

**EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE
OF MAMARONECK HELD ON FEBRUARY 12, 2024, AT 8:00 P.M.
IN THE COURTROOM AT 169 MT. PLEASANT AVENUE**

**RESOLUTION RE:
ESTABLISHING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AD HOC TASK FORCE**

WHEREAS the Board of Trustees holds that creation of housing affordable to wide ranges of incomes is a policy imperative to maintain the diversity and character of the village, and

WHEREAS housing costs are more than 30% of family income for many village residents; and

WHEREAS cost-burdened individuals are forced to prioritize and often spend less on other things such as essential medical care, other personal service providers, and local merchants; and

WHEREAS the high cost of housing also affects the ability of employers to attract and retain workers, who often may not be able to live in the communities in which they serve including municipal workers, police officers and teachers; and

WHEREAS varied and affordable housing contributes to a balanced and well-functioning community and is a catalyst for better jobs, support for local merchants as residents have more disposable income, health, wellbeing and quality of life; and

WHEREAS New York State has put forth housing proposals for the entire state absent community engagement; proposals not tailored to the needs and existing conditions of individual communities and those proposals which have not been adopted; and

WHEREAS some states have required local municipalities to develop an affordable housing plan incorporating community engagement and participation, specifying how a municipality intends to increase the number of affordable units; and

WHEREAS an affordable housing plan can provide the public with the status of housing units in the community; educate the community about the desirability of affordable housing and set forth a strategy to achieve its goals of increased affordable housing units within the community; and

WHEREAS the Mamaroneck Coalition for Affordable Housing (MCAH) is a non-partisan coalition of non-profit organizations and neighbors working to advance an affordable housing agenda across Mamaroneck and beyond, and has done important work in our tri-municipal community elevating the profile and need for affordable housing; and

WHEREAS the Village of Mamaroneck has traditionally supported and facilitated construction of affordable housing despite its unique development constraints, including flooding; and

WHEREAS the Village of Mamaroneck Comprehensive Plan includes Affordable Housing as a goal to continue to support options to preserve and provide affordable housing to provide a variety of housing alternatives for households with different needs and income; and

WHEREAS a targeted approach to create more affordable housing by including all local stakeholders including Village residents, neighbors, and local businesses is critical to achieving the Village's affordable housing goals; and

WHEREAS the Village of Mamaroneck Comprehensive Plan includes Affordable Housing a goal to continue to support options to preserve and provide affordable housing and provide a variety of housing options for households with different needs and income; and

Therefore, the Board of Trustees in recognition of this policy imperative hereby establishes and Ad-hoc Task Force on Fair and Affordable Housing to create an Affordable Housing Plan for the Village which will:

- explore and recommend strategies that will increase the availability of housing options in the Village of Mamaroneck;
- the need for and benefits of affordable housing in our community;
- what the term “affordable housing” really means and encompasses; and
- why village residents should care about affordable housing and increase community “buy-in” among the various stakeholders.

The committee will consist of 7 members, including experts in housing and housing related professions, and a Trustee Liaison, and be constituted for a period of one year beginning March 15, 2024 (may be extended).

Ayes: Rawlings, Yizar-Reid, Young, Lucas, Torres

Nays: None

I, the undersigned Clerk Treasurer of the Village of Mamaroneck, Westchester County, New York,

DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the annexed extract of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Mamaroneck, including the resolution contained therein, held on the 12th day of February, 2024, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct transcript therefrom and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all members of said Board had due notice of said meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Village this 13th day of February, 2024.



Agostino A. Fusco