

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
County of Somerset

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-12

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 “ADMINISTRATION,” ARTICLE VI “BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND AGENCIES,” SECTION 2-35 “LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD” TO AMEND THE ESTABLISHMENT AND AUTHORITY OF THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD AND DESIGNATE THE BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR AS LIAISON

WHEREAS, the Borough established the Library Advisory Board through Ordinance No. 05-26 to act as a liaison between the Borough of Bound Brook and the Somerset County Library Commission for the continuation of a public library within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Borough Council now deem it in the best interests of the public to amend the enabling ordinance of the Library Advisory Board, have the Borough Administrator act as liaison to the Somerset County Library Commission, and better define the purpose of the Library Advisory Board.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bound Brook, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2, Section 35, “Library Advisory Board,” Section 35.1 “Established; membership,” and Section 35.2 “Temporary Authority” are hereby amended as and supplemented by deleting the text **[marked in bold and enclosed in brackets]** and inserting the text **underlined and marked in bold**:

2-35 LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

2-35.1 Established; membership.

[A Library Advisory Board is hereby established to act as liaison between the Borough of Bound Brook and the Somerset County Library Commission and to perform such other functions as shall from time to time be appropriate for the continuation of a public library within the Borough of Bound Brook.] The Library Advisory Board shall consist of the Mayor or his designated alternate, the Borough’s Superintendent of Schools or his designated alternate, and five resident members appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council. Each member appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council shall serve for a term of three years and until his successor is appointed and qualified; except that, of those five members first appointed, two members shall serve an initial term of three years, two members shall serve an initial term of two years, and one member shall serve an initial term of one year.

The Library Advisory Board shall adopt **[by-laws] bylaws** governing the conduct of its business, **which shall be subject to review and approval by the Governing Body prior to adoption thereof,** and shall hold an organizational meeting annually in January of each year. **The Library Advisory Board may amend its Bylaws subject to review and approval by the Governing**

Body prior to amendment thereof. The Bylaws of the Library Advisory Board shall set forth that the members are chosen as set forth herein.

2-35.2 [Temporary a] Authority.

The Library Advisory Board is hereby **established and** authorized [**and empowered**] to **advise [perform such functions as may be necessary to conclude] as to** the affairs of the **Somerset County Library System's Bound Brook [Municipal Public] Library Branch, [Board of Trustees]** **and to make recommendations to the Borough of Bound Brook Mayor and Council. The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bound Brook shall have the authority to grant or deny, in whole or in part, any of the recommendations of the Library Advisory Board, and authorize the expenditure of Borough funds toward such recommendations. All moneys expended or collected by the Library Advisory Board shall be under the authority and control of the Borough. The Borough maintains the authority to audit the funds expended and collected by the Library Advisory Board.**

2-35.3 Somerset County Library Commission Liaison

The Borough Administrator shall act as liaison between the Borough of Bound Brook and the Somerset County Library Commission.

SECTION 2: REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS

All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being the legislative intent that all such ordinances or part of ordinances now existing or in effect unless the same are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION 3: SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remaining in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as provided by law.


SECTION 5: CODIFICATION

This ordinance shall be a part of the Code of Borough of Bound Brook as though codified and fully set forth therein. The Borough Clerk shall have this ordinance codified and incorporated in the official copies of the Code.

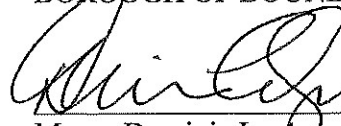
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ATTEST

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK



Jasmine D. McCoy
Borough Clerk



Mayor Dominic Longo

Date of Introduction: February 24, 2026

Date of Adoption: March 10, 2026