

**Borough of Norwood**

**Ordinance No. 15:16**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 108  
OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORWOOD  
REGULATING CONTRACTS**

**WHEREAS**, on December 10, 2014, the Mayor and Council adopted Ordinance No. 14:14 (“the Ordinance”) regulating campaign contributions and public contracting; and

**WHEREAS**, after the adoption of the ordinance, inconsistent and ambiguous provisions have been brought to the Mayor and Council’s attention, which require clarification and amendment to advance the original intention of the Mayor and Council when it adopted the Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this ordinance is to amend the Ordinance to regulate campaign contributions in a way that is reasonable, as originally intended by the Mayor and Council.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Norwood, County of Bergen, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**Section 1:** The Code of the Borough of Norwood is amended so that in Section 108-1 the definition of “Maximum Permitted Contribution” will state:

MAXIMUM PERMITTED CONTRIBUTION – For each election and for each primary election a maximum of \$300 per election and \$300 per primary election per candidate to any candidate for or holder of the office of Mayor or Councilperson or candidate committee or joint candidates committee supporting any such candidate or officeholder, or \$300 for each election and \$300 for each primary election per candidate to any Norwood municipal committee of a political party.

**Section 2:** Section 108-2(B) is amended to state:

B. No business entity that enters into negotiations for or agrees to any contract or agreement with the Borough for any goods and services, including those awarded pursuant to a fair and open process, will solicit or make any contribution in excess of the Maximum Permitted Contribution to any candidate for or holder of the office of Norwood Mayor or Councilperson, or candidate committee or joint candidates committee supporting any such candidate or officeholder, or to any Norwood municipal committee of a political party, between the time of the first communications between that business entity and the Borough regarding a contract or agreement and the later of the termination of negotiations or the completion of the contract or agreement.

**Section 3:** All ordinances or parts of ordinances that are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of any inconsistencies.

**Section 4:** The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any part or parts of this ordinance is or are declared to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court, then the remaining parts of this ordinance will remain in full force and effect.


**Section 5:** This ordinance will take effect upon final approval and publication according to law and will be effective retroactively to December 10, 2014.

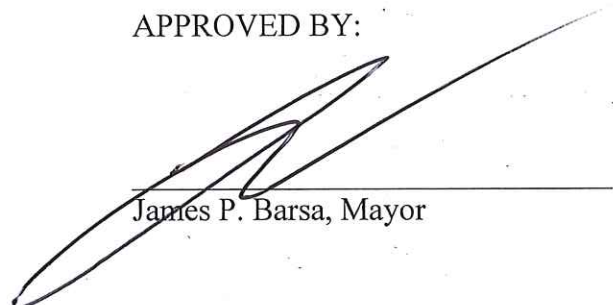
Introduced and passed first reading: October 28, 2015

Passed second reading: November 11, 2015

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:

  
Lorraine L. McMackin,  
Borough Clerk

  
James P. Barsa, Mayor