

**BOROUGH OF ALLENTOWN
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE NO. 01-2026

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2: "ADMINISTRATION " OF THE BOROUGH'S REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES TO CREATE NEW SECTION 2-7: "VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL" TO PROVIDE A CHAIN OF SUCCESSION FOR THE BOROUGH'S LEADERSHIP.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allentown, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 2: "Administration" of the Borough's Revised General Ordinances is amended with new Section 2-7: "Vice-President of the Council" (previously reserved) as follows (~~stricken text~~ indicates deletions, underlined text indicates additions):

CHAPTER 2: "ADMINISTRATION"

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§ 2-6 PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL.

At the organizational meeting the Council by a majority vote shall elect from their number a President of the Council, who shall preside at all of its meetings when the Mayor does not preside. The President of the Council shall hold office for one year and until the next annual meeting. The President of the Council shall have the right to debate the vote on all questions before the Council. If the Council at its annual meeting fails to elect a President, the Mayor shall appoint the President from the Council and in that case no confirmation by the Council shall be necessary. If the Mayor is absent from the Borough for a period of three consecutive days or for any reason is unable to act, the President of the Council shall perform all the duties of the Mayor during his absence or inability. In case of the Mayor's intended absence from the Borough for more than three days at any one time, the Mayor shall notify the President in writing of such intended absence, whereupon the President shall become Acting Mayor upon the receipt of such notice and continue to act until the Mayor's return. In case of the ~~temporary~~ inability of the President to so act, the ~~Council member having the longest term of service as such may~~ Vice-President of the Council shall act temporarily for the President.

§ 2-7 VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL.

At the organizational meeting the Council by a majority vote shall elect from their number a Vice-President of the Council, who shall preside at all of its meetings when the Mayor and the President of the Council do not preside. The Vice-President of the Council shall hold office for

one year and until the next annual meeting. The Vice-President of the Council shall have the right to debate the vote on all questions before the Council. If the Council at its annual meeting fails to elect a Vice-President, the Mayor shall appoint the Vice-President from the Council, and in that case, no confirmation by the Council shall be necessary. If the Mayor and President of the Council are both absent from the Borough for a period of three consecutive days or for any reason are unable to act, the Vice-President of the Council shall perform all applicable duties. In case of the inability of the Vice-President to so act, the Council member having the longest term of service shall act for the Vice-President.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phase of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remaining portion of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect, and to that end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by Mayor and Council that all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this amending ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of their inconsistencies only.

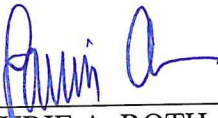
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by Mayor and Council that this ordinance shall be in full force and take effect after final passage and publication according to law.



THOMAS FRITTS, Mayor

DATED: February 10, 2026

ATTEST:



LAURIE A. ROTH, MAS, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk

DATED: February 10, 2026

PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading on the 20th day of January 2026, at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allentown and will be taken up for final consideration and passage at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Allentown to be held on the 10th day of February 2026 at the Municipal Building, 8 N. Main Street, Allentown, NJ.



LAURIE A. ROTH, MAS, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk