

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH AMENDING CHAPTER 192 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WOOLWICH ENTITLED "WEDDING AND CIVIL UNION CEREMONIES"

2015-22

WHEREAS, Chapter 192 of the Code of the Township of Woolwich sets forth procedures and fees associated with the Woolwich Township Mayor of the Municipality performing Wedding and Civil Union Ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this Ordinance to amend said Ordinance;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Woolwich as follows:

SECTION I. Amendments

1. That Chapter 192-1 of the Code of the Township of Woolwich entitled ""Fees"" be deleted and replaced with the following:

192-1 Authorization to Solemnize Marriages and Civil Unions/Fees

A. Officiating at Weddings

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 37:1-13, any current Mayor or former Mayor not currently serving on the municipal governing body or the Deputy Mayor, when authorized by the Mayor is authorized to perform marriages and civil unions.
2. Public officials who are authorized to perform marriages are authorized to perform civil unions.
3. Public officials described above may choose whether or not to exercise this authority.
4. In matters of preference, the Applicants may select from among those authorized to perform Ceremonies. Otherwise, the Mayor shall first be consulted. If unavailable, the Mayor shall give authorization to the Deputy Mayor to perform marriage and civil union ceremonies. If the Mayor and Deputy Mayor are unavailable, any former Mayor of the Municipality, who is not a current Member of Township Committee, may be consulted.

B. Fees

1. Persons seeking to be married or joined in civil union by a public official as described above shall pay to the Township of Woolwich a fee in the amount of \$100.00 to be deposited into the separate recreation trust fund of the Township established pursuant to Resolution R-2007-83.

2. In addition, public officials performing wedding and civil union ceremonies have the right, but not the obligation, to charge a fee of

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