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Part 1**Preliminary Provisions****§1-101. Short Title.**

The short title of this Code of Ordinances prepared and published for the Borough of Hatboro shall be the "Borough of Hatboro Code of Ordinances."

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-102. Citation of Code of Ordinances.

The Borough of Hatboro Code of Ordinances may be cited by Section number. The approved short form is "Code." Thus, "Code, §27-101" refers to §101 of Chapter 27 of this Code of Ordinances.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-103. Arrangement of Code.

1. This Code is divided into Chapters which are subdivided as follows:
 - A. Subchapters, identified by capital letters, beginning with a Chapter title and number.
 - B. Parts, identified by Arabic numerals, beginning with a Part title and number.
 - C. Subparts, identified by Arabic numerals, beginning with a title.
2. The Sections of the Code are subdivided as follows:
 - A. Subsections, identified by Arabic numerals.
 - B. Paragraphs, identified by capital letters.
 - C. Subparagraphs, identified by Arabic numerals enclosed within parentheses.
 - D. Clauses, identified by lower case letters enclosed within parentheses.
 - E. Subclauses, identified by Arabic numerals followed by a parenthesis.
 - F. Items, identified by lower case letters followed by a parenthesis.
 - G. Subitems, identified by small Roman numerals.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-104. Headings.

Chapter, Subchapter, Part, Subpart, Section, Subsection, Paragraph, Subparagraph, Clause, and Subclause headings contained in the Code may not be deemed to govern, limit, modify, or affect the scope, meaning or intent of the Code. The headings of Sections, Subsections, or other divisions of this Code are intended as mere captions to indicate the contents of the Section, Subsection, or other division and shall not be deemed to be taken as titles of such Section, Subsection, or other division, nor as any part of said Section, Subsection, or other division unless expressly so provided.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-105. Tenses, Gender and Number.

Except as may be otherwise stated in any provision of this Code, the present tense includes the past and future tenses, and the future the present; the masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter, the feminine includes the masculine and neuter, and the neuter includes the masculine and feminine; and the singular includes the plural, and the plural the singular.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-106. Construction.

1. Except as may be otherwise specifically provided by any provision of this Code, the Statutory Construction Act of 1972, 1 Pa.C.S.A. §1501 *et seq.*, shall be applied in construing this Code.

2. *Effect of Repeal or Expiration of Code Section.*

A. The repeal of a Code Section or ordinance, or its expiration by virtue of any provision contained therein, shall not affect any right accrued or any offense committed, any penalty or punishment incurred, or any proceeding commenced before the repeal took effect or the ordinance expired.

B. When any ordinance repealing a former Code Section, ordinance, clause or provision shall itself be repealed, such repeal shall not be construed to revive such former Code Section, ordinance, clause or provision, unless it shall be expressly so provided.

3. *Saving Clause.* The provisions of this Code, so far as they are the same as those ordinances and regulations in force immediately prior to the adoption of this Code, are intended as a continuation of such ordinances, resolutions and regulations and not as a new enactment. The provisions of this Code shall not affect any suit or prosecution pending or to be instituted to enforce any of the prior ordinances or regulations. Except as specifically stated in this Code or in the ordinance adopting this consolidation, codification and revision of the ordinances and regulations, it is the intention of the Borough Council that no ordinance or regulation of the Borough be amended, revised or repealed by implication.

4. *Resolutions.* The provisions of this Code of Ordinances may contain resolutions, that is, actions of the Borough Council (in written form and designated "resolution") which did not require prior public notice in accordance with the provisions of the Borough Code, 53 P.S. §45101 *et seq.*, at the time of their passage by the Borough Council. Such "resolutions" are included herein for ease of reference and the Borough Council does not intend by their inclusion herein to require prior public notice before amending, revising or repealing such resolution or resolutions as may have been included herein in the future. It is the intention of the Borough Council that such actions of the Borough Council that may be included in this Code and specifically cited and designated as a resolution shall not become an ordinance (requiring prior public notice before amendment, revision or repeal) by the simple fact of inclusion in this Code.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-107. Normal Numbering.

1. *Chapters.* Chapters are numbered sequentially in Arabic throughout this Code.
2. *Parts.* Parts are numbered sequentially in Arabic throughout this Code.
3. Whenever other divisions are necessary, Chapters shall be divided into Subchapters, Parts into Subparts and designated with the Chapter or Part number followed by a capital letter. For instance, Chapter 1 may be divided into Subchapters 1A and 1B.
4. *Sections.* Sections are numbered sequentially throughout a Chapter and a Part such that the first number or numbers is the Chapter number, followed by a hyphen, followed by the Part number, followed by the Section number within the Part. For example, "§1-101" designates Chapter 1, Part 1, Section 1. Similarly, "§27-305" designates Chapter 27, Part 3, Section 5.
5. *Internal Divisions of Sections.* Whenever internal divisions are necessary, Sections shall be divided into Subsections, Subsections into Paragraphs, Paragraphs into Subparagraphs, Subparagraphs into Clauses, and Clauses into Subclauses, and Subclauses into Items, designated as follows:

1. Subsection.
 - A. Paragraph.
 - (1) Subparagraph.
 - (a) Clause.
 - 1) Subclause.
 - a) Item.
 - i. Subitem

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-108. Special Numbering Problems.

1. *Addition of New Units Between Existing Units.* If it becomes necessary to introduce a new Chapter, Part or Section between existing Chapters, Parts or Sections, the new Chapter, Part or Section shall be designated by the addition of a capital letter suffix to the preceding Chapter, Part or Section number. Thus, a Chapter introduced between Chapters 5 and 6 would be Chapter 5A and Sections in that Chapter would be numbered, for instance, "§5A-101." If it becomes necessary to introduce a Part between existing Parts 5 and 6 the new Part would be Part 5A and Sections in that Part would be numbered, for instance, "§5-5A01." A new Section introduced between existing Sections 5 and 6 would be "§5-105A." When a number of new Parts or Sections have been introduced the Chapter or Part shall be renumbered.
2. If it becomes necessary to introduce a Subsection between Subsections, for instance, Subsections .5 and .6, the new Subsection would be numbered Subsection .5-A.
3. If it becomes necessary to introduce a unit smaller than a Subsection between existing units, the entire Subsection shall be revised and renumbered.
4. *Vacated Numbers.* Whenever a number is vacated by a revocation or repeal, the remaining elements in the overall unit shall retain their old numbers until the overall unit is completely revised. Prior to revision, the vacated number may be marked: "[Reserved]."

