

ORDINANCE NO. 1600

BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE , NEW JERSEY

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE , COUNTY OF ESSEX,
AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR LOCAL ENFORCEMENT
OF THE NEW JERSEY UNIFORM FIRE CODE**

WHEREAS, the Uniform Fire Safety Act, (P.L. 1983, c.383) was enacted for the purpose of establishing a system for the enforcement of minimum fire safety standards throughout the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs has promulgated minimum fire safety standards which have been made a part of the Uniform Fire Code (N.J.A.C.5:70- et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Fire Safety Act authorizes municipalities to provide for local enforcement of these standards and to establish local enforcement agencies for that purposes; and

WHEREAS, it is the best interest of the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Borough of Glen Ridge to have the Uniform Fire Code enforced locally; and

WHEREAS, the Borough has entered into a Shared Services Agreement with the Township of Montclair for provision of the duties and services of fire official for the Borough; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Shared Services Agreement, the Borough and the Township of Montclair have agreed to the plan, which is set forth herein, for the administration and enforcement of the Uniform Fire Code.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Glen Ridge in the County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION I. LOCAL ENFORCEMENT

Pursuant to section 11 of the Uniform Fire Safety Act (P.L. 1983 c.383), the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code (N.J.A.C. 5:70-1 et seq.) shall be locally enforced in the Borough of Glen Ridge by the Township of Montclair Fire Official as set forth in the Shared Services Agreement.

SECTION II. AGENCY DESIGNATION

The local enforcing agency shall be the Fire Prevention Bureau of the Township of Montclair. The Montclair Township Fire Prevention Bureau shall hereinafter be known as the “Local Enforcing Agency”.

SECTION III. DUTIES

A. The Local Enforcing Agency shall perform the services set forth in the Shared Services Agreement, including but not limited to enforcement of the Uniform Fire Code in all buildings, structures, and premises within the established boundaries of the Borough of Glen Ridge, other than one and two unit owner-occupied dwellings used exclusively for dwelling purposes and buildings, structures and premises owned or operated by the Federal Government, Interstate Agencies or the State.

B. The Local Enforcing Agency shall faithfully comply with all pertinent requirements of the Uniform Fire Safety Act and the Uniform Fire Code.

SECTION IV. FEES

The Local Enforcing Agency shall charge fees for permits, smoke detector and carbon monoxide inspections and certificates of fire code states at the rates set forth in the Shared Services Agreement, in accordance with law, as follows:

A. PERMIT FEES. The permit fees established by the Uniform Fire Code as are set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:70, et seq. shall apply. These fees are charged annually under the Administrative Code.

B. SMOKE DETECTOR/CARBON MONOXIDE INSPECTIONS.

(1) Smoke Detector/Carbon Monoxide Detector inspections shall be conducted on all one and two family dwellings for resale or change of occupant by the Borough’s Fire Sub-code Official.

The fee for a certificate of smoke detector and carbon monoxide alarm compliance (“CSDCMAC”), as required by N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.3, for a residential unit shall be \$75.00.

The fee for a certificate of smoke detector and carbon monoxide alarm compliance (“CSDCMAC”), as required by N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.3, for a commercial space shall be \$150.00.

C. FIRE SAFETY PERMITS. Permit fees shall be as specified in the Uniform Fire Code.

SECTION V. REPEALER

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION VI. SEVERABILITY

If the provisions of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance shall be judged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such order of judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of any section, subsection, paragraph, subdivision, or clause of this Ordinance.

SECTION VII. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

Peter A. Hughes, Mayor

Michael J. Rohal, P.E., P.P.
Borough Administrator/Clerk

Introduced: November 11, 2013

Adopted: