

**BOROUGH OF CLOSTER
ORDINANCE NO.: 2026-1391**

ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2026:1385 TO REMOVE PARAGRAPH 6, "INTERPRETATION" PURSUANT TO THE REQUEST OF FAIR SHARE HOUSING CENTER

WHEREAS, on February 25, 2026, the Governing Body of the Borough of Closter Introduced Ordinance 2026-1385 (the "Ordinance"), which proposes to amend Article XIX (Section 200-54.11-200.54.35) of the Borough Code entitled Affordable Housing and Affirmative Marketing; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2026, the Governing Body Adopted the aforementioned Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, subsequently on March 12, 2026, this Ordinance was filed, along with other required documents, with the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program, In the Matter of the Application of the Borough of Closter, County of Bergen Docket No.: BER-L-000549-2025, pursuant to the Conditional Compliance Order dated January 27, 2026; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2026, the Borough received correspondence from Counsel for the Fair Share Housing Center (FSHC) requesting additional documentation in order to prepare a Consent Order Granting Round 4 Affordable Housing Compliance Certification in this matter; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of obtaining Round 4 Affordable Housing Compliance Certification, Counsel for FSHC requested that Ordinance 2026:1385 be amended to remove Section 200-54.11A, Paragraph 6, entitled "Interpretation".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Borough of Closter, Bergen County, New Jersey, that Chapter 200, Article XIX of the Borough's Code is amended as follows.

SECTION 1.

Delete Section 200-54.11A, Paragraph 6, "Interpretation" in its entirety from Ordinance 2026:1385 and the Closter Borough Code entitled Affordable Housing and Affirmative Marketing.

SECTION 2.

Except as amended by this Ordinance, all other provisions of Chapter 200 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies. If any article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase, or sentence is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, said article, section, subsection, paragraph, phrase, or sentence shall be deemed severable.

SECTION 4.

The Borough Clerk shall provide a copy of this Ordinance, following Introduction, to the Planning Board secretary and Planning Board Attorney for recommendation and report per the Municipal Land Use Act.

SECTION 5.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final publication as provided by law.

| COUNCILMEMBER | MOTION | SECOND | YES | NO | ABSENT | ABSTAIN |
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| Councilwoman Amitai | | | | | | |
| Council President Cho | | | | | | |
| Councilwoman Chung | | | | | | |
| Councilwoman Latner | | | | | | |
| Councilwoman Maroules | | | | | | |
| Councilman Yammarino | | | | | | |

Introduced: May 13, 2026

Adopted: May 27, 2026

ATTEST:

APPROVED BY:

Mari J. Margiotta, Borough Clerk

John C. Glidden, Jr., Mayor