

A. Determining Initial Affordable Rents

The initial maximum affordable rent for a rehabilitated unit is determined by the program staff based on several NJ rules and regulations. The Administrative Agent will make every attempt to price initial rents to average fifty-two percent (52%) of the median income for the household size appropriate to the sized unit within each individual project (N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.3 (d)). Thirty percent (30%) (N.J.A.C. 5:80-26-12 (a)) of that figure is considered the "maximum base rent." Subtracted from the maximum base rent is the cost of all tenant-paid utilities as defined and calculated by the HUD Utilities Allowance figures (updated annually). The remainder becomes the maximum initial rent for that unit. The Home Improvement Program staff can provide potential applicants/landlords with a reasonable estimate of what the maximum base rent will be on their rental unit if they elect to participate in the program.

B. Pricing by Household Size

Initial rents are based on the number of legal bedrooms in each unit. Initial rents must adhere to the following rules.

Table 4 Initial Rental Pricing by Housing Size

Size of Unit	Household Size Used to Determined Max Rent
Studio/Efficiency	1
1 Bedroom	1.5
2 Bedrooms	3
3 Bedrooms	4.5
4 Bedrooms	6

- A studio shall be affordable to a one-person household;
- A one-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a one- and one-half person household;
- A two-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a three-person household;
- A three-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a four- and one-half person household; and
- A four-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a six-person household.

The above rules are only to be used for setting initial rents.

C. Determining Rent Increases

Rents for rehabilitated units may increase annually based on the standards in Appendix B, entitled "Approved Calculation of Annual Increases to Income Limits, Resale Prices and Rents" and only upon written notification from the Administrative Agent.

In addition, the Borough's Administrative Agent must be used by the Landlord to ensure that all appropriate affirmative marketing and all other affordable housing compliance procedures are followed and will continually oversee compliance for these affordable rental units throughout their restrictive term.

These increases must be filed with and approved by the Administrative Agent. Property managers or landlords who have charged less than the permissible increase may use the maximum allowable rent with the next tenant with permission of the Administrative Agent. Rents may not be increased more than once a year, may not be increased by more than one approved calculated increment at a time, and may not be increased at the time of new occupancy if this occurs less than one year from the last rental. No additional fees may be added to the approved rent without the express written approval of the Administrative Agent.

IX. MARKETING STRATEGY

In coordination with the Borough, the Program Administrator will employ a variety of proven strategies to advertise the program within Oakland to establish the Program's applicant pool/waiting list. The marketing strategy/plan possibilities include but are not limited to:

- Creation and distribution of Program homeowner outreach posters, flyers and handouts
- Place Program outreach material on the Borough's website
- Place Program outreach material on CGP&H's website
- Municipal E-newsletter and paper newsletter (if available)
- Appending announcements and/or flyers to other municipal mailings as they become available (tax, etc.) or direct mailing, if approved by the municipality
- Municipal email blasts and Twitter communication (if available)
- Program marketing will be distributed to local community organizations and major employers including religious organizations, civic groups, senior group, ethnic organizations, etc.
- Free local cable TV advertising (when available)

- Periodic Press releases
- Program group presentations to community organizations or at the Borough Municipal Building to prospective homeowners and even to local contractors
- Paid newspaper advertisements (last resort) when deemed necessary and appropriate
- The order of method used will be analyzed to implement the most effective combination of strategies. Extensive marketing efforts are essential for all successful housing rehabilitation programs to meet their productivity objectives.

Available rental units assisted via the HIP will be affirmatively marketed in accordance with the Borough of Oakland Affordable Housing Affirmative Marketing Plan.

X. MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS AND CLIENT FILES

A. Programmatic Recording

The Program files will include:

- The policies and procedures manual, which will also be updated when applicable.
- An applicant pool will be maintained by the Program staff to track intake of the people interested in the program and the corresponding outgoing application invites.
- A rehabilitation log will be maintained by the Program staff that depicts the status of all applications in progress.

B. Participant Record Keeping

The Program will be responsible for ensuring that individual files for each unit are established, maintained and then submitted to the municipality upon completion. Each completed file will contain a minimum of the following:

- Checklist
- Application form
- Tenant Application form (Rental Units Only) including rental lease
- Proof of ownership
- Income verification (for all households)

- Proof of currency of property tax and water/sewer accounts
- Proof of homeowner extended coverage/hazard insurance (Declaration Page)
- Proof that the municipal lien plus the total of other liens does not exceed the market value of the unit.
- Certification of Eligible Household or Notice of Ineligible Household (whichever is applicable)
- Homeowner/Program Agreement
- Certificate of Substandard
- Work Specifications/Cost Estimate aka Work Write-Up
- Bid Notice
- Contractor bids
- Bid Tabulation
- Construction Agreement
- Mortgage and Mortgage Note, and for rental properties, Deed Restriction
- Notice of Right of Rescission
- Homeowner Confirmation of Receipt of EPA Lead Information Pamphlet
- Contractor Confirmation of Receipt of Lead Paint Notice
- Copies of all required permits
- Change orders, if any
- Work progress and final inspection reports
- Copies of contractor payment documentation
- Photographs (Before and After)
- Close-out documents
- Certification of Approval

C. State Reporting

For each unit the following information must be retained to be reported annually:

- Street Address
- Block/Lot/Unit Number
- Owner/Renter
- Income: Low/Mod
- Final Inspection Date
- Funds expended on Hard Costs
- Funds Recaptured
- Major Systems Repaired
- Unit Below Code & Raised to Code
- Effective date of affordability controls
- Length of Affordability Controls (yrs.)
- Date Affordability Controls removed
- Reason for removal of Affordability Controls

The Program Administrator will provide each completed unit's data for annual monitoring.

D. Financial Recordkeeping

Financial recordkeeping is the responsibility of the Municipal Housing Liaison, with assistance from the Administrative Agent, as may be requested from time to time.

XI. HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND APPEALS PROCESS

The Program staff is skilled in effectively achieving resolution of homeowner/contractor disputes, in a fair and documented manner.

If a homeowner refuses to pay the contractor and work has been done to work specification and to the satisfaction of the Program, it may authorize payment to the contractor directly.

However, the Program will make a reasonable attempt to resolve the differences before taking this step.

