

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 30 - 2014

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 199-2011, AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 188-2010, AS AMENDED; ESTABLISHING FEES TO BE CHARGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION AND MUSEUMS, IN RELATION TO THE ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY AND VETERANS LEISURE PASSPORT; AND MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS PURSUANT TO THE STATE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY REVIEW ACT.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law § 10[1][ii][9-a], the County of Nassau has the power to adopt and amend local laws relating to the fixing, levy, collection, and administration of charges, rates, and fees; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Nassau County Charter §§ 2164 and 2165, the Department of Parks, Recreation and Museums (hereinafter the “Department”) has the power and duty to operate, maintain, and repair all County parks, museums, playgrounds, athletic fields, and recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, presently, Nassau County residents who are Veterans are required to pay a \$25.00 fee once every three years for a Veterans Leisure Passport; and

WEHREAS, there is no such Passport for Active Duty Military Personnel who reside in Nassau County; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature wishes to recognize the courageous service of Active Duty Military Personnel and Veterans to our County, State and Country and the heroic sacrifices they have made on our behalf, and further wishes to promote the physical and mental health and well-being of our Active Duty Military Personnel and Veterans by encouraging them to make full use

of the many recreational opportunities afforded by the Nassau County Parks and Museum system; and

WHEREAS, to promote the full use of these opportunities, the Legislature wishes to create a Nassau County Resident-Active Duty Military and Veterans Leisure Passport, which would require Active Duty Military Personnel and Veterans to pay a one-time fee of \$25.00, present proof of Active Duty Military or Veteran status at initial purchase of this pass, and present proof of Nassau County residency status once every three years; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature hereby finds and determines that the foregoing action relating to such fees constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Title 6 of the New York Code of Rules and Regulations § 617.5(c)(20) (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”) and within the meaning of § 8-0109(2) of the New York Environmental Conservation Law; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of the County of Nassau, as follows:

Section 1. Part O of § 3 of Ordinance No. 199-2011 is amended to read as follows:

O.	Leisure Passport	
1.	Resident Leisure Passport (13 years and older for all activities except golf; 10 years and older for golf); valid three years	\$25.00 per person
2.	Nassau County Resident-Senior citizen Leisure Passport; valid as long as residency is maintained, proof of residency required every three years	\$25.00 per person
3.	Nassau County Resident-volunteer firefighters, volunteer ambulance corps <u>and</u> members of police auxiliary units [and veterans]; proof of status and/or membership required every 3 years[; proof of veteran status required at initial purchase]	\$25.00 per person
4.	Nassau County Resident-Leisure Passport for person with a disability; proof of disability required every three years	\$25.00 per person

5.	Nassau County Resident-Active Duty Military and Veterans Leisure Passport; valid as long as residency is maintained (one-time fee of \$25.00); proof of active duty military or veteran status required at initial purchase; proof of residency required every three years	\$25.00 per person
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§ 2. This ordinance may be modified to allow for the correction of any mathematical and/or typographical errors subsequent to any approval and adoption of said ordinance without the necessity for a vote to be taken by the County Legislature or by the members of any Standing Committee of said Legislature if said ordinance is passed by the affirmative vote of a majority of said Legislature.

§ 3. It is hereby determined, pursuant to the provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, 8 N.Y.E.C.L. § 0101 et seq. and its implementing regulations, Part 617 of 6 N.Y.C.R.R., and § 1611 of the County Government Law of Nassau County, that this supplemental appropriation ordinance is a “Type II” Action within the meaning of § 617.5(c)(20) of 6 N.Y.C.R.R. (“routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment”), and, accordingly, is of a class of actions which do not have a significant effect on the environment; and no further review is required.

§ 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.