The 2018 Somers Point Housing Element and Fair Share Plan replaces and supersedes the 2005 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and replaces in its entirety Section 5.2.3 in the 2015 Master Plan Reexamination.

# Housing Element & Fair **Share Plan** City of Somers Point New Jersey

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#### INTRODUCTION

According to the Fair Housing Act of 1985, a Housing Plan Element shall be designed to achieve the goal of access to affordable housing to meet present and prospective housing needs, with particular attention to low and moderate income housing.

This is the City of Somers Point's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (hereinafter "HEFSP") for the period between 1999 and 2025. On March 10, 2015, the Supreme Court ruled that the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (hereinafter "COAH") has failed to act and as a result, the Courts will be assuming jurisdiction over the Fair Housing Act. The Order divides municipalities into one of three categories – those that achieved Third Round Substantive Certification, those that filed or petitioned COAH and those that had never participated in the COAH process.

For a municipality like Somers Point that petitioned or "participated" in 2008, the Order allowed "participating" towns to file a Declaratory Judgment during a 30-day window (approximately June 8 – July 8) to alert the Court that the City wishes to comply with its constitutional mandate to provide affordable housing. Somers Point was proactive and filed its complaint for Declaratory Judgment on July 7, 2015 and subsequently prepared a new Housing Element and Fair Share Plan which was adopted by the Planning Board and endorsed by Council on or before December 31, 2018 for submission to the Court.

This HEFSP is prepared utilizing the Prior Round Rules<sup>1</sup> as well as the guidance provided in the March 10, 2015 Supreme Court Order (hereinafter "March 2015 Order"). As indicated by the Court Order, each municipality in the State still has a three-part obligation:

- 1. Rehabilitation Obligation,
- 2. Any remaining Prior Round Obligation that has not been constructed, and
- 3. Third Round Obligation.

At this time and at this particular point in the process resulting from the Supreme Courts Mount Laurel IV decision, fair share obligations have yet to be definitively determined. As such, it was appropriate to arrive at a settlement with Fair Share Housing Center (hereinafter "FSHC"), a Supreme Court – designated interested party, regarding the City's Third Round present and prospective need in lieu of though plenary adjudication of the present and prospective need. The plan as modified herein conforms to said agreement dated April 26, 2018 and satisfies the City's obligations under the <u>Mount Laurel</u> doctrine and Fair Housing Act of 985, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:27D-301 et seq. for the Prior Round (1987-1999) and Third Round (1999-2025) as presented and approved by the Court at a Fairness Hearing on June 1, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> N.J.A.C. 5:91 (Procedural) and N.J.A.C. 5:93(Substantive) Rules. They can be found at: <u>http://www.nj.gov/dca/services/lps/hss/statsandregs/secondroundregs.html</u>

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING HISTORY

A summary of Somers Point's historic affordable housing timeline is included below:

- November 18, 1998 | Final Adoption of Master Plan Reexamination Report with a Housing Element.
- **November 10, 2004** | Final Adoption of Master Plan Reexamination Report (Recommended the City prepare and adopt a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan).
- **September 2005** | Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC, UC Bass Harbor, LLC and Harbor Cove Marina, LLC filed a *Mount Laurel* builder's remedy litigation against the City.
- **September 2005** | Adopted a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, endorsed by Council and filed with COAH (2005 HEFSP was rejected by COAH because of pending litigation).
- October 27, 2005 | Adopted mandatory Development Fee Ordinance (Ordinance #16-2005).
- July 21, 2006 | Plantation Bay, LLC filed Mount Laurel builder's remedy litigation against the City.
- October 18, 2006 | Housing Element and Fair Share Compliance Plan (addressed prior round and anticipated Round 3 growth share obligation based on 2004 growth share rules).
- April 11, 2007 | Settlement agreement was entered between Bay Avenue Redevelopers LLC, Bass Harbor LLC, Harbor Cove Marina LLC and S.P. #2 (collectively "Bay Ave") and the City of Somers Point.
- May 2, 2007 | Adopted revised Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (addressed only prior round obligation since Round 3 obligation was uncertain).
- June 15, 2007 | Report issued by Mary Beth Lonergan, Special Master, supporting Bay Avenue settlement and Fair Share Plan with conditions.
- June 21, 2007 | A fairness hearing on the cumulative prior round Housing Element and Fair Share Plan as well as compliance hearing held. Development Fee Ordinance was also approved by the Court.
- July 9, 2007 | A second cycle judgement of compliance and repose was granted by Judge Perskie.
- September 22, 2007 | Amended Development Fee Ordinance (Ordinance #19-2007).
- October 2007 | City adopted Affordable Housing zones (AH-1, AH-2 and AH-3) Ordinance (Ordinance #20-2007).
- July 29, 2008 | Settlement agreement was entered between Plantation Bay, LLC and the City of Somers Point.
- March 5, 2009 | Judge Nugent issued Order granting temporary immunity and repose.
- February 25, 2011 | An order was issued to modify the 1927 deed restriction on the Greate Bay Golf Course to enable reconfiguration of the golf course and development of inclusionary housing.

- May 16, 2011 | Special Master Mary Beth Lonergan issued a Master's Report on Plantation Bay, LLC matter.
- June 16, 2011 | Letter submitted by Fair Share Housing Center (FSHC) to the Honorable Judge Isman regarding Plantation Bay, LLC v. City of Somers Point.
- June 16, 2011 | A fairness hearing on the settlement agreement was heard and a judgment entered between Somers Point and Plantation Bay, LLC.
- June 30, 2011 | An Order of Final Judgement in Plantation Bay, LLC v. City of Somers Point and a Modified Order granting continued temporary immunity and repose against exclusionary zoning and builder's remedy suits through the time of submission of a Third Round compliance plan once established by regulation, statute or decision of a court with appropriate jurisdiction were issued by Judge Isman.
- October 27, 2011 | City adopted Recreational Planned Unit Development Option (RPUD) Overlay Ordinance (Ordinance #16-2011).
- June 12, 2012 | Somers Point prepared a spending plan for the affordable housing trust fund and submitted the plan to COAH for review.
- July 9, 2012 | The 2012 spending plan was approved by Judge Isman.
- August 2012 | Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC filed a motion for relief from phasing requirements of the 2007 settlement agreement.
- **December 2012** | Special Master Mary Beth Lonergan issued a report on the motion.
- January 9, 2013 | An Order was issued by Judge Isman in Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC v. City of Somers Point denying plaintiff's motion to amend the settlement agreement so as to modify the phasing requirements as set forth therein.
- 2013/2014 | The City reached out to Bay Avenue Redevelopers to create alternatives for the area consistent with the inclusionary housing intent in the settlement agreement. The money originally intended to fund the RCAs would be used to create or support affordable housing in accordance with the spending plan.
- 2014 | The alternative zoning ideas were submitted to and discussed with Special Master Lonergan.
- June 26, 2014 | A case management conference was held with Judge Isman and the City was encouraged to continue and conclude its efforts to review the 2007 settlement agreement.
- June 27, 2014 | City Solicitor sends a letter to Kevin Walsh, Esq. of FSHC advising him of the case management conference discussion inviting his participation.
- January 2015 | Final adoption of Master Plan Reexamination Report.
- July 7, 2015 | City filed complaint for Declaratory Judgement.
- September 28, 2015 through August 31, 2018 | Series of Orders granting Petitioner City of Somers Point continuing grant of immunity from Mount Laurel lawsuits.

#### MUNICIPAL SUMMARY

Somers Point City, located on the Great Egg Harbor, is approximately 4 square miles in land area and 1.1 square mile in water area. The City is bounded to the northwest by Egg Harbor Township, Linden City to the northeast and the Bay to the south. Somers Point is a unique municipality within a unique county. The City is in all practical respects an "inclusionary" municipality as demonstrated by its demographic, economic and housing profiles. The City, being situate within Atlantic County, is suffering from the economic downturn and devastating closure of many of its casino related industries, major primary and secondary job losses within that market, burdensome tax increases imposed upon County residents as a result of declining property values and the inability of the City of Atlantic City, Atlantic County and the State of New Jersey to achieve a viable solution and relieve their sister municipalities such as Somers Point from carrying the burden of that downturn and the casino closings.

Unlike other urban and suburban municipalities within New Jersey, Somers Point is not a transit village community, nor situated in proximity to business centers where jobs are plentiful and does not have a diversity of employers which would attract new low- and moderate-income residents seeking either living spaces close to their employment or a transit link conveniently connecting to that employment.

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATION

The City of Somers Point along with approximately 220 other municipalities to create a consortium had retained Econsult Solutions to determine the City's present and prospective need obligations using methodology similar to the methodology utilized in the First and Second Round as directed by the March 2015 Order. Econsult Solutions report was issued December 30, 2015.

The City previously relied on Econsult Solutions' expert report for their Third Round calculated obligations. To date the validity of fair share obligations, as calculated by Econsult and others, have yet to be definitively determined. As such, the City and FSHC participated in mediation under the direction of the Court and agreed to settle the litigation and submit to the Court for review, recognizing that the settlement of <u>Mount Laurel</u> litigation is favored to achieve substantive certification without further delay and expense, in meeting the City's obligation for affordable housing. As outlined in said settlement agreement, FSHC and Somers Point agree that Somers Point's 3-part affordable housing obligation is as follows:

CITY OF SOMERS POINT: AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATION						
	Rehabilitation (Present Need)	Prior Round 1987-1999	Third Round (Prospective Need) 1999-2025			
Obligation	25² (per Kinsey report)	103 (pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93)	246*			

\*Per Kinsey report as adjusted through settlement agreement.

Under the Prior Round Rules (5:93-4.1), municipalities are permitted to seek adjustments. The Rules indicate that there may be instances where a municipality can exhaust an entire resource (land, water or sewer) and still not be able to provide a realistic opportunity for affordable housing. Subchapter 4 provides the standards and procedures for municipalities to demonstrate that the municipal response to its housing obligation is limited by the lack of land, water or sewer.

Somers Point has limited land resources and therefore, has conducted a Vacant Land Adjustment (hereinafter "VLA") analysis using the latest tax data and environmental data available to determine a Realistic Development Potential (hereinafter "RDP") for affordable housing. The City has relied on N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2 to determine the City's RDP to meet its obligation. The following section details the results of the VLA.

#### VACANT LAND ADJUSTMENT ANALYSIS

This office has prepared a VLA analysis as per the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2 (the results of the VLA can be found in Appendix A). An exhaustive analysis of all vacant properties<sup>3</sup> has been conducted utilizing 2014 MOD-IV tax data from the New Jersey Geographic Information Network. Next, the environmental constraint layers were added to the Geographic Information Systems (hereinafter "GIS") map to determine the area, if any, of vacant parcels that is environmentally constrained. Environmental constraints reviewed include the following:

- New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (hereinafter "NJDEP") water bodies
- NJDEP wetlands with 50 foot buffer
- NJDEP C-1 waters with 300 foot buffer
- FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area (Preliminary Flood Hazard Zones A, AO, AE, V and VE)
- Steep slopes (15%) interpolated from U.S. Geological Survey 10 foot contours by Maser Consulting using ArcGIS 3D Analyst

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> David N. Kinsey, PhD, PP, FAICP, New Jersey low and moderate income housing obligations for 1999-2025 calculated using the NJ COAH Prior Round (1987-1999) methodology, July 2015 thru April 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Vacant land includes Class 1 Vacant, Class 3A Farm, Class 3B Qualified Farm, Class 15C Public Land owned by the City that is not developed and not open space.

Environmentally-constrained areas are removed from a parcel, resulting in vacant and buildable acres. For example, if Lot A contained 35 acres, but 20 acres were encumbered by wetlands and a C-1 waterway, then Lot A would have 15 buildable acres. Based on this, Lot A is developable and included in the VLA.

Next, the analysis removed properties with:

- Recent Certificates of Occupancy
- Recent subdivision and/or site plan approvals that have yet to commence construction or are under construction
- Approvals for single-family homes that have yet to commence construction or are under construction

Once each lot's buildable acreage was determined, the analysis identified properties that could be developed with at least five housing units at the minimum presumptive density of eight dwelling units per acre (lots with at least 0.625 acres). Additionally, properties that could be developed with less than five housing units at eight dwelling units per acre were identified as potential infill development.

As outlined in the Vacant Land Analysis report in Appendix A, the City of Somers Point contains 135 parcels that are "vacant". Of those, the majority of parcels are either environmentally constrained or qualify only as potential infill development that result in a buildable acreage that doesn't qualify under realistic development criteria. Environmental constraints within Somers Point include wetlands, steep slopes, a C-1 waterway and its associated buffer as well as a FEMA flood hazard area. There are seventeen properties that are undersized (i.e. less than 0.125 acres) and 11 lots that are labeled infill. Infill lots are between 0.125 and 0.625 acres in size and could potentially be developed in the future with something like a single-family home.

After excluding vacant properties per the exclusion criteria mentioned above, there are **16 individual parcels** that make up **six contiguous properties** that are vacant and potentially developable for inclusionary housing (see Vacant Land Inventory List in Appendix A). The list below provides a description of each contiguous property that is potentially developable. See the Vacant Land Map in Appendix A for the location of each property.

- Block 511, Lots 1 and 17 The two parcels are owned by a private entity and contain 1.67 acres. The tract is located on the southeast corner of the Shore Road (County Route 585) and East Pierson Avenue intersection. There are no environmental constraints present on the property, therefore all 1.67 acres are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 developable units (hereinafter "du") per acre in PA1, the property could be developed with a total of 13 units, resulting in a realistic development potential (hereinafter "RDP") of 3 units.
- 2. Block 719, Lot 15 The parcel is owned by a private entity and contains approximately 0.66 acres. The property is located on the north side of West Groveland Avenue, to the west of a Rite Aid. The property is not environmentally constrained, therefore all 0.66 acres of the property are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1, the property could yield 5 units, resulting in an RDP or 1 unit.

