] No
012	Best Practices	Budget
If your municipality answered No to Questions 10 or 11, has your municipality formulated a plan for reversing those practices in your municipality's next upcoming budget?		[0.50] Yes Comment: Reversal of our surplus decline and overall utilization, will require multiple years to overcome. The Township has aggressively engaged in redevelopment projects and sought out to find recurring revenues to aid in its regeneration and sustainability

013	Unscored Survey	Budget	
If your municipality permits one or more classes of cannabis businesses, does your municipality impose a local cannabis tax pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48I-1?			[0.00] N/A
014	Core Competencies	Budget	
If your municipality has authorized special emergency authorizations financed by Special Emergency Notes (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-55), is the municipality current on the mandatory annual redemption schedule of retiring at least one-fifth (1/5) of each note annually with no rollovers or renewals beyond the statutory five-year term?			[1.00] Yes
015	Core Competencies	Capital Projects	
Any municipality having its own water system is required to adopt an annual capital budget and program reflecting the water infrastructure improvements listed on the annual Water Quality Accountability Act (WQAA) capital improvement report. The WQAA capital improvement report must be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) by no later than March 15. If your municipality has its own water system, does the capital budget and program reflect the capital projects listed in the annual WQAA report submitted to DEP that fall within the time period of the municipality's capital budget and capital program?			[1.00] Yes
016	Core Competencies	Capital Projects	
Has your municipality adopted a capital program as defined by N.J.A.C. 5:30-4.2, meaning a moving, multi-year plan and schedule for capital projects (including prospective financing sources) and, when pertinent, first year operating costs and savings? Only answer N/A if your municipality does not have a capital budget and is not required to adopt a capital budget pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-4.3.			[1.00] Yes
017	Unscored Survey	Emergency Services	
A disaster preparedness drill can help plan appropriate emergency responses for scenarios such as, but not limited to, natural disasters, active shooter, wildfires, and chemical spills. Has your municipality participated in a disaster preparedness drill involving local, county, and/or regional partners within the past year?			[0.00] Yes
018	Best Practices	Environment	
Have one or more public electric vehicle charging stations been installed on municipal property?			[0.50] Yes

019	Best Practices	Environment
When purchasing new vehicles, does your municipality have a formal policy to purchase hybrid or altenative fuel vehicles whenever such vehicles are suited to the intended use? Only answer N/A if your municipality does not own any vehicles.		[0.00] No
020	Core Competencies	Ethics
The Local Government Ethics Law, designed to ensure transparency in government, requires local government officers to file Financial Disclosure Statements (FDSs) annually. Compliance by local elected officials is required by N.J.S.A. 40A:9-22.6. Did all governing body members timely file their annual Financial Disclosure Statements for 2026 such that they were not issued a Notice of Violation (NOV) by the Local Finance Board? A "No" answer is permissible if the governing body members' NOV were rescinded by the Board. Only answer N/A if your municipality has an ordinance on the books establishing a municipal ethics board.		[1.00] Yes
021	Core Competencies	Ethics
If your municipality has a municipal ethics board, did the municipal ethics board enforce the Financial Disclosure Statement (FDS) statute by issuing violations to local government officers (LGOs) who were on the 2026 roster but did not file the FDS by April 30, 2026? Only answer N/A if your municipality does not have an ordinance on the books establishing a municipal ethics board.		[1.00] N/A
022	Core Competencies	Financial Administration
Audit findings address areas needing improvement and ignoring these findings devalues the process. Municipalities should correct noted deficiencies. Have the audit findings in your municipality's 2024 audit been identified in a corrective action plan and not been repeated in the 2025 audit? If the answer is no, please list the repeat findings, along with the date the corrective action plan was submitted to DLGS, under Comments. If your municipality's 2025 audit is late, answer "No" and state "2025 audit not complete". Only answer "N/A" if there were no audit findings in the 2025 audit. If you did not answer no, please type "No Repeat Audit Findings" into the Comment Box.		[1.00] Yes Comment: No Repeat Findings

