



**BOROUGH OF LEBANON
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE 2020-04

**AN ORDINANCE BY THE BOROUGH OF LEBANON
IN THE COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO EXCEED THE INDEX RATE FOR THE 2020 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to two and one-half percent (2.5%) unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to three and one-half percent (3.5%) the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, NJSA 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the three and one-half (3.5%) percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Lebanon in the County of Hunterdon finds it advisable and necessary to increase its 2020 budget by up to three and one half percent (3.5%) over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body hereby determines that a three and one half percent (3.5%) increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$28,843.47 excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary.

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Borough of Lebanon hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated, as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Lebanon, in the County of Hunterdon, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the 2020 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Lebanon shall, in accordance with the ordinance and NJSA 40A: 4-45.14 be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$40,381.15, and that the 2020 municipal budget for the Borough of

Lebanon be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this Ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within five (5) days of introduction; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this Ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within five (5) days after such adoption.

Vote upon introduction:

Ayes: Saharic, Burton, Berger, Junge, Harris, Baldinger

Nays: 0

Absent:

ATTEST:

LEBANON BOROUGH COUNCIL

Karen M. Romano, RMC
Borough Administrator/Clerk

Richard J. Burton, Council President

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE that the above ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Lebanon on March 18, 2020 and will be considered for final passage after public hearing at a regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Lebanon to be held on April 15, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 6 High Street, Lebanon, New Jersey.

Karen M. Romano, RMC
Borough Administrator/Clerk

Vote after public hearing and upon final adoption:

Burton 1

Saharic 1

Junge 1

Harris 1

Berger 1

Baldinger 1

Ordinance approved by the Governing Body
and presented to the Mayor on:

Veto in Whole or Part:

Approved:

James J Pittinger, Mayor

Date:

James J Pittinger, Mayor

Date: _____

Returned to Borough Clerk with
statement attached on _____

Introduced: March 18, 2020

Adopted

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NOTICE is hereby given that the above Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Lebanon, in the County of Hunterdon, State of New Jersey, held in the Municipal Building on the 18th day of March 2020, and the same came up for final passage at a meeting of the said Borough Council on the 15th day of April, 2020 at which time, after persons interested were given an opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance, the same was passed and will be in full force in the Borough according to law by order of the Borough Council of the Borough of Lebanon, County of Hunterdon and State of New Jersey.

Karen M. Romano, RMC
Borough Administrator/ Clerk

INTRODUCED: March 18, 2020

ADOPTED: April 15, 2020

