

**TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON
COUNTY OF SALEM
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-05**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 170.61 (I) OF THE CODE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF QUINTON TO ALLOW THE MAYOR TO APPOINT UP TO FOUR
ALTERNATES TO THE PLANNING BOARD**

WHEREAS, the Township of Quinton, Salem County, seeks to amend its municipal code to enhance the functionality and flexibility of its Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-23.1, municipalities are authorized to appoint up to four (4) alternate members to the Planning Board empowered to exercise the powers of the board of adjustment; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 1996-2, Chapter 170-58 was amended to empower the Quinton Township Planning board to exercise all powers of the Board of Adjustment; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton deems it in the best interest of the Township to amend Chapter 170.61 (I) to allow the Mayor to appoint up to four (4) alternates to the Planning Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. Amendment to Chapter 170.61 (I)

Chapter 170.61 (I) of the Code of the Township of Quinton is hereby amended to read as follows:

Original Wording:

"Two Class IV alternate members shall be appointed to the Planning Board by the Mayor, and shall meet the qualifications of Class IV members of the Planning Board. Alternate members shall be designated at the time of appointment by the Mayor as Alternate No. 1 and Alternate No. 2. The terms of the alternate members shall be for two years, except that the terms of the alternate members shall be such that the term of not more than one alternate member shall expire in any one year; provided, however, that in no instance shall the term of the alternate members first appointed exceed two years. A vacancy occurring otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be filled by the Mayor for the unexpired term only. Alternate members may participate in discussions of the proceedings but may not vote except in the absence or disqualification of a regular member of any class. A vote shall not be delayed in order that a regular member may vote instead of an alternate member. In the event that a choice must be made as to which alternate member is to vote, Alternate No. 1 shall vote."

Revised Wording:

"Four (4) Class IV alternate members shall be appointed to the Planning Board by the Mayor, and shall meet the qualifications of Class IV members of the Planning Board. Alternate members shall be designated at the time of appointment by the Mayor as Alternate No. 1, Alternate No. 2, Alternate 3, and Alternate 4. The terms of the alternate members shall be for two years, except that the terms of the alternate members shall be such that the term of not more than two (2)

alternate member shall expire in any one year; provided, however, that in no instance shall the initial term of the alternate members first appointed exceed three years. A vacancy occurring otherwise than by expiration of a term shall be filled by the Mayor for the unexpired term only. Alternate members may participate in discussions of the proceedings but may not vote except in the absence or disqualification of a regular member of any class. A vote shall not be delayed in order that a regular member may vote instead of an alternate member. In the event that a choice must be made as to which alternate member is to vote, Alternate No. 1 shall vote, if present and if not, Alternate No. 2 shall vote; in the event Alternate No.1 and 2 are not present, Alternate No 3 shall vote, and in the event Alternates 1, 2 and 3 are not present Alternate No. 4 shall vote."

Section 2. Severability

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

Section 3. Repealer

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

Section 4. Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as required by law.

Introduced: _____

Adopted: _____

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing proposed Ordinance No. 2025-05 was introduced and passed on first reading by the Township Committee of the Township of Quinton, County of Salem, State of New Jersey, at a regular meeting held on May 6, 2025. A second reading and public hearing on the foregoing Ordinance will be conducted by the Township Committee at a regular meeting to be held on June 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., at the quinton Township Munipal Building in Quinton, New Jersey after which the Ordinance will be considered for final passage.