However, on the rare occasion if a homeowner or contractor decides to dispute a Program staff decision, the Program will refer the matter to the Borough for further resolution. It is recommended the Borough forms a Housing Advisory Committee to mediate and resolve the differences. Homeowners or contractors involved in a dispute will be instructed to submit their concerns in writing. The homeowner or contractor may request a hearing conducted by the Housing Advisory Committee. All Housing Advisory Committee decisions are final. The Housing Advisory Committee formation may occur when the first need arises.

XII. CONCLUSION

If the procedures described in this manual are followed, the Borough of Oakland's Home Improvement Program should operate smoothly and effectively. Where it is found that a new procedure will eliminate a recurring problem, that procedure may be incorporated into the program operation. In addition, this manual may be periodically revised to reflect changes in local, state and federal policies and regulations relative to the Home Improvement Program.

APPENDIX A - LIST OF PROGRAM FORMS

- Application Transmittal Letter
- Program Information Handout
- Application for Assistance- Homeowner
- Application for Assistance- Landlord (Investor)
- Application for Assistance- Tenant
- Eligibility Release Form
- Checklist
- Special Needs Waiver (Eligibility Requirements)
- Special Needs Waiver (Exceed Program Limit)
- Certification of Eligible Household
- Eligibility Determination Form
- Notification of Eligibility
- Notification of Ineligibility
- Homeowner/Program Agreement
- Certificate of Substandard
- Certificate of Substandard – Emergency Situation
- Letter: forward work write-up and contractor list to homeowner
- Work Write-Up Review form
- Request for Rehabilitation Bid
- Affidavit of Contractor
- Subcontractor Bid Sheet
- Bid Tabulation/Contractor Selection
- Construction Agreement
- Mortgage
- Mortgage Note – single family, multi family, investor versions
- Notice of Right of Rescission
- COAH Deed Restriction (when applicable)
- Homeowner Confirmation of Receipt of EPA Lead Information Pamphlet
- Contractor Confirmation of Receipt of Lead Paint Notice
- Notice to Proceed
- Contractor's Request for Final Inspection
- Change Order Authorization
- Certificate and Release
- Closeout Statement

APPENDIX B – Approved Calculation of Annual Increases to Income Limits, Resale Prices and Rents

Methodology for Calculating Regional Income Limits and Rental Increase:

Income limits for all units that are part of the municipality's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and for which income limits are not already established through a federal program exempted from the Uniform Housing Affordability Controls pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 shall be updated by the municipality annually within 30 days of the publication of determinations of median income by HUD as follows:

- a. Regional income limits shall be established for the region that the municipality is located within, based on the median income by household size, which shall be established by a regional weighted average of the uncapped Section 8 income limits published by HUD. To compute this regional income limit, the HUD determination of median county income for a family of four is multiplied by the estimated households within the county according to the most recent decennial Census. The resulting product for each county within the housing region is summed. The sum is divided by the estimated total households from the most recent decennial Census in the municipality's housing region. This quotient represents the regional weighted average of median income for a household of four. The income limit for a moderate-income unit for a household of four shall be 80 percent of the regional weighted average median income for a family of four. The income limit for a low-income unit for a household of four shall be 50 percent of the HUD determination of the regional weighted average median income for a family of four. The income limit for a very low-income unit for a household of four shall be 30 percent of the regional weighted average median income for a family of four. These income limits shall be adjusted by household size based on multipliers used by HUD to adjust median income by household size. In no event shall the income limits be less than those for the previous year.
- b. The income limits attached are the result of applying the percentages set forth in paragraph (a) above to HUD's determination of median income for the most recent year and shall be utilized until the municipality updates the income limits after HUD has published revised determinations of median income for the next fiscal year.
- c. If at any time, COAH (or a successor administrative agency duly empowered by an amendment to the Fair Housing Act) begins to issue updated annual income limits and

rules for increasing sales prices and rent levels each year, said updated income limits and rules for increasing sales prices and rent levels each year may be used instead of the methodology set forth herein.

In establishing sale prices and rents of affordable housing units, the Administrative Agent shall follow the procedures set forth in UHAC, utilizing the regional income limits established pursuant to the process defined above:

The rent levels of very-low-, low- and moderate-income units may be increased annually based on the percentage increase in the Housing Consumer Price Index for the Northeast Urban Area, upon its publication for the prior calendar year. This increase shall not exceed nine percent in any one year. Rents for units constructed pursuant to low income housing tax credit regulations shall be indexed pursuant to the regulations governing low income housing.

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2021 AFFORDABLE HOUSING REGIONAL INCOME LIMITS BY HOUSEHOLD SIZE

Income limits not officially adopted by the State of New Jersey. Contact your municipality to see if applicable in your jurisdiction. Additional information about AHPNJ income limits is posted on AHPNJ.org

