

ORDINANCE 0029-2023

**WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
GLOUCESTER COUNTY**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 285, ARTICLE XXXVI OF THE CODE OF
THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON ENTITLED "ZONING"**

WHEREAS, Chapter 285, Article XXXVI of the Code of the Township of Washington regulates signs; and

WHEREAS, there exists a need to amend and update Chapter 285, Article XXXVI to provide improved visibility for businesses in Washington Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Washington, County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey shall be amended as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 285, Article XXXVI, Section 285-225 of the Code of the Township of Washington, entitled "**Exceptions and exempt signs; temporary signs**" shall be modified, amended and supplemented as follows:

"C. Temporary signs. All temporary signs are required to obtain a sign permit, except temporary real estate signs, as set for in Subsection C (6) below and temporary daily special signs, as set forth in Subsection C (10.1) below:

- (1) Temporary Flags
 - (a) Businesses shall be allowed up to **one** temporary flag for a period of 30 days up to four times per calendar year.
 - (b) A permit allows a temporary flag to be displayed for a period of 30 days starting from the date the permit was issued.
 - (c) Delete
 - (d) Only (1) one temporary flag per business is permitted to be displayed during any one time.
 - (e) No change.
 - (f) No change.
 - (g) Newly established businesses shall be allowed four flag permits, exempt from fees, for a period of 30 days each, within the first year starting from the date a zoning permit is issued.
- (2) No change.
- (3) No change.
- (4) Temporary political signs, not exceeding 32 square feet in area, may be erected on any privately owned lot or parcel in any nonresidential zone. Corner properties are allowed one not exceeding 32 square foot sign on each road frontage. Temporary political signs not exceeding six square feet in area are permitted in all districts, not to exceed five signs per property. On properties with 32 square foot sign, only four small signs are allowed. No such temporary political sign shall be erected more than 45 days in advance of election and all such signs shall be removed within 10 days after Election

Day. Each candidate, or representative of such candidate, must apply for a permit, but shall be exempt from all fees. Temporary political signs that are fixed permanently are prohibited.

(5) No Change.

(6) No Change.

(7) No change.

(8) No Change.

(9) No Change.

(10) No Change.

(10.1) No Change.

(11) Any person or entity in violation of these temporary sign regulations shall be subject to the following penalties:

(a) First offense, \$200, and the sign to be removed within (5) five days.

(b) Second offense, \$300 and the sign to be removed with (5) five days.

(c) Third offense, \$400 and the sign to be removed by the Township and the cost billed to the violator.

(d) No change.”

SECTION 2. Chapter 285, Article XXXVI, Section 285-225 (C)(9)(f) shall be amended as follows:

“(f) Only one banner per business is permitted to be displayed during any one time period.”

SECTION 3. Except as set forth in Sections 1 and 2 above, 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.

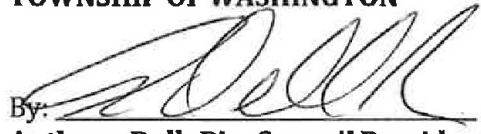
SECTION 5. If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

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

INTRODUCTION: November 14, 2023

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

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

By: 
Anthony DellaPia, Council President

I, Christine Ciallella, do hereby attest the above Ordinance **0029-2023** was introduced at the Township of Washington Meeting on November 14, 2023. A public hearing will occur on December 6, 2023 at 6:00PM.

ATTEST:


Christine Ciallella, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk

ADOPTION: December 6, 2023


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 **0029-2023** was adopted at the Township of Washington Meeting on December 6, 2023 by Township Council after a public hearing which was scheduled for December 6, 2023. Said Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the law.

ATTEST:


Christine Ciallella, RMC, CMR
Township Clerk

On this 6th day of December 2023, I hereby approve the above Ordinance **0029-2023**.


ANTHONY DELLAPIA, ACTING MAYOR