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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The 2025 Borough of Upper Saddle River Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (HE&FSP) of the Master Plan is designed to address how the Borough will fulfil its affordable housing obligations. These obligations and the way they are addressed are derived from a variety of sources, including regulatory provisions from the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH), prior settlement agreements with Fair Share Housing Center (FSHC), and the most recent New Jersey legislation on the 4<sup>th</sup> Round of the affordable housing issue and associated calculations provided by the Department of Community Affairs (DCA).

These obligations are summarized as follows:

Table 1: Affordable Housing Obligation Summary

Category	Obligation
First & Second Round Obligation (1987-1999)	206 units; reduced to 107 units through VLA/RDP
Third Round Obligation (1999-2025)	526 units; reduce to 78 units through VLA/RDP
Fourth Round Present Need (Rehabilitation) Obligation	0
Fourth Round Prospective Need (Future) Obligation (2025-2035)	233 units reduced to 0 units through VLA/RDP

#### First and Second Round Obligation

Upper Saddle River has prepared a number of Housing Elements and Fair Share Plans over the years to affirmatively address its affordable housing obligations. The Borough adopted a combined 1st and 2nd Round HE&FSP in 1998, which was prepared to address the Borough's 1987-1999 pre-credited housingneed obligation of 206 units. The Plan indicated the Borough was entitled to a Vacant Land Adjustment (VLA), but did address a significant portion of its affordable housing obligation through a regional contribution agreement with Jersey City, development of 106 affordable units in five different projects in the Borough, and 41 rental bonus credits for a total of 164 units of credit. The plan components are set forth in the accompanying Table 2. All components have been completed. Additionally, to address the Borough's unmet need of 42 units, the Borough adopted the following ordinances:

- 1. <u>Block 1301 Lot 3 Overlay Zone.</u> The Borough adopted an overlay zone that established a maximum gross density of 20 units per acre on the 2.9-acre site developed with an office building in 1986. The Zone permits a maximum building height of 3 stories and requires an affordable housing set-aside of 20%.
- 2. <u>Marron and Company Site (Block 1304 Lots 6, 9 and 10) Overlay Zone.</u> The Borough adopted an overlay zone that permits a gross density of 22 units per acre on this 4.9-acre tract. The Zone permits a maximum building height not to exceed 2 ½ stories and requires an affordable housing set-aside of 20%.

- 3. <u>Block 1304 Lot 7.01 Overlay Zone.</u> The Borough adopted an overlay zone that permits a maximum gross density of 20 units per acre. The Zone permits a maximum building height of 2 ½ stories and requires a 20% affordable housing set-aside.
- 4. <u>Block 1301 Lots 1.04, 1.11, 1.15, 1.16, 1.18, 1.19, 1.20, 1.21, 1.22, 1.23, 1.24 and 1.25.</u> The Borough adopted an overlay zone that permits a maximum gross density of 20 units per acre and 25 units per acre for tracts greater than 3 acres in area. The Zone requires a 20% affordable housing set-aside.
- 5. <u>Mandatory Set-Aside Ordinance</u>. The Borough adopted a mandatory affordable housing set-aside ordinance requiring new multifamily residential development of five units or more to include a minimum 20% affordable housing set-aside.

COAH granted substantive certification of the Plan in 2000.

Table 2: 1987-1999 First and Second Round Affordable Housing Components

Component	Affordable Units	Status
Regional Contribution Agreements:		
Jersey City RCA	17	Completed
Inclusionary Development		
Crescent Village Pinnacle Properties Lancaster Porcelanosa 160-168 E. Crescent Ave Rental Bonus Credits	24 18 7 52 of 69 5 of 25 41	Completed Completed Completed Completed Completed Completed
Total	164	
Prior Round Unmet Need	42	

#### Third Round Obligation

Pursuant to a Settlement Agreement signed with FSHC, the Borough had a Third Round affordable housing obligation of 526 units which, through the result of a vacant land adjustment, resulted in a Realistic Development Potential (RDP) of 78 units and a total Unmet Need of 444 units. The Borough's approved 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Plan notes that the unmet need mechanisms noted above reflect the Borough's unmet need policy for both the Prior Round and the Third Round.

Table 3: 2015-2025 Third Round Affordable Housing Components

Component	Affordable Units	Status
Inclusionary Development:		
Mack-Cali/Toll Brothers	22	Completed
172-176 E. Crescent Ave	3	Completed
160-168 E. Crescent Ave	20 of 25	Completed
Porcelanosa	17 of 69	Completed
Rental Bonus Credits	20	
Total Units	82*	
Third Round Unmet Need	444	

With crediting the Borough has achieved 4 more credits than called for through its RDP calculation.

#### Fourth Round Obligation

The Borough has a 4<sup>th</sup> Round rehabilitation obligation of zero and a prospective need of 233 affordable housing units. A vacant land adjustment analysis undertaken for the 4<sup>th</sup> Round indicates the Borough has a zero-unit RDP. Irrespective of that, the Borough shall designate a site at 10 Mountainview Road as an inclusionary development site. This 18.8-acre parcel is presently developed with an office building. The Borough intends to pursue a non-condemnation Area in Need of Redevelopment designation for this site and prepare a redevelopment plan calling for the site's redevelopment for inclusionary development at a density of 7 units per acre which is consistent with the surrounding multi-family residential densities. This would result in a total of 132 dwelling units on-site including 26 affordable units. Details associated with this site's redevelopment as an inclusionary development with a 20 percent set-aside for affordable housing are set forth in the body of this report.

#### STRUCTURE OF REPORT

This 2025 HE&FSP is divided into the following sections:

#### ❖ Section 1: Introduction

The first section of the 2025 HE&FSP introduces what constitutes affordable housing identifies what affordable housing is, offers an overview of the history of affordable housing in the state, and explains the role of a housing element and fair share plan as a component of the municipal master plan.

#### Section 2: Housing Element

Section 2 contains the Housing Element for the Borough. It offers an overview of the community, with information regarding the Borough's existing land use, population, housing, and employment characteristics. It also provides a projection of the Borough's housing stock and employment projections through the 4<sup>th</sup> Round period.

#### Section 3: Fair Share Obligation

Next, Section 3 provides an overview of the Borough's fair share obligation. It includes a brief history of the methodologies utilized to calculate affordable housing obligations throughout the state.

#### Section 4: Fair Share Plan

Finally, Section 4 details the manner in which the Borough has addressed its prior obligations and how it will address its 4th Round prospective need obligations.

#### **SECTION 1: INTRODUCTION**

The following section introduces what constitutes affordable housing. It identifies what affordable housing is, offers an overview of the history of affordable housing in the state, and explains the role of a housing element and fair share plan as a component of the municipal master plan.

#### 1.1: What is Affordable Housing?

Affordable housing is income-restricted housing that is available for sale or for rent. Generally speaking, it is defined as housing for very-low, low-, and moderate-income households (noted below), although there are exceptions, such as specific types of special-needs housing. The categories are derived from the state's median regional income limits (which for the current year are noted in the table below).

New Jersey is segmented into six different affordable housing regions. Upper Saddle River is located in Region 1 which includes Bergen, Hudson, Passaic, and Sussex Counties.



Regional income limitations are typically updated annually by the state, based on household size. The table below identifies the 2024 regional income limits by household size for Region 1. As an example, as shown, a three-person family with a household income of up to \$86,697 could qualify for affordable housing in region.

Table 4: 2024 Affordable Housing Region 1 Income Limits by Household Size

Income Level	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person
Median	\$96,329	\$108,371	\$120,412	\$130,045
Moderate	\$77,064	\$86,697	\$96,329	\$104,036
Low	\$48,165	\$54,185	\$60,206	\$65,022
Very-Low	\$28,899	\$32,511	\$37,568	\$39,013

One of the most common forms of affordable housing is inclusionary development, in which a certain percentage of units within a multifamily or townhouse development are reserved for affordable housing. Nevertheless, affordable housing can be found in a variety of other forms, including but not limited to one hundred percent affordable housing developments, deed-restricted accessory apartments, assisted living facilities, alternating arrangements such as supportive housing or group homes, and age restricted housing.

#### 1.2: What is the History of Affordable Housing in New Jersey?

The history of affordable housing in New Jersey can be traced back to 1975, when the Supreme Court first decided in So. Burlington Cty. NAACP v. Township of Mount Laurel (known as Mount Laurel I) that every developing municipality in New Jersey had an affirmative obligation to provide for its fair share of affordable housing. In a subsequent decision in 1983 (known as Mount Laurel II), the Court acknowledged that the vast majority of municipalities had ignored their constitutional obligation to provide affordable housing.

As such, the Court refined this obligation to establish that every municipality had an obligation, although those within the growth area of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan (SDRP) had a greater obligation. The Court also called for the state's legislature to enact legislation that would save municipalities from the burden of having the courts determine their affordable housing needs. The result of this decision was the adoption of the Fair Housing Act (FHA) in 1985 as well as the creation of the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (COAH), which became the state agency responsible for overseeing the manner in which New Jersey's municipalities address their low and moderate income housing needs.

COAH proceeded to adopt regulations for the First Round obligation, which covered the years 1987 to 1993. It also established the Second Round housing-need numbers that cumulatively covered the years 1987 through 1999. Under both the First and Second Rounds, COAH utilized what is commonly referred to as the "fair share" methodology. COAH utilized a different methodology, known as "growth share," beginning with its efforts to prepare Third Round housing-need numbers. The Third Round substantive and procedural rules were first adopted in 2004.

# 1975: Mount Laurel I Every developing municipality has an affordable housing obligation 1983: Mount Laurel II Every municipality has an obligation, with a particulkar emphasis on towns in the "Growth Share Area" of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan 1986: Mount Laurel III Every municipality has an obligation if any portion of municipality was within the "Growth Share Area" of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan 2015: Mount Laurel IV COAH defunct and moribund. All affordable housing matters to be heard by courts

These regulations were challenged and in January 2007, the Appellate Division invalidated various aspects of these rules and remanded considerable portions of the rules to COAH with the directive to adopt revised regulations.

In May 2008, COAH adopted revised Third Round regulations which were published and became effective on June 2, 2008. At the same time, COAH proposed amendments to the rules they had just adopted, which subsequently went into effect in October 2008. These 2008 rules and regulations were subsequently challenged, and in an October 2010 decision the Appellate Division invalidated the Growth Share methodology and indicated that COAH should adopt regulations pursuant to the Fair Share methodology utilized in Rounds One and Two. The Supreme Court affirmed this decision in September 2013, which invalidated much of the third iteration of the Third Round regulations and sustained the invalidation of growth share. As a result, the Court directed COAH to adopt new regulations pursuant to the methodology utilized in Rounds One and Two.

Deadlocked at a 3-3 vote, COAH failed to adopt newly revised Third Round regulations in October 2014. FSHC, who was a party in both the 2010 and 2013 cases, responded by filing a motion in aid of litigants' rights with the New Jersey Supreme Court. The Court heard the motion in January 2015 and issued its ruling on March 20, 2015. The Court ruled that COAH was effectively dysfunctional and consequently returned jurisdiction of affordable housing issues back to the trial courts where it had originally been prior to the creation of COAH in 1985.

2017: Gap Period Finds that gap period (1999-2015) generates an affordable housing obligation 2018: Jacobson Decision Established methodology in Mercer County for determining housing obligation. Utilized statewide for settlement purposes 2024: A-4/S-50 New Jersey adopts new legslation which overhauls the FHA. COAH is elimianted, and its duties are split between the DCA and the AOC.

This 2015 Court decision created a process in which municipalities may file a declaratory judgment action seeking a declaration that their HE&FSP is constitutionally compliant and receive temporary immunity from affordable housing builders' remedy lawsuits while preparing a new or revised HE&FSP to ensure their plan continues to affirmatively address their housing need as adjusted by new housingneed numbers promulgated by the court or COAH.

The Supreme Court subsequently ruled on January 18, 2017 that municipalities are also responsible for obligations accruing during the so-called "gap period," the period between 1999 and 2015 when COAH was not able to adopt 3<sup>rd</sup> Round regulations. The Court stated that the gap obligation should be calculated as a never-before calculated component of Present Need, which would serve to capture Gap Period households that were presently in need of affordable housing as of the date of the Present Need calculation (i.e. that were still income eligible, were not captured as part of traditional present need, were still living in New Jersey and otherwise represented a Present affordable housing need).

On March 20, 2024, the State of New Jersey adopted a package of affordable housing bills which overhauled the Fair Housing Act. This legislation ultimately eliminated COAH and split its duties and functions between the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC).

DCA was designated by the legislation as the entity responsible for calculating the state's regional needs as well as each municipality's present and prospective fair share obligations pursuant to the Jacobson Decision. However, the legislation makes clear that these numbers are advisory and that each municipality must set its own obligation number utilizing the same methodology. Meanwhile, the Affordable Housing Dispute Resolution Program (the "Program") within the AOC was directed to handle any disputes regarding affordable housing obligations and plans as part of the first step in the new process.

#### 1.3: What is a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan?

A Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (HE&FSP) serves as the blueprint for how a municipality will address its fair share of affordable housing. It is designed to help a community broaden the accessibility of affordable housing.

