

CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

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TITLE:

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP FORM A COMMITTEE TO UPDATE, AMEND, REVIEW, AND INITIATE CHAPTER 16 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE ENTITLED CHAPTER 16 ETHICS, CODE OF.

(Sponsored by Councilmember-At-Large Adrienne Wooten)

WHEREAS, on June 3, 1981 the City Council Standing Committee on Governmental Operations submitted a Code of Ethics for employees, elected and appointed officials of the City of Orange Township; and

WHEREAS, during this time the revised Statutes of New Jersey (R.S. 40:69A-181 et. Set.) permitted and provided that any municipal ordinance and/or amendment thereto may incorporate by reference any standard, technical regulation or code, official or unofficial, which need not be so published whenever ten (10) copies of said regulations or code have been placed on file in the office of the City Clerk and in the office of the department charged with the enforcement of said ordinance for the examination of the public so long as said ordinance is in effect; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance was approved June 3, 1981; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 1981 this ordinance was vetoed by Mayor Joel L. Shain; and

WHEREAS, on June 16, 1981 this ordinance was adopted by the City Council of Orange over veto of the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has desired to investigate the adoption of local ethics policy that complements existing regulation; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that governance presents opportunities where the adoption of a standardized set of expectations may be advantageous to local governance responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the current ordinance may be outdated and not in line with State Statutes, Municipal Code, and general municipal practice; and

WHEREAS, adoption of formal policies provides confidence to respective parties when making decisions that are addressed in a document; and


WHEREAS, an adopted set of policies and procedures can and should be used as the first document for newly elected member of the City Council, introducing them to the expectations of the office.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Municipal Council of the City of Orange Township that the Municipal Council and the Administration will form a committee to update, amend, review, and initiate Chapter 16 of the Municipal Code.

Adopted: April 18, 2023

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City Clerk

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Council President

 Adrienne Wooten