

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPARTA REVISING  
CHAPTER 18 ENTITLED “COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE CODE”  
TO AMEND SECTIONS 18-4.2.q, AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROVISIONS, TO  
INCLUDE AN AFFORDABLE HOUSING PREFERENCE FOR VETERANS AND  
SURVIVING SPOUSES**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Sparta desires to provide a housing preference in affordable housing for veterans and surviving spouses; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 55:14K-8(f) and N.J.A.C. 5:40-1.1 et seq., require housing projects, including those financed in whole or in part by loans authorized by HMFA, to provide a housing preference for veterans and surviving spouses; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Sparta wishes to implement a veterans and surviving spouses preference for affordable housing within the Township.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Sparta that the Township’s affordable housing provisions are revised to require an affordable housing preference for veterans and their surviving spouses.

**Section 1**

Section 18-4.2.q.1(o)(2)(ix) shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced as follows:

- (ix) The following is a description of the random selection method that will be used to select occupants of very low, low and moderate income housing:

Occupants of very low, low and moderate income housing shall be administered by the administrative agencies listed below.

**Section 2**

Section 18-4.2.q.1(o)(2)(xi) shall be revised by the addition of the following:

Veterans and surviving spouses shall have a preference, if they meet all eligibility requirements, which preference shall take priority over all other preferences.

**Section 3: Severability**

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

**Section 4: Repealer**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed as to such inconsistencies.

**Section 5: Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

## **NOTICE**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the above ordinance was introduced and passed upon first reading at a regular meeting of the Sparta Township Council held at the Municipal Building, 65 Main Street, Sparta, New Jersey on October 22, 2019, and will be considered for final passage and adoption at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Sparta to be held at the Municipal Building, 65 Main Street, Sparta, New Jersey, on November 12, 2019 at 7:30 p.m., at which time and place all persons interested therein or affected thereby will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPARTA.

KATHLEEN CHAMBERS, RMC  
MUNICIPAL CLERK

## **NOTICE**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the above entitled ordinance was introduced and passed at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Sparta, held at the Municipal Building, 65 Main Street, Sparta, NJ on October 22, 2019. The same came up for final passage and adoption at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Sparta, to be held on November 12, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 65 Main Street, Sparta, NJ and after all persons present were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same, it was finally passed and adopted and will be in full force in the Township according to law.

KATHLEEN CHAMBERS, RMC  
MUNICIPAL CLERK