NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING

BOROUGH OF AVALON CAPE MAY COUNTY NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 835-2022

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 14 OF THE AVALON BOROUGH CODE (WATER AND SEWER) SECTION 14-4.1 PERTAINING TO EMERGENCY TURN OFFS OF WATER SERVICE AND ESTABLISHING THE FEE TO BE CHARGED PROPERTY OWNERS IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES

This Ordinance amends Chapter 14 of the Borough Code (Water and Sewer) Section 14-4.1 to add a new section to be known as § 12-2.1 g which amendment:

- Clarifies Chapter 14 to make clear that the Borough or its third-party operator of the Borough Water System (Middlesex Water Co.) has the right to turn-off water service to any property when it appears that there is a leak or other emergency likely to cause property damage or result in a waste of water; and
- Provides that the Borough will impose a fee whenever this might occur of \$250.00 per occurrence to be collected as part of the water utility services and, if unpaid, to be treated the same as delinquent real estate taxes; and
- Provides that if such turn-off occurs, the property owner will be notified on the next business day of such turn-off by the most expedient means available.
- The Ordinance will take effect immediately.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption and publication as required by law and upon the filing of a certified copy thereof with the Cape May County Planning Board in accordance with the applicable provisions of the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law.

This Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading on March 9, 2022 and will be further considered for second reading, public hearing and final adoption on March 23, 2022 at the Municipal Building, 3100 Dune Drive, Avalon, NJ 08202 at 4:15 p.m.

A copy of the Ordinance is available at no charge from the Borough Clerk's Office, Borough of Avalon, 3100 Dune Drive, Avalon, NJ 08202 between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

C. DANIELLE NOLLETT Borough Clerk

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