While technically a discretionary component of a municipal master plan, a HE&FSP is nevertheless effectively an obligatory plan element. As established by NJSA 40:55D-62a of the Municipal Land Use Law (MLUL), a municipality must have an adopted HE&FSP to enact a zoning ordinance. Thus, from a public policy perspective, a HE&FSP is an essential document that also ensures that the municipality

The **Municipal Land Use Law (MLUL)** is the enabling legislation for municipal land use and development, planning, and zoning for the State of New Jersey.

has the right to zone. Moreover, without a HE&FSP, a municipality may be susceptible to a builder's remedy lawsuit in which a developer could file a lawsuit to have a specific piece of property rezoned to permit housing at higher densities than a municipality would otherwise allow, provided a certain percentage of units are reserved as affordable units.

The Fair Housing Act (FHA), which was adopted in 1985 and has been amended multiple times since then, establishes the required components of a HE&FSP. These are summarized as follows:

- 1. An inventory of the municipality's housing stock by age, condition, purchase or rental value, occupancy characteristics, and type, including the number of units affordable to low- and moderate-income households and substandard housing capable of being rehabilitated.
- 2. A projection of the municipality's housing stock, including the probable future construction of low- and moderate-income housing, for the next ten years, taking into account, but not necessarily limited to, construction permits issued, approvals of applications for development and probable residential development of lands.
- 3. An analysis of the municipality's demographic characteristics, including but not necessarily limited to, household size, income level and age.
- 4. An analysis of the existing and probable future employment characteristics of the municipality.
- 5. A determination of the municipality's present and prospective fair share for low- and moderate-income housing and its capacity to accommodate its present and prospective housing needs, including its fair share for low- and moderate-income housing.
- 6. A consideration of the lands that are most appropriate for construction of low- and moderate-income housing and the existing structures most appropriate for conversion to, or rehabilitation

for, low- and moderate-income housing, including a consideration of lands of developers who have expressed a commitment to provide low- and moderate-income housing.

- 7. An analysis of the extent to which municipal ordinances and other local factors advance or detract from the goal of preserving multigenerational family continuity as expressed in the recommendations of the Multigenerational Family Housing Continuity Commission.
- 8. For a municipality located within the jurisdiction of the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council, an analysis of compliance of the housing element with the Highlands Regional Master Plan of lands in the Highlands Preservation Area, and lands in the Highlands Planning Area for Highlands conforming municipalities.
- 9. An analysis of consistency with the State Development and Redevelopment Plan, including water, wastewater, stormwater, and multi-modal transportation based on guidance and technical assistance from the State Planning Commission.

#### **SECTION 2: HOUSING ELEMENT**

The following section represents the Borough's housing element of the Borough master plan. It offers an overview of the community's characteristics regarding existing land use, population, housing, and employment. It also provides a projection of the local housing stock and its employment projections.

#### Information Regarding Data Sources

The information contained in Section 1.2 entitled "Population Demographics," Section 1.3 entitled "Inventory of Housing Stock," Section 1.4 entitled "Employment Demographics," and Section 1.5 entitled "Housing & Employment Projections" was obtained from a variety of publicly available data sources. These are summarized below:

# United States Decennial Census

The US Census is described in Article I, Section 2 of the Constitution of the United States, which calls for an enumeration of the people every ten years for the apportionment of seats in the House of Representatives. Since the time of the first Census conducted in 1790, it has become the leading source of data about the nation's people and economy. Please note that all incomes reported in the Census are adjusted for inflation.

#### American Community Survey (ACS)

The American Community Survey is a nationwide ongoing survey conducted by the US Census Bureau. The ACS gathers information previously contained only in the long form version of the decennial census, such as age, ancestry, educational attainment, income, language proficiency, migration, disability, employment, and housing characteristics. It relies upon random sampling to provide ongoing, monthly data collection. Please note that all incomes reported in the ACS are adjusted for inflation.

#### New Jersey Department of Health

The New Jersey Department of Health is a governmental agency of the State of New Jersey. The department contains the Office of Vital Statistics and Registry, which gathers data regarding births, deaths, marriages, domestic partnerships, and civil unions.

# New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA)

The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs is a governmental agency of the State of New Jersey. Its function is to provide administrative guidance, financial support, and technical assistance to local governments, community development organizations, businesses, and individuals to improve the quality of life in New Jersey.

# New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development

The New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development is a governmental agency of the State of New Jersey. One of its roles is to collect labor market information regarding employment and wages throughout the state.

#### 2.1: Community Overview

Upper Saddle River occupies an area of 5.26 square miles (3,366 acres in the northernmost portion of Bergen County. It is bordered by New York State to the north and five New Jersey municipalities including the Boroughs of Montvale and Woodcliff Lake to the east; Saddle River to the south, and

Ramsey and the Township of Mahwah to the west. The Borough is essentially a fully developed community with scant vacant land remaining for development.

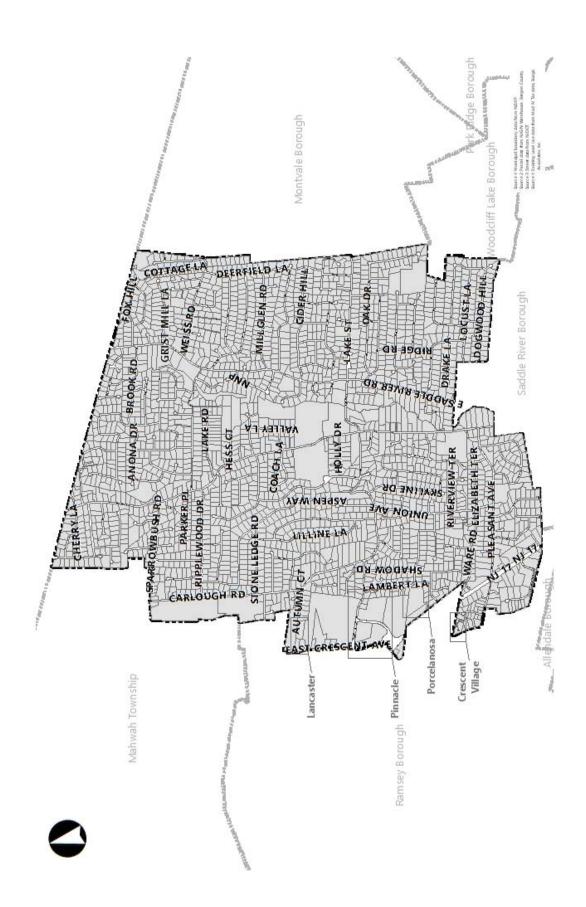
The Borough is predominantly a residential community, with a development pattern that consists primarily of detached single-family dwellings along with a number of townhouse and multi-family developments. Residential development accounts for 92 percent of the Borough's total land area. Commercial and industrial development, accounting for 3 percent of the Borough's land area, is concentrated for the most part along the Route 17 corridor in the southwesterly portion of the Borough. There are also nearly 2 percent of the land area devoted to municipal, public school, and church and charitable use. The following Table 4 and the Borough's accompanying Existing Land Use Map further illustrate the Borough's distribution of land uses.

Regional access to the community is provided by several county and state roadways. Route 17 extends through the Borough and provides immediate access to Route 287 to the north as well as to the New York State Thruway. It also provides quick access to the central and southerly portions of the County. East and West Saddle River Roads provide north-south access to nearby municipalities, and Lake Street provides a regional east-west link to surrounding areas.

Table 5: Existing Land Uses

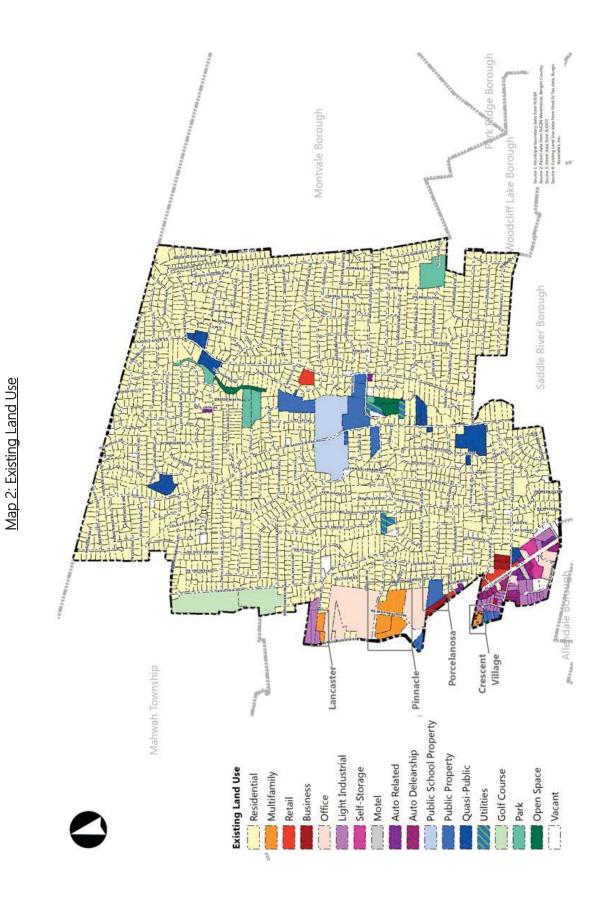
Land Use		Acres	% of Total Acres	Parcels	% of Total Parcels
	Low Density	1136.22	56.98%	1884	74.9%
Residential	Multifamily	6.20	0.31%	426	16.9%
	Multifamily Assisted Living	10.64	0.53%	1	0.0%
Commercial	Commercial	24.36	1.22%	41	1.6%
	Farm/Nursery/Golf Course	25.86	1.30%	9	0.4%
D 11: (C )	Municipal Property	241.15	12.09%	37	1.5%
Public/Semi- Public	Public School	64.01	3.21%	6	0.2%
	Church & Charitable	21.77	1.09%	6	0.2%
	Vacant	25.30	1.27%	65	2.6%
Other	Industrial	104.40	5.24%	24	1.0%
	Rail	21.18	1.06%	9	0.4%
	Other Exempt	2.06	0.10%	7	0.3%

Source: ArcGIS Calculations



Map 1: Community Overview





#### 2.2: Demographic and Population Data

Analyzing demographic and population data is a necessary and integral step in planning for the future needs and demands of a community. As such, the following section outlines the demographic changes experienced by the Borough over the past several decades.

This section provides demographic and socio-economic information for Upper Saddle River. This data is obtained from Decennial Census data as well as the 2010 and 2023 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year estimates. The ACS data consists of estimates based upon data averages across a five-year span, otherwise known as "period" estimates. These are not actual counts, rather they are representative of data collected over a period of time and thus may not be directly comparable to decennial census figures. The information set forth below regards an assessment of population size, rate of population growth, age characteristics, as well as household size and income levels and related information. Each of these items is described in detail below. This information is vital for the Borough to carefully plan for the current and future needs of its residents and the community.

#### **Inventory of Housing Stock**

This section of the Housing Element provides an inventory of the Borough's housing stock, as required by the Municipal Land Use Law and the new legislation regarding affordable housing. The inventory details housing characteristics such as age, condition, purchase/rental value, and occupancy. It also details the number of affordable units available to low- and moderate-income households and the number of substandard housing units capable of being rehabilitated.

#### 1. Number of Dwelling Units and Related Housing Data

As shown in the table below, the Borough's housing stock grew by more than 6 percent between 1990 and 2000, from 2,410 units to 2,560 units. However, the rate of growth has slowed recently. Estimates for 2023 suggest that Upper Saddle River's housing stock increased by only 2% since 2010.

Year	Total Dwelling Units	Numerical Change	Percentage Change
1980	2,330	280	13.7%
1990	2,410	80	3.4%
2000	2,560	150	6.2%
2010	2,668	108	4.2%
2023	2,715	47	2%

Table 6: Dwelling Units (1980-2023)

Sources: 2003 Bergen County Data Book, U.S. Census – 1980, 1990 & 2000, 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

The following table provides additional detail regarding the tenure and occupancy of the Borough's housing stock. As shown below, 87.4% of the Borough's housing stock was estimated to be owner-occupied in 2023, down from more than 94.4% in 2000. This reduction is a function of multi-family rentals that have been built in the community over the last decade. The number of rental units increased

from 81 units in 2000 to an estimated 251 units in 2023, representing an increase in terms of the total housing stock from 3.2% to 9.2%.

Table 7: Housing Units by Tenure and Occupancy Status (1990 to 2023)

Category	199	90	200	2000		2010 2023		23
cutegory	No. Units	Percent	No. Units	Percent	No. Units	Percent	No. Units	Percent
Owner-Occupied Units	2,224	92.3%	2,416	94.4%	2,279	85.4%	2,372	87.4%
Renter-Occupied Units	100	4.1%	81	3.2%	221	8.3%	251	9.2%
Vacant Units	86	3.6%	63	2.5%	168	6.3%	92	3.4%
Total Units	2,410	100.0%	2,560	100.0%	2,668	100.0%	2,715	100.0%

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

#### 2. Housing Characteristics

The following tables provide additional information on the characteristics of the Borough's housing stock, including data on the number of units in structures and the number of bedrooms. As shown below, the housing stock is predominantly characterized by single-family detached units, which represented nearly 88.9% of all dwelling units in 2023. This is a decrease from previous periods and reflects the creation of additional multi-family units of varied housing types since 2000.

Table 8: Units in Structure (1990 to 2023)

Units in Structure	1990 2000 2010 2023		1990 2000 2010		23			
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1-unit, detached	2,386	99.0%	2,493	97.4%	2,440	91.5%	2414	88.9%
1-unit, attached	5	0.2%	8	0.3%	64	2.4%	191	7.0%
2 units	11	0.5%	29	1.1%	84	3.1%	0	0.0%
3 or 4 units	2	0.1%	15	0.6%	0	0.0%	29	1.1%
5 to 9 units	1	0.0%	8	0.3%	24	0.9%	18	0.7%
10 to 19 units	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	49	1.8%
20 or more units	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	19	0.7%	14	0.5%
Mobile home	0	0.0%	7	0.3%	37	1.4%	0	0.0%
Boat, RV, van, etc.	4	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	2,410	100.0%	2,560	100.0%	2,668	100.0%	2,414	88.9%

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000; 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

Table 9: Number of Bedrooms in Housing Units (1990 to 2023)

Number of	199	90	200	00	201	10	202	23
Bedrooms	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Zero	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0%
One	8	0.3%	8	0.3%	62	2.3%	0	0%
Two	115	4.8%	88	3.4%	126	4.7%	147	5%
Three	546	22.7%	643	25.1%	478	17.9%	636	23%
Four	1,198	49.7%	1,090	42.6%	1,141	42.8%	1,080	40%
Five or More	543	22.5%	731	28.6%	861	32.3%	852	31%
Total	2,410	100.0%	2,560	100.0%	2,668	100.0%	2,715	100.0%

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000; 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

#### 3. Housing Age

The following table details the age of the Borough's housing stock. As shown, two-thirds of the Borough's housing units were constructed prior to 1980; only 34.7% were built between 1980 and 2023.

Table 10: Year Structure Built

Year Built	Number of Units	Percent
2020 or Later	102	3.8%
2010 to 2019	108	4.0%
2000 to 2009	359	13.2%
1990 to 1999	208	7.7%
1980 to 1989	164	6.0%
1970 to 1979	352	13.0%
1960 to 1969	752	27.7%
1950 to 1959	455	16.8%
1940 to 1949	25	0.9%
1939 or earlier	190	7.0%
Total	2,715	100.0%

Sources: U.S. Census – 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

#### 4. Housing Conditions

An inventory of the Borough's housing conditions is presented in the following tables. The first table identifies the extent of overcrowding in the Borough, defined as housing units with more than one occupant per room. The data indicates that the number of occupied housing units considered overcrowded in 2023 is zero.

Table 11: Occupants Per Room (1990 to 2023)

Occupants Per Room	1990		2000		2010		2023	
occupanto i ci nocini	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1.00 or less	2,320	99.8%	2,497	100.0%	2,500	100.0%	2,623	100.0%
1.01 to 1.50	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
1.51 or more	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Total	2,324	100.0%	2,497	100.0%	2,500	100.0%	2,623	100.0%

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000; 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

The table below presents other key characteristics of housing conditions, including the presence of complete plumbing and kitchen facilities and the type of heating equipment used. As shown, all units in the Borough have complete kitchen facilities. No dwelling unit was determined to be lacking plumbing facilities, and every unit utilized standard heating facilities.

Table 12: Equipment and Plumbing Facilities (190 to 2023)

Facilities	199	90	200	00	20°	10	202	23
racinaes	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<u>Kitchen:</u> Complete Facilities	2,316	99.7%	2,497	100.0%	2,618	98.1%	2,623	100.0%
Lacking Complete Facilities	8	0.3%	0	0.0%	50	1.9%	0	0.0%
Plumbing: Complete Facilities	2,316	99.7%	0	0.0%	2,618	98.1%	2,623	100.0%
Lacking Complete Facilities	8	0.3%	0	0.0%	50	1.9%	0	0.0%
Heating Equipment: Standard Heating Facilities	2,316	99.7%	2,497	100.0%	2,500	100.0%	2,623	100.0%
Other Means, No Fuel Used	8	0.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000; 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

#### 5. Purchase and Rental Values

As shown in the following table, 15.9% of Upper Saddle River's rental housing stock had monthly rents under \$1,000 in 2000. By 2023, 95.6% of rents are greater than \$1,500, with the median rent reported at \$3,500+. There was a significant decrease in the percentage of households that paid no cash rent from 2010 to 2023; 18.1% in 2010 compared to 0.0% in 2023. The Borough's median rent is higher than the median monthly rent of Bergen County as a whole (\$1,863).

Table 13: Gross Rent of Renter-Occupied Housing Units (1990 to 2023)

Gross Rent	199	90	200	00	20	10	202	23
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Less than \$200	8	8.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
\$200 to \$299	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$300 to \$499	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
\$500 to \$749	8	8.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$750 to \$999	17	18.5%	13	15.9%	0	0.0%		
\$1,000 to \$1,499	59	64.1%	7	8.5%	53	24.0%	11	4.4%
\$1,500 or More		0.0%	62	75.6%	128	57.9%	240	95.6%
No Cash Rent	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	40	18.1%	0	0.0%
Total	92	100.0%	82	100.0%	221	100.0%	251	100.0%
Median Gross Rent		\$1,220		\$1,929		\$2,000+		\$3,500+
Bergen County Median Gross Rent		\$662		\$872		\$1,236		\$1,863

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000; 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Note: 1990 US Census did not include a "\$1,500 or More" gross rent category

The table below shows that approximately 66.2% of Upper Saddle River's owner-occupied units had a value of \$1,000,000 or more in 2023. The Borough's median value in 2023 was 4 times the County's median value in 2000, and 2 times higher than the County median in 2023.

Table 14: Value of Owner-Occupied Housing Units (1990 to 2023)

Value Range	199	90	200	2000		2010		23
, and the light	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Less than \$50,000	3	0.1%	11	0.5%	0	0.0%	10	0.4%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	9	0.4%	8	0.3%	40	1.8%	20	0.8%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	10	0.5%	15	0.6%	15	0.6%	0	0.0%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	119	5.7%	106	4.6%	12	0.5%	0	0.0%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	1011	48.8%	639	27.6%	104	4.6%	24	1.0%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	919	44.4%	1,383	59.7%	1195	52.4%	748	31.5%
\$1,000,000 or More		0.0%	155	6.7%	913	40.1%	1,570	66.2%
Total	2,072	100.0%	2,317	100.0%	2,279	100.0%	2,372	100.0%
Median Value	\$479,200	I	\$603,900	I	\$938,000	I	\$1,101,800	)
Bergen County Median Value	\$227,700		\$250,300		\$482,300		\$593,200	

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000; 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates
Note: 1990 US Census did not include a "1,000,000 or More" Value Range

#### 6. Number of Affordable to Low- and Moderate-Income Households

Upper Saddle River is placed in COAH Housing Region 1, which is comprised of Bergen, Passaic, Hudson and Sussex counties. Based on the current regional income limits prepared by Affordable Housing Professionals of New Jersey, the median household income for a three-person household is approximately \$85,637. A three-person moderate-income household, defined as 80% of the median income, would have an income not exceeding \$68,510.

An affordable sales price for a three-person moderate-income household earning 80% of the median income is estimated at approximately \$150,000. This estimate is based on the UHAC affordability controls outlined in N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.3. In 2023, the percentage of housing units in the Borough valued at less than \$150,000 was 0.12%. For renter-occupied housing, an affordable monthly rent for a three-person household is estimated at approximately \$1,890. According to the most recent ACS data, approximately 4.4% of the Borough's rental units had a gross rent less than \$1,500.

#### 7. Substandard Housing Capable of Being Rehabilitated

The number of units in a community that are in need of rehabilitation and are not likely to experience "spontaneous rehabilitation" has been provided by the Mercer County Trial. Upper Saddle River's rehabilitation share is zero units.

#### **Population Analysis**

The MLUL requires that Housing Element provides data on the municipality's population, including population size, age and income characteristics.

#### 1. Population Size

As seen in the table below, the Borough experienced its greatest population growth in the 1960s and 1970s. Between 1980 and 1990, the Borough's population shrank by nearly 10%. Nevertheless, since that time the Borough has experienced a continual population increase. By 2023, the Borough's population was estimated to be approximately 8,354 persons.

Table 15: Population Growth (1920 to 2023)

Year	Population	Population Change	Percent Change
1920	251	-	-
1930	347	96	38.2%
1940	510	163	47.0%
1950	706	196	38.4%
1960	3,570	2,864	405.7%
1970	7,949	4,379	122.7%
1980	7,958	9	0.1%
1990	7,198	-760	-9.6%
2000	7,741	543	7.5%
2010	8,208	467	6.0%
2023	8,354	146	1.8%

Sources: U.S. Census; 2023 American Community Survey.

#### 2. Age Characteristics

The Borough's age characteristics are outlined in the table below. As shown, the age of Borough's population has relatively remained consistent since 1990. Upper Saddle River's median age has increased slightly since 1990 from 40.1 to 41.7 years in 2023. The number of children under the age of 19 years has been increasing since 1990 from 19% of the Borough's population to more than 28.6% in 2023.

Table 16: Age Characteristics (1990 to 2023)

Age	199	90	200	00	20	10	202	2023	
/ igc	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Under 5 years	420	5.8%	579	7.5%	417	5.1%	598	7.2%	
5 to 19 years	948	13.2%	1,449	18.7%	2,251	27.4%	1,792	21.5%	
20 to 24 years	959	13.3%	566	7.3%	281	3.4%	506	6.1%	
25 to 34 years	700	9.7%	494	6.4%	345	4.2%	755	9.0%	
35 to 44 years	1,234	17.1%	1,491	19.3%	1,135	13.8%	882	10.6%	
45 to 54 years	1,277	17.7%	1,358	17.5%	1,664	20.3%	1,432	17.1%	
55 to 64 years	998	13.9%	884	11.4%	1,037	12.6%	1,260	15.1%	
65 to 74 years	464	6.4%	585	7.6%	627	7.6%	713	8.5%	
75 to 84 years	172	2.4%	260	3.4%	335	4.1%	276	3.3%	
85 years and over	26	0.4%	75	1.0%	116	1.4%	140	1.7%	
Total		7,198		7,741		8,208		8,354	
Median Age		40.1		40.1		42.9		41.7	

Source: U.S. Census – 1990, 2000, 2010; 2023 American Community Survey.

#### 3. Average Household Size

The average household size for the Borough has remained stable at 3.1 persons per household over the past few decades.

Table 17: Average Household Size (1960 to 2023)

Year	Total Population	Number of Households	Average Household Size
1960	3,570	960	3.72
1970	7,949	2,002	3.97
1980	7,958	2,277	3.49
1990	7,198	2,324	3.1
2000	7,741	2,497	3.1
2010	8,208	2,639	3.1
2023	8,354	2,623	3.18

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990, 2000, 2010; 2023 American Community Survey

#### 4. Household Income

Detailed household income figures are shown in the table below. As shown, 82.8% of the Borough's households had an income of \$100,000 or more in 2023, which represents a slight increase from 2010. The Borough's median household income in 2023 of \$246,713 was nearly double the median household income of Bergen County as a whole.

Table 18: Household Income (2010 & 2023)

Income Category	20	10	20	23
micome category	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Less than \$10,000	19	1%	59	2.2%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	14	1%	11	0.4%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	44	2%	17	0.6%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	80	3%	10	0.4%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	86	3%	90	3.4%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	109	4%	167	6.4%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	240	10%	96	3.7%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	468	19%	358	13.6%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	325	13%	316	12.0%
\$200,000 or more	1,115	45%	1,499	57.1%
Total	2,500	100.0%	2,623	100.0%
Median Household Income		\$175,399		\$246,713
Bergen County Median		\$81,004		\$123,715

Sources: 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

#### 5. Housing Cost-Burden

Households that pay more than 30% of their income for housing are considered cost burdened and may have difficulty affording necessities such as food, clothing, transportation and medical care. Despite Upper Saddle River's affluence, the data from the 2023 ACS reveals that approximately 33.9% of owner-occupied households and 59.36% of rental households had housing costs of 30% or more.

Table 19: Housing Cost as Percentage of Income (2010 & 2023)

		20	10		2023					
Percentage of Income	Owner-occupied		Renter		Owner-o	occupied	Renter			
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
Less than 20 percent	896	39.32%	77	34.84%	1,251	52.7%	67	26.69%		
20 to 29 percent	466	20.45%	70	31.67%	318	13.4%	35	13.94%		
30 percent or more	917	40.24%	34	15.38%	803	33.9%	149	59.36%		
Occupied Units	2,279	100.0%	221	100.0%	2,372	100.0%	251	100.0%		

Sources: 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

#### 2.3 Employment Analysis

The MLUL requires that the Housing Element includes data on employment levels in the community. The following tables present information on the Borough's employment characteristics.

#### 1. Employment Status

The following table provides information on the employment status of Borough residents age 16 and over. The unemployment rate in 2023 was 5.1%. This was equal to twice the 2023 unemployment rate of Bergen County (3.9%).

