

TOWNSHIP OF MOUNT LAUREL

ORDINANCE 2024-3

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 66 ENTITLED "UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE" TO ESTABLISH AND CONFIRM DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTAIN ELEVATORS

WHEREAS, Governor Murphy signed Senate Bill 2479 into law February 6, 2015, adopted as P.L. 2015, c.21, to amend Senate Bill 1706, adopted as P.L. 2001, c. 263; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2015, c.21 requires the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs to promulgate regulations requiring that in any newly-constructed building with four or more stories, at least one elevator must be of such size to accommodate an ambulance stretcher 24 inches by 84 inches in the horizontal, open position with not less than 5-inch radius corners; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2015, c.21 requires such elevators to bear markings to identify its designation for use by emergency medical services consistent with Chapter 30 of the International Building Code; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2015, c.21 does not require one- and two-family residences to have such conforming elevators; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2015, c.21 assures that future construction of dwellings will contain elevators of adequate dimensions to fit standard-size ambulance carts and enhance, not hinder, rescue efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Construction Code Act of the State of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-119 et seq., authorizes the Commissioner to adopt and enforce rules pertaining to construction codes and provides for the administration and enforcement of those rules throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, P.L. 2015, c.21 requires the Commissioner to modify the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code pertaining to elevators, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-123.14; and

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel adopts an ordinance in conformance with, and required by N.J.S.A. 52:27D-123.14.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Township Council of the Township of Mount Laurel, County of Burlington and State of New Jersey that Chapter 66 is specifically hereby supplemented to read as follows:

§ 66-5. Design, construction and maintenance of elevators.

- A. Except where more-restrictive provisions govern, the design, construction, installation, maintenance and operation of elevators shall conform to ASME A17.1, Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators, and shall meet the technical criteria of N.J.A.C. 5:23-12.1 et seq., the Elevator Safety Subcode.
- B. Elevator service shall be provided for access by fire-fighting and rescue operations to all floors.
- C. At least one elevator shall have a cab with a minimum distance between walls or between wall and door, excluding return panels, not less than 80 inches by 54 inches and a minimum distance from wall to return panel not less than 51 inches, with a forty-two-inch side-slide door to allow for turning a wheelchair and accommodating an ambulance cot or stretcher measuring 24 inches by 84 inches in its horizontal open position.
- D. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to one- or two-family dwelling units.
- E. Any changes, alterations or amendments made to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-123.14 and N.J.A.C. 5:23-12.1 et seq., shall automatically become applicable and incorporated into this article.

Repealer, Severability and Effective Date.

- A. Repealer. Any and all Ordinances inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of any such inconsistencies.
- B. Severability. In the event that any clause, section, paragraph or sentence of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, then the Township Council hereby declares its intent that the balance of the Ordinance not affected by said invalidity shall remain in full force and effect to the extent that it allows the Township to meet the goals of the Ordinance.
- C. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication according to law.

Introduction Date: March 4, 2024

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Moustakas	1	✓				
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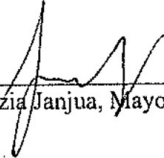
Publication Date: March 12, 2024

Public Hearing Date: April 1, 2024

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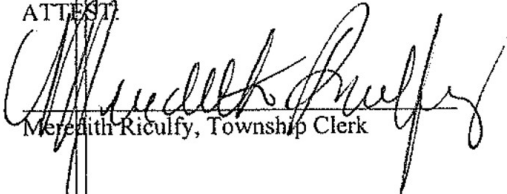
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BY:



Fozia Janjua, Mayor

ATTEST:



Meredith Riculfy, Township Clerk