

RESOLUTION #65-2026

**BOROUGH OF STRATFORD, COUNTY OF CAMDEN AUTHORIZING
THE SETTLEMENT OF CERTAIN LITIGATION WITH THE FAIR SHARE
HOUSING CENTER, INC.**

WHEREAS, on or about January 10, 2025, the Borough of Stratford (“Borough”) filed a declaratory judgment action in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Law Division, Camden County, under Docket No. CAM-L-101-25 (the “DJ Action”); and

WHEREAS, the Borough sought with the DJ Action to establish its Fourth Round Mount Laurel affordable housing obligation and, upon adoption and approval of the Borough’s Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, obtain a judgment of Fourth Round Compliance and Repose; and

WHEREAS, the Stratford Borough Joint Land Use Board (“JLUB”) subsequently adopted a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan to address the Borough’s Fourth Round obligation; and

WHEREAS, the Borough endorsed the Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and sought approval of the same through the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program (“Program”); and

WHEREAS, on or about August 28, 2025, the Fair Share Housing Center (“FSHC”) filed a challenge to the Borough’s Fourth Round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan with the Program; and

WHEREAS, the Borough and FSHC reached an amicable resolution of the dispute through the Program; and

WHEREAS, for these and other reasons, the Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford deems it to be in the Borough’s best interest to enter into the proposed Mediation Agreement with FSHC;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Stratford, County of Camden, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. Council hereby approves the Mediation Agreement with FSHC.
2. Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the Mediation Agreement on behalf of the Borough.
3. Council hereby authorizes the Borough Solicitor to take any actions necessary to effectuate the Mediation Agreement and conclude the DJ Action.

CERTIFICATION

I, Michelle Hack, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify the foregoing Resolution to be a true and complete copy of a Resolution duly adopted at the public meeting of the Stratford Borough Council held on April 9, 2026.



Michelle Hack, RMC
Borough Clerk