

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH
ORDINANCE NO. 1937**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH, COUNTY OF
BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 2,
ADMINISTRATION, OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE TO PROVIDE FOR
THE APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE MEMBERS TO THE
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, the Township of Mahwah desires to provide for the appointment of alternate members to the Environmental Commission; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:56A-1 authorizes the Township to appoint up to two alternate members to the Environmental Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Mahwah, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follow:

SECTION 1. Chapter 2, Administration, § 2-18, Environmental Commission, § 2-18.2, Appointment; Qualifications; Terms; Vacancies, is hereby amended to read as follow:

§ 2-18.2 Appointment; Qualifications; Terms; Vacancies.

- a. The Environmental Commission shall consist of seven members, who shall serve without compensation and who shall be appointed by the Mayor. All of such members shall be residents of the Township and one of such members shall also be a member of the Planning Board. The Mayor shall designate one of such members to serve as Chairman and presiding officer of the Environmental Commission.
- b. The initial terms of office of the first Commissioners shall be for one, two or three years to be designated by the Mayor in making such appointments in the following manner: Two of such members shall be appointed for terms of one year, two of such members shall be appointed for terms of two years, and three of such members shall be appointed for terms of three years. The term of each such member shall expire on December 31 of the last year of each such member's term and upon the appointment and qualification of such member's successor. The terms of appointment of succeeding Commissioners shall be for three years each, to expire on June 30 of the last year of such succeeding Commissioner's term and upon the appointment and qualification of such member's successor.
- c. The Mayor may appoint not more than two alternate members, who shall be designated at the time of appointment as "Alternate No. 1" and "Alternate No. 2." The terms of the alternate members shall be for two years, except that the terms of the alternate members first appointed shall be two years for Alternate No. 1 and one year for Alternate No. 2 so that the term of not more than one alternate member shall expire in any one year. A vacancy occurring otherwise than by expiration of term shall be filled by the Mayor for the unexpired term only. An alternate member 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 first.

- d. The Mayor or Township Council may remove any member or alternate member of the Commission for cause, on written charges served upon such member and after a hearing thereon, at which hearing the member shall be entitled to be heard in person or by counsel. A vacancy on such Environmental Commission occurring otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as an original appointment.

SECTION 2. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Township heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any terms and provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. This ordinance may be renumbered for the purposes of codification.

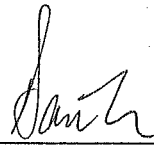
SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days following final passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

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Dated: June 18, 2021

Attest



David May
Council President


Kathrine G. Coviello
Municipal Clerk

I, Kathrine G. Coviello, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Mahwah, hereby certify that the within Ordinance was passed and adopted at a meeting of the Township Council held on the 17th day of June, 2021.


Kathrine G. Coviello, RMC/CMC/MMC
Municipal Clerk