

Borough of Highlands Public Notice

Please take notice that the following ordinance was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, in the County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, on January 15, 2014. Notice is hereby given that the following ordinance will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Highlands Elementary School, 360 Navesink Avenue, Highlands, NJ 07732, on Wednesday, February 19, 2014 at 8:00 PM. At that time, the public is invited to participate in the discussion of the Ordinance. Copies of the Ordinance are available in the Municipal Clerk's Office located at 42 Shore Drive, Highlands, NJ and are posted on the Display Board at the Municipal Building. Copies are available at no charge to the general public.

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS COUNTY OF MONMOUTH ORDINANCE NO. O-14-4

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 21-124.5 "ENCLOSURE OPENINGS" OF THE BOROUGH CODE TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT THERE MUST BE ONE OPENING WITHIN THREE (3) FEET OF ANY BUILDING CORNER

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40:48-1, et seq. authorizes local governmental units to adopt regulations designed to promote the public health, safety and general welfare of its citizenry; and

WHEREAS, the changes contained in this ordinance have been recommended by the Zoning Officer and Borough Engineer; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has determined that it is in the best interests of the residents of the Borough to amend Code Section 21-124.5 to provide for the within changes; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands, the County of Monmouth, in the State of New Jersey, as follows:

NOTE: All additions are shown in ***bold italics with underlines***. The deletions are shown as ***~~strikeovers in bold italics~~***. Sections of Chapter 21 that will remain unchanged are shown in normal type.

Section 1. Chapter 21, Section 124.5, "Enclosure Openings" shall be amended as follows:

All new construction and substantial improvements having fully enclosed areas below the lowest floor that are usable solely for the parking of

vehicles, building access or storage in an area other than a basement and which are subject to flooding shall be designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic flood forces on exterior walls by allowing for the entry and exit of floodwaters. Designs for meeting this requirement must either be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect or must meet or exceed the following minimum criteria: A minimum of two (2) openings having a total net area of not less than one (1) square inch for every square foot of enclosed area subject to flooding shall be provided. The bottom of all openings shall be no higher than one (1) foot above grade ~~and there must be one (1) opening within three (3) feet of any building corner.~~ Openings may be equipped with screens, louvers, or other covering or devices provided that they permit the automatic entry and exit of floodwaters. (Ord. No. 0-09-30 § 21-124.5)

Section 2. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance, which shall otherwise remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. REPEALER. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage as provided by law.

Carolyn Cummins
Borough Clerk