

ORDINANCE NO. 17-6

CITY OF BRIDGETON
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 149,
FEES OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF BRIDGETON

WHEREAS, there exists a need for the City of Bridgeton to amend Chapter 149, Fees, making it clear that the plan review fee is nonrefundable; and

WHEREAS, the N.J.A.C. 5:23 et seq. allows for municipalities to retain the plan review fee if an application for permits is withdrawn; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 149. Fees. Article II. Schedule of Fees Section 149-34. Uniform Construction Code (17) indicates the plan review fee is 20% of the building permit fee; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Construction Code, N.J.A.C. 5:23-4.18 (b) Plan review fees: 1. indicates that plan review fees may be no less than five percent nor more than 25 percent of the amount charged for the construction fee; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.27 states that "Plan review fees are not refundable," and

WHEREAS, the intention of this change is to clearly establish that the City of Bridgeton shall withhold 20% of the construction fee to cover the plan review process if after applying, the applicant does not proceed with the project and requests a refund of the permitting fees;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Bridgeton as follows:

Chapter 149, Article II, §149 – 34. A. (17) is hereby amended to read:

§149 – 34 A. (17). Plan review fee: Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.27, the plan review fee which is established as 20% of the total fee shall be non-refundable in the event the applicant advises in writing that the project will not be completed.

ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Bridgeton held on the 7th day of June, 2017.

ATTEST:

Darlene Richmond,
RMC, Municipal Clerk

Gladys Lugardo-Hemple
Council President

APPROVED:

Albert Kelly, Mayor