

RESOLUTION 2025-6-40**RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN ADOPTED BY THE
CHERRY HILL TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD**

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, Governor Murphy signed P.L. 2024, c.2 into law, which amended the 1985 New Jersey Fair Housing Act; and

WHEREAS, for ease in reference, this resolution shall refer to the Fair Housing Act as amended as "FHA II"; and

WHEREAS, FHA II established a procedure by which municipalities can secure approval of a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan ("HEFSP") and secure immunity while developing and seeking approval of a Plan; and

WHEREAS, that procedure contemplated that municipalities would adopt a resolution by January 31, 2025 committing to a fair share number and filing a declaratory relief action within 48 hours from adoption of the resolution and then filing a HEFSP by June 30, 2025 with the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program (the "Program") within 48 hours of adoption of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with this statutory procedure, the Township adopted a binding resolution concerning its fair share and filed a declaratory relief action within 48 hours from adoption of the resolution; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to a procedure established by FHA II, Judge Sweitzer entered an order on March 28, 2025, fixing the Township's present need (also known as its rehabilitation obligation) at 378 and its prospective need (new construction) at 571; and

WHEREAS, the Township asked its affordable housing planning consultant, Robyn Welch, P.P., A.I.C.P. of Burgis Associates, Inc., to prepare a HEFSP to address the Township's affordable housing obligations under FHA II; and

WHEREAS, Robyn Welch, P.P., AICP, prepared a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and the Cherry Hill Planning Board adopted the Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit A, on June 16, 2025; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the procedure established by FHA II, the Township's Affordable Housing Counsel filed the duly adopted HEFSP with the Program created by FHA II within 48 hours from adoption; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council now wishes to endorse the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan adopted by the Cherry Hill Township Planning Board and seek approval of the HEFSP by the Program and Court.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Cherry Hill, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township Council hereby endorses the HEFSP previously adopted by the Cherry Hill Township Planning Board and attached hereto as Exhibit A.
2. The Township Council hereby directs the Township's Affordable Housing Counsel to:
 - a. file this resolution with the Program, along with any additional documents the professionals deem necessary or desirable; and
 - b. seek a Compliance Certification from the Program or Vicinage area judge, as may be appropriate, formally approving the Plan.
3. The Township reserves the right to further amend the HEFSP attached hereto, should that be necessary.

ADOPTED: JUNE 23, 2025


COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

PATTI CHACKER, RMC
TOWNSHIP CLERK

TOWNSHIP CLERK'S OFFICE
CHERRY HILL, NEW JERSEY

I, Patti Chacker, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Cherry Hill, situated in the County of Camden, State of New Jersey, hereby affirm that the attached document is an accurate reproduction of

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Adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Cherry Hill, New Jersey, on the 23rd day of June 2025, as extracted from and cross-referenced with the original document presently maintained in my office.

In Witness Whereof, I have affixed my signature and the official seal of the Township of Cherry Hill, at Cherry Hill, New Jersey, on this 23rd day of June, 2025.



PATTI CHACKER, RMC
Municipal Clerk
Cherry Hill Township