023	Core Competencies	Financial Administration
At its July 2023 meeting, the Local Finance Board adopted an amendment to N.J.A.C. 5:30-8.2 that converted the previously suggested surety bond schedule for a CMFO to a mandatory minimum schedule. This change came into effect on January 1, 2024. See Local Finance Notice 2023-21 for further details and to view the exposure index. Through a blanket bond or an individual bond, does your municipality provide a fidelity bond with faithful performance coverage for the CMFO that meets at least the minimum schedule set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:30-8.2?		[1.00] Yes
024	Core Competencies	Financial Administration
N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.7 requires municipalities to maintain a general ledger for not only the current fund, but also for all other funds, as well as post totals for all funds to the general ledger on at least a monthly basis and maintain required original books of entry in an electronic format. See Local Finance Notice 2024-09 for further details. Does your municipality maintain a general ledger for its current fund and all other funds in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.7?		[1.00] Yes
025	Core Competencies	Financial Administration
Does your municipality post totals for all funds to the general ledger on at least a monthly basis?		[1.00] Yes
026	Core Competencies	Financial Administration
Does your municipality maintain required original books of entry in an electronic format?		[1.00] Yes
027	Core Competencies	Financial Administration
Regular cash flow analysis by a municipality's finance office is critical to maintaining essential services and ensuring fiscal solvency. The Government Finance Officers Association offers cash flow forecasting guidance at https://www.gfoa.org/cash-flow-forecasting. Does your municipality's finance office generate a cash flow report on at least a quarterly basis with administration and elected officials updated on the results?		[0.00] No Comment: This practice will be instituted immediately
028	Core Competencies	Financial Administration
If your municipality received a legislative grant-in-aid from the FY26 State Budget, is your municipality 1) in compliance with all documentation and closeout requirements, 2) maintaining current agency information in SAGE, and 3) ensuring that the agency profile in SAGE does not lapse?		[1.00] Yes

029	Best Practices	Financial Administration
N.J.A.C. 5:30-8.3(a)(3) establishes a schedule of minimum dollar amounts for tax collector surety bonding. However, to provide a higher level of security for public funds, municipalities are encouraged to adopt the more stringent schedule for tax collector surety bonding specified in N.J.A.C. 5:30-8.3(a)(4). Has your municipality adopted the more stringent surety bonding schedule for tax collectors set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:30-8.3(a)(4) or higher?		[0.50] Yes
030	Best Practices	Financial Administration
N.J.A.C. 5:30-8.4 (a) establishes a schedule of minimum dollar amounts for municipal court surety bonding, specifically for municipal judges and municipal court administrators. However, subsection (b) of 5:30-8.4 encourages municipalities to adopt a more stringent schedule for municipal court surety bonding that is specified in the subsection. Has your municipality adopted the more stringent surety bonding schedule for municipal court judges and court administrators set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:30-8.4(b) or higher?		[0.00] No
031	Unscored Survey	Financial Administration
Has the federal government rescinded or suspended one or more municipal grants since the beginning of this year? If so, please list the affected grants in the Comments field. If not, insert "Answered No" in the Comments field.		[0.00] No Comment: No
032	Unscored Survey	Historic Preservation
Does your municipal land use ordinance provide for an historic preservation commission that is governed under N.J.S.A. 40:55D-107?		[0.00] No
033	Core Competencies	Insurance
The purchase of insurance coverage and consultant services is a limited exception to public bidding by virtue of being deemed an Extraordinary Unspecifiable Service (EUS) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(a)(ii) and 40A:11-5(1)(m). See Page 3 of Local Finance Notice AU-2002-2 for further details. The standard EUS certification declaration is available at https://www.nj.gov/dca/dlgs/programs/lpcl_docs/Model_Forms/eus_letter.pdf. Do not submit the form to DLGS. If your municipality has procured insurance under the EUS exception to public bidding, has your municipality followed the procedural requirements of an EUS in doing so?		[1.00] N/A

