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Norvell Township is seeking a township resident interested in serving on the Norvell Township Board to fill a vacated Township Trustee position. This position will have a term ending on November 20, 2028.

If you are interested in serving in this capacity, please send a letter of interest and resume to Sharon Pero, Norvell Township Clerk, 300 Mill Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230.

The letter of interest and resume must be received by Monday, July 1, 2026, at noon (12:00). Resumes may be delivered in person (the office is open Mondays and Wednesdays 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Tuesdays 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.), by mail at the address listed above or via email to Clerk@norvelltp-mi.gov.

Interviews will be held at a Special Meeting on Monday, July 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Norvell Township Hall. A decision will be made at the meeting.

Any questions, please contact Norvell Township Clerk, Sharon Pero, at (517) 536-4370, Ext. 102.

Sharon Pero
Norvell Township Clerk

WOODSTOCK TOWNSHIP ACCURACY TEST

Woodstock Township
6486 Devils Lake Hwy
Addison, MI. 49220
Public Notice

Notice is hereby given that a Public Accuracy Test for Woodstock Township will be conducted at 11 am Monday July 13, 2026 at the Township Hall 6486 Devils Lake Hwy, Addison, MI.

The test shall be conducted in the manner prescribed by rules promulgated by the Secretary of State pursuant to the administrative procedures' act of 1969 Act. No 306 of the Public Acts of 1909, being sections 24.201 to 24.328 of Michigan Compiled Laws.

This accuracy test is held to test the programs to be used in processing ballots for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday August 4, 2026. All interested persons are invited to attend.

Ashley Wilson
Woodstock Township Clerk

LEONI TOWNSHIP

LEONI TOWNSHIP OFFICE
913 FIFTH ST
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517-764-4694 PHONE

NOTICE

The Leoni Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing, Monday, July 6, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. in the Leoni Township Meeting Hall, 913 Fifth St., Michigan Center, Michigan, 49254. This meeting will be held in person.

000-14-09-158-001-01
309 Gilmore Court
Laurie Nelsom Variance

Purpose of hearing: Variance

Legal Description: LOT 12 CONOVER SUBDIVISION

Cindy Norris,
Clerk

LEONI TOWNSHIP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND TAXPAYERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LEONI TOWNSHIP OF LEONI, AND THE COUNTY OF JACKSON.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the Leoni Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on amending the AG Special Land Use for a Conditional Use Permit and the amendment of the Fencing Ordinance. The hearing will be held on July 1, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Township Hall at 913 5th Street, Michigan Center, Michigan.

Cindy Norris
Clerk

NORVELL TOWNSHIP ZBA

NOTICE OF HEARING

NORVELL TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS The Norvell Township Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, July 1, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Offices, 300 Mill Road, Norvell MI to hear the request of Zack Kulpinski for a 2'6" front yard variance to the home at 11650 Lawrence Road. Interested parties can also provide written comments by forwarding them to Attention: Zoning Appeal Board prior to scheduled meeting date.

Martin Taylor,
Zoning Administrator

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COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT JACKSON, LENAWEE, WASHTEAW AND HILLSDALE COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF A Public Hearing On Proposal Columbia School District 2024/2025 Budget

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 22, 2026, at 5:00 o'clock p.m., at the Columbia Community Room, Brooklyn, Michigan the Board of Education of Columbia School District will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2026/2027 budget.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2026/2027 budget until after a public hearing. A copy of the proposed property tax millage rate is available for public inspection June 17th – 19th between 12pm and 3pm at Columbia School District Administration Office, 11775 Hewitt Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230.

This notice is given by order of the Columbia School District Board of Education.

Secretary,
Tiffany Flinn



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VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN

ORDINANCE NO. 2026.06.05
An ordinance to amend ordinance Section 62-726 Definition of Multi Family Housing 46

Amendment to **Section 62-726** on recommendation by the Village Planning Commission as approved at a regular meeting on May 18, 2026.

Section **62-726** is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

(1) *Multiple-family dwelling* means a structure, containing multiple dwelling units, designed for or occupied by two or more families with separate housekeeping and cooking facilities for each, such as, but not limited to, town homes, triplex or quad-plex.

On a motion by Village Council member Davis, seconded by Village Council member Hicks, the Village of Brooklyn, County of Jackson, State of Michigan, by a majority vote of the Village Council, hereby adopts Sections 62.726 of Chapter 62 of the Municipal Code of Ordinances and to be effective upon the publication in the newspaper.

