

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE VACATION OF BLANCHE AVENUE, CLEVELAND AVENUE AND EVELYN STREET

WHEREAS, there exist rights-of-way on Blanche Avenue, Cleveland Avenue and Evelyn Street within the Township of Manchester, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as shown on the Tax Map, attached hereto as Schedule A; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to vacate this rights-of-ways; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to vacate the entirety of these streets, as shown on Schedule A; and

WHEREAS, *N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(4)* authorizes the Township of Manchester Township Council to extinguish and vacate said portions of the street provided that said action is authorized by Ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Manchester, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. There is hereby vacated all of the right, title, and interest of the public for all public usages and purposes in and to the entire length of Blanche Avenue (NJ 70 to Wilbur Avenue), Cleveland Avenue (from Evelyn Street to Wilbur Avenue) and Evelyn Street (from Brentwood Avenue to NJ 70), as is set forth on Schedule A, attached hereto and made a part hereof. However, the Township does hereby expressly reserve and except from the vacation all rights and privileges now possessed by public utilities, as defined in R.S. 48:2-13, and by any cable television company, as defined in the "Cable Television Act," P.L. 1972, c. 186, (C. 48:5A-1, *et seq.*), to maintain, repair and replace their existing facilities in, adjacent to, over or under the street, highway, lane, alley, square, place or park, or any part thereof, being vacated by the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. At least one (1) week prior to the time fixed for further consideration for final passage of this ordinance, a copy hereof, together with a notice stating the introduction of the ordinance on first reading and the time and place when and where the ordinance will be considered for final passage, shall be mailed to every person whose lands may be affected by the adoption of the ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be published at least once in an official newspaper of the Township of Manchester at least ten (10) days prior to the time fixed for consideration of the final passage of the ordinance.

SECTION 4. The Township Clerk, if this ordinance is adopted on final reading, shall submit a certified copy of this ordinance, together with proof of publication, to the Ocean County Clerk's Office for recording in the Book of Vacations.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect after the second reading and publication as required by law.

SECTION 6. A copy of this Ordinance, in addition to the Schedules referenced herein, shall be kept on file and made available for public inspection in the Township Clerk's Office during normal business hours.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Manchester, in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, held on March 9, 2026, and will be considered for second reading and final passage at the regular meeting of said Governing Body to be held on the 23rd day of March 2026 at 6:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as this matter can be reached, at the meeting room of the Municipal Building located at 1 Colonial Drive, Manchester, New Jersey, at which time all persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard concerning this ordinance.

SCHEDULE A

