

TOWNSHIP OF MOORESTOWN

ORDINANCE NO. 4-2015

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MOORESTOWN AMENDING CHAPTER 158, ARTICLE II, SECTION 158-14 ENTITLED FEES TO ADD A PROVISION INCREASING THE REQUIRED ESCROW FOR CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATIONS FROM \$300.00 TO \$1,200.00

WHEREAS, the Township of Moorestown has previously adopted a Subdivision of Land Ordinance pursuant to the provisions of the Municipal Land Use Law set forth at N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1, et. seq.; and,

WHEREAS, said Ordinance at Article II, Section 158-14 provides a Schedule of Fees and Escrows at paragraph B thereunder and at subsection (4)(b) requires that the amount to be paid into escrow for a conditional use application not involving site plan or subdivision approval shall be \$300.00; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Community Development of the Township of Moorestown, based on past experience has determined that the cost of professional review by the Planning Board professional engineer, attorney, planning and landscaping consultants and other professionals employed to review and make recommendations on a conditional use application, routinely and significantly exceeds the current escrow amount required resulting in the expenditure of additional time and effort by department staff to secure the additional funds required from the applicant which time and effort could be saved if the required escrow amount was significantly increased; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Moorestown, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that Chapter 158, Article II, Section 158-14.B.(4)(b) of the Moorestown Subdivision of Land Ordinance be amended as follows:

Section 1: Chapter 158-14.B.(4)(b) shall be amended as follows:

(b) Escrow account: ~~\$300~~ 1,200, if the application does not involve site plan or subdivision approval.

Section 2: Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, adoption and publication on the earliest date permitted by law.

Section 3: Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause, phrase, term, provision or part of this Ordinance shall be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or inoperative, such judgment shall not affect, inhere or invalidate the remainder thereof, which shall be confined in its operation to the section, paragraph, clause, term, provision or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in such judgment shall be rendered.

Section 4: Short Title. This Ordinance may be cited as Ordinance No. 4-2015.