

TOWNSHIP OF VERNON

ORDINANCE #24-19

**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE VERNON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL CODE
CHAPTER 428 "PEDDLING AND SOLICITING"**

WHEREAS, the Township of Vernon ("Township") maintains regulations regarding Peddling and Soliciting in Chapter 428 of the Township Code; and

WHEREAS, the Township seeks to clarify the requirements for peddling, soliciting, and charitable soliciting in the Township to the extent permitted by applicable federal and state law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Township of Vernon, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 428, titled "Peddling and Soliciting" is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

Article II Solicitors and Canvassers

§ 428-15 Application for license; fee.

The application for a solicitor's license shall be the same as is required to be completed and filed for the peddler's license in § 428-10. Said application shall request the same information, be filed in the same way, and be accompanied by a fee of \$20. ~~An application may include the names of multiple solicitors in the event same are employed by the applicant and their names and information as required by § 428-10 are individually included with the application.~~

§ 428-16 License fee.

The license fee which shall be charged by the Township Clerk for each solicitor's and canvasser's license shall be \$100 \$125. ~~One license fee of \$100. shall apply to all licenses issued under one application in the event all solicitors included in the application are employed by the same applicant.~~

§ 428-18A No Solicitation List.

- A. [No changes].
- B. [No changes].
- C. [No changes].
- D. [No changes].

- E. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, the Township's "No Solicitation List" shall supersede the right of any solicitor to conduct door-to-door solicitation for any person or address included on the "No Solicitation List."

Article IV Provisions Applicable to All Peddlers, Solicitors, and Charitable Solicitations

§ 428-26 Investigation of applicant; issuance or denial of license or permit. ~~permanent records to be kept.~~

~~A. Upon receipt of an application, the Township Police Chief shall cause an investigation of the applicant's business and moral character to be made as he deems necessary for the protection of the public good. In addition, he shall obtain a copy of the applicant's motor vehicle operating record for at least the past 10 years and check on all types of criminal convictions since the applicant was 18. Such investigation shall be completed within 10 days after the application is filed, and that, together with the application, shall be forwarded to the Mayor and Township Council for their review and decision on said application. They shall provide a decision within 25 days of the date the application was submitted.~~

All applicants must be fingerprinted through a recommended company at their own expense before any license will be issued with the exception of N.J.S.A 45:24-9 - Professions and Occupations Section 45:24-9 - Eligibility for peddler's license.

~~B. If, as a result of such investigation, the applicant's character or business responsibility is found to be unsatisfactory, the Mayor and Township Council by resolution shall endorse on such application its disapproval and the specific reasons for its disapproval, and then notify the applicant that his application was disapproved and that no license or permit shall be issued.~~

~~C. If, as a result of such investigation, the character and business responsibility of the applicant are found to be satisfactory, the Mayor and Township Council shall endorse on the application its approval, and the Township Clerk shall deliver to the applicant his license or permit. Such license or permit shall contain the signature and seal of the issuing officer and shall show the name, address, and photograph of said licensee or permittee, the class of license or permit issued, and the kind of goods to be sold thereunder, the date of issuance and the length of time the same shall be operative, as well as the license or permit number and other identifying description of any vehicle used in such peddling, soliciting, or charitable solicitations.~~

D. The Clerk shall keep a permanent record of all licenses and permits issued.

§ 428-31 Revocation of permit; hearing.

A. Permits issued under the provisions of this chapter may be revoked by the Mayor and Township Council after notice and hearing before the Mayor and Township Council for any of the following causes:

- (1) [No change].
- (2) [No change].

- (3) [No change].
- (4) [No change].
- (5) [No change].
- (6) [No change].

SECTION 3. Severability.

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to the portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged invalid and shall not be deemed to affect the operation of any other portion thereof, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Repealer.

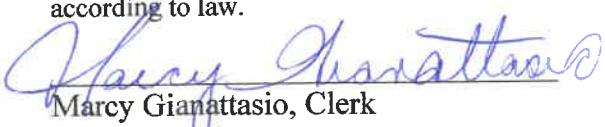
All ordinances and resolutions, and parts of ordinances and resolutions which are inconsistent with provisions of this ordinance shall be, and are hereby, repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication in accordance with law.

CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that the above Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at the Meeting of the Township Council held on September 9, 2024, and the same came up for final passage and was adopted at the Meeting of the Township Council held on September 23, 2024 at which time all persons interested were given an opportunity to be heard. The above ordinance will be in full force and effect in the Township of Vernon according to law.


Marcy Gianattasio, Clerk
Township of Vernon



Anthony Rossi, Mayor

Township of Vernon

INTRODUCED: September 9, 2024

NAME	M	S	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Buccieri, N.			X			
DeBenedetto, J.		X	X			
Higgins, W.	X		X			
Sparta, B.				X		
Rizzuto, P.			X			

ADOPTED: September 23, 2024

NAME	M	S	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Buccieri, N.			X			
DeBenedetto, J.		X	X			
Higgins, W.	X		X			
Sparta, B.				X		
Rizzuto, P.			X			