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**MAYOR HORNIK PROPOSES ‘SAFE SPACE’ FOR INTERNET-BASED
TRANSACTIONS**

Initiative to Promote Resident Safety for Private In-Person Exchanges

MARLBORO TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY (April 14, 2016) – Mayor Jonathan Hornik will ask the Marlboro Township Council to approve Ordinance 2016-8 “*Creating a ‘Safe Space’ for Internet-Based Transactions at the Township Municipal Complex*” at the Township Council meeting to be held this evening at the Marlboro Town Hall located at 1979 Township Drive. The Ordinance calls for the Township Municipal complex to have designated and marked parking spots that will be well lit and under Police video monitoring at all times.

Mayor Hornik stated, “The safety and security of Township residents is of paramount importance. As internet in-person sales between strangers increase, so does the chance for violence and fraud.” He continued, “By providing an area that will be video monitored by Marlboro Police, it is our goal to mitigate the danger.”

It is required that at least one of the parties be a Marlboro resident and register the transaction with the Township using an on-line form available on the Township website. Private exchanges of motor vehicles, weapons or items that do not fit in a 10x10 parking spot will not be permitted.

“This initiative is being funded by Federal Forfeiture funds available to the Marlboro Township and will be of virtually no cost to the taxpayer,” stated Hornik. “I want to thank Chief Bruce Hall for his leadership and the entire Division of Police for their support of this program.”

The Ordinance will be introduced to the Township Council this evening. Should the Council pass the Ordinance, it will be considered for public hearing and final passage at the next Council meeting scheduled for May 5, 2016 at 7:00 pm. The program will take several months to be enacted at which time residents will be notified through Township emails and social media.

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