

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -**

**BOROUGH OF PHOENIXVILLE  
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**“Special Event Regulations Ordinance”**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PHOENIXVILLE, CHAPTER 13 (LICENSES, PERMITS AND GENERAL BUSINESS REGULATIONS), PART 13 (SPECIAL EVENTS) TO AMEND SECTION 13-1301 TO PROVIDE FOR ALL SPECIAL EVENTS; AND FURTHER AMENDING PART 13 (SPECIAL EVENTS), SECTION 13-1303.2 IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR PRIVATE PARTICIPATION IN BOROUGH-SPONSORED SPECIAL EVENTS; AND FURTHER AMENDING PART 13 (SPECIAL EVENTS) TO AMEND SECTION 13-1304 TO ALLOW THE BOROUGH TO ADOPT ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS AND REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO SPECIAL EVENTS AS NEEDED.**

The Council of the Borough of Phoenixville, Chester County, Pennsylvania, hereby  
ORDAINS as follows:

**SECTION I. - Amendment to Code**

The codified Ordinances of the Borough of Phoenixville, Chapter 13 (Licenses, Permits and General Business Regulations), Part 13 (Special Events) is hereby amended to repeal and replace Section 13-1301 with the following new Section 13-1301 entitled “Purpose”:

**§ 13-1301 Purpose.**

The Borough Council finds that streets, public places and private facilities within the Borough are from time to time temporarily closed and used as sites for races, festivals, shows, neighborhood celebrations and other events that are open to the public. Events of this kind serve to improve the quality of life of the residents of the Borough and often result in large numbers of people congregating within the confines of the temporarily closed street, public places, facilities, and public right-of-way, and the resulting crowd conditions may create concerns for police and fire access and other control concerns related to health, safety, and welfare of the public and of persons and property in the designated area. It is therefore essential that a policy be established for regulating these Special Events to facilitate control over them by the sponsor and by the Borough to safeguard persons and property.

**SECTION II. - Amendment to Code**

The codified Ordinances of the Borough of Phoenixville, Chapter 13 (Licenses, Permits and General Business Regulations), Part 13 (Special Events), Section 13-1303, is hereby amended to repeal and replace Subsection 13-1303.2. as follows:

3. Any special event sponsored by the Borough, whether or not occurring exclusively on Borough property. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Borough may allow non-Borough participation in certain Borough-sponsored events, in its sole discretion.

**SECTION III. - Amendment to Code**

The codified Ordinances of the Borough of Phoenixville, Chapter 13 (Licenses, Permits and General Business Regulations), Part 13 (Special Events) is hereby amended to repeal and replace Section 13-1304 with the following new Section 13-1304 entitled “Regulations”:

**§ 13-1304 Regulations.**

Borough Council may adopt by resolution, from time to time, additional conditions and regulations for Special Events permits impacting the Borough Right-of-Way, which may be separated into separate sets of conditions and regulations for specific types of Special Events. Such additional conditions and regulations may apply to permit holders, participants, and/or the general public.

**SECTION IV. - Severability**

The provisions of this Ordinance are intended to be severable, and if any section, sentence, clause, part or provision hereof shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the court shall not affect or impair the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, parts or provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of Borough Council that this Ordinance would have been adopted even if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause, part or provision had not been included herein.

**SECTION V. - Failure to Enforce not a Waiver**

The failure of the Borough to enforce any provision of this Ordinance shall not constitute a waiver by the Borough of its rights of future enforcement hereunder.

**SECTION VI. - Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval as required by the law.

**SECTION VII. - Repealer**

All other ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof insofar as they are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**ORDAINED** by Borough Council this 10th day of February, 2026.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jonathan M. Ewald  
President, Borough Council

**APPROVED** by the Mayor, this 10th day of February, 2026.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Peter J. Urscheler, Mayor

**ENACTED**, this 10th day of February, 2026.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
E. Jean Krack, Borough Manager/Secretary

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the said Ordinance duly adopted at a regular meeting of Borough Council held on the 10th day of February, 2026.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
E. Jean Krack, Borough Manager/Secretary