



Kiwanis Club of Glen Ridge

P.O. Box 201
Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

April 10, 2015

Mayor Peter Hughes and Members of the Town Council
Municipal Building
Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

Dear Mayor Hughes and Council Members:

On behalf of The Kiwanis Club of Glen Ridge, I am proud to offer our services in coordinating the borough's 2015 Memorial Day parade and ceremony. I am assuming the borough will be celebrating on Monday, May 25 in the traditional way. As always we will encourage everyone in town to put their best foot forward and join the parade. If this is amenable to you, please confirm in writing at your earliest convenience.

If you have any questions please call me at 973-680-4710.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jim', written over a horizontal line.

James P. O'Grady
Parade Committee Chair

Mayor Peter Hughes
825 Bloomfield Avenue
Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

Dear Tree City USA Supporter,

On behalf of the Arbor Day Foundation, I write to congratulate Glen Ridge on earning recognition as a 2014 Tree City USA. Residents of Glen Ridge ought to be proud to live in a community that makes the planting and care of trees a priority.

Your community joins more than 3,400 Tree City USAs, with a combined population of 140 million. The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

As a result of your commitment to effective urban forest management, you already know that trees are vital to the public infrastructure of cities and towns throughout the country, providing numerous environmental, social and economic benefits. In fact, trees are the one piece of community infrastructure that actually increases in value over time.

We hope you are excited to share this accomplishment. Enclosed in this packet is a press release for your convenience as you prepare to contact local media and the public.

State foresters are responsible for the presentation of the Tree City USA flag and other materials. We will forward information about your awards to your state forester's office to coordinate presentation. It would be especially appropriate to make the Tree City USA award a part of your community's Arbor Day ceremony.

Again, we celebrate your commitment to the people and trees of Glen Ridge and thank you for helping to create a healthier planet for all of us.

Best Regards,



Matt Harris
Chief Executive

cc: Richard Wolowicz

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April 3, 2015

Mr. Everton Scott
Senior Public Affairs Manager
PSE&G
150 Circle Avenue
Clifton NJ 07011

Re: Glen Ridge Gas Lamps

Dear Mr. Scott:

I am writing on behalf of the Glen Ridge Historic Preservation Commission with regard to the historic gas lamps in our town. The Historic Preservation Commission, established by municipal ordinance in 1987, is charged with conserving, protecting, and perpetuating the landmarks and properties within the Glen Ridge Historic District. Over 90% of the Borough of Glen Ridge is on both the New Jersey and National Register of Historic Places. The historic gas lamps are an iconic landmark of the streetscape in Glen Ridge.

From time to time the gas lamps are knocked down or damaged for a variety of reason, including by car accidents. It has come to our attention that when the gas lamps are knocked down or damaged and in need of repair or replacement, PSE&G is replacing the post portion of the historic gas lamps with inferior, non-historic posts. The replacement posts are made out of a steel tube with a cast metal or fiberglass base, and are easily distinguished from the original posts in the historic gas lamps. An example is at Ridgewood Avenue and Washington Street, where one post is original and the opposite post is an obvious replacement. This inferior and non-historic repair and/or replacement adversely impacts these iconic landmarks in our beautiful town.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that any historic gas lamps and original posts be retained, repaired and reused for any gas lamps that are damaged or in need of repair in the future. In addition, we request that the non-historic replacement posts in Glen Ridge, such as the lamp at Ridgewood Avenue and Washington Street, be replaced with an original historic post. This should not be a great imposition on PSE&G as it is our understanding that PSE&G has a reserve of such historic posts.

Mr. Everton Scott
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The gas lamps are an important and defining feature of Glen Ridge. Their presence announces one's entry into the Town. Glen Ridge, as well as the State of New Jersey and the United States Government, have long recognized the importance of the Glen Ridge Historic District and its defining character. The gas lamps are an important element of the Historic District and we ask that PSE&G do its small part to retain the Glen Ridge Historic District's integrity and character by replacing any damaged gas lamps with historic original parts.

I appreciate your cooperation in this regard and please contact me if you have any questions regarding this request.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Peter Hennig
Chairperson, Glen Ridge Historic Preservation Commission

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Cc: Mayor Peter Hughes
✓ Michael J. Rohal, P.E., P.P., Borough Administrator
Town Council



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STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

March 2015

Glen Ridge Borough
Attn: Mayor & Council
825 Bloomfield Avenue
Glen Ridge, NJ 07028

Dear Mayor and Members of the Council:

Enclosed for your review, please find a copy of a bill I have introduced in the New Jersey General Assembly. This Bill, the Transparent Tax Act of 2015, is intended to provide clarity to local property taxpayers and to share proportionally the burden of assessment appeal refunds between all taxing authorities.

It is my intent that this provision will remind municipal property taxpayers that while a municipality, by law, is charged with the responsibility to issue property tax bills on behalf of not only itself, but all taxing districts (county, schools, fire district, etc.) the amount of the property taxes attributed to municipal purposes generally does not make up the largest portion of the property tax bill.

This Bill would require the municipal tax collector to send notice of the pro rata share of the property tax appeal refunds paid by the municipality during the tax year to the county, school districts and fire districts for inclusion in their annual budgets. In the following tax year in which the refunds were paid, the municipal tax collector is then required to deduct the applicable pro rata share of the property tax refund from the amounts to be paid to the county and each school and fire district.

