# TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

#### **ORDINANCE #13/18**

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 69, ARTICLE VI OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK ENTITLED "HEALTH OFFICER"

**WHEREAS**, every municipality in the State of New Jersey is required to maintain the services of a Health Officer; and

WHEREAS, the Town of West New York presently employs a Health Officer; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 69, Article VI of the Code of the Town of West New York created the Office of Health Officer; and

**WHEREAS,** on April 19, 2018 the Mayor and the Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York unanimously approved the creation of a Health Department Committee to conduct an extensive review of the operation of its Health Department; and

**WHEREAS,** the Health Department Committee issued a report of their findings which contained extensive financial information on the structure and operation of the Town of West New York's Health Department; and

**WHEREAS,** as a cost-savings measure, the Health Department Committee recommended the Town of West New York enter into a shared services agreement for the position of Health Officer; and

WHEREAS, any other office or positions within the Health Department may be similarly eliminated for economy and efficiency purposes in accordance with New Jersey law; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners now seeks to eliminate the Office of the Health Officer within the Town of West New York, so it may enter into a shared services agreement for this service for economy and efficiency purposes; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, that Chapter 69, Article VI entitled "Health Officer" shall be deleted and replaced as follows:

# **Section One**

Chapter 69-24 through 27 shall be hereby deleted and replaced as follows:

§69-24. Office Eliminated.

There shall no longer be an office or employee of the Town of West New York known as Health Officer.

#### Section Two

**Severability.** The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remaining in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

# **Section Three**

**Repealer.** All ordinances or portions thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only however, or the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being legislative intent that all ordinances or portions of ordinances now existing or in effect shall remain in effect unless the they are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance

#### **Section Four**

**When Effective**. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law

# **SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE**

This Ordinance amends Chapter 69, Article VI by eliminating the office and employee of the Town of West New York known as Health Officer.

Introduced: 6/21/2018 Hearing conducted: 7/11/18

Further Action postponed until 8/15/2018

7/18/18: August meeting rescheduled to 8/22/18 when further action will be taken

### **Notice**

The foregoing Ordinance was adopted for first reading by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, New Jersey, on June 21, 2018 and ordered published, and will be further considered before final passage at a special meeting on July 11, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room (Mayor's office), Municipal Building, West New York, NJ. On July 11, 2018 a Hearing was conducted and closed, and further action on this Ordinance was postponed until August 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. On July 18, 2018, the August Commission Meeting was rescheduled from August 15<sup>th</sup> to August 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 pm at which time further action on this Ordinance will be taken. A copy of this Ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted on in the Town Hall of the Town of West New York, and a copy (at no charge) is available up to and including the time of such meeting to the members of the public of the Town who shall request such copies, at the Office of the Town Clerk in said Town Hall in West New York, N.J.

Town Clerk