Ordinance 2024-07

BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN COUNTY OF MERCER STATE OF NEW JERSEY

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 7-1-27, ENTITLED "TAXI STANDS," OF THE "REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN, NEW JERSEY"

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown, , wish to amend Article 7-1-27 of "The Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Hightstown" (the "Borough Code") relating to taxi stands, as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hightstown, in the County of Mercer and State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. That Article 7-1-27, entitled "Taxi Stands," of the "Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Hightstown, New Jersey," is hereby amended to read as follows: (additions are shown with <u>underline</u> and deletions are shown with <u>strikeout</u>):

§ 7-1-27 Taxi Stands.

A. The locations described are hereby designated as taxi stands. No vehicle other than a taxi currently licensed by Hightstown Borough pursuant to Article 4-21 of this Code shall be permitted to occupy these locations during the times indicated.

Street	Location	Hours
Intersection of Railroad Avenue	Municipal Parking Lot (First two	All
and Rogers Avenue	spaces closest to Rogers Avenue)	

- B. In order for any portion of private property to be utilized as a taxi stand, the property owner or other authorized representative must file its express written consent for same with the Borough Clerk and the Hightstown Borough Police Department.
- C. No more than one taxicab vehicle from the same taxicab owner's company shall be permitted to be parked, or to otherwise occupy, the same taxi stand at the same time

(i.e., simultaneously).

- D. No taxicab shall remain "idling" with the engine running for more than three consecutive minutes at any taxi stand.
- E. Every taxicab, while occupying space at a taxi stand, shall be immediately available for hire.
- F. Only a taxicab licensed by Hightstown Borough may occupy or deliver a passenger to a taxi stand in the Borough.
- G. Each taxi stand shall be marked with a statement that the stand is reserved for taxicabs licensed by Hightstown Borough only.
- H. No person operating a taxi shall perform maintenance of any kind while occupying space at a taxi stand.
- I. No taxicabs shall be permitted to be parked, or to otherwise occupy, any taxi stand during times of emergency or during a snow event, as directed by the Hightstown Borough Police Department.

2. That all other Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

3. That in the event that any portion of this Ordinance is found to be invalid for any reason by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be limited in its effect only to that portion of the Ordinance actually adjudged to be invalid, and the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable therefrom and shall not be affected.

4. That this Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

Introduction: May 20, 2024

Adoption: SCHEDULED FOR ADOPTION JUNE 3, 2024 6:30 P.M.

ATTEST:

MARGARET RIGGIO MUNICIPAL CLERK SUSAN BLUTH MAYOR

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