		1 Person	*1.5 Person	2 Person	*3 Person	4 Person	*4.5 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8+ Person	Max Increase Rents** Sales***	Regional Asset Limit****
Region 1	Median	\$72,846	\$78,050	\$83,253	\$93,659	\$104,066	\$108,229	\$112,391	\$120,717	\$129,042	\$137,367		
	Moderate	\$58,277	\$62,440	\$66,602	\$74,928	\$83,253	\$86,583	\$89,913	\$96,573	\$103,233	\$109,894	1.6%	8.46%
	Low	\$36,423	\$39,025	\$41,626	\$46,830	\$52,033	\$54,114	\$56,196	\$60,358	\$64,521	\$68,684		\$201,229
	Very Low	\$21,854	\$23,415	\$24,976	\$28,098	\$31,220	\$32,469	\$33,717	\$36,215	\$38,713	\$41,210		
Region 2	Median	\$75,331	\$80,711	\$86,092	\$96,854	\$107,615	\$111,920	\$116,224	\$124,834	\$133,443	\$142,052		
	Moderate	\$60,265	\$64,569	\$68,874	\$77,483	\$86,092	\$89,536	\$92,980	\$99,867	\$106,754	\$113,642	1.6%	2.00%
	Low	\$37,665	\$40,356	\$43,046	\$48,427	\$53,808	\$55,960	\$58,112	\$62,417	\$66,721	\$71,026		\$206,459
	Very Low	\$22,599	\$24,213	\$25,828	\$29,056	\$32,285	\$33,576	\$34,867	\$37,450	\$40,033	\$42,616		
Region 3	Median	\$86,240	\$92,400	\$98,560	\$110,880	\$123,200	\$128,128	\$133,056	\$142,912	\$152,768	\$162,624		
	Moderate	\$68,992	\$73,520	\$78,048	\$88,704	\$98,560	\$102,502	\$106,445	\$114,330	\$122,214	\$130,099	1.6%	3.10%
	Low	\$43,120	\$46,200	\$49,280	\$55,440	\$61,600	\$64,064	\$66,528	\$71,456	\$76,384	\$81,312		\$234,592
	Very Low	\$25,872	\$27,720	\$29,568	\$33,264	\$36,960	\$38,438	\$39,917	\$42,874	\$45,830	\$48,787		
Region 4	Median	\$76,469	\$81,931	\$87,393	\$98,317	\$109,242	\$113,611	\$117,981	\$126,720	\$135,460	\$144,199		
	Moderate	\$61,175	\$65,545	\$69,915	\$78,654	\$87,393	\$90,889	\$94,385	\$101,376	\$108,368	\$115,359	1.6%	0.00%
	Low	\$38,235	\$40,966	\$43,697	\$49,159	\$54,621	\$56,806	\$58,990	\$63,360	\$67,730	\$72,099		\$205,486
	Very Low	\$22,941	\$24,579	\$26,218	\$29,495	\$32,772	\$34,083	\$35,394	\$38,016	\$40,638	\$43,260		
Region 5	Median	\$67,620	\$72,450	\$77,280	\$86,940	\$96,600	\$100,464	\$104,328	\$112,056	\$119,784	\$127,512		
	Moderate	\$54,096	\$57,960	\$61,824	\$69,552	\$77,280	\$80,371	\$83,462	\$89,645	\$95,827	\$102,010	1.6%	0.00%
	Low	\$33,810	\$36,225	\$38,640	\$43,470	\$48,300	\$50,232	\$52,164	\$56,028	\$59,892	\$63,756		\$179,028
	Very Low	\$20,286	\$21,735	\$23,184	\$26,082	\$28,980	\$30,139	\$31,298	\$33,617	\$35,935	\$38,254		
Region 6	Median	\$57,458	\$61,562	\$65,666	\$73,874	\$82,083	\$85,366	\$88,649	\$95,216	\$101,782	\$108,349		
	Moderate	\$45,966	\$49,250	\$52,533	\$59,100	\$65,666	\$68,293	\$70,919	\$76,173	\$81,426	\$86,679	1.6%	0.00%
	Low	\$28,729	\$30,781	\$32,833	\$36,937	\$41,041	\$42,683	\$44,325	\$47,608	\$50,891	\$54,175		\$153,730
	Very Low	\$17,237	\$18,469	\$19,700	\$22,162	\$24,625	\$25,610	\$26,595	\$28,565	\$30,535	\$32,505		

Moderate income is between 80 and 50 percent of the median income. Low income is 50 percent or less of median income. Very low income is 30 percent or less of median income.

* These columns are for calculating the pricing for one, two and three bedroom sale and rental units as per N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.4(a).

**This column is used for calculating the pricing for rent increases for units (as previously calculated under N.J.A.C. 5:97-9.3 (Consumer price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U): Regions by expenditure category and commodity and service group). Landlords who did not increase rents in 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 or 2020 because of the lack of authority to do so, may increase rent by up to the applicable combined percentage including 2021 or 9.0% whichever is less in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:97-9.3(c). In no case can rent for any particular apartment be increased more than one time per year.

*** This column is used for calculating the pricing for resale increases for units (as previously calculated under N.J.A.C. 5:97-9.3). The price of owner-occupied low and moderate income units may increase annually based on the percentage increase in the regional median income limit for each housing region. In no event shall the maximum resale price established by the administrative agent be lower than the last recorded purchase price.

Low income tax credit developments may increase based on the low income tax credit regulations.

**** The Regional Asset Limit is used in determining an applicant's eligibility for affordable housing pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1(b)(3).

Note: Since the Regional Income Limits for Regions 4, 5, and 6 in 2020 were higher than the 2021 calculations, the 2020 income limits will remain in force for 2021 (as previously required by N.J.A.C. 5:97-9.2(c)).

**Appendix B: Affordable Housing Ordinance, Affirmative Marketing Plan,
Mandatory Set-Aside Ordinance**



Borough of Oakland
Bergen County, New Jersey
Resolution 21-217

**RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND,
COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ADOPTING AN AFFIRMATIVE
MARKETING PLAN PERTAINING TO LOW-AND MODERATE-INCOME
HOUSING FOR THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND**

WHEREAS, in accordance with the regulations of COAH pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-1, et seq., the New Jersey Uniform Housing Affordability Controls pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:80-26., et seq., and in the Matter of the Application of the Borough of Oakland, County of Bergen, Docket No. BER-L-6274-15 regarding In re N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97, 221 N.J. 1, 30 (2015) ("Mount Laurel IV"), the Borough of Oakland is required to adopt by resolution an Affirmative Marketing Plan to ensure that all affordable housing units created, including those created by the rehabilitation of rental housing units within the Borough of Oakland, are affirmatively marketed to low and moderate income households, particularly those living and/or working within Housing Region 1, which encompasses the Borough of Oakland

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Oakland, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, do hereby adopt the following Affirmative Marketing Plan:

Affirmative Marketing Plan

- A. All affordable housing units in the Borough of Oakland shall be marketed in accordance with the provisions herein unless otherwise provided in COAH's Rules at N.J.A.C. 5:93-1, et seq.
- B. The Borough of Oakland has a Third Round obligation. This Affirmative Marketing Plan shall apply to all developments that contain or will contain low and moderate income units, including those that are part of the Borough's current Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and those that may be constructed in future developments not contemplated in the Borough's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan. This Affirmative Marketing Plan shall also apply to any rehabilitated rental units that are vacated and re-rented during the applicable period of controls for rehabilitated rental units.
- C. The Affirmative Marketing Plan shall be implemented by the Administrative Agent under contract to the Borough of Oakland. All costs of advertising and affirmatively marketing affordable housing units shall be borne by the developer/seller/owner of the affordable unit(s).