YEAS: Trustee Bach, Trustee Bliven, Trustee Davis, Trustee Hicks, Trustee Robinson, President Roberts
NAYS: None

ABSENT / ABSTAIN: Trustee R. Kay

Ordinance declared adopted on June 8, 2026.

Estella Roberts
Estella Roberts, Village President
Village of Brooklyn

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION AND PUBLICATION I, Whitney Harbowy, the Clerk of the Village of Brooklyn certify that the foregoing ordinance is a true and correct copy of the ordinance enacted by the Village Council of the Village of Brooklyn on June 8, 2026 which shall be published in the Brooklyn Exponent, a newspaper of general circulation in the Village of Brooklyn on June 16, 2026.

Whitney Harbowy
Whitney Harbowy, Village Clerk
Village of Brooklyn

VILLAGE OF BROOKLYN

ORDINANCE NO. 2026.06.06
An ordinance for the addition of ordinance Section 18-115 - 18-125 - INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE 46

Sec. 18-115. Conflicts.
All ordinances, resolutions or orders, or parts thereof, in conflict with the provisions of this article are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed.

Editor's note(s)-See editor's note to § 18-23.

Secs. 18-120-18-125. Reserved

On a motion by Village Council member Davis, seconded by Village Council member Robinson, the Village of Brooklyn, County of Jackson, State of Michigan, by a majority vote of the Village Council, hereby adopts Sections 18.115 - 18.125 of Chapter 18 of the Municipal Code of Ordinances and to be effective upon the publication in the newspaper.

YEAS: Trustee Bliven, Trustee Robinson, Trustee Hicks, Trustee Bach, Trustee Davis, President Roberts
NAYS:None

ABSENT / ABSTAIN: Trustee R. Kay

Ordinance declared adopted on June 8, 2026.

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Village of Brooklyn

Section is added in its entirety to read as follows:

ARTICLE VII. IPMC Code

Sec. 18-115. Adoption of the International Property Maintenance Code.

The International Property Maintenance Code, 2024 edition, as published by the International Code Council, be and hereby is adopted as the Property Maintenance Code of the Village of Brooklyn, in the State of Michigan for the purpose of regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing the standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefor; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said property maintenance code on file in the office of the village clerk are hereby referred to, adopted, and made a part hereof, as if fully set out in this article, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes prescribed.

Sec. 18-116. Enforcing agent.
The village hereby designates the village manager, or designee, as the enforcing agency to discharge the responsibilities of the village code.

Sec. 18-117. Fees.
Fees shall be set by the Village Council. See Sec. 2-29 Schedule of Civil Fines or Costs

Sec. 18-118. Amendments
The Village Council, upon recommendation of the Planning Commission, shall amend or remove any section of the International Property Maintenance Code as needed to meet the needs of the community. Amendments shall be shown within this section.

Universal Crossword

Edited by David Steinberg June 14, 2026

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6 Watery castle defense	41 The Phantom of the Opera	14 What a disheveled willow seemingly does	40 Devastating destruction
10 There are 2.2 in a kg.	43 Self-defense discipline	15 Wells Fargo competitor, informally	42 Possible answer to "Who's there?"
13 "Tell me when it's over!"	46 Discourage	21 "So they tell me (eye roll)"	44 Getting 100% on
15 ___ package (present for a college student)	48 Fast-casual Mediterranean chain	22 Not as silly	45 Assigns stars to
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20 Baker's protective wear	57 Fruity, low-alcohol beverage	30 Make it in Hollywood!	52 Seller of seashells, in a tongue twister
22 Fabulous	58 Otherwise	31 Give the go-ahead	54 "Chandelier" singer
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25 Item for a student in a hall	60 Not those	33 Admonition to a greedy child	
26 Recline	DOWN		
28 Time period	1 Sunny ___ up		
30 Ryan Reynolds' mobile company	2 Cultural symbol		
31 Snazzy wheels	3 Prefix meaning "billionth"		
34 Cling to an unlikely but desired outcome	4 Morsel for an echidna		
36 Beyond happy	5 "Don't take that so seriously!"		
37 Nickname for Johannes	6 Dull finish		
38 ___ al-Adha (Muslim festival)	7 Aquatic mammal such as Sam in "Zootopia+"		
	8 Knee tear site, for short		
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Sealed Bids for the construction of:
HMA Parking Lot with Concrete Sidewalk and Parking Lot Lights

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DDA Executive Director

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Grass Lake, Michigan 49240

until: 2:00 p.m. (Local Time)
Thursday, July 9, 2026

at which time and place Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Contract documents may be examined on or after June 10, 2026 at the offices of: Ripstra & Scheppelman, Inc., 2535 Spring Arbor Road, Jackson, MI

Electronic copies of the contract documents may be obtained on or after June 10, 2026 by submitting an email request to Jack L. Ripstra at: jack@ripstra-scheppelman.com

Electronic copies of the plans may be obtained on or after June 10, 2026 on the DDA website at: <https://grasslakedowntownmi.gov/contract-services/>.