034	Best Practices	Insurance	
If your municipality contracts with an insurance broker for health insurance, and said contract exceeds the Local Public Contracts Law (LPCL) bid threshold, is your municipality's health insurance broker being procured through a competitive contracting or sealed bid process conducted pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law? Only answer N/A if your municipality does not contract with an insurance broker for health insurance or, if it does, the contract does not exceed your municipality's LPCL bid threshold.			[0.50] N/A
035	Best Practices	Insurance	
Insurance broker fees dependent on the amount of health insurance premiums or fees paid by the municipality are vulnerable to abuse as brokers could face conflicting incentives in seeking lower-cost health insurance alternatives. If your municipality contracts with an insurance broker for health insurance, is the structure for broker payments set at a flat-fee rather than on a commission basis to mitigate the risk of a broker recommending more expensive health insurance coverage to earn higher fees? Only answer N/A if your municipality does not contract with an insurance broker for health insurance.			[0.50] N/A
036	Unscored Survey	Insurance	
If your municipality offers non-SHBP employee health benefit coverage (excluding Rx and dental), did your municipality switch from SHBP to non-SHBP health benefit coverage within the past four (4) years?			[0.00] Yes
037	Unscored Survey	Insurance	
What type of employee health benefit coverage (excluding Rx and dental) does your municipality currently offer?			[0.00] Joint health insurance fund
038	Core Competencies	Lead Remediation	
Subsection h. of N.J.S.A. 52:27D-437.16 requires each municipality to assess an additional fee of $20 per unit inspected for lead hazards and deposited into the Department of Community Affairs' Lead Hazard Control Assistance Fund established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-437.4. Does your municipality assess and collect the above-reference $20 fee assessment for each lead inspection and send the proceeds to the Department of Community Affairs' Division of Housing & Community Resources for deposit into the Fund?			[1.00] Yes

039	Core Competencies	Lead Remediation
Have all rental dwellings that have experienced tenant turnover since July 2022 been inspected for lead prior to being re-occupied?		[1.00] Yes
040	Core Competencies	Personnel
For any current municipal officers and employees NOT required by contract or municipal policy to make health benefit contributions in the amounts specified by the Chapter 78 health benefit contribution grid (excluding Rx and dental), is your municipality requiring those employees to contribute at least 1.5% of base salary towards health benefits pursuant to P.L. 2010, c. 2? See Local Finance Notices 2010-12 and 2011-20R for further details. Answer N/A if all of your municipality's officers and employees are required by contract or municipal policy to contribute at least the amount required by P.L. 2011, c. 78 for health benefits.		[1.00] N/A
041	Core Competencies	Personnel
A retiree whose amount of contribution towards retirement health benefits was determined pursuant to the Chapter 78 grid shall contribute based on the Chapter 78 grid percentage corresponding with their retirement benefit amount. See LFN 2011-20R for further explanation. For those retirees whose health benefit contribution amounts must adhere to the Chapter 78 grid, is your municipality ensuring that retiree health benefit contributions are being made in the amount required pursuant to law?		[1.00] Yes
042	Core Competencies	Personnel
Payments for waivers filed before May 21, 2010 and maintained continuously since, cannot exceed fifty percent (50%) of the amount saved by the local unit as a result of the employee’s waiver of coverage. For waivers filed on or after May 21, 2010, which is the effective date of P.L. 2010, c. 2, payments cannot exceed the lesser of twenty-five percent (25%) of the amount saved by the local unit as a result of the waiver, or $5,000. When calculating an employee’s waiver payment, the local unit must deduct the employee’s healthcare contribution obligation from the total premium cost. Local units have sole discretion as to whether or not to offer employees payments for waiver of health benefits, and may offer waiver payments below the statutory maximum. Health benefit waiver payments are statutorily excluded from collective bargaining. See Local Finance Notices 2010-12 and 2016-10 for further discussion on health benefit waiver payments. Are your municipality’s healthcare waiver payments at or below the statutory maximum? “N/A” is only applicable where the municipality does not make payments in lieu of health benefits.		[1.00] Yes