D. In implementing the Affirmative Marketing Plan, the Administrative Agent, acting on behalf of the Borough of Oakland, shall undertake the following strategies

1. Publication of one advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation within the housing region.

2. Broadcast of one advertisement by a radio or television station broadcasting throughout the housing region.

3. At least one additional regional marketing strategy using one of the other sources listed below.

E. The Affirmative Marketing Plan is a regional marketing strategy designed to attract buyers and/or renters of all majority and minority groups, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital or familial status, gender, affectional or sexual orientation, disability, age or number of children to housing units which are being marketed by a developer or sponsor of affordable housing. The Affirmative Marketing Plan is also intended to target those potentially eligible persons who are least likely to apply for affordable units in the region. It is a continuing program that directs all marketing activities toward the COAH Housing Region in which the Borough is located and covers the entire period of deed restriction for each restricted housing unit. The Borough of Oakland is located in COAH Housing Region 1, and is comprised of Bergen, Hudson, Passaic and Sussex Counties.

F. The Affirmative Marketing Plan is a continuing program intended to be followed throughout the entire period of restrictions and shall meet the following requirements:

1. All newspaper articles, announcements and requests for application for low and moderate income units shall appear in the Bergen Record and Star Ledger.

2. The primary marketing shall take the form of at least one press release and a paid display advertisement in the above newspapers once a week for four consecutive weeks. Additional advertising and publicity shall be on an "as needed" basis. The developer/owner shall disseminate all public service announcements and pay for display advertisements. The developer/owner shall provide proof of publication to the Borough's Administrative Agent. All press releases and advertisements shall be approved in advance by the Borough's Administrative Agent.

3. The advertisement shall include a description of the:
 1. Location of the units;
 - ii. Direction of the units;
 - iii. Range of prices for the units;
 - iv. Size, as measured in bedrooms, of units;
 - v. Maximum income permitted to qualify for the units;
 - vi. Location of applications;
 - vii. Business hours when households may obtain an application; and
 - viii. Application fees.
4. Newspaper articles, announcements and information on where to request applications for low and moderate income housing shall appear at least once a week for four consecutive weeks in at least four locally oriented weekly newspapers within the region, one of which shall be circulated primarily in Bergen County and the other three of which shall be circulated primarily outside of Bergen County but within the housing region.
5. Four or more of the following regional cable television stations or regional radio stations shall be used during the first month of advertising. The developer must provide satisfactory proof of public dissemination:
 - i. 2 WCBS-TV (CBS Broadcasting, Inc.)
 - ii. 4 WNBC (NBC Telemundo License Co., General Electric)
 - iii. 5 WNYW (Fox Television Stations, Inc., News Corp.)
 - iv. 7 WABC-TV (American Broadcasting Companies, Inc., Walt Disney)
 - v. 9 WWOR-TV (Fox Television Stations, Inc., News Corp.)
 - vi. 10 WCAU (NBC Telemundo License Co., General Electric)
 - vii. 11 WPIX (WPIX, Inc., Tribune)
 - viii. 13 WNET (Educational Broadcasting Corporation)
 - IX. 58 WNJB (New Jersey Public Broadcasting Authority)

6. Applications, brochure(s), sign(s), and/or poster(s) used as part of the affirmative marketing program shall be available/posted in the following locations:

- i. Oakland Municipal Building
- ii. Oakland Municipal Library
- iii. Developer's Sales/Rental Office
- iv. Bergen County Administration Building
- v. Hudson, County Administration Building
- vi. Passaic County Administration Building

Sussex County Administration Building. Applications shall be mailed by the Administrative Agent to the prospective applications upon request. Also, applications shall be made available at the developer's sales/rental office and shall be mailed to prospective applicants upon request.

7. The administrative Agent shall develop, maintain and update a list of community contact person(s) and/or organization(s) in Bergen, Hudson, Passaic and Sussex Counties that will aid in the affirmative marketing program with particular emphasis on contacts that will reach out to groups that are least likely to apply for housing within the region, including major regional employers.

- 1. Quarterly informational flyers and applications shall be sent to each of the following agencies for publication in their journals and for circulation among their members:

Bergen County Board of Realtors Hudson

County Board of Realtors Passaic County

Board of Realtors

Sussex County Board of Realtors

- ii. Quarterly informational circulars and applications shall be sent to the administrators of each of the following agencies in the counties of Bergen, Hudson, Passaic and Sussex:

Welfare or Social Service Board

Rental Assistance Office (local office of DCA) Office

on Aging

Housing Authority

Community Action Agencies Community

Development Departments

- iii.. Quarterly informational circulars and applications shall be sent to the chief personnel administrators of all the major employers within the region in accordance with the Region 1 Affirmative Marketing Plan.
- iv. Quarterly informational circulars and applications shall be sent to the following additional community and regional organizations:

Fair Share Housing Center

Bergen County Housing Coalition

The New Jersey State Conference of the NAACP

The Bergen County NAACP

Bergen Urban League

The Latino Action Network

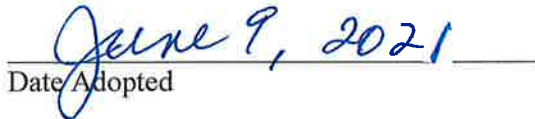
- 8. A random selection method to select occupants of low and moderate income housing will be used by the Administrative Agent in conformance with N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.16(1). The Affirmative Marketing Plan shall provide a regional preference for all households that live and/or work COAH Housing Region 1 comprised of Bergen, Hudson, Passaic and Sussex Counties.
- 9. The Administrative Agent shall administer the Affirmative Marketing Plan. The Administrative Agent has the responsibility to income qualify low and moderate income households; to place income eligible households in low and moderate income units upon initial occupancy; to provide for the initial occupancy of low and moderate income units with income qualified households; to continue to qualify households for re-occupancy of units as they become vacant during the period of affordability controls; to assist with outreach to low and moderate income households; and to enforce the terms of the deed restriction and mortgage loan as per N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1, et seq.
- 10. The Administrative Agent shall provide or direct qualified low and moderate income applicants to counseling services on subjects such as budgeting, credit issues, mortgage qualifications, rental lease requirements and landlord/tenant law and shall develop, maintain and update a list of entities and lenders willing and able to perform such services.
- 11. All developers/owners of low-and moderate-income housing units shall be required to undertake and pay the costs of the marketing of the affordable units in their respective developments, subject to the direction and supervision of the Administrative Agent.

