

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 96 OF THE CODE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF PLAINSBORO TO EXCLUDE VEHICLES OVER FOUR TONS
ON SCOTTS CORNER ROAD FROM DEY ROAD TO FRIENDSHIP ROAD**

WHEREAS, the County of Middlesex owns bridge number 124C077, known as County structure number 4C77, located on Scotts Corner Road over Shallow Brook in Plainsboro; and

WHEREAS, the bridge is a single span bridge built in 1930 and is 33.5 feet in width, and 15 feet in length; and

WHEREAS, the bridge was evaluated by the County's bridge consultant on June 13, 2012, who at that time deemed the structure to be in satisfactory condition; and

WHEREAS, the bridge was re-inspected by the County's bridge consultant on March 25, 2022 and is still rated as satisfactory despite having been impacted by a beaver dam across the channel at the upstream end of the bridge, causing severe scour with exposed footings at both abutments; and

WHEREAS, the County has made interim repairs to the bridge but has decided to replace the bridge in future years, and in the interim the County has requested that weight restrictions be placed on the bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Township Engineer, CME Associates, has reviewed the County's evaluation report and also recommend weight restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the County will be responsible for any failures to the bridge and will assume all liability as a result of such failures, and the Township will be responsible for enforcement of the new weight limits in such areas designated by the ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey believes it is in the best interest of the residents of Plainsboro to exclude vehicles over four tons on Scott Corner Road from Dey Road to Friendship Road.

Section 1: Incorporation of Recitals

The above "Whereas" clauses are hereby incorporated into this Ordinance.

Section 2: Amendment to Section 96-17 of the Code of the Township of Plainsboro

Section 96-17 of the Code of the Township of Plainsboro shall be amended as follows:

§ 96-17 Schedule VIII: Trucks over Four Tons Excluded.

Trucks over four tons' gross weight are hereby excluded from the following described streets or parts of streets, except for the pickup, delivery and local service on such streets. This section shall not apply to any vehicles used in the operation of any farming premises which are located within the Township or utility companies servicing Plainsboro Township.

| Name of Street | Location |
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| College Road | Mapleton Road to U.S. Route 1 |
| College Road East | From U.S. Route 1 to Research Way |
| Dey Road | Between Plainsboro Road and Scudders Mill Road |
| Edgemere Avenue | Plainsboro Road southwesterly to Maple Avenue |
| George Davison Road | Entire length |
| Linden Lane | Maple Avenue easterly to Prospect Avenue |
| Maple Avenue | Entire length |
| Mapleton Road | Between Route US 1 and its intersection with Academy Drive, at the Plainsboro Township corporate line - South Brunswick Corporate Line. |
| Parkway Avenue | Plainsboro Road southerly to Edgemere Avenue |
| Plainsboro Road | Entire length |
| Prospect Avenue | Plainsboro Road southerly to Edgemere Avenue |
| Research Way | Entire length |
| Schalks Crossing Road | Between Plainsboro Road and Scudders Mill Road |
| <u>Scotts Corner Road</u> | <u>Between Dey Road and Friendship Road</u> |
| Seminary Drive | Entire length |
| Wyndhurst Drive | Entire length |

Section 3: Repealer, Severability, Applicability, Effective Date

- (a) All ordinances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistency, hereby repealed.
- (b) In the event any section, clause, sentence, phrase or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional, unenforceable, or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such a decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, and the Ordinance shall be interpreted consistent with its original intent to the fullest extent permissible by law.
- (c) This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Introduced at a Meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Plainsboro on **July 13, 2022** and published on **July 18, 2022**. Adopted at a Meeting held on **July 27, 2022** and published on **August 1, 2022**.