

**TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR
COUNTY OF MERCER, NEW JERSEY**

1st Reading November 13, 2023
 2nd Reading & Public Hearing November 27, 2023
 Date Adopted November 27, 2023
 Date Effective December 15, 2023
 DOT APPROVAL RECEIVED _____

Date to Mayor November 27, 2023
 Date Signed November 29, 2023
 Date Resubmitted to Council _____
 Approved as to Form and Legality _____

Township Attorney
Michael H. Hibert Esq.

ORDINANCE 2023-19

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4 "ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT" ARTICLE II
 OFFICE OF MAYOR AND ARTICLE III COUNCIL OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST
 WINDSOR, EXTENDING THE TERMS OF OFFICE FOR THE EXISTING MAYOR AND
 COUNCIL MEMBERS

RECORD OF VOTE													
First Reading							Second Reading						
Council	Yes	No	NV	AB	Mov	Sec	Council	Yes	No	NV	AB	Mov	Sec
Gawas	✓						Gawas	✓					
Geevers	✓				✓		Geevers	✓				✓	
Mandel	✓						Mandel	✓					
Stevens	✓					✓	Stevens	✓					
Whitfield	✓						Whitefield	✓					✓

x-Indicates Vote AB-Absent NV-Not Voting Mov-Moved Sec-Seconded

Hemant Marathe
 Hemant Marathe, Mayor

November 29, 2023
 Date

Rejected _____

Reconsidered by Council _____

Override Vote: YES _____ NO _____

Gay M. Huber
 Gay M. Huber, Township Clerk

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EXISTING MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2010-04 established the West Windsor Township Municipal Elections on the same day as the November General Elections; and

WHEREAS, Legislation approved on July 20, 2023 by Senate Bills 3159 and 3593 which changed the date for the elected officials to take office to January 15; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of West Windsor in the County of Mercer and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1

Section 4-10 of the Township Code, concerning the term of office for the Mayor is hereby amended to read as follows:

Article II Office of Mayor

§ 4-10 **Election; term of office.**

The Mayor shall be elected by the voters of the Township in a nonpartisan election to be held at the time of the November general election and shall serve for a term of four years, beginning on January [1] **15** following such election. Accordingly, the term of the Mayor holding office at the time of the adoption of this section shall be extended until [December 31] **January 14th** beyond the expiration date of the Mayor's present term.

Section 2

Section 4-13 of the Township code concerning the term of office of the Township Council, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Article III Council

§ 4-13 **Membership; term of office.**

The Township Council shall consist of five members, elected at-large by the voters of the Township at the regular nonpartisan municipal election to be held at the time of the November general election. The terms of the members of the Council shall be four years, beginning on January [1] **15** following such election. Accordingly, the terms of the Council members holding office at the time of the adoption of this section shall be extended until [December 31] **January 14th** beyond the expiration of their present term of office.

Section 3

All articles or sections thereof in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 4

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by and Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgement shall be limited in its effect only to the portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged invalid and shall not be deemed to affect the operation of any other portion thereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5

This Ordinance shall be enacted twenty (20) days after action or inaction by the Mayor as approved by law or an override of a mayoral veto by the Council, whichever is applicable; and upon publication according to law, to be effective January 1, 2024, in accordance with law.

Brackets mean removal[]; **Bold** and underline mean added

INTRODUCTION: November 13, 2023

PUBLIC HEARING: November 27, 2023

ADOPTION: November 27, 2023

MAYOR APPROVAL: November 28, 2023

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 18, 2023