NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF AMENIA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Amenia will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on the 4th day of December, 2025, at 7:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, Town of Amenia, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, New York 12501, at which time all parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard as to whether the Town Board of the Town of Amenia shall adopt "Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025, Repealing § 101-10, § 101-11, § 101-12 of Chapter 101. Streets and Sidewalks and Repealing Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic, in its Entirety and Creating a New Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic".

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the purpose and intent of the proposed Local Law is to repeal § 101-10, § 101-11, § 101-12 of Chapter 101. Streets and Sidewalks and Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic, in its entirety and create a new Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic, for the purpose of creating parking regulations for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, adding enforcement provisions for parking violations and consolidating parking regulations under one chapter.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Proposed Action is a Type II Action as determined in 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(33) and, accordingly, the Town Board hereby expressly determines that this action is not an action that requires review pursuant to the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a copy of the proposed Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025 is available for review and inspection at the Office of the Town Clerk during regular office hours, at the Town Hall, Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia New York and on the Town's website at www.ameniany.gov.

Dated: Amenia, New York November 6, 2025

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD

DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK

TOWN OF AMENIA LOCAL LAW NO. ____ OF 2025

A Local Law entitled "Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025, Repealing § 101-10, § 101-11, § 101-12 of Chapter 101. Streets and Sidewalks and Repealing Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic, in its Entirety and Creating a New Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic".

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Amenia, County of Dutchess as follows:

Section-I: TITLE.

This Local Law Shall be known and cited as Town of Amenia Local Law No. ____ of 2025 entitled "Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025, Repealing § 101-10, § 101-11, § 101-12 of Chapter 101. Streets and Sidewalks and Repealing Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic, in its Entirety, and Creating a New Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic".

Section-II: LEGISLATIVE INTENT.

The Town Board of the Town of Amenia hereby enacts this Local Law with the intent to repeal § 101-10, § 101-11, § 101-12 of Chapter 101. Streets and Sidewalks and Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic, in its entirety and create a new Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic, for the purpose of creating parking regulations for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, adding enforcement provisions for parking violations and consolidating parking regulations under one chapter.

Section-III: CREATION OF NEW CHAPTER 113. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC.

Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic shall be repealed in its entirety and a new Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic shall be created to reads as follows:

"Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic

Article I. General Provisions.

§113-1. Statutory authority.

This Article is adopted pursuant to § 1660 of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law and the New York State Municipal Home Rule Law.

§ 113-2. Definitions.

A. The words and phrases used in this Chapter shall, for the purposes of this chapter, have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by Article I of the Vehicle and Traffic Law of the State of New York.

B. The following words and phrases, which are not defined by Article I of the Vehicle and Traffic Law of the State of New York, shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them in this section for the purposes of this Chapter:

CURBLINE

The prolongation of the lateral line of a curb or, in the absence of a curb, the lateral boundary line of the roadway.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE

Shall mean a motor vehicle that is propelled at least in part by an electric motor and associated power electronics which provide acceleration torque to the drive wheels at least sometime during normal operation, and that draws electricity from a battery that is capable of being recharged from an external source of electricity, such that the external source of electricity cannot be connected to the vehicle while the vehicle is in motion.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION

Shall mean the equipment needed to convey electric power from the electric grid or another power source to an onboard motor vehicle energy storage system.

EMERGENCY

Shall mean any unforeseen occurrence or sudden and urgent occasion for action.

EMERGENCY VEHICLE

Any authorized emergency vehicle as defined by New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law § 101.

OFFICIAL TIME STANDARD

Whenever certain hours are named herein or on traffic control devices, they shall mean the time standard which is in current use in this state.

§ 113-3. Authority to install traffic control devices.

The Superintendent of Highways shall install and maintain traffic control devices when, and as required, under the provisions of this Chapter, to make effective the provisions of this Chapter, and may install and maintain such additional traffic control devices as they may deem necessary to regulate, warn or guide traffic under the Vehicle and Traffic Law of the State of New York, subject to the provisions of §§ 1682 and 1684 of that law.

§ 113-4. Administration and enforcement.

Any police officer or peace officer, as defined in the New York State Criminal Procedure Law, or any Town of Amenia Constable may issue appearance tickets and simplified traffic informations pursuant to the New York State Criminal Procedure Law, to any party found to be in violation of

the New York State Criminal Procedure Law, to any party found to be in violation of any statute, rule, regulation or ordinance pertaining to this Chapter and are hereby authorized to remove and impound any vehicle pursuant to Article V of this Chapter.

Article II. Commercial Vehicles.

§ 113-5. Restrictions on truck and commercial vehicle traffic.

