

Introduction date: November 18, 2019

Adoption date: December 16, 2019

**ORDINANCE 2019-20
TOWNSHIP OF EASTAMPTON
BURLINGTON COUNTY**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EASTAMPTON TO
AMEND CHAPTER 374 OF THE TOWNSHIP TO AMEND THE LICENSE FEE
FOR PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS AND TO ESTABLISH A NO-KNOCK LIST**

WHEREAS, the Township recognizes the need to license and regulate peddlers and solicitors who are conducting business within the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township has also heard complaints from residents regarding the increasing amount of peddlers and solicitors and seeking the ability to prevent peddlers and solicitors from accessing their homes; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Eastampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 374-5 of the Township Code of Eastampton shall be amended to read as follows:

§374-5

A fee of \$50 shall be paid for each license issued for the period January 1 to December 31 of each calendar year or part thereof. The aforementioned fee shall not be required with respect to the solicitation of individuals to be employed in any occupation.

SECTION 2. Section 374-8 of the Township Code of Eastampton shall be amended to add the following subsections:

§374-8

(E) “No Soliciting” or “No Knock” signs placed on a resident’s property shall be strictly adhered to by the peddler or solicitor.

(F) The peddler or solicitor shall not conduct any peddling or soliciting activities on properties identified on the Township’s No Knock List.

(G) The Township shall maintain a “No Knock List,” a copy of which shall be provided to all peddlers or solicitors required to be licensed pursuant to Chapter 374, in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5. The Township Clerk shall charge a fee for a copy of the “No Knock List,” in accordance with the Open Public Records Act. Residents may register their name and address with the Township Clerk for placement on

the "No Knock List," indicating that such resident does not want persons so licensed to approach the registered home and/or seek personal contact with the occupants of the registered home. Once the resident's name has been added by the Township Clerk to the "No Knock List," the resident shall be permitted to post a "No Knock" sign by the front entrance of his or her home to advise the solicitor and canvasser. The "No Knock List" shall be provided by the Township Clerk to the Police Department for enforcement and may be posted in public places. It shall be unlawful for any licensed peddler or solicitor to approach a registered home and/or seek personal contact with the occupants therein if the resident has registered on the "No Knock List" or posted a "No Knock" sign. Registration on the "No Knock List" shall expire five (5) calendar years following the end of the calendar year of registration, unless renewed by notifying the Township Clerk.

(H) Any person violating or failing to comply with any of the provisions of this article shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to the penalty set forth in Chapter 1, Article II, Penalties for Violations, of the Township Code. The continuation of such violation for each successive day shall constitute a separate offense, and the person or persons allowing or permitting the continuation of the violation may be punished as provided above for each separate offense.

SECTION 3. Repealer. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to said inconsistencies and conflict.

SECTION 4. Severability. If any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not effect the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The governing body of the Township of Eastampton declares that it would have passed the ordinance and each section and subsection thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of the subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION 5. Effective Date. The ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.

ATTEST:



KIM-MARIE WHITE
Municipal Clerk



ANTHONY ZENO
Mayor

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Council	Motion	2 nd	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Councilman Apgar		X	X			
Councilman Besko			X			
Councilman Santillo	X		X			
Councilman Springer			X			
Mayor Zeno						X
		VOTE	4	0		

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Councilman Santillo		✓	✓			
Councilman Springer	✓		✓			
Mayor Zeno			✓			
		VOTE	5	0		