Explanation: This ordinance amends Section 2-4.6 of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Warren to permit the Township’s Fire Department to adopt a modern and up-to-date command of operations plan. However, such plans must be filed with the Township and the Township must be notified of any changes thereto.

TOWNSHIP OF WARREN
ORDINANCE NO. 19-09

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING
CHAPTER II ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION,"
SECTION 2-4.6 ENTITLED “COMMAND OF
OPERATIONS” OF THE REVISED GENERAL
ORDINANCES OF WARREN TOWNSHIP.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren, in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 2-4.6 entitled “Command Operations” of Chapter II entitled “Administration” of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Warren is hereby supplemented and amended to read as follows:

All operations of the department shall be subject to a command of operations plan filed with the Township Committee. Said command of operations plan shall comply with all state and federal requirements regarding same. All amendments and revisions to the department’s command of operations plan must be likewise submitted to the Township Committee within fourteen (14) days of their adoption by the department. The chief shall be the highest ranking officer present. The chief shall determine the order in which the assistant chiefs shall rank, provided that the assistant chief who is a member of the same participating company as the chief shall rank lowest among the assistant chiefs. In the event of a vacancy among the departmental officers, the order of rank shall be newly determined in the same manner as of the time of filling such vacancy. In the event no departmental officer is present at a particular operation, it shall be under the control of the highest ranking company officer present and, in the case of company officers of equal rank, the order of rank for the purposes of this subsection shall be determined by the length of service in the department. Such company officer, during the time he is in charge of the operation, shall be deemed a departmental officer and shall possess all of the authority conferred upon departmental officers by this section or any bylaw, rule, regulation or order adopted, promulgated or made hereunder.]
SECTION 3. If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Township of Warren, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of The Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Warren are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

Note to Codifier: Deleted provisions indicated by brackets [ ].
New provision indicated in underline ________.

ATTEST:                      WARREN TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE

Cathy Reese, RMC,
Township Clerk

Gary DiNardo, Mayor

INTRODUCED: February 7, 2019
ADOPTED: February 28, 2019
EFFECTIVE: March 7, 2019