

**TOWNSHIP OF VERONA
COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE No. 2023-09

**AMENDING CHAPTER 140 "VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC" ARTICLE XIV
"METERED/PERMIT PARKING", TO PERMIT THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER
TO TEMPORARILY SUSPEND METER PARKING**

WHEREAS, the Township of Verona created Chapter 140 of the Code of the Township of Verona entitled "Vehicle and Traffic" recognizing the importance of controlling among other things the parking of vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Article XIV "Metered/Permit Parking," § 140-61 "Operation of Parking Meters," provides:

Except in a period of emergency determined by an officer of the Fire or Police Department or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control sign or signal, when any vehicle shall be parked in any parking space alongside or next to which a parking meter is located, the operator of such vehicle shall, upon entering said parking meter space, immediately deposit or cause to be deposited in said meter such proper coin of the United States of America as is required for such parking meter and as is designated by proper directions on the meter, and when required by the directions on the meter, the operator of such vehicle, after the deposit of the proper coin, shall also set in operation the timing mechanism on such meter in accordance with directions properly appearing thereon, and failure to deposit such proper coin and to set the timing mechanism in operation when so required shall constitute a violation of this article. Upon the deposit of such coin (and the setting of the timing mechanism in operation when so required), the parking space may be lawfully occupied by such vehicle during the period of time which has been prescribed for the part of the street in which said parking space is located, provided that any person placing a vehicle in a parking meter space adjacent to a meter which indicates that unused time has been left in the meter by the previous occupant of the space shall not be required to deposit a coin so long as his occupancy of said space does not exceed the indicated unused parking time. If said vehicle shall remain parked in any such parking space and if the meter shall indicate such illegal parking, then and in that event such vehicle shall be considered as parking overtime and beyond the period of legal parking time, and such parking shall be deemed a violation of this article.

WHEREAS, the Township Council determined that it is necessary and appropriate to allow the Township Manager to suspend metered parking by the issuance of a written official notification for special events, holidays, and a reasonable period of time before and/or after the special event or holiday as the Township Manger deems appropriate.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Township Council of the Township of Verona does hereby Ordain that Article XIV "Metered/Permit Parking," § 140-61 "Operation of Parking Meters," is amended to read as follows:

Except in a period of emergency determined by an officer of the Fire or Police Department or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control sign or signal, when any vehicle shall be parked in any parking space alongside or next to which a parking meter is located, the operator of such vehicle shall, upon entering said parking meter space, immediately deposit or cause to be deposited in said meter such proper coin of the United States of America as is required for such parking meter and as is designated by proper directions on the meter, and when required by the directions on the meter, the operator of such vehicle, after the deposit of the proper coin, shall also set in operation the timing mechanism on such meter in accordance with directions properly appearing thereon, and failure to deposit such proper coin and to set the timing mechanism in operation when so required shall constitute a violation of this article. Upon the deposit of such coin (and the setting of the timing mechanism in operation when so required), the parking space may be lawfully occupied by such vehicle during

the period of time which has been prescribed for the part of the street in which said parking space is located, provided that any person placing a vehicle in a parking meter space adjacent to a meter which indicates that unused time has been left in the meter by the previous occupant of the space shall not be required to deposit a coin so long as his occupancy of said space does not exceed the indicated unused parking time. If said vehicle shall remain parked in any such parking space and if the meter shall indicate such illegal parking, then and in that event such vehicle shall be considered as parking overtime and beyond the period of legal parking time, and such parking shall be deemed a violation of this article. Notwithstanding the above requirements, the Township Manager may suspended metered parking by the issuance of a written official notification posted on the Township's website for special events, holidays, and a reasonable period of time before and/or after the special event or holiday as the Township Manger deems appropriate.

SECTION TWO: REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS

All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being the legislative intent that all such ordinances or part of ordinances now existing or in effect unless the same are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance shall remain in effect.

SECTION THREE: SEVERABILITY

The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remaining in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

SECTION FOUR: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as provided by law.

SECTION FIVE: CODIFICATION

This ordinance shall be a part of the Code of the Township of Verona as though codified and fully set forth therein. The Municipal Clerk shall have this ordinance codified and incorporated in the official copies of the Code.

The Municipal Clerk and the Township Attorney are authorized and directed to change any Chapter, Article and/or Section number of the Code of the Township of Verona in the event that the codification of this Ordinance reveals that there is a conflict between the numbers and the existing Code, and in order to avoid confusion and possible accidental repealers of existing provisions not intended to be repealed.



ATTEST:

Jennifer Kiernan
JENNIFER KIERNAN
MUNICIPAL CLERK

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE AFOREMENTIONED ORDINANCE WAS PUBLISHED IN THE STAR LEDGER, A NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN THE COUNTY OF ESSEX AND CIRCULATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA, IN THE ISSUE OF FEBRUARY 10, 2023 AND MARCH 3, 2023

**JENNIFER KIERNAN
MUNICIPAL CLERK**

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EFFECTIVE DATE: March 20, 2023