

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-04

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 5, “ADMINISTRATION OF GOVERNMENT,”
ARTICLE III, “COUNCIL”, SECTION 5-14. “MEETINGS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION”
OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF KENILWORTH TO CONSOLIDATE
WORK SESSIONS AND REGULAR MEETINGS

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:48-1, the governing body of a municipality may make, amend, repeal, and enforce such other ordinances, regulations, rules and by-laws not contrary to the laws of this State or Federal Government, as it may deem necessary and proper for the good of government, order and protection of person and property, and for the preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants, and as may be necessary to carry into effect the powers and duties conferred and imposed by this subtitle, or by any law; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined that in the interests of efficiency and transparency, that the topics of discussion that would regularly be discussed in Work Session Meetings can be incorporated into Regular Meetings under non-agenda items, where any non-agenda item can be raised as a topic of discussion by members of the Governing Body including, but not limited to, future business; and

WHEREAS, such discussions, unless properly qualified for closed session, shall be open to the public without any compromise of transparency to the public; and

WHEREAS, the consolidation of such meetings results in greater efficiency and cost savings for the Borough.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Kenilworth in the County of Union, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. The foregoing whereas clause is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2. Chapter 5 “Administration of Government,” Article III “Council”, Section 5-14 “Meetings and Public Participation” Paragraphs B and C shall be amended as follows.

Note: Additions are shown in bold and underlined and deletions are shown as ~~strikethrough~~.

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B. Regular Meetings. The Council shall conduct an annual meeting during the first seven days of each year. All Council meetings shall be held within the Borough, with preference to the Municipal Hall. Thereafter, the Council shall meet regularly at a time and location established by the Council at its Reorganization Meeting by Resolution and as may be changed from time to time thereafter by Resolution of the Governing Body. at 8:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter on the first and third Wednesday of each month, with the exception of the months of July, August, November and December, when the meetings will only occur on the first Wednesday of the month. If the regular meeting of the Council is also a legal holiday, such meeting shall then be held on the next succeeding business day which is not a legal holiday or at such other date and time as the Council may designate.

[Amended 2-9-2022 by Ord. No. 2022-01]

~~C. Work sessions. In recognition that an initial presentation for each subcommittee may facilitate a better understanding of a matter prior to a formal vote, the Council shall hold a meeting for said purpose at 6:00 p.m. just prior to the regular meeting. In addition to the foregoing, the Borough Engineer, Attorney, Clerk and advisory group or person may provide a brief report of their concerns and/or activities at the work session.~~

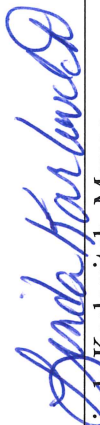
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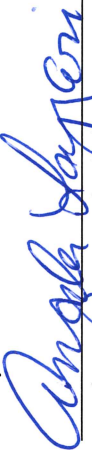
SECTION 3. If any section, paragraph, subdivision, sentence, clause, or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subdivision, sentence, clause, or provision so adjudged and the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain valid and effective.

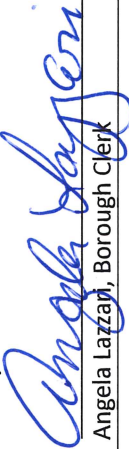
SECTION 4. Any ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

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SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey, following the required twenty-day period after adoption, as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40:69A-181(b).


Linda Karlovitch, Mayor

INTRODUCTION					COUNCILPERSON					FINAL ADOPTION					
Moved	Sec.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	NP					Moved	Sec.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	NP
		X				PATRICK BOYLE						X			
X		X				JOSEPH FINISTRELLA					X	X			
					X	TONI GIORDANO PICERNO				X		X			
	X	X				WILLIAM MAURO						X			
		X				SAVINO SCORESE						X			
		X				JOHN ZIMMERMAN						X			
Introduced: February 21, 2024					I hereby certify the above ordinance was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Kenilworth, County of Union, State of New Jersey on the aforementioned date.										
Final Adoption: March 6, 2024					 Angela Lazzari, Borough Clerk										


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