TOWNSHIP OF DEERFIELD CUMBERLAND COUNTY, NEW JERSEY PROPOSED ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF WASTE NO. 2024-4

WHEREAS, the Township of Deerfield to comply with implementation of the final Tier A Municipal Stormwater General Permit (effective January, 2023), the permit contains general conditions municipalities are required to comply with the; and

WHEREAS, part of the conditions include adopting community wide ordinances;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Deerfield, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members of the governing body thereof affirmatively concurring) as follows:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE

An Ordinance to prohibit the spilling, dumping or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) operated by the Township of Deerfield so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

SECTION 2. DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels, or storm drains) that is owned or operated by Deerfield Township or other public body, and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater.
- b. Person an individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Stormwater water resulting from precipitation (including rain and snow that runs off the land's surface, is transmitted to the subsurface, is captured by separate storm sewers or other sewerage or drainage facilities, or is conveyed by snow removal equipment.

SECTION 3. PROHIBITED CONDUCT

The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by Deerfield Township is prohibited. The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater in such a manner as to cause the discharge of pollutants to the municipal separate storm sewer system is also prohibited.

SECTION 4. EXCEPTIONS TO PROHIBITION

- a. Water line flushing and discharges from potable water sources
- b. Uncontaminated ground water (e.g., infiltration, crawl space or basement sump pumps, foundation or footing drains, rising ground waters)

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- c. Air conditioning condensate (excluding contact and non-contact cooling water)
- d. Irrigation water (including landscape and lawn watering runoff)
- e. Flows from springs, riparian habitats and wetlands, water reservoir discharges and diverted stream flows
- f. Residential car washing water, and residential swimming pool discharges
- g. Sidewalk, driveway and street wash water
- h. Flows from fire fighting activities
- i. Flows from rinsing of the following equipment with clean water

Beach maintenance equipment immediately following their use for their intended purposes; and

Equipment used in the application of salt and de-icing materials immediately following salt and de-icing material applications. Prior to rinsing with clean water, all residual salt and deicing materials must be removed from equipment and vehicles to the maximum extent practicable using dry cleaning methods (e.g., shoveling and sweeping). Recovered materials are to be returned to storge for reuse or properly discarded.

Rinsing of equipment, as noted in the above situation is limited to exterior, undercarriage, and exposed parts and does not apply to engines or other enclosed machinery.

SECTION 5. ENFORCEMENT

This Ordinance shall be enforced by the New Jersey State Police and/or Deerfield Township Code Enforcement Officer.

SECTION 6. PENALTIES

Any person(s) who continues to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance, after being duly notified, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$500.

SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

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Abigail P. O'Brien, Chairperson

Township of Deerfield

ATTEST:

Karen Seifrit, Township Clerk

Township of Deerfield

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April 3, 2024

Publication:

April 9, 2024

Adoption:

April 17, 2024

Publication of Final Adoption

April 23, 2024

NOTICE

The foregoing proposed Ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Deerfield, County of Cumberland and State of New Jersey, held on April 3, 2024 and will be considered for final reading and adoption by said governing body at a regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., prevailing time, in the Township of Deerfield Municipal Building, 736 Landis Avenue, Rosenhayn, New Jersey, at which time and place any person desiring to be heard upon the same will be given an opportunity to be so heard.