Table 20: Employment Status, Population 16 and Over (1990 to 2023)

Employment Status	1990		2000		2010		2023	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
In labor force	3,679	64.5%	3,523	62.7%	3,457	60.3%	4,220	64.3%
Civilian labor force	3,668	64.3%	3,523	62.7%	3,457	60.3%	4,220	64.3%
Employed	3,568	62.5%	3,376	60.1%	3,359	58.6%	3,887	59.2%
Unemployed	100	1.8%	147	2.6%	98	1.7%	333	7.9%
% of civilian labor force	-	2.7%	-	4.2%	-	2.8%	-	-
Armed Forces	11	0.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Not in labor force	2,029	35.5%	2,096	37.3%	2,278	39.7%	2,345	35.7%
Total Population 16 and Over		5,708		5,619		5,735		6,565

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000; 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

#### 2. Employment Characteristics of Employed Residents

The following two tables detail information on the employment characteristics of employed Upper Saddle River residents. Table 21 details occupation characteristics, while Table 22 details industry characteristics.

Table 21: Employed Residents Age 16 and Over, By Occupation (1990 to 2023)

Occupation	199	90	2000		20	10	2023	
о соприноп	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Management, Professional and related occupations	1,886	52.9%	2,057	60.9%	1,817	54.1%	2661	68.5%
Service Occupation	249	7.0%	123	3.6%	208	6.2%	308	7.9%
Sales and Office Occupations	1,125	31.5%	986	29.2%	1,184	35.2%	713	18.3%
Farming, fishing and forestry occupations	56	1.6%	0	0.0%	89	2.6%	134	3.4%
Construction, extraction and maintenance	152	4.3%	127	3.8%				
Production, transportation and material moving occupations	100	2.8%	83	2.5%	61	1.8%	71	1.8%
Total	3,568	100.0%	3,376	100.0%	3,359	100.0%	3,887	100.0%

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000; 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

Table 22: Employed Residents Age 16 and Over, by Industry (1990 to 2023)

Industry	199	90	200	2000		10	2023	
,	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting and mining	56	1.6%	0	0.0%	17	0.5%	0	0.0%
Construction	123	3.4%	156	4.6%	123	3.7%	182	4.7%
Manufacturing	182	5.1%	318	9.4%	366	10.9%	122	3.1%
Wholesale trade	118	3.3%	314	9.3%	225	6.7%	213	5.5%
Retail trade	194	5.4%	295	8.7%	377	11.2%	309	7.9%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	87	2.4%	51	1.5%	47	1.4%	92	2.4%
Information	0	0.0%	162	4.8%	94	2.8%	200	5.1%

Industry	1990		2000		2010		2023	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Finance, insurance, real estate and rental and leasing	324	9.1%	588	17.4%	686	20.4%	491	12.6%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative and waste management services	1,220	34.2%	564	16.7%	560	16.7%	1151	29.6%
Educational, health and social services	484	13.6%	654	19.4%	553	16.5%	637	16.4%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	83	2.3%	113	3.3%	196	5.8%	376	9.7%
Other services	683	19.1%	91	2.7%	46	1.4%	55	1.4%
Public administration	14	0.4%	70	2.1%	69	2.1%	59	1.5%
Total	3,568	100.0%	3,376	100.0%	3,359	100.0%	3,887	100.0%

Sources: U.S. Census – 1990 & 2000; 2010 & 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

#### 2.4: Housing and Employment Projections

The following section identifies the extent to which recent development has occurred in the community, to assist in the determination of future residential and employment projections.

# 1. Probable Future Employment and Regional or Community Factors Impacting Upon Future Municipal Employment

Employment has fluctuated over the past ten years in the Borough, between a high of 4,938 in 2015 and a low of 2,319 in 2021 in the midst of the COVID pandemic. The number of jobs in the Borough has remained low since that time. As of 2023, there were a reported 2,743 jobs in the Borough, which represents a decrease of 44% since 2015. This is the result of both Pearson Education vacating its offices at One Lake Street the vacation of the building at 10 Mountainview Road as well as the devastating effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. Assuming the current climate continues and recognizing the limited availability of vacant land for new non-residential development, only minor changes in employment characteristics are anticipated.

Table 23: Covered Employment Trends 2014 to 2023

Year	Number of Jobs	Change in Number of Jobs	Percent Change
2014	4,917	-	-
2015	4,938	21	0.4%
2016	4,695	-243	-5.2%
2017	4,081	-614	-15.0%
2018	3,733	-348	-9.3%
2019	3,148	-585	-18.6%
2020	2,648	-500	-18.9%
2021	2,319	-329	-14.2%
2022	2,579	260	10.1%
2023	2,743	164	6.0%

Sources: Department of Labor and Workforce Development

#### 2. Projection of the Municipality's Housing Stock

With limited acreage remaining in the municipality that may be developed for residential use, it is anticipated that the Borough's residential growth shall remain modest, as reflected in the recent annual data shown on the following table.

<u>Table 24: Trend in Residential Development</u>

<u>Analysis of Certificates of Occupancy and Demolition Permits, 2004 to 2023</u>

Year	COs Issued	Demo Permits Issued	Net Growth	
2004	22	33	-11	
2005	15	35	-20	
2006	14	24	-10	
2007	14	16	-2	
2008	8	8	0	
2009	11	7	4	
2010	7	9	-2	
2011	3	4	-1	
2012	2	5	-3	
2013	6	16	-10	
2014	3	19	-16	
2015	6	3	3	
2016	8	0	8	
2017	5	0	5	
2018	5	6	-1	
2019	3	5	-2	
2020	0	0	0	
2021	0	6	-6	
2022	47	8	39	
2023	50	8	42	
20 YR Total	229	212	17	
20 YR Average	11.45	10.6	-	
Yearly Average	0.85			

Sources: New Jersey Department of Community Affairs

#### **SECTION 3: FAIR SHARE OBLIGATION**

The following section provides an overview of the Borough's fair share obligation. It includes a brief overview of the methodology utilized to calculate affordable housing obligations throughout the state.

#### 3.1: Summary of Fair Share Obligation

On March 20, 2024, the State of New Jersey adopted a package of affordable housing bills which overhauled the FHA. The FHA now designates the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) as the entity responsible for calculating the state's regional needs. Specifically, NJSA 52:27D-304.2 establishes the methodology to be utilized by the DCA to determine the state's regional prospective needs of low-and moderate-income housing for the ten-year period spanning from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2035. In summary, their projected household change for this period is estimated by establishing the household change experienced in each region between the most recent federal decennial census and the second-most recent decennial census. This household change, if positive, is then divided by 2.5 to estimate the number of low- and moderate-income homes needed to address low- and moderate-income household change in the region for the next ten years. This methodology resulted in a statewide prospective need of 84,698 low- and moderate-income units.

DCA is also the entity responsible for calculating each municipality's present and prospective fair share obligations. However, the FHA makes clear that these calculations are advisory and that each municipality must set its own obligation number utilizing the same methodology.

On January 23, 2025, the Borough adopted Resolution #47-25 (see Appendix for copy) which accepted DCA's present need number but sought to reduce its prospective fair share obligation need number to 201. These obligations are summarized below. That same resolution also noted that the Borough reserved the right to conduct a vacant land adjustment to determine its realistic development potential. This is discussed in greater detail in the next subsection.

Table 25: Summary of Fair Share Obligation

Affordable Obligation	Units		
Present (Rehabilitation Need) Obligation	0		
Fourth Round Obligation (2025-2035)	DCA: 233; USR sought adjustment to 201		

#### 3.2: Realistic Development Potential (RDP)

Upper Saddle River is a fully developed community and is therefore entitled to adjust its obligation in accordance with a procedure set forth in the FHA. Specifically, NJSA 52:27D-310.1 permits municipalities to perform an RDP analysis by preparing a VLA.

An RDP analysis is intended to determine which sites in a municipality are most likely to develop for low- and moderate-income housing. Municipalities may present documentation that eliminates a site or part of a site from its inventory of vacant land .Such eliminating factors include: lands dedicated for public uses other than housing since 1997; park lands or open space; vacant contiguous parcels in private ownership of a size which would accommodate fewer than five housing units; historic and architecturally important sites listed on the State Register of Historic Places or the National Register of Historic Places; preserved agricultural lands; sites designated for active recreation; and environmentally sensitive lands.

The Borough's 2020 Third Round affordable housing obligation is informed by a VLA and the imposition of an RDP analysis, which was undertaken pursuant to COAH's Second Round Rules, N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2. In accordance with those regulations, the VLA first identified all vacant parcels of minimally .83 acres in size based on COAH's minimum presumptive density of 6 units per acre. Next, environmental constraints were imposed such as wetlands, steep slopes, and flood plains pursuant to the applicable regulations. The remaining developable acreage was then calculated in determining the Borough's RDP.

The vacant land analysis revealed that there are 45.47 total acres of qualifying developable land in the Borough which meet the minimum criteria to be considered as a site contributing to RDP. It was therefore concluded that the Borough has an RDP of 78 units, and this was agreed to by the Borough, Court Special Master and FSHC following a thorough review of property in the Borough. This VLA is shown on an accompanying table.

A new VLA has been conducted for the Borough. The analysis revealed that there are no newly vacant properties which meet the aforementioned 0.83 acre threshold. Therefore, the Borough's RDP for the  $4^{th}$  Round is zero affordable units.

Table 26: 2020 Vacant Land Adjustment

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		Property				Developable		
Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Comments	Area (ac)	Area (ac)	RDP (du/ac)	RDP (units)
203	-	29 HILLSIDE AVE	WOHRLE (TRSTE),	Three lots with common owner combined. Some steen slones on lot 2 Infill site in single-family	1.64	09.0	6.0	_
203	2	31 HILLSIDE AVE		detached housing neighborhood on the New York				
203	е	39 HILLSIDE AVE		State border.				
503	9	39 PARKER PL	GUEMBEL, HEIDI & LONGO, JAMES	Qualifies for RDP Analysis. Infill site in single-family detached housing neighborhood.	1.74	1.70	6.0	2
601	1.01	1-15 LAKE ST	TOLL BROS	Former Mack-Call site under development by Toll Bros., with 5.3 acres of constrained land {wetlands and stream}. Site Is sufficiently large to establish its own land use character. Adjacent to Orchard Hill townhouses across Lake Street to the south developed at about 6 units/acre in early 2000's and inclusionary Pinnacle Properties East and West developed at 7.8 units/acre. Office and residential uses to the northwest fronting on E. Crescent Avenue. Skymark Court inclusionary townhouse development to the north developed at 9.4 units/acre in mid-2000's. Single-family detached houses to the north and east buffered by woods and wetlands.	38.65	31.35	8.0	50
805	1.02	430 WEST SADDLE RIVER RD	MAC DONALD, RAYMOND & HELEN	Qualifies for RDP Analysis. (Borough analysis found 0.91 acre of developable area, illogically larger than the lot area; developed area adjusted to match lot area) Surrounded by single-family detached residential land uses.	0.86	0.86	6.0	-
810	8.08	443 EAST SADDLE RIVER RD	ROSENTHAL, KAREN	Qualifies for RDP Analysis. Surrounded by single-family detached residential land uses.	0.88	0.85	6.0	<b>←</b>
901	е	382 EAST SADDLE RIVER RD	JMN INVESTMENTS	Qualifies for RDP Analysis. Environmental Constraints: Steep Slopes. Approximately 458 square feet are constrained. Surrounded by singlefamily detached residential land uses.	0.86	0.86	6.01	-

Block	Lot	Property Address	Owner	Comments	Area (ac)	Developable Area (ac)	RDP (du/ac)	RDP (units)
906	80	25 PEACH TREE PL	VOSKIAN, MICHAEL J	Qualifies for RDP Analysis. Surrounded by single-family detached residential land uses.	1.04	0.93	6.0	
919	1.02	ASH RD	WASKO, JOSEPH P & PAULINE E	Qualifies for RDP Analysis. Surrounded by single-family detached residential land uses.	0.93	1.03	6.0	_
1211	10.03	3 STEVENSON CT	THIE, CHARLES H.	Qualifies for RDP Analysis. Environmental Constraints: Steep Slopes. Approximately 1,170 square feet are constrained. Surrounded by singlefamily detached residential land uses.	0.88	0.84	6.0	-
1301	1.1	PARK WAY	TRIANGLE LAND DEVELOPMENT	Qualifies for RDP analysis. Commercial uses to the west, north and east. Developable vacant wooded lot to the south.	1.91	1.91	16.0	9
1301	1.15	23 PARK WAY	FOCKE & CO, INC.	Qualifies for RDP analysis. Commercial uses to the west and east. Developable vacant wooded lot to the north. Small-lot single-family detached residential uses to the south in Ramsey Borough.	1.86	1.86	16.0	9
1304	7.01	100 ROUTE 17	ATRIMEC REALTY CORP	Qualifies for RDP Analysis. (Developed area adjusted to 2.0 acres as Borough did not Identify any environmental constraints and none are shown by the Remaining Lands app). Fronts on northbound Route 17. Commercial uses to the north and west. Hotel to the south. Single- family detach house to the east, buffered by woods.	2.00	1.73	16.0	9
1306	1.03	20 PLEASANT AVE	GANZHORN, ARTHUR S & ELIZABETH M	Qualifies. Constrained by floodplain and slopes. 41,271 s.f. remain unconstrained. Surrounded by single-family detached residential land uses.	1.73	0.95	6.0	1-
TOTAL					54.98	45.47	110.01	78

# SECTION 4: FAIR SHARE PLAN

The following Fair Share Plan outlines the components and mechanisms the Borough will utilize to address its affordable housing obligations. These obligations include are summarized in the following table.

