

# BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS LAND USE BOARD MEETING

22 Snug Harbor Avenue, Highlands NJ 07732 Thursday, August 10, 2023 at 7:00 PM

# **AGENDA**

Please be advised that the agenda as shown may be subject to change. This meeting is a quasi-judicial proceeding. Any questions or comments must be limited to issues that are relevant to what the board may legally consider in reaching a decision and decorum appropriate to a judicial hearing must be maintained at all times.

# **CALL TO ORDER**

The chair reserves the right to change the order of the agenda.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT

As per requirement, notice is hereby given that this is a Regular Meeting of the Borough of Highlands Land Use Board and all requirements have been met. Notice has been transmitted to the Asbury Park Press and the Two River Times. Notice has been posted on the public bulletin board. Formal Action will be taken.

#### **ROLL CALL**

# **OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS**

General Questions or Comments not pertaining to Applications

#### **ACTION ON OTHER BUSINESS**

- 1. LUB2021-01: LDN Real Estate, 49 Miller St.,, B54 L7.01 Extension Request
- 2. LUB2022-06: Martin, 15 Barberie Ave, B77 L15 Extension Request

#### RESOLUTIONS

- 3. LUB Res 2023-12: Catcherman 30 Seadrift Ave., Block 76 Lots 4, 5, & 7.01 Subdivision
- 4. LUB Res 2023-13: Sea Grass Conditional Use

# **HEARINGS ON NEW BUSINESS**

5. LUB2023-04: Florit, 357 Shore Dr., B103 L8

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6. June 8, 2023 LUB Meeting Minutes

# **COMMUNICATION AND VOUCHERS**

- 7. LUB Annual Report 2022
- 8. Community Energy Plan
- 9. Highlands Community Equity & Diversity Profile
- 10. Seastreak Zoning Letter

Board Policy: • All meetings shall adjourn no later than 11:00 P.M. unless a majority of the quorum present at said hour vote to continue the meeting to a later hour. • No new hearing shall commence after 10:15 P.M. unless the Chairperson shall rule otherwise. • The Chair may limit repetitive comments or irrelevant testimony and may limit the time or number of questions or comments from any one citizen to ensure an orderly meeting and allow adequate time for members of the public to be heard.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

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June 30, 2023

# VIA ELECTRONIC AND REGULAR MAIL

Borough of Highlands Land Use Board 42 Shore Drive Highlands, NJ 07732

Attn: Michelle Hutchinson, Board Secretary

Re: LDN Real Estate, LLC

49 Miller Street

Highlands, New Jersey 07732

Block 54, Lot 7.01

Final Major Subdivision Approval with Use Variance Relief

Dear Ms. Hutchinson:

Please be advised that I represented the applicant LDN Real Estate, LLC, regarding their preliminary and final major subdivision approval with use variance relief memorialized by the Board on December 2, 2021.

Accordingly, I am kindly requesting an extension of time for the Board to sign off on the Final Plat which is currently on the Board's agenda for July 13, 2023. The reason for this extension request is that the Board misplaced the applicant's paperwork submitted for final plat approval in July of 2022, which had to be resubmitted by the applicant.

Should you have any questions or problems concerning the above, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

RICHARD C. SCIRIA

RCS:jbm

cc: Ron Cucchiaro, Esq. Land Use Board Attorney (via electronic mail)

Edward W. Herrman, P.E., P.P., Land Use Board Engr. (via electronic mail)

Paul Ricci, Planner (via electronic mail)

Ron Tringali, Richard E. Stockton Associates (via electronic mail)

Emily Bahrs Valentino (via electronic mail)

Dan Fers, DJF Construction, LLC (via electronic mail)

# **BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH**

LAND USE BOARD RESOLUTION 2021-26 RESOLUTION OF MEMORIALIZATION USE VARIANCE RELIEF WITH PRELIMINARY AND FINAL MAJOR SUBDIVISION APPROVAL

Approved: November 4, 2021

Memorialized: December 2, 2021

IN THE MATTER OF LDN, LLC

**APPLICATION NO. LUB2021-01** 

WHEREAS, an application for use variance relief with preliminary and final major

subdivision approval has been made to the Highlands Land Use Board (hereinafter referred to as

the "Board") by LDN, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Applicant") on lands known and

designated as Block 54, Lot 7.01, as depicted on the Tax Map of the Borough of Highlands

(hereinafter "Borough"), and more commonly known as 49 Miller Street in the CBD (Central

Business District) Zone; and

WHEREAS, a complete application has been filed, the fees as required by Borough

Ordinance have been paid, proof of service and publication of notice as required by law has been

furnished and determined to be in proper order, and it otherwise appears that the jurisdiction and

powers of the Board have been properly invoked and exercised; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on November 4, 2021, at which time testimony

and exhibits were presented on behalf of the Applicant and all interested parties were provided

with an opportunity to be heard; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** does the Highlands Land Use Board make the following findings of

fact and conclusions of law with regard to this application:

- 1. The subject Property contains .30 acres (13,297 s.f.) with ninety feet (90ft) of frontage along the southeast side of Miller Street and approximately sixty feet (60ft) of frontage along the northwest side of North Street within the CBD (Central Business District) Zone district. The subject Property is currently unimproved, but is serviced by municipal water and waste systems.
- 2. The Applicant proposes to subdivide the subject Property into five (5) new lots as follows:
  - Proposed Lot 7.011 will contain 3,729 s.f. with 30 feet of frontage along Miller Street to be improved with a proposed 2-story, single-family dwelling.
  - Proposed Lot 7.012 will contain 2,392 s.f. with 30 feet of frontage along Miller Street to be improved with a proposed 2-story, singlefamily dwelling.
  - Proposed Lot 7.013 will contain 2,392 s.f. with 30 feet of frontage along Miller Street to be improved with a proposed 2-story, singlefamily dwelling.
  - Proposed Lot 7.014 will contain 2,392 s.f. with 30 feet of frontage along North Street to be improved with a proposed 2-story, single-family dwelling.
  - Proposed Lot 7.015 will contain 2,392 s.f. with 30 feet of frontage along North Street to be improved with a proposed 2-story, singlefamily dwelling.
- 3. Counsel for the Applicant, Richard Sciria, Esq. stated the Applicant sought Major Sight Plan Approval to subdivide the subject Property into five smaller lots and to construct single family homes on those subdivided lots.
- 4. Mr. Sciria continued that single-family dwellings are not a permitted use in the CBD zone and, thus, that a (d)(1) "Use" variance was required. He noted that the subject

Property was previously located in the R-2.02 Residential zone where single-family homes are permitted and is, in fact, currently abutted by residential zones.

- 5. Mr. Sciria stated that despite this being a major subdivision application, the project was more akin to a minor subdivision because there were no proposed water retention basins, new roadways, or street lighting.
- 6. Mr. Sciria continued that each proposed new lot would have sufficient frontage and front an existing street.
- 7. Testimony was then taken from Emily Bahrs Valentino, who identified herself as the Managing Member of the Applicant. She stated that the Applicant has owned the subject Property since 2009 and that family members had owned it prior thereto.
- 8. Ms. Valentino testified that prior to Superstorm Sandy, the subject Property was improved with three structures, containing eight residential units. She explained that the dwellings were heavily damaged in Superstorm Sandy and that leaving them in a dilapidated state would have been unsafe.
- 9. Ms. Valentino further testified that in 2013, the residential dwellings were demolished and the subject Property was cleared. She stated that the Applicant now intends to subdivide the subject Property and build five single-family residential homes thereon with three (3) facing Miller Street and two (2) fronting North Street.
- 10. The Applicant's General Contractor Daniel Fers next testified that four (4) of the proposed homes would have three (3) bedrooms and one (1) would be a four-bedroom home

(located on Proposed Lot 7.011). Three of the proposed homes would front Miller Street and two would front North Street.

- 11. Mr. Fers provided further testimony that each of the homes would be two stories tall and have a rear deck, and that access to the homes would occur at ground level via an interior staircase.
- 12. Mr. Fers further testified that four (4) of the proposed lots: (Proposed Lots 7.012, 7.013, 7.014, and 7.015) would be thirty feet (30 ft) by eighty feet (80 ft) and that one lot (Proposed Lot 7.011) would have dimensions of thirty feet (30 ft) by one hundred and twenty feet (120 ft).
- 13. Mr. Fers provided additional testimony that each proposed home would have a six foot (6 ft) covered front deck accessed from the interior of the home, and an uncovered back deck accessed by an exterior stairwell.
- 14. Mr. Fers next explained that the homes would be elevated above BFE and be two stories tall. He continued that the bottom floor of the homes contains the garage and would be outfitted with flood vents.
- 15. Mr. Fers continued testifying that each home would have the required number of off-street parking spaces and would be appropriately landscaped. The Applicant would be open to working with the Borough's professionals to develop an appropriate landscaping plan.
- 16. Mr. Fers then stated that North Street is a one-way street without curbs and that Proposed Lots 7.014 and 7.015 fronting North Street would have driveways connected to the

street. He continued that Miller Street already has curb cuts and that for Proposed Lots 7.011, 7.012, and 7.013 fronting Miller Street, the Applicant would install new sidewalks and curb cuts.

- 17. Mr. Fers also testified that North Street does not have water access and that water access to homes fronting that street is received from Miller Street. He continued that, therefore, Proposed Lots 7.014 and 7.015 would need easements from Proposed Lots 7.012 and 7.013, respectively to obtain water access thereto.
- 18. Mr. Fers provided additional testimony that the HVAC systems would be located on the rear deck and, thus, be elevated above BFE.
- 19. The Board asked how far into the rear yard setback the stairwell to the proposed rear deck would protrude. Mr. Fers responded that the rear deck was ten feet (10 ft) deep and, therefore, he estimated that the rear stairwell would extend fourteen feet (14 ft) from the rear of the home.
- 20. The Applicant's Surveyor, Ronald Trinidad provided a history of the subject Property, stating that it had initially been two (2) lots (six and seven) but that it was joined at some time to form the subject Property, Lot 7.01.
- 21. Mr. Trinidad provided further testimony that subdividing the subject Property into five (5) smaller lots would create lots that were commensurate in size with others in the neighborhood. Mr. Trinidad next testified as to the dimensions of the proposed lots.
- 22. Mr. Trinidad stipulated that the Applicant agreed to comply with all aspects of the Board Engineer's Review Letter.

- 23. Mr. Trinidad additionally testified that project was RSIS compliant and that all proposed homes would have the required number of off-street parking spaces. He continued that the driveways would be approximately eighteen feet (18 ft) in width and twenty feet (20 ft) in length.
- 24. The Board Engineer testified that based upon the driveway dimensions, two (2) vehicles could be parked in the driveway and one (1) in the garage and, thus, three (3) off-street parking spaces were provided for, satisfying the RSIS requirements for both the proposed three-bedroom homes (which requires two parking spaces) and four-bedroom home (which requires two and one-half parking spaces).
- 25. The Board Engineer asked whether the Applicant had inquired as to whether any CAFRA permits and/or approvals were required from the NJDEP. Mr. Trinidad responded that the they had not done so but agreed to make the necessary inquiries as to what the Applicant's obligations may be.
- 26. The Applicant's Planner, Paul Ricci, PP, AICP testified that the Applicant required (d)(1) variance relief because single-family homes are not permitted in the CBD Zone. Mr. Ricci continued that the <u>Puleio</u> case dictates that there are no bulk standards to be applied to a non-permitted use.
- 27. Mr. Ricci testified that the subject Property is particularly suitable to the proposed use and must, therefore, meet the "enhanced" criteria.
- 28. Mr. Ricci provided additional testimony concerning the Borough's Master Plan and the creation of the CBD Zone. He asserted that the subject Property was the only property along Miller Street zoned commercial, but the Board disputed that assertion, noting that the Borough Tax

Map shows multiple properties on Miller Street zoned for commercial use. Mr. Ricci continued that he was trying to demonstrate that the Borough was "in conflict" with how to zone this part of the community.

- 29. Mr. Ricci next testified that the subject Property is particularly suitable for residential use because it was previously used as such and developing it for commercial use would be problematic. He asserted that it would be easy to raise a residential home above the BFE but doing so with a commercial property would be difficult.
- 30. Mr. Ricci continued testifying that the neighboring property owners do not want to sell to the Applicant and that the subject Property lacks frontage on Bay Avenue, thereby making it a less appealing option for commercial use. To that end, Mr. Ricci also testified that commercial use as office space was contemplated but that demand for office space is lacking and, thus, not a good use of the subject Property. Mr. Ricci concluded that, to the extent the site was suitable for commercial use, it would likely be occupied by lower-end, less desirable establishments.
- 31. Mr. Ricci next testified that the Applicant razed structures and cleaned up the subject Property after Superstorm Sandy, not knowing that she could have kept the residential units in perpetuity as a pre-existing, nonconforming use. Mr. Ricci continued that maintaining the subject Property as a vacant parcel would not benefit the community but that subdividing the subject Property and improving the subdivided lots with aesthetically pleasing single-family homes would be beneficial thereto.
- 32. Mr. Ricci further testified about the prevailing neighborhood characteristics, stating that the proposed subdivision would be consistent with the community, creating lots similar in size to those in the area. He concluded that Applicant has satisfied the positive criteria because the

application furthers the goals of municipal planning by (a) promoting the general welfare; (g) providing adequate air and open space for citizens; and (i) creating homes that are in conformity with the neighborhood scheme.

- 33. Mr. Ricci next testified as to the negative criteria, stating that the density of the project would decrease from eight homes (which is what it was previously before the subject Property was cleared by the Applicant) to five homes (proposed). He added that the amount of required parking is being reduced by the project and that all off-street parking is provided on-site.
- 34. Mr. Ricci also stated that single-family homes are contemplated, although not allowed, in the CBD Zone and closed by asserting that the proposed application should be granted.
- 35. The Board Engineer then questioned whether the Board wanted to require the Applicant to install a new sidewalk and curb cuts to North Street as a condition of approval. The Board Engineer also inquired whether the Board would require the Applicant to repave both Miller Street and North Street in the disturbed areas.
- 36. The Board Engineer provided additional testimony that the proposed development would not likely cause any traffic impacts.
- 37. The hearing was then opened to the public at which time testimony was taken from Joanne Olszewsky of 27 Grand Tour who asked whether Andy's Shore Bar was on a double lot. The Applicant responded that lot Andy's Shore Bar is on a lot that is approximately three times as wide as the proposed, subdivided lots.
- 38. There were no other members of the public or Board expressing an interest in this application.

WHEREAS, the Highlands Land Use Board, having reviewed the proposed application and having considered the impact of the proposed application on the Borough and its residents to determine whether it is in furtherance of the Municipal Land Use Law; and having considered whether the proposal is conducive to the orderly development of the site and the general area in which it is located pursuant to the land use and zoning ordinances of the Borough of Highlands; and upon the imposition of specific conditions to be fulfilled, hereby determines that the Applicant may be granted use variance relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:58D-70d(1) along with preliminary major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-48 and final major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-50.

The Applicant requires use variance relief in order to permit the proposed single-family use within the CBD Zone. The New Jersey Courts have been willing to accept a showing of extreme hardship as sufficient to constitute a special reason. The courts have indicated that there is no precise formula as to what constitutes special reasons unless the use is determined to be inherently beneficial, and that each case must be heard on its own circumstances. Yet, for the most part, hardship is usually an insufficient criteria upon which the Board can grant a variance. In addition, special reasons have been found where a variance would serve any of the purposes of zoning as set forth in N.J.S.A. 40:55D-2. However, in the last analysis, a variance should only be granted if the Board, on the basis of the evidence presented before it, feels that the public interest, as distinguished from the purely private interests of the Applicant, would be best served by permitting the proposed use.

In these instances, the Board must also find that the granting of the variance will not create an undue burden on the owners of the surrounding properties. The Board also notes the special reasons requirement may be satisfied if the Applicant can show that the proposed use is peculiarly suited to the particular piece of property. With regard to the question of public good, the Board's focus is on the variance's effect on the surrounding properties and whether such effect will be substantial. Furthermore, in most "d" variance cases, the Applicant must satisfy an enhanced quality of proof and support it by clear and specific findings by this Board that the variance sought is not inconsistent with the intent and purpose of the Master Plan and Zoning Ordinance. The burden of proof is upon the Applicant to establish the above criteria.

The Board finds the Applicant has satisfied the positive criteria. The Board first finds that the subject Property is distinguishable from others in the CBD Zone. This is because it is vacant and surrounded by other residential uses. The subject Property therefore has characteristics of an infill development. Board also finds that the subject Property is currently oversized when compared to other lots in the area.

The proposed subdivided lots will be of a similar size and shape as others in the neighborhood and the proposed homes will also, similarly, be of the same type and size as other homes in the community. Moreover, the Board finds that the application and proposed construction of five, single-family homes furthers the goals of municipal planning by (a) promoting the general welfare; (g) providing adequate air and open space for citizens; and (i) creating homes that are in conformity with the neighborhood scheme. The Board finds that these goals will be promoted, because, consistent with the Master Plan, the proposed scale of infill development is consistent in with the character of the area and therefore does not disturb the neighborhood scheme. The Board further finds that the alternative would be for the Applicant to propose larger subdivided lots with larger homes, which provide less air and open space and which are less consistent with the neighborhood scheme. The addition of new and aesthetically pleasing single-family homes, of the

size and shape proposed, would visually enhance the area and create an aesthetically pleasing infill development. The Board therefore finds that the positive criteria has been satisfied.

The Board further finds that the enhanced criteria has also been satisfied. The Master Plan does not discourage infill development and further promotes harmonious compatible uses which complement each other and are appropriately sited in close proximity. Although located in the CBD Zone where the proposed use is not permitted, the Zoning Ordinances likely did not anticipate infill developments such as is proposed in the instant application. The Board further finds that the subject Property is particularly suitable for the proposed residential use and is distinguishable from other properties because, although located in the CBD Zone, the subject Property does not front Bay Avenue and is situated close to other residential properties. The Board therefore finds the enhanced criteria has been satisfied.

The Board also finds that the negative criteria has been satisfied. The proposed subdivision and construction of single-family homes will likely have negligible impact on the level of noise or traffic in the area. Moreover, the density of the project would decrease from eight residential units (which is what existed previously) to five single-family homes (which is what is proposed). The Board further finds that the amount of required parking is being reduced by the project and that all off-street parking is provided on-site. The proposed new lots and homes will also fit in seamlessly and be in harmony with the prevailing neighborhood scheme. The Board therefore finds there will be no substantial detriment to the zone plan, zoning ordinance or the public welfare. The negative criteria has therefore been satisfied. The Board further finds that the positive criteria substantially outweighs the negative criteria and that use variance relief may be granted in this instance pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70d(1).

The Board also finds that any bulk variances and design waivers are subsumed within the granting of use variance relief. Puleio v. Tp. of North Brunswick Zoning Bd. of Adj., 375 N.J. Super. 413 (App. Div.) certif. den. 184 N.J. 212 (2005).

The Board relies on the above and finds that the proposed lots are substantially similar to other lots in the neighborhood. The proposed lots will also be similarly developed with single family homes. Again, based upon the above analysis, the Board finds that preliminary major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-48 and final major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-50 are appropriate in this instance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Land Use Board of the Borough of Highlands on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December 2021, that the action of the Land Use Board taken on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 granting Application No. LUB2021-01, for use variance relief with use variance relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70d(1) along with preliminary major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-46 and final major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-50 is hereby memorialized as follows:

The application is granted subject to the following conditions:

- 1. All site improvement shall take place in the strict compliance with the testimony and with the plans and drawings which have been submitted to the Board with this application, or to be revised.
- 2. Except where specifically modified by the terms of this Resolution, the Applicant shall comply with all recommendations contained in the reports of the Board professionals.
- 3. The Applicant shall comply with the Map Filing Law. Failure to do so shall render this approval null and void.
- 4. The Applicant shall record this Resolution in the Office of the Monmouth County Clerk.
- 5. The architecture of the new homes shall be consistent with the exhibits presented to this Board.

- 6. All homes shall be serviced by public sewer and water. The Applicant shall submit easements for water service to (i) Proposed Lot 7.012 from Proposed Lot 7.014 and (ii) to Proposed Lot 7.013 from Proposed Lot 7.015 for review and approval of the Board Engineer and Board Attorney.
- 7. The Applicant shall obtain a jurisdictional determination from NJDEP regarding CAFRA requirements.
- 8. The Applicant shall comply with all sidewalk and curb requirements.
- 9. The Applicant shall submit a landscaping plan for review and approval by the Board's professionals.
- 10. The Applicant shall submit a grading plan for review and approval by the Board's professionals.
- 11. The Applicant shall comply with all RSIS requirements.
- 12. All HVAC units shall be located in the rear of the properties and be elevated subject to the review and approval of the Board Engineer.
- 13. Any future modifications to this approved plan must be submitted to the Board for approval.
- 14. The Applicant shall apply for all necessary Zoning Permit(s) and Demolition Permit(s).
- 15. The Applicant shall comply with all applicable Affordable Housing requirements.
- 16. The Applicant shall provide a certificate that taxes are paid to date of approval.
- 17. Payment of all fees, costs, escrows due and to become due. Any monies are to be paid within twenty (20) days of said request by the Board Secretary.
- 18. Subject to all other applicable rules, regulations, ordinances and statutes of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey or any other jurisdiction.

