

THE BOROUGH OF WEST EASTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2022 - 18

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WEST EASTON, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE 856 AMENDING ALL PRIOR ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE COLLECTION OF REFUSE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIALS.

WHEREAS, the purpose of this ordinance is to promote the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Borough of West Easton by setting forth the rules and rates related to the Borough's provision of refuse and recyclable collection and handling within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of West Easton previously enacted Ordinance No. 381, subsequently amended by Ordinance No. 686, Ordinance No. 704, Ordinance No. 726, Ordinance No. 736, Ordinance No. 784, Ordinance No. 813, Ordinance No. 821, and Ordinance No. 856; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to further amend its practices and procedures relating to the collection of refuse and recyclable materials in accordance with its contractual duties and statutorily granted powers;

NOW THEREFORE, THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF WEST EASTON DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Schedule of Fees. The fees for the curbside collection and handling of refuse and recyclable materials in the Borough shall be as follows:

A. The Refuse and Recycling Fee for residential properties shall be \$434.16 per year, which shall be billed at a rate of \$108.54 per quarter. The rate is for the weekly collection of up to two (2) containers up to forty-five (45) gallons of refuse, or three (3) bags equivalent thereto, and bi-weekly collection of one (1) thirty (30) gallon recycling bin. Excess collection units will be billed separately.

B. Each living unit, whether a home or apartment unit, shall be billed individually, whether or not occupied. Three (3) rooms in a rooming house shall be considered a single living unit and shall be billed accordingly. Each place of business shall be considered a living unit and billed in accordance with Paragraph A above, at the rate of \$434.16 per year, which shall be billed at a rate of \$108.54 per quarter. As stated in Paragraph A, this rate is for the weekly collection of up to

two (2) containers up to forty-five (45) gallons of refuse, or three (3) bags equivalent thereto, and bi-weekly collection of one (1) thirty (30) gallon recycling bin. Excess collection units will be billed separately.

Section 2. Billing Procedures. Refuse and Recycling Bills shall be mailed to property owners at the end of every quarter, dates as determined by the Borough, regardless of whether or not a unit is occupied. Payment shall be due within thirty (30) days from the invoice date. Delinquent accounts will be assessed an initial 10% penalty. Interest will be assessed upon delinquent municipal claims at a rate of 6% per annum, and added to the Borough's claim, together with costs. All payments, together with any interest or penalties, shall be made payable to the Borough of West Easton and delivered to the Borough Hall at 237 7th Street, West Easton, Pennsylvania, 18042.

Section 3. Repealer. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby specifically repealed.

Section 4. Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable and, if any provision thereof shall be declared unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as a legislative intent of the Borough of West Easton that this Ordinance would have been enacted as otherwise set forth had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid provision(s) not been included herein.

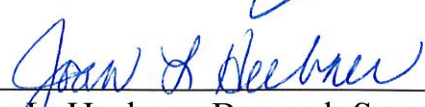
Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective as of January 1, 2023.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED this 12th day of December, 2022.



Paul James, Council President

ATTEST:



Joan L. Heebner, Borough Secretary/Manager

Approved 12th day of December, 2022.



Daniel DePaul, Mayor