### TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON COUNTY OF SALEM ORDINANCE NO. 2023-08

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE II, CHAPTER 141 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON ENTITLED "GARBAGE, RUBBISH, REFUSE, AND RECYCLING

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2023, the Township of Quinton has entered into a Shared Service Agreement with Logan Township for the collection and delivery of solid waste & recycling materials to effectuate substantial economies in the collection and delivery of solid waste, recyclable materials, work, materials and supplies;

WHEREAS, certain amendments to the Township Code are necessary to ensure that solid waste and recyclable collection comply with the terms of the Shared Services Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton finds it necessary to amend Chapter 141 to clarify and mandate the separation of materials, the use of approved receptacles only and placement of said receptacles;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem and State of New Jersey, that Article II, §141 (additions in bold; deletions stricken) as follows:

§ 141-6 Program established.

The Township of Quinton uses Single Stream recycling which is the collection of recyclable materials in one container that is supplied by the Township of Quinton.

§ 141-7

Separation of materials.

A. The following is a list of Materials that can be recycled:

Glass, Aluminum, newspapers, office paper, cardboard, paper bags, magazines and Certain HDPE and Pet plastic containers as designated by the township recycling coordinator.

§ 141-10.2

Placement of materials for collection.

A. Garbage, trash and debris from noninstitutional residential buildings shall be placed in the Township supplied trash and recycle carts. Only one trash cart and one recycle cart will be issued to occupant or owner. Trash carts can be put out on scheduled trash and recycle days only as set forth in \$141-10.3.

- (1) Brush. Branches from non institutional residential property shall be placed at the curbside, and the Township shall be notified. In addition, the following rules shall apply to all brush placed at curbside: Tree limbs must be six inches in diameter or smaller. Tree stumps, trunks and limbs in excess of six inches in diameter will not be collected.
- (2) The maximum amount of brush that can be placed at the curb is two individual piles of branches with each pile not exceeding four feet high by four feet wide by six feet long. Disposal of brush in excess of this volume shall be the responsibility of the resident.
- (3) Branches shall not be placed in the roadway.
- (4) Do not stack brush piles beside shrubbery, posts, hydrants, electrical or cable boxes, mailboxes, and/or any other objects.
- (5) Brush must be accessible for machinery and collection; if not, it will not be removed.
- (6) Landscapers and tree surgeons hired by the resident are responsible for the removal of branches/brush-
- (7) The brush removal service provided by the Township is restricted to residential pruning only.
- (8) Brush will not be collected from any commercial businesses.
- (9) <u>Do</u> not stack branches/brush on a sidewalk.
- (10) Brush mixed with stumps, roots, leaves, grass, dimensional lumber, firewood or oversized material is not acceptable, and will not be collected. be refused.
- (11) Only tree branches and limbs are acceptable.
- (12) Brush must not be stacked at the curb any earlier than one week prior to your scheduled week of collection.
- (13) Brush must not be stacked for collection within 10 feet of a stormwater inlet/basin.
- (14) Small twigs must be bagged.
- (15) All wire, nails and metal shall be completely removed from the pile.
- (16) Disposal of material in excess of the maximum brush pile size shall be the responsibility of the homeowner within five calendar days of the Township having performed collection for that lot.

- (17) Limbs and brush must be placed in an orderly manner.
- (18) Branches will only be picked up for the one-acre lot that surrounds the house.
- B. Bulk materials and white goods. There is hereby created a fee for the collection and disposal of bulk items within Quinton Township, to be known as the "sticker fee." The owners and occupants of all residential properties and units in the Township who are qualified users and accept the service of collection and disposal of bulk items shall be permitted to pay and use for such service. The Township Clerk, and authorized businesses that shall be designated by resolution annually, shall sell during normal business hours stickers which shall be affixed to the aforementioned bulk trash and white goods. Stickers shall be placed upon the bag, container or item being disposed in a conspicuous place thereon. If no sticker is applied, the waste will not be collected. Stickers may be purchased only from the authorized officer(s) of the Township or businesses who will issue them to qualified users of this service. Stickers are Five Dollars (\$5.00).
- D. Violations/penalties. Violations for this section shall be filed by the zoning officer in the Municipal Court. Upon a finding of guilt, the offender shall be subject to the following penalties:
- (1) A fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$500 shall be imposed together with court costs for any violations of this section.
- (2) In the event an individual or entity is prosecuted under this section for a subsequent violation, the fine may be increased to a maximum of \$1,000.
- (3) Each twenty-four-hour period following the initial time to remove the trash from curbside shall constitute a separate violation.
- (4) Any person who attempts to duplicate or counterfeit a sticker, reuse a cancelled sticker, provide a sticker to an unqualified user, or transfer a sticker to any person whom such sticker was not issued shall be in violation of this section and be subject to prosecution in the Municipal Court. There shall be a rebuttable presumption that the owner of the property was the one who affixed the counterfeit sticker. It is expressly understood that in the event a counterfeit sticker is placed on bulk trash and/or white goods on property owned by a corporation, the principals thereof shall be responsible, or if on property which is rented, the owner thereof shall be responsible.

## § 141-10.3 Receptacles.

A. All receptacles (referred to herein as "trash carts" or "recycling carts" or "carts") required herein shall be issued initially by the Township of Quinton, remain the property of the Township of Quinton and shall remain with the property, upon change of ownership or occupant. The property owner and/or occupant is responsible for damaged, stolen or missing carts and shall be required to purchase a replacement cart from the Township of Quinton.

B. All trash, except Recycling, shall be disposed of in the grey cart; all Recycling as that term is defined above shall be disposed of in the blue cart.

C. Carts shall be placed at least 4 ft apart with the opening accessible from the street and the wheels against the curb line to ensure proper dumping. Access to Carts from the street and side must be clear of any stationary objects including cars, trees, electrical boxes, mail boxes, utility poles, vehicles, basketball nets, and similar items.

D. All trash and Recycling items must be placed within the trash or recycling cart. Any items that do not fit in a trash cart must be put out for bulk pickup and stickers must be purchased as set forth in \$141-10.2B. Items left outside of or resting on the carts will not be picked and will result in an interruption of collection service.

# Section II. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

#### Section III. Repealer:

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

## Section IV. Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as required by law.

Township of Quinton

Marjorie Sperry, Mayor

Marty Uzdanovics, Clerk