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-109. Amending Code.

1. All ordinances passed subsequent to the adoption of this Code which amend, repeal or in any way affect this Code shall be numbered in accordance with the numbering system of this Code and printed for inclusion herein. In the case of repealed Chapters, Parts, Sections, Paragraphs, Clauses, or other part or provision hereof, by subsequent ordinance, such repealed portions may be excluded from this Code by omission from reprinted pages affected thereby. The subsequent ordinances as numbered and printed, or omitted in the case of repeal, shall be prima facie evidence of such subsequent ordinances until such time as this Code and subsequent ordinances omitted are re-adopted as a new Code by the Borough Council.

2. Amendment to any provision of this Code shall be made by specific reference to the Chapter, Part, Section, and/or Subsection number of this Code in the following language:

A. *Amendment or Revision.* "Chapter ___, Part ___, Section ___, Subsection ___, is hereby amended (revised) to read as follows" The amended or revised provisions may then be set out in full as desired.

B. *Addition.* "Chapter ___, Part ___, Section ___, Subsection ___, is hereby amended by the addition of the following" The new provision shall then be set out in full as desired.

C. *Repeal.* "Chapter ___, Part ___, Section ___, Subsection ___, is hereby repealed in its entirety."

3. It is the intention of the Borough Council that the numbering scheme of this Code be adhered to in enacting future ordinances. In the event that any ordinance or other enactment be adopted which does not conform to the numbering system of this Code, it is the intention of the Borough Council that such enactment be renumbered in the process of supplementing, revising or updating this Code to conform to the numbering scheme of this Code. The Borough Council hereby acknowledges and confirms that the numbering scheme herein is for ease of reference and that the renumbering of any enactment when added to this Code shall not in any manner affect the validity of said enactment.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-110. Altering Code.

It shall be unlawful for any person to change or amend by addition or deletion any part or portion of this Code, or to insert or delete pages or portions thereof, or to alter or tamper with such Code in any manner whatsoever, except by ordinance or resolution or other official act of the Borough Council.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-111. Penalties.

1. *Penalty Where No Penalty Provided.* Whenever in this Code or in any ordinance of the Borough any act is prohibited or is declared to be unlawful, or whenever in this Code or other ordinance the doing of any act is declared to be unlawful, and no specific penalty is provided therefor:

A. *Violations of Health, Safety, and Welfare Provisions.* For violations of

ordinances adopting building, housing, property maintenance, health, fire or public safety codes; and for ordinances regulating water services, water pollution, air pollution and noise, the following penalty shall be provided:

(1) Any person, firm, or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

B. *Other Violations.* All other penalties, except for penalties in Chapter 15, "Motor Vehicles and Traffic" (based on the Vehicle Code, 75 Pa.C.S.A. §101 *et seq.*), penalties and ordinances adopted under the authority of the Municipalities Planning Code, 53 P.S. §10101 *et seq.*, earned income tax ordinances adopted under the Local Tax Enabling Act, 53 P.S. §6913, and ordinance adopted under authority of the Sewage Facilities Act, 35 P.S. §750.1 *et seq.*, should provide, generally:

(1) Any person, firm, or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to a fine of not more than \$600 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

2. The imposition of a penalty under the provisions of this Code shall not prevent the revocation of any permit or license or the taking of other punitive or remedial action where called for or permitted under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the United States of America. In addition, the Borough may institute injunctive, mandamus or any other appropriate action or proceeding at law or in equity for the enforcement of this Code. Any court of competent jurisdiction shall have the right to issue restraining orders, temporary or permanent injunctions, mandamus, or other appropriate forms of remedy or relief.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

Part 2**Appointed Officials****A. Borough Manager.****§1-201. Creation.**

The office of Borough Manager is hereby created by the Borough of Hatboro, subject to the right of the Borough, by ordinance, at any time to abolish such office.

(*Ord. 700, 1/5/1981, §1*)

§1-202. Appointment.

The Borough Manager shall be selected by a majority vote of all the members of the Borough Council for a term to be determined. At the expiration of that term the Manager shall be reappointed by a majority vote, or terminated. The Borough Manager shall at any time be entitled to 60 days notice in writing of any decision to terminate. Either party may terminate the Manager's employment without cause upon 60 days written notice.

(*Ord. 700, 1/5/1981, §2; as amended by Ord. 907, 9/23/1996, §1-202*)

§1-203. Qualifications.

The Manager shall be chosen solely on the basis of his executive and administrative abilities, with special reference to his actual experience in or his knowledge of accepted practices in respect to the duties of the office as herein outlined.

(*Ord. 700, 1/5/1981, §3*)

§1-204. Bond.

Before entering upon his duties, the Borough Manager shall be bonded for the faithful performance of his duties by coverage provided by the Borough as part of the employee blanket bond.

(*Ord. 700, 1/5/1981, §4*)

§1-205. Compensation.

The Borough Manager shall receive such compensation as shall be fixed from time to time by Borough Council.

(*Ord. 700, 1/5/1981, §5*)

§1-206. General Authority of Manager.

The Manager shall be the chief administrative officer of the Borough, and he shall be responsible to the Council as a whole for the proper and efficient administration of the affairs of the Borough. His powers and duties shall relate to the general management of all Borough business not expressly, by statute or ordinance, imposed or conferred upon other Borough officers. With approval of the Borough Council, the Mayor is hereby authorized to delegate to the Borough Manager, subject to recall by

written notification at any time, any of his nonlegislative and nonjudicial powers and duties.

(*Ord. 700, 1/5/1981, §6*)

§1-207. Specific Powers and Duties of Manager.

Subject to recall by ordinance, the powers and duties of the Manager shall include the following:

A. He shall supervise and be responsible for the activities of all Borough departments, except such departments the supervision of which shall not have been delegated to the Manager by the Mayor or by Council, as the case may be.

B. He shall, subject to the approval of Borough Council, hire and suspend or discharge all employees under his supervision; provided, that persons covered by the civil service provisions of the Borough Code shall be hired, suspended or discharged in accordance with such provisions.

