

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4, SECTION 20.3 OF THE REVISED
GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST ORANGE
(INSUFFICIENT FUNDS-SERVICE CHARGE)**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF
WEST ORANGE, NEW JERSEY** that Chapter 4, Section 20.3 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 4, Section 20.3 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 4, SECTION 20.3 SHALL BE AND HEREBY IS AMENDED AND
SUPPLEMENTED TO INCORPORATE THE FOLLOWING:**

§4-20.3 BE AND HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

- The portion entitled “Service Charge” which specifies the service charge imposed on any taxes, fees or other charges due to the Township where a check was submitted and returned for insufficient funds shall be repealed and replaced by the following language:

A service charge shall be imposed on any taxes, fees or other charges due to the Township of West Orange where a check or draft has been submitted to the Township toward the payment of such taxes, fees or other charges, and such check or draft is returned for insufficient funds. Whenever an account owing is for a tax or special assessment, the service charge shall be included on whatever list of delinquent accounts is prepared for the enforcement of the tax or assessment lien. The appropriate municipal officer may demand that future payments be tendered in cash or by certified or cashier's check on any account where a check tendered for payment on such account is returned for insufficient funds. The service charge may be collected in any manner authorized by law. The amount of the service charge imposed shall be prescribed by Resolution.

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Any Ordinances of the Township which are in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.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: May 2, 2023

ADOPTED: June 13, 2023

Legislative History

The purpose of this ordinance is to modify the fines set forth in Chapter 4 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of West Orange to be subject to adjustment by Resolution.