All trucks, commercial vehicles, tractors, tractor-trailer combinations, tractor-semitrailer combinations, and/or tractor-trailer-semitrailer combinations with a total gross weight of 10,000 pounds, as defined in Vehicle and Traffic Law § 117, shall be prohibited from traveling on or over the following public highways within the Town:

Name of Street

Prohibited Portion of Road or Highway

Sharon Station Road

The entire length of Sharon Station Road located within the Town

§ 113-6. Exceptions.

The restrictions contained in § 113-5 shall not be construed to prevent the delivery or pickup of merchandise or other property along the public highways from which such vehicles and combinations are otherwise excluded and, in addition, shall not apply to the following vehicles:

- (1) Any vehicle owned and operated by a municipality, local or state government or governmental agency while such vehicle is engaged in the performance of official duties; or
- (2) Any vehicle owned and operated by a public utility company while being engaged in the performance of repair, maintenance or installation work.
- (3) Any vehicle engaged in providing emergency health care or treatment or providing fire protection.
- § 113-7. Penalties for offenses.

A violation of any provision of this Article shall be a violation punishable in accordance with § 121-57D of the Town Code.

Article III. Parking, Standing and Stopping.

§ 113-8. Parking prohibited along certain areas of Mechanic Street, where allowed.

A. The parking of any types of vehicles, including but not limited to automobiles, trucks, tractor trailers, campers, buses, mobile homes, motorcycles and/or scooters, shall be prohibited on Mechanic Street at the following locations.

- (1) Along the east side of Mechanic Street from the intersection of Mechanic Street and Route 343 to a point which is 107 feet south of the stop sign at the intersection of Mechanic Street and Route 343; and
- (2) Along the west side of Mechanic Street from the intersection of Mechanic Street and Route 343 to a point which is 40 feet south of the southern edge of the pedestrian crosswalk at the intersection of Mechanic Street and Route 343; and
- (3) The parking of no more than one vehicle shall be allowed on the west side of Mechanic Street between the point which is located 40 feet south of the southern edge of the pedestrian crosswalk at the intersection of Mechanic Street and Route 343 and the telephone pole which is approximately 62 feet south of the southern edge of the pedestrian crosswalk at the intersection of Mechanic Street and Route 343.
- §113-9. Restricted Parking for Snow Removal.

No parking shall be permitted on any public highway within the Town of Amenia between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. from November 1 of each year through the following April 1.

- § 113-10. Electric vehicle charging station parking; electric vehicles.
- A. No person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle other than an electric vehicle within any space marked or signed as reserved for "electric vehicle while charging."
- B. It is unlawful to park or permit to be parked any electric vehicle in a space with an electric vehicle charging station that is marked as "electric vehicle while charging" if such electric vehicle is not in the process of charging.
- C. No person shall park in a space designated as "electric vehicle while charging" space for more than four continuous hours regardless of whether or not the electric vehicle is in the process of charging.
- D. Electric vehicles may be parked in any space designated for public parking, subject to the restrictions that would apply to any other vehicle that would park in that space.

Article IV. Penalties for offenses.

- § 113-11. Fines for violations.
- A. Except as otherwise provided herein, any violation of this Chapter is hereby declared to be a traffic infraction punishable by a fine as follows:
 - (1) First conviction shall be punished by a fine of \$100.
 - (2) Second conviction, both of which were committed within a period of 18 months, shall be punished by a fine of \$200.

(3) Third conviction, all of which were committed within a period of 18 months, shall be punished by a fine of \$300.

Article V. Removal, Immobilization and Storage of Vehicles.

§ 113-12. Authority to remove, immobilize and store vehicles.

A. Any police officer or peace officer, as defined in the New York State Criminal Procedure Law, the Superintendent of Highways, or any Town of Amenia Constable may cause a vehicle to be removed, immobilized and stored when any such vehicle is:

- (1) Parked or abandoned on any public highway within the Town of Amenia in violation of Article III of this Chapter.
- (2) During any snow, flood, fire or other public emergency and removal of such vehicle is reasonably necessary for the performance of emergency procedures.
- (3) Any vehicle for which there are outstanding traffic warrants or fines for violations set forth in this Chapter.
- (4) Otherwise parked in violation of any statute, local law, rule or regulation set forth in this Chapter.

§ 113-13. Towing, immobilization and storage.

A. Such vehicles may be removed, immobilized and/or stored by means of towing or other means of removal, securing by use of a wheel lock or other immobilization device and stored at a public or private impound lot.

B. Such removal, immobilization and storage shall be at the expense and risk of the owner of the vehicle.

§ 113-14. Notice of removal.

It shall be the duty of the authorizing police officer, peace officer, Town of Amenia Constable or the Superintendent of Highways or their designee to ascertain to the extent possible the owner of the vehicle and to notify the person of the removal and disposition of such vehicle and of the amount which will be required to redeem the same. They shall also, without delay, report to the Town Clerk the removal and disposition of any vehicle removed as provided in this Chapter.

§ 113-15. Notice and warning of immobilization.