C. He shall prepare and submit to Council before the close of the fiscal year, or on such alternate date as Council shall determine, a budget for the next fiscal year and an explanatory budget message. In preparing the budget the Manager, or an officer designated by him, shall obtain from the head of each department, agency, board, or officer, estimates of revenues and expenditures and other supporting data as he requests. The Manager shall review such estimates and submit them with suggested revisions to Borough Council.

D. He shall be responsible for the administration of the budget after its adoption by the Council.

E. He shall, under the direction of the Mayor, execute and enforce the laws of the Commonwealth, and ordinances and resolutions of the Borough.

F. He shall hold the office of Borough Secretary and shall perform all the duties of such office, in addition to the specific duties assigned to the Manager by this Part.

G. He shall, at the invitation of Council, attend all meetings of the Borough Council and of its committees, with the right to take part in the discussion, and he shall receive notice of all special meetings of Council and of its committees.

H. He shall prepare the agenda and be responsible for the minutes of each meeting of Council and supply facts pertinent thereto.

I. He shall keep the Council informed as to the conduct of Borough affairs; submit periodic reports as the Council shall request; and shall make such recommendations to the Council as he deems necessary.

J. He shall submit to Council, as soon as possible after the close of the fiscal year, a complete report on the financial and administrative activities of the Borough for the preceding year.

K. He shall see that the provisions of all franchises, leases, permits, and privileges granted by the Borough are observed.

L. He may employ, after securing the approval of Council, experts and consultants to perform work and to advise in connection with any of the functions of the Borough.

M. He shall attend to the letting of contracts in due form of law, and he shall supervise the performance and faithful execution of the same except insofar as such duties are expressly imposed upon some other Borough officer by statute.

N. He shall see that all money owned the Borough is promptly paid and that proper proceedings are taken for the security and collection of all the Borough's claims.

O. He shall be the purchasing officer of the Borough and he shall purchase, in accordance with the provisions of the Borough Code, all supplies and equipment for the various agencies, boards, departments and other offices of the Borough. He shall keep an account of all purchases and shall, from time to time or when directed by Council, make a full written report thereof. He shall issue rules and regulations, subject to the approval of Council, governing the requisition and purchasing of all Borough supplies and equipment.

P. He shall cooperate with the Borough Council at all times and in all matters that the best interest of the Borough and of the general public may be maintained.

Q. All complaints regarding services or personnel of the Borough shall be referred to the office of the Manager. He, or an officer designated by him, shall investigate and dispose of such complaints, and the Manager shall report thereon to Council.

(Ord. 700, 1/5/1981, §7)

Part 3**Commissions and Boards****A. Historical Commission.****§1-301. Title.**

This Part shall be known as the “Borough of Hatboro Historical Commission Ordinance.”

(*Ord. 873, 4/26/1993, §1*)

§1-302. Historical Commission Created, Membership, Terms of Office, Compensation, Vacancies, and Continuation.

1. A commission of the Borough of Hatboro known as the “Borough Historical Commission” is hereby created and hereinafter shall be referred to as “commission.”

2. Borough Council shall have the option of appointing a five-member panel or selecting an existing appropriate organization as the Borough Historical Commission.

3. A commission appointed by Borough Council shall consist of five members. One member shall have term expiring 1 year from the date of creation of the commission, two members shall have terms expiring 2 years from the date of the creation of the commission and two members shall have terms expiring 3 years from the creation of the commission. Thereafter, all appointments will be for 3-year terms. Commission members may be reappointed to successive terms. The organization and terms of the officers are set forth in §1-303 of this Part.

4. The selection of an organization as the commission shall require a written agreement between the Borough and the organization establishing the terms of the agreement for a period not to exceed 3 years, which may be renewed upon agreement of both parties. The Borough will accept the organizational structure as provided by the by-laws of the appointed organization. The organization, and the individual members of that organization, shall serve in the capacity of the Borough’s commission without compensation.

5. The Borough Historian, commission members, and any organization or member of an organization acting as the Borough Historical Commission, shall serve without compensation from the Borough of Hatboro. Payment of necessary and reasonable expenses incurred by the Borough Historian, commission members, an organization or any member of an organization acting as the Borough Historical Commission, shall require the approval of Borough Council.

6. Elected or appointed officers or employees of the Borough of Hatboro may be appointed as Borough Historian, commission members, or may hold memberships in an organization selected as the Borough Historical Commission, and shall not, by reason of membership or appointment, forfeit the right to exercise the powers, perform the duties or receive the compensations of the Borough offices held by them during such membership.

7. The Borough Historian and any member of the commission, or any organization selected as the Borough Historical Commission, once qualified and appointed, may be

removed from office for malfeasance, misfeasance or nonfeasance in office or for other just cause by a majority vote of the Borough Council, taken after the member or organization has received 30 days advance notice of the intent to take such a vote. A hearing shall be held in connection with the vote if the member or organization shall request it in writing. Any appointment to fill a vacancy created by removal shall be only for the unexpired term.

(*Ord. 873, 4/26/1993, §3*)

§1-303. Conduct of Business, Powers, and Duties.

1. A commission created by Council shall elect its own chairman and vice chairman and fill such other offices as it may determine. Officers shall serve annual terms and may succeed themselves. Re-organization of the commission shall take place no later than the last day of March of each year. The commission may make and alter bylaws and rules and regulations to govern its procedures consistent with the ordinances of the Borough of Hatboro and the laws of the Commonwealth.

2. All meetings of a Borough appointed commission shall be public meetings and all deliberations for the purpose of reaching a decision of any matter before the commission shall be done in public meeting. Minutes of every meeting of the commission shall be prepared and filed with the Borough Manager.

3. Meetings of an organization appointed to act as the Borough Historical Commission shall be conducted in accordance with the by-laws of the organization. Only those meetings which are called by Borough Council for the purpose of discussion of Borough projects or matters of interest, shall be required to be public meetings.

4. The commission shall at the request of the Borough Council have the power and shall be required to:

A. Prepare a historical preservation program, subject to the approval of Borough Council including, but not restricted to, collecting, preserving, and making available materials relating to the history of the Borough of Hatboro, and shall be responsible for the preservation and storage of artifacts and documents of historical significance, which have been acquired by the Borough.

B. The commission shall maintain and keep on file records of all actions pertaining to Borough business. All records and files of such actions shall be in the possession of the Borough Manager.

C. The commission shall give counsel to the Borough Council regarding matters of historical importance to the Borough.

D. The commission shall give counsel to the Borough Planning Commission on matters of historical importance pertaining to matters before the Planning Commission.

E. The commission shall give assistance to the Borough Historian when requested by the historian in pursuance of his/her duties as the Borough Historian.

F. The commission shall assist Borough Council to raise funds for historical preservation projects and for the management of those projects when appropriate and when directed by Borough Council.

G. The commission shall actively participate in the overall management of historical preservation projects when directed by Borough Council.

(Ord. 873, 4/26/1993, §4)

§1-304. Borough Historian.

1. Borough Council shall appoint a Borough Historian. The Borough Historian shall serve without compensation and at the pleasure of Borough Council. Reappointment may be made annually for a term to end on December 31, of each year.

2. It shall be the duty of the Borough Historian to promote the historical significance of the Borough of Hatboro, to educate the community concerning the history of the Borough and to attend meetings of the Borough's Historical Commission.

3. The Borough Historian shall assist the commission in the preparation of a historical preservation program.

4. The Borough Historian is authorized to receive donations of funds or personal property on behalf of the Borough of Hatboro. Receipt of any such funds or donations shall be promptly reported to Borough Council and shall be stored, displayed or deposited as directed by Borough Council. Upon leaving the position for whatever reason, the Borough Historian shall turn over all materials and records and reports to his or her successor, if then appointed, or to the Borough Council until such successor shall be appointed.

5. The Borough Historian shall assist in projects of commemoration, including the erection of monuments, historic markers, and guide signs.

6. The Borough Historian shall make an annual report to the Borough Council stating all of the work performed and accomplished during the previous year by the historian and the commission. The Borough Historian shall transmit a copy of such report to the Borough Manager and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

(Ord. 873, 4/26/1993, §5)

§1-305. Assistance.

1. Borough Council may employ administrative and technical services to aid in carrying out the provisions of this Part, either as consultants on particular matters or as regular employees of the Borough of Hatboro.

2. The commission may, with the consent of Borough Council, accept and utilize any funds, personnel or other assistance made available by the County, the Commonwealth or the Federal Government or any of their agencies, or from private sources Borough Council may enter into agreements or contracts regarding the acceptance or utilization of the funds or assistance in accordance with the governmental procedures of the Borough.

(Ord. 873, 4/26/1993, §6)

B. Planning Commission.**§1-311. Title.**

This Part shall be known as the “Borough of Hatboro Planning Commission Ordinance.”

(*Ord. 788, 6/22/1987, §1*)

§1-312. Planning Commission Created, Membership, Terms of Office, Compensation, Vacancies, and Continuation.

1. A commission of the Borough of Hatboro known as the “Borough Planning Commission” is hereby created and hereinafter shall be referred to as “commission.”

2. The commission shall have five members who shall be appointed by Borough Council to serve 4-year terms, and until a successor is appointed. The Chairman of the Commission shall promptly notify the President of Borough Council concerning vacancies in the commission, and such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term. All terms shall expire on the date of the regular Borough Council meeting held in January and shall be effective on the day immediately following the regular Borough Council meeting in January.

3. Members of the commission shall serve without compensation, but may be reimbursed for necessary and reasonable expenses. However, elected or appointed officers or employees of the Borough of Hatboro shall not, by reason of membership thereof, forfeit the right to exercise the powers, perform the duties or receive the compensation of the Borough offices held by them during such membership.

4. Members of the existing Borough Planning Commission established under former law shall continue in office until the end of the term for which they were appointed; their successors shall be appointed as provided by this Part.

5. Any members of the commission once qualified and appointed may be removed from office for malfeasance, misfeasance or nonfeasance in office or for other just cause by a majority vote of the Borough Council, taken after the member has received 15 days advance notice of the intent to take such a vote. A hearing shall be held in connection with the vote if the member shall request it in writing. Any appointment to fill a vacancy created by removal shall be only for the unexpired term.

(*Ord. 788, 6/22/1987, §3*)

§1-313. Conduct of Business, Powers, and Duties.

1. The commission shall elect its own chairman and vice chairman and create and fill such other offices as it may determine. Officers shall serve annual terms and may succeed themselves. Reorganization of the commission shall take place no later than the last day of March of each year. The commission may make and alter by-laws and rules and regulations to govern its procedures consistent with the ordinances of the Borough of Hatboro and the laws of the Commonwealth.

2. All meetings of the commission shall be public meetings and all deliberations for the purpose of reaching a decision on any matter before the commission shall be done in public meeting. Minutes of every meeting of the commission shall be prepared and filed with the Borough Manager.

3. The commission shall at the request of the Borough Council have the power and shall be required to:

A. Maintain and keep on file records of all actions. All records and files shall be in the possession of the Borough Manager.

B. From time to time, and at the direction of Borough Council, review and make recommendations for revision of the Comprehensive Plan for the Borough of Hatboro, and present such recommendations to the Borough Council.

C. From time to time, and at the direction of Borough Council review and update the official map of the Borough of Hatboro.

D. From time to time, and at the direction of Borough Council, commission members shall serve as members of a Zoning Code Review Committee, established by Borough Council for the purpose of reviewing the Borough Zoning Code.

E. Review all proposed amendments to the Borough Zoning Code, including applications for change of zoning and make recommendations to Borough Council.

F. Review all applications for subdivision and land development and make recommendations to Borough Council.

G. Review all proposed amendments to the Borough Building Code, and make recommendations to Borough Council.

H. Review all applications to the Zoning Hearing Board for variance, or special exception, and make recommendations to the Zoning Hearing Board.

I. Work with the Borough Historian and Historical Commission to plan and encourage the preservation of landmarks of historic interest and to develop proposals to enhance the utility and aesthetics of such landmarks.

J. Do such other acts or make such studies as may be required by Borough Council, or may be necessary to fulfill the duties and obligations imposed by this Part.

K. At the direction of, or with the permission of, Borough Council, to hold public hearings on matters relating to the duties of the commission.

L. Require from other Borough officials or departments and agencies, such information as relates to the work of the commission.

(Ord. 788, 6/22/1987, §4)

§1-314. Assistance.

1. Borough Council may employ administrative and technical services to aid in carrying out the provisions of this Part either as consultants on particular matters or as regular employees of the Borough of Hatboro.

2. The commission may, with the consent of Borough Council, accept and utilize any funds, personnel or other assistance made available by the County, the Commonwealth, or the Federal government or any of their agencies, or from private sources. Borough Council may enter into agreements or contracts regarding the acceptance or utilization of the funds or assistance in accordance with the governmental procedures of the Borough.

(Ord. 788, 6/22/1987, §5)

C. Parking Commission.**§1-321. Title, Legislative Intent, Interpretation.**

1. *Title.* This Part shall be known and cited as the “Hatboro Borough Parking Commission Ordinance.”

2. *Legislative Intent.* It is the intent and purpose of this Part to establish a commission to oversee the orderly development and maintenance of adequate public parking facilities, both on public streets and off-street, within the Borough limits of the Borough of Hatboro, and to advise Borough Council on matters concerning the operations and maintenance of parking facilities owned or leased by the Borough of Hatboro.

3. *Interpretation.* The provisions of this Part shall be held to be minimum requirements to meet the above stated legislative intent. Where provisions of this Part impose greater restrictions than those of any statute, other ordinance, or regulation, the provisions of this Part shall prevail. Where the provisions of any statute, other ordinance, or regulation impose greater restrictions than those of this Part, the provisions of such statute, ordinance, or regulation shall prevail.

(*Ord. 755, 2/11/1985, §I*)

§1-322. Definitions.

As used in this Part the following terms shall mean:

Borough—the Borough of Hatboro, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Borough Council—the duly elected Borough Council of the Borough of Hatboro, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania.

Businessman—any person who maintains an office, building, property, or facility at a fixed location within the Borough limits of the Borough of Hatboro for the purpose of transacting commercial or industrial enterprise or the offering of professional services.

Resident—any person who has established a place of residence within the Borough limits of the Borough of Hatboro, and which place is recognized as their civil and legal permanent and principal home.

(*Ord. 755, 2/11/1985, §II*)

§1-323. Borough Parking Commission Created, Terms of Office, Qualifications for Office.

1. *Borough Parking Commission Created.* The Borough Council of the Borough of Hatboro does hereby create the Borough Parking Commission. The Borough Parking Commission shall consist of five members who shall be appointed by the Borough Council.

2. *Terms of Office.* The term of office for each Borough Parking Commission member shall be as follows:

A. Two members shall serve for a period of 1 year from the date of the adoption of this Part.

B. One member shall serve for a period of 2 years from the date of the adoption

of this Part.

C. One member shall serve for a period of 3 years from the date of the adoption of this Part.

D. One member shall serve for a period of 4 years from the date of the adoption of this Part.

All second and subsequent appointments or reappointments shall be for a period of 4 years from the expiration of the first term appointments. Borough Council shall fill vacancies occurring on the Borough Parking Commission upon expiration of terms or in the case of death, resignation, or incapacity by interim appointments of members to serve the unexpired term.

3. *Qualifications for Office.* Borough Council shall make initial appointments and fill vacancies with candidates who meet the following qualifications to insure a fair representation of the community.

A. Three of the members shall be residents of the Borough of Hatboro.

B. One member must be an active businessman who maintains a place of business within the Borough of Hatboro, but need not own property or reside in the Borough of Hatboro.

C. One member shall be selected at the complete discretion of the Borough Council.

(Ord. 755, 2/11/1985, §III)

§1-324. Meetings and Organization.

1. *Meetings.* The Borough Parking Commission shall meet regularly, generally on a monthly basis, at a time and date and place to be determined by the members of the commission. Notice of meetings shall be published in the usual manner by the Borough Secretary and all regular monthly meetings held by the Borough Parking Commission shall be open to the public.

2. *Organization.* The Borough Parking Commission shall, at their first meeting after creation, elect from among themselves a chairman and a secretary, and shall thereafter re-organize annually at the first meeting in the New Year.

(Ord. 755, 2/11/1985, §IV)

§1-325. Duties and Responsibilities.

1. The Borough Parking Commission shall have the duty to make reports to Borough Council on the status of Borough owned or leased parking facilities and all on-street parking within the Borough of Hatboro.

2. The Borough Parking Commission shall have the duty to supervise the operation and maintenance of all Borough owned or leased parking facilities.

3. The Borough Parking Commission shall have the responsibility to recommend to Borough Council the setting of hours of operation, setting of fees for usage and methods of collection of fees for all Borough owned or leased parking facilities.

4. The Borough Parking Commission shall review all proposals for changes of on-street parking regulations and make recommendations to Borough Council prior to any action by Borough Council.

5. The Borough Parking Commission shall review all proposals for construction of all Borough owned or leased off-street parking facilities and shall make recommendations to Borough Council prior to any action by Borough Council.

6. The Borough Parking Commission shall review any proposed private parking development submitted to it by the developer and may make recommendations or offer suggestions that may result in the enhancement of off-street parking in the Borough of Hatboro.

7. The Borough Parking Commission shall prepare an annual budget to be presented to Borough Council for consideration by Borough Council for inclusion in the Borough budget, for the operation, maintenance and proposed capital improvements of all parking facilities owned or leased by the Borough. The budget shall include anticipated revenues as well as proposed expenditures.

8. Borough Council may direct other duties and responsibilities to the Borough Parking Commission as appropriate and permitted by law.

(Ord. 755, 2/11/1985, §V)

D. Fire Advisory Board.**§1-331. Creation and Membership.**

There shall be constituted a Fire Advisory Board of the Borough of Hatboro with the functions, powers, and duties hereinafter stated.

(Ord. 943, 2/25/2002)

§1-332. Membership.

1. The Fire Advisory Board shall be comprised of seven voting members consisting of two Borough Council members, two members of the Enterprise Fire Company and three at-large members. The two Borough Council members shall be the President of Borough Council or his/her designee and the Chairman of the Public Safety Committee. The two members representing the Fire Company shall be the Fire Chief and the President of the Fire Company. The remaining three at-large members shall be appointed by Borough Council. The candidates for the three at-large members shall be interviewed by both the Borough Council, and the Fire Chief and Company President.

