

ORDINANCE #2012-07

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF ALLENHURST, CHAPTER II, ADMINISTRATION, SECTION 2-4, EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, The functions of local government entities have become increasingly diverse and complex while laws and regulations governing local governments and local elected officials have undergone a significant expansion and changes in recent years; and,

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the Borough of Allenhurst (“Borough”) to see that its elected officials have the resources to keep abreast of the responsibilities and obligations placed upon them by the ever evolving laws and regulations, and to be made aware of all the ethical issues raised thereby; and,

WHEREAS, The Borough can save money on its insurance premiums and enhance the Borough’s Best Practice scores through the establishment of certain educational requirements for its local elected officials;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, By the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst, that the General Revised ordinances be amended and supplemented as follows:

SECTION 2-4. EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS

All elected officials in the Borough are required to attend on an annual basis at least one course offered by the Rutgers University Center for Government Services (or a similar education provider such as the NJ League of Municipalities) covering the responsibilities and obligations of elected officials (for example, ethics, municipal finance, budgeting, policy setting, local government contracting, labor relations, capital planning, shared services, etc.). It is recommended that an ethics course be attended every other year for the duration of their term of office.

Except as herein provided, the Codified Ordinances of the Borough of Allenhurst shall remain in full force and effect.

The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable, and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase hereof shall, for any reason, be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, clauses and phrases of this ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

This Ordinance shall take effect after publication and adoption according to law.

APPROVED:

ADOPTED: