Borough of Highlands Public Notice

Please take notice that the following ordinance was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, on December 3, 2014. Notice is hereby given that the following ordinance will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Highlands Elementary School, 360 Navesink Avenue, Highlands, NJ 07732, on Wednesday, January 7, 2015 at 8:00 PM. At that time, the public is invited to participate in the discussion of the Ordinance. Copies of the Ordinance are available in the Municipal Clerk's Office located at 42 Shore Drive, Highlands, NJ and are posted on the Display Board at the Municipal Building. Copies are available at no charge to the general public.

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

ORDINANCE NO. O-14-37
AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS IN THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS CONSTRUCTION OFFICE TO ACCEPT CERTIFIED CHECKS OR A MONEY ORDER IN LIEU OF A PERSONAL CHECK

WHEREAS, the Uniform Construction Code ("UCC") provides standards for municipal fees, but is silent on forms for payment of fees; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands Construction Office wishes to request payment for fees in the form of a Certified Check or Money Order, in lieu of a personal check, for those individuals whose previous payment of fees was returned to the Office for lack of funds;

WHEREAS, the Borough of Highlands Construction Office shall also recoup any and all funds associated with receipt of a returned check for insufficient funds from the individual responsible for such;

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands find that it is appropriate and in its best interest to permit the Construction Office to request payment of fees via Certified Check or Money Order;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. Section 10-2, Fees, of the Borough Code, shall be amended to provide as follows:

E. Certified Check or Money Order

If, within the last twenty-four (24) months, an applicant has previously provided payment by check that was returned with insufficient funds, the Construction Code Official and/ or an agent of the Construction Code Official shall require a Certified Check or Money Order as payment for fees due and owing.

- F. Any individual who provides the Construction Office with a check that is returned to the Office as insufficient funds shall be responsible to reimburse the Borough for any and all fees or penalties resulting from the insufficient funds.
- **Section 2. SEVERABILITY**. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.
- **Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE**. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage as provided by law.

Section 4. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency. Adopted:

Carolyn Cummins Borough Clerk