If you agree with my proposal, I would respectfully ask that your council vote on a resolution in support of Bill A4235, the "Transparent Tax Act of 2015."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Auth".

Robert J. Auth

Please mail a copy of your completed resolution to:

Senator Ronald L. Rice - 1044 South Orange Avenue, Newark, NJ 07106
Assemblyman Ralph R. Caputo - 148-152 Franklin Street, Belleville, NJ 07109
Assemblywoman Cleopatra G. Tucker - 400 Lyons Avenue, Newark, NJ 07112
Governor Chris Christie - Office of the Governor, PO Box 001, Trenton, NJ 08625

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SAMPLE RESOLUTION

FROM THE BOROUGH CLERK'S OFFICE SUPPORTING THE TRANSPARENT TAX ACT OF 2015

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill No. A-4325 supplementing chapter 4 of Title 54, R.S.54:4-65 and designated the "Transparent Tax Act of 2015" is being considered for adoption by the New Jersey State Assembly; and,

WHEREAS, the amendment would permit the local jurisdiction to print separate tax bills to each taxpayer, one showing the amount of property taxes due and payable for municipal tax purposes, the other shall state the amount of property taxes due and payable for county purposes, school purposes, fire district purposes, and for the purposes of any other special district on behalf of which the municipality collects property taxes; and,

WHEREAS, both bills shall include a brief tabulation showing the distribution of the total amount to be raised by taxes; and,

WHEREAS, A-4325 would require the municipal tax collector to send notice of the pro rata share, if any, of the property tax appeal refunds paid by the municipality during the tax year to the county, school districts, and fire districts for inclusion in their annual budgets;

WHEREAS, in the following tax year in which the refunds were paid, the municipal tax collector is then required to deduct the applicable pro rata share of the property tax refund from the amounts to be paid to the county, and each school and fire district; and,

WHEREAS, these amendments, if adopted, will assist the general public to understand the tax bill, the structure of the taxes, and the level of support for each agency, and will further provide a more equitable structure to share the obligation of paying approved tax appeals as the title states, creates transparency in the tax supporting local assessments.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough/City/Township of _____, County of _____, and State of New Jersey, hereby supports Assembly Bill A-4235 amending Title 54:4-65 and urges the Legislature to approve and pass the bill for the reasons expressed herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the members of the NJ State Assembly, the members of the NJ Senate, and the Governor of the State of NJ, the New Jersey State League of Municipalities, the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey, and all Bergen County municipalities.



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Governor

KIM GUADAGNO
Lt. Governor

CHARLES A. RICHMAN
Acting Commissioner

April 7, 2015

**PUBLIC HEARING TO ANALYZE AND DISCUSS THE
 IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE AS THEY RELATE TO
 THE FY 2015 – 2019 CONSOLIDATED PLAN**

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**New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, 101 South Broad
 Street, Trenton, NJ Room 129, April 24, 2015 1-4 pm**

The State of New Jersey is in the process of developing its FY 2015 - 2019 Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan serves as the State's application for federal funds for the following programs: Community Development Block Grant; Emergency Solutions Grant; HOME Investment Partnerships; and the Housing Opportunities for Persons with Aids. As part of the Plan the NJ Department of Community Affairs (DCA) must identify New Jersey's housing and community and economic development needs and then develop goals and objectives to address those needs.

As part of the Consolidated Planning process and in an effort to affirmatively further fair housing HUD requires that the State of New Jersey conduct an analysis of impediments to fair housing choice. The Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI) involves a comprehensive review and assessment of how the State's laws, regulations, policies and procedures affect the location, availability, and accessibility of housing, and how conditions, both public and private, affect fair housing choice. As a result, DCA is requesting your assistance to help identify and analyze these impediments to fair housing in the State of New Jersey. This analysis and discussion will help identify the proposed fair housing actions to be taken during the upcoming program period. As a courtesy to all speakers, comments will be limited to 3 minutes.

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Non-English speaking or hearing impaired citizens wishing to attend the public hearing must notify the Department at least (5) days prior to the meeting to arrange translation or interpretive services.

For those persons who are unable to attend the public hearing, written comments may be submitted to Richard Montemore, NJ Department of Community Affairs PO Box 806, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0806 or emailed to richard.montemore@dca.nj.gov by May 1, 2015.





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**JOSEPH N. DIVINCENZO JR.
COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

**Sanjeev Varghese
Director**

**Mark Vlazny, Superintendent
Environmental Services**

From: Mark Vlazny
Re: Mosquito Control Notification
Date: March 18, 2015

Dear Municipal Clerk,

Pursuant to New Jersey Administrative Code 7:30-9.10(e), please see attached municipality packet containing important mosquito control information. The packet contains a cover letter, general information about Essex County Mosquito Control and a list of most commonly used pesticides in our control operations. The pesticide information sheets contain valuable information on the product and important external links and telephone numbers for further inquiry.

You are encouraged to have copies of this packet available in your municipal building and to share this information openly with all residents in your community.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Mark Vlazny
Superintendent
Essex County Mosquito Control