Item 1.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board secretary is hereby authorized and directed to cause a notice of this decision to be published in the official newspaper at the Applicant's expense and to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Applicant and to the Borough Clerk, Engineer, Attorney and Tax Assessor, and shall make same available to all other interested parties.

Robert Knox, Chairman

Borough of Highlands Land Use Board

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ON MOTION OF: Mr. Kutosh

SECONDED BY: Vice Chair Tierney

ROLL CALL:

YES: Mr. Kutosh, Mr. Lee, Ms. Chang, Vice Chair Tierney, Chair Knox

NO:

ABSTAINED:

ABSENT: Councilmember Martin, Ms. LaRussa, Ms. Walsh, Ms. Nash, Ms. Pendleton

DATED: December 2, 2021

I hereby certify this to be a true and accurate copy of the Resolution adopted by the Highlands Land Use Board, Monmouth County, New Jersey at a public meeting held on December 2, 2021.

Michelle Hutchinson, Secretary

Borough of Highlands Land Use Board

#### BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS LAND USE BOARD

#### **EXHIBITS**

# Case No. No. LUB2021/LDN, LLC

# Major Subdivision with Use Variance Relief

November 4, 2021

December 2, 2021

- A-1 Packet consisting of four sheets (Exhibits 1 through 4) showing a colorized, existing land use map.
- A-2 Borough of Highlands Master Plan, dated 2016
- A-3 Borough of Highlands Zoning Map
- A-4 Land Use Board Application for Subdivision, dated March 12, 2021.
- A-5 Zoning Denial Letter, dated March 3, 2021.
- A-6 Proposed Subdivision Plan prepared by Richard E. Stockton & Associates, dated January 20, 2021.
- A-7 Proposed Architectural Plan for proposed lot 7.011, prepared by Salvatore La Ferlita, dated March 15, 2021.
- A-8 Proposed Architectural Plan for proposed lot 7.012, prepared by Salvatore La Ferlita, dated March 15, 2021.
- A-9 Proposed Architectural Plan for proposed lot 7.013, prepared by Salvatore La Ferlita, dated March 15, 2021.
- A-10 Proposed Architectural Plan for proposed lot 7.014, prepared by Salvatore La Ferlita, dated March 15, 2021.
- A-11 Proposed Architectural Plan for proposed lot 7.015, prepared by Salvatore La Ferlita, dated March 15, 2021.

# **INTEROFFICE REPORTS**

- B-1 Board Engineer's Review of Major Subdivision, Plat Requirements (completeness) letter, dated June 8, 2021.
- B-2 Board Engineer's Review of Major Subdivision, Fee Calculation letter, dated June 8, 2021.
- B-3 Board Engineer's First Engineering Review letter, dated November 2, 2021.

June 22, 2023

Nancy Tran Land Use, Secretary Borough of Highlands 42 Shore Drive Highlands, NJ 07732

Dear Ms. Tran,

I am requesting an extension for LUB 2022-06 application 15 Barberie Ave, extending another 180 days. The reason for the extension is to complete the filing with the county clerk due to delays with third-party approvals.

Marie Martin

90'Third street

Hazlet Township, NJ 07734

Home 732-787-2547

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mariesellsnj@gmail.com



# BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

# LAND USE BOARD RESOLUTION 2022-20

MEMORIALIZATION OF MINOR SUBDIVISION APPROVAL WITH ANCILLARY VARIANCE RELIEF

Approved: October 13, 2022

Memorialized: December 20, 2022

IN THE MATTER OF MARTIN

**APPLICATION NO. LUB2022-06** 

WHEREAS, an application for minor subdivision approval with ancillary variance relief has

been made to the Highlands Land Use Board (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") by Marie

Martin (hereinafter referred to as the "Applicant") on lands known and designated as Block 77,

Lot 15, as depicted on the Tax Map of the Borough of Highlands (hereinafter "Borough"), and

more commonly known as 15 Barberie Avenue in the R-2.01 (Single Family Residential) Zone; and

WHEREAS, a complete application has been filed, the fees as required by Borough

Ordinance have been paid, proof of service and publication of notice as required by law has been

furnished and determined to be in proper order, and it otherwise appears that the jurisdiction

and powers of the Board have been properly invoked and exercised; and

WHEREAS, an in-person public hearing was held on October 13, 2022, at which time

testimony and exhibits were presented on behalf of the Applicant and all interested parties were

provided with an opportunity to be heard.

NOW, THEREFORE, does the Highlands Land Use Board make the following findings of fact

and conclusions of law with regard to this application:

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- 1. The subject Property contains 7,500 square feet with 100 feet of frontage along the southeast side of Barberie Avenue within the R-2.01 (Residential) Zone district. The subject Property has a Lot depth of 75 feet. The subject Property is currently improved with a two-story single-family dwelling serviced by municipal water and waste systems.
- 2. The dwelling on Lot 15 has a minimum front yard setback of 9 feet whereas 20 feet is required in the Zone and complies in all other respects with the Zoning Ordinance.
- 3. The Applicant proposes to subdivide the subject Property into two (2) new lots as follows:
  - Proposed Lot 15.01 will contain 3,750 square feet with 50 feet of frontage along Barberie Avenue and will contain the existing twostory, single-family dwelling.
  - Proposed Lot 15.02 will contain 3,750 square feet with 50 feet of frontage along Barberie Avenue to be improved with a proposed 2story, single-family elevated dwelling.
- 4. The Applicant, Marie Martin, testified that the minimum lot size in the Zone is 3,750 square feet and, therefore, that the proposed subdivision will create two lots that conform to the Zoning Ordinance and are commensurate with other lots in the Zone and neighborhood.
- 5. The Applicant further testified that by virtue of the proposed subdivision, the dwelling on Proposed Lot 15.01 (which is not being affected by the application) will have a minimum front yard setback of 9 feet, whereas 20 feet is required in the Zone. Accordingly, variance relief is requested, but the deviation from the Zoning ordinance already exists.
- 6. The Applicant further testified that she needed additional variance relief for the maximum building coverage for Proposed Lot 15.01, where 35.56% is proposed and 33% is permitted in the Zone. The Applicant continued testifying that she was not altering the dwelling

at all and that the home would remain in its current location with regard to all setbacks.

Accordingly, the Applicant testified that the variance relief requested occurred by virtue of the subdivision and existing dwelling, and not any proposed construction.

- 7. The Applicant testified that the subdivision complied in all other respects with the Zoning Ordinance, including as to building height for both the existing and proposed dwellings. The Applicant further testified that the dwelling to be constructed on Proposed Lot 15.02, as proposed, would comply with the Zoning Ordinance. The Applicant agreed that if the dwelling was not constructed in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance or the terms of this resolution that she would need to return for variance relief.
- 8. The Applicant agreed to comply with the Board Engineer's First Engineering Review Letter and to revise the plans to reflect a driveway length of 18 feet.
  - 9. There were no members of the public expressing an interest in this application.

WHEREAS, the Highlands Land Use Board, having reviewed the proposed application and having considered the impact of the proposed application on the Borough and its residents to determine whether it is in furtherance of the Municipal Land Use Law; and having considered whether the proposal is conducive to the orderly development of the site and the general area in which it is located pursuant to the land use and zoning ordinances of the Borough of Highlands; and upon the imposition of specific conditions to be fulfilled, hereby determines that the Applicant's request for minor subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-47 along with ancillary variance relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70c should be granted in this instance.

The Board finds that the Applicant has proposed a minor subdivision which requires bulk variance relief. The Municipal Land Use Law, at N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70c provides Boards with the power to grant variances from strict bulk and other non-use related issues when the applicant satisfies certain specific proofs which are enunciated in the Statute. Specifically, the applicant may be entitled to relief if the specific parcel is limited by exceptional narrowness, shallowness or shape. An applicant may show that exceptional topographic conditions or physical features exist which uniquely affect a specific piece of property. Further, the applicant may also supply evidence that exceptional or extraordinary circumstances exist which uniquely affect a specific piece of property or any structure lawfully existing thereon and the strict application of any regulation contained in the Zoning Ordinance would result in a peculiar and exceptional practical difficulty or exceptional and undue hardship upon the developer of that property. Additionally, under the c(2) criteria, the applicant has the option of showing that in a particular instance relating to a specific piece of property, the purpose of the act would be advanced by allowing a deviation from the Zoning Ordinance requirements and the benefits of any deviation will substantially outweigh any detriment. In those instances, a variance may be granted to allow departure from regulations adopted, pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance.

Those categories specifically enumerated above constitute the affirmative proofs necessary in order to obtain "bulk" or (c) variance relief. Finally, an applicant must also show that the proposed variance relief sought will not have a substantial detriment to the public good and, further, will not substantially impair the intent and purpose of the zone plan and Zoning Ordinance. It is only in those instances when the applicant has satisfied both these tests, that a

Board, acting pursuant to the Statute and case law, can grant relief. The burden of proof is upon the applicant to establish these criteria.

The Board finds that the Applicant has satisfied the positive criteria with regard to the previously enumerated requests for variance relief from the minimum front yard setback for Proposed Lot 15.01 where 20 feet is required and 9 feet is proposed, and for the maximum building coverage for Proposed Lot 15.01 where a maximum building coverage of 33% is permitted and 35.56% is proposed.

The Board finds that the proposed subdivision and construction of a single-family dwelling on Proposed Lot 15.02 is a permitted use in the R-2.01 zone. The Board finds that the proposed subdivision will create two lots, which are consistent with the prevailing neighborhood scheme, and which comply with the Zoning Ordinance. The dwelling to be constructed on Proposed Lot 15.02 would comply with the Zoning Ordinance and, to the extent the Applicant or a subsequent owner of the subject Property sought to construct a dwelling that neither complied with this Resolution nor the Zoning Ordinance, they would need to seek relief from the Land Use Board.

The Board also accepts the Applicant's testimony that the proposed variance relief would be indiscernible to the public because it affects the existing two-story dwelling on Proposed Lot 15.01 and not the dwelling proposed to be constructed on Proposed Lot 15.02 (which will comply with the Zoning Ordinance). The Board, therefore, finds that the minimum front yard setback of 9 proposed for Proposed Lot 15.01 feet already exists and is not being exacerbated by the application. Similarly, the Board finds that although the maximum building coverage is increasing on a percentage basis, that occurs solely by virtue of the subdivision of Lot 15 and the existence

of the two-story dwelling thereon. Accordingly, the Board finds that proposed building coverage of Proposed Lot 15.01 of 35.56% is not excessive and satisfies the positive criteria.

Based on the foregoing, the Board finds that the application advances the goals of the Municipal Land Use Law as enumerated at N.J.S.A. 40:55D-2. The positive criteria has therefore been satisfied.

The Board also finds that the negative criteria has been satisfied. The proposed subdivision of the existing lot into two smaller lots creates lots that are more similar to other lots in the surrounding neighbored and which comply with the Zoning Ordinance. The proposed development also does not violate any height requirements and therefore does not impair any view corridors. As previously stated, the proposed density and use also complies with Ordinance requirements. The proposed variance relief will also not create any perceptible additional traffic or noise. The Board finds that the grant of variance relief will not result in substantial impairment to the zone plan or zoning ordinance and will not create a substantial detriment to the public good. The Board therefore finds that the negative criteria has been satisfied.

The Board further finds that the positive criteria substantially outweighs the negative criteria and that variance relief pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:55D-70c(2) is appropriate in this instance.

With the exception of the above relief, the Applicant has complied with all other zoning, subdivision and design criteria. The Applicant may therefore be granted minor subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-47.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Land Use Board of the Borough of Highlands on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022, that the action of the Land Use Board taken on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 granting Application No. LUB2022-06, for minor subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-47 along with ancillary bulk variance relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70c(2) as follows:

The application is granted subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The Subdivision Plat or Deed recorded memorializing this subdivision shall specifically refer to this Resolution and shall be subject to the review and approval of the Board Engineer and Board Attorney. The Applicant shall record the Subdivision Plat or Deed within 190 days of the memorializing Resolution being adopted. Failure to do so shall render this approval null and void.
- 2. All site improvement shall take place in the strict compliance with the testimony and with the plans and drawings which have been submitted to the Board with this application, or to be revised.
- 3. Except where specifically modified by the terms of this resolution, the Applicant shall comply with all recommendations contained in the reports of the Board professionals.
- 4. The Applicant shall obtain an Elevation Certificate.
- 5. Any future modifications to this approved plan must be submitted to the Board for approval.
- 6. The Applicant shall provide a certificate that taxes are paid to date of approval.
- 7. Payment of all fees, costs, escrows due and to become due. Any monies are to be paid within twenty (20) days of said request by the Board Secretary.
- 8. The subject Property is located in a CAFRA Zone and, thus, the Applicant shall comply with all applicable NJDEP requirements and obtain all applicable approvals and/or waivers therefrom.
- 9. Subject to all other applicable rules, regulations, ordinances and statutes of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey or any other jurisdiction.

Item 2.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board secretary is hereby authorized and directed to

cause a notice of this decision to be published in the official newspaper at the Applicant's expense

and to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Applicant and to the Borough Clerk,

Engineer, Attorney and Tax Assessor, and shall make same available to all other interested

parties.

Róbert Knox, Chairman

Borough of Highlands Land Use Board

ON MOTION OF: Vice Chair Tierney

SECONDED BY: Mayor Broullon

**ROLL CALL:** 

YES: Mayor Broullon, Ms. LaRussa, Mr. Montecalvo, Councilmember Olszewski, Vice Chair Tierney,

Chair Knox

NO: None

INELIGIBLE: Chief Burton, Mr. Kutosh, Mr. Lee

ABSENT: None

DATED: December 20, 2022

I hereby certify this to be a true and accurate copy of the Resolution adopted by the

Highlands Land Use Board, Monmouth County, New Jersey at a public meeting held on December

20, 2022.

Nancy Tran, Secretary

Borough of Highlands Land Use Board

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# BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS LAND USE BOARD

# EXHIBITS Case No. No. LUB2022-06/Martin Minor Subdivision October 13, 2022 December 20, 2022

- A-1 Land Use Board Application (Minor Subdivision), dated July 19, 2022.
- A-2 Minor Subdivision Plan prepared by Thomas C. Finnegan, P.L.S. of Thomas Craig Finnegan Land Surveying, L.L.C., dated May 16, 2022.

# **INTEROFFICE REPORTS**

- B-1 Board Engineer's Review of Minor Subdivision, First Completeness Review letter, dated August 16, 2022.
- B-2 Board Engineer's Fee and Escrow Calculation letter, dated August 16, 2022.
- B-3 Board Engineer's First Engineering Review letter, dated September 28, 2022.



# BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH

# **LAND USE BOARD RESOLUTION 2023-11**

MEMORIALIZATION OF PRELIMINARY AND FINAL MAJOR SUBDIVISION APPROVAL WITH ANCILLARY VARIANCE RELIEF

IN THE MATTER OF CATCHERMAN, LLC APPLICATION NO. LUB2023-01

Approved: June 8, 2023

Memorialized: August 8, 2023

WHEREAS, an application for preliminary and final major subdivision approval with ancillary variance relief has been made to the Highlands Land Use Board (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") by Catcherman, LLC (hereinafter referred to as the "Applicant") on lands known and designated as Block 76, Lots 4, 5, & 7.01, as depicted on the Tax Map of the Borough of Highlands (hereinafter "Borough"), and more commonly known as 30 Sea Drift Avenue in the R-2.01 (Residential Zone) Zone; and

WHEREAS, a complete application has been filed, the fees as required by Borough Ordinance have been paid, proof of service and publication of notice as required by law has been furnished and determined to be in proper order, and it otherwise appears that the jurisdiction and powers of the Board have been properly invoked and exercised; and

**WHEREAS**, a public hearing was held on June 8, 2023, at which time testimony and exhibits were presented on behalf of the Applicant and all interested parties were provided with an opportunity to be heard; and

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Highlands Land Use Board makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law with regard to this application:

1. The subject Property contains a total of 9,333 square feet (0.214 acres) consisting of three (3) existing lots and is located within the Residential 2.01 (R-2.01) Zone of the Borough. The subject Property is situated along the northwesterly side of Sea Drift Avenue between Cheerful Place and Recreation Place. Existing Lot 4 (3,500 square feet) and existing Lot 5 (1,750 square feet) are currently vacant. Existing Lot 7.01 (4,083 square feet) contains an existing 1-1/2 story single family dwelling.

- 2. The Applicant is seeking preliminary and final major subdivision approval to create three (3) new 2,333 square foot lots and one (1) new 2,334 square foot lot. The Applicant intends to construct three (3) new residential dwellings on proposed Lots4.01, 5.01, & 5.02. The existing dwelling on proposed Lot 7.11 is to be renovated, with the addition of a front and rear deck.
  - 3. The Applicant is seeking variance relief from the following:
    - a. *Chapter 21 Attachment 1* the minimum lot area is 3,750 square feet, whereas 2,333 square feet is proposed for Lots 4.01, 5.01, and 5.02, and 2,334 square feet is proposed Lot 7.11
    - b. **Chapter 21 Attachment 1** the minimum lot frontage/width is 50 feet, whereas a lot frontage/width of 33.33 feet is proposed for Lots 4.01, 5.01, 5.02, and 7.11.
    - c. **Chapter 21 Attachment 1** the minimum lot depth is 75 feet, whereas a lot depth of 70 feet is existing and proposed for Lots 4.01, 5.01 5.02, and 7.11.
    - d. Chapter 21 Attachment 1 the minimum front yard setback is 20 feet (12 feet\*), whereas 9.3 feet\*\* is existing on Lot 7.01 and is proposed to remain for new Lot 7.11.
    - e. *Chapter 21 Attachment 1* the minimum side yard setback is 6 feet and 8 feet, whereas 1.6 feet and 36.73 feet is existing for Lot 7.01 and a side yard setback of 1.6 feet and 11.7 feet proposed to remain for new Lot 7.11.
    - f. *Chapter 21 Attachment 1* the minimum side yard setback is 6 feet and 8 feet, whereas a side yard setback of 6.1 feet and 6.2 feet is proposed for Lots 4.01, 5.01 and 5.02.
    - g. **Chapter 21 Attachment 1** the minimum rear yard setback is 20 feet, whereas 16.3 feet is existing on Lot 7.01 and is proposed for Lot 7.11.
    - h. *Chapter 21 Attachment 1* the minimum rear yard setback is 20 feet, whereas 17.8 feet is proposed for Lots 4.01, 5.01, and 5.02.
    - i. **Chapter 21 Attachment 1** the maximum building coverage is 33%, whereas 24.7% is existing for Lot 7.01 and 38.0% is proposed for Lot 7.11.
    - j. *Chapter 21 Attachment 1* the maximum building coverage is 33%, whereas 38.7% is proposed for Lots 4.01, 5.01, and 5.02.

- \* Or the average of the existing front yard setback within two hundred (200) feet in the same block and zone, per Ordinance Section 21-79B. The prevailing setback shall be the average setback of buildings on the same block in the same zone, but not less than the average of the setbacks of the buildings on the two (2) nearest adjacent lots and in no case, less than half the required setback.
- \*\* Any deck that extends above the elevation of the first floor of the principal structure shall meet the setback requirements for that principal structure.
- 4. Counsel for the Applicant, Daniel J. O'Hern, Jr., stated that the subject Property contained three (3) existing lots of Lots 4, 5, and 7.01 with the address of 30-40 Sea Drift Avenue. Mr. O'Hern stated that the Applicant was seeking to create four (4) new lots. He stated that the existing dwelling located on Lot 7.01 would renovated, whereas three (3) new dwellings would be constructed on the remaining three (3) lots. He stated that the subject Property was located within the R-2.01 Zone. He stated that the Applicant was seeking bulk variance relief for the proposed lots.
- 5. Testimony was taken from Robert Davis, a principal of the Applicant. Mr. Davis testified that there was an existing dwelling located on the subject Property that was partially renovated after Superstorm Sandy, but was not completed. He stated that the dwelling was now in disrepair.
- 6. Mr. Davis introduced Photographs of Constructed Homes on 25-foot wide Lots as Exhibit A-1. He explained that he intended to construct three (3) new dwellings on three (3) of the new lots with a garage setback underneath the first floor that would provide a driveway length to fit two (2) cars and a one (1) car garage similar to the dwellings depicted in Exhibit A-1. He explained that he would renovate the existing dwelling by retaining the foundation and most of the first floor, however, the garage would not be setback like the three (3) new dwellings. Mr. Davis submitted Photos of 5 Sea Drift Avenue and 7 Sea Drift Avenue as Exhibit A-2 to show the style of dwelling that he has constructed on Sea Drift Avenue, which the proposed new dwellings would be similar. He introduced a Photo of 3 Ocean Avenue as Exhibit A-3 to show the style of dwelling proposed for the existing dwelling. He introduced a Photo of the Existing Dwelling as Exhibit A-4.

