

CITY OF BRIGANTINE

RESOLUTION 2024-~~162~~-__

RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY WAIVING BULKHEAD FEES

WHEREAS, the City of Brigantine established bulkhead permit fees based upon whether the activity included full or partial reconstruction or maintenance of structures meant to mitigate tides whether created by erosion or storm surge; and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance permits the City Council to waive local permit fees by resolution when the reason for the construction fee was created by a natural condition, including but not limited to natural disasters, erosion and storm surges; and

WHEREAS, Cove Beach along the Absecon Inlet has experienced significant erosion and during high tides and storms resulting in continuing events of water washing over the jetty into the yards of the property owners backing up to Cove Beach; and

WHEREAS, the City continues to seek a long term solution by working with U.S. Congressman Van Drew and New Jersey Senator Polistina as well as multiple meetings with the Army Corp of Engineers, the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), Bureau of Coastal Engineering , NJDEP Bureau of Land Use Protection, and the Atlantic County Office of Emergent Management; and

WHEREAS, while the Army Corps of Engineers and the NJDEP recommended studies be performed to identify a long-term protection plan of the area, an immediate recommendation is that property owners seek emergency authorization from NJDEP for an individual permit to construct or replace the bulkhead structures on their properties; and

WHEREAS, the State and City highly recommend that the property owners along Sunset Court and Ocean Drive West immediately work with a coastal engineer to gain an understanding as to design and permitting that is most appropriate to their property including the replacement of their bulkhead; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to waive the City's bulkhead permit fees for these properties under the terms expressed herein; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Brigantine, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey that:

1. The City Council hereby waives the bulkhead permit fees for reconstruction and/or full replacement of the bulkhead adjacent to their properties as defined below.
2. The Property Owner/Contractor must apply for the permit no later than December 31, 2025;
3. This waiver is for a maximum of \$600 for the local construction permit or the highest rate for permit fees at the time of application.

4. This waiver does not affect any permit required to be obtained through the State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the costs related thereto.
5. If any of the listed properties have already commenced work and/or obtained their permit and paid the fee from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025, the City shall reimburse the property owner for the cost of such permit no greater than the \$600 fee.
6. This resolution is limited to the following properties:

Location	Block	Lots
Sunset Court	4402	8-10
Ocean Drive W.	4402	11-14
Ocean Drive W.	4401	1-8
Ocean Drive W.	4601	1-8
Ocean Drive W.	4602	1-8

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution adopted by the Municipal Council for the City of Brigantine, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, on the 2nd Day of October, 2024.

City of Brigantine

Lynn Sweeney, RMC
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 City Clerk

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RECORD VOTE OF COUNCIL ON FINAL PASSAGE				
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Y	N	NV	AB
SERA	✓			
RIORDAN	✓			
KANE	✓			
BEW	✓			
LETTIERI	✓			
HANEY	✓			
DeLUCRY	✓			

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