- 3. Block 911, Lots 6 and 8 These parcels are owned by a private entity and contain approximately 0.75 acres. Lot 6 is located on the north side of East Maryland Avenue while Lot 8 is located on the corner of East Maryland Avenue and Sunny Avenue. According to aerial imagery and Google Streetview, Lot 6 is developed with a gravel area for trailer and boat storage as well as a shipping container. Lot 8, on the other hand is undeveloped. The tract is not environmentally constrained; therefore all 0.75 acres of the tract are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1, the tract could be developed with 5 units, resulting in an RDP of 1 unit.
- 4. Block 914, Lot 1 This property is owned by a private entity and encompasses 1.43 acres. The property is located behind properties with frontage on the south side of West Groveland Avenue just before the intersection with Bethel Road. Although the property does not have frontage on an existing street, the property could be accessed by the Paper Street known as West Maryland Avenue that extends north from Marks Road. The property is not environmentally constrained; therefore all 1.43 acres of the property are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1, the property could yield a total of 11 units, resulting in an RDP of 2 units.
- 5. Block 1423, Lots 8.01, 8.02 and 8.03 and Block 1424, Lots 13.01, 13.02, 13.03 and 15.01 This group of parcels are owned by a private entity and total 1.33 acres. It should be noted that while these properties do not have any frontage on an existing street, a paper street, called 9<sup>th</sup> Street on the City Tax Maps, separates Block 1423 and 1424 and provides frontage to all properties excluding Lot 15.01. No area of the property is environmentally constrained; therefore all 1.33 acres of the property are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1, the property could be developed with 10 units, resulting in an RDP of 2 units.
- 6. Block 1715, Lots 1 and 8 and Block 1815, Lots 3 and 8 This tract of land is owned by a private entity and contains approximately 2.56 acres. Block 1715, Lot 1 has frontage on Center Street while Block 1815, Lot 3 has frontage on MacArthur Boulevard. Block 1715, Lot 8 and Block 1815, Lot 8 are interior parcels that connect the two parcels with frontage making the site contiguous. The property is undeveloped, however aerial imagery and Google Street view show grading and clearing has occurred. Additionally, curb cuts and access driveways from MacArthur Boulevard onto Block 1815, Lot 3 have been created. The property does not contain any environmental constraints; therefore all 2.56 acres of the property are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1, the property could be developed with a total of 20 units, rustling in an RDP of 4 units.

Based on the parcel-by-parcel VLA analysis, together, the developable properties could yield a total of 64 units resulting in an RDP of 13 units for the City of Somers Point.

The VLA that has been prepared has utilized the most recent GIS data to accurately determine the Realistic Development Potential for the City. This analysis is <u>not</u> based on Census data and generalized assumptions regarding developable land, but rather on a site-by-site analysis of parcels within the City of Somers Point. An adjustment is sought due to a shortfall of Realistic Development Potential versus the City's Prior and Third Round obligations.

#### Unmet Need

The RDP has been calculated to be 13; therefore, the unmet need is the result of subtracting the RDP (13) from the Third Round obligation. Using the Third Round obligation of 246 units results in an unmet need of 233 units (246-13=233).

Per the terms of the Settlement Agreement with FSHC, it was agreed that if a final unappealable decision of a court of competent jurisdiction over this matter, including the Appellate Division and New Jersey Supreme Court, or a determination by an administrative agency responsible for implementing the Fair Housing Act, or an action by the New Jersey Legislature, would result in a calculation of an obligation for the City for the period 1999-2025 that would be lower by more than twenty (20%) percent than the total prospective Third Round need obligation established in said Agreement, and if that calculation is memorialized in an unappealable final judgment, the City may seek to amend the judgment in this matter to reduce its fair share obligation accordingly. FSHC agreed to support such an application to amend if filed by the City unless FSHC has a factual or legal basis to believe that the criteria set forth above have not been met. It was further agreed that in the event such final decision, administrative determination, or legislation shall not include a specific obligation number for the City of Somers Point, and in the further event the City of Somers Point shall request FSHC to make an adjustment to the City's Third Round Obligation set forth in the Settlement Agreement, they shall make a good faith effort to agree upon the Third Round Obligation number for the City using the state-wide need number and I or Region 6 number, and I or formula(s) I methodology(ies) set forth within such final decision. If FSHC and the City of Somers Point are unable to agree within forty (45) days following receipt of the request, both parties agree to participate in Court-supervised mediation with a retired Mount Laurel judge or other mediator acceptable to the parties in an attempt to resolve this matter prior to adversarial motion practice on this issue.

Notwithstanding any such reduction, the City shall be obligated to adopt a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan that conforms to the terms of the Settlement Agreement and to implement all compliance mechanisms included in said Agreement, including by adopting or leaving in place any site specific zoning adopted or relied upon in connection with the Plan adopted pursuant to said Agreement; taking all steps necessary to support the development of any 100% affordable developments referenced therein; maintaining all mechanisms to address unmet need; and otherwise fulfilling fully the fair share obligations as established therein. The reduction of the City's obligation below that established in the Settlement Agreement does not provide a basis for seeking leave to amend said Agreement or seeking leave to amend an order or judgment pursuant to  $\underline{R}$ . 4:50-1. If the City prevails in reducing its prospective need for the Third Round, the City may carry over any resulting extra credits to future rounds in conformance with the then-applicable law. (Refer to Settlement Agreement – Item #14).

#### CITY GOAL

It is the City's goal through this HEFSP, in combination with the proposed mechanisms, to provide the planning context in which access to low and moderate income housing can be provided in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement, the requirements of the Fair Housing Act and the laws of the State of New Jersey, while respecting the character and density of the City of Somers Point.

## HOUSING ELEMENT

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#### I. CONTENT OF HOUSING ELEMENT

The Fair Housing Act requires that "the housing element be designed to achieve the goal of access to affordable housing to meet present and prospective housing needs, with particular attention to low and moderate-income housing." As per the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law, specifically N.J.S.A. 52:27D-310, a housing element must contain at least the following items:

- An inventory of the municipality's housing stock by age, condition, purchase or rental value, occupancy characteristics and type, including the number of units affordable to low and moderate-income households and substandard housing capable of being rehabilitated;
- Construction of low and moderate-income housing for the next ten years, taking into account, but not necessarily limited to, construction permits issued, approvals of applications for development and probable residential development of lands;
- An analysis of the municipality's demographic characteristics, including but not necessarily limited to, household size, income level and age;
- An analysis of the existing jobs and employment characteristics of the municipality, and a projection of the probable future jobs and employment characteristics of the municipality;
- A determination of the municipality's present and prospective fair share for low and moderate-income housing and its capacity to accommodate its housing needs, including its fair share for low and moderate-income housing; and
- A consideration of the lands that are most appropriate for construction of low and moderate-income housing and of the existing structures most appropriate for conversion to, or rehabilitation for, low and moderate-income housing, including a consideration of lands of developers who have expressed a commitment to provide low and moderateincome housing.

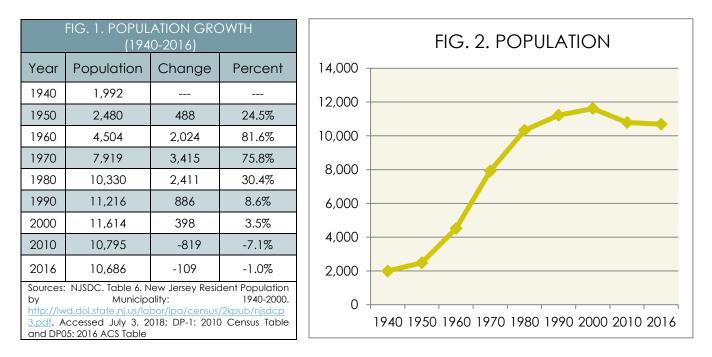
Additionally, the rules require the following items:

- A map of all sites designated by the municipality to produce low and moderate-income housing and a listing of each site that includes its owner, acreage, lot and block. The owner, acreage, lot and block are included in each site description. The Appendix includes maps for each existing and proposed site.
- The location and capacities of existing and proposed water and sewer lines and facilities relevant to the designated sites.
- Copies of necessary applications for amendments to, or consistency determinations regarding, applicable area-wide water quality management plans (including waste water management plans).

• A copy of the most recently adopted municipal master plan and where required, the immediately preceding, adopted master plan.

#### **II. SOMERS POINT POPULATION DEMOGRAPHICS**

Somers Point has a current population of 10,686 persons according to the 2016 American Community Survey (ACS). Somers Point went through a period of growth from 1940 to 1980, during which the city grew by over five times its 1940 population. The City grew steadily from 1980-2000. The population has since entered a period of decline from 2000-2016 (see Figures 1 and 2).



As shown in Figure 3, The South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPO) projects that the city's population will grow by 1,062 residents by 2040. This represents a 12.1 percent increase over 30 years, or an annualized increase of 0.40 percent. To achieve this, Somers Point would need to grow by approximately 44 residents each year. As shown in Figure 1, Somers Point's population has decreased by an average of 18 residents annually since 2010. Based on these recent trends, Somers Point does not anticipate significant population growth by 2025.

FIG. 3. PERMANENT POPULATION PROJECTION						
Year	Population	Change	Percent			
2000	11,614					
2010	10,795	-819	-7.1%			
2040	12,100	1, 305	12.1%			
Source: DP-1: 2000 and 2010 Census Tables; SJTPO. Appendix C.2. 2010-2040 Year- Round Population and Household Projections by County and Municipality, 2016. <u>http://www.sitpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/Appendix-C-Demographic-</u> Forecast-7-25-2016-Final.pdf. Accessed July 3, 2018.						

#### AGE DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION

In 2016, 15.6 percent of the population was 65 years or older. The percentage of school-aged children, aged 19 or younger, comprised approximately 23.5 percent of the City's total population. The 2016 ACS indicates that the City's median age was 41.2 years old in 2016, a marginal increase from the year 2000 median age of 38.4 years old<sup>4</sup>. For comparison, the estimated 2016 median age was 40.8 in Atlantic County and 39.5 statewide (see Figures 4, 5, and 6).



Source: DP05: 2016 ACS Table

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Summary File 1 (SF 1) 100-Percent Data. [Table P013]

FIG 6. AGE DISTRIBUTION						
Age Group	Somers Point City		Atlantic County		New Jersey	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
Under 5 years	619	5.8%	16,155	5.9%	528,509	5.9%
5 to 9 years	657	6.1%	15,734	5.7%	550,627	6.2%
10 to 14 years	622	5.8%	17,905	6.5%	574,364	6.4%
15 to 19 years	614	5.7%	18,060	6.6%	579,261	6.5%
20 to 24 years	763	7.1%	18,882	6.9%	570,148	6.4%
25 to 34 years	1,478	13.8%	32,503	11.9%	1,147,169	12.9%
35 to 44 years	1,118	10.5%	32,596	11.9%	1,170,011	13.1%
45 to 54 years	1,391	13.0%	40,736	14.9%	1,332,561	14.9%
55 to 59 years	966	9.0%	19,993	7.3%	625,355	7.0%
60 to 64 years	796	7.4%	17,967	6.6%	525,160	5.9%
65 to 74 years	943	8.8%	24,862	9.1%	726,212	8.1%
75 to 84 years	484	4.5%	13,142	4.8%	390,880	4.4%
85 years and over	235	2.2%	5,491	2.0%	195,199	2.2%
Total	1	0,686	2	74,026	8,915	5,456
Median Age		41.2		40.8	39	.5
Source: DP05: 2016 ACS Table						

#### HOUSEHOLD SIZE & TYPE

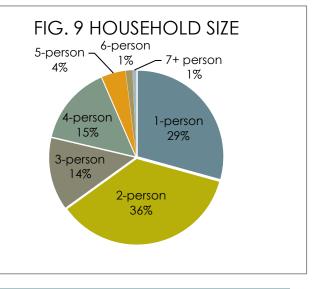
According to the 2016 ACS, Somers Point had a total of 4,384 households, including 2,751 family households (62.8 percent) and 1,633 non-family households (37.2 percent). Non-family households include persons living alone or a householder who is not related to any of the other persons sharing their home (Figure 7).

FIG. 7. HOUSEHOLD TYPE AND SIZE				
Туре	Number	Percent		
Family Households (families)	2,751	62.8%		
Married-couple family	1,585	36.2%		
With own children of the householder under 18 years	533	12.2%		
Male Householder, no wife present, family	368	8.4%		
Female Householder, no husband present, family	798	18.2%		
Nonfamily Households	1,633	37.2%		
Male living alone	486	11.1%		
Female living alone	798	18.2%		
Total	4,384	100.0%		
Source: DP02: 2016 ACS Table, B09019: 2016 ACS Table	•			

As shown in Figures 8 and 9, the most common household size within Somers Point in 2016 was a two-person household, which comprised 35.8 percent of households. Similarly, the second most common was a one-person household, representing 29.3 percent of all households. Households of more than two persons comprised 34.9 percent of all households within the City. The average

household size in 2016 was 2.43, which is marginally higher than the household size of 2.32 reported in 2010  $^{5}$ .

FIG 8. HOUSEHOLD SIZE						
Size	Total	Percent				
1-person	1,284	29.3%				
2-person	1,568	35.8%				
3-person	597	13.6%				
4-person	650	14.8%				
5-person	198	4.5%				
6-person	55	1.3%				
7+ person	32	0.7%				
Total 4,384 100.0%						
Source: B25009: 2016 AC	Source: B25009: 2016 ACS Table					



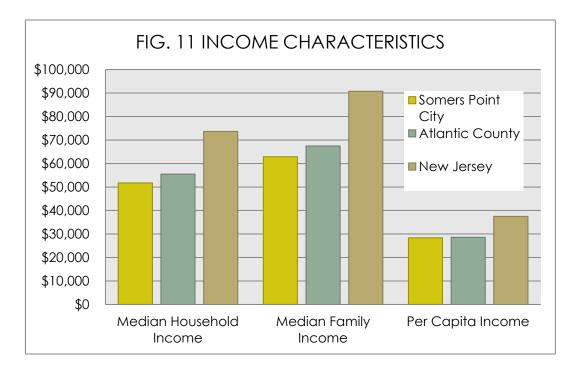
#### INCOME & POVERTY STATUS

As shown in Figures 10 and 11, the 2016 ACS reported that Somers Point had a median household income of \$51,752 and median family household income of \$62,901. Per capita income was estimated to be \$28,381. All three income indicators for Somers Point were lower than the comparable indicators for Atlantic County and the rest of the State.

Somers Point's poverty rates for individuals and for families were higher than that of the New Jersey but lower than that of Atlantic County. In Somers Point, 12.8 percent of individuals and 10.3 percent of families were in poverty in 2016.

FIG 10. INCOME CHARACTERISTICS					
Income Type	Somers Point City	Atlantic County	New Jersey		
Median Household Income	\$51,752	\$55,456	\$73,702		
Median Family Income	\$62,901	\$67,475	\$90,757		
Per Capita Income	\$28,381	\$28,575	\$37,538		
Poverty Status (Percent of People)	12.8%	15.5%	10.9%		
Poverty Status (Percent of Families)	10.3%	12.1%	8.1%		
Source: DP03: 2016 ACS Table	Source: DP03: 2016 ACS Table				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2010 American Community Survey; 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates [Table B25010]



According to the 2016 ACS, a plurality of Somers Point households earned between \$50,000 to \$74,999 per year (18.9 percent). The proportion of Somers Point households earning less than \$50,000 per year was 48.0 percent, compared to 45.5 percent of Atlantic County's households and 35.0 percent of New Jersey's households. An estimated 2.5 percent of households within Somers Point earned over \$200,000 per year (see Figure 12).

