ORDINANCE MC- 5488

On Motion Of: Christopher Collins

APPROVED: February 13th, 2024

ADOPTED: March 12th, 2024

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ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 870-230R OF THE CAMDEN CODE ALLOWING FOR THE WAIVER OF THE CASH CONTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT AS APPROVED BY THE ZONING OFFICER AND ALSO AMENDING SECTION 870-268C OF THE CAMDEN CODE REQUIRING THAT THE SUBMISSION OF ALL APPLICATIONS UNDER THIS SECTION ARE TO ALSO TAKE PLACE THROUGH ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

WHEREAS, current Section 870-230R requires that in the case where a variance is granted due to demonstrated hardship or other good and sufficient reasons, where off-street parking requirements are not met, an applicant must make a cash contribution to the City for each required parking space not provided for which funds can be used to support a program for the construction of public parking lots; and

WHEREAS, the Administration now seeks to amend Section 870-230R to include language allowing the Zoning Officer the discretion to partially or fully waive this cash contribution requirement thereby allowing for equity and fairness in the application process as between large and small scale developers in the City; and

WHEREAS, the Administration also seeks to amend Section 870-268C governing all applications submitted pursuant to Section 870 to require that all such applications must also be submitted electronically; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Camden concurs with these suggested amendments; now therefore

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Camden, that Section 870-230R of the Camden City Code is hereby amended, as follows:

Section 870-230 R.

A variance and public notice shall be required if the proper number of parking spaces are not provided on a lot. If off-street parking requirements are not met as provided above, the developer or applicant must obtain approval of a parking space variance subject to the provisions of this chapter. If a variance is granted due to demonstrated hardship or other good and sufficient reasons, the applicant shall then make a cash contribution to the City for each required space not provided in order to develop a program of constructing public parking lots unless the Zoning Officer has determined that a developer is entitled to a partial or complete waiver of this cash contribution requirement. The contribution shall be in an amount equal to the cost of providing the required minimum number of parking spaces, to be calculated by the City Engineer. If the Zoning Officer determines that a partial or complete waiver of the cash contribution requirement is appropriate, the Zoning Officer shall so state the reasons for such waiver in writing.

And

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Camden, that Section 870-268C of the Camden City Code is hereby amended, as follows:

Section 870-268 C.

Submission hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. All applications must be stamped "received" by the Division of Planning and Zoning. No outside dropoffs will be processed. All applications must also be submitted electronically via electronic submission.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed as to such inconsistency only.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after its final passage and publication as provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision of this ordinance is declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this ordinance. Furthermore, the other provisions of this ordinance are deemed to be severable and remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27BBB-23 and N.J.S.A. 40:69A-41, a true copy of this Ordinance shall be forwarded to the Mayor, who shall have ten (10) days from the receipt thereof to approve or veto this Ordinance. Additionally, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27BBB-23, a true copy of this Ordinance shall be forwarded to the State Commissioner of Community Affairs, who shall have ten (10) days from the receipt thereof to veto this Ordinance, and the action by the Commissioner regarding this Ordinance shall supersede any action by the Mayor on the same Ordinance. All notices of approval and/or veto shall be filed in the Office of the Municipal Clerk.

Date of Introduction: February 13, 2024

The above has been reviewed and approved as to form.

DANIEL S. BLACKBURN

City Attorney

ANGEL FUENTES
President City Council

VICTOR CARSTARPHEN

Mayor

ATTEST: LUIS PASTORIZA

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<u>MEMORANDUM</u>

DATE: March 19, 2024

TO: Victor Carstarphen, Mayor

FROM: Luis Pastoriza, Municipal Clerk

RE: Ordinance Final Passage – (MC-5488)

Ordinance Amending Section 870-230R Of The Camden Code Allowing For The Waiver Of The Cash Contribution Requirement As Approved By The Zoning Officer And Also Amending Section 870-268C Of The Camden Code Requiring That The Submission Of All Applications Under This Section Are To Also Take Place Through Electronic Submission

In accordance with Rule XIX of the Administrative Code of the City of Camden (Rules of Procedure governing the City Council), I am delivering to you the attached ordinance adopted by City Council at a **Regular** meeting held on <u>3-12-2024</u>. Said article provides that "each ordinance shall be returned by the Mayor to the Municipal Clerk after the Mayor has affixed his /her signature thereto or after the expiration of **ten (10) days** from the date of its delivery to the Mayor in any event."

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Date of Approval:	3/28/29

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