

**BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE # 2025-9

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 282 OF THE CODE OF THE
BOROUGH OF PALISADES PARK ENTITLED “VEHICLES AND PARKING”**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Palisades Park, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey that Chapter 282: “Vehicles and Parking” of the Code of the Borough of Palisades Park is hereby amended as follows (~~stricken~~ text deleted; underlined text added):

CHAPTER 282: VEHICLES AND PARKIUNG

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ARTICLE II: TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

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§ 282-14.1. Handicapped parking.

- A. Pursuant to the authority granted to the municipality by N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.5, the streets or parts of streets described in Schedule XXI (§ 282-65), attached hereto and made a part hereof, are hereby designated as restricted parking spaces for use by persons who have been issued special identification cards by the Division of Motor Vehicles. No other persons shall be permitted to park in these areas. Schedule XXI may be revised as necessary by resolution of the Mayor and Council.
- B. The Chief of Police is hereby directed to have proper signs calling attention to the provisions of this section erected or placed upon said streets.
- C. 1. Any Palisades Park resident who is handicapped in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-204 and who has been issued a special vehicle identification card by the State Motor Vehicle Commission pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-205 shall be eligible to apply for a designated handicapped parking space in front of their residence on an application provided by the Borough Police Department. When applying for a residential handicapped parking space, the following request for information shall be printed on the application and supplied by the applicant to the Borough: applicant name, address, telephone

number, vehicle registration and license plate number; indicate homeowner/renter; indicate access to driveway, garage, carport, other off-street parking; proof of residency consisting of driver's license for handicap person or parent/guardian/caretaker, vehicle registration, disabled person ID issued by the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, two (2) current documents including a utility bill, telephone bill, water/tax bill; or lease; a copy of the wheelchair symbol license plate or windshield placard issued by the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission; and a signed and dated declaration by the applicant that he/she has not willingly or knowingly made a false statement or given information which they know to be false. The application shall be signed by the property owner who shall be responsible for notifying the Borough within thirty (30) days of the date the handicap parking space is no longer needed.

2. In addition, said applicant shall include a Physician's letter to include the name of the applicant; physician certification stating he/she has personally examined the above named applicant; and that the information presented in this application relating to the applicant's disability is accurate; physician's printed and signed name; physician's professional license number and authorizing state; physician's address, telephone number and date.

3. Reasons for denial include but are not limited to incomplete or inaccurate information on form, access to driveway, garage or, carport or off-street parking (Parking Lot); the availability of alternative handicapped parking options in the vicinity; and for any reason the investigator deems appropriate for denial.

4. All applications shall include a disclaimer stating that the Borough of Palisades Park has the right to approve or reject any application and the applicant does hereby acknowledge that the approval of a reserved parking space in no way conveys or implies to convey anything more than a mere temporary license from the Borough of Palisades Park to use the parking space.

~~C.D.~~ The penalties for violation of this section shall be as follows:

- (1) For the first offense, a fine of \$250.
- (2) For subsequent offenses, a fine of at least \$250 and up to 90 days community service on such terms and in such form as the court shall deem appropriate, or any combination thereof.
- (3) In addition, the violator shall bear the full cost of towing, removal and storage of the violator's vehicle.

ATTEST:

Sophia H. Jang, Borough Clerk

Chong Paul Kim, Mayor

First Reading: March 24, 2025

Second Reading: April 28, 2025