

**BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-003**

NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND REPLACE SECTIONS 74-7 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PARK RIDGE ENTITLED “ESTABLISHMENT, COMPOSITION VACANCIES”

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Park Ridge, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Sections 74-7 of the Code of the Borough of Park Ridge, titled “Establishment; Composition Vacancies” is hereby repealed and replaced by the following:

§ 74-7. Establishment; composition; vacancies.

- A. A Zoning Board of Adjustment is hereby established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-69 et seq. consisting of seven residents of the Borough of Park Ridge, appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council for terms of four years running from January 1 of the year of their appointment. The terms of the members first appointed pursuant to this chapter shall be so determined that to the greatest practicable extent the expiration of such terms shall be distributed evenly over the first four years after their appointment, provided that the initial term of no member shall exceed four years. Thereafter, the term of each member shall be for four years. Nothing herein contained, however, shall be construed to affect the terms of any present members of the Zoning Board of Adjustment, all of whom shall continue in office until the completion of the terms for which they were appointed.
- B. No member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment may hold any elective office or position under the municipality.
- C. A member may, after public hearing if he requests it, be removed by the governing body for cause.
- D. A vacancy occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled for the unexpired term only.
- E. Alternate members.
 - (1) In addition to the members appointed pursuant to Subsection A of this section, who shall be known as the regular members of the Board, there shall be appointed three alternate members.
 - (2) Alternate members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Council for terms of two years each.
 - (3) Alternate members shall be designated at the time of their appointment as "Alternate No. 1", "Alternate No. 2" and “Alternate No. 3”
 - (4) Alternate members shall serve in rotation during the absence or disqualification of any regular member.
 - (5) Alternate members may participate in discussions of the proceedings but may not vote except in the absence or disqualification of a regular member. A vote shall not be delayed in order that a regular member may vote instead of an alternate member. In the event that a choice must be made as to which alternate member is to vote, Alternate No. 1 shall vote.

(6) The provision of Subsections B, C and D of this section shall be applicable to alternate members.

Section 2. If any part of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed or amended to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

BY ORDER OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Magdalena Giandomenico, CMC

Borough Clerk