TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER

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BRIDGEWATER TOWNSHIP NOTICE

PURSUANT TO N.J.S.A. 40:49-2(a), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Council of the Township of Bridgewater, County of Somerset, introduced and passed on first reading at its meeting on October 15, 2026, the following ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRIDGEWATER AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF ORDINANCES TO REPEAL ARTICLE XXXIX, SPECIFIC FLOODPLAIN REQUIREMENTS, SECTIONS 126-289.101, ET SEQ; TO ADOPT A NEW ARTICLE XXXIX, SPECIFIC FLOODPLAIN REQUIREMENTS, SECTIONS 126-289.101, ET SEQ; TO ADOPT FLOOD HAZARD MAPS; TO DESIGNATE A FLOODPLAIN ADMINISTRATOR; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to repeal and replace Article XXXIX, Specific Floodplain Requirements, Sections 126-289.101, et seq., of the Township Code with updated Floodplain Management Regulations. The Ordinance adopts by reference the current FEMA Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Maps for Somerset County, including the Final Summary of Map Actions effective November 13, 2026, together with State-regulated flood hazard areas under the New Jersey Flood Hazard Area Control Act; designates the Township Administrator as Floodplain Administrator; and establishes floodplain development permit, design flood elevation, construction, and variance standards. These regulations allow the Township to continue its participation in the National Flood Insurance Program and comply with N.J.S.A. 58:16A-57 and the Uniform Construction Code.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that said ordinance will be further considered for final passage on November 5, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. or soon thereafter at a meeting of the Township Council to be held at 100 Commons Way, Bridgewater, NJ 08807. All persons interested shall be given an opportunity at that time to be heard concerning said ordinance.

Any member of the general public may obtain, without cost, a copy of the entire ordinance from the Municipal Clerk at the Bridgewater Township Municipal Building, 100 Commons Way, during normal business hours (9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday) at any time up to and including the time when the Township Council shall further consider this ordinance for final passage. You may also contact the clerk at bwtclerk@bridgewaternj.gov to request a copy.

Grace Njuguna, RMC
Municipal Clerk