

**PATTON TOWNSHIP
CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 637

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PATTON AMENDING CHAPTER 248
PEDDLING AND SOLICITING OF THE CODE OF PATTON TOWNSHIP**

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Patton Township, Centre County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1: Section 248-1 Definitions is hereby amended as follows:

B. The words “soliciting” and “peddling” shall not apply to:

4. Any honorably discharged veteran of the armed services.
6. Persons, corporations, partnerships and associations, their agents or employees, who have complied with the provisions of the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania known as the Solicitation of Funds for Charitable Purposes Act, 10 P.S., as amended.
8. Persons soliciting for political, religious or non-profit entities that are exempt under state or federal law.
9. This chapter shall not apply to persons under the age of 18 years who take orders for and deliver newspapers, greeting cards, candy and the like or who represent scouting organizations or similar organizations and take orders for and deliver cookies and the like.

SECTION 2: Section 248-2 License Required is hereby amended as follows:

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm corporation, or association to sell or offer for sale, any goods, commodity or services in, upon or along any of the public streets, alleys, or public places of the Township of Patton, or by going from house to house for such purposes, without having first procured a license to do so. “Sell” and “offer for sale” shall be defined to include any interaction that primarily proposes a commercial transaction.

SECTION 3: Section 248-3 Application for License is hereby amended as follows:

Every person desiring to engage in soliciting or peddling in the Township of Patton shall first make application to the Chief of Police for a license. If such person shall also be required to obtain a license from any county officer, he shall, in making such application, exhibit a valid county license. Said application shall be upon a form provided by the

Township which shall contain at least the following information verified by oath or affirmation:

G. Any other information requested by the Police Department.

SECTION 4: Section 248-8 Hours of Operation; License Regulations is hereby amended as follows:

No person licensed as a solicitor or peddler shall engage in any soliciting or peddling on Sundays or legal holidays recognized by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

No activity shall be done on any private property posted with "no-solicitation" signs or listed on the Do Not Knock List, and any such violation will be considered trespass subject to the criminal laws of the Commonwealth.

SECTION 5: Section 248-11 Records is hereby amended as follows:

The Police Department shall keep a record of all licenses issued under this chapter. The Township Police shall supervise the activities of all holders of such licenses.

SECTION 6: Section 248-12 Suspension or Revocation of License is hereby amended as follows:

Any license issued under this chapter may be suspended or revoked at any time by the Chief of Police upon proof being furnished to him that the application for the license contained false information or that the applicant or licensee was convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude after the issuance of such license and that the licensee was convicted of disorderly conduct under any law of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or any Ordinance of the Township of Patton.

SECTION 7: Section 248-14 Do Not Knock is hereby added as follows:

The Township Police Department shall maintain an annually updated list of Township residents who do not wish to have any person, firm, corporation, or association sell, offer for sale, any goods, commodity, or services at their place of residence at any time.

SECTION 8: Section 248-15 Do Not Knock Regulations is hereby added as follows:

The Township Manager, or his/her designee, shall promulgate regulations for the management of the "Do Not Knock List;" the distribution of the "Do Not Knock List" to licensees; notice and access of the Do Not Knock regulations on the Township website; and enforcement procedures for violations of the Do Not Knock regulations.

SECTION 9: Section 248-17 Violation of the Do Not Knock Regulations is hereby added as follows:

Licensees who are notified of the Do No Knock List under the regulations and who violate the list by selling, offering for sale, any goods, commodity, or services at an address on the Do Not Knock List shall, in addition to the violations and penalties set for this Part, have his/her/its license immediately revoked.

SECTION 10: In all other respects Chapter 248 and the Code of Patton Township remain in full force and effect, and are not in any way affected or modified by this amendment.

SECTION 11: This change shall become effective upon approval.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED as an ordinance by the Township of Patton this the 10th day of April, 2024.

PATTON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Pamela Robb, Chair

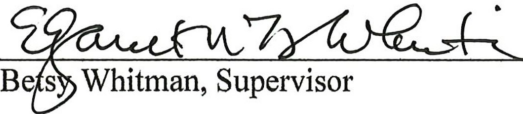
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