043	Core Competencies	Personnel
Has your municipality's chief financial officer, tax collector, and municipal clerk registered their most current e-mail addresses in GovConnect to allow continued receipt of EGG Notice broadcasts?		[1.00] Yes
044	Core Competencies	Personnel
For all municipal officers and employees whose positions require a State-issued professional license or certification, does your municipality 1) maintain a list of all State- certified employees and the expiration dates of their licenses or certifications; and 2) require those officials to provide updated copies of their licenses or certifications as they are renewed?		[1.00] Prospective
045	Unscored Survey	Personnel
Does your municipality currently have an unlicensed individual serving as an acting Municipal Clerk, temporary Chief Municipal Finance Officer, temporary Purchasing Agent, and/or a temporary Chief Public Works Manager? Select as many as are applicable or None of the Above.		
046	Unscored Survey	Personnel
Does your municipality currently retain a chief financial officer through a professional services contract?		[0.00] No
047	Core Competencies	Procurement
N.J.S.A. 34:1A-1.16 authorizes the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development (NJDOL) to create a list on its website, dubbed the Workplace Accountability in Labor List (The WALL), of any person found in violation of any State wage, benefit, and tax laws and against whom a final order has been issued by the NJDOL for such violation. A contract cannot be awarded to any contractor or vendor appearing on the WALL. Review LFN 2024-18 for further information. Is your municipality cross checking prospective vendor or contractor names against the WALL before awarding any contract over the quote threshold?		[1.00] Yes

048	Core Competencies	Procurement
P.L. 2023, c. 138 requires public works contractor registration and payroll certification for public works projects to be completed online at https://njwages.nj.gov/. Contractors were required to be registered prior to August 15, 2024 with public entity registration strongly encouraged. Email njwagehubinfo@dol.nj.gov for assistance with registration. In addition to the NJ Wage Hub online requirements, certified payrolls shall continue to be submitted to the municipality in the manner and process that is consistent with each body's previous receipt of certified payrolls (e.g. email, fax). Is your municipality registered with NJDOL's online certified payroll system?		[0.00] No Comment: An email has been sent for us to register.
049	Unscored Survey	Procurement
Has your municipality awarded a contract for financial consulting services within the past year?		[0.00] No
050	Core Competencies	Redevelopment
Upon the adoption of a resolution by a municipal governing body determining that a delineated area, or any part thereof, is an area in need of redevelopment or an area in need of rehabilitation, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6.b(5)(c) and 40A:12A-14.a require the municipal clerk to transmit a copy of the resolution to the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs for review. If the area in need of redevelopment or rehabilitation is not located in an area in which development or redevelopment is to be encouraged pursuant to any State law, the determination shall not take effect without first receiving the review and approval of the Commissioner. If the area in need of redevelopment or rehabilitation is located within an area in which development or redevelopment is encouraged pursuant to State law, the resolution shall take effect after the municipal clerk has transmitted a copy of the resolution to the Commissioner. Areas in Need of Redevelopment and Areas in Need of Rehabilitation are featured on the NJ Community Asset Map hosted on the Office of Local Planning Services webpage under "Available Data and Applications." Has your municipality submitted all resolutions designating areas in need of redevelopment or rehabilitation within the municipality to the DCA Commissioner?		[1.00] Yes
051	Core Competencies	Redevelopment
N.J.S.A. 40A:20-9(d) requires an urban renewal entity with which the municipality has a financial agreement for a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) under the Long-Term Tax Exemption Law to submit annually, within 90 days after the close of its fiscal year, its auditor's reports to the mayor and the governing body. Does your municipality enforce the annual submission of urban renewal entity audit reports and review those reports?		[1.00] Yes

