

TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-18

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BORDENTOWN, CHAPTER 359 THEREOF, ENTITLED "PUBLIC GATHERINGS," TO CLARIFY THE PERMIT REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVAL PROCESS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown in the County of Burlington and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 359, Public Gatherings, of the Code of the Township of Bordentown is hereby amended to clarify the permit requirements and approval process to read as follows (additions shown as **thus**, deletions shown as ~~thus~~):

§ 359-1 Purpose.

In order to further public health, safety and welfare and to preserve and protect Township property, the Township hereby establishes regulations regarding permissible activities, proper permitting, facility maintenance and the establishment of hours of use for Township-owned parks and property.

§ 359-2 Public gathering permit required.

A public gathering permit shall be required for any event or activity to be held on public property where attendance by more than 150 people is customary or anticipated.

§ 359-3 Application for public gathering permit.

Applications for public gathering permits shall be made in writing to the Township Clerk and contain the following information:

- A. Name of person, persons, association, organization, business or corporation requesting the permit to publicly gather.
- B. Contact information.
- C. Date and time of gathering.
- D. Estimated number expected to attend.
- E. Purpose of gathering.
- F. Location of gathering.
- G. **Certificate of Insurance with the Township listed as an Additional Insured**
~~Insurance carrier, policy number and address.~~
- H. If alcohol is to be served, the NJ Alcoholic Beverage Commission permit or license number.

§ 359-4 Statements required; permit fee.

Every applicant for a public gathering permit shall provide:

- A. A statement that the applicant agrees to be bound by any and all police rules and regulations with respect to the public gatherings.
- B. A statement that the applicant agrees to furnish, at their own expense, special officers of such number as may be deemed necessary by the Chief of Police.
- C. Permit fee as set forth in Chapter 260, Fee Schedule, or a written request for a fee waiver.

§ Permit Approval

The Township Clerk shall provide the applicant a public gathering permit after the application is approved by the Chief of the Bordentown Township Police Department or

designee and the Township Administrator or designee. Prior to approval the Township Clerk shall also notify both the applicable fire district and emergency ambulance provider. If it is determined that an emergency ambulance will be required to provide standby services for the duration of the event, the applicant will be responsible for the cost of such services.

§ 359-5 Permit fee waiver.

The Township Committee may consider a permit fee waiver if such waiver is requested in writing.

Section 2. Repealer. Any and all ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.

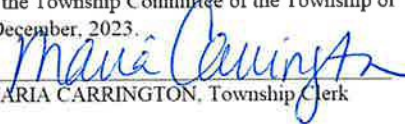
Section 3. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable to any reason, then the Township Committee hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.

Section 4. Effective date. This ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2024.

INTRODUCED: December 4, 2023
 ADOPTED: December 18, 2023

RECORD OF VOTE													
First Reading						Second Reading							
COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	NV	AB	ORD	SEC	COMMITTEE	AYE	NAY	NV	AB	ORD	SEC
Grayson	✓					✓	Grayson	✓					✓
Holliday	✓						Holliday	✓					
Miller	✓					✓	Miller	✓					✓
Fuzy	✓						Fuzy	✓					
Benowitz				✓			Benowitz				✓		

✓ - indicates Vote AB - absent NV - not voting ORD - moved SEC - seconded
 I, MARIA CARRINGTON, Township Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Bordentown on the 18th day of December, 2023.


 MARIA CARRINGTON, Township Clerk