

INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2022

A LOCAL LAW TO UPDATE AND AMEND CHAPTER 7 AND CHAPTER 66 OF THE TOWN CODE OF THE TOWN OF CHESTER

Be it enacted by the Town of Chester in the County of Orange, as follows:

Section 1. Purpose and Intent

It is the intent and purpose of this Local Law to update and amend Chapter 7, entitled “Ethics, Code of,” of the Town Code of the Town of Chester to provide further requirements for the Ethics Board; and to update and amend Chapter 66, entitled “Noise Pollution Control,” of the Town Code of the Town of Chester to provide further information and penalties with respect violations.

Section 2. Amend Chapter 7, Section 7-10, entitled, “Board of Ethics”, to add the following:

- E. The Board of Ethics shall meet quarterly, at least once every three months, to discuss any potential improvements that could made to the Board and any proactive steps that should be taken with respect to administration of the Board. The Board shall then report any such potential improvements and/or proactive steps to the Town Board. The Town Board shall take report under advisement with respect to potential amendments to the Town Code and Town procedures affected thereby.

Section 3. Amend Chapter 66, Section 66-8, entitled “Penalties for Offenses”, to read as follows:

- D. Penalties and Repeat Convictions. Any person convicted of a violation of this Chapter shall, for a fist conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than \$50, but no more than \$250. For a second such conviction within six months thereafter, such person shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$150, but no more than \$350. For a third or subsequent conviction within six months after the first conviction, such person shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$250, but no more than \$350 for each such conviction. If a person served with an initial notice of violation fails to correct the violation within thirty minutes after receiving said notice, then such failure shall be deemed a separate and distinct violation and the individual may be issued additional notices of violation.

Section 5. Severability.

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 6. Effective date.

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.