

**NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION
BOROUGH OF BERLIN
ORDINANCE 2026-06**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Governing Body of the Borough of Berlin introduced the following Ordinance at their meeting on April 9, 2026. A Public Hearing will be held on May 14, 2026, at 6:30 PM in the Berlin Borough Municipal building 59, S White Horse Pike, Berlin NJ 08009. This Ordinance is available for public inspection, and copies will be available at Borough Hall in the Municipal Clerk's office during regular business hours, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

CALENDAR YEAR 2026 MODEL ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A: 4-45.14)

The ordinance lets the municipality raise its 2026 budget up to **3.5%** instead of the usual **2.5%**, giving flexibility to manage rising costs. Any unused portion of that increase is saved in a **cap bank** and can be used over the next two years. It doesn't require higher spending; it simply preserves the option while staying within state law.

Respectfully submitted:
Rachel von der Tann, Municipal Clerk