

Township of Robbinsville
County of Mercer

Resolution 2025-188

RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE FOURTH ROUND HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN FOR 2025-2035

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2024, Governor Murphy signed P.L. 2024, c.2 into law (“Amended Act”), establishing a new framework for determining and enforcing municipalities’ affordable housing obligations under the State’s Fair Housing Act and New Jersey Supreme Court’s Mount Laurel doctrine; and

WHEREAS, per the Amended Act, the Township adopted Township Council resolution #2025-060 establishing its Fourth Round Present Need Obligation of forty (40) units and the Fourth Round Prospective Need Obligation of three hundred thirty-six (336) units in accordance with the methodology and formula set forth in the Amended Act; and

WHEREAS, in order for the Township to maintain immunity from exclusionary zoning litigation, it also filed a declaratory judgment action (“DJ Action”) in order to participate in the Program established by the Amended Act and seek an order of compliance with the new law and the Mount Laurel doctrine; and

WHEREAS, On March 25, 2025, the Court found no “interested party” has filed a “challenge” to the Petitioner’s DJ Complaint by way of an Answer thereto as provided for and in accordance with Section II.B of Directive #14-24 of the Program the Court found and determined, therefore, that the “present need” and “prospective need” affordable housing obligations of the Petitioner for the Fourth Round housing cycle as calculated and reported in the DCA’s Fourth Round Report have been committed to by the Petitioner and are uncontested; and

WHEREAS, the On March 25, 2025, Order authorized the Township to proceed to the compliance phase and prepare and adopt its HEFSP by June 30, 2025, in accordance with the timeframe established by the Amended Act; and

WHEREAS, the Township has prepared its HEFSP and Appendices in accordance with the Amended Act, with considerable input from its planners, Municipal staff, and attorneys; and


WHEREAS, a hearing of the Robbinsville Township Land Board to consider adopting the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (“HEFSP”) portion of the Township’s Master Plan was duly noticed and held on June 24, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Land Use Board duly adopted the HEFSP at the meeting on June 24, 2025; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Township for the Township Council to endorse the HEFSP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Robbinsville, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, hereby endorses the 2025-2035 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan portion of the Robbinsville Township Master Plan.

I certify this to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Robbinsville at a meeting held on June 26, 2025.


Michele Seigfried, Municipal Clerk