

ORDINANCE NO. O-25-21

**AN ORDINANCE MODIFYING O-25-17
IN ORDER TO FACILITATE CODING OF
OFFENSES WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE
OFFICE OF THE COURTS**

WHEREAS, the West Long Branch Municipal Court Administrator has advised of problems in coding the offenses being written by our Code Enforcement Officers and, to some extent, the police officers, for zoning violations where the ordinance has different penalties for multiple offenses, which the AOC computer will not accept; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Attorney has met and discussed the matter with the Municipal Court staff, and the matter has been further discussed by the Code Enforcement Officers in the Borough; and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to amend its previously adopted Ordinance O-25-17 to break out the multiple offense categories, so that the coding can be properly accomplished;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of West Long Branch as follows:

SECTION 1

Ordinance 15-1.7, incorrectly referenced as Ordinance 15-1(f) in section 31 of O-25-17, is renumbered here and modified to read as follows:

“Penalties. Any violation of this ~~subsection~~
section (15-1) may be heard on summons or
complaint before the West Long Branch Municipal
Court filed by any resident or official of the
Borough. The penalty for a violation shall be:

- a. \$100 for the first offense;
- c. \$150 for the second offense; and
- c. \$300 for the third and subsequent offenses, all in a 3-year period; ~~plus the~~

~~cost to the Borough for correction of the violation.~~

SECTION 2

Ordinance 15-2.11 (section 35 of O-25-17) is amended to read as follows:

“For any violation of this section, the penalty
for the property owner or contractor, as
appropriate, shall be:

- a. \$100 for the first offense;
- b. \$150 for the second offense; and
- c. \$300 for the third and subsequent offenses, all in a 3-year period.”

SECTION 3

Ordinance 15-3.4 (section 37 of O-25-17) is amended to read as follows:

“For any violation of this section shall be punishable by fine of:

- A. \$500 for the first offense;
- B. \$1,500 for a second offense; and
- C. \$2,000 for a third or subsequent offense.

SECTION 4

Ordinance 18-7.1(2A)(f)(2)[section 41 in O-25-17] is amended to read as follows:

“Any person or entity, including the selling realtor, for which such open house is being conducted, who is in violation of these regulations, shall be subject to a fine of:

- A. \$100 for the first offense;
- B. \$250 for the second offense; and
- C. \$500 for the third and subsequent offenses, and removal of the signage as to each offense.”

SECTION 5

Ordinance 18-7.1a8(section 42 of O-25-17) is amended to read as follows:

“The penalties for placement of non-permitted signs are as follows:

- a. The fine for a first offense shall be \$100;
- b. The fine for a second offense shall be \$250;
- c. The fine for a third offense shall be \$500; and
- d. The fine for a fourth or subsequent offense shall be no less than \$1,000 and no more than the maximum penalty permitted by Ordinance 1-5”

SECTION 6

Ordinance 18-7.1b9(section 43 of O-25-17)is amended to read as follows:

“The penalties for placement for non-permitted signs are as follows:

- a. The fine for a first offense shall be \$100;
- b. The fine for a second offense shall be \$250;
- c. The fine for a third offense shall be \$500; and
- d. The fine for a fourth or subsequent offense shall be no less than \$1,000 and no more than the maximum penalty permitted by ~~section~~ Ordinance 1-5.”

SECTION 7

Ordinance 18-7.1c6 (section 44 of O-25-17) is amended to read as follows:

“The penalties for placement for non-permitted signs are as follows:

- a. The fine for a first offense shall be \$100;
- b. The fine for a second offense shall be \$250;

- c. The fine for a third offense shall be \$500; and
- d. The fine for a fourth or subsequent offense shall be no less than \$1,000 and no more than the maximum penalty permitted by ~~section~~ Ordinance 1-5.”

SECTION 8

Ordinance 20-7a1(section 51 of O-25-17)is amended to read as follows:

“The ~~permissible~~ fines for violating the grass height ordinance shall be:

- a. \$100 for the first offense;
- b. \$250 for the second and subsequent offenses within a 3-year period.”

SECTION 9: Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

[Words that are lined out are being removed. Words that are underlined are being added.]

Introduced: December 3, 2025
Passed: December 17, 2025
Adopted: December 17, 2025

MAYOR

BOROUGH CLERK