

**BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST
COUNTY OF CAPE MAY
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE NO. 1465

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST
AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 85, SECTION 85-69
LANDSCAPING IN ALL ZONES OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT
ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST TO
FURTHER CLARIFY THAT USE OF ARTIFICIAL GRASS OR TURF
HAS BEEN AND CONTINUES TO BE PROHIBITED**

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest desires to further clarifying in the Borough's Land Development Ordinance, that Section 85-96, has prohibited and shall continue to prohibit the use of artificial grass as a landscaping element, and that such amendment and addition to the Borough's Land Development Ordinance is reasonable and appropriate and is consistent with the master plan and designed to effectuate that plan, subject to referral of this ordinance to the Wildwood Crest Planning Board for a determination that the below revisions are reasonable and appropriate and consistent with the Borough's Master Plan, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-26 prior to final adoption; and

WHEREAS; the Board of Commissioners desires to amend and augment the Borough's Land Development Ordinance and the Planning Board's recommendation as set forth herein below as authorized by N.J.S.A. 40:55D-62.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, in the County of Cape May, New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The portion of Ordinance 1030, adopted 4/4/2007, the portion of Ordinance 1074, adopted 3/25/2009, the portion of Ordinance 1391, adopted 1/25/2023, and the portion of Ordinance 1442, adopted 1/2/2025 that had been codified in the Code of the Borough of Wildwood Crest as Section 85-69 of Chapter 85 is hereby replaced with the restated, supplemented and amended language as follows (added language is underlined, deleted language is ~~stricken~~):

§ 85-69 Landscaping in All Zones.

The following provisions shall apply notwithstanding any other ordinance or provision to the contrary.

- C. Barriers and other coverings. All stones, rocks and/or gravel shall be placed over filter fabric, and any use of plastic or other impermeable material as a weed barrier is prohibited. Use of any material or substance not permitted by this section~~-,~~ including but not limited to artificial grass or turf are prohibited.

Section 2. The remainder of all other sections and subsections of the aforementioned ordinance not specifically amended by this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. All other ordinances in conflict with or inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.


Section 4. If any portion of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of this ordinance, but shall be confined in its effect to the provision directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

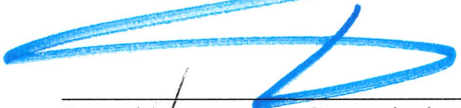
Section 5. This ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days after final passage and advertisement thereof as required by law.

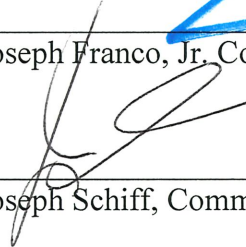
Section 6. The Cape May County Planning Board and adjoining municipalities shall be provided notice of this proposed ordinance in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:27-6.10 and N.J.S.A. 40:55D-15. A copy of the effective ordinance shall be filed with the Cape May County Planning Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-16.

Dated: August 13, 2025


Patricia A. Feketics, Borough Clerk


Don Cabrera, Mayor


Joseph Franco, Jr., Commissioner


Joseph Schiff, Commissioner

Introduced: July 30, 2025
Adopted: August 13, 2025