Table 27: Affordable Housing Obligation Summary

Category	Obligation
First & Second Round Obligation (1987-1999)	206 units; reduced to 107 units through VLA/RDP
Third Round Obligation (1999-2025)	526 units; reduce to 78 units through VLA/RDP
Fourth Round Present Need (Rehabilitation) Obligation	0
Fourth Round Prospective Need Obligation (2025-2035)	233 units reduce to 0 units through VLA/RDP

# 4.1: Prior (3rd Round) Obligation

As noted above, the Borough was assigned a 3<sup>rd</sup> Round RDP Obligation of 78 units. This obligation was affirmatively addressed as noted above and as summarized in the accompanying table.

Table 28: 1987-1999 First and Second Round Affordable Housing Components

1987-1999 First and Second Round	Affordable Units	Status
Affordable Housing Components		
Regional Contribution Agreement with	17	Completed
Jersey City RCA		
Inclusionary Development		
Crescent Village	24	Completed
Pinnacle Properties	18	Completed
Lancaster	7	Completed
Porcelanosa	52 of 69	Completed
160-168 E. Crescent Ave	5 of 25	Completed
Rental Bonus Credits	41	Completed
Total	164	
Prior Round Unmet Need	42	

Table 29: 3<sup>rd</sup> Round Affordable Housing Components

3 <sup>rd</sup> Round Components	Affordable Units	Status
Inclusionary Development:		
Mack-Cali/Toll Brothers	22	Completed
172-176 E. Crescent Ave	3	Completed
160-168 E. Crescent Ave	20 of 25	Completed
Porcelanosa	17 of 69	Completed
Rental Bonus Credits	20	Completed
Total Units	82*	
Third Round Unmet Need	444	

With crediting the Borough has achieved 4 more credits than called for through its RDP calculation.

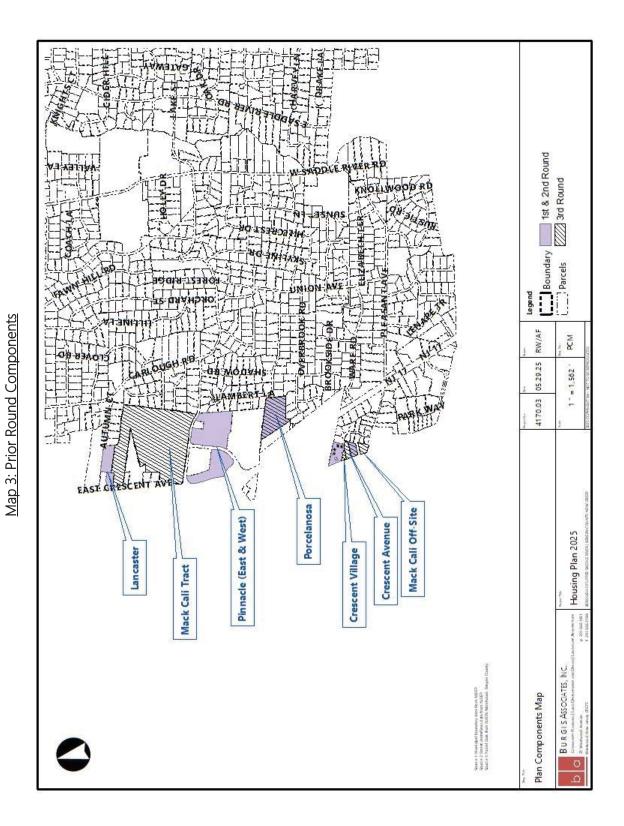
The legislation requires that the 4<sup>th</sup> Round Plan must identify the status of prior rounds' plans and, the municipality shall "demonstrate how any sites that were not built in the prior rounds continue to present a realistic opportunity, which may include proposing changes to the zoning on the site to make its development more likely, and which may also include the dedication of municipal affordable housing trust fund dollars or other monetary or in-kind resources."

While all of the above noted sites to address RDP have been developed, it is noted that none of the overlay zones designed to address unmet need have yet been constructed with affordable units. Irrespective of that, they all still represent a realistic opportunity for development and are being retained in the Borough's plan for affordable housing to address unmet need. Specifically, these sites remain:

- 1. <u>Approvable</u>. The Borough has already approved overlay zoning for these sites permitting inclusionary multifamily development.
- 2. <u>Available</u>. There are no known title issues which would prohibit the development of these sites.
- 3. <u>Developable</u>. The sites are located in a water and sewer service area
- 4. <u>Suitable</u>. The sites are located in close proximity to the Borough's commercial shopping centers, other multifamily uses, and numerous NJ Transit bus stops and train station in the surrounding area.

Additionally, the zones include reasonably high permitted densities that are attractive to developers, and the related ordinance regulatory controls are sufficient to accommodate development and do not serve to impede or discourage potential developers to the area.





# 4.2: Fourth Round Obligation

## **Present Need Obligation**

The Borough was assigned a Present Need (Rehabilitation) Obligation of zero units. As such, the Borough is not required to provide any mechanisms to address this component of its obligations.

# **Prospective Need Obligations**

While the Borough has a zero RDP for its 4<sup>th</sup> Round, it remains interested in encouraging additional affordable housing construction. The Borough is also aware that the FHA-2 includes language which requires VLA municipalities to satisfy at least 25 percent of their 4<sup>th</sup> Round RDP obligation through redevelopment. Specifically, amended Section 1 of P.L.1995, c.231 (C.52:27D-310.1) of FHA-2 states:

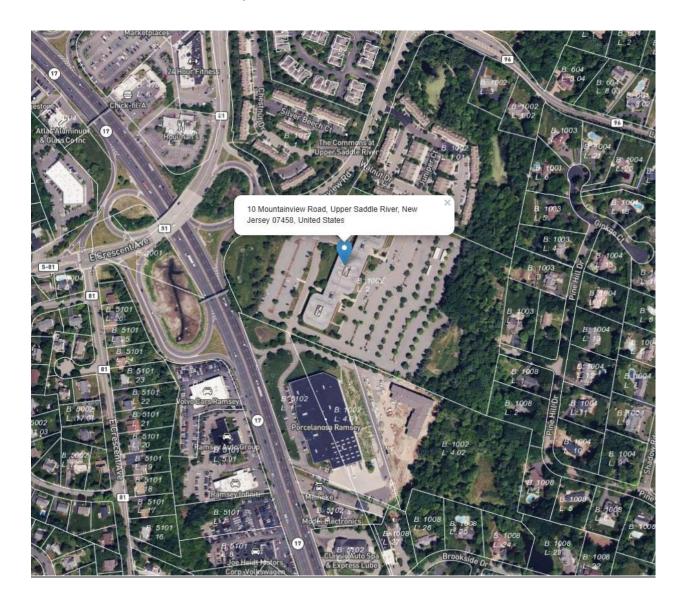
Any municipality that receives an adjustment of its prospective need obligations for the fourth round or subsequent rounds based on a lack of vacant land shall as part of the process of adopting and implementing its housing element and fair share plan identify sufficient parcels likely to redevelop during the current round of obligations to address at least 25 percent of the prospective need obligation that has been adjusted, and adopt realistic zoning that allows for such adjusted obligation, or demonstrate why the municipality is unable to do so.

For the 4<sup>th</sup> Round, Upper Saddle River's "prospective need obligation that has been adjusted" (i.e., its RDP obligation) is 0 units. As such, this indicates this section does not apply to the Borough. However, the Borough does have a developed site that it proposes as a potential inclusionary development parcel.

The property in question is at 10 Mountainview Road. The site is located along the east (north-bound) side of Route 17, on the southerly side of Mountainview Road. It occupies an area of 18.85-acres. The property has a significant amount of street frontage along Mountainview Road and has limited frontage on Route 17. The site's locational context within the Borough is shown on the accompanying map.

The property is developed with a now dilapidated, deteriorating and vacant multistory office building. Bordering the property on the north is an inclusionary townhouse community developed by the Pinnacle Co. Bordering the property on the southeast is a multi-story, multifamily inclusionary housing complex. To the east and fronting Pine Hill Drive and Secor Road are single-family dwellings generally on wooded lots.

Map 4: Aerial of 10 Mountainview Road



A draft Non-Condemnation Area in Need of Redevelopment Report is being prepared to commence the process to redevelop this property. The analysis of compliance with the applicable statutory criteria focuses on the deteriorating nature of the site's building. The information from the Borough revealed the substantive nature of code violations that exist on-site. Significantly, the analysis finds the site satisfies, at a minimum, criterion "a" and "b" of the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law (LRHL). The property is developed with a building that exhibits characteristics indicating the building is substandard, unsafe, unsanitary, and dilapidated to such a degree as to be conducive to unwholesome working conditions. Additionally, the fact that utilities have been cut off to the building, and the fact the building is and has been vacant, indicates there has been a discontinuance of the use of the building, and its abandonment has resulted in it being allowed to fall into so great a state of disrepair as to be untenantable. In support of these conclusions is a report from the Borough of Upper Saddle River Fire Prevention Bureau, enumerating twenty-nine code violations that details the magnitude of the building's deficiencies which have resulted in the building's utilities being cut off, and the building being boarded up, all reflecting characteristics that warrant the 'area in need' designation. The Fire Prevention Bureau's Notice of Violations and Order to Correct are provided in the appendix of this report.

The plan for this site would allow the site to be developed for an inclusionary development at 7 dwelling units per acre. A preliminary draft set of area and bulk standards has been prepared and set forth in the accompanying table. It identifies a minimum lot size consistent with the property's lot area, notes specified setbacks from external lot lines and internal building setbacks, provides building and impervious coverage standards, permitted building heights, and related design standards, all consistent with the manner in which the Borough has regulated other similar developments in the immediate vicinity of the site.

Table 30: Preliminary Draft Zoning Regulations for 10 Mountainview Road

Requirements	Proposed Standard
Min. Lot Area (ac)	18
Minimum Setback from External Lot Lines (ft):	
Front Yard	50
Side Yard	40
Rear Yard	40
Minimum Setback from Internal Roadways (ft)	25
Minimum Distance between buildings (ft):	
Front-to-Front	75
Front-to-Rear	60
Front-to-Side	50
Side-to-Side	50
Side-to-Rear	50
Rear-to-Rear	75
Minimum Open Space (%)	50
Minimum Accessory Building Setback (ft) to:	
Principal Building	40
Front Lot Line	75
Other Lot Lines	40
Maximum Density (units/ac)	7
Maximum Building Coverage (%)	25
Maximum Impervious Coverage (%)	50
Maximum Building Length (ft)	180
Minimum Parking Standards	Pe RSIS
Maximum Number of units in structure	8
Maximum Building Height (st/ft)*	3/38

<sup>\*</sup>Affordable units shall be interspersed amongst the townhouse buildings and shall not be allocated to a separate building. Affordable units in any individual townhouse row shall be limited to two units, which may be designed as one-over-one flats.

# 4.3: Consistency with State Planning Initiatives

As noted, state regulations require HE&FSP's to also include:

- An analysis of the extent to which municipal ordinances and other local factors advance or detract from the goal of preserving multigenerational family continuity as expressed in the recommendations of the Multigenerational Family Housing Continuity Commission, and;
- An analysis of consistency with the State Development and Redevelopment Plan, including water, wastewater, stormwater, and multi-modal transportation based on guidance and technical assistance from the State Planning Commission.

Accordingly, the following subsection analyzes the consistency between this HE&FSP to the above referenced state planning initiatives.

# **Multigenerational Family Housing Continuity Commission**

The Multigenerational Family Housing Continuity Commission was established by the State of New Jersey in 2021. As noted in NJSA 52:27D-329.20, one of the primary duties of the Commission is to "prepare and adopt recommendations on how State government, local government, community organizations, private entities, and community members may most effectively advance the goal of enabling senior citizens to reside at the homes of their extended families, thereby preserving and enhancing multigenerational family continuity, through the modification of State and local laws and policies in the areas of housing, land use planning, parking and streetscape planning, and other relevant areas."

As of the date of this HE&FSP, the Multigenerational Family Housing Continuity Commission has not yet adopted any recommendations.

#### **State Development and Redevelopment Plan**

As established by NJSA 52:18A-200(f), the purpose of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan (SDRP) is to "coordinate planning activities and establish Statewide planning objectives in the following areas: land use, housing, economic development, transportation, natural resource conservation, agriculture and farmland retention, recreation, urban and suburban redevelopment, historic preservation, public facilities and services, and intergovernmental coordination."

As such, the SDRP establishes a number of goals and strategies related to a number of different topics, including economic redevelopment. One such goal is to revitalize existing urban centers by directing growth and development to those areas. Specifically, the SDRP seeks to revitalize the State's cities and towns by protecting, preserving, and developing the valuable human and economic assets in cities, towns, and other urban areas.