12. The implementation of the Affirmative Marketing Plan for a development that includes affordable housing shall commence at least 120 days before the issuance of either a temporary or permanent certificate of occupancy. The implementation of the Affirmative Marketing Plan shall continue until all low-income housing units are initially occupied and for as long as affordable units exist that remain deed restricted and for which the occupancy or re-occupancy of units continues to be necessary.
13. The Administrative Agent shall provide the Affordable Housing Liaison with the information required to comply with monitoring and reporting requirements pursuant to N.J.A.C.5:80-26-1, et seq.


LINDA H. SCHWAGER, MAYOR

ATTEST:


LISA M. DUNCAN, BOROUGH CLERK


Date Adopted

	Motion	Second	Ayes	Nays	Abstain	Absent
Biale	✓	✓	✓			
Kulmala	✓		✓			
Pignatelli			✓			
Slasinski			✓			
Talamini			✓			
Van Eck			✓			
Mayor Schwager						

BOROUGH OF OAKLAND
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE 21-CODE-835

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A NEW CHAPTER 60 ENTITLED "AFFORDABLE HOUSING REGULATIONS AND CONTROLS" ORDINANCE FOR THE BOROUGH OF OAKLAND TO ADDRESS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE FAIR HOUSING ACT AND THE UNIFORM HOUSING AFFORDABILITY CONTROLS (UHAC) REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH THE BOROUGH'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS

BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of the Borough of Oakland, Bergen County, New Jersey, that the Code of the Borough of Oakland is hereby replaced to include provisions addressing Oakland's constitutional obligation to provide for its fair share of low- and moderate-income housing, as directed by the Superior Court and consistent with N.J.A.C. 5:93-1, et seq., as amended and supplemented, N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1, et seq., as amended and supplemented, and the New Jersey Fair Housing Act of 1985. This Ordinance is intended to provide assurances that low- and moderate-income units ("affordable units") are created with controls on affordability over time and that low- and moderate-income households shall occupy those units. This Ordinance shall apply except where inconsistent with applicable law.

The Oakland Borough Planning Board has adopted a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan pursuant to the Municipal Land Use Law at N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1, et seq. The Housing Element and Fair Share Plan have been endorsed by the governing body. This Ordinance implements and incorporates the adopted and endorsed Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and addresses the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:93-1, et seq., as amended and supplemented, N.J.A.C.5:80-26.1, et seq. as amended and supplemented, and the New Jersey Fair Housing Act of 1985.

On the first anniversary of the entry of the Order granting Oakland a Final Judgment of Compliance and Repose in IMO Application of the Borough of Oakland, Docket No.: BER-L-006359-15, and every anniversary thereafter through the end of the Repose period, the Borough shall provide annual reporting of its Affordable Housing Trust Fund activity to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Council on Affordable Housing or Local Government Services, or other entity designated by the State of New Jersey, with a copy provided to Fair Share Housing Center and posted on the municipal website, using forms developed for this purpose by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Council on Affordable Housing or Local Government Services. The reporting shall include an accounting of all Affordable Housing Trust Fund activity, including the source and amount of funds collected and the amount and purpose for which any funds have been expended.

On the first anniversary of the entry of the Order granting Oakland a Final Judgment of Compliance and Repose in IMO Application of the Borough of Oakland, Docket No.: BER-L-006359-15, and every anniversary thereafter through the end of the Repose period, the Borough shall provide annual reporting of the status of all affordable housing activity within the municipality through posting on the municipal website, with copies provided to Fair Share Housing Center, using forms previously developed for this purpose by the Council on Affordable Housing or any other forms endorsed by the Court-appointed Special Master and Fair Share Housing Center. For the midpoint realistic opportunity review due on July 1, 2020, as required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-313, the Borough shall post on its municipal website, with copies provided to Fair Share Housing Center, a status report as to its implementation of its Plan and an analysis of whether any unbuilt sites or unfulfilled mechanisms continue to present a realistic opportunity. Such posting shall invite any interested party to submit comments to the municipality, with copies provided to Fair Share Housing Center, regarding whether any sites no longer present a realistic opportunity and should be replaced. Any interested party may by motion request a hearing before the Court regarding these issues.

For the review of very low income housing requirements required by N.J.S.A. 52:27D-329.1, within 30 days of the third anniversary of the entry of the Order granting Oakland a Final Judgment of Compliance and Repose in IMO Application of the Borough of Oakland, Docket No.: BER-L-006359-15, and every third year thereafter, the Borough will post on its municipal website, with copies provided to Fair Share Housing Center, a status report as to its satisfaction of its very low-income requirements, including the family very low-income requirements referenced herein. Such posting shall invite any interested party to submit comments to the municipality, with copies provided to Fair Share Housing Center, on the issue of whether the municipality has complied with its very low-income housing obligation.

Section I:

A new Chapter 60 is hereby established to control and regulate the production and operation of affordable housing in Oakland. The following provisions are incorporated into a new Chapter 60.

A. Purpose.

The purpose of this ordinance is to provide for and regulate affordable housing in the Borough of Oakland.

B. Definitions.

The following terms when used in this Ordinance shall have the meanings given in this Section:

ACCESSORY APARTMENT- A self-contained residential dwelling unit with a kitchen, sanitary facilities, sleeping quarters and a private entrance, which is created within an existing home, or through the conversion of an existing structure on the same site, or by an addition to an existing home or accessory building, or by the construction of a new accessory structure on the same site.

ACT

The Fair Housing Act of 1985, P.L. 1985, c. 222 (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301 et seq.)

ADAPTABLE

Constructed in compliance with the technical design standards of the Barrier Free Subcode, N.J.A.C. 5:23-7.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT

The entity designated by the Borough to administer affordable units in accordance with this Ordinance, N.J.A.C. 5:93, and UHAC (N.J.A.C. 5:80-26).

AFFIRMATIVE MARKETING

A regional marketing strategy designed to attract buyers and/or renters of affordable units pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.15.

AFFORDABILITY AVERAGE

The average percentage of median income at which new restricted units in an affordable housing development are affordable to low- and moderate-income households.

