

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 25, SECTIONS 24.7(f) AND 24.7(g) OF THE
REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE
(FILMING-FEES)**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY that Chapter 25, Sections 24.7(f) and 24.7(g) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange be and are hereby amended as follows:

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this ordinance is to modify the fines set forth in Chapter 25, Sections 24.7(f) and 24.7(g) of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange to be amendable by Resolution such that it is amendable in the future by approval of the Township Council, a necessity in an everchanging socioeconomic climate.

II. CHAPTER 25 SECTIONS 24.2(f) AND 24.2(g) SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:

§§25-24.7(f) AND 25-24.7(g) BE AND HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

- The portion entitled “Filming” which specifies the fees in addition to direct reimbursement of all expenses incurred by the Township for filming permits, and that which prescribes the fine for a violation of the same, shall be repealed and replaced by the following language:

f. Fees. In addition to direct reimbursement for all expenses including but not limited to police, fire, public safety, public works, overtime incurred by Township employees and other expenses incurred by the Township for any filming that takes place within the Township, the scheduled fees for the issuance of permits authorized by this subsection shall be as follows:

1. Basic filming permit: ~~\$150~~an amount to be prescribed by Resolution.

(a) Where an applicant requests a waiver pursuant to Subsection d8, and requires expedited processing of the permit application, the basic filming permit shall be ~~\$300~~double the amount prescribed under the Resolution applicable to subsection (1) of this section.

2. Daily filming fee payable in addition to the basic filming permit are as follows:

(a) Major motion pictures: ~~\$3,000/day;~~ an amount to be prescribed by Resolution.

(b) Other filming: ~~\$1,000/day~~an amount to be prescribed by Resolution.

3. The following groups shall be exempt from the basic filming permit and per diem fees, and instead shall be charged only ~~a \$25a~~

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meager fee to be prescribed by Resolution, one-time fee for filming:

- (a) Not-for-profit organizations; and
- (b) Students of an educational facility filming for educational purposes only.

g. Violations and Penalties. Any person violating this subsection or these rules and regulations or any instructions provided by the Fire Official or any other Township inspector or employee, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine ~~not exceeding \$1,000~~ to be set by Resolution, per day or by imprisonment not exceeding 90 days, or both. A separate defense shall be deemed committed for each day during which the violation occurs or continues. The fines or penalty set forth herein shall be in addition to any other penalties which may be incurred.

III. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES

Any Ordinances of the Township which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

IV. SEVERABILITY

If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

V. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

SUSAN MCCARTNEY, MAYOR

TAMMY WILLIAMS,
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

KAREN J. CARNEVALE, R.M.C., MUNICIPAL CLERK

INTRODUCED: March 21, 2023

ADOPTED:

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Legislative History

The purpose of this ordinance is to modify the fines set forth in Chapter 25 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange to be subject to adjustment by Resolution.