

**ORDINANCE 2005-48**

**AN ORDINANCE CALLING FOR THE PLACEMENT OF A QUESTION ON THE NOVEMBER 7, 2006 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT ASKING THE VOTERS OF HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP WHETHER OR NOT THEY WISH TO ESTABLISH A CHARTER COMMISSION TO STUDY THE CHARTER OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Hillsborough presently is governed by a charter which establishes a Township form of government, pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:63:-1 et. seq.; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee would like the residents and citizens of the Township to review said charter in an orderly, rational and reasonable manner through the establishment of a Charter Commission, which will be imbued with the power to hold hearings and public forums, take evidence, make findings and determine whether or not, in comparison with other forms of government in this State, the Township form, in the Commission's judgment could be strengthened, made more clear responsible or accountable to the people or whether its operation could be more economical or efficient, under a changed form, by providing the widest possible public information and discussion.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the following question be placed on the November 7, 2006 General Election ballot regarding the creation and the election of a charter commission for consideration by all of the eligible voters of the Township of Hillsborough as follows:

**“SHALL A CHARTER COMMISSION BE ELECTED TO STUDY THE CHARTER OF HILLSBOROUGH TOWNSHIP AND TO CONSIDER A NEW CHARTER OR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE PRESENT CHARTER AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS THEREON?”**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hillsborough, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that:

- (1) Charter commission members shall also be elected at the same time as the question above and shall serve only if the question is adopted;
- (2) The nomination selection and election process for such commission members shall be done in accordance with the provision of N.J.S.A. 40:69A-2 and 40:69A-3 and 40:69A-4.

This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage in accordance with provisions of N.S.J.A. 40:69A-1 et. seq.

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***Public Hearing: 11/09/05***

***Adopted: 11/09/05***

***Published: 11/17/05***

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSBOROUGH

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Kevin P. Davis, Township Administrator/  
Clerk

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Robert C. Wagner, Jr., Mayor