

TOWNSHIP OF OLD BRIDGE
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SECOND READING OF ZONING ORDINANCE

A Zoning Ordinance, the summary terms of which are included here in, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of Old Bridge, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, on September 29, 2016. It will be further considered for final passage, after a public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held in the Township of Old Bridge Municipal Building, 1 Old Bridge Plaza, Old Bridge, New Jersey, on October 10, 2016 at 7:30 pm. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost, during regular business hours, at the Township Clerk's Office for members of the general public who shall request same. The Summary of the terms of the zoning ordinance follows:

Title: An Ordinance Of The Township Of Old Bridge Amending Chapter 250 Of The Code Of The Township Of Old Bridge, Entitled "Old Bridge Township Land Development Ordinance" By Amending Various Sections Of Same Pursuant To The 1999-2025 Housing Element And Fair Share Plan Adopted By The Township Planning Board And Establishing The H - Hospital Zone

Purpose(s): The purpose of this Ordinance is to amend various sections of the Township Land Development Ordinance as a result of the New Jersey Superior Court finding that the Council on Affordable Housing's attempts in developing Third Round Rules were invalid and ordered COAH to prepare rules that utilized methodologies similar to First and Second Round Rules for determining a municipality's regional fair share affordable housing obligation. Since COAH failed to do so, the New Jersey Supreme Court established a process for determining regional fair share affordable housing obligations for municipalities and reviewing municipal housing elements and fair share plans to determine whether those plans can be granted approval akin to "COAH substantive certification" by the courts. As part of this process, the Township is adding a new section 250-61 to establish the requirements of a new zoning district referred to as H – Hospital Zone. This zone is adjacent to the IH1 Zone and is required for part of the inclusionary development to be built on Block 17000, Lots 5 (formerly lots 5 and 6.11) and 28.112. The zone clarifies the permitted uses in the Hospital Zone, modifies the sign regulations for the zone and provides for a shared access roadway to the adjacent Inclusionary Housing Zone 1 from Ferry Road.