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JERSEY CITY, NJ - Jim McGreevey today announced that he has accepted an invitation from Emory Edwards of the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce to participate in a mayoral debate with Councilman James Solomon. McGreevey confirmed his acceptance immediately, emphasizing his readiness to debate “literally every other day” on the issues that matter most to Jersey City families. “Jersey City deserves leadership that shows up, listens, and answers tough questions,” said McGreevey. “I welcome the opportunity to discuss how we can make our city more affordable, safer, and fairer for everyone, and I’ll debate these issues anytime, anywhere.”

McGreevey noted that while Councilman Solomon has called for six debates, the campaign is still awaiting confirmation from him to participate in the Chamber’s upcoming event.

“Let’s stop talking about debates and start having them,” McGreevey said. “Our residents deserve real conversations about real problems, not sound bites or slogans.”

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The **Ten** Most Important Issues Facing Jersey City

1. Affordability & Property Taxes - Stabilizing property taxes and ensuring working families and seniors can afford to stay in their homes.
2. Public Safety - Expanding community policing, investing in youth engagement, and improving emergency response.
3. Education & Early Childhood Literacy - Strengthening neighborhood schools, supporting teachers, and ensuring every child can read by third grade.
4. Housing & Homelessness - Increasing affordable housing, preventing evictions, and addressing homelessness with compassion and care.
5. Fiscal Responsibility - Balancing the city budget, reducing waste, and restoring trust in how taxpayer dollars are spent.
6. Infrastructure & Flood Resilience - Rebuilding aging water and sewer systems, and investing in climate resilience and stormwater management.
7. Jobs & Economic Opportunity - Expanding job training, small business support, and workforce partnerships.
8. Mental Health & Addiction Recovery - Expanding access to treatment, crisis response, and reentry programs that save lives.
9. Transportation & Traffic Safety - Improving transit reliability, pedestrian safety, and street maintenance.
10. Parks, Arts, & Community Life - Preserving green spaces, supporting cultural institutions, and building community through the arts.

“Debates are not about personalities, they’re about priorities,” McGreevey added.
“Every neighborhood deserves a mayor who will listen, act, and deliver.”
