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FY 2016 Annual Ordinance Authorizing Public Library Non-Resident Cards

Whereas, the Westmont Public Library is a tax-supported public library; and

Whereas, people residing within jurisdictional boundaries of the Westmont Public Library pay taxes to support the library, and so need pay no additional fee to be eligible to receive a library card; and

Whereas, PA 9200166 stipulates that “A person residing outside of a public library service area must apply for a non-resident card at the public library located closest to the person’s principle residence”; and

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the Westmont Public Library has determined for its 2015-2016 fiscal year, commencing May 1, 2015 and ending April 30, 2016, to participate in the non-resident reciprocal borrowing program of its regional library system and to issue non-resident library cards;

Now, therefore, be it and it is hereby ordained by the Board of Library Trustees of the Westmont Public Library as follows:

Section 1: Individuals residing beyond the jurisdictional boundaries of the Westmont Public Library whose closest public library is the Westmont Public Library, and not residing within the boundaries of another public library, and owning no taxable property within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Westmont Public Library, may purchase a non-resident fee card calculated using the Tax Bill Method (23 Ad. Code 3050.60(b)).

Tax Bill Methods:

1. Non-Resident Taxpayer: The library tax rate or equivalent, including all special levies, is applied to the non-resident property owner’s principle residence assessed valuation on an individual, case by case basis. The most recent property tax bill will be used. The property owner will pay the same amount as would be paid if the property were in the library service area.
2. Non-Resident Renter: The library shall charge 15 percent (15%) of the monthly rent as the annual non-resident fee. The renter shall provide to the public library a current rent receipt or a cancelled rent check for verification purposes.

Section 2: Individuals residing beyond the jurisdictional boundaries of the Westmont Public Library, but owning (as an individual, partner, principle stockholder, or other joint owner) taxable property within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Westmont Public Library, or serving as a senior administrative officer of a firm, business, or other corporation owning taxable property within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Westmont Public Library, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Ordinance, may obtain a non-resident card without payment of the non-resident fee upon presentation of the most recent tax bill upon that taxable property. Each non-resident library card issued pursuant to this Section is limited to the exclusive use of the individual whose name appears on its face.

Section 3: The Library Director shall notify the regional library system within 30 days of the adoption of this Ordinance, stating (a) the effective date of this Ordinance, (b) the beginning and ending dates of the 12-month period of validity for non-resident library cards issued pursuant to this Ordinance, and (c) the fee formula as set forth herein.

Section 4: The Westmont Public Library shall continue to honor all non-resident library cards heretofore issued by the library, for the full term purchase.

Section 5: The Westmont Public Library shall cooperate with other participating area public libraries and the regional library system and adjacent regional library systems to determine the appropriate non-resident service areas, as stated in 23 Ad. Code 3050.25.

Section 6: The Policy of the Westmont Public Library for service to non-residents, including the description of the library's service areas and methods of calculating fees, shall be available for public inspection at the library.

Section 7: A valid non-resident card issued by the Westmont Public Library pursuant to this Ordinance shall accord a non-resident library cardholder all the services which this library provides to its residents, including reciprocal borrowing privileges.

Section 8: No non-resident is eligible to receive a "local use" library card from the Westmont Public Library.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Westmont Public Library on this 21st day of April 2015.