- 7. In response to questions from the Board, Mr. Davis testified that the mechanical equipment would comply with the three (3) foot setback to the rear and side property lines. Mr. Davis also stated that he had construction experience, having constructed seven (7) new dwellings and renovated three (3) dwellings within the Borough. Mr. Davis explained that no architectural plans had been drawn because he was awaiting approval from this Board and the Borough, as well as input from buyers.
- 8. The Board Engineer, Edward Herrman, P.E., P.P., testified that the Board could condition the approval that the architectural plans be submitted to the Board prior to filing the plat. Mr. Herrman further testified that the Applicant required several bulk variances. He explained that the side yard setback required a minimum of six (6) feet on one side and a minimum of eight (8) feet on the other side for a combined minimum of fourteen (14) feet, whereas the Applicant was proposing a combined side yard setback of approximately twelve (12) feet. He stated that the proposed side yard setback would allow for a twenty-one (21) foot wide dwelling, which was a better design.
- 9. In response to questions from the Board Engineer, Mr. Davis explained that the deck on the first floor would include stairs to access the deck along the side, which would also have a meter platform. He stated that any decks above the first floor would be stepped back in order to be within the building envelope.
- 10. In response to questions from the Board, Mr. Davis testified that the exterior stairs were not the only access stairs and that there would be access stairs within the garage. He stated that the exterior stairs would be three (3) to four (4) feet wide and was permitted to be within the side yard setback. He stated that there would be pervious landscaping pebbles along the sides and rear of the dwelling. Mr. Davis testified that there were lots in the area with width of twenty-five (25) feet, so the proposed lot widths fit within the character of the area.
- 11. The Applicant's Engineer/Planner, Andrew Stockton, P.E., P.P., testified that the existing lots were Lots 4, 5, and 7.01 within Block 76 in the R-2.01 zone. Mr. Stockton testified that the existing subject Property was 133.33 feet wide with a depth of 70 feet, whereas the minimum permitted size was 50 feet width and 75 feet depth. He stated that the minimum lot area was 3,750 square feet, whereas 2,333 square feet was proposed for each lot having the

dimensions of 33.33 feet width by 70 feet depth. Therefore, the Applicant was seeking variance relief from the lot area, frontage, and depth.

- 12. Mr. Stockton next testified that there was an existing dwelling located on the northerly side of the subject Property. He stated that the existing side yard setback of the dwelling was 1.6 feet and a front yard setback of 9.3 feet. He explained that the front yard setback was based on the average of front yard setbacks within 200 feet in the same block and zone, which in this area was twelve (12) feet. He testified that the new dwellings would comply with this front yard setback. Mr. Stockton also testified that the proposed dwellings would comply with the minimum side yard setback of six (6) feet, but not the combined side yard setbacks. He stated that the proposed combined side yard setbacks was 12.3 feet. He stated that the variance relief for the combined side yard setbacks would allow a dwelling width of twenty-one (21) feet, which was a better design. Mr. Stockton also stated that the rear yard setback was the result of the existing shorter lot depth. Mr. Stockton explained that the Applicant was seeking variance relief for the lot coverage in anticipation of changes to the architectural plans. Mr. Stockton also stated that the Applicant was seeking waiver relief from providing street trees.
- 13. Mr. Stockton introduced a Lot Sizes Exhibit as Exhibit A-5. Mr. Stockton testified that there were a total of forty-seven (47) lots within 200 feet of the subject Property. He stated that nineteen (19) of those lots had an undersized width of twenty-five (25) feet. He stated that two (2) lots to the immediate north had widths of 33.33 feet, as the Applicant has proposed. He stated that there were eleven (11) lots that had undersized widths, but were wider than 33.33 feet. He stated that all lots in the area had undersized depths of seventy (70) feet. Mr. Stockton concluded that 68% of the lots in the area were undersized, therefore the proposed lots were not out of character for the area.
- 14. In response to questions from the Board, Mr. Stockton explained that the proposed dwellings would be similar to other dwellings in the area and would not be out character. He stated that there would be an eighteen (18) foot wide driveway to allow space for two (2) cars and a one (1) car garage. He further explained that there were some dwellings in the area that had not been renovated since Superstorm Sandy and remained non-compliant. Mr.

Stockton introduced a Photo of the Dwellings Across Sea Drift Avenue from the Subject Property dated June 8, 2023 as Exhibit A-6.

- 15. Mr. Stockton next testified that the variance and waiver relief would not have a substantial detriment to the master plan and zone. Mr. Stockton testified that the proposal advanced purposes c), e), g), and i) of the <u>Municipal Land Use Law (MLUL)</u>. He stated that there would not be any substantial detriment to the public good. Mr. Stockton testified that the lot depth was an existing hardship, which would meet the c(1) criteria. He stated that the setbacks of the existing dwelling were also an existing hardship, which would meet the c(1) criteria.
- 16. Mr. Stockton next testified that the Applicant would comply with the comments within the Board Engineer's Report. He also stated that the subject Property was located within the AE Flood Zone, so the Applicant would obtain the permits from the Floodplain Manager and NJDEP. He explained that the subject Property was located within the CAFRA zone, however the development was not large enough to require CAFRA permits. He also stated that the Applicant would apply to the Monmouth County Planning Board because the four (4) lot subdivision, it was considered a major subdivision for purposes of the Monmouth County Planning Board.
- 17. In response to questions from the Board Engineer, Mr. Stockton testified that the Applicant was intending each dwelling to have three (3) bedrooms, therefore the number of parking spaces would comply with the Residential Site Improvement Standards (RSIS). Mr. Stockton also explained that the existing stormwater mostly flowed toward the street, whereas there was a small area located at the rear that flowed toward the northwest. He stated that the Applicant would grade the subject Property so all of the stormwater flowed toward the street. He further explained that there were no stormwater drains in the street near the subject Property, but the stormwater flowed down the street toward the waterfront.
- 18. The Board Engineer, Mr. Herrman, advised that the prevailing front yard setback in the zone was twenty (20) feet, however, he explained, the ordinance permitted an averaging of the existing front yard setback, which was approximately twelve (12) feet. He stated that the width variance relief was reasonable. Mr. Herrman asked what the depth of the proposed dwellings were and what the rear yard setback was. Mr. Stockton testified that the depth of the dwellings would be forty-three (43) feet and the rear yard setback was 14.8 feet, whereas a

minimum of twenty (20) feet was required. Mr. Herrman opined that the Applicant could reduce the depth of the dwelling to reduce the impact of the rear yard setback and the impervious coverage.

- 19. In response to questions from the Board, Mr. Herrman testified that the lots in the area that had widths of twenty-five (25) feet were created a long time ago. Mr. Herrman also explained that the building code permitted first floor decks and stairs to be within setbacks. He explained that with the proposed rear setback of 14.8 feet, a rear deck could be four (4) to five (5) feet from the rear property line.
- 20. The Board asked if the Applicant would consider a three (3) lot subdivision instead of four (4) lots. The Board opined that more conforming lots may be a better proposal. Mr. Davis argued that the proposed four (4) lots were more fitting with the character of the area than three (3) lots. He also argued that three (3) lots would still require the same variance relief. There was discussion amongst the Board, the Applicant, and the Board Engineer about the merits of reducing the number of lots. The Applicant maintained its proposal of four (4) lots, but agreed to not exceed a dwelling depth of forty (40) feet.
- 21. The hearing was the opened to the public, at which time Karen Jarmusz, 44 Sea Drift, expressed her concern with the density of four (4) lots instead of three (3) lots. Ms. Jarmusz also expressed her concern with parking and flooding.
- 22. There were no other members of the public expressing an interest in this application.

WHEREAS, the Highlands Land Use Board, having reviewed the proposed application and having considered the impact of the proposed application on the Borough and its residents to determine whether it is in furtherance of the Municipal Land Use Law; and having considered whether the proposal is conducive to the orderly development of the site and the general area in which it is located pursuant to the land use and zoning ordinances of the Borough of Highlands; and upon the imposition of specific conditions to be fulfilled, hereby determines that the Applicant's request for preliminary and final major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-48 and 50 along with ancillary variance relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70c and design waiver relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-51 should be granted in this instance.

The Board finds that the Applicant has proposed a preliminary and final major subdivision which requires ancillary variance relief. The Municipal Land Use Law, at N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70c provides Boards with the power to grant variances from strict ancillary and other non-use related issues when the applicant satisfies certain specific proofs which are enunciated in the Statute. Specifically, the applicant may be entitled to relief if the specific parcel is limited by exceptional narrowness, shallowness or shape. An applicant may show that exceptional topographic conditions or physical features exist which uniquely affect a specific piece of property. Further, the applicant may also supply evidence that exceptional or extraordinary circumstances exist which uniquely affect a specific piece of property or any structure lawfully existing thereon and the strict application of any regulation contained in the Zoning Ordinance would result in a peculiar and exceptional practical difficulty or exceptional and undue hardship upon the developer of that property. Additionally, under the c(2) criteria, the applicant has the option of showing that in a particular instance relating to a specific piece of property, the purpose of the act would be advanced by allowing a deviation from the Zoning Ordinance requirements and the benefits of any deviation will substantially outweigh any detriment. In those instances, a variance may be granted to allow departure from regulations adopted, pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance.

Those categories specifically enumerated above constitute the affirmative proofs necessary in order to obtain "bulk" or (c) variance relief. Finally, an applicant must also show that the proposed variance relief sought will not have a substantial detriment to the public good and, further, will not substantially impair the intent and purpose of the zone plan and Zoning Ordinance. It is only in those instances when the applicant has satisfied both these tests, that a Board, acting pursuant to the Statute and case law, can grant relief. The burden of proof is upon the applicant to establish these criteria.

The Board will address the variance relief collectively. The Board finds that the proposed subdivision promotes appropriate population densities identified in the Borough Code and also promotes a desirable visual environment, while providing adequate light, air and open space. These attributes both promote the goals of planning identified at N.J.S.A. 40:55D-2 and benefit the entire community. The Applicant has therefore satisfied the positive criteria pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70c(2).

The Board further finds that the Applicant has also satisfied the negative criteria. The proposed dimensions of the proposed lots are similar to the dimensions of other lots in the neighborhood. The proposed front-yard setback is similar to other front-yard setbacks in the neighborhood and, thus, granting the proposed subdivision will not result in increased traffic beyond what is contemplated by the Ordinance, increased noise or noxious odors. The Board finds that the proposed rear yard setback is triggered by the existing lot depth that all lots in the neighborhood. The Board therefore finds that the grant of variance relief will not result in substantial detriment to the public welfare or substantially impair the zone plan or zoning ordinance. The negative criteria has therefore been satisfied.

The Board concludes that the positive criteria substantially outweighs the negative criteria and that variance relief may be granted pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70c(2).

The Board also finds that the existing design which does not include street trees is adequate and is also in conformance with the prevailing neighborhood scheme. The Board therefore determines that requiring strict compliance with the requirements of the Ordinance would create practicable difficulty in developing the subject Property with a permitted use. Design waiver relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-51 is therefore appropriate.

With the exception of the above relief, the Applicant complies with all other zoning, subdivision and design criteria ordinance requirements. Preliminary and final major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-48 and 50 is therefore appropriate.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Land Use Board of the Borough of Highlands on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August 2023, that the action of the Land Use Board taken on June 8, 2023 granting Application No. LUB2023-01, for preliminary and final major subdivision approval pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-48 and 50 along with ancillary bulk variance relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70c(2) along with design waiver relief pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-51 is as follows:

The application is granted subject to the following conditions:

- All site improvement shall take place in strict compliance with the testimony and with the plans and drawings which have been submitted to the Board with this application, or to be revised.
- Except where specifically modified by the terms of this Resolution, the Applicant shall comply with all recommendations contained in the reports of the Board professionals.
- 3. The Applicant shall comply with the Map Filing Law.
- 4. All easements shall be depicted on the Subdivision Plan.
- The depth of the proposed dwellings shall not exceed forty (40)
   feet.
- 6. Payment of all fees, costs, escrows due and to become due. Any monies are to be paid within twenty (20) days of said request by the Board Secretary.
- 7. Subject to all other applicable rules, regulations, ordinances and statutes of the Borough of Highlands, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey or any other jurisdiction.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board secretary is hereby authorized and directed to cause a notice of this decision to be published in the official newspaper at the Applicant' expense and to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Applicant and to the Borough Clerk, Engineer, Attorney and Tax Assessor, and shall make same available to all other interested parties.

	Borough of Highlands Land Use Board
ON MOTION OF:	
SECONDED BY:	
ROLL CALL:	
YES:	
NO:	
ABSTAINED:	
ABSENT:	
DATED:	
I hereby certify this to be a true and accumely this to be a true and accumely this land. Highlands Land Use Board, Monmouth County, August 10, 2023.	rate copy of the Resolution adopted by the New Jersey at a public meeting held on
	Nancy Tran, Secretary Borough of Highlands Land Use Board

Robert Knox, Chairman

#### BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS LAND USE BOARD <u>EXHIBITS</u>

# Case No. LUB2023-01/CATCHERMAN, LLC Preliminary and Final Major Subdivision with Ancillary Variance Relief June 8, 2023

- A-1 Photographs of Constructed Homes on 25-foot wide Lots
- A-2 Photos of 5 Sea Drift Avenue and 7 Sea Drift Avenue
- A-3 Photo of 3 Ocean Avenue
- A-4 Photo of the Existing Dwelling
- A-5 Lot Sizes Exhibit
- A-6 Photo of the Dwellings Across Sea Drift Avenue from the Subject Property dated June 8, 2023.



## LAND USE BOARD APPLICATION

FOR OFFICIAL USE	ck#172 ck#173
Date Rec'd: June 28, 2023 Application #: LUB2023-04	Fee: \$125 Escrow: \$750
1. APPLICANT  Name: Nicole Florit  Address: 357 Shore Drive  City: Highlands  Phone: 7325837474  2. Nicole Florit  State: NJ Zip: 07732  Phone: Phone: Phone: Nicole Florit	OWNER ame: SAME AS APPLICANT  ddress: ty: State: Zip: none: nail:
3. TYPE OF APPLICATION (Check all that apply)	
<ul> <li>Minor Subdivision</li> <li>Major Subdivision − Preliminary</li> <li>Major Subdivision − Final</li> <li>Minor Site Plan</li> <li>Major Site Plan − Preliminary</li> <li>Major Site Plan − Final</li> <li>Variance</li> <li>Use Variance</li> </ul>	Appeal – Zoning Denial date
4. PROPERTY INFORMATION	
Block 103 Lot(s) 8 Address: 2	357 Shore Drive, Highlands, NJ
Lot size 1,811 s.f. # of Existing Lots 1	# of Proposed Lots _ n/a
Zone R-2.03 Are there existing Deed Restrictions or East	ements? 🗵 No 🗀 Yes – Please attach copies
Has the property been subdivided? ☑ No ☐ Yes If yes, who Attach cop  Property taxes paid through May 1, 2023  See	pies of approved map or approved resolution
5. ATTORNEY (A corporation, LLC, Limited Partnership, or S-Corp	must be represented by a NJ attorney)
Name: Salvatore Alfieri, Esq., Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri	Jacobs, LLC
Address: 955 Route 34; Suite 200, Matawan, NJ 07747	
Phone: 7325837474 Email: Sa	lfieri@cgajlaw.com



Commercial:

How many commercial uses on site? How many on-site parking spaces?

Borough of Highlands 42 Shore Drive Highlands, NJ 07732 (732) 872-1224 www.highlandsborough.org

6. APPLICAN	T'S OTHER PROFESSIONAL(S) – Engineer	, Planner, Architect, etc.	
	io Scalise, AIA	Name:	
Address: 494	Broadway, Suite 3	Address:	
	inch, NJ 07740		
Phone: 7322	294400	Phone:	
Email: ascal	294400 ise@parallelgrp.com		
7. LAND USE			
	HISTORY –Describe in detail, nature of prio ions for this site (attach copy of resolution,		
damage to conthe then-owned	received bulk variance relief on 10/1/20 instruct a new single family dwelling. Duer sought to construct a new home with a approved with all associated variances.	e to age of the dwelling ar	nd extent of the flood-damage,
subdivided; 2)	<b>PLAN</b> –Describe in detail, proposed use for sell lot only; 3) construct house(s) for sale; ype of goods/services; 8) fire lane. Attach a	4) how trash will be dispose	d; 5) landscaping; 6) hours of
permits were or	is to construct an additional floor to the exist riginally issued and Applicant commenced int porch, second story addition over existing	construction, pursuant to the	issued permits for the expansion of
	Ordinance 21-98 allows the existing dwelling object lot. The STOP WORK ORDER was in		
determines that	questing the Board's interpretation of the rest the 2015 resolution imposed a use restriction in gresolution, in order to complete the content of the conten	on on the property, the Appl	icant will require variance relief
C. ADDITIONA	L INFORMATION:	Existing	Proposed
Residential:	How many dwelling units?  How many bedrooms in each unit?  How many on-site parking spaces?	1	1 3
Commercial:	How many commercial uses on site?	n/a	n/a

n/a



### 8. VARIANCE REQUESTS Complete section(s) related to the relief being requested.

	Req'd	Exist.	Prop'd		
Minimum Lot Requireme	Minimum Lot Requirements				
Lot Area	5000	1811	same		
Frontage	50	30	same		
Lot Depth	100	61.5	same		
Minimum Yard Requirem	Minimum Yard Requirements				
Front Yard Setback 20 15 7					
2 <sup>nd</sup> Front Yard Setback	n/a	n/a	n/a		
Rear Yard Setback	20	6.29	same		
Side Yard Setback, right	see	zoning	chart		
Side Yard Setback, left	see	zoning	chart		
Building Height	30	6.83	32.42		

	Req'd	Exist.	Prop'd
Accessory Structures			
Fence/Wall Height	n/a		
Garage/Shed Height	n/a		
Garage/Shed Area	n/a		
Pool Setback	n/a	=	
Parking Requirements			
On-site Parking Spaces			
Other (please add)			1 5
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		1 11	
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. OTHER REL	IEF REQUEST	<b>ED</b> Please spo	ecity relief(s	) and explain	below.		
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#### 10. NOTARIZED SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

I certify that the foregoing statements and the materials submitted are true. I further certify that I am the individual Applicant, or that I am an Officer of the Applicant authorized to sign the application for the business organization. Additionally, I certify that the survey or plans submitted with this application shows and discloses the premises in its entirety, and I further certify that no buildings, fences, or other facilities have been constructed, installed, or otherwise located on the premises after the date of the survey with the exception of the structures shown.

SWORN & SUBSCRIBED to before me this	Nicole Floret	6/23/23
23 day of	Signature	Date
(notary)	Nicole Florit	
SALVATORE ALFIERFAI) ATTORNEY AT LAW OF N.J.	Print Full Name	

#### 11. NOTARIZED CONSENT OF OWNER

I certify that I am the Owner of the property which is the subject of this application, hereby consent to the making of this application and approval of the plans submitted herewith. I further consent to the inspection of this property in connection with this application as deemed necessary by the municipal agency (if owned by a corporation, a resolution must be attached authorizing the application and officer signature).

SWORN & SUBSCRIBED to before me this	Minde Florit	(p/2/23
	Signature	Date
(notary)	Nicole Florit	
SALVATORE ALFIERI (Seal) ATTORNEY AT LAW OF N.J.	Print Full Name	

12A. DISCLOSURE STATEMENT Circle all that apply.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-48.1 & 48.2, please answer the following questions:

Is this application to subdivide a parcel of land into six (6) or more lots?	Yes	x No
Is this application to construct a multiple dwelling of 25 or more units?	Yes	x No
Is this an application for approval of a site(s) for non-residential purposes?	Yes	x No
Is this Applicant a corporation?	Yes	x No
Is the Applicant a limited liability corporation?	Yes	x No
Is the Applicant a partnership?	Yes	x No

If you circled **YES** to any of the above, please complete the following Ownership Discloser Statement (use additional sheets if necessary).