052	Core Competencies	Redevelopment	
For financial agreements under the Long-Term Tax Exemption Law (Long-Term PILOTs) that were entered into on or after July 9, 2003, N.J.S.A. 40A:20-12 requires municipalities to remit to the county five percent (5%) of each quarterly installment of the annual service charge paid by the urban renewal entity to the municipality. The county portion must be included with the quarterly tax installment paid to the county pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-74. P.L. 2025, c.91 also requires a quarterly report of all Long Term PILOTs to which the county share applies to be filed with the county along with the required payment. See LFN 2025-12 for further information. Does your municipality pay over to the county its statutory share of each Long-Term PILOT entered into on or after July 9, 2003 and file the required quarterly report?			[1.00] Yes
053	Core Competencies	Redevelopment	
PILOTs can be a useful tool for economic development. However, municipalities must monitor PILOT agreements to ensure recipients comply with all agreement terms, particularly timely payment and reporting. Does your municipality have an official designated to monitor exemptions/abatements and ensure compliance with the PILOT agreement terms?			[1.00] Yes
054	Unscored Survey	Redevelopment	
If your municipality has one or more PILOTs under the Long-Term Tax Exemption Law (NJSA 40A:20-1 et seq.), which municipal official is responsible for collecting the annual service charge? If selecting "Other", please list the official under Comments.			[0.00] CMFO
055	Unscored Survey	Redevelopment	
If your municipality has one or more PILOTs under the Long Term Tax Exemption Law (NJSA 40A:20-1 et seq.), does your municipality share with its school district(s) any portion of the annual service charge revenue generated from one or more PILOT agreements?			[0.00] No

056	Core Competencies	Shared Services & Consolidation

N.J.S.A. 40A:65-4(b) requires a copy of each shared services agreement to be filed with the Division of Local Government Services. Has your municipality filed with the Division the most current copy of each shared services agreement under which the municipality provides one or more services to another local unit as defined by N.J.S.A. 40A:65-3 of the Uniform Shared Services and Consolidation Act? Only answer N/A if your municipality does not provide a shared service to another local unit.	[1.00] Yes

057a	Unscored Survey	Shared Services & Consolidation

If your municipality currently provides a chief financial officer, tax collector, tax assessor, municipal clerk, qualified purchasing agent, certified public works manager, municipal treasurer, and/or a public works superintendant to another municipality pursuant to a shared services agreement, please select one or more of the options provided and list under Comments each municipality (and the county in which that municipality is located) along with the position being provided to that municipality. If your municipality currently provides none of these positions pursuant to a shared services agreement, select None of the Above and insert N/A into Comments.	Comment: CMFO - Jackson Township, Ocean Tax Assessor - Plumsted Borough, Ocean

057b	Unscored Survey	Shared Services

If the answer to Question 57a is yes, did one or more of the identified shared service agreements result in the dismissal of a tenured official? If yes, please insert under Comments 1) the position or positions where an agreement resulted in the dismissal of a tenured official; and 2) an estimate of the cost savings anticipated to be achieved by the participating municipalities at the outset of the agreement. If the answer is No or N/A, please insert "No" or "N/A" under Comments. See LFN 2018-3R for more information on this provision of the Common Sense Shared Service Act.	[0.00] No Comment: No

058	Unscored Survey	Tax Collection

What method does your municipality use to conduct its annual tax lien sale? If an online sale is used, please include the name of the vendor in the Comments. If an in-person sale, insert "in-person sale" under Comments.	[0.00] Online Sale Comment: Real Auction

059	Unscored Survey	Technology

Does your municipality routinely utilize an artificial intelligence (AI) platform in one or more of its departments?	[0.00] No

