

RESOLUTION NO. 59-2025 OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BURLINGTON ADOPTING ITS FOURTH ROUND FAIR SHARE AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATION AND OTHER ACTIONS

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Fair Housing Act P.L. 2024, c.2, (“FHA”) the State of New Jersey adopted legislation addressing the Fourth Round of affordable housing for the period 2025 to 2035; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the FHA, the Department of Community Affairs (“DCA”), published Fourth Round preliminary obligations for each municipality in October of 2024; and

WHEREAS, the DCA calculated the City of Burlington as having a present need or rehabilitation share of 63 units and a prospective need share of 30 units for the Fourth Round; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the FHA, every municipality in the State of New Jersey has an obligation to adopt a binding resolution establishing its fair share affordable housing obligation for the Fourth Round by January 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City’s affordable housing professionals have reviewed the present need and prospective share published by the DCA and have recommended that the City adopt these amounts as its Fourth Round Fair Share obligation; and

WHEREAS, the City Common Council has reviewed this matter and agree to accept the recommendations of the City’s affordable housing professionals and take other necessary actions in connection with the FHA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Common Council of the City of Burlington, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey hereby establishes its Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation as a present need or rehabilitation share of 63 units and a prospective need share of 30 units; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Burlington's Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation is subject to vacant land adjustments and other amendments as may be provided for by law and the City hereby reserves its right to adjust its Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation accordingly; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City's affordable housing attorney is hereby authorized to file an action in the form of a declaratory judgment complaint and civil case information statement within 48 hours after the adoption of this resolution; and

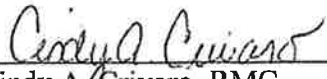
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City's affordable housing professionals shall submit the City of Burlington into the DCA affordable housing dispute program and take any other action necessary to comply with the FHA and implement its Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation including, but not limited to defending any challenges to the City's actions herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Common Council also authorizes its affordable housing professionals to prepare the appropriate Housing Element and Fair Share Plan as a component of the City's Master Plan so that is filed with DCA on or before June 30, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the DCA and posted on the City website upon its adoption.


Dawn Bergner-Thompson, President
Common Council

Attest:


Cindy A. Crivaro, RMC
Municipal Clerk

January 21, 2025

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RECORD OF VOTE OF PASSAGE BY THE COMMON COUNCIL						
	MOTION	SECOND	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
BALLARD	✓		✓			
CHACHIS		✓	✓			
HUTTON			✓			
RJIS						✓
SPAULDING			✓			
WOODARD						✓
BERGNER-THOMPSON			✓			