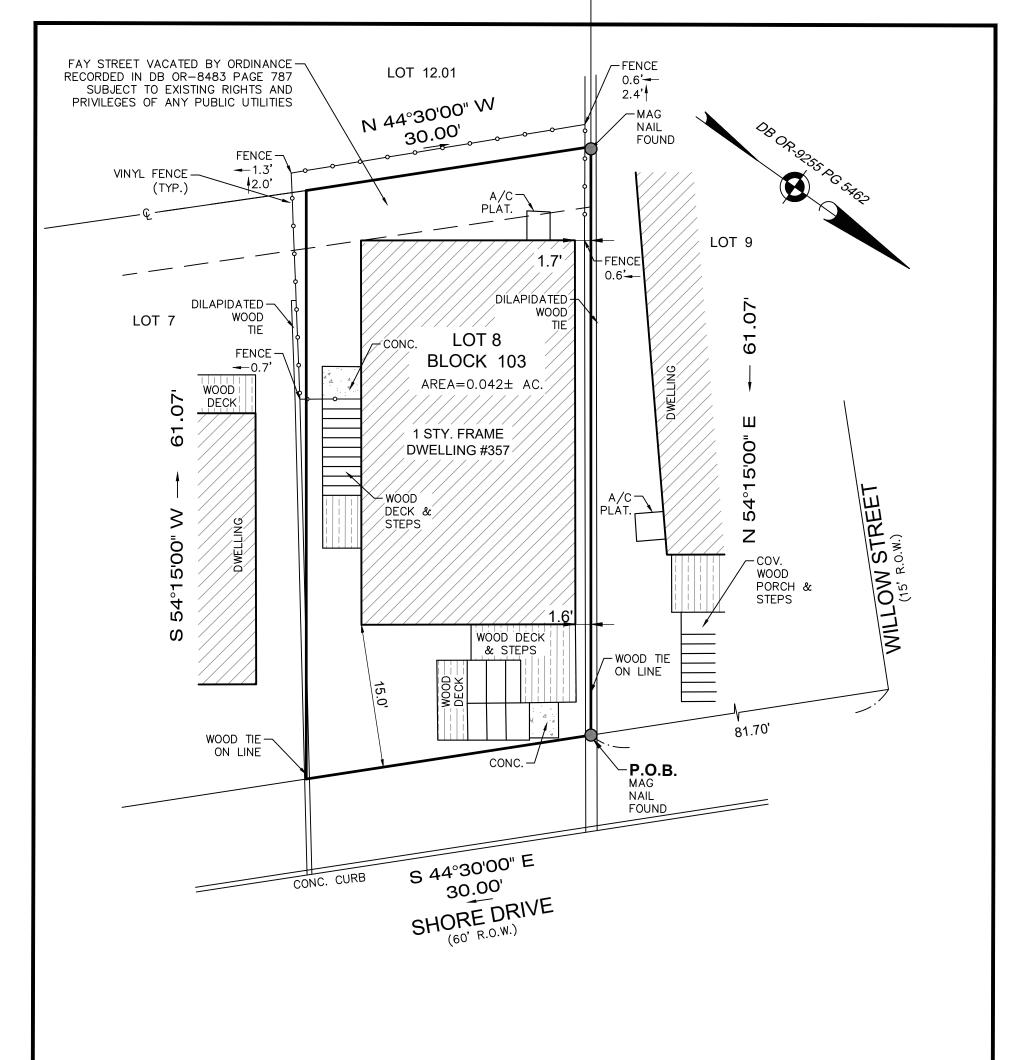




#### 12B. BUSINESS ORGANIZATION OWNERSHIP DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Name of Corporation, Partnership, LLC, LLP, S-Corp:

n/a		
Listed below are the names and addresses of all or business organization:	wners of 10% or more of the stock/interest*	in the above referenced
NAME	ADDRESS	
n/a		
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*If a corporation or a partnership owns 10% or mo partnership, that corporation or partnership shall its stock or 10% or greater interest in the partners addresses of the non-corporate stockholders and established have been listed.	list the names and address of its stockholde hip, and this requirement shall be followed	rs holding 10% or more of until the names and
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23 day of	Signature (Officer/Partner)	Date
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SALVATORE ALFIERI ATTORNEY AT LAW OF N.J. (Seal)	Print Full Name	Title



PREPARED FOR: NICOLE FLORIT

TITLE INSURER: BROAD STREET TITLE AGENCY, LLC (B2605) CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY A ABSOLUTE ESCROW SETTLEMENT CO., INC.

MORTGAGE HOLDER: LOANDEPOT.COM, LLC

its successors and/or assigns, as their interest may appear.

BUYER'S ATTORNEY: THE BURR LAW GROUP, LLC

IMPORTANT NOTES, PLEASE REVIEW:

P.O. BOX 5232 TOMS RIVER, N.J. 08754

**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORIZATION: 24GA28229800** 

I DECLARE THAT, TO THE BEST OF MY PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, THIS MAP OR PLAN MADE ON10/04/21 BY ME OR UNDER MY DIRECT SUPERVISION IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS.

THIS SURVEY DOES NOT PURPORT TO IDENTIFY BELOW GROUND ENCROACHMENTS, UTILITIES, SERVICES LINES OR STRUCTURES, WETLANDS, OR RIPARIAN RIGHTS. NO ATTEMPT WAS MADE TO DETERMINE IF ANY PORTION OF THE PROPERTY IS CLAIMED BY THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY AS TIDELANDS. ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS, IF ANY ARE NOT LOCATED BY THIS SURVEY.

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PROPERTY CORNERS HAVE NOT BEEN SET AS PER CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT. (N.J.A.C. 13:40-5.1(D))



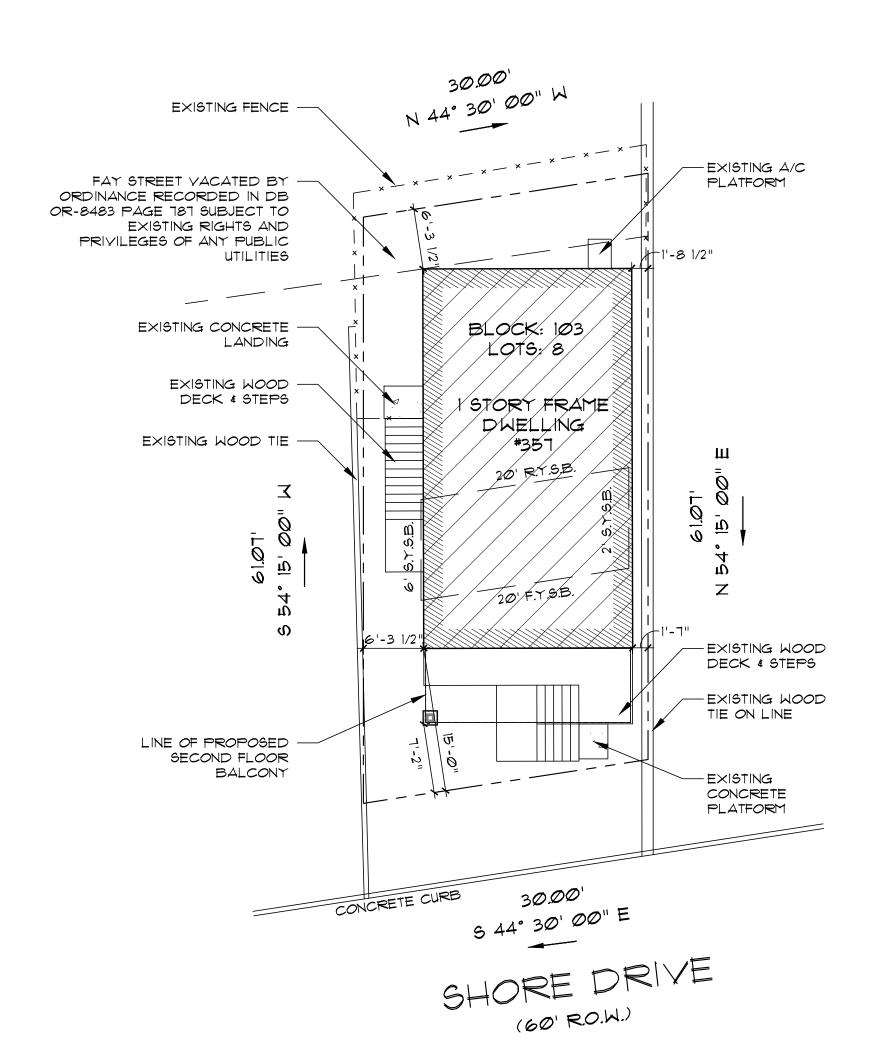
## SURVEY OF PROPERTY

DB OR-9255 PG 5462

LOT 8 **BLOCK 103** BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS

**COUNTY OF MONMOUTH NEW JERSEY** 

Drawn By: CAD File # Sheet # 10/04/21 21-12218 1"=10' MS 21-12218 OF 1



ZONING REQUIREMENTS : R	: R-2.03 BLOCK: 103		LOT: 8		
	REQUIRED	EXISTING	PROPOSED	COD	E COMPLIAN
MIN. LOT AREA	5,000 S.F.	1,811 S.F.	NO CHANGE		EXISTING
MIN. LOT WIDTH	50'	3Ø'	NO CHANGE		EXISTING
MIN. LOT DEPTH	100'	61'-1/2"	NO CHANGE		EXISTING
MIN. PRINCIPAL FRONT YARD	20'	15'-Ø"	7'-2" (TO BALCONY)		PROPOSE
MIN. PRINCIPAL SIDE YARD	6' (ONE) 8' (BOTH)	6'-3.5"/ '-7" 7'-10.5" (BOTH)	NO CHANGE		EXISTING
MIN. PRINCIPAL REAR YARD	20'	6'-3.5"	NO CHANGE		EXISTING
PRINCIPAL BUILDING HT.	30'	21'-10"	32'-5"	•	PROPOSE
MAX. IMPERVIOUS COVERAGE	75%	51%	60%	•	PROPOSE
MAX. BUILDING COVERAGE	30%	47%	57%		PROPOSE
AREAS		EXISTING	PROPOSED	TOT	·ALS
DWELLING FOOTPRINT		860 S.F.		8	60 S.F.
CONC. PLATFORMS		25 S.F.			25 S.F.
WOOD TIES		44 S.F.			44 S.F.
SECOND FLOOR BALCONY			165 S.F.	1	65 S.F.
TOTALS		929 S.F.		10	)94 S.F.

SCOPE OF WORK:

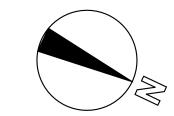
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SECOND STORY ADDITION OVER EXISTING FIRST FLOOR

 BEODOSED SECOND FLOOR BALCONY OVER FIRST FLOOR

 PROPOSED SECOND FLOOR BALCONY OVER FIRST FLOOR FRONT PORCH

SITE PLAN	
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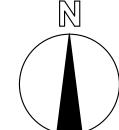
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	WALL ABOVE
	DEMO
	OVERHEAD WIRE
	SETBACK LINE
x x x	FENCE LINE
	DRIVE/WALKS
	BUILDING FOOTPRINT
	CONCRETE

NOTE:
SITE PLAN BASED ON SURVEY BY:
MORGAN ENGINEERING & SURVEYING
DAVID J. YON STNBURG
N.J. PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR
LICENSE #34500
P.O. BOX 5232
TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY, 08154
DATED: OCTOBER 4, 2021
PROJECT No. 21-12218



AVERAGE FRONT YARD SETBACK: 16'-9"





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357 Shore Drive

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NY 031733-1
PA RA403995
Certificate of Authorization
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Title: SITE PLAN

ZONING SCHEDULE

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PRELIM FOUNDATION PLAN

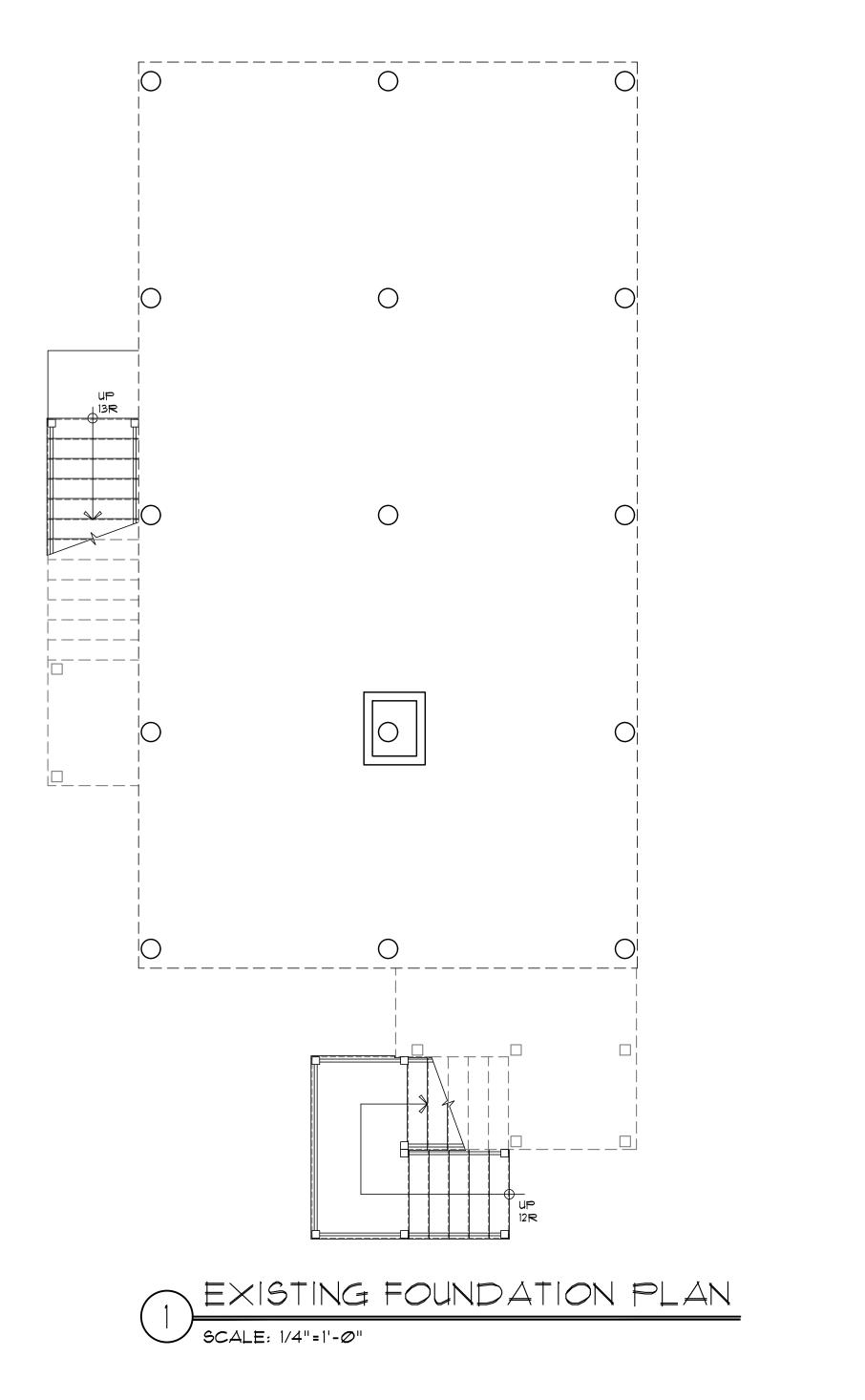
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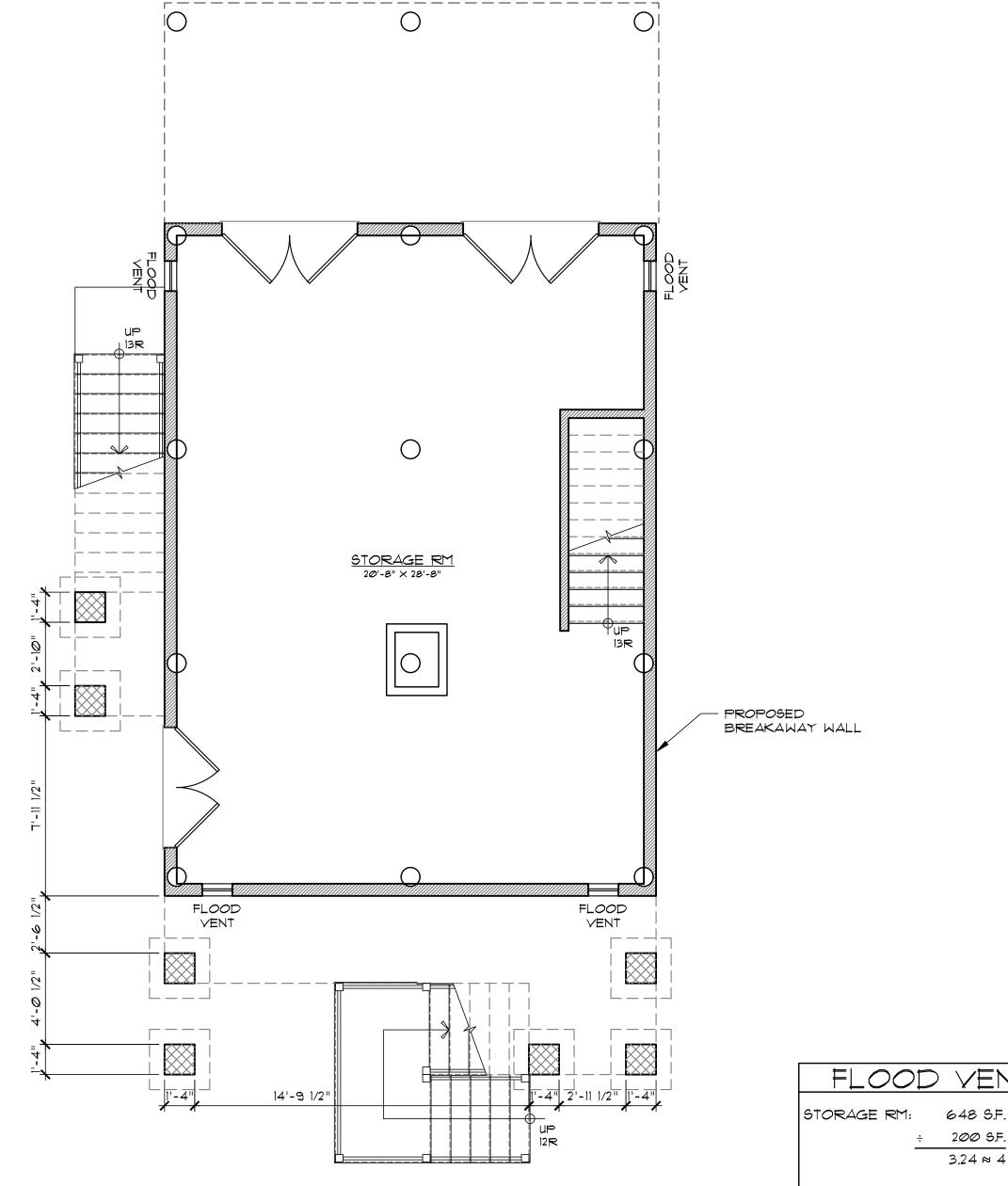
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PRELIM FOUNDATION PLAN SCALE: 1/8"=1'-0"

FLOOD VENT CALCULATION

÷ 200 S.F. 3.24 ≈ 4

TOTAL OF FLOOD VENTS REQUIRED (MIN.): 4 UNITS

TOTAL OF FLOOD VENTS : 4 UNITS

FLOOD VENT NOTES INSTALL (1) "SMART VENT," MODEL \* 1540-520 (16- $\frac{1}{4}$ " imes

8-4" FLOOD VENT PER 200 SQUARE FEET OF ENCLOSED CRAWL SPACE AND GARAGE AREAS. , BOTTOM OF FLOOD VENTS SHALL BE INSTALLED 12" OF FINISHED

EXTERIOR GRADE.

3. INSTALL FLOOD VENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH MANUFACTURERS' SPECIFICATIONS.

4. MIN. 2 VENTS PER ROOM.

FLOOR PLAN LEGEND

\_\_\_\_ LINE OF ITEM ABOVE NEW 5 $^{1}\!\!/_{2}$ " Wd. Stud exterior Walls/

31/2" WD.STUD INTERIOR WALLS (U.N.O.)

