

**ORDINANCE NO. 2024-06
TOWNSHIP OF EAST WINDSOR
COUNTY OF MERCER**

**AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION
LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget up to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor in the County of Mercer finds it advisable to permit an increase of its CY 2024 budget by up to 3.5%, if necessary, over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council hereby determines that an increase of up to 1 % increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$196,178.04 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final CY 2024 budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of East Windsor, County of Mercer and State of New Jersey as follows:

I

1. In the CY 2024 budget year, the final appropriations of the Township of East Windsor shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$686,623.14 and that the CY 2024 municipal budget for the Township of East Windsor be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and
2. Any amount authorized herein that is not appropriated as part of the final CY 2024 budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years.

3. A certified copy of this ordinance as introduced shall be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction.
4. A certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, shall be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

II

REPEAL

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

III

SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

IV

EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the final passage and publication as required by law.

ATTEST:



NIVEN RAGHIB
Deputy Municipal Clerk



JANICE S. MIRONOV
Mayor

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Introduced: April 9, 2024

Adopted: April 30, 2024

Effective: May 20, 2024