

CITY OF ABSECON

ORDINANCE 09-2023

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ABSECON AMENDING
CHAPTER 258 OF THE CITY OF ABSECON CODE, GOVERNING
LEGALIZED RAFFLE AND BINGO LICENSES**

WHEREAS, City of Absecon, operating under the City form of government, is governed by statutes, that allow the City Council to pass, adopt, amend and repeal any ordinance or, where permitted, any resolution for any purpose required for the government of the municipality or for the accomplishment of any public purpose for which the municipality is authorized to act under general law;

WHEREAS, the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Absecon currently is silent as the fees charged by the City for legalized raffle and bingo licenses;

WHEREAS, an Ordinance setting the fees charges by the City for legalized raffle and bingo licenses the same are set by default under the New Jersey Statutes and Regulations;

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it desirable, and in the best interest of the City and its citizens to limit the fees charged by the City for raffle and bingo licenses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Absecon, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. A new Article III to Chapter 258 of the City of Absecon Municipal Code shall be added as follows:

Article III Legalized Raffle and Bingo Licenses.

258-16. License Fee for Raffles.

- A.** There are raffle license fees payable to New Jersey Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission set by Statute and or regulation and collectible by the City that change from time to time.
- B.** In addition to any license fee required by New Jersey State Statute or Regulation to be paid to New Jersey Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission, a municipal raffle license fee of an equal amount shall be charged and payable to the City. However, the municipal raffle license fee paid to the City shall be limited to One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per raffle.

258-16. License Fee for Bingo.

- A.** There are bingo license fees payable to New Jersey Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission set by Statute and or regulation and collectible by the City that change from time to time.

- B. In addition to any license fee required by New Jersey State Statute or Regulation to be paid to New Jersey Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission, a municipal bingo license fee of an equal amount shall be charged and payable to the City. However, the municipal bingo license fee paid to the City shall be limited to One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per bingo event.

Section 2. All other ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

Section 3. Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall take effect within twenty (20) days of final passage and publication, as provided by law.

DATED: April 20th, 2023

SIGNED:


Kimberly Horton, Mayor

ATTEST:


Carie A. Crone, RMC, Municipal Clerk

Passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Municipal Council held on April 6th, 2023. Laid over and advertised for public hearing and final adoption on April 20th, 2023. Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was approved for final adoption by the Municipal Council of the City of Absecon at a regular meeting held on April 20th, 2023.