TOWNSHIP OF VERONA COUNTY OF ESSEX, NEW JERSEY ORDINANCE No. 21-16

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING CHAPTER 31 (MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COMMITTEE) AND ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 31 (MUNICIPAL ALLIANCE COMMITTEE) OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF VERONA

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Verona, County of Essex, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The language currently contained in Chapter 31, of the Code of the Township of Verona, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

SECTION 2. There is hereby established a new Chapter 31 (Municipal Alliance Committee) of the Code of the Township of Verona to read as follows:

§ 31-1. Establishment.

N.J.S.A. 26:2BB-9 permits the governing body of each municipality to appoint a Municipal Alliance Committee to, in consultation with the Local Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, identify alcoholism and drug prevention, education and community needs. Therefore, the governing body of the Township of Verona, County of Essex and State of New Jersey, does hereby establish the Verona Municipal Alliance Committee.

§ 31-2. Powers and duties.

The Municipal Alliance Committee shall identify alcoholism and drug prevention, education and community needs and implement the Alliance programs formulated pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 26:2BB-8.

§ 31-3. Membership; appointment; terms.

- A. The Municipal Alliance Committee shall consist of fifteen (15) members including the following:
 - 1. Township manager or the manager's designee in the absence of the manager;
 - 2. A member of the governing body to be appointed by it;
 - 3. The Superintendent of Schools or the superintendent's designee in the absence of the Superintendent;
 - 4. The Chief of Police or the chief's designee in the absence of the Chief;
 - 5. The Municipal Alliance Coordinator
 - 6. Municipal Alliance Co-Coordinator (if applicable)
 - 7. Nine (9) to ten (10) public members.
- B. The term of the Township Manager, Superintendent of Schools and Chief of Police shall correspond to their respective tenure or if the member is the respective official's designee in the absence of the respective official, the designee shall serve at the pleasure of the official during the official's tenure. The term of the governing body member shall be for one year or terminate at the completion of their respective terms of office, whichever occurs first. The term of the Municipal Alliance Coordinator or Municipal Alliance Co-Coordinator shall correspond to the respective tenure. Public members shall be appointed by the Township Council and shall serve for terms of three (3) years, except that, the term of the members first appointed pursuant to this section shall be distributed evenly over the first three (3) years after their appointments so that the term of not more than four (4) public members shall expire in any one year.
- C. Any vacancy occurring by reason of the death, resignation or removal for cause of any public member shall be filled by the Township Council for the unexpired term of such member.

§ 31-4. Organization, officers.

A. The Municipal Alliance Committee shall elect a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary at its organizational meeting.

B. The Secretary shall keep minutes of all the meetings of the Committee, which minutes and copies of official correspondence of the Committee shall be kept on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

§ 31-4. Meetings.

A. The Municipal Alliance Committee shall hold regular monthly meetings at the same time and day of each month as set in its organizational meeting. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman pursuant to the rules of the Open Public Meetings Act. The Committee may make and amend rules and regulations concerning the conduct of its meetings.

§ 31-4. Municipal Alliance Coordinator; appointment; terms.

- A. The Municipal Alliance Coordinator shall be appointed by the Township Manager
- B. If deemed necessary, the Township Manager may appoint a Municipal Alliance Co-Coordinator to split the responsibilities of the Coordinator.
- C. The Municipal Alliance Coordinator and the Municipal Alliance Co-Coordinator shall serve for a term of one year, commencing on July 1 of the year of appointment and ending on June 30 of the subsequent year or until a successor has been appointed and qualified. There shall be no limit on the number of terms a Coordinator or Co-Coordinator may serve if he or she remains interested and qualified.
- D. The salary for the positions of Municipal Alliance Coordinator and Municipal Alliance Co-Coordinator shall be paid in accordance with the terms and Salaries and Compensation Ordinance passed pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:9-165. The salary of the positions shall not exceed the amount permitted by the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

SECTION 3. If any section, sub-section, paragraph, sentence or any other part of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final passage and publication as prescribed by law.

ATTEST:

JENNIFER KIERNAN MUNICIPAL CLERK

NOTICE

I hereby certify that the aforementioned ordinance was published in the Verona-Cedar Grove Times, a newspaper published in the County of Essex and circulated in the Township of Verona, in the issue of July 14, 2016 and August 18, 2016.

JENNIFER KIERNAN MUNICIPAL CLERK

INTRODUCTION: July 11, 2016 ADOPTION: August 15, 2016 EFFECTIVE DATE: September 1, 2016