As indicated by the SDRP's Policy Map, the entirety of the Borough is located in the PA-1 Metropolitan Planning Area, wherein development and redevelopment is intended to be directed. The intent of this Planning Area is to:

- Provide for much of the state's future redevelopment.
- Revitalize cities and towns.
- Promote growth in compact forms.
- Stabilize older suburbs.
- Redesign areas of sprawl; and,
- Protect the character of existing stable communities.

Accordingly, this HE&FSP is consistent with the intents of the PA-.1. Specifically, it is designed to encourage redevelopment and growth in a compact form, while also protecting the character of the existing community.

APPENDICES



Upper Saddle River Fire Prevention Bureau 376 W Saddle River Rd Upper Saddle River,NJ,07458 Phone# (201) 932-0350

SystemID#:

204

Local ID:

State Reg#:

0263

To: Viewstar LL, NJ 10 Mountainview Rd

Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458

NOTICE OF VIOLATIONS and ORDER TO CORRECT

Municipality:

Upper Saddle River Fire Prevention

Inspected on:

September 27, 2022

Inspected by:

Darryl J.DeMott

Premises:

Viewstar LL. NJ

Inspection Type:

Periodic

10 Mountainview Rd

LHU Classification:

Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458

Use Group:

Phone: (201) 934-0695

**OWNER** 

**AGENT** 

**TENANT/OPERATOR** 

Gold, Moshe

Gold, Moshe

Abraham, Yoel

228 East Route 59, Suite 60

Nanuet, NY 10954

26 Heyward Street

Nanuet, NY 10954

Brooklyn, NY 11239

Phone: (917) 359-8324

**YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT** an inspection by the Bureau of Fire Prevention disclosed violations of the Uniform Fire Code (N.J.A.C. 5:70-1 et. seq.) promulgated pursuant to the New Jersey Uniform Fire Safety Act (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-192 et. seq.). The violations are specified on the accompanying "Violations Report" page(s).

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED by the FIRE OFFICIAL to correct the violations listed on the accompanying "Violations Report" page(s) within the time, or by the date specified. If a re-inspection discloses that violations have not been corrected, and an extension has NOT been requested and granted, you will be subject to penalties of up to \$5,000 per violation per day, or as otherwise authorized by the Act and Bureau Regulations.

IN ADDITION, the ACT imposes liability on the owner for the actual costs of fire suppression where a violation directly or indirectly results in fire.

If you do not understand this order, need assistance, or desire further information, please call the Bureau of Fire Prevention at (201) 327-4343

Inspector: Wany & D. 200	By: Wange & De Late	
Darryl J.DeMott, Fire Official	Darryl J.DeMott, Fire Official	
Signature of Owner or Representative	Printed Name of Owner or Representative	Date

APPEALS RIGHTS-EXTENSIONS: See the attached page of information concerning your administrative appeal rights, authorized penalties and the procedure for requesting an extension of time in which to correct violations.

# **Violations**

Premises:

Viewstar LL, NJ

Address:

10 Mountainview Rd

Upper Saddle River, NJ 07458

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SystemID#:

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Owner: Address Abraham, Yoel Initial Inspected on: 09/27/22

Last Inspected on:

09/27/22

Audiess

Mail:

management@theapexnj.com

Initial Inspector:

DeMott, Darryl J

The Violations cited on the above premises are as follows:

Number	Description	Floor	Abate By	U/A	U/A	U/A
	Location:	throughout				
2	Category / Nature:	Fire Protection Systems / Fire alarm annual testing required, must be witnessed by fire inspector	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 907.20.2				
	Description:	fire alarm system shall be tested and inspected with a fire inspector to witness the test				
	Location:	throughout				
3	Category / Nature:	Fire Protection Systems / Fire protection systems shall be maintained in an operative condition	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 901.6				
	Description:	failure to provide fire alarm testing and inspection documents				
	Location:	throughout				
4	Category / Nature:	Fire Protection Systems / Fire alarm system must be maintained as installed	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 907.20.1				
	Description:	all required fire alarm system components shall be replaced as required at time of initial occupancy				
	Location:	throughout				
5	Category / Nature:	Fire Protection Systems / Fire alarm circuit breaker shall be labeled in red and locked w/listed device	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C: 5:70-3, 907.20.1				
	Description:	must label breaker				
	Location:	throughout				
6	Category / Nature:	Fire Protection Systems / Building with fire alarm and sprinkler system shall be monitored in accordance with NFPA 72	10/12/22			
	Code Section:					
	Description:	sprinkler system must be tested and inspected. additionally, a five year internal investigation shall be completed.				
	Location:	throughout				
7		Sprinklers, Standpipes, Pumps / Sprinkler system annual testing required, must be witnessed by fire inspector	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 901.6				
	Description:	required			-	

	IV.	throughout	
8	Category / Nature:	Sprinklers, Standpipes, Pumps / Sprinkler system must be maintained as installed (modification to structure)	10/12/22
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 901.4	-
	Description:	all required components of the sprinkler system shall be replaced as required at the time of the first occupancy.	
	Location:	throughout	
9	Category / Nature:	Sprinklers, Standpipes, Pumps / Escutcheon plate missing from sprinkler head assembly - replace	10/12/22
		N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 901.6.1	
N	Description:	replace all escutcheon rings throughout building that are missing	
	I .	throughout	
10		Sprinklers, Standpipes, Pumps / Standpipe annual testing require as per NFPA 25	10/12/22
		N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 914.1	
	Description:	annual standpipe and five year inspection must be done	
		throughout	
11	Category / Nature:	Sprinklers, Standpipes, Pumps / Fire Department Connection sign required, reading: FDC in 6 inch high letters	10/12/22
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 912.3	
	Description	sign must be placed so as to be read from the street side of the building, if addidtional signage is needed to accomplish that, then additional signs shall be discussed with the fire official.	
	Location:	throughout	
12	Category / Nature:	Portable Fire Extinguishers / Fire extinguisher need to be inspected, maintained and tested in accordance with NFPA 10	10/12/22
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 906.2	
	Description:	all fire extinguishers shall be tested and hung in accordance with the manufacturers requirements.	
	Location:	throughout	
13	Category / Nature:	Portable Fire Extinguishers / Fire extinguisher needs to be mounted in a visible location for occupant access	10/12/22
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 906.2	
	Description:	all fire extinguishers shall be hung with the manufacturers hanger	
	Location:		
14		Means of Egress / Means of egress must be illuminated	10/12/22
		N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 1006.1	
	Description:	all exterior exit doors shall have proper illumination outside the door for exiting purposes.	
	Location:		
15	Category / Nature:	Key Boxes / Key box (Knox Box) shall be installed to gain necessary access as required by the Fire Official	10/12/22
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 506.1	
	Description:	a knox box shall be installed at the main entrance of the building.	

16	Location:	Key Boxes / Tenant must provide new tenant key for	10/12/22			
10		Fire Department Key box (Knox Box)	TOTILIZZ			
		N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 506.2				
	Description:	all keys required by the fire official shall be placed in the knox box				
	Location:					
17	Category / Nature:	Doors and Labeling / Label service equipment area doors (HVAC, Electrical, etc.)	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 510.1				
	Description:	all doors shall be properly marked with regard to thier prospective occupancy.				
	Location:					
18	Category / Nature:	Doors and Labeling / Access to fire protection equipment must be labeled	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 510.1				
	Description:	must label all doors according to the fire protection equipment inside				
	Location:					
19	Category / Nature:	Illumination and Signs / Emergency lighting must be maintained	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 604.3				
	Description:	monthly and annual testing of emergency lighting and exit signs are due				
	Location:					
20	Category / Nature:	Illumination and Signs / Exit signs must be illuminated	10/12/22	¥1		
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 1011.1				
	Description:	all exit signs need to be illuminated				
	Location:					
21	Category / Nature:	Illumination and Signs / Emergency lighting and exit sign testing required	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 604.3			-	
	Description:					
	Location:					
22	Category / Nature:	Elevators / Sign required: "IN FIRE EMERGENCY, DO NOT USE ELEVATOR. USE EXIT STAIRS"	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 607.2				
	Description:	must be outside all elevators in the lobby area				
	Location:					
23	Category / Nature:	Elevators / Elevator recall shall be tested annually	10/12/22			
	Code Section:	N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 915.1				
	Description:	either a certificate from the NJ division of elevators or a certified document from a NJ approved elevator inspection company indicating the the phase 1 and phase 2 are functional				
	Location:					
24	Category / Nature:	Local Fees and LHUs / Failure to pay registration/inspection fee	10/12/22			
	Code Section:					
	Description:	both local and state fees are due				
	Location:					
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25	Category / Nature:	Local Fees and LHUs / Life Hazard Use (LHU) Registration Certificate must be posted in a conspicuous area	10/12/22		N2
	Code Section:				
	Description:	failure to provide a certificate for TWO lhu atriums			
	Location:				
26	Category / Nature:	Local Fees and LHUs / Annual Inspection Certificate shall be posted in a conspicuous location	10/12/22		
	Code Section:				
	Description:	failure to pay local registration fee			
	Location:				
27	Category / Nature:	Local Fees and LHUs / Failure to register building, use and premises with the Fire Marshals Office	10/12/22		
	Code Section:				
	Description:	failure to register all occupants			
	Location:				
28	Category / Nature:	Local Fees and LHUs / File for a Life Hazards Use Registration with the Division of Fire Safety	10/12/22		
	Code Section:				
	Description:	failure to have filed for a LHU certificate for the atrium in building			
	Location:				
29	Category / Nature:	Retrofit Code / Unit needs a Carbon Monoxide Detector installed and mounted	09/27/22	W	
	Code Section:				
	Description:	3			

Key: The numbering of violations is for identification purposes only and shall not be construed as bearing in any way on the seriousness of any violation.
"U" Unabated - Violation uncorrected
"A" Abated - Violation corrected
"W" - Violation is withdrawn
"R" - Violation is Recommended

<sup>&</sup>quot;V" - Void

<sup>&</sup>quot;TE" - Time Extension

<sup>\*</sup>RV\* denotes recurring violation.

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#### ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION

#### Violation#: 2

Fire alarm annual testing required, must be witnessed by fire inspector

#### **CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS**

SECTION 907 FIRE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS

907.20 Inspection, testing and maintenance. The mainte- nance and testing schedules and procedures for fire alarm and fire detection systems shall be in accordance with this section and Chapter 10 of NFPA 72. 907.20.2 Testing. Testing shall be performed in accordance with the schedules in

Chapter 10 of NFPA 72 or more fre- quently where required by the fire code official. Where automatic testing is performed at least weekly by a remotely monitored fire alarm control unit specifically listed for the application, the manual testing frequency shall be permitted to be extended to annual. Exception: Devices or equipment that are inaccessible for safety considerations shall be tested during scheduled shutdowns where approved by the fire code official, but not less than every 18 months.

#### Violation#: 3

Fire protection systems shall be maintained in an operative condition

# **CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS**

**SECTION 901 GENERAL** 

901.6 Inspection, testing and maintenance. Any installed fire detection, alarm and extinguishing systems, smoke con-trol, smoke and heat vents whether in a permanent structure or a mobile enclosed unit shall be maintained in an operative condi- tion at all times, and shall be replaced or repaired where defec- tive. 901.6.1 Standards. Fire protection systems shall be inspected, tested and maintained in accordance with the referenced standards listed in Table 901.6.1.

901.6.2 Records. Records of all system inspections, tests and maintenance required by the referenced standards shall be maintained on the premises for a minimum of three years and shall be copied to the fire code official upon request. 901.6.3 Carbon monoxide alarms. Carbon monoxide alarms shall be maintained in accordance with NFPA 720 and the manufacturer's instructions.

#### Violation#: 4

Fire alarm system must be maintained as installed

#### **CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS**

SECTION 907 FIRE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS

907.20 Inspection, testing and maintenance. The maintenance and testing schedules and procedures for fire alarm and fire detection systems shall be in accordance with this section and Chapter 10 of NFPA 72.

907.20.1 Maintenance required. Whenever or wherever any device, equipment, system, condition, arrangement, level of protection or any other feature is required for com-pliance with the provisions of this code, such device, equip-ment, system, condition, arrangement, level of protection or other feature shall thereafter be continuously maintained in accordance with applicable NFPA requirements or as directed by the fire code official.

#### Violation#: 5

Fire alarm circuit breaker shall be labeled in red and locked w/listed device

# CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS SECTION 907 FIRE ALARM AND DETECTION SYSTEMS

907.20 Inspection, testing and maintenance. The maintenance and testing schedules and procedures for fire alarm and fire detection systems shall be in accordance with this section and Chapter 10 of NFPA 72.

907.20.1 Maintenance required. Whenever or wherever any device, equipment, system, condition, arrangement, level of protection or any other feature is required for com- pliance with the provisions of this code, such device, equip- ment, system, condition, arrangement, level of protection or other feature shall thereafter be continuously maintained in accordance with applicable NFPA requirements or as directed by the fire code official.

