#### ORDINANCE NO. 2024 -16

# AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE BOROUGH CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH RIVER, SO AS TO AMEND CHAPTER 288A ENTITLED "SPECIAL EVENTS"

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South River, County of Middlesex, and State of New

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 288A of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Special Events," is hereby amended and supplemented so as to amend § 288A-1 (B) entitled, "License required; exemptions; term defined." to read entirely as follows:

B. The following shall be exempt from obtaining an outdoor special event permit:

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- 1. The Borough of South River or any of its boards, commissions or agencies.
- 2. Bona fide scholastic and interscholastic contests or officially sponsored affairs.
- 3. Flag raising ceremonies provided that the flag raising ceremony is a singular event with no subsequent outdoor special event which would require a permit and the person, persons, firm corporation or entity submits a flag raising application to the Borough and receives approval therefor.

**SECTION 2.** Chapter 288A of the Borough Code of the Borough of South River, entitled "Special Events," is hereby amended and supplemented so as to amend § 288A-4 (B) entitled, "License Application Procedures" to read entirely as follows:

- B. Upon receipt of an application submitted 30 days prior to the event, the said department heads shall review the application and determine whether an in-person meeting is necessary for a recommendation on the application. In the event an in-person meeting is required, the applicant must attend an in-person meeting with the Department Head to discuss the event, application and various requirements for approval. After the in-person meeting or upon a determination that no in-person meeting is required, the department head shall recommend approval or denial of the application setting for the reasons for the recommendation and forwarding it to the Borough Clerk within 20 days of receipt of the application.
  - 1. In the event that an applicant submits an application for a permit between 15 and 29 days of the event, the Department head shall hold any required in-person meeting and submit its recommendation within 15 days. If an applicant refuses to attend the in-person meeting, the Department Head shall recommend that the application be denied.
  - 2. In the event that an applicant submits an application for a permit between one and 14 days of the event, the Department head shall hold any required in-person meeting and submit its recommendation within the available time period. If it is determined that an in-person meeting is required but cannot be scheduled due to time limitations, the Department Head shall recommend that the application be denied.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

## NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South River, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on March 25<sup>th</sup> 2024, and will be considered for second reading and final passage at the regular meeting of said Governing Body to be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter can be reached, at the Council Chamber of the Criminal Justice Building located at 61 Main Street, South River, New Jersey, and/or virtually via Zoom meeting code 826 6082 9597: password: 000000 at which time all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning this ordinance.

## Introduced 3-25-24

COUNCIL	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Councilwoman Balazs		Х	х			
Councilman Ciulla			Х			
Councilman Dziemian			Х			
Councilman Gurchensky			Х			
Councilman Krenzel			Х			
Council President Oliveira	Х		Х			

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#### Introduced 4-8-24

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Councilwoman Balazs			/			
Councilman Ciulla						
Councilman Dziemian			/			
Councilman Gurchensky	/					
Councilman Krenzel						
Council President Oliveira		V				

ALYSSA HAGER, RMC BOROUGH CLERK

SIGNED BY:

PETER S. GUINDI

ATTESTED BY: