TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE ORDINANCE 2023-09

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 134, SECTION 38 (SCHEDULE VI: PUBLIC PARKING) OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE TO REMOVE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR PERSONALIZED HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES AND TO GRANDFATHER EXISTING PERSONALIZED HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Florence in the County of Burlington, State of New Jersey as follows:

ARTICLE I: AMENDED SECTIONS. Chapter 134, Section 38 (Schedule VI: Public Parking), Paragraph B is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced to read as follows:

- B. Spaces reserved for handicapped persons.
 - [Amended 6-18-1997 by Ord. No. 1997-19; 3-4-1998 by Ord. No. 1998-5; 5-6-1998 by Ord. No. 1998-11; 3-2-2005 by Ord. No. 2005-8]

Any person desiring to have a personalized handicapped parking space established along the eurb in front of his or her residence in the Township of Florence shall make application for a personalized handicapped parking space on the Township of Florence Application for Handicapped Parking Place form. The application shall be submitted to the Township Clerk, who shall then refer the application to the Chief of Police for approval or denial.

- (2) Any person-making application for a personalized handicapped parking space in front of their residence must meet the following criteria:
- (a) No application shall be considered where the applicant does not have a wheelchair symbol license plate or windshield placard issued by the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission and which is properly displayed in the vehicle for which the parking space is being requested.
- (b) If the Chief of Police determines that there is a need for the personalized handicapped parking space and that the space can be provided without negative impact on traffic flow or reasonable parking for other properties in the neighborhood, the Chief of Police shall report to the Township Clerk that the personalized handicapped parking space is approved.
- (c) If the Chief of Police determines that the approval of the personalized handicapped parking space will have a negative impact on traffic flow or the reasonable parking for other properties in the neighborhood, the Chief of Police may deny the application and shall report to the Township Clerk that the application for the personalized handicapped parking space is denied.
- (d) Any applicant who disagrees with the decision of the Chief of Police may, within 10 calendar days from the denial of the application by the Chief of Police, appeal that decision to the Township Administrator. The Township Administrator shall review the application and the decision of the Chief of Police and shall, in his sole discretion, sustain, modify or reverse the decision of the Chief of Police.
- Personalized handicapped parking spaces in existence on the effective date of this ordinance shall remain so designated until such time as the applicant (i) no longer possesses a wheelchair symbol license plate or windshield placard issued by the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission or (ii) no longer resides at the address of the personalized handicapped parking space.

ARTICLE TWO. Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.

- 1. Repealer. Any and all other Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- 2. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Council 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.

3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

.Elston Nancy L. Erlston, RMC Township Clerk

Council President Bruce Garg

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Take Notice that the Ordinance identified above amends and supplements Chapter 134 of the Township Code to remove the application process for personalized handicapped parking spaces and to grandfather existing personalized handicapped parking spaces has received final adoption by the Township Council and was approved by the Mayor of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, following a public hearing held on April 19, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Complex, Council Chambers, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

Copies of the full Ordinance are on file with the Township Clerk of the Township of Florence in the Municipal Complex. The ordinance is posted on the township's website www.florence-nj.gov

Nancy L. Erlston, RMC Township Clerk

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