2. *Terms.*

A. The members at large shall serve staggered 3-year terms. The initial term of one member shall expire 1 year after appointment. The initial term of the second member at large shall expire 2 years after appointment, and the initial term of the third member at large shall expire 3 years after appointment. The subsequent members at large shall serve full 3-year terms. An at-large member need not be a resident of the Borough of Hatboro.

B. The two Borough Council representatives of the Board shall serve terms coinciding with their term of office.

C. The two Fire Company members of the Board shall serve terms coinciding with their terms as Chief and President respectively, as elected by the Fire Company.

3. A voting member shall continue to serve until his replacement shall be duly appointed to fill his position upon completion of his term of office, retirement, disability, or removal from the Fire Advisory Board.

4. A person being considered for membership to the Fire Advisory Board should have some knowledge, skills, or ability in the following areas:

A. Budget preparation.

B. Truck purchasing, operation and maintenance.

C. Purchasing.

D. Building and maintenance.

E. Other education and experience that may be useful in financial matters.

(Ord. 943, 2/25/2002)

§1-333. Meetings.

The Fire Advisory Board shall conduct its duties at regularly scheduled meetings, which shall be held every other month in even-numbered months. All Fire Advisory

Board meetings shall be chaired by President of Council or his duly appointed representative. Vice Chair shall be elected by the Fire Board annually. A special meeting may be scheduled upon the call of any three members of the Advisory Board upon 48 hours notice to the members of the Fire Advisory Board, Borough Council and Enterprise Fire Company.

(Ord. 943, 2/25/2002)

§1-334. Duties of the Fire Board.

The primary functions and duties of the Fire Board shall be as follows:

A. Act as a liaison between the Borough Council of the Borough of Hatboro and the Enterprise Fire Company regarding financial matters and planning.

B. Review and present to the Borough Council an annual budget of the Fire Company. To oversee the allocated portion of the Fire Company's fire tax expenditures in accordance with the approved budget. To review and verify the fiscal responsibility of the Fire Company.

C. Assist in preparing grant applications and acquiring additional funds for the Fire Company.

D. Advise on the implementation of a standardized accounting system for the Fire Company.

E. The Fire Board shall make a report at least 90 days prior to the close of the calendar year to Borough Council of the activities of the Fire Company for the preceding year.

F. Conduct periodic inspection of the buildings and equipment of the Enterprise Fire Company and report to the Borough Council on its condition.

G. Assess the financial needs of the Fire Company and assist the Fire Company in its preparation and presentation of plans for equipment replacement and capital improvements.

H. To promote better public understanding of firefighting, recruitment, and retention of volunteer firefighters and act as a liaison to the general public.

I. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to determine, eliminate, or remove any of the duties or responsibilities of the Fire Company created by act of assembly, nor as a delegation of authority of any of the duties or powers of Borough Council.

(Ord. 943, 2/25/2002)

Part 4**Police Department****§1-401. Title.**

This Part shall be known as the “Police Department Ordinance of the Borough of Hatboro.”

(Ord. 809, 5/22/1989, §1)

§1-402. Establishment.

1. The Police Department of the Borough of Hatboro is hereby established and shall consist of the Chief of Police and other uniformed and nonuniformed personnel as shall be deemed necessary and appropriate from time to time by Borough Council.

2. The number and rank of uniformed or nonuniformed officers serving under the Chief of Police shall be determined by Borough Council, and promotions within the established positions shall be made in accordance with the current civil service procedures.

(Ord. 809, 5/22/1989, §2)

§1-403. Chief of Police; Authority and Responsibility.

The Chief of Police, under the direction of the Mayor, shall command the Police Department and shall have the direct supervision of and responsibility for the proper conduct and exercise of the duties and powers of the other members of the Police Department.

(Ord. 809, 5/22/1989, §3)

§1-404. Absence or Incapacity of Chief.

In the absence or incapacity of the Chief of Police, the senior ranking officer in the department shall assume and carry out the duties of the Chief of Police.

(Ord. 809, 5/22/1989, §4)

§1-405. Duties and Powers of Department.

Each classification of employment hereby established within the Police Department by Borough Council shall assume and carry out such duties and powers as may be assigned to the classification by Borough Council and by the Mayor in accordance with the law, or by department regulations promulgated by the Mayor, in addition to the powers and duties conferred upon police or peace officers by law.

(Ord. 809, 5/22/1989, §5)

§1-406. Conditions of Employment.

1. The Chief of Police shall be appointed by Borough Council to serve at the pleasure of Borough Council, subject to any conditions as may be conferred upon the Chief of Police by law. Compensation, manner of hire, dismissal or retirement and all

other conditions of employment shall be fixed by Borough Council.

2. All full-time police officers shall be appointed by Borough Council, after selection by current civil service rules and regulations. Compensation and certain conditions of employment shall be fixed by Borough Council.

3. Part time police officers may be appointed by Borough Council to work shifts for vacationing or ill full-time officers, or to provide additional manpower during emergencies, special events or any other time deemed necessary by Borough Council. Officers serving as part-time police officers shall have completed requirements of Act 120, and will be sworn as a police officer with full police powers as provided by this Part and by law.

(Ord. 809, 5/22/1989, §6)

Part 5**Firefighters' Relief Association****§1-501. Recognition of Firemen's Relief Association.**

1. The following association is hereby recognized as actively engaged in providing fire protection and/or emergency services in the Borough of Hatboro.

Enterprise Fire Company Firemen's Relief Association

The above-named association has been formed for the benefit of its members and their families in case of death, sickness, temporary, or permanent disability or accident suffered in the line of duty.

2. The above-named association of the Borough is designated the proper association to receive such funds as are due and payable to the Borough Treasurer by the Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania from the tax on premiums from foreign fire insurance companies.

(*Ord. 907, 9/23/1996, §1-701*)

§1-502. Certification to Auditor General.

The Borough Council shall annually certify to the Auditor General of the Commonwealth, the name(s) of the active associations and the percentage of service they contribute to the protection of the Borough. Such certification shall be on forms prescribed by the Auditor General.

(*Ord. 907, 9/23/1996, §1-702*)

§1-503. Annual Appropriation.

