# VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### PROPOSED LOCAL LAW A OF 2022

# A LOCAL LAW TO ADD NEW CHAPTER 176 LANDSCAPERS TO THE CODE OF THE VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson as follows:

**Section One.** A new Chapter 176 entitled Landscapers is hereby added to the Code of the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson to read as follows:

## Chapter 176 Landscapers.

### § 176-1. **Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

### LANDSCAPER

Any person, corporation, partnership or business entity of any form who owns, operates, maintains, controls or conducts a landscaping business to perform landscaping or gardening including tending, planting, installing, maintaining, or repairing lawns, gardens, flower beds, shrubbery, trees, or landscaping of any kind on real property which such person or business entity does not own or at which s/he does not reside.

## §176-2. Registration required; requirements; fee; exemptions.

A. No landscaper shall advertise, operate or provide services within the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson unless the landscaper is registered annually pursuant to this chapter.

## B. Registration requirements.

- (1) All landscapers shall submit annually a completed registration form provided by the Village Clerk and pay a nonrefundable registration fee in an amount to be determined by the Board of Trustees from time to time as set forth in Chapter 22 of this Code. The registration period shall be January 1 through December 31 of each year.
- (2) The registration form, at a minimum, shall state that the landscaper has read, understands, and agrees to comply with the Village's leaf blower law (§217-6.J. of the Village Code), leaf blower guidelines, Tree Preservation Code (Chapter 273) and other relevant Village laws and policies as may be amended.
- (3) In addition, the landscaper shall submit proof of a valid and current Westchester County Home Improvement License.

C. When the Village Clerk determines that all requirements have been met, s/he shall issue landscaper registration tags, which must be placed on the rear-view mirror of each vehicle the landscaper uses in the Village. The landscaper registration tag is not transferable.

D. Landscaper registration tags shall be valid from January 1 through December 31, unless revoked.

# 176-3. Penalties for offenses.

Every person or business entity violating any provisions of this chapter shall be liable for a penalty in accordance with §1-14 of the Village Code.

# **Section Two. Severability**

If any section, subsection, clause, phrase or other portion of this Local Law is, for any reason, declared invalid, in whole or in part, by any court, agency, commission, legislative body or other authority of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent portion. Such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof, which other portions shall continue in full force and effect.

#### **Section Three. Effective Date**

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the office of the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.