Mitzi Koors
Executive Director
Village of Grass Lake DDA
m.koors@villageofgrasslake.com

CARPENTRY WORK

Semi-retired carpenter – doors, windows, kitchens, bathrooms, plumbing repairs, light electrical and fall cleanups, tree and brush removal. Call 517-937-3571 to schedule your spring project. 20TF

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Alzheimer's Support Group meeting- at Brooklyn Presbyterian Church every 3rd Wednesday from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. for more info call 517-999-300 4. 25tf

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Mon. & Fri. 10:30 a.m. First Presbyterian Church, 743 W. Michigan Ave. 937-9500 for more info. †

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Brooklyn AA meetings

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Manitou Beach Group

meets Monday abd Thursday, 450 Manitou Road. †

NORVELL TOWNSHIP

NORVELL TOWNSHIP JACKSON COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF RESOLUTION 2026-06 46

Notice is also hereby given that the Township Board for Norvell Township, Jackson County, Michigan approved resolution 2026-06 to impose a temporary moratorium on the issuance of permits, licenses, or approvals for data centers. The moratorium will last 12 months or until the township adopts regulations regarding Data Centers and those regulations go into effect.

A copy of the full resolution may be inspected or purchased at the Township Offices (300 Mill Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230). The resolution shall become effective 7 days after the notice is published.

Sharon Pero
Norvell Township Clerk

Norvell Township Board Adoption: June 8, 2026
Publication Date: June 16, 2026
Effective Date: June 23, 2026

6/14 Themeless Sunday 188 by Adrian Johnson and Alexandra Doumani

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NAPOLEON TOWNSHIP

Notice 46

The Napoleon Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing July 8th, 2026 at 6 p.m. at the Township Hall 6755 Brooklyn Rd, Napoleon, MI 49261.

At this time all interested parties will be heard on the request of James Bush of 8099 Fairview Ct, Jackson, MI 49201 to allow an 18' Reduction in the Residential setback of 50' from waterfront to replace and expand the width of the existing covered porch. All other setbacks are in compliance. Roof Setback to be 32' from waterfront.

Napoleon Township Office is open Monday thru Thursday from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. during which time the Zoning Ordinance / Zoning Map may be examined. Written comments regarding the above matter may be directed to the Township or by calling (517) 536-8694 Extension 208. Napoleon-Township will provide any necessary or reasonable auxiliary aids at the meeting for persons with disabilities, upon ten (10) days' written notice to the Township, Jane Gallant, Zoning Administrator.

Jane Gallant,
Zoning Administrator

ROME TOWNSHIP

ROME TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF ADOPTION 46

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that at a regular meeting of the Rome Township Board, held on June 11, 2026, the Township Board adopted a Resolution Imposing a Temporary Moratorium on the Review and Issuance of Applications, Permits, Rezoning, Licenses, or Approvals Related to Data Centers (the "Resolution") within the Township. The Resolution takes effect on the date of publication of this Notice, and is available for inspection at the Township's website, <http://www.rometownship.org>, or in person at the Township Hall, 9344 Forrister Road, Adrian, MI 49221, by appointment. Please contact the Township Clerk, Robin Robertson, at (517) 605-5163 to make an appointment. Copies may be obtained for a reasonable charge. The following is a summary of the Resolution's effect.

SUMMARY OF THE RESOLUTION'S EFFECT

The resolution imposes a temporary moratorium on accepting, processing, or approving any applications, permits, rezonings, licenses, or other approvals for new, existing, or proposed data centers within the Township. The purpose of the moratorium is to allow the Township sufficient time to study, review, and consider amendments to the Township's Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance concerning data center uses, including potential impacts on public health, safety, and welfare.

The moratorium is effective for a period of twelve (12) months. The Township Board may extend the moratorium for an additional period not to exceed six (6) months if it determines that more time is needed to complete the review or amendment process.

COLUMBIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP

COLUMBIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
THURSDAY JULY 2, 2026, AT 7:00 P.M.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Columbia Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on July 2, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Columbia Charter Township Hall at 8500 Jefferson Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230, to consider the following variance requests:

Variance 26-006

Owner/Applicant: Domenick Forgione / TAG Towers
Location: Vacant at Corner of Jefferson Rd. & Hayes Rd. Clarklake, MI (Tax ID#: 000-19-21-252-001-00)
Request: Variance application to permit a new wireless communications tower on an approximately 1.2-acre parcel. The tower is proposed to be setback 67.5-foot from the west front property line, and setback 109-foot from the east rear property line. The Columbia Charter Township Zoning Ordinance requires a 100-foot setback from all property lines, and 200-foot setback from all properties zoned for single-family or two-family dwellings, Article 7: Section 7.27.

Variance 26-007

Owner/Applicant: Patrick & Amie Pelham
Location: 117 Paula Drive Brooklyn, MI 49230 (Tax ID #: 000-19-22-428-032-00)
Request: Variance application to permit an addition to the existing single-story single-family dwelling on an approximately 12,545-square foot property. The proposed addition is two-stories, with a garage on the main floor. The addition will be setback 9-foot from the west front property line, requiring a 16-foot variance, and setback 9-foot, 2-inches from the north side property line, requiring a 10-inch variance. The Columbia Charter Township Zoning Ordinance requires a 25-foot front yard setback and a 10-foot side yard setback, Article 3: Table 3-4.

Information associated with the scheduled Public Hearing is available for public review at the Columbia Charter Township office during the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays. Comments will be heard from the public at the hearing, or you can submit comments in writing to the: Columbia Township Zoning Board of Appeals, 8500 Jefferson Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230. All written comments will be entered into the public record and should be received by 12:00 p.m. (noon) on the scheduled hearing date.

Columbia Charter Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services at the public hearing to individuals with special needs upon five (5) days' notice to the Township Clerk (517)-592-2000.

Cathy Hulbert,
Columbia Charter Township Clerk

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VILLAGE OF ADDISON

RESOLUTION TO SET ADDISON VILLAGE 2026 MILLAGE RATES
Village of Addison, Lenawee County
Resolution Number 2026-02

WHEREAS, the Village Council of the Village of Addison wishes to establish property tax millage rates to support the fiscal year 2026-2027 budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the following millage rates to be set as follows:
Operating Tax Millage rate to be 8.0 mills and Village Street Tax millage rate 0.90 mills taking effect simultaneously.

Motion made by Andrew Snow, supported by Cary Jo Snyder-Milosh. Roll Call Vote: Barbara Barnes: Yes; Brian Kent: No; Cary Jo Snyder-Milosh: Yes; Jeff Burke: Yes; Andrew Snow: Yes

Motion passed by a roll-call vote of 4 to 1 on this 1st day of June 2026.

CERTIFICATE

I, Robin Hurley, the duly appointed Clerk of the Village of Addison, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Village Council by a roll call vote at a regular meeting of the Board held on June 1, 2026, at which meeting a quorum was present; and that this resolution was ordered to take effect July 1, 2026

Robin Hurley,
Village Clerk

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LIBERTY TOWNSHIP SYNOPSIS

June 9, 2026 roll call of members; Smith, Jacobson, Hubbard, Garver and Vincent. The following Synopsis of Liberty Township Regular Board meeting of items have a motion and support; Approve agenda as presented, approve minutes of Regular Board meeting of May, 2026 as presented, approval of consensus agenda of departmental reports as presented. Payment of expenses in the amount of \$39,449.48 for May 2026 approved with a roll call. Motion was made and supported to approve Budget for 2026-27 and Budget Resolution Amending Budget. Motion approved with a roll call 5 yes. A complete set of minutes are available during regular office hours.

Debbie Jacobson,
Liberty Township Clerk

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COLUMBIA CHARTER TOWNSHIP • ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION
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a Short-Term Rental in Columbia Charter Township without a Short-Term Rental Permit, unless exempted herein.

