**ORDINANCE O011-2025**

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP**
**GLOUCESTER COUNTY**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 285-226 PROHIBITED SIGNS WITHIN THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED "ZONING"**

***WHEREAS***, Chapter 285, of the Code of the Township of Washington regulates area and bulk standards for the various zones within the Township; and

***WHEREAS***, the Zoning Officer of the Township of Washington has recommended that there be certain amendments to the foregoing provisions of Chapter 285 entitled "Zoning" pertaining to prohibited signs within the Township; and

***WHEREAS***, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, the Township Council is authorized to enact and amend ordinances as deemed necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the Township of Washington by law; and

***WHEREAS***, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-62, the Township Council may adopt or amend a zoning ordinance relating to the nature and extent of the uses of land and of buildings and structures thereon; and

***WHEREAS***, there exists a need to amend and update Chapter 285-226, to provide improved standards and to update the prohibited sign standards within the Township of Washington; and

***WHEREAS***, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-64 the Township hereby refers this Ordinance and proposed zoning amendments to the Planning Board for a hearing and seeks their recommendations; and

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED*** by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey, Chapter 285 of the Township Code is hereby amended as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 285-226 of the Code of the Township of Washington, entitled "Prohibited Signs" shall be modified, amended and supplemented as follows to add the following:

V. No sign shall be located within any sight triangle.

**SECTION 2.** Except as set forth in Section 1 above, the balance of the Code of the Township of Washington shall not be affected by this Ordinance.

**SECTION 3.** All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

**SECTION 4.** If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** This Ordinance shall be referred to the Township Planning Board for review, which shall be based on whether the proposal is substantially consistent with the Master Plan. The Planning Board has a period of thirty-five (35) days after referral to report on the proposed Ordinance.

**SECTION 6.** Upon adoption of this Ordinance, after public hearing thereon, the Township Clerk is further directed to publish notice of the passage thereof and to file a copy of this Ordinance with the County Planning Board and other agencies as required by law.

**SECTION 7.** This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after final passage by Council or twenty (20) days after approval by the Mayor, whichever comes first.

**INTRODUCTION**: May 28, 2025

| Members | Motion | Second | Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
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| Yerkes | X | | X | | | | |
| Harris | | | X | | | | |
| Bennett | | | | | | X | |
| Brown | | X | X | | | | |
| Del Borrello | | | X | | | | |

**TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON**

By: _____
**Peter Del Borrello III, Council President**

I, Christine Ciallella, do hereby attest the above Ordinance **O011-2025** was introduced at the Township of Washington Meeting on May 28, 2025. A public hearing will occur on June 11, 2025 at 6:00PM.

**ATTEST:**

Christine Ciallella

Christine Ciallella, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk

**ADOPTION**: June 11, 2025

| Members | Motion | Second | Ayes | Nays | Abstain | Absent | Recuse |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Yerkes | | | X | | | | |
| Harris | | X | X | | | | |
| Bennett | | | | | | X | |
| Brown | X | | X | | | | |
| Del Borrello | | | X | | | | |

I, Christine Ciallella, do hereby attest the above Ordinance **O011-2025** was adopted at the Township of Washington Meeting on June 11, 2025 by Township Council after a public hearing which was scheduled for June 11, 2025. Said Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the law.

**ATTEST:**

Christine Ciallella

Christine Ciallella, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk

On this 12th day of June 2025, I hereby approve the above Ordinance **O011-2025**.

**ANTHONY DELLAPIA, MAYOR**