#### Violation#: 6

Building with fire alarm and sprinkler system shall be monitored in accordance with NFPA 72

#### Violation#: 7

Sprinkler system annual testing required, must be witnessed by fire inspector

# CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS

**SECTION 901 GENERAL** 

901.6 Inspection, testing and maintenance. Any installed fire detection, alarm and extinguishing systems, smoke con- trol, smoke and heat vents whether in a permanent structure or a mobile enclosed unit shall be maintained in an operative condition at all times, and shall be replaced or repaired where defective. 901.6.1 Standards. Fire protection systems shall be inspected, tested and maintained in accordance with the referenced standards listed in Table 901.6.1.

901.6.2 Records. Records of all system inspections, tests and maintenance required by the referenced standards shall be maintained on the premises for a minimum of three years and shall be copied to the fire code official upon request. 901.6.3 Carbon monoxide alarms. Carbon monoxide alarms shall be maintained in accordance with NFPA 720 and the manufacturer's instructions.

#### Violation#: 8

Sprinkler system must be maintained as installed (modification to structure)

#### CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS

**SECTION 901 GENERAL** 

901.4 Installation. Fire protection systems shall be maintained in accordance with the original installation standards for that system. Before any fire alarm, detection or fire suppression system is installed, enlarged or extended, a permit shall be obtained from the construction official.

901.4.1 Fire protection systems. All fire protection sys- tems shall be maintained in an operative condition at all times. An owner or occupant shall not reduce the effective- ness of the protection so required. This requirement shall not prohibit the owner or occupant from temporarily reduc- ing or discontinuing the protection where necessary to make tests, repairs, alterations or additions. The fire official shall be notified before disconnection or interruption of protection and when tests, repairs, alterations or additions are started and upon completion of such work. The fire official shall be advised of the extent of and reason for such work, and the restoration of the protection shall be diligently pur- sued.

901.4.2 Fire protection system removal. Any fire protection system providing partial or redundant protection origi- nally installed to protect a special hazard that no longer exists and that is not required in accordance with the current Uniform Construction Code, is allowed to be removed with the approval of the fire subcode official and fire official. All disconnected equipment and devices, such as pull stations, nozzles, detectors, sprinklers, sensors, panels and hose con- nections, shall be removed so as not to give a false indication that the structure, area or space is protected.

901.4.3. Deleted.

901.4.4 Appearance of equipment. Any device that has the physical appearance of life safety or fire protection equipment but that does not perform that life safety or fire protection, shall be prohibited.

# CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS SECTION 901 GENERAL

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#### Violation#: 10 Standpipe annual testing require as per NFPA 25

#### CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS

SECTION 914 PRIVATE WATER TANKS AND FIRE SERVICE MAINS 914.1 Inspection, testing, maintenance. Private water tanks and water service mains shall be periodically inspected, tested and maintained in accordance with NFPA 25.

#### Violation#: 11 Fire Department Connection sign required, reading: FDC in 6 inch high letters

#### CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS SECTION 912 FIRE DEPARTMENT CONNECTIONS

912.3 Access. Immediate access to fire department connections shall be maintained at all times and without obstruction by fences, bushes, trees, walls or any other object for a mini- mum of 3 feet (914 mm).
912.3.1 Locking fire department connection caps. The fire code official is authorized to require locking caps on fire department connections for water-base

authorized to require locking caps on fire department connections for water-based fire protection sys- tems where the responding fire department carries appropriate key wrenches for removal.

# Violation#: 12 Fire extinguisher need to be inspected, maintained and tested in accordance with NFPA 10

#### CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS SECTION 906 PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

906.2 General requirements. Portable fire extinguishers shall be selected, installed and maintained in accordance with this section and NFPA 10. Exceptions:

- 1. The travel distance to reach an extinguisher shall not apply to the spectator seating portions of Group A-5 occupancies.
- 2. Thirty-day inspections shall not be required and maintenance shall be allowed to be once every three years for dry-chemical or halogenated agent portable fire extinguishers that are supervised by a listed and approved electronic monitoring device, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

#### Violation#: 13 Fire extinguisher needs to be mounted in a visible location for occupant access

# CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS SECTION 906 PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

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- 2. Thirty-day inspections shall not be required and maintenance shall be allowed to be once every three years for dry-chemical or halogenated agent portable fire extinguishers that are supervised by a listed and approved electronic monitoring device, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

# Violation#: 14 Means of egress must be illuminated

# CHAPTER 10 MEANS OF EGRESS

SECTION 1006 MEANS OF EGRESS ILLUMINATION

1006.1 Illumination required. The means of egress, including the exit discharge, shall be illuminated at all times the building space served by the means of egress is occupied. Exceptions:

- 1. Occupancies in Group U.
- 2. Aisle accessways in Group A.
- 3. Dwelling units and sleeping units.

#### Violation#: 15

Key box (Knox Box) shall be installed to gain necessary access as required by the Fire Official

#### **CHAPTER 5 FIRE SERVICE FEATURES**

SECTION 506 KEY BOXES

506.1 Where required. Where access to or within a structure or an area is restricted because of secured openings or where immediate access is necessary for life-saving or fire-fighting purposes, the fire code official is authorized to require a key box to be installed in an approved location. The key box shall be of an approved type and shall contain keys to gain necessary access as required by the fire code official.

506.1.1 Locks. An approved lock shall be installed on gates or similar barriers when required by the fire code official.

#### Violation#: 16

Tenant must provide new tenant key for Fire Department Key box (Knox Box)

#### CHAPTER 5 FIRE SERVICE FEATURES

**SECTION 506 KEY BOXES** 

506.2 Key box maintenance. The operator of the building shall immediately notify the fire code official and provide the new key when a lock is changed or rekeyed. The key to such lock shall be secured in the key box.

#### Violation#: 17

Label service equipment area doors (HVAC, Electrical, etc.)

# CHAPTER 5 FIRE SERVICE FEATURES

SECTION 510 FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCESS TO EQUIPMENT

510.1 Identification. Fire protection equipment shall be iden-tified in an approved manner. Rooms containing controls for air-conditioning systems, sprinkler risers and valves, or other fire detection, suppression or control elements shall be identified for the use of the fire department. Approved signs required to identify fire protection equipment and equipment location, shall be constructed of durable materials, permanently installed and readily visible.

#### Violation#: 18

Access to fire protection equipment must be labeled

#### CHAPTER 5 FIRE SERVICE FEATURES

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#### Violation#: 19

Emergency lighting must be maintained

transfer switch manufacturer's instructions.

## CHAPTER 6 BUILDING SERVICES AND SYSTEMS

SECTION 604 EMERGENCY AND STANDBY POWER SYSTEMS

604.3 Maintenance. Emergency and standby power systems shall be maintained in accordance with NFPA 110 and NFPA 111 such that the system is capable of supplying service within the time specified for the type and duration required. 604.3.1 Schedule. Inspection, testing and maintenance of emergency and standby power systems shall be in accor- dance with an approved schedule established upon comple- tion and approval of the system installation. 604.3.2 Written record. Written records of the inspection, testing and maintenance of emergency and standby power systems shall include the date of service, name of the servic- ing technician, a summary of conditions noted and a detailed description of any conditions requiring correction and what corrective action was taken. Such records shall be kept on the premises served by the emergency or standby power system and be available for inspection by the fire code official. 604.3.3 Switch maintenance. Emergency and standby power system transfer switches shall be included in the inspection, testing and maintenance schedule required by Section 604.3.1. Transfer switches shall be maintained free from accumulated dust and dirt. Inspection shall include examination of the transfer switch contacts for evidence of deterioration. When evidence of contact

deterioration is detected, the contacts shall be replaced in accordance with the

Violation#: 20 Exit signs must be illuminated

CHAPTER 10 MEANS OF EGRESS SECTION 1011 EXIT SIGNS

1011.1 Exit signs. All means of egress shall be indicated with approved "Exit" signs where required by the construction code in effect at the time of first occupancy or N.J.A.C. 5:70-4 et seq., as applicable. All "Exit" signs shall be maintained visible, and all illuminated exit signs shall be illuminated at all times the structure is occupied. Supplemental internally illuminated directional signs, when necessary, shall be installed in accor- dance with the technical requirements of the Uniform Con- struction Code indicating the direction and way of egress.

Violation#: 21 Emergency lighting and exit sign testing required

CHAPTER 6 BUILDING SERVICES AND SYSTEMS SECTION 604 EMERGENCY AND STANDBY POWER SYSTEMS

604.3 Maintenance. Emergency and standby power systems shall be maintained in accordance with NFPA 110 and NFPA 111 such that the system is capable of supplying service within the time specified for the type and duration required. 604.3.1 Schedule. Inspection, testing and maintenance of emergency and standby power systems shall be in accordance with an approved schedule established upon completion and approval of the system installation.

604.3.2 Written record. Written records of the inspection, testing and maintenance of emergency and standby power systems shall include the date of service, name of the servic- ing technician, a summary of conditions noted and a detailed description of any conditions requiring correction and what corrective action was taken. Such records shall be kept on the premises served by the emergency or standby power system and be available for inspection by the fire code official. 604.3.3'Switch maintenance. Emergency and standby power system transfer switches shall be included in the inspection, testing and maintenance schedule required by Section 604.3.1. Transfer switches shall be maintained free from accumulated dust and dirt. Inspection shall include examination of the transfer switch contacts for evidence of deterioration. When evidence of contact deterioration is detected, the contacts shall be replaced in accordance with the transfer switch manufacturer's instructions.

Violation#: 22 Sign required: "IN FIRE EMERGENCY, DO NOT USE ELEVATOR. USE EXIT STAIRS"

CHAPTER 6 BUILDING SERVICES AND SYSTEMS SECTION 607 ELEVATOR RECALL AND MAINTENANCE

607.2 Emergency signs. An approved pictorial sign of a stan- dardized design shall be posted adjacent to each elevator call station on all floors instructing occupants to use the exit stair- ways and not to use the elevators in case of fire. The sign shall read: IN FIRE EMERGENCY, DO NOT USE ELEV ATOR. USE EXIT STAIRS. The emergency sign shall not be required for elevators that are part of an accessible means of egress com- plying with Section 1007.4.

Violation#: 23 Elevator recall shall be tested annually

CHAPTER 9 FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS SECTION 915 ELEVATOR RECALL

915.1 Testing. Elevators shall be tested annually in accordance with Sections 915.1.1 and 915.1.2. The fire official shall accept a current Certificate of Compliance issued in accordance with the Uniform Construction Code as evidence of compliance

with this section.

915.1.1. Upon simulated activation of an elevator lobby detector, the elevator controller shall cause all elevator cars that serve that lobby to return nonstop to the designated lobby, and prevent further operation of the elevators without the use of an emergency service key.

915.1.2. The emergency service keys shall be utilized to place the recalled elevators into emergency operation and to verify proper functioning of the elevator for fire service operation.

Violation#: 24 Failure to pay registration/inspection fee

Violation#: 25	Life Hazard Use (LHU) Registration Certificate must be posted in a conspicuous area	
Violation#: 26	Annual Inspection Certificate shall be posted in a conspicuous location	
Violation#: 27	Failure to register building, use and premises with the Fire Marshals Office	
Violation#: 28	File for a Life Hazards Use Registration with the Division of Fire Safety	

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#### ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL RIGHTS

#### GENERAL

YOU MAY CONTEST THESE ORDERS by filing an appeal. The request for an appeal must be made in writing within 15 days after receipt of this order and addressed to:

Bergen Construction Board of Appeals 150 River St. Hackensack, NJ 07601

The notification of Appeals must include the appellant's registration number, the address of the premises involved, the reference numbers of the violation cited, the argument with regard to each and specific code section of other authority the Appellant will rely on in support of his position.

You are advised that the appeal must be accompanied by the fee of \$100.00 payable to "County of Bergen" unless fee has been established by the local or county governing body.

Appeals will not be deemed as received until payment of fee is made. Note: fees are waived if appeal is based on the Local Enforcing Agency's failure to act within a required time frame.

#### EXTENSIONS

If a specified time has been given to abate a violation, YOU MAY REQUEST AN EXTENSION OF TIME by submitting a written request to the Upper Saddle River Fire Prevention Bureau Bureau of Fire Prevention. To be considered, the request must be made before the compliance date specified and must set forth the work accomplished, the work remaining, the reason why an extension of time is necessary, and the date by which all work will be completed.

TAKE NOTICE THAT, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.10(d), an application for an extension constitutes an admission that the violation notice is factually and procedurally correct and that the violations do or did exist. In addition, the request for an extension constitutes a waiver of the right to a hearing as to those violations for which an extension is applied.