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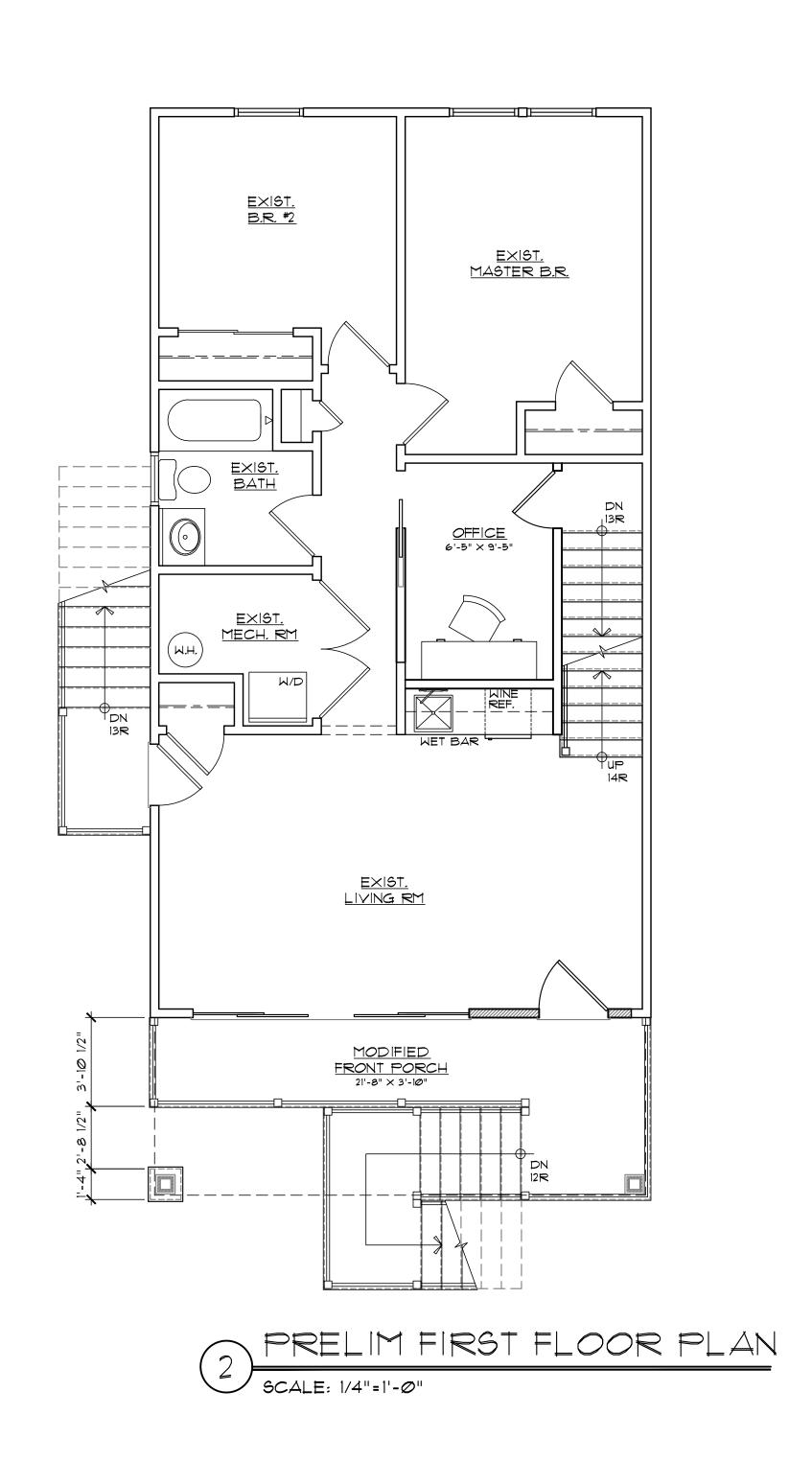
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<u>EXIST.</u> B.R. #2

<u>EXIST.</u> <u>BATH</u>

<u>EXIST.</u> MECH. RM

SCALE: 1/4"=1'-0"

<u>EXIST.</u> LIVING RM

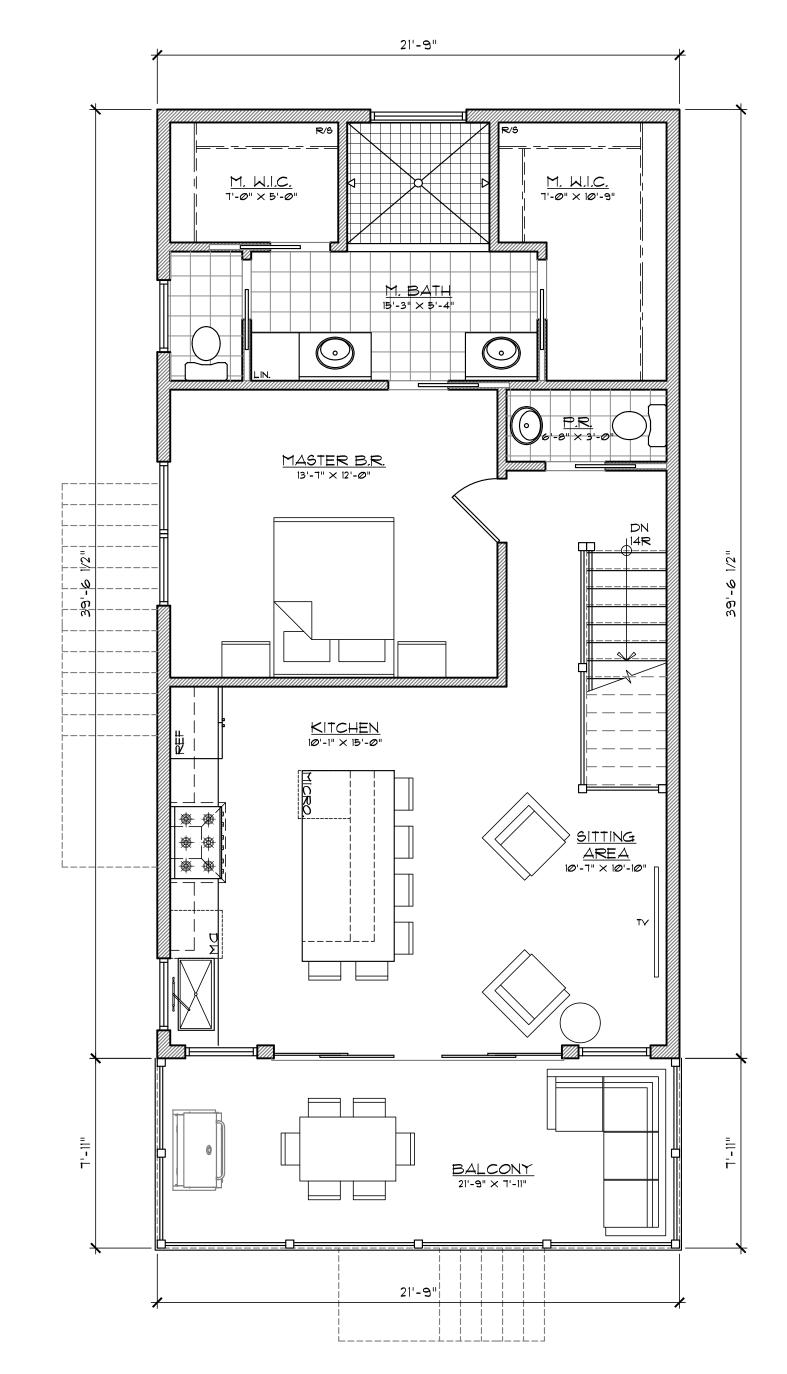
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SCOPE OF -WORK <u>EXIST.</u> MASTER B.R.

<u>EXIST.</u> <u>KITCHEN</u>

<u>EXIST.</u> FRONT PORCH

EXISTING FIRST FLOOR PLAN



3 PRELIM SECOND FLOOR PLAN

FLOOR PLAN LEGEND

\_\_\_\_\_ LINE OF ITEM ABOVE

NEW 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ " WD. STUD EXTERIOR WALLS/  $3\frac{1}{2}$ " WD.STUD INTERIOR WALLS (U.N.O.)

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## Notice to be Published in Official Newspaper

Notice of Hearing
Land Use Board
TAKE NOTICE that on Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. on the TBD day of, a hearing will be held before the Borough of Highlands Land Use Board in the Community Center, 22 Snug Harbor, Highlands New Jersey on the application of the undersigned that has been made to the Borough of Highlands Land Use Board, at which time and place all interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard.
The property in question is located at 357 Shore Drive
also known as Block 103, Lot(s) 8, on the Highlands Tax Map.  The property is located in the R-2.03 zone.  The applicant is seeking: zoning board approval to construct a second floor addition to the existing one-floor single family dwelling.
For the purpose of (list reasons for Zoning denial):
The proposed addition will require bulk variance relief for deficient lot area, deficient lot frontage, deficient lot depth, exceeding front yard, rear yard, and side yard setback. the Ordinance permits
A copy of the application and documents are on file with the Board Secretary, and may be inspected Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  Much Junt
[Name of Applicant, and/or applicant's attorney]
[This notice must be published at least 10 days prior to the hearing

in the Asbury Park Press or the Two River Times.]

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Block/Lot/Qual:	103. 8.	Tax Account Id:	2153
Property Location:	357 SHORE DRIVE	Property Class:	2 - Residential
Owner Name/Address:	FLORIT, NICOLE	Land Value:	57,500
	357 SHORE DRIVE	Improvement Value:	136,800
	HIGHLANDS, NJ 07732	Exempt Value:	0
		Total Assessed Value:	194,300
		Additional Lots:	None
Special Taxing Districts:		Deductions:	

#### **Balance Includes any Adjustments to Your Account**

Taxes Utilities

Click on the Utility Account Id to see more information or to make a	payment.
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Account	Service	<b>Due Date</b>	Current Bill	<b>Current Balance</b>	<b>Delinquent Balance</b>	Interest	Total
12230-0	Sewer	05/01/2023	140.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	<b>Account Total</b>		140.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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Taxes Utilities

Make a Payment	View Ta	x Rates View	Current Bill Pro	ject Interest			
Year Due Date	Туре	Orig Billed	Adj Billed	Balance	Interest	Total Due	Statu
2023 02/01/2023	Tax	1,045.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
2023 05/01/2023	Tax	1,045.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
Total 2023		2,091.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
2022 02/01/2022	Tax	324.39	756.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
2022 05/01/2022	Tax	324.39	756.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
2022 08/01/2022	Tax	1,011.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
2022 11/01/2022	Tax	1,011.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
Total 2022		2,671.11	1,512.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	
2021 02/01/2021	Tax	324.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
2021 05/01/2021	Tax	324.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
2021 08/01/2021	Tax	324.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
2021 11/01/2021	Tax	323.99	6,052.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	PAI
Total 2021		1,297.56	6,052.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	

**Return to Home** 

# REQUEST FOR 200 FT. PROPERTY OWNERS LIST

PROPERTY KNOWN AS

**BLOCK: 103** 

LOT: 8

**ADDRESS OF PROPERTY:** 

**357 SHORE DRIVE** 

**REQUIRED FEE \$10.00 PER BLOCK & LOT** 

## TO BE MAILED TO:

Cleary Giacobbe Alfieri Jacobs LLC Attn: Catherine Kim, Esq. 955 Route 34 Suite 200 Matawan, NJ 07747

## CLEARY GIACOBBE ALFIERI JACOB Item 5.

SALVATORE ALFIERI, Partner salfieri@cgajlaw.com

Reply to: Matawan Office

June 27, 2023

#### Via FedEx

Borough of Highlands: Land Use Board Attn: Land Use Secretary 42 Shore Drive Highlands, NJ 07732

**Applicant:** 

**Nicole Florit** 

Application: Variance for Addition

**Property:** 

Block 103, Lot 8

**357 Shore Drive** 

#### Dear Sir/Madam:

By way of introduction, this office represents Nicole Florit, Applicant and Owner, of the abovecaptioned property. On or about August 4, 2022, my client received an approved zoning permit for the proposed second story addition to her home located at 357 Shore Drive, which is located within the R-2.03 Residential Zone. Subsequently, my client filed for constructions permits for the addition to her new home. Copies of the zoning permit and construction permits are enclosed hereto.

On or about June 16, 2023, my client received a STOP CONSTRUCTION ORDER from the Borough Construction Official for "VIOLATION OF PRIOR ZONING RESOLUTION". We believe this STOP CONSTRUCTION ORDER was issued due to a complaint made by her neighbor, Neal Taber, who resides at 4 Fay Street, Highlands, NJ, also known as Block 103, Lot 12.01 in the official tax maps Borough of Highlands. Neal Taber alleges that the second story addition is in violation of the Borough of Highlands Zoning Board of Adjustment's "RESOLUTION APPROVING BULK VARIANCES FOR ANAOULIS AT 357 SHORE DRIVE" dated October 1, 2015 and enclosed hereto. There is no language provided in the resolution that restricts the future addition for the second story.

The proposed second story addition is a permitted use within the R-2.03 Zone and consistent with the neighboring homes along Shore Drive. Neal Taber seeks to misapply the one (1) sentence description regarding the proposed home from the 2015 Resolution to impose fictitious restrictions onto my client, contrary to the clear language provided in the resolution. Enclosed hereto is Neal Taber's Certification filed with his Complaint in the Monmouth County Superior Court with exhibits showing the various

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correspondences with Borough officials and staff confirming that there are no restrictions on the subject property and the proposed addition was in accordance with Borough Ordinances.

Based on the complaint filed by Neal Taber, my client seeks an interpretation of the October 1, 2015 Resolution to determine whether there are any restrictions on the property to prohibit future second story additions. In the event the Board determines that such restriction was imposed in the 2015 Resolution, my client will request variance relief from the restriction for the second story addition.

As part of our application for interpretation and variance relief (if applicable), we submit the following for the Board's review and consideration:

- 1. Three (3) copies of the Zoning and Construction Permits;
- 2. Three (3) copies of the Stop Construction Order;
- 3. Three (3) copies of Neal Taber Certification;
- 4. Three (3) copies of 2015 Resolution
- 5. Three (3) copies of the Land Use Board Application;
- 6. Three (3) copies of the Plot Plan;
- 7. Two (2) checks made payable to Freehold Township for the application and escrow fee.

Please place this matter on the next available agenda. Please mark your records to reflect representation and forward to this office any and all correspondence, professional reports, reviews, etc. as it relates to my client's application. Should you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Salvatore Alfieri Salvatore Alfieri Encl.

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## STOP CONSTRUCTION ORDER

Application Date: Application ID: Permit Number:

Date Permit Issued:

Notice Date: 6/15/2023 Violation Number: 2023-00001

Building & Inspection 1 Kings Highway Middletown, NJ 07748

#### **IDENTIFICATION**

32-615-2106	DENTIFICA	ATION		
Work Site Location:	357 SHORE DRIVE	Block: 103	Lot: 8	Qual:
Owner in Fee:	Nicole Florit	Contractor/Agent:	Elite Construction	Services
Address:	357 Shore Dr.	Address:	100 Main St., Suite	: 3
	Highlands NJ 07732		Allenhurst NJ 077	11
Telephone:		Telephone:		
To:	X Owner	Other		
10:				
	Contractor/Agent		\$	
Date of Inspection:	6/8/2023 Date of Notice: 6	6/15/2023		-
	ACTIO	N		
You are hereby ORDERE	D to STOP			
Building Electric	al Plumbing Fire Protection	Mechanical	Elevator X A	CONSTRUCTION
	of 6/8/2023 until further notice from this er			
This ORDER is entered p PRIOR ZONING RESO	ursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.31(d) for violate of the control of the	tion of 5:23-2.31 Compli	iance which provide	es: VIOLATION OF
ADDRESS ZONING RE	struction may be obtained from this enforcestraction  that failure to comply with this ORDER m			
violation, and a certificate	of occupancy will not be issued until such	penalty has been paid.		
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Construction Board of App	ORDER, you may request a hearing before the peals within 15 days of receipt of this ORD peals may be used for this purpose.	e the Construction Board DER as provided by N.J.A	of Appeals of the MA.C. 5:23A-2.1. Th	Monmouth County e Application to the
Your application for appear permit number, the specific append any documents that	al must be in writing, setting forth your nar c sections of the Regulations in question, a t you consider useful.	ne and address, the addre	ess of the building of of the relief sought	or site in question, the by you. You may
The fee for an appeal is \$19 P.O. Box 1255 Freehold N	00.00 and should be forwarded with your and 07728	application to the Constr	uction Board of App	peals Office at:
If you have any questions	concerning this matter, please call: .	V/		
	By Order of: Construction Official	\$	Date:(	110/23
Sent by Certified Mail:				U.C.C. F250



# **Zoning Permit Application**

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Note: All applications must be submitted with a properly businesses must show the scope of the business and in	relucio all'activities that will be a part of the	business.	7.9
The following NON-REFUNDABLE fees shall apply:	Residential Single & Two-Family	\$25 \ Check # Bolle	Cash
	Commercial/Other residential	\$50 Check #	Cash
APPLICANT Name: 1100e	Florit	Date: 7 19/22	
Address: 357 Share Drive	tightlands, NJ 07732		
Phone#_	Email:	THE CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACT	_
	LOCATION OF PERMINERS	A MATERIAL PROPERTY AND A STATE OF THE STATE	
Block: /03 Lot(s): 2	Zone: R-2.03	A to the country of t	
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I certify the attached survey is accurate relating to an Highlands and their Agents to come onto the subject	isting and proposed improvements, in a property, for the purposes of conducting	killion, I grant permission to the Bo inspections, relating to the applica	ough of
YES X NO	,,		
signature: Mule Front	*	Date: 7/19/22	
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Determination: Approved Denied	Zoning Officer:	Bu colle	
If your application has been DENRED, it is due to the		8-4-22	
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Note: A Zoning Permit Indicates that the proposed proje	ect conforms to the planning/zoning regul	alions of the Borough of Highlands.	building
permit is required (per the requirements of the Uniform C If your application has been denied, you may appeal this	pretruction Code of NJ) BEFORE beginning	g work. The Zoning Permit is valid for	one year,
must submit teller of expect to the Land Use Board Secre	tary within 20 days.	- I	
Note: Applications for New and Addition require a FI this application.	ood Plain Review Application to the Bor	ough Flood Administrator upon sub	elssion of
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# Flood Development Permit Application

Borough of Highlands Construction Department 2 Shore Drive Highlands, NJ 07732 Phone (132) 872-1224 www.highlandsborough.org

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This application must be	completed! La	k of information	n or details	on plans will
Submit turn (2) alto place drawn to	in the application	n not being proc	essed.	
Submit two (2) site plans drawn to shown, existing and proposed but	acaia showing actua Minns or structure	size, dimensions, a	ind shape of: the	o lot with corner bins
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Con	struction S	ite Informa	ation	A COLUMN TO SERVICE
Street 357 Shore	Drive B	ock 103 Lot	8 Floor	Zone AE
Existing use of building or		<b>Expension</b>	☐Business	□Industria
Proposed Construction	Permit Holder	B		
New Home	Owner O	Proposed Use	☐ Slab	d Conditions
1st Floor Addition	☐ Contractor	☐ Business	Base	ment
2nd Floor Addition Basement	☐ Applicant	Industrial	☐ Craw	Space
Shed Grading				
Pool Demolition	Estimated	Construction Va	lue: \$ 27	5.000
☐ Garage ☐ Repair			-	7000
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Block 103 Lot 8	N PERMIT NOTICE  Qualification Code  SHORE DR
AUTHORIZED FOR:	
BUILDING	ELECTRICAL
PLUMBING	FIRE PROTECTION
☐ ELEVATOR DEVICES	□ DEMOLITION
□ OTHER	
Description of Work:ADD	MION RENOVATION

This notice shall be posted conspicuously at the work site and shall remain so until issuance of a certificate.

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For reorder call 609-390-1400 • Allegra Marketing Print Mail



## BUILDING SUBCODE TECHNICAL SECTION



A. IDENTIFICATION—APPLICANT: COMP CONTRACTORS, NOTIFY THIS OFFICE. O	LETE ALL APP	PLICABLE INFORMA DIG NO: 1-800-272-1	TION. WHEN CHANGING
Block 103 Lot 8 Work Site Location 357 Shore Drive			tion Code
Highlands			
Owner in Fee: Nicole Florit			
Tel	e-mail		
Address 357 Shore Drive		Highlands	07732
Contractor: Elite Constrcution Service	s LLC mur	nicipality	(732) 204-7003
Address 100 Main Street		Tel	@econscvs.com
Allenhurst, NJ 07711		e-mail)osi	Weconscas.com
Contractor License No. or Builder Registration	n No. 13VH0	9785800	Exp. Date 03/31/2023
Home Improvement Contractor Registration	No. or Exempt	tion Reason	_ Exp. Date 00/0 1/2020
Federal Emp. ID No. 822144504		FAX: _	
JOB SUMMARY (Office Use Only) PLAN REVIEW Date Initial	11/11/1	11/11/11/11	
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Approved by:	Energy		
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BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS	Barrier-Fre	ee /// ///	
Use Group Present R-5 Proposed R	-5		<del></del>
No. of Stories	2		ent 5B Proposed 5B
leight of Structure	32 ft.	If Industrialized Build	
Area — Largest Floor	860 sq. ft.		HUD
	1,720 sq. ft.	Est. Cost of Bl	dg. Work:
olume of New Structure	9,419 cu. ft.	New Bldg.	\$
Max. Live Load	W. IL	2. Rehabilitatio	
fax. Occupancy Load		3. Total (1+ 2)	\$ 146,000 0
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C. CERTIFICATION IN LIE I hereby certify that I am the application.	J OF OATH e (agent of) owner of record and	am authorized to make this
Print name here: Joshua	Hall	
D. TECHNICAL SITE DATA		
DESCRIPTION OF WOR	RK	
Installation of breaka Renovation to existing Construction of new	away wa <b>f</b> l at ground floor. ng 1st floor. 2nd floor.	
Asbestos Abatement     Lead Haz. Abatement     Radon Remediation     Other	Sq. Ft Sq. Ft. t Subchapter 8	FEE (Office Use Only)
[ ] Demolition		
	Administrative Surcharge \$ Minimum Fee \$ State Permit Surcharge Fee \$	
	TOTAL FEE \$	1444444

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# FIRE PROTECTION SUBCODE TECHNICAL SECTION



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Block 1705 Lot 8 Qualification Code	The second secon
Work Site Location 357 Shore Drive	oppinization,
	—— Applicant/Contractor / LOO/L
Owner in Fee: Nicole Florit	sign here:
Tele-mail	Print name here: Joshu Hall
Address 357 Shore Drive Highland 07	7732 D. TECHNICAL SITE DATA Certified Contractor [ ] Exempt Applicant
Contractor: Elite Electric & Lighting LLC municipality Tel. (732) 204-7003	DESCRIPTION OF WORK:
Address 100 Main Street e-mail josh@econscvs.com	Water Supply Source smoke & carbon detectors
Allenhurst, NJ 07711	Method of Alarm/Suppression System Supervision
Fire Protection Equipment, NJ Div of Fire Safety Permit No.	NUMBER FEE (Office Use Only)
Fire Protection Equipment, NJ Div of Fire Safety Installer No.	Flammable/Combustible Tanks
Fire Alarm Contractor No. 1727200 Exp. Date 03/31/2023	Alarm Systems
Home Improvement Contractor Registration No. or Examples Research	[ ] System [ ] 110v Interconnected
Federal Emp. ID No. 014097790	- [ ] CO Delectors/110v
B. FIRE PROTECTION CHARACTERISTICS	Alarm Devices (i.e., smoke, heat, pulls,
Use Group: Present R-5 Proposed R-5 Fuel Storage Tank:	water/flow)
Constr. Class: Present 5B Proposed 5B Fuel Type: [ ] Flammable on [ ] Com	Supervisory Devices (i.e., tampers, low/high air)
Capacity	Other Devices (i.e., Horrystropes, Dells)
Heating System: [ ] New or [ ] Modification to Existing Fire Alarm System: [ ] New or [ ] E	victing
OR [ ] Conversion OR [ ] Replacement Location of Panel:	Suppression Systems
Fuel Type: [ ] Gas [ ]Oil [ ] Electric [ ] Solar Fire Suppression/Standpipe System:	Fire Pump GPM Type
[ ] Other [ ] New or [ ] Existing	Dry Pipe/Alarm Valves
Location: Location of Main Control Valve:	Pre-action Valves
Total Cost of Fire Protection Work \$ 2200	Sprinkler Heads (Dry and Wet)
JOB SUMMARY (Office Use Only) // INSPECTIONS // Dates (Month/Day)	Standpipes Third III
PLAN REVIEW	Pre-engineered Systems
1/1 No Plans Required Type: Failure Failure Approval Initia	1/
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Dete: /// Approved by: // Suppression Sys. / //	CO <sub>2</sub> Suppression
1) Fire Protection Plans Approved Standpipe	Foam Suppression
Date: // Approved by: // Fire Pump	FM200 Suppression
Joint Plan Review Required: Pre-Eng. System	Other
V/Bldg/V/Elec://Plumb/1/Jeley//Mechanical///	Other Systems Kitchen Hood Exhaust System
SUECODE APPROVAL for PERMIT Smoke Control	Smoke Control System
Date: 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Fuel-Fired Appliances [ ] Gas [ ] Oil [ ] Solid
Approved by: // FlamyCombust Tanks // /	Fireplace Venting/Metal Chirmney
SUBCODE APPROVAL for CERTIFICATE Fireplace Verting	Other
Date:	Administrative Surcharge \$
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# ELECTRICAL SUBCODE TECHNICAL SECTION



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Tel	e-mail					ontractor [ ] Certif'd Landscape Irrigat	ition Cont'r f 1 Exempt Applic
Address 4357 Shore Drive	Highlands		07732 г	D. TECH	INICAL SITE	E DATA	. 1
Contractor: Elite Electric & Lighting L	I.C. municipality	7327495858 zip cox		DESCRIPT New de	TION OF W	ORK:	
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Approved by:	Damer-Free	4111111111	1444			V Transformer/Generator	1/11/11/11/11
SUBCODE APPROVAL for CERTIFICATE	Temp. Cut-in-Card Date Issued	11/11/11/11	11/1/1/			IP Service	11-111-111111
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Est. Cost of Plumbing Work \$ 7500  JOB SUMMARY (Office Use Only)  PLAN'REVIEW  [ ] No Plans Required [ ] Partial -Underslab Utilities Approved  Date:Approved by:  [ ] Plumbing Plans Approved  Date:Approved by:  Joint Plan Review Required: [ ] Bldg. [ ] Elec. [ ] Fire. [ ] Elev.  SUBCODE APPROVAL for PERMIT  Date:Approved by:  SUBCODE APPROVAL for CERTIFICATE [ ] CO [ ] CA  Date:Approved by:  Approved by:	INSPECTIONS	Dates (M Failure Failure	onth/Day) Approval Init		Washing Machine Hose Bibb Water Heater Fuel Oil Piping Gas Piping LPGas Tank Steam Boiler Hot Water Boile Sewer Pump Interceptor/Sept Backflow Prever Greasetrap Sewer Connectif Water Service Costacks Other	r erator inter on Connection	
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JOB SUMMARY (Office Use Only)	
PLAN REVIEW	Washing Machine
[ ] No Plans Required INSPECTIONS Dates (Month/Day)	Hose Bibb
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Date: Approved by: Slab	Fuel Oil Piping
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[ ] Bldg. [ ] Elec. [ ] Fire. [ ] Elev. Fixtures	Hot Water Boiler
SUBCODE APPROVAL for PERMIT  Gas Equipment	Sewer Pump
Date: Gas Piping	Interceptor/Separator
Approved by: LPGas Tank	Backflow Preventer
Fuel Oil Piping	
SUBCODE APPROVAL for CERTIFICATE Solar	Greasetrap

Sewer Connection

Stacks

Other

Water Service Connection

Administrative Surcharge \$

State Permit Surcharge Fee \$

Minimum Fee \$

TOTAL FEE \$ \_

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# FIRE PROTECTION SUBCODE TECHNICAL SECTION



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Owner in Fee: Nicole Florit		sign here:	
	Meta dipla contra an aprilipa contra	Print name here: Joshua Hall	
TelAddress 357 Shore Drive			ified Contractor [ ] Exempt Applicant
		DESCRIPTION OF WORK:	
Contractor: Elite Electric & Lighting LLC		- Water Supply Source smoke & carbon	detectors
Address 100 Main Street	e-mail josh@econscvs.com	Method of Alarm/Suppression System Sup	1
Allenhurst, NJ 07711			
ire Protection Equipment, NJ Div of Fire Safety	Permit No.	- Flammable/Combustible Tanks	NUMBER FEE (Office Use Only)
Fire Protection Equipment, NJ Div of Fire Safety	Installer No.	Alarm Systems	- \$
Fire Alarm Contractor No. 1727200	Exp. Date 03/31/2023	[ ] System	
Home Improvement Contractor Registration No.		[ ] 110v Interconnected	1 35500000000000000000000000000000000000
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3. FIRE PROTECTION CHARACTERISTICS		water/flow)	11   2//2/3/2/3/2/3/2/3/
Jse Group: Present R-5 Proposed		Supervisory Devices (i.e., tampers, low/high air	
Constr. Class: Present5B Proposed	5B Fuel Type: [ ] Flammable OR [ ] Combus	orginaling Devices (i.e., nonviscobes, bells)	
Heating System: [ ] New OR [ ] Modification		Other Devices	
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		Suppression Systems	
Fuel Type: [ ] Gas [ ] Oil [ ] Electric	1 120lar	Fire Pump GPM Type	
[ ] Other	[ ] New OR [ ] Existing Location of Main Control Valve:	Dry Pipe/Alarm Valves	
Location:		Pre-action Valves	
otal Cost of Fire Protection Work \$	2,200	Sprinkler Heads (Dry and Wet)	
JOB SUMMARY (Office Use Only)	NSPECTIONS Dates (Month/Day)	Standpipes	
PLAN REVIEW	ype: Failure Failure Approval Initial	Pre-engineered Systems Wet Chemical	1/2018/88/88/8
No Plans Required	Alarm System		
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Approved by,	/////////////////// <del>//////////////////</del>	CO <sub>2</sub> Suppression	
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Apployed by	Fife Pump	FM200 Suppression	
	Pre-Eng. System	OtherOther Systems	
1	Mechanical	Kitchen Hood Exhaust System	
SUBCODE APPROVAL for PERMIT	Smoke Control	Smoke Control System	
Date: 313123	rco////////////////////////////////////	Fuel-Fired Appliances [ ] Gas [ ] Oil [ ] So	olid
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## ELECTRICAL SUBCODE **TECHNICAL SECTION**



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Print name here Joshua Hall	
D. TECHNICAL SITE DATA	
DESCRIPTION OF WORK	
Installation of breakaway waß at ground floor. Renovation to existing 1st floor. Construction of new 2nd floor.	
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All work shall conform to the requirements of the code

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Applicant: When submitting this form to your Local Construction Code Enforcement Office, please provide one original plus three photocopies.

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- 1. Partial Releases
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- 1. ☐ Elevators/Escalators/Lifts/
- 2. High Pressure Boilers 3. Pressure Vessels
- Dumbwaiters/Moving Walks 5. Cross-Connections/Backflow Preventers

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- 6. ☐ Hazardous Uses/Places of Assembly Sprinklers/Standpipes
- 9. Underground Storage Tanks

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Mr. Mullen offered the following Resolution and moved on its adoption: 10/1/15

# RESOLUTION APPROVING BULK VARIANCES FOR ANASOULIS AT 357 SHORE DRIVE

WHEREAS, the applicant, SANDRA ANASOULIS is the owner of a single-family home at 357 Shore Drive, Highlands, New Jersey (Block 103, Lot 8); and

WHEREAS, the property owner filed an application to demolish her existing flood-damaged home and construct a new single-family dwelling; and

WHEREAS, all jurisdictional requirements have been met, and proper notice has been given pursuant to the Municipal Land Use Law and Borough Ordinances, and the Board has jurisdiction to hear this application; and

WHEREAS, the Board considered the application at a public hearing on September 3, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the following persons testified before the Board: The applicant, SANDRA ANASOULIS; her engineer, GREGORY BAKER; the board engineer, ROBERT KEADY, and the following neighbors: NEAL TABER, MARY RYAN and ELLEN WILLIAMS; and

WHEREAS, the applicant submitted the following documents in evidence:

- A-1: Variance application (3 pages);
- A-2 Elevation certificate by RICHARD E. STOCKTON dated 3/28/13 (2 pages);
- A-3 Zoning Officer denial email dated 6/15/15;

- A-4 Topographic survey by MARK A. CONOVER dated 8/9/14 (2 pages);
- A-5 Plot plan by GREGORY S. BAKER of Penn Valley Engineering, LLC dated 7/21/15;
- A-6 Photo of existing house from street;
- A-7 Photo of existing house from street, looking to right;

  AND, WHEREAS, the following exhibit was also marked into evidence:
- B-1: Board Engineer review letter dated 8/20/15 (4 pages with aerial photo).

WHEREAS, the Board, after considering the evidence, has made the following factual findings and conclusions:

- 1. The applicant is the owner of a single-family home located in the R-2.03 Zone.
- 2. This home was damaged during Super Storm Sandy. As a result of the damage, and considering the age of the structure and the cost of raising and rehabilitating it, the applicant felt it would be more prudent to demolish the existing structure and rebuild.
- 3. The applicant proposes a complete rebuild. None of the existing structure, including the foundation, will be retained. The footprint of the new structure, however, will be almost identical to the existing one.

- 4. The new structure will be raised in order to comply with the flood regulations and will be placed on pilings.
- 5. There will be only one floor of living space.
- 6. The current home does not meet the requirements of the zone. Neither will the new home; however, there will be some improvements to the existing setbacks.
  - 7. There will be no roof on either porch.
- 8. There will be a slab under the house where parking will be provided.
- 9. The applicant intends to maintain the front yard (from the imaginary line of the front of the house forward to the street); however, the balance of the property will not have stone or any other pavement. It will be grass.
  - 10. The new driveway will be stone.
- 11. Three neighbors (NEAL TABER, MARY RYAN and ELLEN WILLIAMS) testified and supported the application. They all felt that the applicant keeps her property very nicely, and that the raising of the house, with a new home, will be an improvement—both to the property and to the neighborhood.

- 12. All three neighboring residents, however, did raise questions regarding the large number of feral cats and raccoons that are on the property and, as a result, come on to their properties, a situation which all were concerned about. The Board determined that this was not an issue that the Board could address from a zoning standpoint, and referred the neighbors, as well as the property owner, to the Borough Administrator and Animal Control Board.
- 13. The applicant seeks the following bulk variances:
  - (a) Lot area of 1,811 s.f. where 5,000
    s.f. are required (same as existing
    condition);
  - (b) lot frontage of 30 feet where 50
    feet are required (same as existing
    condition);
  - (c) lot depth of 60 feet, where 100
    feet are required (same as existing
    condition);
  - (d) front yard setback of 11.73 feet for the dwelling, where 20 feet are required (a very slight improvement over the existing setback of 11.65 feet);

- (e) rear yard setback of 6.0 feet,
  where 20 feet are required (a slight
  improvement to the existing setback of 4.01
  feet);
- (f) side yard setback of 1.89 (left)/5.76 (right) feet, where 6/8 feet are required (these dimensions are very slightly less than the existing conditions of 3.98/4.38 feet);
- (g) building coverage of 48.59%, where
  30% is required (a slight improvement over
  the existing 49.64%);
- (h) side yard setback for accessory structure (front stairs) of 1.89 feet where 3 feet are required;
- (i) side yard setback for accessory structure (side stairs/deck) 1.5 feet, where 3 feet are required.
- 14. The proposed use as a single-family home is in conformance with the R-2.03 Zone requirements.
- 15. The prior dwelling encroached over the rear property line as a result of an existing shed. That shed, however, will be removed and not replaced, removing the encroachment.

- 16. This home has been approved by the REM Program because of the substantial damage to the home as a result of Superstorm Sandy and the need for reconstruction.
- 17. This property has a narrow width and narrow depth, creating a hardship for any single family home. According to the applicant's engineer, the applicant has selected an "off the shelf" modular home, which is conservative in size and very similar to the size of the existing structure. The home chosen by the applicant is approved by the REM Program.
- 18. The current layout does not provide the required off-street parking. As a result of the raising of the structure, there will be space for two vehicles, a significant improvement to the existing layout.
  - 19. Height is not an issue.
- 20. Many homes in this neighborhood have undergone or are undergoing construction or reconstruction as a result of Superstorm Sandy.
- 21. Because of the dimensions of the property and the fact that this is an existing single-family home in a zone permitting single-family homes, the applicant has met the requirements of proving a hardship under N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70c(1) (a).

- 22. There will not be a substantial detriment to the public good, nor will the new home be out of character in the neighborhood. All three neighbors so testified.
- 23. The rebuilding of an old home, meeting new construction requirements, will be a significant improvement to the lot, as well as to the neighborhood and the borough as a whole. As a result, the applicant's plan will serve the purposes advanced by the Municipal Land Use Law, particularly (b) secure safety on the property from flood and other natural and manmade disasters; and (i) promoting a desirable visual environment. In addition, the positive and negative criteria have been met.

WHEREAS, the application was heard by the Board at its meeting on September 3, 2015, and this resolution shall memorialize the Board's action taken at that meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Borough of Highlands that the application of SANDRA ANASOULIS to rebuild her existing flood-damaged single-family home and construct a new dwelling in accordance with the exhibits and testimony provided be and the same is hereby approved. Bulk variance relief is hereby given for lot area, lot frontage, lot depth, front yard setback, rear yard setback, side yard setback, building coverage, accessory structure side

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setback for both the front stairs and side stairs, all as more specifically set forth in paragraph 13 and its subparagraphs herein.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this approval is subject to the following conditions:

- A. The existing shed shall be removed and not replaced.
- B. There will not be any stone or driveway-type surface beyond the imaginary line of the front of the house, going to the rear.
- C. The fence at the rear of the property will be removed.
- D. Any damage caused during construction to the existing pavement, sidewalk and curb will be repaired or replaced by the applicant, to the satisfaction of the Borough.

  Seconded by Mr. Fox and adopted on the following roll call vote:

#### ROLL CALL:

AYE: Mr. I

Mr. Fox, Mr. Mullen, Mr. Braswell

NAY: None ABSTAIN: None

DATE: October 1, 2015

Carolyn Cummins Board Secretary

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of the Zoning Board Resolution adopted by the Borough of Highlands Zoning Board on October 1, 2015.

Board Secretary

R.S. GASIOROWSKI, ESQ. ID#244421968 GASIOROWSKI & HOLOBINKO 54 Broad Street Red Bank, New Jersey 07701 732-212-9930 732-212-9980 Attorneys for Plaintiff, Neal Tabor

NEAL TABER,

: SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

: CHANCERY DIVISION

Plaintiff,

: MONMOUTH COUNTY

V.

: Docket No.: MON-C- 64-23

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Municipal Corporation,

: CERTIFICATION OF NEAL TABER

Defendants,

- 1. I am the named Plaintiff in the above captioned matter. I also participated in the hearing which took place before the Zoning Board of Adjustment in October 2015.
- 2. As can be seen from the Resolution, I along with other neighbors attended that hearing and expressed our concerns. That was why this restriction was placed in the Resolution.
- 3. Subsequently, in 2020, when I learned that possibly the owner of the property was coming in for an approval to construct a house that was greater than one story, my attorney wrote to the Construction Official in the Highlands raising

that issue (Exhibit A) and received a response from that official that no application had been filed (Exhibit B). I note this only to express the fact that I was concerned about this and tried to monitor it.

- 4. Despite my attorney earlier writing, one day I observed construction starting on the premises. I immediately went to town hall and attempted to get a copy of the application for the Building Application and was rebuffed. I also attempted to get a copy of the Building Permit itself and was rebuffed.
- 5. I exchanged emails with Brian O'Callahan. His response was that despite the language of the Resolution, the property owner was permitted to construct the additional story. (Exhibit C).
- 6. I have made numerous requests from the staff in the Borough of Highlands and received a copy of a Zoning Permit Application that was filed for this property in 2020. On August 4, 2020 an Application was made to add 1 1/3 stories to the house in question. That Application was denied. (Exhibit D) The letter referred to by the Zoning Officer is also dated August 4, 2020. (Exhibit E)
- 7. I immediately sought assistance from an attorney and the within lawsuit has been filed.
- 8. I am also enclosing as a part of my Certification a photograph showing the ongoing construction and as can be seen, my house which is immediately adjacent will be impacted as far as my views of the water.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

**NEAL TABER** 

Dated: June 1, 2023

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# EXHIBIT A

GASIOROWSKI & HOLOBINKO ATTORNEYS AT LAW 54 BROAD STREET RED BANK, NEW JERSEY 07701 (732) 212-9930 FACSIMILE (732) 212-9980

R. S. GASIOROWSKI JOHN E. HOLOBINKO

CHRISTIE A. GASIOROWSKI CATHY S. GASIOROWSKI ALEXIS L., GASIOROWSKI

July 22, 2020

VIA EMAIL: zoningfloodplain@highlandsborough.org

Marianne Dunn, Zoning Officer

1 Kings Highway
Johnson Gill Anex
Middletown, New Jersey 07748

Re: Taber - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)

Dear Ms. Dunn:

This office has a client named Neal Taber who lives in the immediate vicinity of property known as 357 Shore Drive. In 2015 by Resolution dated October 1, 2015 the Zoning Board of Adjustment/Planning Board gave approval for bulk variances on property known as 357 Shore Drive the owner being Anasoulis. That Resolution specifically stated in paragraph 5 "There will be only one floor of living space".

It is my understanding, that a new purchaser has acquired the property and has been advised by someone from the municipality, that they do not have to come back for a new variance for the additional stories being proposed but rather the old Resolution covers that.

Would you please be so kind as to review the Resolution in question and advise me whether or not anyone is filing for a building permit on the property in question.

If so, please treat this as an appeal of any decision from the Zoning Officer or other administrative person in the Borough of Highlands.

Page 2 July 22, 2020 Marianne Dunn, Zoning Officer

Would you please be so kind as to get back to me.