AFFORDABLE

A sales price or rent level that is within the means of a low- or moderate-income household as defined within N.J.A.C. 5:93-7.4, and, in the case of an ownership unit, that the sales price for the unit conforms to the standards set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.6, as may be amended and supplemented, and, in the case of a rental unit, that the rent for the unit conforms to the standards set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.12, as may be amended and supplemented.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

A development included in or approved pursuant to the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan or otherwise intended to address the Borough's fair share obligation, and includes, but is not limited to, an inclusionary development, a municipal construction project or a 100 percent affordable housing development.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM(S)

Any mechanism in a municipal Fair Share Plan prepared or implemented to address a municipality's fair share obligation.

AFFORDABLE UNIT

A housing unit proposed or created pursuant to the Act and approved for crediting by the Court and/or funded through an affordable housing trust fund.

AGENCY

The New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency established by P.L. 1983, c. 530 (N.J.S.A. 55:14K-1, et seq.).

AGE-RESTRICTED UNIT

A housing unit designed to meet the needs of, and exclusively for, the residents of an age-restricted segment of the population such that: 1) all the residents of the development wherein the unit is situated are 62 years of age or older; or 2) at least 80 percent of the units are occupied by one person who is 55 years of age or older; or 3) the development has been designated by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as "housing for older persons" as defined in Section 807(b)(2) of the Fair Housing Act, 42 U.S.C. § 3607.

ALTERNATIVE LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

A structure in which households live in distinct bedrooms, yet share kitchen and plumbing facilities, central heat and common areas. Alternative living arrangements include, but are not limited to: transitional facilities for the homeless; Class A, B, C, D and E boarding homes as regulated by the State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs; residential health care facilities as regulated by the New Jersey Department of Health; group homes for the developmentally disabled and mentally ill as licensed and/or regulated by the New Jersey Department of Human Services; and congregate living arrangements.

ASSISTED LIVING RESIDENCE

A facility that is licensed by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services to provide apartment-style housing and congregate dining and to assure that assisted living services are available when needed for four or more adult persons unrelated to the proprietor and that offers units containing, at a minimum, one unfurnished room, a private bathroom, a kitchenette and a lockable door on the unit entrance.

CERTIFIED HOUSEHOLD

A household that has been certified by an Administrative Agent as a low-income household or moderate-income household.

COAH

The Council on Affordable Housing, as established by the New Jersey Fair Housing Act (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301, et seq.).

DCA

The State of New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

DEFICIENT HOUSING UNIT

A housing unit with health and safety code violations that requires the repair or replacement of a major system. A major system includes weatherization, roofing, plumbing (including wells), heating, electricity, sanitary plumbing (including septic systems), lead paint abatement and/or load bearing structural systems.

DEVELOPER

Any person, partnership, association, company or corporation that is the legal or beneficial owner or owners of a lot or any land included in a proposed development including the holder of an option to contract to purchase, or other person having an enforceable proprietary interest in such land.

DEVELOPMENT

The division of a parcel of land into two or more parcels, the construction, reconstruction, conversion, structural alteration, relocation, or enlargement of any use or change in the use of any building or other structure, or of any mining, excavation or landfill, and any use or change in the use of any building or other structure, or land or extension of use of land, for which permission may be required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1, et seq.

INCLUSIONARY DEVELOPMENT

A development containing both affordable units and market rate units. This term includes, but is not limited to: new construction, the conversion of a non-residential structure to residential use and the creation of new affordable units through the gut rehabilitation or reconstruction of a vacant residential structure.

LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD

A household with a total gross annual household income equal to 50 percent or less of the regional median household income by household size.

LOW-INCOME UNIT

A restricted unit that is affordable to a low-income household.

MAJOR SYSTEM

The primary structural, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, fire protection, or occupant service components of a building which include but are not limited to, weatherization, roofing, plumbing (including wells), heating, electricity, sanitary plumbing (including septic systems), lead paint abatement and load bearing structural systems.

MARKET-RATE UNITS

Housing not restricted to low- and moderate-income households that may sell or rent at any price.

MEDIAN INCOME

The median income by household size for the applicable housing region, as adopted annually by COAH or a successor entity approved by the Court.

MODERATE-INCOME HOUSEHOLD

A household with a total gross annual household income in excess of 50 percent but less than 80 percent of the regional median household income by household size.

MODERATE-INCOME UNIT

A restricted unit that is affordable to a moderate-income household.

MULTIFAMILY UNIT

A structure containing five or more dwelling units.

NON-EXEMPT SALE

Any sale or transfer of ownership other than the transfer of ownership between husband and wife; the transfer of ownership between former spouses ordered as a result of a judicial decree of divorce or judicial separation, but not including sales to third parties; the transfer of ownership between family members as a result of inheritance; the transfer of ownership through an executor's deed to a class A beneficiary and the transfer of ownership by court order.

RANDOM SELECTION PROCESS

A process by which currently income-eligible households are selected for placement in affordable housing units such that no preference is given to one applicant over another except for purposes of matching household income and size with an appropriately priced and sized affordable unit (e.g., by lottery).

REGIONAL ASSET LIMIT

The maximum housing value in each housing region affordable to a four-person household with an income at 80 percent of the regional median as defined by duly adopted Regional Income Limits published annually by COAH or a successor entity.

REHABILITATION

The repair, renovation, alteration or reconstruction of any building or structure, pursuant to the Rehabilitation Subcode, N.J.A.C. 5:23-6.

RENT

The gross monthly cost of a rental unit to the tenant, including the rent paid to the landlord, as well as an allowance for tenant-paid utilities computed in accordance with allowances published by DCA for its Section 8 program. In assisted living residences, rent does not include charges for food and services.

RESTRICTED UNIT

A dwelling unit, whether a rental unit or an ownership unit, that is subject to the affordability controls of N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1, as amended and supplemented, but does not include a market-rate unit financed under UHORP or MONI.

UHAC

The Uniform Housing Affordability Controls set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:80-26, et seq.

VERY LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD

A household with a total gross annual household income equal to 30 percent or less of the regional median household income by household size.

VERY LOW-INCOME UNIT

A restricted unit that is affordable to a very low-income household.

