

TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE

ORDINANCE 2024-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE AMENDING CHAPTER 36 OF THE FLORENCE TOWNSHIP CODE ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES” TO PERMIT UP TO THREE PACKAGE GOOD LIQUOR STORES TO OPERATE WITHIN ONE MILE RADIUS

WHEREAS, there exist four package good liquor licenses issued by the Township of Florence; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of density limitations related to the number of package good liquor stores that can exist within one mile radius a practical difficulty is created due to scarcity of suitable locations to allow for successful marketing of products and services; and

WHEREAS, recent New Jersey regulations related to alcoholic beverage control licenses would allow for a license to be transferred out of a community to an adjacent community; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Florence has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to assist license holders in establishing a location within the Township thereby retaining a commercial enterprise and promoting economic development.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Florence that:

Section 1.

Chapter 36, Article I entitled “Licensing and Regulation” Section 36-2 “Package goods liquor stores.” shall be amended to read as follows:

The number of package goods liquor stores within the boundary lines of the Township of Florence shall at no time exceed the number of four, and at no time shall any four such places be located within the radius of one mile.

Section 2. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Township of Florence heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage. Notice of adoption shall be published as provided by law.

FRANK BALDOROSS
Council President

NANCY L. ERLSTON, RMC
Township Clerk

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Take Notice that the Ordinance identified above amending Chapter 36 of the Florence Township Code Entitled “Alcoholic Beverages” to permit up to three package goods liquor stores to operate within a one mile radius has been adopted on first reading by the Township Council of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, at a meeting held on May 1, 2024. It will be considered for final passage after public hearing to be held on May 15, 2024 at 7:00 PM in the Municipal Complex, Council Chambers, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

Copies of the full Ordinance are on file with the Township Clerk of the Township of Florence in the Municipal Complex. The ordinance is posted on the township’s website www.florence-nj.gov

Nancy L. Erlston, RMC
Township Clerk