060	Unscored Survey	Transient Accomodations	
Has your municipality authorized the issuing of licenses for rental of short-term transient accomodations (e.e. Airbnb, VRBO) pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:52-1(n)?			[0.00] No
061	Unscored Survey	Transient Accomodations	
Has your municipality established a municipal occupancy tax on hotel rooms or transient accomodation rentals pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48F-1 through 7?			[0.00] Yes
062	Core Competencies	Transparency	
Signed into law on June 30, 2025, L. 2025, c.72 replaces the previous newspaper publication of legal notices with mandatory publication on the local government's website. A municipality shall make the complete text of each legal notice available on a dedicated legal notices webpage for at least one week from the date of initial posting or such other time period as may be required by law. See LFN 2026-01 for further information. Does your municipality maintain a prominent "Current Legal Notices" link conspicuously displayed on the homepage of its official website?			[1.00] Yes Comment: https://manchestertwp.com/imp public-notices/
063	Core Competencies	Transparency	
Starting July 1, 2026, L. 2025, c.72 requires each municipality to maintain an archive on its official website for all legal notices that have been removed from conspicuous placement on its Current Legal Notices webpage. An archived legal notice must be maintained in the municipality's Internet archive for at least one year after being transferred from, its Current Legal Notices webpage. See LFN 2026-01 for further information. Does your municipality currently have an online archive for its legal notices?			[1.00] Yes
064	Core Competencies	Transparency	
Are your municipality's codified and uncodified ordinances, including all current salary ordinances, posted on the municipality's website? Please provide the link to the webpage on which the ordinances are posted under Comments. If the answer is "No" type "Answered No" under Comments.			[1.00] Yes Comment: https://ecode360.com/MA0531/

065	Core Competencies	Transparency

Does your municipality maintain on its website minutes and agendas, along with meeting dates, for the governing body, planning board, board of adjustment and all commissions? Please provide the link to the webpage on which the agendas and minutes are listed under Comments. If the answer is "No" type "Answered No" under Comments.	[1.00] Yes Comment: Township Committee https://manchestertwp.com/tow council/ Environmental Commission https://manchestertwp.com/cor commission/ Planning Board https://manchestertwp.com/dep of-inspection/planning-division/ Zoning Board https://manchestertwp.com/dep of-inspection/board-of-adjustments/

066	Core Competencies	Transparency

Municipalities will need to implement ADA-compliant design principles for rendering links and notice content accessible to the visually impaired. The current Federal compliance deadlines are April 24, 2027 for municipalities 50,000 or more in population, and April 24, 2028 for municipalities of less than 50,000. See LFN 2026-01 for further information. Is your municipality working with its IT personnel/firm and legal counsel to ensure the compliance deadline is met?	[1.00] Yes

067	Core Competencies	Transparency

Does your municipality maintain on its website the previous three years of adopted budgets and the current year introduced or adopted budget, inclusive of the user-friendly budget section, as required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:4-10? Please provide the link to the webpage on which the budgets are posted under Comments. If the answer is "No" type "Answered No" under Comments.	[1.00] Yes Comment: https://manchestertwp.com/dep of-finance/finance/budget-archive/

068	Best Practices	Transparency
Does your municipality maintain on its website, in a location easily accessible to the public, the municipal master plan and the current and most immediate prior master plan elements (e.g. land use, housing, stormwater management plan, traffic, open space and recreation)? Please provide the link to the webpage on which the master plan information is posted under Comments. If the answer is "No" type "Answered No" in the comments.		[0.50] Yes Comment: https://manchestertwp.com/dep of-inspection/planning-division/
069	Best Practices	Transparency
Does your municipality maintain on its website all current labor agreements, including memoranda of understanding, contract amendments, and "side letter" or "side bar" agreements? Please provide the link to the webpage on which current labor agreements are posted under Comments. If the answer is "No" type "Answered No" under Comments.		[0.50] Yes Comment: https://ecode360.com/MA0531/
070	Best Practices	Transparency
Does your municipality maintain on its website the most recent annual financial statement (AFS) and annual audit, including any corrective action plan? Please provide the link to the webpage on which both are posted under Comments. If the answer is "No" type "Answered No" under Comments.		[0.50] Yes Comment: https://manchestertwp.com/dep of-finance/finance/annual-financial-statements-archive/
071a	Core Competencies	Hospital Contributions
Does your municipality collect a community service contribution under N.J.S.A. 40:48J-1 from tax-exempt hospitals and satellite emergency care facilities located within your municipality?		[1.00] N/A
071b	Core Competencies	Hospital Contributions
If your answer to Question 71(a) was yes, is your municipality remitting 5% of the installment to the county pursuant to subsection d. of N.J.S.A. 40:48J-1?		[1.00] N/A