CITY COUNCIL

The City of Orange Township, New Jersey

DATE		

NUMBER 83-2023

TITLE:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING THE NORTH MAIN STREET REDEVELOPMENT AND REHABILITATION PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 ET SEQ. TO INCREASE MINIMUM OFF-STREET RESIDENTIAL PARKING REQUIREMENTS WITHIN THE NORTH MAIN STREET REDEVELOPMENT AND REHABILITATION AREA.

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law ("LRHL"), N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq., the Municipal Council ("Municipal Council") of the City of Orange Township ("City") adopted the North Main Street Redevelopment and Rehabilitation Plan on September 1, 2020, with amendments thereafter from time-to-time ("Redevelopment Plan"); and,

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Plan relates to an area in need of redevelopment and rehabilitation known as the North Main Street Redevelopment and Rehabilitation Area comprising 130 parcels across 7 blocks bounded generally by White Street to the North, the Main Street Redevelopment and Rehabilitation Area to the South, High Street to the West, and Canfield Street to the East ("Redevelopment Area"); and,

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Area is divided into 3 sections, designated as the Residential, Mixed Use and Civic/Commercial Districts, each of which is governed by a separate set of bulk standards that establish minimum off-street residential parking requirements for all new development (collectively, "Residential Parking Requirements"); and,

WHEREAS, after re-examining the Residential Parking Requirements in the context of parking needs created by new development, it was found that they do not accurately reflect those needs, resulting in overflow of new parked vehicles on surrounding streets; and,

WHEREAS, to address this deficiency, the Municipal Council now wishes to amend the Redevelopment Plan in order to increase the Residential Parking Requirements, such that new multi-family residential buildings shall be required to have a minimum of 1 off-street parking space for each studio, 1- and 2-bedroom unit, and a minimum of 2 off-street parking spaces for each unit with 3+ bedrooms ("Plan Amendment"); and,

WHEREAS, through adoption of Resolution No. 46-2023 on December 5, 2023, the Municipal Council referred its proposed Plan Amendment to the City of Orange Township Planning Board ("Planning Board") for consideration in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e); and,

WHEREAS, the Planning Board reviewed the Plan Amendment at its regular meeting on January _____, 2024, and authorized the Planning Board Attorney to issue correspondence to the Mayor and Municipal Council advising the Municipal Council of its findings, comments and recommendations regarding same; and,

WHEREAS, having considered the Planning Board's written findings, comments and recommendations, the Municipal Council now wishes to approve and adopt the Plan Amendment.

(UNDERSCORES ARE ADDITIONS, (BRACED STRIKEOUTS) ARE DELETIONS)

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE TOWNSHIP, COUNTY OF ESSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY as follows:

Section 1 Amendments to North Main Street Redevelopment and Rehabilitation Plan.

Section 4 ("Proposed Land Use Plan"), Subsection 4.2 ("District Standards") of the Redevelopment Plan is hereby amended as follows:

Bulk Standards

Regulation	Residential District	Mixed Use District	Civic/Commercial
_			District
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Minimum Number of Parking Space	s		
For Studio, 1 Bedroom, 2 Bedroom	{0.5} 1 space {s} per	{0.5} 1 space {s} per	{0.5} 1 space {s} per
	unit	unit	unit
For 3 Bedroom or more	(1)2 spaces per unit	{1}2 spaces per unit	(1)2 spaces per unit
{For Retail}	{ }	{1 space per 300 Sq.	[-]
		Ft.)	, ,
For Restaurant/Tavern	-	1 space per 3 seats	-
For All Other { Commercial} Uses	-	1 space per 300 Sq.	1 space per 300 Sq.
		Ft.	Ft.
{For Civic Use}	{ }	()	{1 space per 300 Sq.
			Ft.)

Section 2 Severability of Ordinance Provisions.

Each Section of this Ordinance is an independent Section and any part hereof found unconstitutional, void or ineffective for any cause shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other parts hereof.

Section 3 Conflicts and Inconsistencies.

All other Ordinances and parts of Ordinances that conflict or are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

Section 4 Effective Date.

Following final passage, this Ordinance shall take effect upon the expiration of 20 days after publication, unless otherwise provided by the Municipal Council.

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PURPOSE:	To increase minimum off-street residential parking requirements within the North Main Street Redevelopment and Rehabilitation Area.			
FISCAL IMPACT:	None.			
Adopted:				
Joyce L. Lanier City Clerk	Tency A. Eason Council President			
Approved:				
Dwayne D. Warren, Es				
Mayor				