

**BOROUGH OF RED BANK
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE NO. NP2023-01

**ORDINANCE CHANGING THE DATE OF RED BANK REGULAR MUNICIPAL
ELECTIONS TO THE SAME DATE AS THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD IN
NOVEMBER**

WHEREAS, the Borough of Red Bank (the "Borough") has recently adopted a new form of government under the "Optional Municipal Charter Law," N.J.S.A. 40:69A-1, et seq., which new form of government is non-partisan; and

WHEREAS, thereunder, the Borough currently conducts regular municipal elections pursuant to the "Uniform Nonpartisan Elections Law," N.J.S.A. 40:45-5, et seq., and therefore, local municipal elections are held on the second Tuesday in May; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Mayor & Council have determined that holding Red Bank's regular municipal elections on the date of the general election in November would likely result in greater participation by Red Bank voters; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Mayor & Council have determined that holding Red Bank's regular municipal elections on the date of the general election in November would result in a cost saving for the taxpayers of the Borough; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:45-7.1, municipalities that hold municipal elections under the Uniform Nonpartisan Elections Law are permitted to change the date of the regular municipal election to the date of the general election by Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:45-7.1, once Red Bank has chosen to change the date of the regular municipal election to the date of the general election in November, it shall not be permitted to change the date of the election back to the second Tuesday in May until: (1) at least ten years have passed since the adoption of the Ordinance changing the date of the municipal election to the date of the general election; and (2) a new Ordinance changing the date of such municipal elections is thereafter adopted by the Borough's Mayor & Council; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:45-7.1, the term of any person in office on the date of the adoption of such an Ordinance shall be extended until the beginning of the term of the person elected to that office on the date of the general election in November; and

WHEREAS, the Borough's Mayor & Council find it to be in the best interests of Red Bank to change the date of Red Bank's regular municipal elections to the same date as the general election in November;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor & Council of the Borough of Red Bank, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey that the Borough's regular municipal elections, currently held on the second Tuesday in May, will hereafter be held on the date of the general election, which is the Tuesday after the first Monday in November beginning in the year 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the term of any person in office on the date of the adoption of this Ordinance shall be extended until the beginning of the term of the person elected to that office on the day of the general election in November; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Borough Clerk is hereby directed to provide the herein Ordinance to the Monmouth County Board of Elections and the Mayor and Borough Clerk are hereby authorized to prepare and execute any documentation required to effectuate this Ordinance.

INTRODUCTION						COUNCILMEMBER	FINAL ADOPTION					
Moved	Sec.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	NP		Moved	Sec.	Aye	Nay	Abs.	NP
		X				KRISTINA BONATAKIS		X	X			
					X	DAVID CASSIDY			X			
		X				NANCY FACEY-BLACKWOOD			X			
	X	X				BEN FOREST			X			
		X				LAURA JANNONE			X			
X		X				KATE TRIGGIANO			X			
		X				MAYOR WILLIAM PORTMAN	X		X			
Introduced: July 13, 2023			I hereby certify the above ordinance was adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Red Bank, County of Union, State of New Jersey on the aforementioned date.									
Final Adoption: July 27, 2023			 Laura Reinertsen, Borough Clerk									