# CITY OF UNION CITY COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ORDINANCE NO. 2023-2

# ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III SECTION 92 REQUIRING SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS FOR SENIOR CITIZEN FACILITIES

WHEREAS, the City of Union City ("City") has a number of senior citizen facilities located within the City; and

WHEREAS, the residents of the senior citizen facilities are of an advanced age and face a higher risk of sustaining injuries requiring immediate medical care; and

WHEREAS, senior citizens are a target for criminals and there have been instances of criminal behavior targeting senior citizens inside and outside of the senior citizen facilities within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City previously imposed surveillance camera requirements on all senior citizen facilities and now seeks to impose additional requirements for the placement of cameras in the interior of the premises.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Union City, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, they being the Governing Body thereof, as follows:

## **SECTION ONE:**

Article III Section 92-10 "Security cameras required; deadline" is hereby amended to read as follows:

Security cameras shall be installed around the perimeter and within the lobbies and all other common areas of all existing and newly constructed senior citizen facilities, including stairwells and hallways, in accordance with a plan that shall be submitted to and approved by the Police Department. The security cameras around the perimeter shall be installed so as to maintain continuous surveillance of the public streets and areas adjacent to the facility and shall conform to Chapter 160, Fiber-Optic Systems, governing communications system installation. The security cameras within the lobbies and other common areas of the facilities shall be installed so as to maintain continuous surveillance of said areas and all entrances and exits thereto. All security cameras shall be installed so as to blend in with the installation location and to minimize any negative visual or aesthetic impact.

### **SECTION TWO:**

<u>Severability</u>. If any term or provision of this Ordinance is held to be illegal, invalid, or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, in whole or in part, such determination shall not affect the validity of the remaining terms and provisions of this Ordinance.

#### **SECTION THREE:**

<u>Repealer</u>. To the extent that any provision of the Code of the City of Union City is found to conflict with this Ordinance, in whole or in part, this Ordinance shall control.

## **SECTION FOUR:**

In order to avoid accidental repeal of existing provisions, the City Clerk and the Corporation Counsel are hereby authorized to change any chapter numbers, article numbers and/or section numbers in the event that the codification of this Ordinance reveals that there is a conflict between those numbers and the existing Code.

#### **SECTION FIVE:**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

Commissioners	Yea	Nay	Abstain/Present	Absent
Lucio P. Fernandez	х			
Wendy A. Grullon	х			
Celin J. Valdivia	X			
Maryury A. Martinetti	X			
Mayor Brian P. Stack	х			

**I HEREBY CERIFY** this to be true and correct Ordinance of the City of Union City Board of Commissioners introduced on January 10, 2023 and was further considered and adopted after Public Hearing held on January 24, 2023 at Bella Vista Apartments, 522- 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, Union City, New Jersey 07087.

INTRODUCED:	January	10, 202	23
ADOPTED: Janu	ary 24, 2	2023	

ATTEST:

Hilda I. Rosario, Acting City Clerk

Date

1/24/2023