WEATHERIZATION

Building insulation (for attic, exterior walls and crawl space), siding to improve energy efficiency, replacement storm windows, replacement storm doors, replacement windows and replacement doors, and is considered a major system for purposes of a rehabilitation program.

C. Applicability.

The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to all affordable housing developments and affordable housing units that currently exist and that are proposed to be created within the Borough of Oakland pursuant to the Borough's most recently adopted Housing Element and Fair Share Plan.

D. Alternative Living Arrangements.

A. The administration of an alternative living arrangement shall be in compliance with N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.8 and UHAC, with the following exceptions:

1. Affirmative marketing (N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.15), provided, however, that the units or bedrooms may be affirmatively marketed by the provider in accordance with an alternative plan approved by the Court.

2. Affordability average and bedroom distribution (N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.3).

B. With the exception of units established with capital funding through a 20-year operating contract with the Department of Human Services, Division of Developmental Disabilities, alternative living arrangements shall have at least 30 year controls on affordability in accordance with UHAC, unless an alternative commitment is approved by the Court.

1. The service provider for the alternative living arrangement shall act as the Administrative Agent for the purposes of administering the affirmative marketing and affordability requirements for the alternative living arrangement.

E. Inclusionary Zoning:

A. To implement the fair share plan in a manner consistent with the terms of the settlement agreement, ensure the efficient use of land through compact forms of development and to create realistic opportunities for the construction of affordable housing, inclusionary zoning shall be permitted on the following properties consistent with the provisions of the Amended and Restated Oakland Redevelopment Plan, the Borough of Oakland's Housing Plan Element and Fair Share Plan, and the terms of the settlement agreement:

B. Pertaining to the foregoing properties, any townhouse, garden apartment, mixed use development or other multiple family residential development, including PURDS, that will contain five or more dwelling units shall comply with the following:

1. A minimum of 20 percent of the total number of units shall be set aside as affordable housing units if the affordable units will be for rent, unless a different rental setaside requirement is established in the Court approved Settlement Agreement between Oakland and the Fair Share Housing Center. If the calculation of the total number of affordable units required yields a fraction of less than 0.5 then either a pro-rated payment in lieu or one additional unit shall be provided. If the calculation of the total number of affordable units required yields a fraction greater than 0.5, the obligation shall be rounded up and the additional unit shall be provided.
 2. A minimum of 20 percent of the total number of units shall be set aside as affordable housing units if the affordable units will be for sale. If the calculation of the total number of affordable units required yields a fraction of less than 0.5, then either a pro-rated payment in lieu or one additional unit shall be provided. If the calculation of the total number of affordable units required yields a fraction of greater than 0.5, the obligation shall be rounded up and the additional unit shall be provided.
 3. At least half of all affordable units shall be affordable to low income households, and the remainder may be affordable to moderate income households. Within rental developments, at least 13 percent of the affordable units shall be affordable to very low-income households, with the very low income units counted as part of the low income requirement.
- C. Any townhouse, garden apartment, mixed use development or other multiple family residential development, including within a designated redevelopment area shall provide a minimum affordable housing set-aside of twenty percent (20%) of the total number of units unless a different rental setaside is established in the Court approved Settlement Agreement between the Borough of Oakland and Fair Share Housing Center, if the affordable units will be for rent and twenty percent (20%) of the total number of units, if the affordable units will be for sale. The provisions of paragraph B.3. above shall also apply.
- D. Any property in the Borough of Oakland that is currently zoned for nonresidential uses and that is subsequently rezoned for residential purposes or receives a use variance to permit residential development, or that is currently zoned for residential uses and that receives a zoning change or a density variance to permit higher density multi-family residential development at a density of at least six (6) units per acre shall provide an affordable housing set-aside of 20 percent if the affordable units will be for rent, unless a different rental setaside has been established in the Court approved Settlement Agreement and 20 percent if the affordable units will be for sale. The provisions of paragraph B.3. above shall also apply.
- F. New Construction.**
- A. Low/Moderate Split and Bedroom Distribution of Affordable Housing Units:

1. The fair share obligation shall be divided equally between low- and moderate-income units, except that where there is an odd number of affordable housing units, the extra unit shall be a low-income unit. At least 13 percent of all restricted rental units shall be very low-income units (affordable to a household earning 30 percent or less of median income). The very low-income units shall be counted as part of the required number of low income units within the development.
2. At least 25 percent of the obligation shall be met through rental units, including at least half in rental units available to families.
3. A maximum of 25 percent of the Borough's obligation may be met with age restricted units. At least half of all affordable units in the Borough's Plan shall be available to families.
4. In each affordable development, at least 50 percent of the restricted units within each bedroom distribution shall be low-income units.
5. Affordable developments that are not age-restricted shall be structured in conjunction with realistic market demands such that:
 - (a) The combined number of efficiency and one-bedroom units shall be no greater than 20 percent of the total low- and moderate-income units;
 - (b) At least 30 percent of all low- and moderate-income units shall be two-bedroom units;
 - (c) At least 20 percent of all low- and moderate-income units shall be three-bedroom units; and
 - (d) The remaining units may be allocated among two and three-bedroom units at the discretion of the developer.
6. Affordable developments that are age-restricted shall be structured such that the number of bedrooms shall equal the number of age-restricted low- and moderate-income units within the inclusionary development. This standard may be met by having all one-bedroom units or by having a two-bedroom unit for each efficiency unit.