Very truly yours,

R.S. GASIOROWSKI

RSG/cb

cc: Gregory S. Baxter, Esq. (via email) Neal Taber (via email)

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# **EXHIBIT B**

\*7/24/2020

Gmail - RE: [EXTERNAL]Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)



Gasiorowski & Holobinko <gasiorowskilaw@gmail.com>

# RE: [EXTERNAL]Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)

1 message

Dunn, Marianne <mdunn@middletownnj.org>

Thu, Jul 23, 2020 at 11:14 AM

To: Gastorowski & Hotobinko <gastorowskilaw@gmail.com>, "zoningfloodplain@highlandsborough.org"

coningfloodplain@highlandsborough.org>

Co: Gregory Baxter <gbaxterlaw@verizon.net>, Neal Taber <nmt6j@virginla.edu>

Mr. Gasiorowski,

There have been no permits issued for this property for any additions.

Marlanne Dunn

Zoning Officer

From: Gastorowski & Holobinko [mailto:gastorowskilaw@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2020 9:52 AM

To: zoningfloodplain@highlandsborough.org

Cc: Gregory Baxter < gbaxterlaw@verizon.net>; Neal Taber < nmt6j@virginia.edu>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)

# See attached letter.

R. S. Gaslorowski, Esq.

Gasiorowski & Holobinko

54 Broad Street

Red Bank, NJ 07701

Telephone: (732) 212-9930

Telefax: (732) 212-9980

gasiorowskilaw@gmail.com

# **EXHIBIT C**

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6/2/23, 12:20 PM

Gmail - FW: FW: Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)

From: Landuse Secretary

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 11:23 AM

To: O'Callahan, Brian <booklahan@middletownnj.org>

Subject: RE: [External] FW: Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)

Thanks for following up, Brian

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 11:11 AM

To: Landuse Secretary <a href="mailto:Landuse@highlandsborough.org">Landuse@highlandsborough.org</a>; William F. Brunt, Jr. <a href="mailto:Landuse@highlandsborough.org">Landuse@highlandsborough.org</a>; William F. Brunt, Jr. <a href="mailto:Landuse@highlandsborough.org">Landuse@highlandsborough.org</a>;

Cc: Mayor Carolyn Broullon <CBroullon@highlandsborough.org>

Subject: RE: [External] FW: Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)

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### Mayor Broullon,

The owners applied for a permit for the addition in August 2022. It was approved at that time, as there are no notes or attachments in the GovPilot program indicating any prohibitions, and it otherwise fits within the R2.03 guidelines.

That resolution included here only mentions the height of the building in two places.

Factual finding 5. There will be only one floor of living space. This refers to the submitted plans having one floor of living space. It does not specifically prohibit any additions in the future.

Factual finding 19. Height is not an issue. This obviously refers back to 5; but again, makes no prohibition for an addition in the future.

If the limiting the height in the future was any sort of condition or requirement, I do not see it there.

Therefore, it seems to me that if the addition was not prohibited, and meets R2.03 guidelines, it is allowable.

Sincerely,

Brian O'Callahan

From: Landuse Secretary <landuse@highlandsborough.org>

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 10:37 AM

To: O'Callahan, Brian <booklahan@middletownnj.org>; William F. Brunt, Jr. <code@highlandsborough.org>

Subject: [External] FW: Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)

Howdy, can you please weigh in? I found a Land Use/Zoning Board application folder resulting in an approval in 2015. I also found another folder among the Land Use files for a 2020 Development

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6/2/23, 12:20 PM

Gmall - FW: FW: Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)

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Denial that included the 2015 adopted ZB resolution (attached). Current owners are not the same as the 2020 applicant.

PS - I don't know who gets the zoningfloodplain@highlandsborough.org emalls?

Thanks.

From: Mayor Carolyn Broullon < CBroullon@highlandsborough.org>

Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 9:16 PM

To: Landuse Secretary <a href="mailto:landuse@highlandsborough.org">subject: Fw: Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)</a>

FYI



Mayor Carolyn Broullon Borough of Highlands 42 Shore Drive Highlands, NJ 07732 cbroullon@highlandsborough.org

www.highlandsborough.org Mobile:732-291-4009

From: Neal Taber <nmt6j@virginia.edu> Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 8:29 PM

To: Zoningfloodplain <zoningfloodplain@highlandsborough.org>

Cc: Gbaxterlaw@verizon.net <Gbaxterlaw@verizon.net>; Mayor Carolyn Broullon <CBroullon@highlandsborough.org>

Subject: Taber, Neal - Highlands ZBA (357 Shore Drive)

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Hi,

Can you please advise status of this location? It seems to again be an issue so construction should be halted immediately if they intend to build any higher as a condition of the variance is that the location remains one story as contemplated in the plans.

# EXHIBIT D



# **Zoning Permit Application**

42 Shore Drive Highlands, N.J. 07732 732-872-1224 Ext. 202

D3 72000-63 **APPLICATION FOR ZONING PERMIT-**

Note: All applications must be accompanied by a property survey showing the sizes of the structure(s) and their location. Applications involving businesses must show the scope of the business and include all activities that will be a part of the business

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The Following Fees Shall Apply:  Residential Applications: New Construction single or two-family - \$50  Renovations/Additions/Alterations/Repairs - \$10, Other Residential - \$100/unit  Non-Residential Applications - New Construction - \$100, Renovations/Additions - \$25
OWNER/APPLICANT
Name: COCH WANDY  Address: 25 ENTRE DRAVE MICHARDS NJ 5732  Telephone: Home: Work: Cash  LOCATION OF THE WORK
Block: 103 Lot(s): 8 Zone 2. us Street Address 357 Shone Drive High land My 0773
DESCRIPTION OF THE WORK TO BE PERFORMED (OR USE PROPOSED)
adding 11/2 story
CHECK ONE: New Addition: Alteration Repair Other To the applicants knowledge, has this property ever been the subject of any prior application to the Planning Board of the Borough of Highlands? Yes No Signature: Date: 23 20
FLOOD HAZARD AREA DETERMINATION
Check Applicable Flood Zone:: AE: VE: X: All applications within the AE and VE Flood Zoned, as indicated upon the most recent FEMA Flood Maps, require submission to an applicability determination from the NJDEP.
FOR BOROUGH USE ONLY
Determination: APPROVED DENIED
If your application has been DENIED, it is due to the following:  Ordinance Section Allowed/Required Proposed
see attacked
Remarks:  M. H.M. 9/11/26
NOTE: A Zoning Permit indicates that the proposed project conforms to the planning/zoning regulations of the Borough of Highlands; A building permit is required (per the requirements of the Uniform Construction Code of NJ) BEFORE beginning work. The zoning permit is valid for one year, and may be extended for three years by action of the Planning Board.
If you application has been denied, you may appeal this denial to the Planning Board as provided by the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law. You must submit letter of appeal to Planning Board secretary within 20 days.
If your application has been denied, you may seek relief from the Highlands Planning Board.  Note: If the following box is checked, you must submit a Flood Review Application to the Borough Flood Administrator prior to submitting to the Planning Board.
Local Flood Review Required

# EXHIBITE

# BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS, N.J.

INCOMPORATED 1900

42 SHORE DRIVE G7732 COUNTY OF MONMOUTH PHONE: 732-872-1224 FAX: 732-872-0670

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RICHARD W. O'NEIL MAYOR

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ADMINISTRATOR

BONNIE BROOKES BOROUGH CLERK

### **DENIAL OF DEVELOPMENT PERMIT**

August 4, 2020

Casey Mahon 357 Shore Drive Highlands, NJ 07732

RE:

357 Shore Drive

Block 103, Lots 8

Please be advised that the above referenced application to construct a 1 1/3 story addition to the existing dwelling has been reviewed for compliance with the Borough of Highlands Zoning Ordinance. The property is located in the R-203 zone and had received variances from the Zoning Board of Adjustment in 2015.

This application will require the following approvals:

#21-98F2b

Minimum standard to enlarge a single family dwelling on an undersized lot: 2,500 s.f. is required, 1,811 s.f. exists

Please contact the Land Use Board Secretary, Michelle Hutchinson, at 732-872-1224 to proceed with an application. Should you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Marianne Dunn Zoning Öfficer The Borough of Highlands Community Energy Plan







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# I. Introduction

Borough of Highlands is committed to addressing climate change and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. This Community Energy Plan details the specific strategies Highlands will pursue in the coming years to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from the local energy system. The Plan covers public policies and programs designed to support the community in reducing emissions.

In November 2022, a Community Energy Plan kickoff was held with municipal staff to set a timeline and big-picture goals for the project. In January 2023, a Planning Team was assembled and met to review the Sustainable Jersey <u>Guide for Sustainable Energy Communities</u> and <u>Community Energy Plan Workplan Template</u> to determine how to prioritize and implement the initiatives. Relevant community data was gathered from the <u>Sustainable Jersey Data Center</u>.

A public hearing was held on February 16, 2022, at which time the desire to broaden clean energy opportunities borough-wide was discussed. As a result of that discussion, the Borough Council decided to pursue the Community Energy Planning Grant, discussed and approved at a March 2, 2022, public hearing. A third public hearing was held on September 7, 2022, when the authorization to execute the grant was approved, specifically addressing the need for community-level action to achieve New Jersey state goals.

The final community Energy Plan was adopted by municipal resolution at a public hearing with an additional opportunity for public comment on June 21. 2023.

Highlands' Community Energy Plan establishes how the municipality will promote the transition to

sustainable energy over the next several years. Initiatives were selected based on demonstrated effectiveness, unique local opportunities, community co-benefits, and streamlining the permitting processes through zoning amendments.

As a shore community, climate change is one of the greatest threats to our future prosperity in Highlands, and globally. New Jersey is both a significant source of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and a state particularly vulnerable to climate change. Increasing heat waves, intense storms, and sea-level rise caused by climate change will dramatically alter our coastal state for many years to come (NJDEP, Scientific Report on Climate

# **Co-benefits of Sustainable Energy**

The sustainable energy transition offers an opportunity to realize various co-benefits in our community and beyond. Besides reducing GHG emissions, implementing this plan will improve:

- Public health
  - Lower concentrations of ground-level outdoor air pollutants
  - Removal of indoor air pollution sources
- Social equity
  - Better affordable transportation
  - More affordable renewable energy
- Resiliency
  - More dependable electric grid
  - Decreased reliance on imported energy

Change). According to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's NJ Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory Report, New Jersey adds almost 100 million metric tons of CO2e to the atmosphere annually. New Jersey can mitigate the local and global impacts of climate change with a rapid transition from the current GHG-intensive energy system to one that optimizes energy use and produces energy with minimal GHG emissions.

Recognizing New Jersey's role in climate change mitigation, the State of New Jersey has established a goal of 100% clean energy in the state by 2050. <u>The New Jersey Energy Master Plan: Pathway to 2050</u> outlines the state's strategies for achieving that goal while also addressing issues of social and economic inequity. To promote action at the local level in support of the state's goals, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) launched the Community Energy Plan Grant Program, offering support and funding for municipalities to develop a Community Energy Plan. Borough of Highlands received the Community Energy Plan Grant and completed this Plan as a participant of the grant program.



Photo 1: Aerial view of Highlands.
Source: Highlands Borough, Code\_zero\_drone

# **II.** Community Overview

Highlands Borough is a 0.9-square mile suburban community of 2,671 households located in Monmouth County. According to the 2020 US Census American Community Survey, the racial composition of Highlands' 4,746 residents is 91% White, 1% Black, 4% Asian or Pacific Islander, and 4% "other"; 3% of the population is Hispanic/Latinx.

Highlands' median household income is \$76,263, with 5.3% of households below the U.S. poverty threshold. Highlands' Municipal Revitalization Index (MRI) score, a measure of a municipality's economic conditions, is 34 out of a possible 100, which ranks 156th of New Jersey's 564 municipalities (Sustainable Jersey Community Profile Data by Municipality). In other words, Highlands' overall economic conditions are in the top third relative to other New Jersey municipalities.

## Population Characteristics for Highlands, NJ

Population	Households	Median Household Income	Percent of Population in Poverty	NJ DCA MRI Score*	NJ DCA MRI Rank*
4,746	2,671	\$76,263	5.3%	34	156

Table 1. 2020 Population Characteristics

Source: Sustainable Jersey. Community Profile Data by Municipality

#### **Electricity and Natural Gas Usage Data**

Most electricity and natural gas use is currently associated with buildings. Utility companies generally organize electricity and natural gas use into four sectors – residential, commercial, industrial, and street lighting. The commercial sector includes nonprofits and government entities such as schools and municipal buildings, as well as businesses.

As illustrated in the charts on the next page, the residential sector accounts for the majority of electricity and natural gas use in Highlands. In other words, residential buildings present the greatest opportunity for energy use reductions.

<sup>\*</sup>MRI = Municipal Revitalization Index (MRI)

# Amount of Electricity Purchased by Sector (kWh)

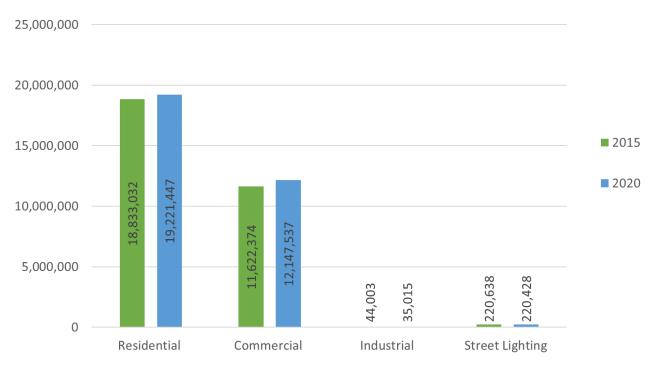


Chart 1. Amount of Electricity Purchased by Sector (kWh)

Source: Sustainable Jersey. Aggregated Community-Scale Utility Energy Data Note: electricity values represent purchased electricity and do not include customergenerated electricity, such as from rooftop solar.

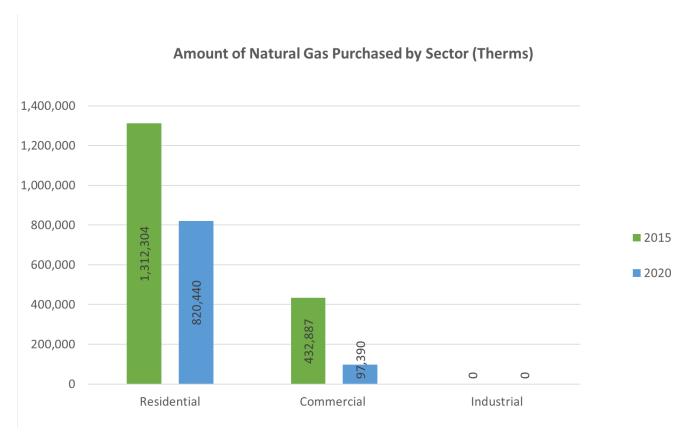


Chart 2. Amount of Natural Gas Purchased by Sector (Therms)

Source: Sustainable Jersey. Aggregated Community-Scale Utility Energy Data

# **Community GHG Emissions from Energy Use**

In 2020, the total community-wide greenhouse gas emissions from electricity, natural gas/heating fuel, and transportation energy use in Highlands was **30,270 metric tons CO₂e.** The largest share of community emissions came from On-Road Vehicles, followed by Residential Natural Gas use.

# 2020 Community-Scale Energy-Related GHG Emissions by Sector and Energy Type (MT CO2e)

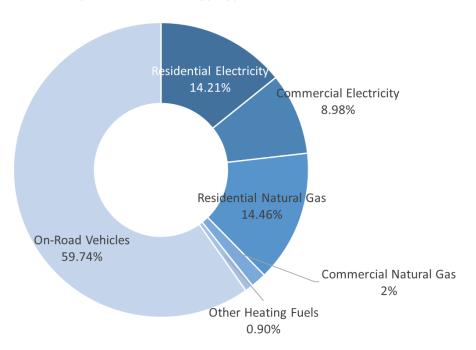


Chart 3. Overall GHG Emissions of Highlands by Subsector

Source: Sustainable Jersey. Community-Scale Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Data

# III. Work Plan

The Highlands Community Energy Plan is primarily an implementation and action plan. This section details all of the initiatives selected as borough priorities for the next four years (2023-2027). These initiatives will make energy-efficient development within Highlands more streamlined, safe, and straightforward, providing numerous local co-benefits, such as improved air quality and creation of local jobs.

The initiatives are organized by the Strategies of the <u>New Jersey Energy Master Plan: Pathway to 2050</u>. Each Strategy section includes one or more initiatives. Implementation details are provided for each initiative, including the initiative lead person/entity, the time frame for implementation, and any significant obstacles to successful implementation.

## Strategy 1: Reduce Energy Consumption and Emissions from the Transportation Sector

- 1.1 Adopt Supportive Zoning and Regulations for EV Infrastructure
- 1.2 Train First Responders on EVs and EVSE
- 1.6 Install Public EV Charging Infrastructure

## Strategy 2: Accelerate Deployment of Renewable Energy and Distributed Energy Resources

- 2.1 Adopt Supportive Zoning and Permitting for Solar
- 2.4 Train First Responders on Solar

# Strategy 3: Maximize Energy Efficiency and Conservation and Reduce Peak Demand

3.1 Upgrade Energy Efficiency for Municipal Facilities

#### Strategy 4: Reduce Energy Consumption and Emissions from the Building Sector

4.1 Construct New Municipal Buildings as Model Green Buildings

# Strategy 1: Reduce Energy Consumption and Emissions from the Transportation Sector

Transportation accounts for over 40% of New Jersey's greenhouse gas emissions, primarily due to on-road gasoline consumption (NJDEP, "Transportation & Emissions"). Fossil fuel-powered transportation also produces local air pollution that significantly harms the health and quality of life of residents. Highlands can promote transportation electrification in the community to lessen the negative impact of our transportation system on our community and the world.



Photo 2: Existing EV infrastructure

# Initiative 1.1: Adopt Supportive Zoning and Regulations for EV Infrastructure

Description: Pass NJDCA's Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance specifying electric vehicle charging stations as a permitted accessory use, establishing the permitting process for charging stations, and requiring Make-Ready and EVSE (Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment) parking in new multifamily developments and parking lots. Modify the model ordinance standards for safety, signage, etc. as needed.

Lead	Start Date	Priority	Anticipated Length	Funding Sources
Municipal Planner	immediate	High	6 Months	N/A

# Departments involved:

• Code Enforcement

- Planning
- Legal Department

# **Obstacles/Barriers:**

No significant barriers were identified

# Community notes:

The Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance went into effect in September 2021 as specified by state law, but the policies in the ordinance are not integrated into Highlands's municipal code. Code Enforcement currently requires applications for new developments to comply with the Model Ordinance.

Vehicles and Electric Vehicles in Highlands					
Year	Estimated Total	# of	%		
Updated	Passenger Vehicles	EVs	Electric		
2015	3,394	17	.5%		
2019	3,519	35	1%		

**Table 2. Vehicles and Electric Vehicles in Highlands**Source: Sustainable Jersey. Community Profile Data by Municipality

As of 2019, 1% of passenger vehicles in Highlands were electric. As EV adoption accelerates, demand for charging infrastructure will also accelerate.

#### Measures of Success:

The goals for this initiative are new regulations regarding EVSE site design, such as accessibility and signage, and integration of the Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance into Highlands's land-use code and permitting documents.

#### Next steps:

- 1. Highlands-specific information to be added to the Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance, and "Reasonable Standards" section made to fit municipal needs.
- 2. Governing body to review and approve.

#### Initiative 1.2: Train First Responders on EVs and EVSE

Description: Require training for local first responders on electric vehicles and associated infrastructure, furthering public confidence and maintaining emergency preparedness.

Lead	Start Date	Priority	Anticipated Length	Funding Sources
Deputy Fire Marshal	May 2023	Medium	Ongoing, annually	N/A

#### Departments involved:

- First Aid Squad
- Police Department

• Fire Department

#### Obstacles/Barriers:

- NJ State Fire Code (NJAC 5:70), NJ PEOSH (NJAC 12:100-8), and Federal Regulations (CFR 29) do not mandate required repetitive training for firefighters on EVs.
- Municipal staff may perceive additional training as an unnecessary burden.
  - The Police Chief will build support for EV safety training by creating awareness that EVs have unique first-response protocols.

#### Community notes:

To be done collectively with Initiative 2.4. Free online training resources are available.

As of 2020, there were 17 passenger electric vehicles in Highlands; the number of EVs in town has likely increased since then (Sustainable Jersey, Electric Vehicle Ownership Data). There are also two public EV charging stations in the township (NJDEP, Charging Map).

#### Measures of Success:

The goal of this initiative is that all first responders will be regularly trained in how to deal with emergencies involving electric vehicles and EV infrastructure.

#### Next steps:

- 1. Lead will compile list of available training courses
- 2. Lead will coordinate with departments involved, distribute training resources or options
- 3. A list of all participating (trained) members will be compiled
- 4. At the 6-month mark, lead will evaluate participation of members and make recommendations going forward.

#### Initiative 1.6: Install Public EV Charging Infrastructure

Description: Install electric vehicle charging infrastructure, including chargers, signage, and safety and accessibility features, for public use.