FIG 12. HOUSEHOLD INCOME						
	Somers Point City		Atlantic County		New Jersey	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
Less than \$10,000	240	5.5%	6,269	6.2%	174,835	5.5%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	145	3.3%	4,920	4.9%	119,850	3.8%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	576	13.1%	11,347	11.2%	254,536	8.0%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	508	11.6%	9,675	9.6%	241,137	7.5%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	634	14.5%	13,751	13.6%	329,401	10.3%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	828	18.9%	18,037	17.8%	500,967	15.7%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	537	12.2%	12,054	11.9%	394,405	12.3%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	553	12.6%	13,820	13.7%	549,595	17.2%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	255	5.8%	6,364	6.3%	286,629	9.0%
\$200,000 or more	108	2.5%	4,846	4.8%	343,659	10.8%
Total	4,384	100.0%	101,083	100.0%	3,195,014	100.0%
Source: DP03: 2016 ACS Table						

#### **III. SOMERS POINT HOUSING DEMOGRAPHICS**

#### HOUSING TYPE

According to the 2016 ACS, there were 5,336 housing units in Somers Point, including 4,384 occupied units and 952 vacant housing units. The City's housing stock includes single-family detached, single-family attached (i.e. townhomes), multi-family dwellings and mobile homes. As shown in Figure 13, single-family detached dwellings comprised 54.6 percent of the City, while townhouse and multi-family dwellings accounted for 45.2 percent of the City's housing stock.

FIG 13. HOUSING TYPE BY UNITS IN STRUCTURE				
Unit Type	Number of Units	Percent		
1, Detached	2,916	54.6%		
1, Attached	262	4.9%		
2	357	6.7%		
3 or 4	236	4.4%		
5 to 9	264	4.9%		
10 to 19	943	17.7%		
20 or more	349	6.5%		
Mobile Home	9	0.2%		
Other	0	0.0%		
Total	5,336	100.0%		
Source: DP04: 2016 ACS Table				

#### OCCUPANCY STATUS

The 2016 ACS reports that Somers Point's occupied housing stock was nearly split between owner-occupied and renter-occupied units, with 55.7 percent and 44.3 percent, respectively. As shown in Figure 14, Somers Point's vacancy rate was 17.8 percent, which comes from mostly seasonal units (54.2 percent) as well as "other" (23.3 percent), units listed for rent (17.5 percent) and units listed for sale only (3.6 percent).

The 2016 average household size in Somers Point was 2.43 persons, while the average family size was 3.03 persons. Comparing tenure, the average owner-occupied household size was 2.49 persons while the average renter-occupied household size was 2.36 persons in 2016<sup>6</sup>.

FIG 14. OCCUPANCY STATUS				
	Households	Percent		
Occupied Total	4,384	82.2%		
Owner Occupied	2,440	55.7%		
Renter Occupied	1,944	44.3%		
Vacant Total	952	17.8%		
For rent	167	17.5%		
Rented, not occupied	13	1.4%		
For sale only	34	3.6%		
Sold, not occupied	0	0.0%		
Seasonal	516	54.2%		
For migrant workers	0	0.0%		
Other	222	23.3%		
Total 5,336 100.0%				
Source: DP04 & B25004: 2016 ACS	Tables			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates [Table B25010]

#### VALUE & RENT OF HOUSING STOCK

Of Somers Point's 2,440 estimated owneroccupied housing units, most of homes were valued between \$200,000 and \$299,000 (43.5 percent). According to COAH's Illustrative 2014 Low and Moderate-Income Sales Prices for New Construction in Region 6, a two-bedroom home can have a maximum sales price of \$117,986 to qualify as a moderate income affordable unit. Approximately 163 existing housing units in Somers Point were valued below \$100,000<sup>7</sup> (see Figure 15).

FIG 15. VALUE OF OWNER OCCUPIED UNITS				
Value	Number of Units	Percent		
Less than \$199,999	1,019	41.8%		
\$200,000 to \$299,999	1,062	43.5%		
\$300,000 to \$499,999	295	12.1%		
\$500,000 to \$999,999	59	2.4%		
\$1,000,000 or more	5	0.2%		
Total	2,440	100.0%		
Source: DP04: 2016 ACS Table				

The 2016 median estimated gross rent for the

City was \$984. More than half (52.9%) of the City's rental units had rents less than \$1,000 and 33.5 percent had rents between \$1,000 and \$1,499.

#### CONDITION OF HOUSING STOCK

The U.S. Census does not classify housing units as standard or substandard, but it does provide other indicators that can be used to calculate an estimate of the substandard housing units that are occupied by low and moderate-income households. This methodology is based on three surrogate indicators from the census data: 1) units with incomplete kitchens, 2) units with incomplete plumbing, and 3) old and overcrowded units. This methodology was used by COAH in its Third Round Rules and has been upheld by the New Jersey Appellate Division. COAH and the courts have recognized that this methodology results in an estimate based on the surrogate statistics and that the actual number of deficient dwellings may vary. According to 2016 ACS estimates as shown in Figure 16, of the 4,384 occupied dwellings in Somers Point, all homes contained complete kitchen facilities and had complete plumbing, while only 4 homes did not have adequate heat (based on the sum of occupied housing units heated by coal or coke, or wood).

FIG 16. CONDITION OF HOUSING STOCK				
Fuel Type	Number of Units	Percent of Occupied Units		
Lack of complete plumbing	0	0.0%		
Lack of complete kitchen	0	0.0%		
Lack of adequate heat	4	0.1%		
Total	4	0.1%		
Source: DP-04: 2016 ACS Table				

<sup>7</sup> NJDCA. New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing: 2014 Affordable Housing Regional Income Limits. <u>http://www.nj.gov/dca/services/lps/hss/admin\_files/calculators/illustrativesales.xlsx</u>. Accessed July 3, 2018. Research has demonstrated that units built 50 or more years ago are much more likely to be in substandard condition. For this purpose, housing units built in 1959 or earlier are considered "old". According to 2016 ACS data, there were 1,636 homes in Somers Point that were built prior to 1959. Approximately 10.4 percent of the housing stock was constructed in 1939 or earlier. An estimated 31.5 percent of homes were constructed between 1960 and 1969. Less than 4 percent of the housing was constructed between 2000 and 2010, and only 10 housing units have been built since 2010 (see Figures 17 and 18).

FIG 17. AGE OF HOUSING STOCK			FIG 18. Age of Housing Stock
Year Built	Number of Units	Percent	2014 or later
1939 or earlier	555	10.4%	2010 to 2013
1940 to 1949	273	5.1%	2000 to 2009
1950 to 1959	808	15.1%	1990 to 1999
1960 to 1969	1,682	31.5%	
1970 to 1979	1,031	19.3%	1980 to 1989
1980 to 1989	554	10.4%	1970 to 1979
1990 to 1999	235	4.4%	1960 to 1969
2000 to 2009	188	3.5%	1950 to 1959
2010 to 2013	10	0.2%	1940 to 1949
2014 or later	0	0.0%	1939 or earlier
Total	5,336	100.0%	0 500 1,000 1,500 2,000
Source: DP04: 2016 ACS Table			

Overcrowded units are defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as those with more than one person living per room. According to the 2016 ACS, the Somers Point contained 99 units estimated to have more than 1 occupant per room (see Figure 19).

FIG 19. OCCUPANTS PER ROOM						
Occupants	Number of Units	Percent				
1.00 or less	4,285	97.7%				
1.01 to 1.50	83	1.9%				
1.51 or more	16	0.4%				
Total	4,384	100.0%				
Source: DP04: 2016 ACS Table						

If the data shows that there are 1,636 "old" units and 99 "overcrowded" units, then there can be no more than 99 old and overcrowded units. Therefore, based on the 2016 ACS data, there are 0 homes with incomplete kitchens and at most 99 old and overcrowded homes, for an estimated maximum of 99 substandard homes in Somers Point.

#### IV. SOMERS POINT EMPLOYMENT DEMOGRAPHICS

#### WORKING POPULATION

The 2016 ACS reports that there were 5,929 residents in the labor force, of which 5,461 were employed and 468 were unemployed. Many working residents within the City were private wage and salary workers, making up 73.7 percent of the workforce. Approximately 12 percent of workers were government employees and approximately 6 percent were self-employed. As compared to the 2010 ACS, Somers Point lost an estimated 61 persons in its civilian labor force population during the six-year period. In 2010, there were no residents in the armed forces; in 2016 there were 74. As shown in Figure 20, total labor force participation (civilian and armed forces) increased by 13 persons from 2010 to 2016. Additionally, the unemployed population decreased from 485 to 468 persons<sup>8</sup>.

FIG 20. CLASS OF WORKER								
Class of Worker	Number of Workers	Percent						
Private wage and salary workers	4,367	73.7%						
Government workers	727	12.3%						
Self-employed workers	367	6.2%						
Unpaid family workers	0	0.0%						
Total employed residents	5,461	92.1%						
Total unemployed residents	468	7.9%						
Civilian residents in workforce	5,929	100.0%						
Source: DP03: 2016 ACS Table								

#### OCCUPATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS

The 2016 ACS shown in Figure 21 estimates that 29.4 percent of the City's employed residents worked in management, professional and related occupations. An estimated 29.3 percent of the employed population held service jobs, while 22.6 percent held sales and office jobs. Natural resource, construction, maintenance and production, transportation and material moving jobs made up the remaining jobs of the employed residents (approximately 8 percent of employed residents each job category).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-2010 American Community Survey [Table DP03]

FIG 21. EMPLOYED CIVILIAN POPULATION BY OCCUPATION (AGE 16 YEARS OR OLDER)							
Occuration	Somer	s Point City	Atlantic County				
Occupation	Total	Percent	Total	Percent			
Management, professional, and related	1,607	29.4%	38,186	29.9%			
Service	1,598	29.3%	37,855	29.6%			
Sales and office	1,262	23.1%	30,603	24.0%			
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance	591	10.8%	10,326	8.1%			
Production, transportation, and material moving	403	7.4%	10,733	8.4%			
Total	5,461	100.0%	127,703	100.0%			
Source: DP03: 2016 ACS Table							

#### IN-PLACE EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

New Jersey's Department of Labor and Workforce Development (NJDLWD) is the entity that reports on employment and wages within the State of New Jersey. The latest municipal-level report was completed in 2016. According to this report, there were 5,423 private sector jobs within the City, which were provided by 342 employers. These were actual jobs within Somers Point – the daytime working population regardless of where the employee lives.

According to the data shown in Figure 22, the health/social sector was the largest employer in the City, providing an average of 1,844 jobs, largely due to Shore Medical Center and its partners and affiliates<sup>9</sup>. The retail trade industry provided an average of 1,278 jobs, or 24.7 percent of the private sector jobs in Somers Point. The accommodations/ food industry was another large contributor of jobs with an estimated 1,161 jobs. Details for some industry sectors are not disclosed by NJDLWD due to privacy concerns of the businesses in those sectors but are still calculated in the total.

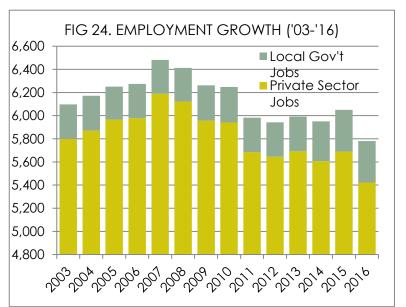
FIG 22. EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR AND NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES (2016)								
la distant	Estab	lishments	Emp	Annual				
Industry	Total	Percent	Total	Percent	Wages			
Agriculture		-	Unrepor	ted-				
Construction	29	8.9%	252	4.9%	\$59,978			
Manufacturing		-1	Unreport	ed-				
Wholesale Trade	8	2.5%	39	0.8%	\$40,912			
Retail Trade	59	18.2%	1,278	24.7%	\$32,122			
Transportation/Warehousing		-	Unrepor	ted-				
Information		-	Unrepor	ted-				
Finance/Insurance	13	4.0%	93	1.8%	\$57,829			
Real Estate	6	1.8%	16	0.3%	\$42,800			
Professional/Technical	34	10.5%	247	4.8%	\$31,955			
Management			-Unrepoi	rted-				
Admin/Waste Remediation	20	6.2%	72	1.4%	\$35,441			
Education			-Unrepoi	rted-				
Health/Social	65	20.0%	1,844	35.6%	\$75,016			
Arts/Entertainment			-Unrepoi	rted-				
Accommodations/Food	56	17.2%	1,161	22.4%	\$19,549			
Other Services	35	10.8%	174	3.4%	\$19,588			
Unclassified			-Unrepoi	rted-				
Private Sector Total (unadjusted)1	342		5,423		\$44,953			
Local Govt Totals	5	71.4%	358	85.6%	\$56,434			
Local Govt Education	4	57.1%	257	61.5%	\$55,179			
State Govt Totals	1		26		\$34,720			
Federal Govt Totals	1	14.3%	34	8.1%	\$59,662			
Public Sector Total	7	100.0%	418	100.0%	\$55,179			
Source: NJDLWD. Mur https://www.nj.gov/labor/lpa/emp 1: Private sectors totals and avera			<u>x.html</u> . Ac	ccessed July 3	3, 2018.			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> City of Somers Point. <u>http://www.somerspointgov.org/main/about.asp</u>. Accessed June 27, 2018.

#### EMPLOYMENT TRENDS

The NJDLWD provides historic data reporting annual trends in employment and wages covered by unemployment insurance from 2003 to 2016 depicted in Figures 23 and 24. In 2003, Somers Point had an average of 5,799 private sector jobs and 298 local government jobs (including local education). According to the data, the 2016 employment was the lowest during the thirteen-year period, despite the job growth seen from 2003 to 2007. Jobs in the private sector have seen a net decrease of 376 jobs (6.48 percent) since 2003, while local government jobs have had a net increase of 60 jobs (20.1 percent). At the City's peak in 2007, there were on average 6,188 private sector jobs and 294 local government jobs, for a total of 6, 482 jobs in Somers Point. Based on the trends since 2007, the City of Somers Point does not foresee significant job growth within the next ten years. The City would expect that there may be some fluctuations from year to year, but the range would likely remain between 5,000 to 6,000 jobs by 2025.

FIG 23. EMPLOYMENT GROWTH (2003-2016)							
Year	Private Sector Jobs	Local Gov't Jobs	Total Jobs				
2003	5,799	298	6,097				
2004	5,871	301	6,172				
2005	5,966	285	6,251				
2006	5,979	296	6,275				
2007	6,188	294	6,482				
2008	6,122	290	6,412				
2009	5,958	304	6,262				
2010	5,941	307	6,248				
2011	5,686	297	5,982				
2012	5,645	298	5,943				
2013	5,693	299	5,992				
2014	5,607	343	5,950				
2015	5,689	361	6,050				
2016	5,423	358	5,781				
Source: NJDLWD. Municipal Report by Sector (NAICS), 2003- 2016. https://www.nj.gov/labor/lpa/employ/gcew/gcew_index.html. Accessed July 3, 2018. Note: Local Government Jobs does not include Federal or							



#### EMPLOYMENT PROJECTIONS

The SJTPO estimates that employment within Somers Point will grow by 1,100 jobs between 2015 and 2040. This equates to an average of 44 new jobs per year for the next 25 years (see Figure 25). The City of Somers Point does not foresee significant job growth based on trending data since 2015 and expects actual job growth to be below this average for the next ten years.

FIG 25. YEAR-ROUND EMPLOYMENT PROJECTION							
Year	Jobs	Jobs Change Percent					
2015	7,900						
2040	9,000	1,100	13.9%				
Source: SJTPO. Appendix C.3. 2010-2040 Year-Round Employment Projections by County and Municipality, 2016. <u>http://www.sitpo.org/wp-</u> content/uploads/2016/07/Appendix-C-Demographic-Forecast-7-25-2016- <u>Final.pdf</u> . Accessed July 3, 2018.							

#### PLACE OF WORK

The 2016 ACS provides statistics on place of work in relation to the state, county and municipality of residence. Of the 5,369 employed Somers Point residents surveyed, 1,052 persons (19.6 percent) were employed within the City. Thus, 80.4 percent of Somers Point residents worked outside of the City (see Figure 26). Somers Point had a lower ratio of residents who worked in their municipality of residences than the rest of Atlantic County and the State of New Jersey. According to Commuting Flows from the 2009-2013 ACS made available by the NJDLWD, Somers Point residents who worked outside the city but within the county commuted to Atlantic City, the Township of Egg Harbor, the City of Linwood, and other major job centers. Residents who worked outside Atlantic County but inside the state mostly worked in Ocean City and other coastal or greater Philadelphia area cities and townships in nearby Cape May, Burlington, and Cumberland counties. Of the residents who worked outside the NJDLWD data<sup>10</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> NJDLWD. Residence MCD/County to Workplace MCD/County Commuting Flows for the United States and Puerto Rico Sorted by Residence Geography: 5-Year ACS, 2009-2013. <u>https://www.nj.gov/labor/lpa/acs/2010/commute\_ndx.html</u>. Accessed July 2, 2018.

FIG 26. PLACE OF WORK								
Place of Work		ers Point City	Atlanti	c County	New Jersey			
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent	Total	Percent		
Within City	1,052	19.6%	34,197	27.5%	866,987	20.5%		
Outside of City, within County	2,979	55.5%	66,891	53.7%	1,418,109	33.5%		
Outside of County, within New Jersey	1,119	20.8%	19,356	15.5%	1,364,506	32.2%		
Outside of New Jersey	219	4.1%	4,070	3.3%	583,990	13.8%		
Total Employed	5	,369	124	4,514	4,233,592			
Source: 2016 ACS 5-yee Civil Division Level	Source: 2016 ACS 5-year estimates: Place of Work: B08007-State And County Level & B08009-Minor							

#### TRAVEL TIME TO WORK

A majority of Somers Point residents who do not work from home commute less than 30 minutes (73.5 percent) to their place of work, including 27.9 percent who commute less than fifteen minutes (see Figure 27). Only 9.1 percent of residents' commute for longer than one hour. As previously mentioned, large numbers of Somers Point residents work in Atlantic City, the Township of Egg Harbor, the City of Linwood, Ocean City and other shoreline cities and townships near Somers Point. Of those residents that commute for over a half hour, it is likely they work in the greater Philadelphia area or in townships and cities farther into Burlington, Cape May, and Cumberland counties<sup>11,12</sup>.

FIG 27. COMMUTE TIME							
Travel Time (in minutes)	Number of Workers	Percent					
Less than 5	172	3.3%					
5 to 9	522	10.2%					
10 to 14	738	14.4%					
15 to 19	1,096	21.3%					
20 to 24	959	18.7%					
25 to 29	290	5.6%					
30 to 34	548	10.7%					
35 to 39	44	0.9%					
40 to 44	207	4.0%					
45 to 59	92	1.8%					
60 to 89	250	4.9%					
90 or more	219	4.3%					
Total	5,137	100.0%					
Source: B08303: 2016 ACS Table							

<sup>11</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Google Maps. <u>https://www.google.com/maps</u>. Accessed July 3, 2018.

#### V. PROJECTION OF HOUSING STOCK

As per the MLUL, specifically N.J.S.A. 52:27D-310, a housing element must contain a projection of the municipality's housing stock, including the probable future construction of low and moderate-income housing for the next ten years, considering, but not necessarily limited to, construction permits issued, approvals of applications for development and probable residential development of lands.

The Department of Community Affairs, Division of Codes and Standards website provides data on certificates of occupancy, building permits and demolition permits. Within the Division of Codes and Standards website is the New Jersey Construction Reporter, which contains building permit, certificate of occupancy and demolition data that is submitted by the municipal construction officials within the State each month. The New Jersey Construction Reporter has information dating back to 2000, which can be used to show the City's historic development trends.

As shown in Figure 28, 201 certificates of occupancy were issued for new dwelling units between 2000 and 2016. During the same period, there were 45 residential demolitions reported. Therefore, the City had a net gain of 165 housing units during the sixteen-year period. On average, there were approximately 10 new units per year constructed during the 16-year period. The data indicates an overall downward trend.

FIG 28. HISTORIC TREND OF RESIDENTIAL CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY & DEMOLITION PERMITS																		
	00	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Total
Permits Issued	8	5	57	46	12	13	29	8	10	9	3	0	4	5	1	0	0	210
COs Issued	10	7	10	63	34	6	14	10	10	7	9	12	2	6	0	1	0	201
Demolitions	0	2	2	2	7	9	6	3	7	4	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	45
Net Development	10	5	8	61	27	-3	8	7	3	3	9	12	1	4	0	1	0	165
Source: NJDCA. New Jersey Construction Reporter, 2000-2016. https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/codes/reporter/highlights.html. Accessed July 3, 2018.																		

#### VI. CAPACITY FOR FAIR SHARE

This chapter of the HEFSP provides the following information as required by the rules:

- The City's capacity to accommodate its housing needs.
- A consideration of the lands that are most appropriate for construction of low and moderate-income housing and of the existing structures most appropriate for conversion to or rehabilitation for, low and moderate-income housing.
- Lands of developers who have expressed a commitment to provide low and moderateincome housing.
- The location and capacities of existing and proposed water and sewer lines and facilities relevant to the proposed affordable housing sites.

#### LAND CAPACITY

Somers Point's capacity to accommodate its present and prospective affordable housing need is determined by three components – available land, water capacity and sewer capacity. Note that land development is limited by wetlands, flood plains, easements (conservation, sewer, water., etc.) parcel size and municipal regulations.

The City has conducted a Vacant Land Adjustment analysis that indicates 13 affordable units can be realistically constructed on the lands that are vacant and developable within the City. The following vacant properties contributed to that number:

- Block 511, Lot 1 (234 Shore Rd) & Lot 17 (220 Shore Rd), 1.67 buildable acres 3 affordable units
- Block 719, Lot 15 (920 W. Groveland Ave), Block 911, Lot 6 (25 E. Maryland Ave) and Block 911, Lot 8 (447 Sunny Ave), .748 buildable acres 2 affordable units
- Block 914, Lot 1 (W. Maryland Ave), 1.43 buildable acres 2 affordable units
- Block 1423, Lot 8.01 (608 Ninth Street), Lot 8.02 (606 Ninth Street), Lot 8.03 (604 Ninth Street); Block 1424, Lot 13.01 (645 Ninth Street), Lot 13.02 (643 Ninth Street), Lot 13.03 (641 Ninth Street), Lot 15.01 (903 W. New York Ave), 1.33 buildable acres 2 affordable units
- Block 1715, Lots 1 & 8 (19 MacArthur Blvd), Block 1815, Lots 3 & 8 (19 MacArthur Blvd), 2.56 buildable acres 4 affordable units

(Refer to Exhibit A of the executed Settlement Agreement and full Vacant Land Analysis report regarding same provided in Appendix A of this report.

#### UTILITY CAPACITY

New Jersey American Water Company provides water service to the city while the city provides its own sewer service. The City collects and pumps sewage to facilities operated by the Atlantic County Utilities Authority for treatment and disposal.

Virtually all of Somers Point is within the sewer service area. The existing wastewater treatment facility (Atlantic County Utilities Authority) is located in Atlantic City and serves all of Atlantic County with the exception of the Town of Hammonton. The Atlantic County Utilities Authority (NJPDES Permit No. NJ0024473) has a design capacity of 40 mgd (million gallons per day) and currently utilizes approximately 30 mgd. Wastewater in Somers Point is regulated by the Atlantic County Water Quality Management Plan, which was last amended in 2017.

#### APPROPRIATE STRATEGY FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING

There are minimal opportunities available for realistic development via vacant developable land as outlined in the vacant land assessment prepared for the City of Somers Point and provided herein (Appendix A). However, the City currently has a substantial number of registered foreclosed homes. As such, they present existing opportunities for the provision of low and moderate income housing. Accordingly, the following provides the most appropriate strategy for affordable housing:

• Conversion of abandoned/foreclosed properties to affordable housing.

### **FAIR SHARE PLAN**

City of Somers Point New Jersey

#### VII. FAIR SHARE PLAN

#### Contents of the Fair Share Plan

The Fair Share Plan contains the following information:

- Description of existing credits intended to satisfy the obligation;
- Description of mechanisms that will be used to meet any outstanding obligation; and
- An implementation schedule that sets forth a detailed timetable for units to be provided.

In adopting its housing element, a municipality may provide for its fair share of low and moderate income housing by means of any technique or combination of techniques that provide a realistic opportunity for the provision of the fair share. As per N.J.A.C. 5:93, these potential techniques include but are not limited to:

- Rehabilitation of existing substandard housing units;
- ECHO units (as a Rehabilitation credit);
- Municipally-sponsored and 100% affordable developments;
- Zoning for inclusionary development;
- Alternative living arrangements;
- Accessory apartment program;
- Purchase of existing homes;
- Write-down/buy-down programs; and
- Assisted living residences.

#### REGIONAL INCOME LIMITS

Dwelling units are affordable to low and moderate income households if the maximum sales price or rental cost is within their ability to pay such costs, based on a specific formula. The State provides income limits based upon the median gross household income of the affordable housing region in which the household is located. A moderate income household is one with a gross household income equal to or more than 50%, but less than 80%, of the median gross regional household income. A low income household is one with a gross household income equal to 50% or less of the median gross regional household income. Very-low income households are those with a gross household income equal to 30% or less of the median gross household income. Somers Point is located in Region 6, which contains Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland and Salem Counties.

Using the 2017 regional income limits, a four-person household moderate income is capped at \$58,383. Two-person households could make up to \$46,706 and be considered a moderate income household or earn up to \$29,192 and be considered a low income household. See the table on the following page for greater detail.

2017 REGIONAL INCOME LIMITS FOR REGION 6								
	Household Size							
Income	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person				
Median	\$51,085.00	\$58,383.00	\$65,681.00	\$72,979.00				
Moderate	\$40,868.00	\$46,706.00	\$52,545.00	\$58,383.00				
Low	\$25,543.00	\$29,192.00	\$32,840.00	\$36,489.00				
Very Low	\$15,326.00	\$17,515.00	\$19,704.00	\$21,894.00				

Source: http://www.nj.gov/dca/services/lps/hss/admin\_files/incomelimits.pdf

Exhibit D of Settlement Agreement (2017 Income Limits prepared by AHPNJ – August 2017)

#### AFFORDABLE REQUIREMENTS

The three components that must be addressed by this plan are contained in the table below. See Chapter 1 for a discussion of the methodology for the Third Round Obligation.

CITY OF SOMERS POINT: AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATION								
	Rehabilitation (Present Need)	Prior Round 1987-1999	Third Round (Prospective Need) 1999-2025					
Obligation	25 <sup>13</sup> (per Kinsey report)	103 (pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93)	246*					

\*Per Kinsey report as adjusted through settlement agreement.

As discussed in Chapter 1, Somers Point has conducted a Vacant Land Analysis and determined the RDP to be 13, which means the Unmet Need through the Third Round is 233 (246-13=233).

#### VIII. SOMERS POINT'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATION

Somers Point's Fair Share Plan describes the projects and strategies the City proposes to address its affordable housing obligation. The three components addressed by this plan are as follows:

#### THREE-PART OBLIGATION

#### Rehabilitation: 25 Units

Page 45 of the Opinion issued by the Supreme Court of New Jersey on March 10, 2015 states that "the Appellate Division also approved a methodology for identifying substandard housing that used fewer surrogates [or indicators] to approximate the number of deficient or dilapidated

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> David N. Kinsey, PhD, PP, FAICP, New Jersey low and moderate income housing obligations for 1999-2025 calculated using the NJ COAH Prior Round (1987-1999) methodology, July 2016 thru April 2017.

housing units". The Order states that three indicators was not an abuse of discretion. The three indicators utilized are old and over-crowded units, homes with incomplete plumbing and housing units with incomplete kitchens.

The City, per the settlement agreement, now relies upon the calculations as determined by the Kinsey Report<sup>14</sup>.

#### PRIOR ROUND: 103 UNITS

As previously noted, the City of Somers Point has a prior round obligation of 103 units which has been met through the following compliance mechanisms:

Development	Units	Bonus	Credits
Bay Avenue Settlement AH-1, Bass Harbor Site (Rental)	26	26	52
9 Qualifying Group Home Bedrooms (2 homes administered by Progressive Living Units and Systems (6 bedrooms), 1 Home Administered by Disabilities Resource Center (3 bedrooms))	9	0	9
Plantation Bay (inclusionary zoning family rental per prior approved Settlement Agreement)	75	0	75
Total (with 103 with 33 unit surplus)	110	26	136

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> David N. Kinsey, PhD, PP, FAICP, New Jersey low and moderate income housing obligations for 1999-2025 calculated using the NJ COAH Prior Round (1987-1999) methodology, July 2015 thru April 2017.

#### THIRD ROUND: 13 RDP & 233 UNMET NEED

In accordance with the City's settlement agreement with FSHC as approved by the Court, Somers Point has a 246 unit, 3<sup>rd</sup> Round obligation. The municipality, as calculated herein (refer to VLA in in Appendix A) has a realistic development potential (RDP) of 13 units. The City's Fair Share Plan proposes to address this realistic development potential. The City requested, and the court acknowledged, a vacant land adjustment for the remaining unmet need.

#### Very-Low Income Housing

In 2008, P.L. 2008, c. 46 was signed by the Governor, which made a number of changes to the affordable housing rules. In fact, it amended the Fair Housing Act (hereinafter "FHA") to include a requirement that at least 13% of affordable housing units must be made available to very-low income households. Specifically, the FHA reads:

The council shall coordinate and review the housing elements as filed pursuant to section 11 of P.L.1985, c.222 (C.52:27D-311), and the housing activities under section 20 of P.L.1985, c.222 (C.52:27D-320), at least once every three years, to ensure that at least 13 percent of the housing units made available for occupancy by low-income and moderate income households will be reserved for occupancy by very low income households, as that term is defined pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1985, c.222 (C.52:27D-304).