There is annually appropriated from the Borough Treasury all such sums of money that may hereafter be paid into the Borough Treasury by the Treasurer of the State of Pennsylvania on account of taxes paid on premiums of foreign fire insurance companies in pursuance of the Act of December 18, 1984, No. 205, §701 *et seq.*, 53 P.S. §895.701, as hereafter amended, supplemented, modified, or reenacted by the General Assembly of Pennsylvania. Such monies received by the Borough Treasurer from the State Treasurer shall be distributed to the duly recognized association(s) within 60 days of receipt. The funds shall be distributed on the basis of the percentage of service established in the certification to the Auditor General and with other provisions of the Act.

(*Ord. 907, 9/23/1996, §1-703*)

Part 6**Fire Insurance Proceeds Escrow****§1-601. Use of Fire Insurance Proceeds.**

1. No insurance company, association, or exchange (hereinafter “insurer”) doing business in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall pay a claim of a named insured for fire damage to a structure located within the Borough of Hatboro where the amount recoverable for the fire loss to the structure under all policies exceeds \$7,500, unless the insurer is furnished by the Borough Treasurer with a certificate pursuant to 508(b) of the Insurance Company Law of 1921, as amended by Act 98 of 1992 and Act 93 of 1994 (collectively, the “Act”) and unless there is compliance with the procedures set forth in 508(c) and (d) of the Act, 40 P.S. §638.

2. Where there are delinquent taxes, assessments, penalties, or user charges against the property (“municipal claims”), or there are expenses which the Borough of Hatboro has incurred as a cost for the removal, repair or securing of a building or other structure on the property (collectively “municipal expenses”), the [Designated Official] of the Borough of Hatboro shall immediately render a bill for such work, if he has not already done so. Upon written request of the named insured specifying the tax description of the property, the name and address of the insurer and the date of receipt by the insurer of a loss report of the claim, the Treasurer shall furnish a certificate within 14 working days after the request, to the insurer, a certificate (or at his discretion an oral notice confirmed in writing) either:

A. Stating that there are no unpaid municipal claims or municipal expenses against the property.

B. Specifying the nature and amount of such claims or expenses, accompanied by a bill for such amounts.

C. Taxes, assessments, penalties, and user charges shall be deemed delinquent for this purpose if a lien could have been filed for such claims under applicable law. Upon receipt of a certificate and bill pursuant to paragraph .A of this Section, the insurer shall transfer to the Treasurer an amount from the insurance proceeds sufficient to pay such sums prior to making payment to the named insured, subject to the provisions of subsection .3 hereof.

3. When all municipal claims and municipal expenses have been paid pursuant to subsection .2 of this Section, or where the Treasurer has issued a certificate described in subsection .2.A indicating that there are no municipal claims or municipal expenses against the property, the insurer shall pay the claim of the named insured; provided, however, that if the loss agreed upon by the named insured and the insurer equals or exceeds 60 percent of the aggregate limits of liability on all fire policies covering the building or structure, the following procedures must be followed:

A. The insurer shall transfer from the insurance proceeds to the Treasurer, in the aggregate, \$2,000 for each \$15,000 of such claim or fraction thereof.

B. If at the time a loss report is submitted by the insured, such insured has submitted to the insurer, with a copy to the Borough of Hatboro, a contractor’s signed estimate of the cost of removing, repairing or securing the building or other

structure in an amount less than the amount calculated under the foregoing transfer formula, the insurer shall transfer to the Treasurer from the insurance proceeds the amount specified in the estimate. If there is more than one insurer, the transfer of proceeds shall be on a pro rata basis by all insurers insuring the building or other structure.

C. Upon receipt of the above described portion of the insurance proceeds, the Treasurer shall do the following:

(1) Place the proceeds in a separate fund to be used solely as security against the total municipal expenses anticipated by the Borough of Hatboro to be required in removing, repairing, or securing the building or structure as required by this Chapter. Such costs shall include, without limitation, any engineering, legal, or administrative costs incurred by the Borough of Hatboro in connection with such removal, repair, or securing or any proceedings related thereto.

(2) Mail to the named insured, at the address received from the insurer, a notice the proceeds have been received by the Borough of Hatboro and that the procedures under this subsection shall be followed.

(3) After the transfer, the named insured may submit to the Borough of Hatboro a contractor's signed estimate of the cost of removing, repairing, or securing the building or other structure, in which event the Treasurer shall, if such estimate is deemed by the Treasurer to be reasonable, return to the insured the amount of the funds transferred to the Borough of Hatboro in excess of that required to pay the municipal expenses; provided, the Borough of Hatboro has not commenced to remove, repair or secure the building or other structure, in which case the Borough of Hatboro will complete the work.

(4) Pay to the [Designated Official], for reimbursement to the Borough general fund, the amount of the municipal expenses paid by the Borough of Hatboro.

(5) Pay the remaining balance in the fund (without interest) to the named insured upon receipt of a certificate issued by the [Designated Official] that the repair, removal, or securing of the building or other structure has been completed in accordance with all applicable codes and regulations of the Borough of Hatboro.

(6) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to limit the ability of the Borough of Hatboro to recover any deficiency in the amount of municipal claims or municipal expenses recovered pursuant to this Chapter, or to insurance proceeds, by an action at law or in equity to enforce the codes of the Borough of Hatboro or to enter into an agreement with the named insured with regard to such other disposition of the proceeds as the Borough of Hatboro may deem responsible.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-602. Limits of Liability.

Nothing in this Chapter shall be construed to make an insurance company, association or exchange liable for any amount in excess of proceeds payable under its insurance policy or for any other act performed pursuant to this Chapter or to make this

Borough of Hatboro, any Borough official, a municipality, or public official an insured under a policy of insurance or to create an obligation to pay delinquent property taxes or unpaid removal liens or expenses other than as provided in this Part.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-603. Insurance Company Rights Reserved.

An insurance company, association, or exchange making payment of policy proceeds under this Chapter for delinquent taxes or structure removal liens or removal expenses incurred by the Borough of Hatboro shall have a full benefit of such payment including all rights of subrogation and of assignment.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-604. Construction.

This Part shall be liberally construed to accomplish its purpose to deter the commission of arson and related crimes, to discourage the abandonment of property, and to prevent urban blight and deterioration.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-605. Notification of Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

The Secretary of the Borough of Hatboro shall transmit a certified copy of this Part promptly to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

§1-606. Penalty.