B. Accessibility Requirements:

1. The first floor of all restricted townhouse dwelling units and all restricted units in all other multistory buildings shall be subject to the technical design standards of the Barrier Free SubCode, N.J.A.C. 5:23-7 and the following:

2. All restricted townhouse dwelling units and all restricted units in other multistory buildings in which a restricted dwelling unit is attached to at least one other dwelling unit shall have the following features:
 - (a) An adaptable toilet and bathing facility on the first floor; and
 - (b) An adaptable kitchen on the first floor; and
 - (c) An interior accessible route of travel on the first floor; and
 - (d) An adaptable room that can be used as a bedroom, with a door or the casing for the installation of a door, on the first floor; and
 - (e) If not all of the foregoing requirements in b.1) through b.4) can be satisfied, then an interior accessible route of travel must be provided between stories within an individual unit, but if all of the terms of paragraphs b.1) through b.4) above have been satisfied, then an interior accessible route of travel shall not be required between stories within an individual unit; and
 - (f) An accessible entranceway as set forth at P.L. 2005, c. 350 (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-311a, et seq.) and the Barrier Free SubCode, N.J.A.C. 5:23-7, or evidence that Oakland has collected funds from the developer sufficient to make 10 percent of the adaptable entrances in the development accessible:
 - (1) Where a unit has been constructed with an adaptable entrance, upon the request of a person with disabilities who is purchasing or will reside in the dwelling unit, an accessible entrance shall be installed.
 - (2) To this end, the builder of restricted units shall deposit funds within the Borough of Oakland's Affordable Housing Trust Fund sufficient to install accessible entrances in 10 percent of the affordable units that have been constructed with adaptable entrances.
 - (3) The funds deposited under paragraph 6) b) above shall be used by the Borough of Oakland for the sole purpose of making the adaptable entrance of an affordable unit accessible when requested to do so by a person with a disability who occupies or intends to occupy the unit and requires an accessible entrance.
 - (4) The developer of the restricted units shall submit a design plan and cost estimate to the Construction Official of the Borough of Oakland for the conversion of adaptable to accessible entrances.

- (5) Once the Construction Official has determined that the design plan to convert the unit entrances from adaptable to accessible meet the requirements of the Barrier Free SubCode, N.J.A.C. 5:23-7, and that the cost estimate of such conversion is reasonable, payment shall be made to the Borough's Affordable Housing Trust Fund in care of the Borough Chief Financial Officer who shall ensure that the funds are deposited into the Affordable Housing Trust Fund and appropriately earmarked.
- (6) Full compliance with the foregoing provisions shall not be required where an entity can demonstrate that it is "site impracticable" to meet the requirements. Determinations of site impracticability shall be in compliance with the Barrier Free SubCode, N.J.A.C. 5:23-7.

C. Design:

1. In inclusionary developments, to the extent possible, low-and moderate-income units shall be integrated with the market units.
2. In inclusionary developments, low-and moderate-income units shall have access to all of the same common elements and facilities as the market units.

D. Maximum Rents and Sales Prices:

1. In establishing rents and sales prices of affordable housing units, the Administrative Agent shall follow the procedures set forth in UHAC, utilizing the regional income limits established by COAH or a successor entity.
2. The maximum rent for restricted rental units within each affordable development shall be affordable to households earning no more than 60 percent of median income, and the average rent for restricted rental units shall be affordable to households earning no more than 52 percent of median income.
3. The developers and/or municipal sponsors of restricted rental units shall establish at least one rent for each bedroom type for both low-income and moderate-income units, provided that at least 13 percent of all low- and moderate-income rental units shall be affordable to very low-income households, earning 30 percent or less of the regional median household income, with such very low-income units counted toward the low-income housing requirement.
4. The maximum sales price of restricted ownership units within each affordable development shall be affordable to households earning no more than 70 percent of median income, and each affordable development must achieve an affordability

average of 55 percent for restricted ownership units; in achieving this affordability average, moderate-income ownership units must be available for at least three different sales prices for each bedroom type, and low-income ownership units must be available for at least two different sales prices for each bedroom type.

5. In determining the initial sales prices and rent levels for compliance with the affordability average requirements for restricted units other than assisted

living facilities and age-restricted developments, the following standards shall be used:

- (a) A studio shall be affordable to a one-person household;
- (b) A one-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a one and one-half person household;
- (c) A two-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a three-person household;
- (d) A three-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a four and one-half person household; and
- (e) A four-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a six-person household.

6. In determining the initial sales prices and rents for compliance with the affordability average requirements for restricted units in assisted living facilities and age-restricted developments, the following standards shall be used:

- (a) A studio shall be affordable to a one-person household;
- (b) A one-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a one and one-half person household; and
- (c) A two-bedroom unit shall be affordable to a two-person household or to two one-person households.

7. The initial purchase price for all restricted ownership units shall be calculated so that the monthly carrying cost of the unit, including principal and interest (based on a mortgage loan equal to 95 percent of the purchase price and the Federal Reserve H.15 rate of interest), taxes, homeowner and private mortgage insurance and condominium or homeowner association fees do not exceed 28 percent of the eligible monthly income of the appropriate size household as determined under N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.4, as may be amended and supplemented; provided, however, that the price shall be subject to the affordability average requirement of N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.3, as may be amended and supplemented.

8. The initial rent for a restricted rental unit shall be calculated so as not to exceed 30 percent of the eligible monthly income of the appropriate size household, including an allowance for tenant paid utilities, as determined under N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.4, as may be amended and supplemented; provided, however, that the rent shall be subject to the affordability average requirement of N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.3, as may be amended and supplemented.
9. The price of owner-occupied low- and moderate-income units may increase annually based on the percentage increase in the regional median income limit for each housing region. In no event shall the maximum resale price established by the Administrative Agent be lower than the last recorded purchase price.
10. The rent of low- and moderate-income units may be increased annually based on the permitted percentage increase in the Regional Income Limits chart. This increase shall not exceed nine percent in any one year. Rents for units constructed pursuant to low- income housing tax credit regulations shall be indexed pursuant to the regulations governing low- income housing tax credits.

G. Utilities.

- A. Affordable units shall utilize the same type of heating source as market units within an inclusionary development.
- B. Tenant-paid utilities included in the utility allowance shall be set forth in the lease and shall be consistent with the utility allowance approved by HUD for its Section 8 program.

H. An Accessory Apartment Program

(1) All accessory apartments shall meet the following conditions:

- (a) Accessory apartments, if permitted by the Zoning Ordinance in various zoning districts, provided the units are affordable to low-and moderate-income households. Accessory apartments may be developed as low-income or moderate-income units (accessory apartments may be limited to only low- or only moderate-income units as determined in the Fair Share Plan).
- (b) Accessory apartments shall comply with all applicable statutes and regulations of the State of New Jersey in addition to all building and health codes, especially provisions related to septic system installation and maintenance.
- (c) At the time of initial occupancy of the unit and for at least 10 years thereafter, the accessory apartment shall be rented only to a household which is either a low- or moderate-income household.
- (d) Rents of accessory apartments shall be affordable to low- or moderate-income households as per COAH and UHAC regulations.