

**TOWNSHIP OF WESTAMPTON**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 82 OF THE WESTAMPTON TOWNSHIP  
CODE ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES”**

**ORDINANCE NO. 8-2024**

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 82 of the Township Code allows for consumption of alcoholic beverages in connection with public celebrations or similar special events subject to authorization by Township Committee by way of permit; and

**WHEREAS**, Township events, including food truck events, Halloween, and other special events and community celebrations in the Township have been popular with residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Township Committee of the Township of Westampton desires continue to pursue these types of events moving forward; and

**WHEREAS**, notwithstanding the popularity of these events, the Township Committee of the Township of Westampton desires to more formally regulate alcohol consumption and open containers at these events.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED**, that the Township Committee of the Township of Westampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey that Chapter 82 of the Westampton Township Code entitled “Alcoholic Beverages” is hereby amended as follows:

**SECTION 1: AMEND Chapter 82 Alcoholic Beverages Section 3 Consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages, paragraph A. (3), which shall read as follows:**

Section 82-3. A. (1)(d.) Exceptions. The Township Committee, in connection with public celebrations or similar special events, may, by written permit, specifically authorize the consumption of alcoholic beverages in a public park, square, parking lot or other public place or area or portion thereof, as specified in such permit and on the date and the hours therein specified, subject to conditions as set forth in the approved permit.

(1) The governing body of the Township of Westampton approves the use of outdoor open container liquor containers consistent with this section at the Municipal Complex, and other Township owned property as approved by permit for Township sponsored events.

(2) Conditions under which a person may consume an alcoholic beverage under paragraph A. (1)(d.) of this section:

- i. The person must be at least 21 years of age;
- ii. No open containers shall be permitted before 11:00 a.m. or after 11:00 p.m.;

- iii. Alcoholic beverages consumed in the area set forth in paragraph A. (1)(d.) of this section must have been purchased from an authorized vendor with any applicable permits and approvals from the Township and ABC;
- iv. All alcoholic beverages must be in a plastic cup.
- v. The alcoholic beverage container may not exceed 16 fluid ounces.
- vi. No open container of an alcoholic beverage may be removed from the area set forth in paragraph A. (1)(d.) of this section.
- vii. No open container of an alcoholic beverage may be consumed in any motor vehicle whether or not in the area set forth in paragraph A. (1)(d.) of this section.

(3) Any permitted provider subject to this subsection found to be in violation may have their permit revoked by Township Committee. Such violation could be grounds for denial of permit application by the provider under this subsection in the future.

## **SECTION 2. Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.**

A. Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.

B. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Committee hereby declares it intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.

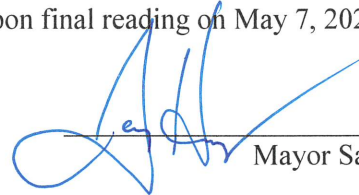
C. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon proper passage in accordance with the law.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as required by law.


| <b>Roll Call Vote -Upon Introduction – 04/16/2024</b> |                   |                 |            |           |                |               |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| <b>Committee Member</b>                               | <b>Introduced</b> | <b>Seconded</b> | <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Absent</b> |
| Burkley   |                   |                 | X          |           |                |               |
| Carr  | X                 |                 | X          |           |                |               |
| Mayor Henley  |                   |                 | X          |           |                |               |
| Mungo   |                   | X               | X          |           |                |               |
| Wright  |                   |                 | X          |           |                |               |

| <b>Roll Call Vote -Upon Adoption – 05/07/2024</b> |                   |                 |            |           |                |               |
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| <b>Committee Member</b>                           | <b>Introduced</b> | <b>Seconded</b> | <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Absent</b> |
| Burkley   |                   |                 |            |           | X              |               |
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| Mayor Henley                                      |                   |                 | X          |           |                |               |
| Mungo   |                   | X               | X          |           |                |               |
| Wright  |                   |                 |            |           |                | X             |

Adopted upon final reading on May 7, 2024.

  
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 Mayor Sandy Henley

Attest

  
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 Wendy Gibson, Township Clerk