

**VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD PARK**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023-13**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 362 OF  
THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF RIDGEFIELD  
PARK, ENTITLED "TOWING AND STORAGE"**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 362 of the Village Code sets forth the rules and regulations for towing companies and towing facilities that operate within the Village; and,

**WHEREAS**, Section 12 of Chapter 362 contains the fee schedule for the towing and storage of vehicles in the Village; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Ridgefield Park Board of Commissioners wish to amend the aforementioned Section to tie the towing and storage rates to the same rates that are approved by the New Jersey State Police on an annual basis.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Village of Ridgefield Park, that Chapter 362 of the Village Code, entitled "Towing and Storage", is hereby amended as follows:

**SECTION 1: AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 362-12, ENTITLED "TOWING AND STORAGE FEE SCHEDULE".**

Section 362-12, entitled "Towing and storage fee schedule" is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

- A. Fees for towing and storage of private passenger vehicles damaged in an accident, disabled on the roadway or recovered after being stolen shall not exceed those allowable by any and all New Jersey laws governing such fees.
- B. The rates for all towing and towing-related services shall be as set forth in the New Jersey State Police Schedule of Services approved by the Attorney General and implemented by the New Jersey State Police, as published and updated on an annual basis. A current

listing of the rates charged shall be maintained, as amended, by the Chief of Police or his designee, and by the official towing companies operating within the Village of Ridgefield Park. There shall be no additional charges other than those provided herein.

**SECTION 2: SEVERABILITY.**

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court or federal or state agency of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent, and such holding shall not effect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

**SECTION 3: INCONSISTENCY.**

Any and all ordinances, or parts thereof, in conflict or inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to such extent as they are so in conflict or inconsistent.

**SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final passage.


  
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Adopted on September 7, 2013