

ORDINANCE 0001-2024

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
GLOUCESTER COUNTY**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 2-14A AND SECTION 2-15A
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION"**

WHEREAS, the Township of Washington (Township) is governed under the Optional Municipal Charter Law, N.J.S.A. 40:69A-1 et seq (the "Faulkner Act").

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-39, the Mayor shall exercise the executive powers of the Township, which power includes the power to appoint the Township Prosecutor and Municipal Public Defender within the Department of Law, with the approval of the Township Council.

WHEREAS, the Township Council wishes to amend Chapter 2 of the Code of the Township of Washington entitled "Administration" to revise the appointment procedure for the Township Prosecutor and the Municipal Public Defender.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, in the County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 2 of the Code of the Township of Washington entitled "Administration," Article IV, Section 2-14A, entitled "Township Prosecutor" and Section 2-15A entitled "Municipal Public Defender" are hereby modified, amended, and/or supplemented as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2, Article IV, Section 2-14 of the Code of the Township of Washington, entitled "Township Prosecutor" shall be modified, amended, and/or supplemented as follows:

§ 2-14 Township Prosecutor.

A. Appointment, term and qualifications. The Township Prosecutor shall be appointed by the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Township Council, for a term of one year. Prior to his/her appointment, the Township Prosecutor shall have been duly admitted to the practice of law in the State of New Jersey and shall be a member in good standing of the New Jersey bar.

SECTION 2. Chapter 2, Article IV, Section 2-15 of the Code of the Township of Washington, entitled "Municipal Public Defender" shall be modified, amended, and/or supplemented as follows:

§ 2-15 Municipal Public Defender

A. Appointment, terms, and qualifications. The Mayor shall appoint the Municipal Public Defender, with the approval of the Township Council, for a term of one year. Prior to his/her appointment, the Municipal Public Defender shall have been duly admitted to the practice of law in the State of New Jersey and shall be a member in good standing of the New Jersey bar.

SECTION 3. Except as set forth in Section 1 above, the balance of Chapter 2, Article IV and the balance of the Code of the Township of Washington, shall not be affected by this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

SECTION 5. 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 6. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after final passage by the Council or twenty (20) days after approval by the Mayor, whichever comes first.

INTRODUCTION: February 14, 2024

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

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

By: 
Anthony DellaPia, Council President

I, Christine Ciallella, do hereby attest the above Ordinance **0001-2024** was introduced at the Township of Washington Meeting on February 14, 2024. A public hearing will occur on February 28, 2024 at 6:00PM.

ATTEST:

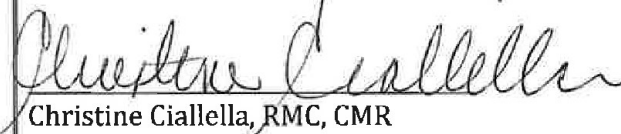

Christine Ciallella, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk

ADOPTION: February 28, 2024


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

I, Christine Ciallella, do hereby attest the above Ordinance **0001-2024** was adopted at the Township of Washington Meeting on February 28, 2024 by Township Council after a public hearing which was scheduled for February 28, 2024. Said Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the law.

ATTEST:


Christine Ciallella, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk

On this 29 day of February 2024, I hereby approve the above Ordinance **0001-2024**.


LAURIE J. BURNS, MAYOR