ORDINANCE 2016-01
CALENDAR YEAR 2016
AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14

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 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 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 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek in the County of Salem finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2016 budget by up to 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 Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to $ **212,678.00** in excess of the increase in final appropriation otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee hereby determines that any amount authorized herein above 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 Lower Alloways Creek Township Committee of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek, in the County of Salem, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2016 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of Lower Alloways Creek shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to **$ 212,678.00**, and that the CY 2016 municipal budget for the Township of Lower Alloways Creek 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 appropriations 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 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 with five (5) days after such adoption.

Public Hearing on this Ordinance shall be on Tuesday, March 15, 2016 at 7:30 p.m., at the Municipal Building, 501 Locust Island Road, Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey.

This Ordinance which was introduced for First Reading on February 16, 2016 shall be published by Title in the South Jersey Times and placed on the Township's Bulletin Board giving notice of said Public Hearing as required by Law.

ATTEST: LOWER ALLOWAYS CREEK TOWNSHIP

_____ By: _____

Ronald L Campbell Sr. Twp Clerk Ellen B. Pompper, Mayor