

BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS

COUNTY OF BERGEN

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2546

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 133 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS AND, SPECIFICALLY, TO AMEND SECTION 133-29 ENTITLED "FEES UNDER CHAPTER 271, VEHICLES, TOWING OF."

WHEREAS, Chapter 133 of the Code of the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights controls and regulates fees charged by the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Section 133-29 of the Borough Code entitled "Fees, under Chapter 271, Vehicles, Towing of," states the fees charged for towing and storage of vehicles damaged in an accident or recovered after being stolen; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights has determined that said fees must be updated to address the costs and administrative expense required therein; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights has determined that it is in the best interest of the Borough to revise the requisite language and adopted the New Jersey State Police rates in connection with same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF HASBROUCK HEIGHTS, COUNTY OF BERGEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE:

Section 133-29 is deleted and replaced with the following:

Section 133-29 A. All fees and charges shall conform with the maximum published rates utilized by the New Jersey State Police for towing, storage, and other charges, which shall be updated from time to time. The current maximum New Jersey State Police rates are published by Garden State Towing Association, Inc. and are available for review on their website www.GSTA.org. A copy of said schedule of fees is also available for review in the Police Department."

Section 133-29 B. Towers engaged in towing for the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights shall not charge a fee in excess of the enumerated fees/rates referenced in subsection A above.

Section 133-29 C. The enumerated fees/rates referenced in subsection A above do not apply to vehicles owned and/or operated by the Borough of Hasbrouck Heights or any of its agencies. Towing or special recovery services provided to any Borough vehicle shall be provided free of charge by the official tower.

SECTION TWO. Repealer:

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency only.

SECTION THREE: Severability:

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, but shall be confined in its effects to the section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this Ordinance directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall have been rendered and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

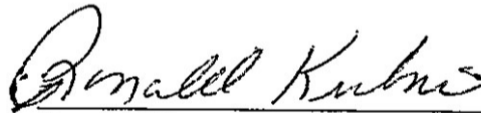
SECTION FOUR: Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication and in the manner provided by law.

Roll Call:

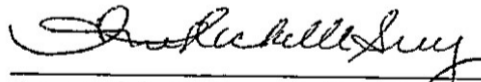
Council	Motion	Second	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Present	Absent
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Sodora			✓				
McGuire			✓				
Bing	✓		✓				
Meli			✓				
<i>Samperi</i>					✓		

Approved this 13th day of February 2024



Ronald Kistner, Mayor

The foregoing Ordinance No. 2546 was finally adopted by the Borough Council at a meeting held on February 13th, 2024, and approved by the Mayor on the same date.



Anne Michelle Sery, Acting Borough Clerk