

**BOROUGH OF WEST EASTON  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 13**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WEST EASTON,  
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING  
ORDINANCE 966, ENTITLED “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE USES  
PERMITTED BY CONDITIONAL USE WITHIN THE LI - LIGHT  
INDUSTRIAL ZONING DISTRICT IN THE BOROUGH OF WEST  
EASTON ZONING ORDINANCE.”**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the power vested in the Borough pursuant to the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code at 53 P.S. §1001 et seq. the Borough regulates land use within its borders by a Zoning Ordinance purposed on meeting and balancing the interests and needs of the Borough, including but not limited to considerations regarding: population density; the need for housing, commerce and industry; the location and function of streets and other community facilities and utilities; the need for preserving agricultural land and protecting natural resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough enacted Ordinance 966 on September 13, 2012, to expand the conditional uses within the Light Industrial District to include Residential Treatment Centers; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 966 sets forth regulations applicable to construction and operation of Residential Treatment Centers; and

**WHEREAS**, the Borough has found that certain regulations set forth in Ordinance 966 are no longer necessary and appropriate to meet the Borough's zoning objectives;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Borough Council of West Easton as follows:

**PARAGRAPH 1. AMENDMENT.** Paragraph B(4)(a) of Ordinance 966 is hereby amended as follows:

- a. Subparagraph (6) providing that “[t]he Residential Treatment Center shall not distribute methadone to residents as a modality for treatment on an outpatient basis” is STRICKEN;
- b. Subparagraph (9) providing that “[a]ny residents entering or leaving the Residential Treatment Center must be picked up and dropped off by a third party through a secured process to prevent entry to and discharge into the public” is hereby AMENDED to provide that “While no facility shall be required to be a locked facility, any residents entering or leaving the Residential Treatment Center must be picked up and dropped off by a third party through a secured process to prevent entry to and discharge into the public.”
- c. Subparagraph (11) providing that “[a] Residential Treatment Center may include counseling services to former residents and their families for ongoing counseling and therapy services, provided that there is no application of methadone for said outpatient counseling” is hereby AMENDED to provide as follows: “A Residential Treatment Center may include counseling services to former residents and their families for ongoing counseling and therapy services.”
- d. Subparagraph (13) providing that “[a]ny private resident residing in the Residential Treatment Center shall be required to pay a temporary residency fee to the Borough of \$150.00” is STRICKEN.

**PARAGRAPH 2. SEVERABILITY.** The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any section, clause, sentence, part or provision of this ordinance shall be deemed illegal or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the rest of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect as though the stricken section, clause, sentence, part or provision had not been included.

**PARAGRAPH 3. REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

**PARAGRAPH 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall be immediately effective upon enactment.

**ORDAINED AND ENACTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

Borough Council  
Borough of West Easton  
County of Northampton  
Pennsylvania

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Paul James, Council President

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joan L. Heebner, Borough Secretary

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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Daniel DePaul, Mayor