#### PENALTIES

Violation of the Code is punishable by monetary penalties of not more than \$5,000 per day for each violation. Except while an appeal is pending, each day a violation continues, an additional separate violation exists. Specific penalties are as follows:

- a. Failure to install required protection equipment after having been given written notice of the requirement to do so: A maximum of \$2,500 per violation per day.
- b. Failure to abate any violation after having been given notice of the violation: A maximum of \$5,000 per violation per day.
- c. Storage of any material in violation of this Code or the conduct of any process in violation of the Code: A maximum of \$5,000 per violation per day.
- d. Blocking, locked, or obstructing required exits:
- i. In a place of public assembly: A maximum of \$5,000 per occurrence.
- ii. In any other place; A maximum of \$1,000 per occurrence.
- e. Disabling or vandalizing any fire suppression or alarm device or systemthis
- i. In a place of public assembly: A maximum of \$5,000 per occurrence.
- ii. In any other place: A maximum of \$1,000 per occurrence.
- f. Failure to obey a Notice of Imminent Hazard and Order to Vacate: A maximum of \$5,000 per day for each day that the failure continues.
- g. Failure to obey an Order to Close for a fixed period of time: A maximum of \$5,000 per day that the failure continues.
- h. Obstructing the entry into a premise or interfering with the duty of an authorized inspector: A maximum of \$2,500 for each occurrence.
- i. Any willfully false application for a Permit or Registration: A maximum of \$1,000 for each occurrence.
- j. Any other act or omission prohibited by the Act or the Regulations: A maximum of \$5,000 per violation per day.

Claims arising out of penalty assessments can be compromised or settled if it shall be likely to result in compliance. Moreover, no such disposition can be finalized while the violation continues to exist.

Any penalties assessed are in addition to others previously assessed. Penalties must be paid in full within 30 days after an order to pay. If full payment is not made within 30 days, the matter will be referred for summary collection pursuant to the Penalty Enforcement Law (N.J.S.A. 2A:58-10 et. seq.).

NOTICE: If you require guidance or advice concerning your legal rights, obligations or the course of action you should follow, consult your own advisor.

# ZoningCode

From: ZoningCode

Sent: Wednesday, March 29, 2023 2:28 PM

To: Jaimee Katz Sussner; Patrick Rotella; Scott Levenson

Cc: Gina Demott; Darryl DeMott; rtregan@rtreganlaw.com; Gerry Falotico; Building;

ZoningCode

Subject: RE: 10 Mountainview Road, Upper Saddle River, NJ

Attachments: Board Up Procedure USFA.pdf; Vacant Premises IFCNJ 2015 10 Mountain View

Road.pdf; Fire Notice of Violations 3-29-2023.pdf

Good afternoon Miss Katz-Sussner,

In reply to your emails:

- 1. The Receiver is making arrangements to address the downed trees and debris. Thank you, please provide a time frame
- 2. It is my understanding that the dumpster will be removed. There is also debris around the dumpsters, I believe there are 3 or 4, please provide a time frame.
- 3. The Receiver will be installing "No Trespassing" signs at either end of the Property. Thank you, please provide a time frame.
- 4. Unless Mr. Levenson expresses an objection, the Receiver agrees to board up the Property and to terminate all utilities. Please provide us with the Borough's requirements to do so. Please see below details and attachments.

As per N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, 311.1; Temporarily unoccupied buildings shall be safeguarded and maintained accordingly. And as per 311.2, 311.2.1, 311.2.2, and 311.2.4; Temporarily unoccupied structures shall be secured by the following means:

- All operable doors that provide access to the building shall be boarded up in accordance with the attached document "Board up Procedures".
- Fire suppression shall be drained and left available as a dry system for the fire department use if needed.
- Fire alarm shall discontinue central station monitoring.
- Utilities shall be disconnected at their source by the utility companies with documentation to and from the utility companies.

And as per 311.5, 311.5.1, 311.5.2, 311.5.3, 311.5.4; The following placards shall be posted at all boarded locations in accordance with the applicable Uniform Fire Code citations.

Placard symbol 3; "This symbol shall mean that structural or interior hazards exist to a degree that
consideration should be given to limit fire fighting to exterior operations only, with entry only occurring
for known life hazards."

And as per 311.5.3; Prior to any placards being placed on the building an inspection must be conducted by the Upper Saddle River Bureau of Fire Code Enforcement.

Please find attached a Notice of Violations and Order to Correct, and Board up procedures also for your review copies of page 38 and 39 of the International Fire Code 2015, New Jersey Edition with details referencing the citations.

Sincerely,

Gerald Falotico

Zoning Official Code Enforcement Officer

## DRAFT AFFIRMATIVE MARKETING PLAN

#### §54-46.1 Affirmative Marketing Plan.

The Borough's 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 intended to target those potentially eligible persons who are least likely to apply for affordable units in that region. It is a continuing program that directs all marketing activities toward the COAH Housing Region in which the municipality is located and covers the period of deed restriction. The Plan will address the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.15. In addition, the Plan prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, financing or other services related to housing on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, handicap, age, familial status/size or national origin. The Borough of Upper Saddle River is in the housing region consisting of Bergen, Passaic, Hudson, and Sussex Counties. The affirmative marketing program is a continuing program and will meet the following requirements:

#### §54-46.2 Newspapers.

- a. All newspaper articles, announcements and requests for application for low and moderate income units will appear in the following newspapers/publications: The Record.
- b. The primary marketing will take the form of at least one (1) press release sent to the above publications and a paid display advertisement to each of the above newspapers. Additional advertising and publicity will be on an "as needed" basis.
- c. The advertisement will include a description of the street address of units, direction to housing units, number of bedrooms per unit, range of prices/rents, size of units, income information, and location of applications including business hours, where/how applications may be obtained and application fees, if any.
- d. All newspaper articles, announcements and requests for applications for low and moderate income housing will appear in publications such as the Suburbanite weekly newspaper, religious publications and organizational newsletters within the region.

#### §54-46.3 Brochures and Posters.

The following is the location of brochures, signs and/or posters used as part of the Affirmative Marketing Program including specific employment centers within the region: posting of notices in the Borough Hall and delivery of notices to the municipal clerks of all municipalities in the region.

# §54-46.4 Community Contacts and Organizations.

The following is a listing of community contact persons and/or organizations in Upper Saddle River and Bergen County 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: Land Use Administrator, County Housing Office, and houses of worship.

#### **§54-46.5** Agencies.

Quarterly fliers and applications will be sent to each of the following agencies for publication in their journals and for circulation among their members: Board of Realtors in Bergen, Hudson, Passaic, and Sussex Counties.

# §54-46.6 Applications.

Applications will be mailed to prospective applicants upon request.

# §54-46.7 Random Selection Method.

A random selection method will be used to select occupants of low and moderate income housing.

### §54-46.8 Administration.

The administration of the Affirmative Marketing Program shall be done by the municipality and/or the designated administrative agency of affordable housing. The administration hereunder shall address the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:94-7.3. Costs and expenses arising out of the implementation of activities provided under this section whether performed by the municipality or an administrative agency shall be the sole responsibility of the individual developer(s) constructing units governed by this section. The municipality and/or the designated administrative agency has the responsibility to income qualify lower income households, to place income eligible households in lower income units upon initial occupancy, to provide for the initial occupancy of lower income units with income qualified households, to continue to qualify households for reoccupancy of units as they become vacant during the period of affordability controls, to assist with the advertising and outreach to lower income households, to enforce the terms of the deed restriction and mortgage loan as per N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.

#### §54-46.9 Regional Preference.

Households who live or work in the COAH-established housing region may be given preference for sales and rental units constructed within that housing region. Applicants living outside the housing region will have an equal opportunity for units after regional applicants have been initially serviced.

#### §54-46.10 Developer Assistance.

All developers of lower income housing will be required to assist in the marketing of the affordable units in their respective developments.

# §54-46.11 Commencement of Affirmative Marketing Program.

The marketing program will commence at least one hundred twenty (120) days before the issuance of either temporary or permanent certificates of occupancy. The marketing program will continue until all lower income units are initially occupied and for as long as affordable units are deed restricted and occupancy or reoccupancy of units to be necessary.

# §54-46.12 Monitoring.

The Borough will comply with monitoring and reporting requirements as per N.J.A.C. 5:94-9.2(b)9. The Borough, in its discretion, shall delegate the monitoring and reporting tasks set forth hereunder to a person or persons and/or department of its choice. Length of service hereunder shall be at the discretion of the Borough Council.

# BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

# RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN AFFIRMATIVE MARKETING PLAN FOR THE BOROUGH OF UPPER SADDLE RIVER

WHEREAS, in accordance with applicable Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH") regulations, the New Jersey Uniform Housing Affordability Controls ("UHAC")(N.J.A.C. 5:80-26., et seq.), and the terms of a Settlement Agreement between the Borough of Upper Saddle River and Fair Share Housing Center ("FSHC"), which was entered into as part of the Borough's Declaratory Judgment action entitled "In the Matter of the Borough of Upper Saddle River, County of Bergen, Docket No. BER-L-6121-15, which was filed in response to Supreme Court decision In re N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97, 221 N.J. 1, 30 (2015) ("Mount Laurel IV"), the Borough of Upper Saddle River is required to adopt by resolution an Affirmative Marketing Plan to ensure that all affordable housing units created, including those created by rehabilitation, are affirmatively marketed to very low, low and moderate income households, particularly those living and/or working within Housing Region 1, which encompasses the Borough of Upper Saddle River; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Upper Saddle River, 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 Upper Saddle River shall be marketed in accordance with the provisions herein unless otherwise provided in N.J.A.C. 5:93-1, et seq.
- B. The Borough of Upper Saddle River has a Gap (1999-2015) and Prospective Need (2015-2025) affordable housing obligation. This Affirmative Marketing Plan shall apply to all developments that require an Affirmative Marketing Plan or will contain very low, 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 rerented during the applicable period of controls for identified rehabilitated rental units.
- C. The Affirmative Marketing Plan shall be implemented by the Administrative Agent under contract to the Borough of Upper Saddle River. All of the 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, shall undertake all of 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 that region. It is a continuing program that directs all marketing activities toward Housing Region 1 in which the Borough is located and covers the entire period of deed restriction for each restricted housing unit.
- 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 very low, low and moderate-income units shall appear in the Star Ledger.
  - 2. The primary marketing shall take the form of at least one press release and a paid display advertisement in the above newspaper during the first week of the marketing program. 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 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:
    - i. 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 interested households may obtain an application; and
- viii. Application fees.
- 4. Newspaper articles, announcements and information on where to request applications for very low, low and moderate income housing shall appear in at least three locally oriented weekly newspapers within the region, one of which shall be circulated primarily in Bergen County and the other two of which shall be circulated primarily outside of Bergen County, but within the housing region.
- 5. Advertisements will be broadcast on Spectrum Cable.
- 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. Borough Municipal Building
  - ii. Borough Public Library
  - iii. Borough Website
  - iv. Developer's Sales/Rental Office
  - v. Bergen County Administration Building

Applications shall be mailed by the Administrative Agent to the prospective applications upon request. Locations of applications, brochures, and flyers to affirmatively market the program are listed in the attached Appendix.

7. Also, applications shall be made available at the developer's sales/rental office and shall be mailed to prospective applicants upon request. When on-line preliminary applications are utilized, if prospective applicants do not have internet access they will be given a phone number to call the Administrative Agent, who will then enter all pre-application information online during the phone call. 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.

i. 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:

Eastern Bergen County Board of Realtors (411 Rte. 17 South, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ 07604)

Sussex County Association of Realtors (115 DeMarest Rd., Sparta, NJ 07871)

Passaic County Board of Realtors (204 Berdan Ave., Wayne, NJ 07470)

Hudson County Board of Realtors (110a Meadowlands Pkwy., Ste. 103, Secaucus, NJ 07094)

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

Office on Aging or Division of Senior Services

**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 as listed in the attached Appendix in accordance with the Region 1 Affirmative Marketing Plan.
- iv. The Administrative Agent will also provide specific direct notice to the following community and regional organizations whenever affordable housing units become available in the Borough to the organizations listed in the attached Appendix, including those listed below:

Fair Share Housing Center (510 Park Boulevard, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002)

New Jersey State Conference of the NAACP (4326 Harbor Beach Blvd. #775, Brigantine, NJ 08203)

The Latino Action Network (P.O. Box 943, Freehold, NJ 07728)

The Bergen County NAACP (P.O. Box 1136, Englewood, NJ 07631)

Bergen County Urban League (12 Tenafly Rd., Ste. 104, Englewood, NJ 07631)

Bergen County Housing Coalition (389 Main St., Hackensack, NJ 07601)

- 8. A random selection method to select occupants of very low, low and moderate income housing will be used by the Administrative Agent in conformance with N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.16(l). The Affirmative Marketing Plan shall provide a regional preference for all households that live and/or work in 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 very low, low and moderate income households; to place income eligible households in very low, low and moderate income units upon initial occupancy; to provide for the initial occupancy of very low, 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 very low, 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. Whenever appropriate, the Administrative Agent shall provide or direct qualified very low, 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 very low, 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 very low, low and

moderate 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. Please note that in addition to complying with this Borough-wide Affirmative Marketing Plan that the Administrative Agent shall also review and approve a separate Affirmative Marketing Plan for every new affordable development in River Edge that is subject to N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.1 et seq. That document shall be completed by the owner/developer and will be compliant with the Borough's Affirmative Marketing Plan as presented herein, and incorporate development specific details and permitted options, all subject to the Administrative Agent's review and approval. The development specific affirmative marketing plans will use the standard form for Region 1, which is included in the attached Appendix.

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. and the Order granting the Borough a Final Judgment of Compliance and Repose.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appropriate Borough officials and professionals are authorized to take all actions required to implement the terms of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect pursuant to law.

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.

ATTEST:

Joy Convertini, Borough Clerk