City of Philadelphia



(Bill No. 250291)

AN ORDINANCE

Amending Section 14-533 of The Philadelphia Code ("/MIN, Mixed Income Neighborhoods Overlay District") to exempt from certain requirements of that Section residential development under programs designed to create affordable homeownership, which programs mandate deed restrictions and agreements establishing ongoing affordability requirements, all under certain terms and conditions.

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Section 14-533 of The Philadelphia Code is hereby amended as follows:

TITLE 14. ZONING AND PLANNING

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CHAPTER 14-500. OVERLAY ZONING DISTRICTS

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§ 14-533. /MIN, Mixed Income Neighborhoods Overlay District.

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(3) Use Regulations.

The following standards shall apply in addition to those of the applicable base zoning district:

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(a) At least fifteen percent (15%) of all dwelling units (rounded up, if fractional) shall be provided and maintained as affordable on the same site as all other dwelling units.

(b) Including dwelling units provided pursuant to subsection (a), above, a minimum of twenty percent (20%) of all dwelling units and twenty percent (20%) of all sleeping units (rounded up, if fractional) shall be provided and maintained as affordable on the same site as all other dwelling units, except as follows:

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(d) Any development that meets [either] *any* of the following conditions will not be required to meet the requirements of subsections (a) and (b), above:

(.1) The applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Department of Planning and Development that fifty-one percent (51%) or more units will meet the definition of "Affordable Housing Property" under subsection 7-202(1); [or]

(.2) The Residential Housing Project is otherwise subject to a recorded instrument such that average monthly costs for all rental units may not exceed the standards described under § [14-702(7)(a)(.1)(.a)] 14-702(7)(a)(.1)(.a); or

(.3) All units in the Residential Housing Project are part of a program, as certified by the Department of Planning and Development, designed to create owner-occupied housing for first-time homebuyers in which the average monthly costs meet affordability standards set forth by HUD for the Philadelphia Metropolitan Statistical Area for households earning between up to 100% of the AMI, adjusted for household size. Each unit will be bound by a restrictive covenant or regulatory agreement with the City, Commonwealth or City landholding, or housing-financing agency commemorating on-site housing affordability requirements.

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SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Explanation:

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted. *Italics* indicate new matter added.

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CERTIFICATION: This is a true and correct copy of the original Bill, Passed by the City Council on June 12, 2025. The Bill was Signed by the Mayor on June 13, 2025.

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Elizabeth McCollum Chief Clerk of the City Council