"Very low income housing" means housing affordable according to federal Department of Housing and Urban Development or other recognized standards for home ownership and rental costs and occupied or reserved for occupancy by households with a gross household income equal to 30% or less of the median gross household income for households of the same size within the housing region in which the housing is located.

Per the settlement agreement, the City agrees to require 13% of all units referenced in this plan to be very low income units, with half of the very low income units being available to families.

#### EXISTING CREDITS

#### Rehabilitation Credits

N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.2(g) and (h) requires \$10,000 to be spent per unit and a six-year control on affordability for owner-occupied units.<sup>15</sup> Rental units are required to have ten-year controls on affordability. Additionally a major system<sup>16</sup> must be repaired in order for a home to qualify as a credit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> The rules specifically require a minimum of \$2,000 per unit to be spent on administration and \$8,000 per unit to be spent on the rehabilitation activity, which totals at least \$10,000.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> A major system is defined by N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.2(b) as weatherization, a roof, plumbing (including wells), heating, electricity, sanitary plumbing (including septic systems) and/or a load bearing structural system.

The City cooperates with the rehabilitation program administered by the Atlantic County Improvement Authority. The total number of Somers Point homeowners that have utilized this program will be determined for reference.

#### Prior Round Credits

Per the Prior Round compliance table on page 31, the City of Somers Point has 9 qualifying group home bedrooms.

#### Third Round Credits

The City does not have any completed 3rd Round credits. However, there is potential for excess credits to be applied to the Third Round.

#### PROPOSED MECHANISMS

#### Rehabilitation Mechanisms

The City proposes to continue its participation in the rehabilitation program administered by the Atlantic County Improvement Authority under a shared services agreement. This is adequate to satisfy the City's present need obligation of 25 units.

#### PROSPECTIVE NEED MECHANISMS

The City has a Prior Round obligation of 103 units which has a compliance plan via Court approved Settlement Agreements and now has a Third Round prospective need of 246 units. The municipality as calculated herein (refer to Appendix A) has a Realistic Development Potential (RDP) of 13 units which shall be addressed as follows:

Conversion of abandoned/foreclosed properties to affordable housing -- The City currently has a substantial number of registered foreclosed homes. The City will convert 13 such homes into lowand moderate-income housing (which, at the discretion of the City may include rental and/or for-sale units one or more conversions to group or special needs homes for which per bedroom credit shall be applied accordingly to meet a portion of the 13 unit obligation in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.8, and reduce the remaining requirement for 13 homes accordingly). As part of the City's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, the City will describe how it will convert these units into affordable housing in conjunction with one or more rehabilitation entities, which shall be designated as part of its Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.5. The City will as part of its Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and Spending Plan show how it will fund such a program with Spending Plan and/or other sources and provide for a mechanism to address any shortfall in funding in accordance with N.J..A..C. 5:93-5.5. However, having a Third Round obligation of 246, this results in a vacant land adjustment or an unmet need of  $233^{17}$  units, which shall be addressed through the following mechanisms:

- 33 Surplus Prior Round units from Plantation Bay
- Subject to all relevant notice and public hearing provisions pursuant to the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law, the City will adopt an ordinance requiring a mandatory affordable housing set aside for all new multifamily residential developments of five (5) units or more. The set aside for rental developments shall be fifteen percent (15%) and the set aside for for-sale developments shall be twenty percent (20%). The provisions of the ordinance shall not apply to residential development that does not result in a net increase in the number of dwellings of five or more. Finally, the ordinance may also provide for alternative ways to satisfy the set-aside in particular situations. The form of the Ordinance and the potential alternative means of satisfaction shall be finalized prior to final judgment in this matter through collaboration between FSHC, Special Master Perskie, and representatives of the City.

The City will provide a realistic opportunity for the development of affordable housing through the maintenance of the existing inclusionary zoning on the Plantation Bay site as part of the Settlement Agreement previously approved by the Court, at least through July 1, 2025. as more specifically set forth in the Plantation Bay Settlement Agreement and Orders entered by the New Jersey Superior Court approving the Plantation Bay Settlement Agreement in Docket No. ATL-L-007302-06 P.W. The Plantation Bay Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The City will also maintain the zoning on the sites encompassed by the Bay Avenue Redevelopers settlement as more specifically set forth in the Bay Avenue Redevelopers Settlement Agreement and Orders entered by the New Jersey Superior Court approving the Bay Avenue Redevelopers Settlement Agreement in Docket No. ATL-L-003204-05 P.W. The Bay Avenue Redevelopers Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit C of the Settlement Agreement found in Appendix B. The parties recognize that the current AH-1, AH-2, and AH-3 zoning, previously approved as fair as a result of a Mount Laurel settlement by the court, is predicated upon the sequential development of multiple parcels in different ownership. The City will maintain this zoning as part of this Settlement Agreement at least through July 1, 2025 and this Settlement Agreement incorporates the terms of the Bay Avenue Redevelopers Settlement Agreement including, but not limited to, all obligations to make payment to the Municipality to assist in satisfying the municipality's affordable housing obligation, which shall remain in effect at least through July 1, 2025. The City also agrees that if, during that period, any owner of the individual parcels approaches the City seeking to develop just its parcel, the City will work with the property owner and other impacted property owners to allow a stand-alone inclusionary development on the individual parcel, which will include a proportionate share of the 26 family rental units required by the settlement, subject to the review and approval of FSHC and the Court. The City also agrees at the time of the midpoint review referenced in paragraph 18 to provide an update on the status of this zoning and whether any modifications are

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Subject to any adjustment as provided for in item 14 of the settlement agreement terms. (Also see page 10 hereof).

necessary at that time to continue to present a realistic opportunity. In addition, the parties recognize that for both Plantation Bay and Bay Avenue Redevelopers, the construction of either or both developments including such modifications as may occur pursuant to this paragraph as to Bay Avenue Redevelopers and subject to potential modification of the City's Third Round obligation pursuant to paragraph 14 of the Settlement Agreement, may entitle the City to a higher RDP and/or additional rental bonus credits, which the City reserves the right to seek consistent with the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

The City reserves the right to create additional affordable housing beyond that required by the Settlement Agreement using any of the methodologies available at law, accepted under COAH rules and regulations (including but not limited to extension of expired or expiring controls and additional market to affordable units), or through mechanisms allowed under the terms of any prior court approved settlement (e.g. use of payments into the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund in lieu of development which can then be used to generate additional units). The City reserves the right to seek to use such additional credits to reduce the City's final unmet need number, or to apply against any future Round obligation which may arise, and FSHC reserves the right to take any position it wishes in response to such application. The City also reserves the right to seek to change the mechanisms used to address the affordable housing obligations in the Bay Area Redevelopers and/or Plantation Bay Settlement Agreements with the consent of the impacted property owners and FSHC, and approval of the Court. This paragraph does not create an obligation on behalf of the City to undertake any additional efforts to create affordable housing beyond those set forth in the Settlement Agreement.

### Proposed Mechanism Summary

In accordance with the settlement agreement, the City has proposed mechanisms to address their Third Round prospective need obligation to the satisfaction of FSHC and the Court. The City maintains a positive prospective unmet need obligation through the Third Round, due to the City's vacant land adjustment, accepted by FSHC via the settlement agreement and as approved by the Court.

The HEFSP has been prepared in accordance with the executed settlement agreement with FSHC and as accepted by the Court. The adoption of the compliance mechanism referenced in this HEFSP satisfies, per the terms of the settlement agreement, the City's obligations under the <u>Mount Laurel</u> doctrine and Fair Share Housing Act of 1985, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:27D-30 et seq. for the Prior Round (1987-1999) and Third Round (1999-2025). This HEFSP is intended to supersede the HEFSP, adopted by the Planning Board, dated August 2005.

### IX. DEVELOPMENT FEES

Somers Point will continue to maintain and update its Development Fee ordinances in accordance with the Settlement Agreement.

## X. SPENDING PLAN

The spending plan adopted by City Council and approved by order of the New Jersey Superior Court entered on July 9, 2012 in Docket Number ATL-L-002835-07 (copy provided in Appendix C) shall be supplemented and amended as necessary to accomplish the goals set forth herein.

## XI. APPENDIX

#### A. VACANT LAND INVENTORY/ADJUSTMENT ANALYSIS

- Vacant Land Inventory List
- Environmental Constraints Map
- Existing Land Use Map
- Vacant Lands Map

# VACANT LAND INVENTORY

# City of Somers Point Atlantic County, New Jersey

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The City of Somers Point in Atlantic County is bounded by Egg Harbor Township to the west, north and east, the City of Linwood to the northeast, and Upper Township and Ocean City in Cape May County to the south. The City consists of approximately 4.98 square miles or 3,184.5 acres.

Just over 60% or 1,913 acres of the City are environmentally constrained, including 1,834.2 acres within the FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area, 1,195.7 acres of wetlands and associated buffers, and 4.16 acres of steep slopes<sup>1</sup>. It should be noted that approximately 20.5% or 654.5 acres of the City's area is water. Therefore, approximately 1,258.5 acres of the City's 2,530 acres of land area is environmentally constrained. The City has 463.8 acres of preserved open space owned by the City, County, and State of New Jersey. The City has 1,698.27 acres of land designated within the PA1 Metropolitan Planning Area and 932.05 acres within the PA5 Environmentally Sensitive Planning Area of the State Development and Redevelopment Plan.

This Vacant Land Inventory is prepared in order to document the City of Somers Point's lack of available land capacity, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2, the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH") Substantive Rules ("COAH's Rules"). As required by COAH's Rules, the Inventory includes the block, lot, address, owner's name, total lot acreage and developable uplands acreage for each property. Also included in this Inventory are the following maps:

- 1. Environmental Constraints Map showing environmentally sensitive lands, including:
  - a. Water bodies and wetlands per NJDEP GIS data published in 2012, revised through 2016;
  - b. Special Flood Hazard Area ("SFHA") per FEMA Flood Risk Zone mapping published in 2015; and
  - c. Steep slopes of 15 percent or greater as determined by USGS topographic contours published in 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Environmentally constrained areas do not equal total due to overlapping environmental features.

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# Vacant Land Inventory

### City of Somers Point

- 2. **Existing Land Use Map** showing the existing land uses of Somers Point, displayed by the following classifications: vacant, single-family residential, apartments, commercial, industrial, parkland, other public property, and semi-public properties; also showing environmentally sensitive lands overlay, including wetlands, flood hazard areas, and steep slopes.
- 3. Vacant Lands Map showing the vacant lands identified as developable in accordance with COAH's Second Round Rules.

## **Properties Excluded from the Vacant Land Inventory**

This Vacant Land Inventory is prepared in order to document the lack of available land capacity in Somers Point. As required by COAH's Second Round Rules (N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2), the inventory includes the block, lot, address, owner's name, current zone, total lot acreage, total acreage suitable for development (uplands) and total acreage unsuitable for development (constraints) for each property.

As provided by N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2.c, lands meeting certain specified criteria may also be excluded from the Inventory. The following criteria were used to further exclude vacant properties from the Inventory:

- Properties owned by a local government entity that are utilized for a public purpose other than housing;
- Vacant contiguous publicly or privately-owned parcels where the merged total could not accommodate at least 5 dwelling units at a minimum density of 8 units per acre (less than 0.625 acres);
- Environmentally sensitive lands, which limits the contiguous developable uplands area to less than 0.625 acres; and
- Properties approved for development.

## Vacant and Developable Properties

After excluding vacant properties per the exclusion criteria mentioned above, there are 16 individual parcels that make up six contiguous properties that are vacant and potentially developable for inclusionary housing (see Vacant Land Inventory List in the Appendix). The list below provides a description of each contiguous property that is potentially developable. See the Vacant Land Map in the Appendix for the location of each property.

- 1. <u>Block 511, Lots 1 and 17</u> The two parcels are owned by a private entity and contain 1.67 acres. The tract is located on the southeast corner of the Shore Road (County Route 585) and East Pierson Avenue intersection. There are no environmental constraints present on the property, therefore all 1.67 acres are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 developable units per acre ("du/ac") in PA1 and a 20 percent affordable housing set-aside, the property could be developed with a total of 13 units, resulting in a realistic development potential ("RDP") of 3 units.
- 2. <u>Block 719, Lot 15</u> The parcel is owned by a private entity and contains approximately 0.66 acres. The property is located on the north side of West Groveland Avenue, to the west of a Rite Aid. The property is not environmentally constrained, therefore all 0.66 acres of the property are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1 and a 20 percent affordable housing set-aside, the property could yield 5 units, resulting in an RDP of 1 unit.
- 3. <u>Block 911, Lots 6 and 8</u> These parcels are owned by a private entity and contain approximately 0.75 acres. Lot 6 is located on the north side of East Maryland Avenue while Lot 8 is located on the corner of East Maryland Avenue and Sunny Avenue. According to aerial imagery and Google Streetview, Lot 6 is developed with a gravel area for trailer and boat storage as well as a shipping container. Lot 8, on the other hand is undeveloped. The tract is not environmentally constrained, therefore all 0.75 acres of the tract are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1 and a 20 percent affordable housing set-aside, the tract could be developed with 5 units, resulting in an RDP of 1 unit.
- 4. <u>Block 914, Lot 1</u> This property is owned by a private entity and encompasses 1.43 acres. The property is located behind properties with frontage on the south side of West Groveland Avenue just before the intersection with Bethel Road. Although the property does not have frontage on an existing street, the property could be accessed by the Paper Street known as West Maryland Avenue that extends north from Marks Road. The property is not environmentally constrained, therefore all 1.43 acres of the property are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1 and a 20 percent affordable housing set-aside, the property could yield a total of 11 units, resulting in an RDP of 2 units.
- 5. <u>Block 1423, Lots 8.01, 8.02 and 8.03 and Block 1424, Lots 13.01, 13.02, 13.03 and 15.01</u> This group of parcels is owned by a private entity and totals 1.33 acres. It should be noted that while these properties do not have any frontage on an existing street, a paper street, called 9<sup>th</sup> Street on the City Tax Maps, separates Block 1423 and 1424 and provides frontage to all properties excluding Lot 15.01. No area of the property is environmentally constrained; therefore, all 1.33 acres of the property are potentially

developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1 and a 20 percent affordable housing set-aside, the property could be developed with 10 units, resulting in an RDP of 2 units.

6. <u>Block 1715, Lots 1 and 8 and Block 1815, Lots 3 and 8</u> – This tract of land is owned by a private entity and contains approximately 2.56 acres. Block 1715, Lot 1 has frontage on Center Street while Block 1815, Lot 3 has frontage on MacArthur Boulevard. Block 1715, Lot 8 and Block 1815, Lot 8 are interior parcels that connect the two parcels with frontage making the site contiguous. The property is undeveloped; however, aerial imagery and Google Street View show grading and clearing has occurred. Additionally, curb cuts and access driveways from MacArthur Boulevard onto Block 1815, Lot 3 have been created. The property does not contain any environmental constraints; therefore, all 2.56 acres of the property are potentially developable. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du per acre in PA1, the property could be developed with a total of 20 units, rustling in an RDP of 4 units.

