## WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

## CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

## ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST GOSHEN, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING THE WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP REVISED ZONING ORDINANCE OF 1990, WHICH IS CODIFIED IN CHAPTER 84 OF THE WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP CODE, TO DELETE THE DEFINITION OF "POLITICAL SIGN" AND AMEND THE DEFINITION OF "TEMPORARY SIGN" IN SECTION 84-52.B; SECTION 84-52.C TO EXEMPT CERTAIN SIGNS FROM OBTAINING A SIGN PERMIT; TO DELETE SECTION 84-52.M; AND TO AMEND SECTION 84-52.Q TO EXEMPT POLITICAL SIGNS LOCATED IN THE RIGHT OF WAY OF A TOWNSHIP OR STATE ROAD FROM THE REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN A SIGN PERMIT.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED, and it is hereby enacted by authority of the Board of Supervisors of West Goshen Township that the West Goshen Township Code, specifically, Chapter 84, titled, "Zoning", is hereby amended as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The definition of "Political Sign" in Section 84-52.B shall be deleted.

**<u>SECTION 2.</u>** The definition of "Temporary Sign" in Section 84-52.B shall be amended to read as follows:

**"TEMPORARY SIGN-** Any sign erected for a period of time not to exceed 30 consecutive days in any one calendar year."

**SECTION 3.** Section 84-52.C shall be amended to read as follows:

"C. Permits required. Except for signs that are exempt pursuant to Section 84-52.Q below, it shall be unlawful for any person to erect, install, replace, alter, relocate or maintain within the Township any sign or other advertising structure without first obtaining a sign permit from the Zoning Officer."

SECTION 4. Section 84-52.M shall be deleted.

**<u>SECTION 5.</u>** Section 84-52.Q shall be amended to add a new subparagraph (9) which shall provide as follows.

"(9) Political signs located in the right of way of a Township or state-owned road provided that the area of any one political sign shall not exceed three (3) square feet. Political signs shall not be posted in public view any earlier than the date that is 45 days prior to the date of the election referenced therein or thereon (whether expressly or otherwise). Political signs must be removed from public view within 15 days of the close of polls with regard to such election. Illumination of political signs is prohibited in all residential zoning districts."

**SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY.** If any provision, sentence, clause, section or part of this ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such unconstitutionality, Illegality or invalidity shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, sentences, clauses, sections or parts hereof. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Board of Supervisors that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid provision, sentence, clause, section or part thereof not been included herein.

**<u>SECTION 7.</u> REPEALER.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistency.

**<u>SECTION 8.</u> EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Ordinance shall become effective five days after enactment as by law provided.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED THIS	DAY OF, 2020.
ATTEST:	BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
	WEST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP

Casey LaLonde, Secretary

Robin Stuntebeck, Chairwoman

Shaun Walsh, Vice-Chairman

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