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Public Notice of Pending Ordinance 24-21

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Matawan, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, on September 3, 2024. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the Governing Body to be held at the Borough of Matawan, Matawan Municipal Community Center, 201 Broad Street, Matawan, New Jersey 07747 on October 1, 2024 at 7:00 o'clock PM. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours at the Clerk's Office for the members of the general public who shall request the same or on the Borough of Matawan website at www.matawanborough.com.

Karen Wynne, RMC Municipal Clerk

ORDINANCE 24-21

AMENDING ORDINANCE 24-09

AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF MATAWAN

CHAPTER 24 – PROTECTION OF TREES SECTION 24-6 – PERMIT APPLICATION PROCEDURE

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Matawan, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 24 – Protection of Trees, Section 24-6 – Permit Application Procedure of the Borough's Revised General Ordinances is hereby amended as follows (stricken text indicates deletions, <u>underlined</u> text indicates additions):

CHAPTER 24 PROTECTION OF TREES

24-6 PERMIT APPLICATION PROCEDURE.

- a. Application for a Tree Protection Permit shall consist of:
 - 1. A fully and accurately completed application form provided by the Borough.

- 2. A Tree Removal Plan in sufficient detail to identify the nature and limits of all regulated activities including the location, species, diameter and estimated height of all tree removals and the limits of all existing or proposed principal or accessory structures in relation to any removals. For removals of five (5) or fewer trees on a lot where the principal use is an existing single-family dwelling, the Tree Removal Plan may be provided using a legible sketch, a tax map reproduction, a copy of an existing survey or similar drawing with field measurements and dimensions provided by the property owner or the owner's agent. For other removals, the Tree Removal Plan shall be prepared by a qualified professional, acceptable to the Tree Conservation Officer.
- 3. A narrative description of the property owner's reason for removing the trees, including a description of any alternate considered.
- 4. A signed evaluation and recommendation from a tree expert, whose qualifications are acceptable to the Tree Conservation Officer, shall be provided if the reasons for the removal include the removal of dead or diseased trees or a horticulturally advantageous thinning or an overgrown area.
- 5. A Tree Protection Permit application fee:
 - (a) Thirty-five (\$35.00) dollars for applications proposing removal of five (5) or fewer trees on a lot containing an existing single-family dwelling.
 - (b) One hundred fifty (\$150.00) dollars for other applications proposing removal of five (5) six (6) or more fewer trees on any other type of lot on a lot containing an existing single-family dwelling; or
 - (c) One hundred fifty (\$150.00) dollars plus twenty-five (\$25.00) dollars per tree removed, for all other applications.
 - (d) Fees may be waived or modified by the Borough Council for charitable, public or quasi-public agencies or for eleemosynary institutions or in unusual and exceptional circumstances, i.e. disease, safety or under wires.
- **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** any Ordinances or portions thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies only.
- **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** if any provisions of this Ordinance, or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance is declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this Ordinance, which can be given effect, and to this end, the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.
- **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon following the passage, adoption and publication pursuant to New Jersey State law.