TOWNSHIP OF BURLINGTON

ORDINANCE

2024-OR-033

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BURLINGTON AMENDING CODE CHAPTER 559 "TREE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT"

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") required the Township as the holder of a MS4 Tier A permit to adopt a tree removal and replacement ordinance on or before May 1, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the administration has requested that the Township Council adopt amendments to Code Chapter 559 as the recommendation of the Township Engineer to reduce the impact of the regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Burlington that Code Chapter 559 is amended as follows:

SECTION 1. § 559-3.A.(3) shall provide: The application fee is one hundred dollars (\$100.00) unless the submission of a tree protection management plan is required, in which case the application fee is five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

Section 2. From the Tree Replacement Requirements Table in § 559-3.B.(4) the application fee column shall be removed.

Section 3. From the Tree Replacement Fees Table in § 559-3.C.(1) the fees shall be reduced as follows: Category 1 - \$50.00/tree; Category 2 \$75.00/tree; Category 3 - \$100.00/tree; Category 4 - \$250.00/tree.

Add § 559-3.C.(2) as follows: The maximum tree Section 4. replacement fee for the construction of a single-family home for which land use approval is not required other than a variance, or for the expansion of a single-family home, is five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00), and for all other developments the maximum fee is fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00).

Section 5. Add § 559-4H. to the list of exemptions: Any land use application which received an approval from the Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment before the effective date of this chapter.

This Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Township Council in the Township of Burlington held on September 24, 2024, and will be considered for final passage after a public hearing held at a Regular Meeting of the Township Council to be held on October 8, 2024, at the Township Municipal Building, Burlington Township, New Jersey at 7:00 p.m.

This will certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by a majority of the Burlington Township Council on October 8, 2024.

President of Council Municipal Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Mary E. Field, Municipal Clerk, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and exact copy of an ordinance adopted by the Township Council at the meeting held on October 8, 2024, which is being submitted this 8th day of October, 2024, to the Honorable E.L. Pete Green, Mayor of the Township of Burlington, for his action in conformity to the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40:69A-41.

Mary E. Field, RM Municipal Clerk

APPROVAL

I, E.L. Pete Green, Mayor of the Township of Burlington, acknowledge receipt of Ordinance # 2024-OR-033 entitled:

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on October 8, 2024 with my responsibilities under the Charter, I on this 8th day of October 2024, do approve the Ordinance entitled above.

E.L. Pete Green, Mayor