Lead	Start Date	Priority	Anticipated Length	Funding Sources
DPW	October 2022	Medium	Q2 2023	Municipal budget, NJBPU EV Tourism grant

#### Departments involved:

- Department of Public Works
- Finance Department
- Borough Administrator

- Governing Body
- Mayor's Office

#### Obstacles/Barriers:

- Choice of parking space was limited in order to connect to electricity (where are existing poles and lines, access with angled spaces, etc.)
- Attention must be paid to risk of flooding

#### Community notes:

There are two Level 4 public EV charging stations within Highlands and two within a five-mile radius. There are no Level 3/DCFC public charging stations within five miles of Highlands.

**Public EV Charging Station Locations:** 

- 1. Bahrs Landing Station 01. 12 Bay Avenue, Highlands, NJ. (2)
- 2. Bahrs Landing Station 01. 12 Bay Avenue, Highlands, NJ. (2)
- 3. Starbucks. 999 NJ-36, Atlantic Highlands, NJ. (2)

Map Legend.

Light green tags (not shown) – Level 1 Medium green – Level 2 Dark green (not shown) – Level 3/DCFC



Map 1. Public EV Charging Stations in Highlands Area

Source: NJDEP. Public EV Charging Locator Map

#### Measures of Success:

The goal of this initiative is to install an additional public charging station in Highlands. Use of EV stalls will demonstrate success.

#### Next steps:

1. Installation at parking lot opposite 171 Bay Avenue.

### Strategy 2: Accelerate Deployment of Renewable Energy and Distributed Energy Resources

Expanding renewable energy generation is necessary to eliminate greenhouse gas emissions from our energy system. New Jersey's most readily available renewable resource is sunlight, which more and more utility customers can now access thanks to declining prices and new systems like community solar. Highlands can continue to refine local policies regarding solar and other renewable resources to promote local growth of renewable generation capacity.



Photo 3: examples of solar installations in Highlands. Source: Google Aerial

#### Initiative 2.1 Adopt Supportive Zoning and Permitting for Solar

Description: Provide clear guidance/standards for solar developers and limit barriers to solar adoption such as lengthy permitting and multiple reviews.

Lead	Start Date	Priority	Anticipated Length	Funding Sources
Municipal planner	Q3 2023	High	Q1 2024	N/A

#### Departments involved:

• Code Enforcement

- Planning
- Legal Department

#### Obstacles/Barriers:

• None at present.

#### Community notes:

The borough does not currently regulate solar energy systems. A new solar ordinance will allow for building-integrated, roof mounted, canopy, and ground-mounted solar. Solar in all zones may be considered as accessory uses.

#### Measures of Success:

The goals for this initiative are new regulations regarding solar regulations, such as accessibility and signage, and integration of the Model Statewide Municipal EV Ordinance into Highlands's land-use code and permitting documents.

#### Next steps:

- 1. Solar ordinance to be drafted by law office and/or municipal planner.
- 2. Governing body to review and approve.

#### Initiative 2.4 Train First Responders on Solar

Description: To further public confidence and maintain emergency preparedness, require training on solar infrastructure for first responders.

Lead	Start Date	Priority	Anticipated Length	Funding Sources
Deputy Fire Marshal	May 2023	Medium	Ongoing, annually	N/A

#### Departments involved:

- First Aid Squad
- Police Department

• Fire Department

#### Obstacles/Barriers:

- NJ State Fire Code (NJAC 5:70), NJ PEOSH (NJAC 12:100-8), and Federal Regulations (CFR 29) do not mandate required repetitive training for firefighters on EVs.
- Municipal staff may perceive additional training as an unnecessary burden.
  - The Police Chief will build support for EV safety training by creating awareness that EVs have unique first-response protocols.

#### Community notes:

To be done collectively with Initiative 1.2. Free online training resources are available. As of 2020, there were 46 solar installations in Highlands.

#### Measures of Success:

The goal of this initiative is that all first responders will be regularly trained in how to deal with emergencies involving solar infrastructure.

#### Next steps:

- 1. Lead will compile list of available training courses
- 2. Lead will coordinate with departments involved, distribute training resources or options
- 3. A list of all participating (trained) members will be compiled
- 4. At the 6-month mark, lead will evaluate participation of members and make recommendations going forward.

### Strategy 3: Maximize Energy Efficiency and Conservation and Reduce Peak Demand

Energy efficiency and conservation are the most cost-effective methods of reducing greenhouse gas emissions from the energy system. Improving energy efficiency also generates local jobs, reduces local pollution, improves health and comfort, and adds resiliency to the energy system. Highlands can utilize energy efficiency to lower costs in municipal operations and encourage the community to follow suit to realize these many benefits.



Figure 1 Highlands Source: EQ Roy, Shutterstock 1788844139

#### Initiative 3.1 Upgrade Energy Efficiency for Municipal Facilities

Description: Upgrade municipal facilities to be more energy efficient. New Jersey's Clean Energy Program and electric and natural gas utilities offer incentive programs that guide municipalities through the upgrade process, starting with free audits to establish the most effective measures to reduce energy use. Following implementation, showcase upgrades in energy efficiency outreach to local businesses.

Lead	Start Date	Priority	Anticipated Length	Funding Sources
DPW	Q3 2023	Medium	3-5 years	NJ Natural Gas

#### Departments involved:

DPW

#### **Obstacles/Barriers:**

Navigating programs and funding.

#### Community notes:

The Green Team is happy to consider all programs to help the Borough become more "green." Improving energy efficiency is already a priority of the Green Team so seeing those goals become a reality is their mission.

The Green Team will look into technical assistance through Sustainable Jersey to determine next steps for improving energy efficiency in municipal facilities.

#### Measures of Success:

The goal of this initiative is for the Borough to familiarize itself more thoroughly on programs offered, with the assistance of Sustainable Jersey. This may lead to assessments for all municipal buildings.

#### Next steps:

- 1. Coordinate with Sustainable Jersey to receive Technical Assistance, identifying meter discrepancies, billing inconsistencies, etc.
- Consider NJ Natural Gas' SaveGreen Project initiatives (https://savegreenproject.com/businesses)

### Strategy 4: Reduce Energy Consumption and Emissions from the Building Sector

According to New Jersey's Energy Master Plan, 62% of the state's total end-use energy consumption is associated with buildings, with space heating, water heating, appliances, and industrial uses accounting for 28% of New Jersey's greenhouse gas emissions. Decisions made during new construction and building retrofits have significant and long-lasting impacts on this energy use. Highlands can reduce energy use and emissions from buildings by prioritizing green design in new construction and utilizing municipal buildings as models for the community.



Figure 2: Welcome to the Highlands

#### Initiative 4.1 Construct New Municipal Buildings as Model Green Buildings

Description: Implement a policy encouraging or requiring consideration of green building practices for any new municipal construction project. Highlight incentives from NJCEP's New Construction Energy Efficiency program. Following construction, showcase green building features with on-site kiosks and digital webpages to encourage others to follow suit.

Lead	Start Date	Priority	Anticipated Length	<b>Funding Sources</b>
DPW	Q3 2023	Medium	ongoing	N/A

#### Departments involved:

• Department of Public Works

#### Obstacles/Barriers:

Cost

#### Community notes:

Highlands is looking to repurpose the Police Department trailers into a permanent raised structure. In addition to the resiliency benefits of doing so, a variety of green initiatives including Energy Star will be considered. This is a mid- to long-term project.

Highlands is also looking to start using green products in cleaning and janitorial services, switch to LED lights in all municipal buildings, etc. This can be done in the short- to mid-term.

#### Measures of Success:

The goal of this initiative is to upgrade existing municipal facilities and build new municipal facilities that have improved efficiency over aging buildings.

#### Next steps:

- 1. Coordination with Sustainable Jersey where appropriate.
- 2. Inventory buildings to target for improvements (recreation building, etc.).

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#### **Appendix. Data Sources**

Almost all data used in this plan is sourced from the <u>Sustainable Jersey Data Center</u>.

Community Overview Data			
Section, Map, or Table	Original Source(s)	Link to data	
General Information Section	U.S. Census American Community Survey (ACS)	SJ Community Profile Data by Municipality	
Current Housing Units by Year Built Chart	U.S. Census ACS	SJ Community Profile Data by Municipality	
Number of Units by Structure Type Chart	U.S. Census ACS SJ Community Profile Data by Municipality	SJ Community Profile Data by Municipality	
Commercial & Industrial Properties Map	NJ MOD IV Tax Data	SJ Commercial & Industrial Properties Map	
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Energy Use Data				
Section, Map, or Table	Original Source(s)	Link to data		
Amount of Electricity Used by Sector (kWh) Chart	NJ Investor-Owned Utilities	SJ Aggregated Community-Scale Utility Energy Data		
Amount of Natural Gas Used by Sector (Therms) Chart	NJ Investor-Owned Utilities	SJ Aggregated Community-Scale Utility Energy Data		
Number of Occupied Housing Units by Primary Heating Fuel	U.S. Census ACS	SJ Community Profile Data by Municipality		
Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Charts	SJ GHG Emissions by Municipality	SJ Community-Scale Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions Data		

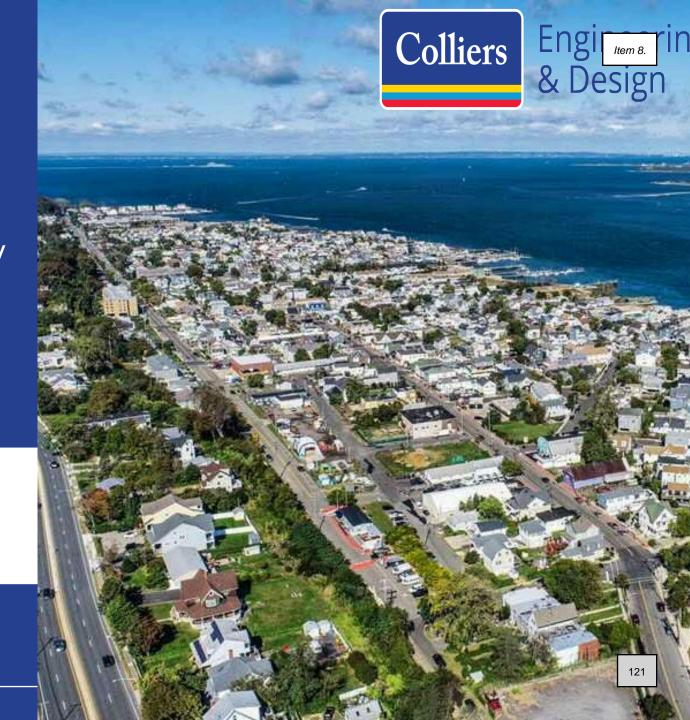
Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Data			
Section, Map, or Table	Original Source(s)	Link to data	
Solar Installations Chart	NJCEP Solar Installation Data	SJ Solar Installation Data	
Commercial Energy Efficiency	New Jersey Clean Energy	SJ Energy Efficiency Program	
Program Participation Data	Program (NJCEP) Data	Participation (2008-2021) Data -	
		<u>Lifetime Commercial</u>	
		<u>Participation</u>	
Residential Program Participation	NJCEP Data	SJ Energy Efficiency Program	
Data		Participation (2008-2021) -	
		Lifetime Commercial	
		<u>Participation</u>	
Energy Efficiency Projects	NJCEP Data	SJ NJCEP Local Government	
Completed by Municipality Data		<u>Projects 2008-2021</u>	

## Highlands Community Energy Plan Highlands Borough

June 21,2023

Presented to: Borough Council

Presented by: Kristin Russell, PP, AICP



## What is a Community Energy Plan?

- The State of NJ has created the NJ Energy Master Plan as a way to address climate change and guide the reduction of greenhouse gases.
- Municipalities are encouraged to create their own plans, aligning with the state's goals and focus areas, with projects that are relevant and specific to each town.
- The Community Energy Plan is supported by Sustainable Jersey and the NJ BPU
- As with the NJ Energy Master Plan, municipal Community Energy Plans are a tool to prioritize
  initiatives toward energy efficiency and resilience, the reduction of transportation emissions, and
  to support renewable energy.
- Community Energy Plans look 3 to 5 years into the future, targeting community needs and taking advantage of community opportunities.

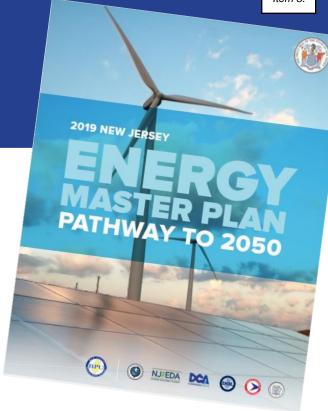
## Background work

- The idea of a Community Energy Plan was first explored at a public hearing in February 2022, with discussion around the need to broaden clean-energy opportunities in and for the borough. At a hearing the next month, March 2022, the Borough Council voted to pursue a Clean Energy Grant.
- At a third public hearing in September 2022, it was announced that the grant had been awarded and authorization to execute the grant was approved.
- A Planning Team of 9 community members and municipal representatives was convened, with meetings held in January and February of 2023. Discussed was the purpose of the project and selection of initiatives relevant to the borough.

## 2019 NJ Energy Master Plan

Sets forth key strategies which guide municipalities

- 1. Transportation reduce energy consumption and emissions, EV adoption
- 2. Renewable Energy and Distributed Energy Resources solar, offshore wind, etc.
- 3. Energy Efficiency and conservation improve energy efficiency / reduce peak demand
- 4. Reduction of Energy Consumption in Buildings green buildings, zero carbon homes
- 5. Support of Participation by Underserved Communities N/A for Highlands
- 6. Clean Energy Innovation Economy support job development in clean energy sector



## Planning Team's Work

- Considered 38 initiatives set forth by the state, narrowing down the list to our top choices based on the realities of Highlands:
  - Projects that can happen in 3-5 years
  - Realistically affordable and implementable
  - Would have an impact on the community
  - Relevant based on the demographics, geography, and unique characteristics of Highlands

#### Community Energy Plan Application Checklist

Community Energy Plan Initiatives	Mark if interested
Strategy 1. Reduce Energy Consumption and Emissions from the Transportation Sector	
1.1 Adopt Supportive Zoning and Regulations for EV Charging Infrastructure	
Pass NJDCA's model ordinance specifying EV charging infrastructure as a permitted accessory use	
1.2 Train First Responders on EVs and EV Charging Infrastructure	
Require training on EVs and EV charging infrastructure for local first responders	
1.3 Train Non-Emergency Staff on EVs and EV Charging Infrastructure	
Initiate training on EVs and EV charging infrastructure for municipal code officials, etc.	
1.4 Purchase Alternative Fuel Vehicles	
Strategically replace gasoline/diesel municipal vehicles with EVs or other alternative fuel vehicles	
1.5 Improve Municipal Fleet Efficiency	
Replace older municipal vehicles with more efficient versions, downsize fleet, improve driver efficiency	
1.6 Install Public EV Charging Infrastructure	
Install public EV charging infrastructure with appropriate signage and safety/accessibility features	
1.7 Encourage Non-Municipal Fleets to Improve Efficiency	
Encourage fleet operators to improve fleet efficiency via electrification, downsizing, driver training	
1.8 Encourage Workplace EV Charging Infrastructure	
Encourage local businesses to install EV charging infrastructure; offer incentive such as "ribbon cutting"	
Other:	
Strategy 2: Accelerate Deployment of Renewable Energy and Distributed Energy Resources	
2.1 Adopt Supportive Zoning and Permitting for Private Solar	
Provide reasonable permitting standards and procedure for solar developers	
2.2 Post Solar Permitting Checklist	
Provide permitting checklist for solar developers on municipal website	
2.3 Adopt Zoning and Permitting for Community Solar	
Allow large-scale solar in some zoning districts; help community solar developers with permitting	
2.4 Train First Responders on Solar	
Require training on solar for local first responders	
2.5 Train Non-Emergency Staff on Solar	
Initiate training on solar for non-emergency municipal staff such as inspectors	
2.6 Install On-site Municipal Renewable Generation	
Host solar, wind, or geothermal project on municipal property	
2.7 Buy Renewable Electricity for Municipal Facilities	
Sign contract with third-party supplier to supply municipal facilities with renewable electricity	
2.8 Offer a Solar Employee Benefit Program	
Offer solar installation discount to municipal employees	
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# Initiative 1.1 – Adopt Supportive Zoning and Regulations for EV Infrastructure

- Collaborative effort with borough code enforcement, legal department, planning
- Will address growing EV ownership
- Low-cost to execute

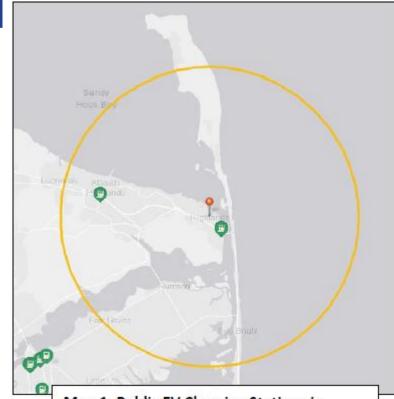
Vehicles and Electric Vehicles in Highlands				
Year Estimated Total Updated Passenger Vehicles		# of EVs	% Electric	
2015	3,394	17	.5%	
2019	<mark>3,</mark> 519	35	1%	

## Initiative 1.2 – Train first responders on EVs and EVSE

- Collaborative effort with first aid squad, police, and fire departments
- Low-cost to execute
- At 6-month mark, participation will be evaluated and recommendations made for future training

## Initiative 1.6 – Install public EV charging infrastructure

- Collaborative effort with DPW, finance, borough administrator, governing body, mayor's office
- Underway at 171 Bay Avenue
- Will address growing need EV ownership is on the rise, but few public charging spaces exist locally (two at Bhar's).



Map 1. Public EV Charging Stations in Highlands Area

Source: NJDEP. Public EV Charging Locator

Map

# Initiative 2.1 – Adopt supportive zoning and permitting for solar

- Collaborative effort with borough code enforcement, legal department, planning
- Borough does not currently regulate solar energy systems
- Can be written to allow for building-integrated, roof mounted,
  - canopy, and/or ground-mounted solar
- Excellent fit for shore community
- Low-cost to execute



## Initiative 2.4 – Train first responders on solar

- Collaborative effort with first aid squad, police, and fire departments
- Can be done with the EV training, as a two-part effort
- Low-cost to execute
- At 6-month mark, participation will be evaluated and recommendations made for future training

# Initiative 3.1 – Upgrade energy efficiency for municipal facilities

- DPW effort with Green Team
- Consider programs to help the borough become more "green," in line with existing priorities.
- The Green Team will look into technical assistance through Sustainable Jersey to determine next steps for improving energy efficiency in municipal facilities.

# Initiative 4.1 – Construct new municipal buildings as Model Green Buildings

- DPW effort with Green Team
- Project to repurpose the Police Department trailers into a permanent raised structure should keep green building components in mind.
- Green initiatives including Energy Star will be considered. This is a mid- to long-term project.
- Highlands is looking to start using green products in cleaning and janitorial services, switch to LED lights in all municipal buildings, etc.

## Next Steps

- Open floor to public comment, questions, and Council discussion
- Adoption

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7/13/2023

Seastreak, LLC 2 First Avenue Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716

Sandbox at Seastreak 326 Shore Drive Highlands, NJ 07732

Dear Seastreak,

There have been complaints filed about ongoing activity at your ferry terminal property at 326 Shore Drive. It would seem that you have been adding businesses and hours of operation to the facility at that location without the proper permits or hearings and in violation of Borough Ordinances. Specifically,

- Seastreak now operates two 600 passenger ships and three 505 passenger ships at the 326 Shore Drive location. There are nine departures from Highlands with a conservative estimate of 2660 passenger seats. There are currently 957 parking spaces at both 326 and 348 Shore Drive. Borough Ordinance 21-65.14 Off-Street Parking. D-7-a-2 states that ferry transportation services are required to have 0.7 space for every passenger seat on all departing boats during a regular 24-hour period. Since 2,660 x .7 equals 1.863 the required number of parking spots needed is 1,862, leaving Seastreak operating with slightly over half of the required parking in violation of 21-65.14 Off-Street Parking. D-7-a-2
- 2. Seastreak (And Sandbox at Seastreak) has a liquor license that restricts liquor sales to the barge location only, and several new locations for liquor sales have been added without applying for the proper zoning application or approval. This is in violation of Borough ordinance 21-96- A-2 WC-2 Waterfront Commercial
- 3. Seastreak (And Sandbox at Seastreak) has added a new business usage of a concert venue without the proper zoning application or approval. This is in violation of Borough ordinance 21-96- A-2 WC-2 Waterfront Commercial

Please be advised that you have 30-days, to make an application to the land use board to amend the parking, and to the ABC to amend the liquor license.

Brian O'Callahan Zoning Officer

Brian DCa Valor

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