

**BOROUGH OF BERLIN
COUNTY OF CAMDEN**

RESOLUTION R1-30:2025

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FOURTH ROUND OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS.

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 Borough of Berlin as having a present need or rehabilitation share of 15 units and a prospective need share of 62 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 Borough’s affordable housing professionals have reviewed the present need and prospective share published by the DCA and have recommended that the Borough adopt these amounts as its Fourth Round Fair Share obligation; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Berlin, hereby establishes its Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation as a present need or rehabilitation share of 15 units and a prospective need share of 62 units; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough of Berlin’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 Borough hereby reserves its right to adjust its Fourth Round Affordable Housing Fair Share obligation accordingly; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Borough’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 Borough’s affordable housing professionals shall submit the Borough of Berlin 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 Borough's actions herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Borough also authorizes its affordable housing professionals to prepare the appropriate Housing Element and Fair Share Plan as a component of the Borough'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 upon its adoption.

Name	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Badolato						√
Cummings			√			
Hohing		√	√			
Miller	√		√			
Mascarenhas			√			
Wilkinson			√			

I, Rachel von der Tann, Municipal Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a public meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Berlin held on January 6, 2025.

Rachel von der Tann

Rachel von der Tann, RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk