

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that at a meeting of the Council of the Borough of North Plainfield held on May 11, 2026 there was introduced and read for the first time, and passed on such first reading, an ordinance, a true copy whereof is printed below and that said Council did then and there fix the regular meeting of said Council to be held on May 26, 2026 at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, and the North Plainfield Borough Council Chambers, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey or via Zoom as the place when and where said ordinance will be further considered for final passage, at which time and place, or at any time and place to which such meeting shall from time to time be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning such ordinance.

The said ordinance as introduced and passed on first reading as aforesaid is in the following words and figures:

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
263 SOMERSET STREET
NORTH PLAINFIELD, NJ 07060-4846
ORDINANCE NO. 26-07

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND, REVISE AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 5, ENTITLED "ANIMAL CONTROL," MORE PARTICULARLY § 5-1.4, ENTITLED "FEES".

WHEREAS, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:48-1* and *N.J.S.A. 40:48-2*, the governing body of a municipality may make, amend, repeal and/or enforce such ordinances, regulations, rules and by-laws not contrary to the laws of this State and/or of the United States, as it may deem necessary and proper for the good of government, order and protection of person and property and for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants and as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed by this subtitle, or by any other law; and,

WHEREAS, this grant of authority includes the power to adopt reasonable ordinances for the regulation, permitting and licensing of various activities within the Borough and to ensure compliance with applicable Borough Codes; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council finds it necessary and appropriate to amend, revise and supplement such provisions of the Borough Code regarding licensing of animals within the Borough to provide for a reasonable fee for such licenses and permits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that the Borough Code of the Borough of North Plainfield be amended, revised and supplemented as to Chapter 5, entitled "Animal Control," more particularly § 5-1.4, entitled "Fees", as follows:

§ 5-1.4, entitled "Fees", is hereby amended as follows:

§ 5-1.4. Fees.

a. The person applying for the license and registration tag of a spayed or neutered dog shall pay an annual fee of ~~\$25~~ \$22.20 for each dog. The person applying for the license and registration of a dog which is not spayed or neutered shall pay an annual fee of ~~\$30~~ \$25.20. Proof of neutering or spaying shall be required prior to the issuance of a license at the rate for a neutered or spayed dog. The license and registration tag shall expire on the last day of January of the year following their issuance. An annual license and registration tag shall be issued upon payment of the annual fee. License and registration tag fees are to be paid for each dog, regardless of the number of dogs and shall include annual metal registration tag fees, non-sterilized fees and other fees or surcharges as shall be required by the State of New Jersey to be collected and/or forwarded to the State or any agency thereof by way of sum, fee or surcharge in connection with the issuance of any dog license.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall take effect, after final passage, twenty (20) days following action or inaction by the Mayor as provided by law or an override of a mayoral veto by the Council, whichever is applicable and publication in accordance with law, unless a Resolution is adopted, pursuant to *N.J.S.A. 40:69A-181(b)*, declaring an emergency and providing that this Ordinance shall take effect at an earlier date.

Copies of the full Ordinance are on file with the Acting Borough Clerk of the Borough of North Plainfield in the Municipal Building, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey. Copies may be obtained upon request and a copy is posted on the Bulletin Board in the Municipal Building reserved for such purpose.

Michele Irby-Garry
Acting Borough Clerk