

**TOWNSHIP OF MORRIS  
MORRIS COUNTY – NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO. 22-19**

AMENDING CHAPTER 9 ENTITLED “BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES”, ADDING A  
NEW ARTICLE TO BE KNOWN AS ARTICLE IX ENTITLED “TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE”

BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Morris as follows:

SECTION ONE: There is hereby created a new article in Chapter 9 to be known as Article IX entitled “Transportation Advisory Committee”

§ 9-47. Creation.

There is hereby established a Transportation Advisory Committee.

§ 9-48. Title Designation.

Said Committee shall be known as the “Transportation Advisory Committee.”

§ 9-49. Purpose.

The Transportation Advisory Committee’s primary purpose is to explore, study, and make advisory recommendations to the Township Committee ways to improve travel and transportation modes to include walking, biking, driving and parking in Morris Township. In making recommendations, the Transportation Advisory Committee will consider such factors as safety, convenience, accessibility and connectivity within Morris Township and the surrounding entities. A secondary purpose is to provide cost analysis and potential funding sources for any recommendations.

§9-50. Membership; Terms of Office.

The Transportation Advisory Committee of the Township of Morris shall be composed of nine (9) voting members, Class I, Class II and Class III to be appointed as follows:

A. The Township Committee shall appoint seven (7) regular members; said terms to commence January 1 of the year of appointment. Within this class of appointees, there exist two groups, having staggered anniversary dates:

- (1) Class I – Group 1 consists of members who are Township residents appointed or their successors for a term designated as two (2) years and shall be constituted with three members.
- (2) Class I - Group II consists of members who are Township residents appointed or their successors for an initial term of one (1) year and each successive term designated as two (2) years and shall be constituted with three members.
- (3) Class II - Consists of a member, being an individual who is knowledgeable in Transportation and Circulation and/or Traffic Engineering and who may reside outside the Township for a term designated as two (2) years and shall be constituted with one member.
- (4) Class III - Consists of the Chairman of the Transportation and Circulation Standing Committee of the Township Committee, and the Deputy Chairperson of Transportation and Circulation Standing Committee of the Township Committee. Each of their terms shall be for the calendar year, expiring December 31st.
- (5) Ex Officio members. The four (4) ex officio nonvoting members shall consists of the Township Administrator, or his or her designee, the Township Chief of Police, or his or her designee, the Township Engineer, or his or her designee, and the Township Director of Parks and Recreation, or his or her designee. Each of their terms shall be for the calendar year, expiring December 31st.

§9-51. Vacancies.

In the event that any member of the Transportation Advisory Committee of the Township of Morris shall resign or be unable to serve for any reason as a member of said Committee, the vacancy created thereby shall be filled for the remainder of the term in the manner provided for appointments under § 9-4 above.

§9-6. Powers and Duties.

It shall be the duty of the Transportation Advisory Committee of the Township of Morris to:

- (1) Make studies, surveys and recommendations to the Morris Township Committee with respect to Street Safety to address concerns of traffic and parking in conjunction with Education, Enforcement and Engineering.
- (2) Make studies, surveys and recommendations to the Morris Township Committee with respect to sidewalks, bike routes and trails to better connect residents with Township recreation, transportation, cultural, school, and business facilities, as well as contiguous municipalities.
- (3) Make recommendations to the Township Committee on any other matters which may be referred to the Committee by the Township Committee.
- (4) Prepare an annual report to be submitted to the Township Committee setting forth in detail its achievements and recommendations covering the preceding 12 months.
- (5) The Transportation Advisory Committee shall have no powers other than those set forth herein and shall not commit the Township of Morris to the commission or omission of any act or thing. It shall not establish any policy of the Township of Morris, nor shall it waive any policy, rules, regulations or ordinances previously established by the Township of Morris.

§9-52. Expenditures.

The Transportation Advisory Committee shall have no authority to expend any money or incur any expense or commit the Township of Morris to the expenditure of any money unless and until the same shall have been specifically authorized and approved by the Township Committee of the Township of Morris.

§9-53. Meetings; Quorum, Officers.

- (1) Meetings shall be held at such time and place as shall be determined annually by the Transportation and Circulation Standing Committee. There shall be an annual meeting for Committee organization, to be held during January of each year.
- (2) There shall be elected at the annual organization meeting each year a Chairperson and a Vice Chairperson, both of whom shall hold office for one year and be elected by a majority vote of the Committee. A majority of voting members shall constitute a quorum.
- (3) The Township shall provide a secretary to the Transportation and Circulation Advisory Committee. The secretary does not have voting rights.
- (4) The secretary shall be responsible for maintaining correspondence, memoranda, and preparing written minutes of all Transportation and Circulation Advisory Committee minutes. However, in accordance with Township policy, before any correspondence or memoranda is sent out under the auspices of the Transportation and Circulation Committee, any draft letter or memoranda shall be submitted to the Township Administrator for the review and approval of the governing body.

SECTION TWO: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason found to be unconstitutional or unenforceable, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

SECTION THREE: All ordinances of the Township of Morris which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION FOUR: This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication thereof as provided by law.