

**TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-12

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, CHAPTER 6, SECTION 43
TO CLARIFY THE MEMBERSHIP COMPOSITION
OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD**

WHEREAS, the Township of Cranford created a Historic Preservation Advisory Board (HPAB) to preserve the Township’s historic heritage by protecting the character, lifestyle, and quality of life for future generations; and

WHEREAS, the HPAB’s membership composition, appointment of members, and terms needs to be simplified and clarified to avoid confusion; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, Union County, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 6, Article XI. Historic Preservation Advisory Board, Section 43 is hereby amended as follows:

§ 6-43 Composition.

The Historic Preservation Advisory Board shall be comprised of nine (9) members, ~~including~~ inclusive of a liaison from the Township Committee, plus two alternates and associate members as warranted.

A. ~~Of the~~ The nine (9) regular member Board members shall be comprised as follows:

(1) Class I: One person knowledgeable in building and construction or architectural history, to be appointed by the Mayor for a three (3) year term. The Class I member need not be a Cranford resident and, to the extent possible, should be trained from the discipline of architecture or architectural history consistent with the requirements of the 1980 amendments to the National Historic Preservation Act.

(2) Class II: One person knowledgeable in or has a demonstrated interest in local history, to be appointed by the Mayor for a three (3) year term. The Class II member need not be a Cranford resident.

- ~~(a) Class A: a person who is knowledgeable in building and construction or architectural history and who may reside outside the municipality.~~
~~(b) Class B: a person who is knowledgeable in or has a demonstrated interest in local history and who may reside outside the municipality.~~

(3) Class III: Six (6) Township residents citizens of the municipality who hold no other municipal office, position or employment, except for membership on the Planning Board or Board of Adjustment, to be appointed by the Mayor for a three (3) year term.
~~Four shall be Class C members, said class being defined as citizens of the municipality who shall hold no other municipal office, position or employment except for membership on the Planning Board or Board of Adjustment. One Class C-III member shall be a Cranford High School student recommended by the high school history faculty.~~

(4) Class IV: A Township Committee member appointed by the Mayor for a one-year term who shall vote on all questions and who shall serve as liaison with the Board.

B. ALTERNATES.

(1) Two (2) Class III members both shall be Class II C members, as Class III C is defined above, appointed for two-year alternating terms such that each year the term of one Alternate member expires. The two alternate Board members shall be respectively designated "Alternate No. 1" and "Alternate No. 2."

~~C.~~ (2) Alternate members may participate in discussion of the proceedings but may not vote except in the absence or disqualification of a regular member. 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.

C. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS. Interested ~~members of the community~~ residents may participate on the Board as "Associate Members," appointed by the Mayor for a one (1) year term, who may participate in discussion of the proceedings but may not vote.

~~E. The Township Committee liaison shall vote on all questions.~~

SECTION 3. If any article, 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 and they shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Township of Cranford, the provisions hereof shall be determined to

govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Cranford are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption and publication in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey.

Introduced: October 10, 2023

Adopted: November 13, 2023

Approved:

Brian Andrews, Mayor

Attest:

Patricia Donahue, RMC
Municipal Clerk

RECORDED VOTE

INTRODUCED

ADOPTED

Brian Andrews

Aye

Aye

Terrence Curran

Aye

Aye

Paul Gallo

Aye

Aye

Kathleen Miller Prunty

Aye

Aye

Gina Black

Absent

Aye