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# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 126-321.4 ENTITLED "LOW AND MODERATE-INCOME HOUSING" TO PROVIDE FOR A COMPREHENSIVE AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY WAY OF AN AFFORDABILITY ASSISTANCE AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

**WHEREAS**, it is in the interests and authority of the Township of Bridgewater and the citizens thereof to for a comprehensive affordability assistance program required as part of the Township's Affordable Housing Trust Fund spending plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the best way to accomplish this is to amend the Township Code to adopt the Affordability Assistance and Procedures Manual dated March 2021 prepared by the Township's Administrative Agent; and

**WHEREAS**, in consideration thereof, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bridgewater desire to amend Chapter 126-321.4 of the Municipal Code; and

**BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED**, by the Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey that Chapter 126-321.4 of the Municipal Code of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey entitled "Low and Moderate-Income Housing" is amended pursuant to the provisions hereof (additions are noted <u>thusly</u> and deletions are noted thusly):

#### Section I

Chapter 126-321.4(P) is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

- (1) The Township's affordability assistance programs shall be as described in the most recent version of the Township's Affordability Assistance and Procedures Manual, a copy of which shall be appended as an exhibit to this Chapter.
- (2) Any update to the Affordability Assistance and Procedures Manual shall be approved by resolution of the Township Council.

### Section II

Chapter 126-321.4(Q) is hereby deleted in its entirety.

### Section III

Chapter 126-321.4(R) is hereby deleted in its entirety.

### Section IV

All ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

#### Section V

If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to this section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision and the remainder of this Ordinance shall be deemed valid and effective.

## Section VI

This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication in the manner required by New Jersey general law but, in no event, less than 20 days after its final passage by the Township Council and approval by the Mayor, where such approval is required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:69A-181(b).

Adopted: <u>April 19, 2021</u> Effective: <u>May 10, 2021</u>