

**WANTAGE TOWNSHIP**  
**Ordinance # 2001-06**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF A MAP  
DEPICTING THE LOCATION AND BOUNDARIES OF DRUG FREE ZONES  
AROUND SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND PUBLIC PARKS.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2C:35-7 and 7.1, there is an enhanced criminal penalty for a person convicted of violating N.J.S.A. 2C:35-5 by distributing, dispensing or possessing with the intent to distribute a controlled substance analog while on any school property used for school purposes which is owned by or leased to any elementary, or secondary school or school board, or within 1,000 feet of such school property or a school bus, or while on any school bus or on or within 500 feet of real property comprising a public park or public building; and,

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 2C:35-7.1 defines “public park” to mean a park, recreation facility or area or playground owned or controlled by a state, county or local government unit, and “public building” means any publicly owned or leased library or museum.

**WHEREAS**, the Township Engineer has prepared a map of those properties in the Township of Wantage, coming within the definitions previously set forth, of such areas within 1,000 feet of school property and within 500 feet of public parks or public buildings, as defined by N.J.S.A. 2C:35-7 et seq.; and,

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with the Act, the map shall be filed with the Clerk of the Township of Wantage and maintained as an official record of the Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Wantage Township Committee, County of Sussex and State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.**

1. Statements of the preamble are incorporated into the ordinance by reference.
2. The map prepared by the Wantage Township Engineer, Harold E. Pellow & Associates, entitled “Drug Enforcement Safety Map” dated April 17, 2001, is hereby approved as an official finding and record of the location and boundaries of the area or areas on or within 1,000 feet of school property, as owned or leased to any elementary or secondary school or school board; and the map also depicts the area or areas on or within 500 feet of public parks and/or public buildings within the Township of Wantage, within the definitions of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-7 and 7.1.
3. The original maps shall be filed with the Wantage Township Clerk and maintained as an official record of the Township.

4. The school board, or the Chief Administrative Officer in the case of any private or parochial school, and the Borough Clerk/Administrator for the public parks or public library, are hereby directed and shall have the continuing obligation to promptly notify the Borough Engineer and the Borough Attorney of any changes or contemplated changes in the location and boundaries of any property owned by or leased to any elementary or secondary school or school board for schooling use, or Borough public parks or public buildings.

**SECTION 2. Severability.** If any provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3. Repealer.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions inconsistent or in opposition to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed in their entirety.

**SECTION 4. When effective.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication as required by law.

ATTEST:

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Paul H. Grau, Mayor

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James R. Doherty, Clerk

NOTICE is given that this ordinance amendment was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Wantage, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey, held on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001. It will be further considered for final passage with the proposed ordinance after public hearing at a meeting of the Mayor and Township Committee to be held in the Wantage Township Municipal Building, 888 Route 23, Wantage, New Jersey 07461, on May 10, 2001, at 8:00 o'clock P.M., and copies of the ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's office in the Municipal Building to members of the general public.

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James R. Doherty, Clerk