## TOWNSHIP OF WEYMOUTH ATLANTIC COUNTY NEW JERSEY

### **ORDINANCE NO. 604-2024**

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 125 (FEES) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEYMOUTH

**WHEREAS,** the Township Committee of the Township of Weymouth, Atlantic County, is of the opinion that the public interest will best be served by adopting amendments to Chapter 125 (Fees) of the Code of the Township of Weymouth;

**WHEREAS,** the amendments to the existing fee amounts are necessitated by rising costs and to ensure that a nexus exists between the fee amounts and the actual costs to the Township of Weymouth;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Weymouth in the County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Chapter 125 of the Code of the Township of Weymouth is hereby amended as follows (deleted language is stricken; additional language is underlined):

## Article I Document Reproduction Fees

## § 125-1 Government document reproduction fees.

All requests for reproduction of government documents, as described by N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq., by members of the public shall be subject to the following reproduction fees:

|             | Fee        |  |
|-------------|------------|--|
|             | (per page) |  |
| Letter size | \$0.05     |  |
| Legal size  | \$0.07     |  |

## § 125-2 Deposit may be required for requests.

When the Municipal Clerk, as custodian of records under the statute, anticipates that the reproduction costs associated with the government records requested will cost an excess of \$25 to reproduce, you may be charged a 50% or other deposit. Anonymous requests in excess of \$5.00 require a deposit of 100% of the estimated fees.

## § 125-3 Special service charges.

Under special circumstances, when reproduction of the government record(s) requested involves an extraordinary expenditure of time and effort to accommodate the request, the Municipal Clerk may, in addition to the actual costs of duplicating the record, impose a special service charge in the amount of the salary per hour that any municipal official or employee must dedicate to fulfill the record request. The Municipal Clerk shall estimate the special service charge in advance of reproduction and notify the requester in writing before completing the request.

## $\S$ 125-4 Services and documents fees.

The Municipal Clerk is authorized to charge the following for services and documents provided by the Municipal Clerk's office:

| Type of Service or Document   | Fee                        |
|---|----------------------------|
| Certified copy of birth certificate   | \$10 (\$5 additional copy) |
| Certified copy of marriage or civil union certificate                                     | \$10 (\$5 additional copy) |
| Certified copy of death certificate   | \$10 (\$5 additional copy) |
| Copy of full-size Zoning Map  | \$20                       |
| Zoning permit   | \$25                       |
| Certificate of occupancy for resale or rerental with smoke detector certificate, per unit | \$50                       |
| Second or more reinspection for certificate of occupancy, per unit                        | \$25                       |
| Annual rental inspection certification, per unit  | \$100                      |
| Administrative Filing Fee   | \$50                       |
| Dog license fee   |                            |
| If animal is neutered   | \$10                       |
| If animal is not neutered   | \$15                       |
| If license is renewed after April 1 in any year   | \$20                       |
| Yard sale license   | \$10                       |
| Plenary retail consumption liquor license   | \$622                      |
| Plenary retail distribution liquor license  | \$622                      |
| Street opening permits  |                            |
| Per address   | \$75                       |

## § 125-5 Tax Collector fees.

The Municipal Tax Collector is authorized to charge the following for copying documents and rendering services:

| Type of Service or Document   |      |
|---|------|
| Duplicate tax bill  | \$5  |
| Subsequent duplicate copy of the same tax bill requested in the same tax year | \$25 |
| Tax search  | \$10 |
| Municipal assessment search   | \$10 |
| Certified list of property owners within 200 feet of subject property         | \$10 |
| Certificate of redemption   | \$25 |
| Duplicate tax title certificate and duplicate certificate of redemption       | \$50 |
| Computation of tax lien for subsequent computations after first time          | \$10 |

# Article II Web Page and Newsletter Advertisement Fees

## § 125-6 Publication and Solicitation of Advertising

The Township Committee, through its designee, shall publish the Township newsletter during such intervals as deemed appropriate for the purposes of this chapter. The Township Committee shall also, through its designee, solicit advertising for the newsletter and Web Page, the dimensions and fees for which shall be established by the Township Committee or its designee and established by resolution of the Township Committee.

§ 125-7 (Reserved).

§ 125-8 (Reserved)..

# Article III Marriage and Civil Union Ceremonies Fees

#### § 125-9 Collection of fees.

Persons seeking to be married or joined in civil union by the Mayor of Weymouth shall remit the applicable fee delineated below to be paid to the Township of Weymouth:

- A. Residents of the Township of Weymouth: \$125.
- B. Nonresidents of the Township of Weymouth: \$150.
- C. Ceremony outside of the Township of Weymouth: \$175.
- D. Active (and or retired) military: none.
- E. An administrative fee of \$28 shall be in addition to the above established fee.

## § 125-10 Compensation and reimbursement of expenses incurred through performance of ceremonies.

A. Receipt of fees. The fee shall be paid by check, payable to the Township of Weymouth. Fees collected shall be deposited into the Township's current fund.

B. Disbursement of fees.

(1) Fees for service may be disbursed to the Mayor or Acting Township Mayor through the appropriate

budget line item and with appropriate authorization.

(2) Fees for reimbursement of appropriate and reasonable expenses (travel, tuxedo rental, direct cost

reimbursement) may be disbursed to the Mayor or Deputy Mayor in accordance with the Township's established procedure for reimbursement, including vouchers with receipts documenting the expenses,

duly authorized and with expenditure from the appropriate line item.

(3) Eligible persons. The Township shall reimburse only proper and reasonable expenses incurred directly

by and for the Mayor. Under no circumstances shall the Township reimburse expenses or expenditures

on behalf of or because of any spouse, child, guest or other person.

2. **Severability**.

If any Article, section, subdivision, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be held to be

invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

3. Repealer; Exception.

All Ordinances or parts thereof or Resolutions inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistency. Nothing in this Ordinance, however, shall affect the rights

and tenure of any elected official.

4. When Effective.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately following its advertisement, public hearing and

adoption in accordance with the law.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOREGOING ORDINANCE WAS INTRODUCED AT

A MEETING OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEYMOUTH, IN THE

COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, HELD ON MAY 15, 2024 AND WAS FURTHER

CONSIDERED FOR FINAL PASSAGE AT A PUBLIC HEARING DURING A REGULAR MEETING OF

SAID TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE HELD JUNE 5, 2024 AT WHICH TIME IT WAS DULY ADOPTED.

Attest:

Dorothy-Jo Ayres, RMC, Township Clerk

**DATED: JUNE 5, 2024**