- A.** Application Information:
1. Applicant contact information (property owner or local agent).
 2. Owner information (if different from applicant).
 3. Address of dwelling unit to be utilized as a short-term rental unit.
 4. Number of bedrooms within the short-term rental for which the permit is being sought.
 5. Number of occupied floors (Finished floors available to renters).
 6. Number of off-street parking spaces available for the short-term rental.
 7. Maximum number of occupants the applicant intends to occupy the short-term rental.
 8. Length of typical rental term.
 9. A written statement certifying that each bedroom has a working smoke alarm, working carbon monoxide meter on each floor, and that the owner or local agent will ensure that these devices are in proper working order every 90 days.
 10. Floor Plan: Layout of rental unit, each bedroom, bed within and size, location of doors/exits, location of fire extinguishers, location of smoke detectors, location of carbon monoxide detectors.
 11. Plot Plan: Property lines, location of parking spaces, main entrance to rental unit.
 12. Copy of comprehensive rental dwelling insurance policy with coverage of at least \$1,000,000.
 13. A statement certifying that the applicant consents to inspections by Columbia Charter Township or a designee of the Township upon request.
 14. Additional information as may be required by the Zoning Administrator.

B. Short-Term Rental Permits will be issued by calendar year, with Short-Term Rental Permits expiring on December 31st each year.

C. The renewal of an active, compliant Short-Term Rental Permit will be guaranteed if the completed renewal application is received on or before February 28th.

D. The Columbia Charter Township Board shall, by Resolution, adopt a fee for the Short-Term Rental Permit, and may amend the fee by Resolution.

E. A separate Short-Term Rental Permit is required for each Short-Term Rental.

F. The Short-Term Rental Permit shall only be issued to the Owner of the property and cannot be transferred to another Owner or Property. The Short-Term Rental Permit is not transferable and does not run with the Property Ownership.

G. The Columbia Charter Township Zoning Administrator, and/or other persons designated by the Columbia Charter Township Board, shall be authorized to issue Short-Term Rental Permits under this Ordinance.

Section 5: Short-Term Rental Standards

All Short-Term Rentals shall meet the following standards:

- A. Annual Short-Term Rental Permit approval required.** All short-term rentals must obtain an approved Short-Term Rental Permit prior to the use of a structure as a short-term rental. The Short-Term Rental Permit is valid, unless there is a change in ownership of the property.
- B.** No single property owner, ownership group or entity; or an individual with any stake in an ownership group or entity, can own more than four properties used for short-term rentals within the Township.
- C.** Maximum occupancy of two persons per bedroom plus two additional persons per floor level with living space. Ten-person maximum occupancy per unit.
- D.** Only one (1) dwelling unit per parcel may be permitted for use as a STR.
- E.** All parking associated with a STR shall meet the following standards:

1. One off-street/on-site parking space is required per bedroom.
2. Parking shall be on an improved stable area such as a driveway, garage, or stable surface legally available to the dwelling unit.
3. No vehicle shall be parked closer than three (3) feet from any edge line (white outer lane line) of a public road, or, in the absence of an edge line, fourteen (14) feet from the centerline of a public road. In the case of a private road or easement, no vehicle shall be parked closer than three (3) feet from the edge of the private road. This standard does not supersede any applicable winter parking requirements.
4. Parking shall meet all state or local ordinances or traffic control orders, including winter overnight parking regulations on public roads, as enforced by the state, county, or local law enforcement.

F. No recreation vehicles, boats, travel trailers, or tents shall be used as a part of a STR.

G. No exterior refuse storage facilities beyond what might normally be used for a single-family dwelling is allowed. Trash must be contained in properly sealed receptacles. There must be no overflow that will be attractive to vermin.

H. Special events, outdoor events, lawn parties, weddings or similar activities are not allowed on site for more than the number of permitted occupants.

I. A local agent shall be designated. The local agent may be the property owner or a person designated by the property owner, and shall be available 24 hours a day while the unit is rented out. The local agent shall be within 60 minutes of the short-term rental unit when the unit is rented.

J. The following information must be provided to potential renters within the welcome documents and must be posted at the site and on advertisement for the STR:

1. Local Agents name and contact information.
2. Maximum number of people allowed to occupy the structure.
3. The Short-Term Rental Permit approved by the Township for operating the STR.
4. The required quiet hours between 10:00 PM and 7:00 AM. Noise during quiet hours must be limited to that which does not disturb the quiet, comfort or repose of a reasonable person of normal sensitivities. The regulations of the Anti-Noise and Public Nuisance Ordinance shall apply.
5. No recreation vehicles, boats, travel trailers, or tents shall be used as a part of a short-term rental.
6. A plan of the property that shows property lines, building, and parking spaces with a statement about trespassing on neighboring sites.
7. Emergency evacuation plan in each sleeping area and bedroom.
8. An address sign clearly legible at night from the road.
9. Information about garbage pick-up.

K. Short-Term Rentals must possess all of the following:

1. At least two working fire extinguishers with a diagram, prominently displayed, showing

the location of each unit.

