

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE 2026-6 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, REPEALING AND REPLACING CHAPTER 156 ENTITLED “FEES” AND AMENDING, REVISING, AND/OR SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTERS 1, 40, 62, 79, 83, 87, 99, 103, 122, 145, 170, 182, 195, 200, 210, 231, 239, 244, 249, 253, 262, 268, 275, 280, 289, 299, 304, 316, 333, 340, 363, 370, AND A378 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BERLIN

WHEREAS, the Township of Berlin (“Township”) is a municipal entity organized and existing under the law of the State of New Jersey and located in Camden County; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 156 of the Code of the Township of Berlin establishes the fees to be charged for certain services to be rendered and/or records maintained by the Township; and

WHEREAS, various other Chapters of the Code also include provisions for fees to be charged for unrelated services and/or records; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined it in the best interests of the Township to consolidate in one chapter the various fees currently set forth in separate chapters of the Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-2, the Governing Body is authorized to enact and amend ordinances as deemed necessary and proper for the good government, order and preservation of the public health, safety and welfare and as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed upon the Township by law; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and the Township Council of the Township of Berlin, as follows:

SECTION 1: Chapter 156, entitled “Fees,” is hereby amended to add new sections § 156-94 and § 156-95, entitled “Electronic Signage Advertising Fees” and “Facility Rental Fees” to read as follows:

§ 156-94 Electronic Signage Advertising Fees

The following fees and charges are herewith established:

- A. For advertising of Public and Civic Associations
 - a. Monthly \$300
 - b. Quarterly \$850
 - c. Annually \$3,000
- B. For advertising of businesses located within the Township of Berlin
 - a. Monthly \$1,000
 - b. Quarterly \$2,500

- c. Annually \$8,000
- C. For advertising of businesses located outside the Township of Berlin
 - a. Monthly \$1,500
 - b. Quarterly \$3,800
 - c. Annually \$14,000

Any monthly, quarterly, or annual fee may be prorated at the discretion of the Township.

All advertising shall be subject to review and approval by the Township Chief Administrative Officer or designee for compliance with Township policies governing the use of municipal electronic signage.

§ 156-95 Facility Rental Fees

The following fees and charges are herewith established:

- A. Senior Citizen Hall basic four-hour rental
 - a. Resident Fee \$500 (Non-Refundable)
 - b. Resident Deposit \$500 (Refundable)
 - c. Non-Resident Fee \$1,000 (Non-Refundable)
 - d. Non-Resident Deposit \$500 (Refundable)
- B. Extended Rentals – Each hour in excess of four
 - a. Resident Fee \$100 (Non-Refundable)
 - b. Non-Resident Fee \$200 (Non-Refundable)
- C. John McPeak Library Conference Room basic four-hour rental
 - a. Resident Fee \$100 (Non-Refundable)
 - b. Non-Resident Fee \$200 (Non-Refundable)
- D. Extended Rentals – Each hour in excess of four
 - a. Resident Fee \$50 (Non-Refundable)
 - b. Non-Resident Fee \$100 (Non-Refundable)

For purposes of this section, resident shall mean a person whose primary residence is located within the Township of Berlin.

The Township Chief Administrative Officer or designee may establish administrative rules governing reservations, cancellations, deposits, and facility use.

SECTION 2: Except as specifically amended herein, Chapter 156 and the remainder of the Code of the Township of Berlin shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3: All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4: If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

SECTION 5: This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final adoption and publication as required by law.

Introduced: June 15, 2026

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin, Camden County, New Jersey on June 15, 2026, and the same was ordered published pursuant to statute. Said ordinance will be further considered for final adoption at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Berlin on July 20, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. at the Berlin Township Municipal Hall, 135 Route 73 South, West Berlin, NJ.08091, at which time all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning such ordinance.

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