

ORDINANCE NO. O-23-18

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING PARKING OR OPERATING UNREGISTERED VEHICLES OR ONES WITH SUSPENDED OR REVOKED REGISTRATIONS ON QUASI-PUBLIC PROPERTY IN THE BOROUGH OF WEST LONG BRANCH

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 39:3-4 provides for the registration of automobiles in New Jersey and prohibits the operation of vehicles where the registration has been suspended or revoked from operating in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the West Long Branch Police Department has reported that vehicles with no registration or suspended or revoked registrations have been seen on quasi-public properties, and that it is a waste of police department manpower for police officers to sit and wait until the driver returns to the vehicle and attempts to drive it away; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance Review Committee of the West Long Branch Council has recommended that the borough adopt an ordinance prohibiting unregistered vehicles, or vehicles with suspended or revoked registrations from being on quasi-public properties in the borough whether operated or parked; and the governing body concurs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch as follows:

SECTION 1:

No person, whether the owner or the driver of any vehicle whose registration is revoked or suspended, whether in New Jersey or any other state, shall operate or park any such vehicle on any quasi-public property within the borough.

SECTION 2: DEFINITION

“Quasi-public property” shall be defined, for purposes of this ordinance, as any commercial property. This ordinance shall not apply to residential property.

SECTION 3: PENALTY

The penalty for violating this ordinance shall be \$100.00 for operating or parking an unregistered vehicle; and \$150.00 for operating or parking a vehicle with a suspended or revoked registration.

SECTION 4: ENFORCEMENT

This ordinance may be enforced by any member of the West Long Branch Police Department or any Code Enforcement Officer of the Borough of West Long Branch.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

Introduced: September 6, 2023
Passed: September 20, 2023
Adopted: September 20, 2023

MAYOR

BOROUGH CLERK