2. Operational smoke detectors on each level of the home and in each bedroom, which must be tested at least every 90 days to ensure that they are properly functioning.

3. At least one operational and approved carbon monoxide device of the type described in MCL 125.1504 on each level of the home, which must be tested at least every 90 days to ensure proper functioning.

L. Short-Term Rentals must have insurance written that allows rental exposure and has a liability policy of a minimum of \$1,000,000. The Owner shall provide to the Township confirmation of the existence of the insurance each time the Short-Term Rental is registered or renewed with the Township.

M. Short-Term Rentals must have weekly scheduled on-site trash service.

N. The township ordinance enforcement officer may inspect the property to ensure continuing compliance with the Short-Term Rental Permit and township ordinances, and in addition, the enforcement officer may impose reasonable conditions on a permit issued under this section which are necessary to ensure compliance.

O. Property owner is responsible for behavior of rental occupants and their guests.

Section 6: Exceptions and Exemptions

A dwelling unit does not need a short-term rental permit as required in this Ordinance when the occupancy of the dwelling unit occurs under the following circumstances:

A. Family occupancy: Any member of a family (and that family member's guests) may occupy a dwelling as long as any other member of that family is the owner of the dwelling or dwelling unit. Family occupancy also exempts guest houses similarly separate dwelling units located on the same premises as the owner's domicile, when occupied by family guests, exchange students, visiting clergy, medical caregivers, and child care givers, without compensation to the owner.

B. House-sitting: During the temporary absence of the owner and owner's family the owner may permit non-owner occupancy of the premises, without compensation to the owner, without a short-term rental permit.

C. Dwelling sales: Occupancy by a prior owner after the sale of a dwelling under a rental agreement.

D. Estate representative: Occupancy by a personal representative, trustee, or guardian of the estate and his family, with or without compensation.

Section 7: Administration, Violation and Administrative Penalties

A. The following conduct is a violation of the Short-Term Rental Ordinance:

1. Any advertising, rental, or leasing of a short-term rental without first having obtained a Short-Term Rental Permit.
2. Failure by the Owner and/or Occupants to comply with the Short-Term Rental Standards section of this Ordinance.
3. Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance.
4. Any false or misleading information supplied in the application process.

B. The penalties for violations specified in Section 7 (A) above are as follows:

1. First Violation: The first violation in a calendar year shall result in a Notice of Violation which may be verbal and/or written.
2. Second Violation: The second violation in the same calendar year shall result in a municipal civil infraction punishable by a fine of not less than two hundred fifty (\$250) dollars nor more than five hundred (\$500) dollars. All owners, regardless of their interest in the property, may be responsible for the civil infraction citation. The Township Zoning Administrator and/or other officials designated as the authorized officials to issue municipal civil infraction citations directing alleged violators of this Ordinance to appear in court. Each day the violation remains may be a separate offense.
3. A third violation within the same calendar year shall be subject to a municipal civil infraction punishable by a fine of not less than twice the amount of any previous fine but not more than one thousand (\$1,000) dollars, and the permit shall be revoked. An owner may reapply for a permit no sooner than twelve (12) months after revocation of a permit.
4. The township has authority to revoke the Short-Term Rental Permit for three (3) or more repeated violations in a consecutive 6-month period.

C. A violation of this Ordinance shall be a nuisance per se. The Township shall have the right to commence a civil action to enforce compliance with this Ordinance.

D. Nothing in this Ordinance shall prevent any person who has suffered damages or alleges to have suffered damage to person or property for a violation of this Ordinance from seeking relief in a court or competent jurisdiction against the Owner of the Short-Term Rental.

E. The Columbia Charter Township Zoning Administrator and/or other persons designated by the Columbia Charter Township Board are authorized to issue all permits under this Ordinance and are also authorized to issue civil infraction violation notices and/or civil infraction citations for violations of this Ordinance.

F. Any person who makes a knowingly false report of violations of this Ordinance will be subject to prosecution under MCL 750.411a.

Section 8: Severability

If any section, clause, or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, said declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 9: Effective Date

A Notice of Adoption of this Ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township, and the Ordinance will become effective and enforced thirty (30) days after publication.

A complete copy of the Short-Term Rental Ordinance is available at the office of the Township Clerk at 8500 Jefferson Road, Brooklyn, MI 49230 on regular business days during regular business hours, or by appointment, and has been posted on the Township's website at <https://twp.columbia.mi.us/>.

Cathy Hulbert,
Columbia Charter Township Clerk

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