Any owner of property, any named insured or insurer who violates the provisions of this Chapter or who shall fail to comply with any of the requirements hereof shall be sentenced, upon conviction thereof, to a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. Each day on which an offense shall continue shall be deemed a separate offense.

(Ord. 1005, 5/23/2011)

Part 7**Open Records Policy****§1-701. Purpose.**

The purpose of this policy is to assure compliance with Act 3 of 2008, the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law, 65 P.S. §67.101 *et seq.*, as amended; to provide access to public records of the Borough of Hatboro; to preserve the integrity of the Borough of Hatboro's records; and to minimize the financial impact to the residents of the borough regarding the resources utilized in the receipt and processing of public record requests and the retrieval and copying of public records.

(*Ord. 988, 12/15/2008, §1*)

§1-702. Designated Open Records Officer.

It is the policy of the Borough to require the presence of a designated employee when public records are examined and inspected and to charge reasonable fees for duplication of public records of the Borough. The Borough of Hatboro designates an employee as the Open Records Officer, responsible for assuring compliance with the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law, in accordance with the following guidelines:

A. The Open Records Officer may designate certain employee(s) to process public record requests.

B. The Open Records Officer is responsible for minimizing, where possible, the financial impact to the Borough regarding the resources utilized in the receipt and processing of public record requests and the retrieval and copying of public records.

C. All requests for public records of the Borough under this policy shall be specific in identifying and describing each public record requested. In no case shall the Borough be required to create a public record which does not exist or to compile, maintain, format or organize a public record in a manner in which the Borough does not currently compile, maintain, format or organize the public record. All requests for public records shall be submitted in writing and include the date of the request; requestor's name, address, and telephone number; certification of United States residency; signature of requestor; and if duplication is requested, appropriate payment.

D. The designated employee shall make a good faith effort to determine whether each record requested is a public record.

E. The Borough shall facilitate a reasonable response to a request for the Borough of Hatboro's public records. In no case is the Borough expected to provide extraordinary staff to respond to the request, but will respond in a manner consistent with the Borough's Administrative responsibilities and consistent with the requirements of the Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Law.

F. The designated employee shall respond to the requestor within 5 business days from the date of receipt of the written request. If the Borough does not respond within 5 business days of receipt thereof, the request is deemed denied.

G. The response provided by the Borough shall consist of (1) approval for access to the public record; (2) review of the request by the designated employee; or (3) denial of access to the record requested.

H. If access to the public record requested is approved, the public shall be available for access during the regular business hours of the Borough. The designated employee shall cooperate fully with the requester, while also taking reasonable measures to protect Borough public records from the possibility of theft and/or modification. The presence of a designated employee is required when public records are examined and inspected.

I. Fees for duplication of public records shall be established by the Commonwealth's Office of Open Records. The Borough may at its discretion waive fees.

J. In the event the estimated cost of fulfilling a request submitted under this policy is expected to exceed \$100, the designated employee(s) shall obtain the expected cost in advance of fulfilling the request to avoid unwarranted expense of Borough resources.

K. If the request is being reviewed, the notice provided by the Borough shall be in writing and include reason for review and the expected response date, which shall be within 30 days of the notice of review. If the Borough does not respond within 30 days thereof, the request is deemed denied. Review of the request is limited to situations where:

- (1) The record requested contains information, which is subject to access, as well as information, which is not subject to access that must be redacted prior to a grant of access. The redacted information is considered a denial as to that information.
- (2) The record requires retrieval from a remote location.
- (3) A timely response cannot be accomplished due to staffing limitations.
- (4) A legal review is necessary to determine whether the record requested is a public record.
- (5) The requestor has failed to comply with the Borough's policy and procedure requirements.
- (6) The requestor refuses to pay the applicable fees.
- (7) The extent or nature of the request precluded a response within the required time period.

Upon determination that one of the factors listed above applies, the Borough shall send written notice to the requester within 5 business days of the receipt of the request for access. The notice shall include a statement notifying the requester that the request for access is being reviewed, the reason for the review, a reasonable date that a response is expected to be provided and an estimate of applicable fees owed when the record becomes available. If the date that a response is expected to be provided is in excess of 30 days, following the 5 business days allowed for, the request for access shall be deemed denied unless the requester agrees to the extension, the request shall be deemed denied on the day following the date specified in the notice if the agency has not provided a response by that date.

L. If access to the record requested is denied, the notice provided by the

Borough shall be in writing as indicated on the form attached¹ hereto entitled “Denial of Request to review and/or Duplicate the Borough of Hatboro Borough Records.”

M. If the request is denied or deemed denied, the requester may file an appeal with the Commonwealth’s Office of Open Records within 15 business days of a deemed denial. The appeal shall state the ground upon which the requester asserts that the record is a public record and shall address any grounds stated by the agency for delaying or denying the request.

N Within 30 days of the mailing date of the final determination of the appeals officer, the requester or Borough may file a petition for review or other document as required by rule of court with the court of common please for Montgomery County. The decision of the court shall contain findings of fact and conclusions of law based upon the evidence as a whole. The decision shall clearly and concisely explain the rationale for the decision. A petition for review under this Section shall stay the release of documents until a decision is issued.

O. This policy shall be available for review at the Borough office.

(Ord. 988, 12/15/2008, §1)

¹Editor’s Note: The form is on file in the Borough offices.

Part 8**Collection of Municipal Claims and Delinquent Accounts****§1-801. Interest Rate Established.**

To each municipal lien duly filed by the Borough of Hatboro in accordance with the provisions of any Borough ordinance and pursuant to the Municipal Claims and Tax Liens Law, 53 P.S. §7143, there shall be added interest at the rate of _____ percent per annum, calculated in accordance therewith.

(Ord. 1002, 4/25/2011, §1)

§1-802. Interpretation.

The words, phrases and provisions of this Part are not to be interpreted in a way that results in an absurd construction of the meaning, or in a way that causes one provision to contradict another.

(Ord. 1002, 4/25/2011, §2)

§1-803. Liberal Construction.

The provisions of this Part shall be liberally construed to effectively carry out the purposes that are hereby found and declared to be in furtherance of the public health, safety, welfare and convenience.

(Ord. 1002, 4/25/2011, §3)

