

TOWNSHIP OF MANALAPAN

ORDINANCE 2022-03

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 3, “BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS”, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANALAPAN, ARTICLE IV, “ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL”

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANALAPAN, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION ONE. Chapter 3, “Boards, Committees and Commissions”, of the Code of the Township of Manalapan, Article IV, “Economic Development Council”, be and the same is hereby amended and supplemented to read, in full, as follows: (deletions in ~~stike throughs~~; additions underlined)

ARTICLE IV

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

§ 3-10 Establishment and composition.

- A. There shall be an Economic Development Council of the Township consisting of ~~44~~ 12 members, one of whom shall be a liaison from the Township Committee and one of whom shall be the Township Administrator.
- B. The remaining ~~nine~~ ten regular members shall be appointed by the Township Committee for three-year terms on a staggered basis, ~~with three regular members appointed each year, except that of the members initially appointed, three of the regular members shall be appointed to serve for a term of three years, three regular members shall be appointed to serve for a term of two years, and the remaining three regular members shall be appointed to serve for a term of one year.~~ Each member shall serve until his/her successor has been appointed and qualified. These members shall be residents of the Township, except that one may be the owner of a business enterprise that is located within the Township who need not be a resident. These members shall serve for their respective terms and until their successors

are appointed and qualified.

- C. The Economic Development Council shall annually select one of its regular members to serve as Chairperson and one of its regular members to serve as Vice Chairperson.
- D. Vacancies in the membership of the Development Council, occurring for whatever cause, shall be promptly filled by the appointment by the Township Committee for the unexpired term thereof.
- E. The members shall receive no compensation for their services but may be reimbursed by the Township Committee for out-of-pocket expenses approved in advance.
- F. ~~The Township Committee shall provide for an annual budget for the Council which may include provisions for an individual to take minutes at meetings, distribution of the minutes, correspondence with members, printing, public relations and other expected operating expenses.~~

§ 3-11 ~~Office and records.~~ **RESERVED**

~~The Economic Development Council shall have and maintain a suitable office where its maps, plans, documents, records and accounts shall be kept, subject to public inspection at such times and under such reasonable conditions as the Economic Development Council shall determine. Existing office facilities of the Township shall be used without charge, if practical.~~

§ 3-12 **Powers and duties.**

The purpose of the Economic Development Council shall be to act as an advisory committee to the Manalapan Township Committee, ~~and to its Planning Board and Board of Adjustment. It shall not be involved in any way in the approval process for submissions these entities by developers except to provide input to these entities to be made part of the public record. It shall~~ make recommendations to the Township Committee to increase the ratio of commercial to residential ratables in the Township, thereby reducing the tax burden on the residents of the Township.

The Economic Development Council shall:

- A. ~~In concert with the Township Committee and the Township's Master Plan, determine those areas of the Township where nonresidential tax ratable projects can be constructed and what types of projects should be constructed.~~ Establish, maintain and promote the Township of Manalapan through positive public relations and marketing campaigns.

B. ~~Work with the Township Committee, the Manalapan Planning Board and the Manalapan Board of Adjustment and others to provide recommended and suggested incentives for the developers of these projects to come to Manalapan. Such incentives could include but not be limited to: guiding the process so that a developer can receive the results of a project's feasibility in a timelier and less expensive manner without sacrificing any of the required and appropriate review and approval processes; and providing information to developers, including any state provided tax incentives. Recommend strategies to maximize the Township's economic growth and create job opportunities for the residents of Manalapan Township.~~

C. ~~Meet with developers to review potential projects and provide a non-binding report of findings and recommendations to both the developer and to the Township. —Promote Ribbon Cutting ceremonies for new businesses in Manalapan.~~

D. ~~Develop Prepare a marketing plan information for the Township to achieve these previously stated goals provide to interested entities who wish to start a business in Manalapan.~~

§ 3-13 Limitations.

~~The Council shall not exercise any power of condemnation or eminent domain and shall not be authorized to pledge the credit of the Township or any other municipality or of the State of New Jersey or to create any debt against or in any manner act as the agent of the Township or of such municipality or of the State of New Jersey.~~

§ 3-14 Annual report; expenses.

~~The Council shall make an annual report to the Township, setting forth in detail its operations and accomplishments for the preceding 12 months. The Council shall keep complete and accurate records of its account and shall not exceed its budget, and moneys received from the Township shall be expended only for the purposes for which they have been appropriated.~~

SECTION TWO. All Ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION THREE. Should any section, paragraph, clause or other portion of this Ordinance be adjudged by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect or impair the remainder of this Ordinance.

SECTION FOUR. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication according to law.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and approved at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Manalapan held on March 9, 2022 and will be further considered for final passage after a Public Hearing thereon before the Township Committee of the Township of Manalapan during a meeting to be held on March 30, 2022 at the Municipal Complex, 120 Route 522 and Taylors Mill Road, Manalapan, New Jersey at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached, or at any meeting to which that meeting may be adjourned, at which time any and all persons who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard.

The proposed Ordinance in its entirety is on file in the Municipal Clerk's Office and copies may be obtained without charge between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. A complete copy may also be obtained from the Manalapan Township web-site www.mtnj.org by clicking on the Ordinance title listed on the Agenda posted for the Township Committee meeting of March 30, 2022.

SHARI ROSE, RMC
Municipal Clerk