When an immobilization device is used, a notice containing the following information shall be attached to the vehicle:

(1) The location and identifying characteristics of the vehicle.

- (2) The date and time of placement of the device and the signature of the installer.
- (3) A notice that parking restrictions will be waived during the immobilization period.
- (4) A notice that any person tampering with the device, or the vehicle will be subject to prosecution and liable for any damage resulting to the device.
- (5) The steps which the owner must take to obtain release of vehicle.
- (6) Such other information, statements, notices and warnings as the issuing police officer, peace officer, Town of Amenia Constable or Superintendent of Highways shall from time to time determine.

§ 113-16. Penalties for tampering or attempted removal.

Any attempt by any person to tamper with, deface, remove or destroy an immobilization device, or to move by any means a vehicle towed or secured as herein provided, may result in the prosecution of such person for an offense separate from and in addition to the parking violations; in addition, such person shall be liable for any loss suffered by the municipality due to any such attempt.

§ 113-17. Vehicle release to owner.

A. Any vehicle removed, immobilized or stored as herein provided shall be promptly released to its owner upon the payment of outstanding parking fines and the satisfaction of outstanding traffic warrants.

B. While a vehicle is immobilized as herein provided, any parking restrictions of which such vehicle may be in violation shall be suspended and waived as they apply to such vehicle."

Section-IV: SEVERABILITY.

A. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds any provision(s) of this law invalid, in whole or in part, the effect of such decision shall be limited to those provisions which are expressly stated in the decision to be invalid, and all other provisions of the law shall continue to be separately and fully effective.

B. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds the application of any provision of this law to any building, other structure of tract of land to be invalid, in whole or in part, the effect of such decisions shall be limited to the person, property or situation involved in the controversy, and the application of any such provision to any other person, property or situation shall not be affected.

C. The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity, or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability, shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words or parts of this Local Law or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent of the Town Board of the Town of Amenia that this Local Law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and if such person or circumstance to which the Local Law or part thereof is held inapplicable had been specifically exempt therefrom.

Section V: NUMBERING FOR CODIFICATION.

It is the intention of the Town of Amenia and it is hereby enacted that the provisions of this Local Law shall be included in the Code of the Town of Amenia, that the sections and subsections of this Local Law may be re-numbered or re-lettered by the Codifier to accomplish such intention; the Codifier shall make no substantive changes to this Local Law; the word "Local Law" shall be changed to "Chapter", "Section" or other appropriate word as required for codification; and any such rearranging of the numbering and editing shall not affect the validity of this Local Law or the provisions of the Code effected thereby.

Section VI: EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall take effect upon its adoption and filing with the Secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.



TOWN OF AMENIA TOWN BOARD

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RESOLUTION NO. 124 of 2025

RE: INTRODUCING PROPOSED "LOCAL LAW NO. ___ OF THE YEAR 2025, REPEALING § 101-10, § 101-11, § 101-12 OF CHAPTER 101. STREET AND SIDEWALKS AND REPEALING CHAPTER 113. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, IN ITS ENTIRETY AND CREATING A NEW CHAPTER 113. VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC"

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous of enacting a local law with the intent of repealing § 101-10, § 101-11, § 101-12 of Chapter 101. Street and Sidewalks and Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic, in its entirety and create a new Chapter 113. Vehicles and Traffic, for the purpose of creating parking regulations for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, adding enforcement provisions for parking violations and consolidating parking regulations under one chapter; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the Proposed Action is a Type II Action as determined in 6 NYCRR 617.5(c)(33) and, accordingly, the Town Board hereby expressly determines that this action is not an action that requires review pursuant to the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

- 1. The recitations above set forth are incorporated in this Resolution as if fully set forth and adopted herein.
- 2. The Town Board of the Town of Amenia hereby introduces for consideration its adoption of proposed "Local Law No. ____ of the Year 2025, in the form annexed hereto.
- 3. The Town Board has determined that the Proposed Action is a Type II Action and is not an action that requires review pursuant to the provisions of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA).
- 4. The Town Board hereby schedules a Public Hearing regarding the proposed adoption of the annexed Local Law for 7:00 P.M., on the 4th day of December, 2025, to be held at Town Hall, 4988 Route 22, Amenia, New York, and the Town Clerk is directed to post a Notice of Public Hearing in the form annexed hereto and to publish same in the Town's official newspaper, the Millerton News, and on the sign board maintained by the Town Clerk in Town Hall not less than ten (10) days prior to said public hearing date.

Aye

Aye

Aye

Absent

Motion made by S/Blackman Seconded by C/Ahearn

The foregoing resolution was voted upon with all councilmembers voting as follows:

Supervisor Blackman
Councilmember Rebillard
Councilmember Hamm
Councilmember Ahearn

Dated: Amenia, New York November 6, 2025

DAWN MARIE KLINGNER, TOWN CLERK