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Kingwood Township Business Owner,

Beginning on July 1, 2021 we have taken over fire inspections from the NJ Div. of Fire Safety and began completing fire inspections of local businesses classified as Life & Non-Life Hazard Uses. Starting on July 1, 2021 an updated fee schedule was placed into effect, based on square footage and assessed at the time of inspection. For your review the fee schedule is attached and its purpose is to help support fire prevention activities in the Township.

Your Non-Life Hazard Use fire inspection will be completed on a bi-annual (every other year) basis and in the near future one of our inspectors will be coming to your location to complete the inspection. As to Life Hazard Uses, there is no change. In an effort to allow for an efficient, complete inspection we have listed below some of the items that will be checked during this inspection.

- Sufficient number of properly sized fire extinguishers
- Annual testing/inspection of fire alarm, sprinkler, and other fire control devices
- Electrical hazards such as open junction boxes, improper use of extension cords
- Blocked exits
- Exit sign/emergency light operation
- Storage hazards
- Recently required Carbon Monoxide detection requirements.

Should a violation be found at your location, you will be allowed 30 days to make the necessary repairs before we conduct a reinspection and issue you a certificate of inspection. In situations where the violation may pose an imminent hazard, immediate abatement may be necessary.

Also included with this letter is a Business Registration Form, we ask that you please fill out as completely as possible and return to us. This will allow us to capture accurate information about your business and save time during the inspection.

If you have any questions regarding your fire inspection please do not hesitate to reach me by phone; 908-806-6314 or by email; dennis.concannon@raritantwpnj.gov.

Yours in Fire Safety,

Dennis B. Concannon, CFEI
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ORDINANCE NO. 20 –10 -2020
AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF KINGWOOD, COUNTY OF HUNTERDON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING TOWNSHIP CODE SECTION 76 FIRE PREVENTION TO ESTABLISH A DESIGNATED LOCAL ENFORCING AGENCY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE NEW JERSEY UNIFORM FIRE CODE

§ 76-7. Non-Life Hazard Uses; Registration, Inspections and Fees.

A. Registration. Non-life-hazard uses shall be registered with the local enforcing agency. Specifically, all non-life-hazard businesses and multiple-dwelling residential buildings in the Township of Kingwood shall register with the local enforcing agency on a form provided by the agency. New businesses and multiple-dwelling residential buildings must be registered within 30 days of occupancy. Failure to register will subject the owner of the business or multiple-dwelling residential building to a penalty of \$250 issued by the Fire Marshal.

B. Inspections. Non-life-hazard uses shall be inspected through a cyclical program established by the local enforcing agency which shall be done on a biannual basis.

C. Registration fees. The operator of a non-life-hazard business or multiple-dwelling residential building shall pay to the Raritan Township Bureau of Fire Prevention a registration fee. This fee shall be assessed upon inspection. The fee shall be as follows (square footage is based upon gross floor area of all floors, including basements):

1. As to business uses:

- a. Occupancy under 2,000 square feet: \$65.
- b. Occupancy 2,001 to 3,999 square feet: \$75.
- c. Occupancy 4,000 to 5,999 square feet: \$125.
- d. Occupancy 6,000 to 7,999 square feet: \$175.
- e. Occupancy 8,000 to 9,999 square feet: \$225.
- f. Occupancy 10,000 to 11,999 square feet: \$275.
- g. Occupancy 12,000 to 13,999 square feet: \$325.
- h. Occupancy over 14,000 square feet: \$375.
- i. Retail or commercial common area: \$175.

2. As to multiple-family residential dwellings:

- a. Multiple-family dwelling:
 - i. One to five units: \$100.
 - ii. Six to 25 units: \$125.
 - iii. Over 25 units: \$225.

D. Failure to pay registration fees. It shall be unlawful to refuse to pay the registration fee after being given notice to do so as per the fee schedule established by this subsection. Any penalties assessed are in addition to others previously assessed. Full payment shall be made within 30 days of issuance of the notice by Raritan Township for payment of the registration fee. If payment is not received in 30 days, the matter will be referred to the Raritan Township Attorney for summary collection pursuant to the Penalty Enforcement Law (N.J.S.A. 2A:58-10 et seq.). A minimum \$25 late penalty will be assessed.