## TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2019-13**

## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, SECTION 1. PART II GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 393 TOWING, ARTICLE III REQUIREMENTS, SECTION 6(D) MINIMUM STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE AND SECTION 2. PART II GENERAL LEGISLATION, CHAPTER 393 TOWING, ARTICLE IV PROCEDURE, SECTION 15. RATES

**WHEREAS**, the governing body of the Township of Cranford, in cooperation with the Cranford Police Department, is committed to providing safe, reliable and cost effective motor vehicle towing services for vehicles when such services are necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, currently towing operators who are granted licenses by the Township must store their towing vehicles either within the limits of the Township of Cranford or within two miles of the municipal building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee recommends increasing the distance between licensed towing facilities and the municipal building to within four miles to provide more options and ultimately a better level of service to Cranford residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee recommends increasing tow service fees, which have not changed since 1993 to ensure quality service to its residents; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that the Municipal Code for the Township of Cranford be amended as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Part II General Legislation, Chapter 393 Towing, Article III Requirements, Section 6(D) Minimum Standards of Performance. is hereby amended as follows:

## **393-6** Minimum standards of performance.

To qualify for inclusion on the list of towing operators, each applicant must meet the following minimum standards:

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D. (1)(c) The location of the storage facility shall be either within the limits of the Township or within a two-mile\_four-mile\_radius of the Cranford Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey.

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SECTION 2. Part II General Legislation, Chapter 393 Towing, Article IV Procedure, Section 15. Rates. is hereby amended by repealing it in its entirety and inserting:

A. The following rates are applicable within the purpose and intent of this chapter:

Service	Rate
Towing charge	
Category I (all vehicles up to 10,000 pounds GVW)	\$ 150
Category II (all vehicles 10,001 to 16,000 pounds GVW)	250

**EXPLANATION** – Matter struck through <del>thus</del> in the above Ordinance is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law. Matter underlined <u>thus</u> is new matter.

Category III (all vehicles 16,001 pounds and over GVW)	500
Winching cable (to be used only when vehicle has left the roadway)	350 per ½ hour
Recovery-winching heavy duty (16,001 GVW and above), per hour	600
Inside storage	
Category I (above)	\$ 90 per day
Category II (above)	180 per day
Category III (above)	250 per day
Outside storage	
Category I (above)	\$ 45 per day
Category II (above)	90 per day
Category III (above)	125 per day
Jump starts	125 per hour
Tire changes	125 per hour
Lockouts	125 per hour

**SECTION 3**. All other ordinances or portions thereof in conflict or inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4**. This ordinance will take effect upon publication after final passage as required by law.

INTRODUCED: ADOPTED:

APPROVED:

Patrick Giblin, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia Donahue, RMC Municipal Clerk

RECORDED VOTE

INTRODUCED

ADOPTED