Tract No.	Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Planning Area	Zoning	Total Acres	Buildable Acres	Total Units (8 Du/Ac)	RDP
1	511	1	234 Shore Rd	Progress Realty, Inc	PA1	HC-1	1.37	1.37	13	3
1	511	17	220 Shore Rd	Progress Realty, Inc	PA1	R-1	0.30	0.30	-	-
2	719	15	920 W Groveland Ave	Brahin, Lee & Jeffrey Et Als	PA1	R-1	0.66	0.66	5	1
3	911	6	25 E Maryland Ave	Raab, Mark & Dara	PA1	HC-1	0.52	0.52	5	1
5	911	8	447 Sunny Ave	Raab, Mark & Dara	PA1	HC-1	0.23	0.23	-	-
4	914	1	W Maryland Ave	Excalibur Realty Co.	PA1	HC-1	1.43	1.43	11	2
	1423	8.01	608 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.24	0.24	10	2
	1423	8.02	606 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.23	0.23	-	-
	1423	8.03	604 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.18	0.18	-	-
5	1424	13.01	645 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.23	0.23	-	-
	1424	13.02	643 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.21	0.21	-	-
	1424	13.03	641 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.16	0.16	-	-
	1424	15.01	903 W New York Ave	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.09	0.09	-	-

Together, the six vacant and developable properties could yield a total of 64 units, resulting in an RDP of 13 units.

Tract No.	Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Planning Area	Zoning	Total Acres	Buildable Acres	Total Units (8 Du/Ac)	RDP
	1715	1	19 Macarthur Blvd	Fifth State Capital LLC	HC-1	0.27	0.27	20	4	
6	1715	8	19 Macarthur Blvd	Fifth State Capital LLC	PA1	HC-2	0.06	0.06	-	-
6	1815	3	19 Macarthur Blvd	Fifth State Capital LLC	PA1	HC-2	0.55	0.55	-	-
	1815	8	19 Macarthur Blvd	Fifth State Capital LLC	PA1	HC-2	1.67	1.67	-	-
Total	Total							8.40	64	13

In accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2(d), an inventory of low-density areas that may be suitable for development or redevelopment for affordable housing shall be provided. Examples of such sites may include a private golf course not owned by its members, farms in Planning Area PA1, driving ranges, nurseries, and nonconforming uses. The City has reviewed its land use inventory and found that there are no such sites within the City of Somers Point.

Plantation Bay, LLC owns the 147.2-acre Greate Bay Country Club (Block 1941.01, Lot 5.01; Block 1921, Lot 3; Block 1943, Lot 1; Block 1944, Lot 3; and Block 1946, Lot 1). However, the Country Club is a member-owned club. No other sites are identified as being redevelopable for affordable housing.

## Parks & Recreation

## **Active Municipal Recreation**

According to N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2(e)(4), Somers Point may reserve up to 3 percent of the total developed and developable acreage (i.e. acreage of lands not constrained by wetlands, flood hazard areas, or steep slopes) for active municipal recreation. This provision allows the City to reserve vacant and developable properties for future active recreation, thus excluding the site or sites from the Vacant Land Inventory.

Based on the Recreation and Open Space Inventory (ROSI)<sup>2</sup>, the City of Somers Point currently owns 9 properties for active municipal recreation use, with a total unconstrained area of 34.95 acres.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Provided by Wes Swain, City Administrator/CFO via email on December 21, 2017.

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Facility	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres
1016	12	Marks Road	City of Somers Point	Kern Field	24.54	6.79	17.75
1216	5	First Street	City of Somers	Fehrle Field	8.69	0.00	8.69
1216	7	Point Penne Pield C		0.03	0.00	0.03	
1228	8	22 Ambler Road	City of Somers Point	Senior Citizens Area	0.99	0.89	0.10
1612	1				1.05	1.05	0.00
1612	1.01	Municipal Deach and Diar	City of Somers	Milliam Marrow Deach	1.17	1.17	0.00
1612	2	Municipal Beach and Pier	Point	William Morrow Beach	0.46	0.46	0.00
1612	2.01				0.60	0.60	0.00
2012	1	Broadway	City of Somers Point	Kennedy Park	10.93	2.55	8.38
Total					48.46	13.51	34.95

There are 1,271.5 acres of developable and developed lands (not constrained by wetlands, flood hazard area or steep slopes) in Somers Point. The current active recreation properties result in 2.75% of the total developed and developable lands. An additional 3.19 acres of land may be reserved for active municipal recreation and excluded from the RDP, provided that any such sites must be designated for recreational purposes in the City Master Plan.

Ac	Active Recreation Calculations										
То	Total Developed & Developable Land Area in Somers Point1,271.50100%										
×	3 percent										
=	Total Potential Park & Recreation Reserve	38.15	3.00%								
-	Total Existing Active Park & Recreation Land Area	34.95	2.75%								
=	Land Area for Additional Reserve	3.19	0.25%								

## Conservation, Parkland & Open Space

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2(e)5, a municipality may exclude any land designated on a master plan or which is dedicated by easement or otherwise for purposes of conservation, parklands or open space. There are currently 415.38 acres of preserved conservation lands within Somers Point City. However, the majority of these lands are held by Atlantic County or the State of New Jersey. The City only owns a total of 16.03 acres.

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Facility	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres
117.01	1	Philadelphia Avenue	City of Somers Point		0.04	0.00	0.04
118.01	1	Atlantic Avenue	City of Somers Point		0.07	0.00	0.07
524	12	Defeo Lane	City of Somers Point	Wayne Drive Land*	4.09	0.00	4.09
525	1	Defeo Lane	City of Somers Point	Patcong Creek Land*	13.39	13.39	0.00
525.04	5	1 Pacific Avenue	City of Somers Point	Exton Road Land*	0.10	0.10	0.00
525.04	7	Exton and Pacific	City of Somers Point	Exton Road Land*	0.18	0.18	0.00
600	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		38.64	38.64	0.00
822	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		1.15	1.15	0.00
823	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		1.37	1.37	0.00
824	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		1.85	1.85	0.00
924	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		0.52	0.52	0.00
925	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		1.71	1.71	0.00
926	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		3.95	3.95	0.00
1230	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		51.15	51.15	0.00
1231	1	Patcong Creek - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		30.63	30.63	0.00
1632	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		27.29	27.29	0.00
1633	1	Patcong Creek - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		8.81	8.81	0.00
1634	1	Patcong Creek - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		16.09	16.09	0.00
1815	9.01	100 Shore Road	NJDEP		1.45	0.00	1.45

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Facility	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres
1940	1	Garden State Parkway - Marsh	NJ Highway Authority		68.70	68.70	0.00
1947	1	Meadows	NJDEP		0.37	0.37	0.00
1948	1	Meadows	NJDEP		0.89	0.89	0.00
1949	1	Meadows	NJDEP		1.43	1.43	0.00
1950	1	Meadows	NJDEP		1.91	1.91	0.00
1951	1	Meadows	NJDEP		0.46	0.46	0.00
1951	2	Meadows	NJDEP		1.44	1.44	0.00
1952	1	Meadows	NJDEP		1.29	1.29	0.00
1953	3	Oak Lane	NJDEP		1.01	1.01	0.00
1955	1	Meadows	NJDEP		2.76	2.76	0.00
2015	1	High Bank (Paper Street) - Marsh	Atlantic County		8.44	8.44	0.00
2020	2	Mays Landing Road - Marsh	Atlantic County		2.95	2.95	0.00
2021	1.01	Mays Landing Road - Marsh	Atlantic County		34.65	34.65	0.00
2138	1	Meadows	NJDEP		0.26	0.26	0.00
2139	1	Meadows	NJDEP		1.56	1.56	0.00
2142.01	10	Meadows	NJDEP		0.58	0.58	0.00
217.01	1	Atlantic Avenue	City of Somers Point		0.01	0.00	0.01
2237	1	Meadows	NJDEP		0.63	0.63	0.00
2238	1	Meadows	NJDEP		1.59	1.59	0.00
2239	1	Meadows	NJDEP		1.60	1.60	0.00
2240	1	Meadows	NJDEP		1.56	1.56	0.00
2241	1	Meadows	NJDEP		1.77	1.77	0.00
2242	1	Meadows	NJDEP		1.31	1.31	0.00
2336	1	Gillmore (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		0.60	0.60	0.00
2337	1	Hunter (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.68	1.68	0.00

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Facility	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres
2338	1	Hunter (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.68	1.68	0.00
2339	1	Fillmore (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.69	1.69	0.00
2340	1	Irving (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.65	1.65	0.00
2341	1	Mermaid (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.01	1.01	0.00
2437	1	Irving (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.03	1.03	0.00
2438	1	Irving (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		2.05	2.05	0.00
2439	1	Irving (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.72	1.72	0.00
2440	1	Irving (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.55	1.55	0.00
2537	1	Windsor (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		0.66	0.66	0.00
2538	1	Windsor (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		0.94	0.94	0.00
2636	1	Moore (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		0.48	0.48	0.00
2637	1	Windsor (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.02	1.02	0.00
2638	1	Windsor (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		2.26	2.26	0.00
2639	1	Millet (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.21	1.21	0.00
2736	1	Webster (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		0.95	0.95	0.00
2737	1	Gettysburg (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		0.97	0.97	0.00
2738	1	Gettysburg (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		2.80	2.80	0.00
2739	1	Gettysburg (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.00	1.00	0.00
2837	1	Locust (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		0.51	0.51	0.00
2838	1	Locust (Paper Street) - Marsh	NJDEP		1.10	1.10	0.00
2902	1	Island - Drag Channel	NJDOT		29.32	29.32	0.00
2903	1	Island - Drag Channel	City of Somers Point	Drag Island*	8.04	8.04	0.00

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Facility	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres
2905	1	Beesley's Point Bridge	Cape May County		2.24	2.24	0.00
3000	1	Seashore Railroad Bike Path	City of Somers Point		7.54	0.00	7.54
Total	Total						13.19

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-4.2(e)5, a municipality may designate up to 3 percent of its total land area for existing or future conservation, parkland and open space, provided that the acquisition of such sites must be initiated by the municipality within one year of substantive certification or judgement of repose. The New Jersey

Somers Point City contains approximately 2,360 acres within its borders. As demonstrated in the calculations below, 3 percent of Somers Point City's total land area is 70.82 acres. The City of Somers Point owns 33.45 acres of existing preserved conservation lands, or 1.32 percent of the City overall. This leaves an additional 54.79 acres or 2.32 percent of the City that may be reserved for conservation purposes.

Со	Conservation, Parkland & Open Space Calculations										
To	tal Land Area Land Area in Somers Point	2,530.00	100%								
×	3 percent										
=	Total Potential Conservation, Parkland & Open Space Reserve	75.90	3.00%								
-	Total Existing Conservation, Parkland & Open Space Area	33.45	1.32%								
=	Land Area for Additional Reserve	42.45	1.68%								

## Conclusion

After excluding properties by the specified criteria provided in COAH's Second Round Rules, there are six contiguous properties remaining in Somers Point that are vacant and developable for inclusionary housing. Based on the minimum presumptive density of 8 du/ac in PA1 Metropolitan Planning Area, and the maximum presumptive set-aside is 20 percent, the properties can be developed with a total of 64 units, resulting in an RDP of 13 units.

# Appendix

# Vacant Land Inventory List

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Planning Area	Zoning	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres	Constraint Description	Notes	Include In RDP
2	1	Boundry Linwood-Marsh	Somers Point City	PA5	Water	21.45	21.45	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
101	1	Garfield (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	Water	1.24	1.24	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
102	1	Lincoln (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	1.03	1.03	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
103	1	Dittman (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	1.01	1.01	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
104	1	Grant (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	1.02	1.02	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
105	1	Singerly (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	1.04	1.04	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
106	1	Disston (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	1.07	1.07	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
107	1	Pattison (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	0.98	0.98	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
107	2	Ocean(Paper St Side-Marsh	Magill, Andrew E	PA5	FD	0.09	0.09	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
108	1	Beaver (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	Water	0.76	0.76	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
108	2	Pattison (Paper St-Marsh)	Haig, George & Edith	PA5	FD	0.31	0.31	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
109	1	Stuart (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	1.16	1.16	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
110	3	Stuart (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	R-1	0.51	0.51	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
111	9	Campbell Ave	Kiejdan, Pinchus & Molly	PA1	R-1	0.80	0.80	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
201	1	Garfield (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	Water	0.33	0.33	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
202	1	Lincoln (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	0.75	0.75	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Planning Area	Zoning	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres	Constraint Description	Notes	Include In RDP
203	1	Dittman (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	1.49	1.49	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
204	1	Grant (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	2.12	2.12	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
205	1	Singerly (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	2.18	2.18	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
206	1	Disston (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	2.26	2.26	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
207	1	Pattison (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	2.27	2.27	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
208	1	Beaver (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	2.34	2.34	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
209	1	Stuart Ave(Paper St- Marsh	Nocella, L C/O Eleanor Nocella	PA5	FD	0.07	0.07	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
209	2	Stuart Ave(Paper St- Marsh	Falvella, Lucille	PA5	FD	0.07	0.07	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
209	3	Stuart Ave(Paper St- Marsh	Desiata, J Estate C/O M Plantulli	PA5	FD	0.07	0.07	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
209	4	Stuart Ave(Paper St- Marsh	Hansell,M & Szilagyi,J & Eble,E	PA5	FD	0.07	0.07	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
209	5	Stuart (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	2.13	2.13	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
210	1	Stuart (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	0.32	0.32	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
210.01	1	Stuart (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	0.35	0.35	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
212	7	Harned & Bay Aves	Ford, Arthur T lii	PA1	R-1	0.29	0.29	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
224	6.02	431 W Ocean Heights Ave	Ocean Heights Manor LLC	PA1	R-MF	0.22	0.00	0.22		Potential Infill Development	No
251	2.03	412 W Ocean Heights Ave	Condron, Matthew & Eileen	PA1	GB	0.22	0.22	0.00	Wetlands	Environmentally Constrained	No

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Planning Area	Zoning	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres	Constraint Description	Notes	Include In RDP
251	2.04	410 W Ocean Heights Ave	Condron, Matthew & Eileen	PA1	GB	0.21	0.21	0.00	Wetlands	Environmentally Constrained	No
251	2.05	414 W Ocean Heights Ave	Condron, Matthew & Eileen	PA1/PA5	HVR	0.90	0.90	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
304	1	Grant (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	0.66	0.66	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
305	1	Singerly (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	1.57	1.57	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
306	1	Disston (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	1.67	1.67	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
307	1	Pattison (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	2.03	2.03	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
309	1	Randall (Paper St-Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	3.74	3.74	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
409	1	Old Mans Creek-Marsh	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	3.78	3.78	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
510	17	Dawes Ave- Landlocked	Innocente Investments LLC	PA1	R-1	0.03	0.03	0.00	SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
511	1	234 Shore Rd	Progress Realty,Inc	PA1	HC-1	1.37	0.00	1.37		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
511	17	220 Shore Rd	Progress Realty Inc	PA1	R-1	0.30	0.00	0.30		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
525	3.02	Meadows	Jacque Construction Company Inc	PA1/PA5	RCD	13.34	13.34	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
529	32	Garden State Pkwy-Marsh	Somers Point City	PA1	FD	3.15	3.15	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
602	1	Steelmans Bay- Marsh	Somers Point City	PA5	Water	10.17	10.17	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
603	1	Steelmans Bay- Marsh	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	15.56	15.56	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
609	2	Meadows	Aqua Dev Inc, C/O Cohen	PA5	HC-1	1.50	1.50	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
609	3	Steelmans Bay- Marsh	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	30.57	30.57	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No

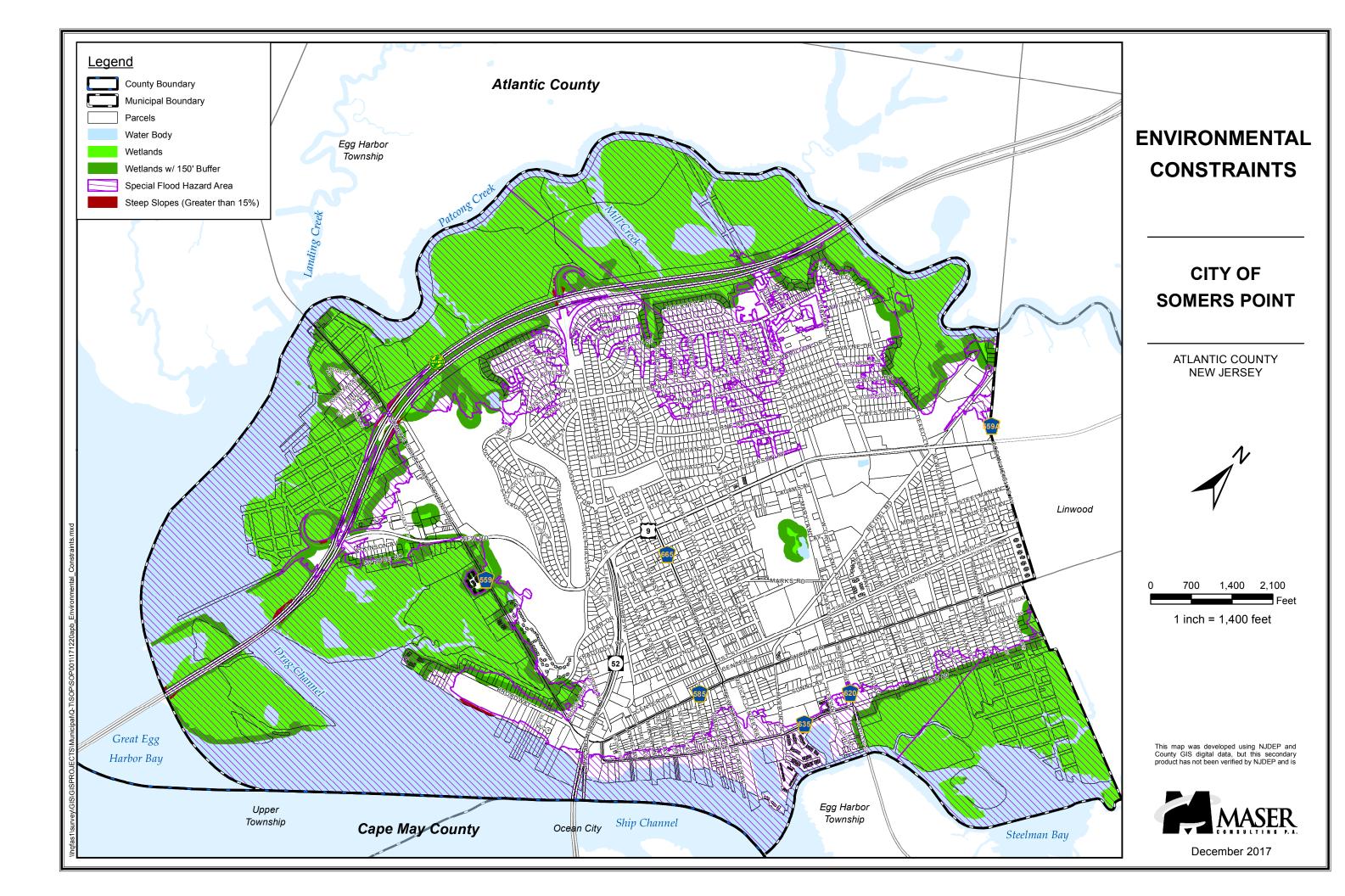
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612	8	309 Shore Rd	Jagam, LLC	PA1	HC-1	0.29	0.00	0.29		Potential Infill Development	No
612	11	16 W Pierson Ave	Jagam, LLC	PA1	R-1	0.09	0.00	0.09		Undersized	No
712	3	21 W Cedar Ave	Evangelisti, Dolores K	PA1	R-1	0.15	0.00	0.15		Potential Infill Development	No
719	15	920 W Groveland Ave	Brahin, Lee & Jeffrey Et Als	PA1	R-1	0.66	0.00	0.66		Potential Development	Yes
911	6	25 E Maryland Ave	Raab, Mark & Dara	PA1	HC-1	0.52	0.00	0.52		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
911	8	447 Sunny Ave	Raab, Mark & Dara	PA1	HC-1	0.23	0.00	0.23		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
912	14	30 W Groveland Ave	Whealin, William J	PA1	R-1	0.06	0.00	0.06		Undersized	No
914	1	W Maryland Ave	Excalibur Realty Co.	PA1	HC-1	1.43	0.00	1.43		Potential Development	Yes
1006	1	548 Launch Riparian	Taylor, Thomas Keen & Marie Joan	No PA	Water	0.08	0.08	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
1006	2	550 Launch Riparian	Taylor, Thomas & Marie Joan	No PA	Water	0.10	0.10	0.00	SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
1006	3.01	552 Launch Riparian	Moscony, Jamie P	No PA	Water	0.06	0.06	0.00	SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
1007	2	Pleasant Ave	Three Bozos, LLC	PA1	AH-1	0.72	0.72	0.00	SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
1008	10	12 Kappella Ave	Headley, Joseph Iii (Est.)& Denise	PA1	HVR	0.08	0.08	0.00	SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
1016	17			PA1	R-1	0.04	0.00	0.04		Undersized	No
1016	22	Marks Rd- Ballfields	Somers Point City	PA1	R-1	0.11	0.00	0.11		Undersized	No
1116	7	Marks & Bethel Rds	Somers Point City	PA1	R-1	0.05	0.00	0.05		Undersized	No
1128	2.01	806 W Groveland Ave	Somers Pt Dev Co % Mitnick, L	PA1	R-1	0.05	0.00	0.05		Undersized	No
1218	2	Marks Rd	Somers Point City	PA1	R-1	0.10	0.00	0.10		Undersized	No

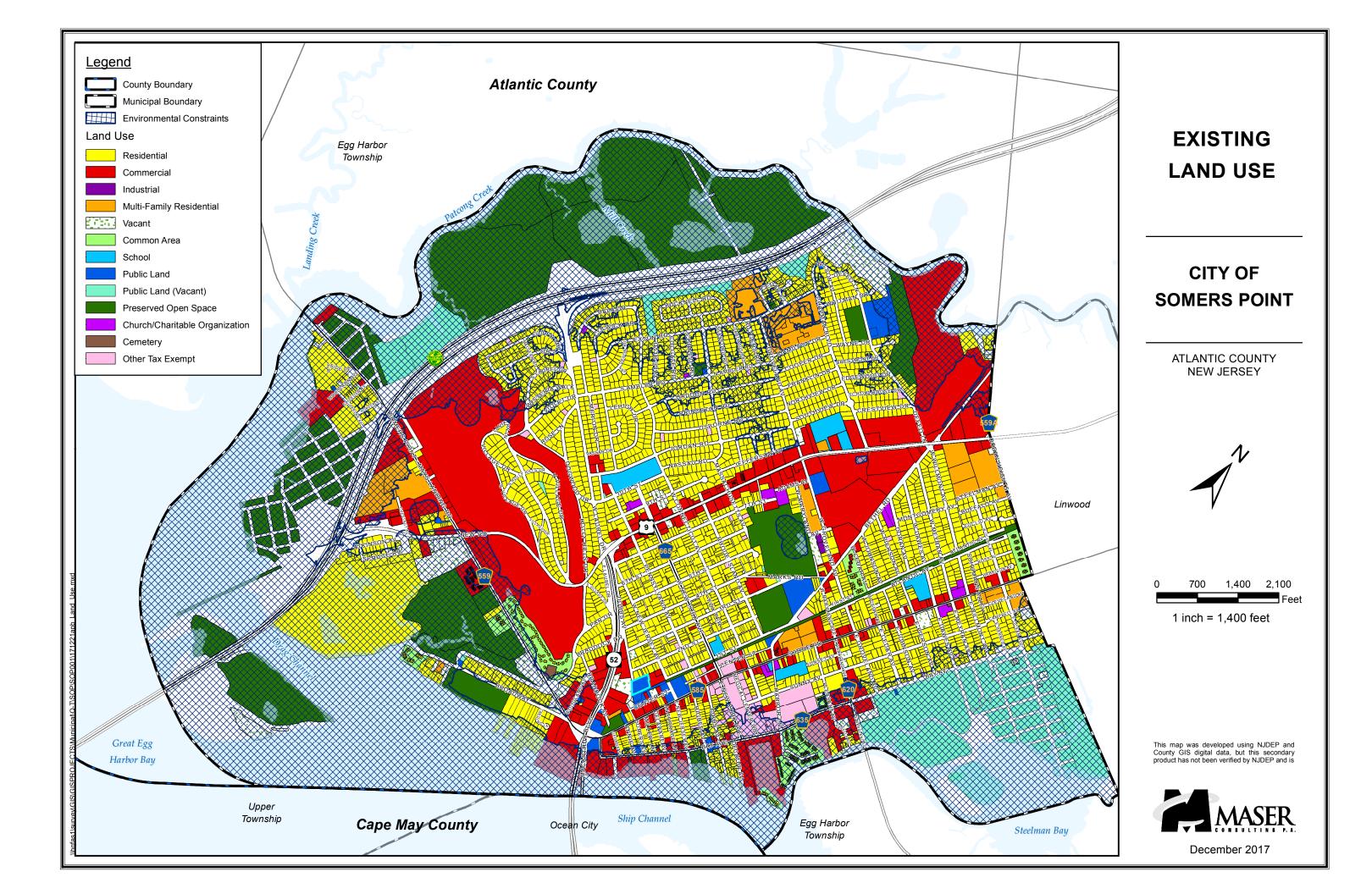
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1219	7	523 Fourth St	Hickman, John T	PA1	R-1	0.05	0.00	0.05		Undersized	No
1229	1.01	Exton-Bucknell- Marsh	Somers Point City	PA1	R-1	6.37	6.37	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
1317	12	224 Rhode Island Ave	Vicente, Kathleen Jo	PA1	R-1	0.08	0.00	0.08		Undersized	No
1322	7	607 Seventh St	Woolbert, Estella E	PA1	R-1	0.11	0.00	0.11		Undersized	No
1323	1.01	622 Ninth St	Allen, Elsie C	PA1	R-1	0.12	0.00	0.12		Undersized	No
1418	1	323 W New York Ave	Adams, Esther R	PA1	R-1	0.09	0.00	0.09		Undersized	No
1418	10	653 Third St	Groch, James R	PA1	R-1	0.11	0.00	0.11		Undersized	No
1422	13	664 New Rd	Ross, Charles D Sr	PA1	HC-1	0.35	0.00	0.35		Potential Infill Development	No
1423	6	635 New Rd	Ross, Charles Sr.	PA1	HC-1	0.23	0.00	0.23		Potential Infill Development	No
1423.00	8.01	608 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.24	0.00	0.24		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1423	8.02	606 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.23	0.00	0.23		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1423	8.03	604 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.18	0.00	0.18		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1424	13	645 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.23	0.00	0.23		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1424	13	643 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.21	0.00	0.21		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1424	13	641 Ninth St	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.16	0.00	0.16		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1424	15	903 W New York Ave	Patras, Georgia	PA1	R-1	0.09	0.00	0.09		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes

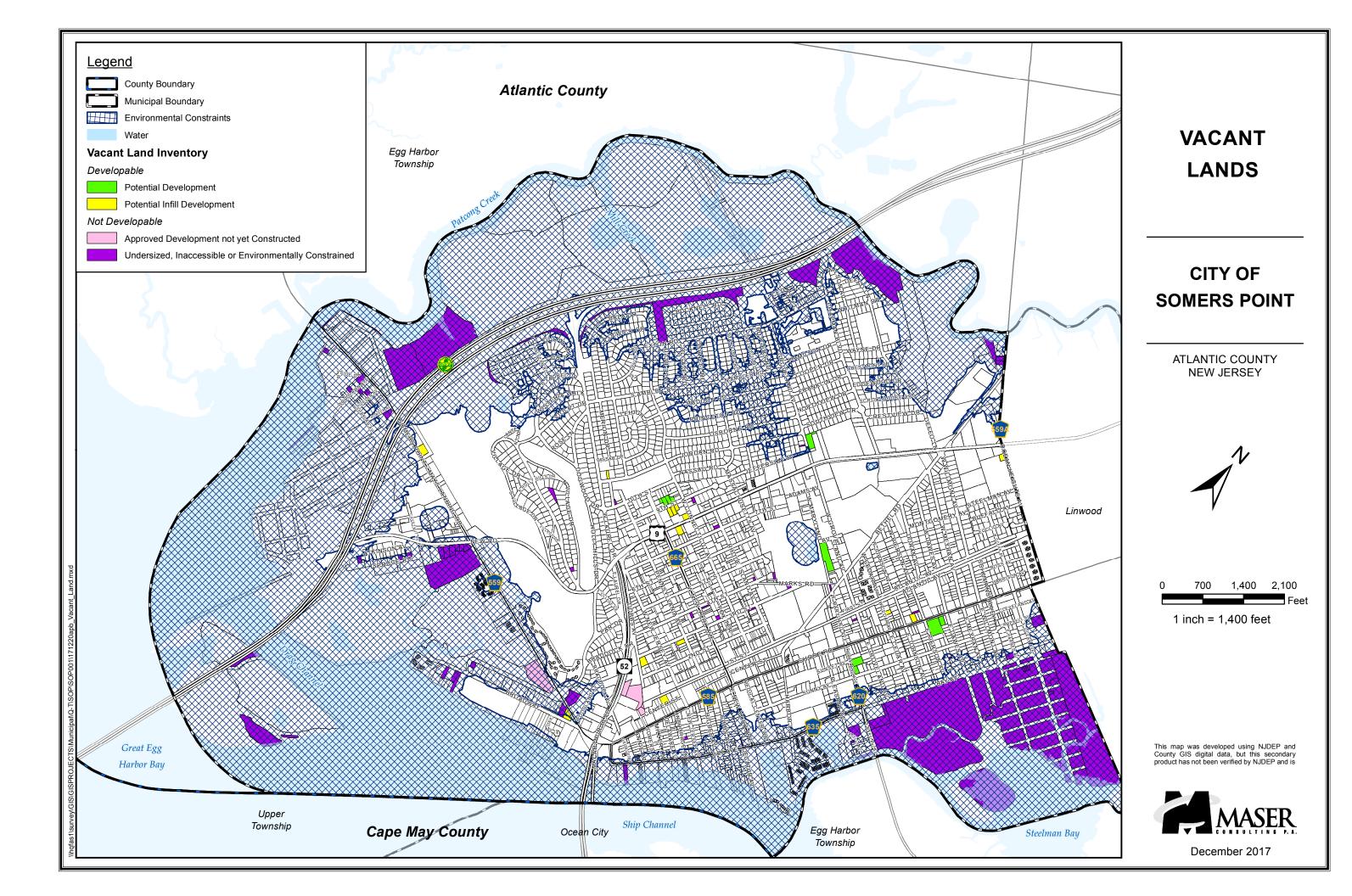
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1425	1	1001 Dobbs Ave	Somers Point City	PA1	R-1	0.07	0.00	0.07		Undersized	No
1512	21			PA1	SHOS	0.05	0.05	0.00	SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
1518	14	714 Fourth St	Rennich, Vincent F. & Donna R.	PA1	R-1	0.10	0.00	0.10		Undersized	No
1617	14			PA1	R-1	0.23	0.00	0.23		Potential Infill Development	No
1626	8	Jordan Rd	Deull Fuel Company	PA1	NC	0.13	0.00	0.13		Potential Infill Development	No
1631	29	Bala Dr- Landlocked	Somers Pt Dev Co % Mitnick, L	PA1	R-1	0.22	0.15	0.07	SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
1631	29	Bala Dr- Landlocked	Woodbury, Joel & Jennifer	PA1	R-1	0.81	0.81	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
1712	27	38 Anchorage Ln	Palmer, Joseph J	PA1	HVR	0.09	0.00	0.09		Undersized	No
1715.00	1.00	19 Macarthur Blvd	Fifth State Capital LLC	PA1	HC-1	0.27	0.00	0.27		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1715	6.02	819 Centre St	Portnoy,Michael & Bartholomew,R	PA1	HC-1	0.42	0.00	0.42		Potential Infill Development	No
1715	8	19 Macarthur Blvd	Fifth State Capital LLC	PA1	HC-2	0.06	0.00	0.06		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1717	1	217 Dobbs Ave	Miller, Robert&Jeffrey%Miller,S	PA1	R-1	0.38	0.00	0.38		Potential Infill Development	No
1810	7	936 Bay Ave	Ryan, John F	PA1	HVW	0.50	0.50	0.00	SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
1815	3	19 Macarthur Blvd	Fifth State Capital LLC	PA1	HC-2	0.55	0.00	0.55		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1815	8	19 Macarthur Blvd	Fifth State Capital LLC	PA1	HC-2	1.67	0.00	1.67		Potential Development with contiguous lots	Yes
1915	3	115 Holly Hills Dr	Orlandini, William J	PA1	HC-2	0.93	0.93	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Planning Area	Zoning	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres	Constraint Description	Notes	Include In RDP
1922	2	1 Village Dr	Dougherty, Barbara J	PA1	R-1	0.11	0.00	0.11		Undersized	No
1922	27	Village Dr- Landlocked	Somers Point City	PA1	R-1	0.33	0.00	0.33		Inaccessible	No
1937	43	Gulph Mill- Landlocked	Somers Pt Dev Co % Mitnick, L	PA1	R-1	0.56	0.56	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
1937	44	Gulph Mill- Landlocked	Somers Pt Dev Co % Mitnick, L	PA1	R-1	0.31	0.31	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
1937	49	Gulph Mill- Landlocked	Somers Pt Dev Co % Mitnick, L	PA1	R-1	0.22	0.22	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
1945	2.02			PA1	HC-1	0.47	0.00	0.47		Potential Infill Development	No
1953	4			PA5	FD	0.50	0.50	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
1954	1	Garden State Pkwy-Marsh	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	14.40	14.40	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
1955	2	Garden State Pkwy-Marsh	Somers Point City	PA5	FD	8.20	8.20	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
2013	4	7 Broadway	Crab Trap, Ltd	PA1	HC-2	0.45	0.38	0.07	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2013	5	7 Broadway	Crab Trap, Ltd	PA1	HC-2	0.37	0.18	0.19	Wetlands, SFHA	Potential Infill Development	No
2014	12	High Bank(Paper St- Marsh)	Somers Point City	PA1	FD	0.19	0.19	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2018	1.05	Broadway	Kazmarck, Alexander	PA1	R-MF	0.30	0.30	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2018	1.08			PA1	R-MF	0.43	0.43	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
2018	2.02			PA1	R-MF	0.32	0.32	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2021	1.02	1208 Atkinson Ave	Martin, Sidney W	PA5	FD	8.28	8.28	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2021	1.03	1204 Atkinson Ave	Wallace, Timothy J.	PA1	HC-1	0.19	0.19	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2021	1.04	1206 Atkinson Ave	Wallace, Timothy J.	PA1	HC-1	0.20	0.20	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No

Block	Lot	Address	Owner	Planning Area	Zoning	Total Acres	Constrained Acres	Buildable Acres	Constraint Description	Notes	Include In RDP
2021	1.05	500 Mays Landing Rd	Atlantic Synergy Group, LLC	PA1/PA5	тс	3.08	3.08	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2021	1.06	New Rd	Martin, Sidney W	PA1/PA5	HC-1	0.41	0.41	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2021	1.07	New Rd	Martin, Sidney W	PA1/PA5	HC-1	0.43	0.43	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2021	1.08	New Rd	Martin, Sidney W	PA1/PA5	HC-1	0.39	0.39	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2021	2	Mays Landing Rd	Beesleys Point Bridge Company	PA1	HC-1	0.28	0.28	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2040	2	92 Mays Landing Rd	Patcong Land, LLC C/O Edmunds Assoc	PA5	R-1	0.37	0.37	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2042	1.02	5 Woodlawn Ave	Courtney, Matthew	PA5	R-1	0.17	0.17	0.00	SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2042	8	6 Cliveden Ave	Rjs Properties LLC	PA5	R-1	0.19	0.19	0.00	SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2131	1.04			PA1	R-1	0.19	0.19	0.00	Wetlands	Environmentally Constrained	No
2131	1.06			PA1	R-1	0.17	0.15	0.01	Wetlands	Environmentally Constrained	No
2142	2	Meadows	Stretch, Myrtle J	PA5	FD	0.17	0.17	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2142	2.01	2 Woodlawn Ave	Striefsky, Paul & Linda	PA5	R-1	0.36	0.36	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2142	2.04	10 Woodlawn Ave	Stevanus, David B & Susan L	PA5	R-1	0.17	0.17	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2242	2			No PA	Water	0.31	0.31	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
2332	1.04	1508 Atkinson Ave	Carri, Suzanne R & Green, Robert D	PA1	R-1	0.18	0.14	0.04	Wetlands	Environmentally Constrained	No
2900	1	Island-Gr.Egg Harbor Bay	Gargan, Thomas V	PA5	R-CL	0.26	0.26	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA	Environmentally Constrained	No
2901	1	Island-Gr.Egg Harbor Bay	Gargan, Thomas V	PA5	R-CL	3.61	3.61	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No
2904	1	Island-Gr.Egg Harbor Bay	Gargan, Thomas V	PA5	R-CL	0.71	0.71	0.00	Wetlands, SFHA, Water	Environmentally Constrained	No







## B. SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

# YOUNGBLOOD FRANKLIN SAMPOLI & COOMBS P.A.

April 27, 2018

Fair Share Housing Center 510 Park Boulevard Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 Attention: Adam M. Gordon, Esq.

> Re: In the Matter of the City of Somers Point Mt. Laurel Litigation Executed Settlement Agreement between Fair Share Housing Center and Somers Point City Docket No.: ATL-L-1538-15

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Dear Mr. Gordon:

Enclosed for your file, please find one original counterpart of the Settlement Agreement with Exhibits to which the two executed signature pages have been attached.

As previously discussed, by copy of this letter I am sending the second original counterpart to the Somers Point City Clerk for her file.

The Agreement will be submitted to the Court as a joint exhibit and incorporated into the Court Order.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully, YOUNGBLOOD FRANKLIN SAMPOLI & COOMBS, PA

Min By: James E. Franklin II

JEF/dr ENC: CC: with Enclosed counterpart Executed Agreement Lucy R. Samuelsen, RMC/CMR City Clerk City of Somers Point 1 West New Jersey Avenue Somers Point, N.J. 08244 JOSEPH L, YOUNGBLOOD, JR. JAMES E, FRANKLIN II L, PATRICIA SAMPOLI ◊ JORGE F. COOMBS

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April 26, 2018

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# Re: In the Matter of the Application of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, Docket No. ATL-L-1538-15

Dear Mr. Franklin:

This letter memorializes the terms of an agreement reached between the City of Somers Point (the City or "Somers Point"), the declaratory judgment plaintiff, and Fair Share Housing Center (FSHC), a Supreme Court-designated interested party in this matter in accordance with <u>In re</u> <u>N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97</u>, 221 <u>N.J.</u> 1, 30 (2015)(<u>Mount Laurel IV</u>) and, through this settlement, a defendant in this proceeding.

#### Background

Somers Point filed the above-captioned matter on July 2, 2015 seeking a declaration of its compliance with the <u>Mount Laurel</u> doctrine and Fair Housing Act of 1985, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:27D-301 et seq. in accordance with <u>In re N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97</u>, <u>supra</u>. Through the declaratory judgment process, the City and FSHC agreed to settle the litigation and to present that settlement to the trial court with jurisdiction over this matter to review, recognizing that the settlement of <u>Mount Laurel</u> litigation is favored because it avoids delays and the expense of trial and results more quickly in the construction of homes for lower-income households.

#### Settlement terms

The City and FSHC hereby agree to the following terms:

- FSHC agrees that the City, through the adoption of a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan conforming with the terms of this Agreement (hereafter "the Plan") and through the implementation of the Plan and this Agreement, satisfies its obligations under the <u>Mount Laurel</u> doctrine and Fair Housing Act of 1985, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:27D-301 et seq., for the Prior Round (1987-1999) and Third Round (1999-2025).
- 2. At this time and at this particular point in the process resulting from the Supreme Court's <u>Mount Laurel IV</u> decision, when Third Round fair share obligations have yet to be definitively determined, it is appropriate for the parties to arrive at a settlement regarding a municipality's Third Round present and prospective need instead of doing so through plenary adjudication of the present and prospective need.
- 3. FSHC and Somers Point hereby agree that Somers Point's affordable housing obligations are as follows:

Rehabilitation Share (per Kinsey Report <sup>1</sup> )	25
Prior Round Obligation (pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93)	103
Third Round (1999-2025) Prospective Need (per Kinsey Report, as adjusted through this Agreement)	246

- 4. For purposes of this Agreement, the Third Round Prospective Need shall be deemed to include the Gap Period Present Need, which is a measure of households formed from 1999-2015 that need affordable housing, that was recognized by the Supreme Court in In re Declaratory Judgment Actions Filed By Various Municipalities, 227 N.J. 508 (2017).
- 5. The City's efforts to meet its present need include the following: participation in the rehabilitation program administered by the Atlantic County Improvement Authority's Rehabilitation Program. This is sufficient to satisfy the City's present need obligation of 25 units.
- 6. As noted above, the City has a Prior Round prospective need of 103 units, which is met through the following compliance mechanisms:

Development	Units	Bonus	Credits
Bay Avenue Settlement AH-1, Bass Harbor Site (Rental)	26	26	52
9-Qualifying Group Home Bedrooms (2 Homes			
Administered by Progressive Living Units and Systems (6			
bedrooms), 1 Home Administered by Disabilities			
Resource Center (3 bedrooms))	9	0	9
Plantation Bay (inclusionary zoning family rental per			
prior approved Settlement Agreement)	75	0	75
Total (with 103 with 33 unit surplus)	110	26	136

7. The municipality, as calculated in Exh. A, has a realistic development potential (RDP) of 13 units. That RDP will be satisfied as follows:

Conversion of abandoned/foreclosed properties to affordable housing -- The City currently has a substantial number of registered foreclosed homes. The City will convert 13 such homes into low- and moderate-income housing (which, at the discretion of the City may include rental and/or for-sale units one or more conversions to group or special needs homes for which per bedroom credit shall be applied accordingly to meet a portion of the 13 unit obligation in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.8, and reduce the remaining requirement for 13 homes accordingly). As part of the City's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, the City will describe how it will convert these units into affordable housing in conjunction with one or more rehabilitation entities, which shall be designated as part of its Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.5. The City will as part of its Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and Spending Plan show how it will fund such a program with Spending Plan and/or other sources and provide for a mechanism to address any shortfall in funding in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.5. The City and FSHC reserve the right to agree to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> David N. Kinsey, PhD, PP, FAICP, NEW JERSEY LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING OBLIGATIONS FOR 1999-2025 CALCULATED USING THE NJ COAH PRIOR ROUND (1987-1999) METHODOLOGY, July 2016 and April 2017.

substitute alternative mechanisms for part or all of the 13 homes referenced in this paragraph through amendment of this Agreement pursuant to paragraph 24.

The RDP of 13, subtracted from the Third Round obligation of 246 units, results in an unmet need of 233 units, which shall be addressed through the following mechanisms:

33 Surplus Prior Round units from Plantation Bay

• Subject to all relevant notice and public hearing provisions pursuant to the New Jersey Municipal Land Use Law, within 120 days of the approval of this Agreement at a Fairness Hearing, the City will adopt an ordinance requiring a mandatory affordable housing set aside for all new multifamily residential developments of five (5) units or more. The set aside for rental developments shall be fifteen percent (15%) and the set aside for for-sale developments shall be twenty percent (20%). The provisions of the ordinance shall not apply to residential expansions, additions, renovations, replacement, or any other type of residential development that does not result in a net increase in the number of dwellings of five or more. Finally, the ordinance may also provide for alternative ways to satisfy the set-aside in particular situations. The form of the Ordinance and the potential alternative means of satisfaction shall be finalized prior to final judgment in this matter through collaboration between FSHC, Special Master Perskie, and representatives of the City.

The City will provide a realistic opportunity for the development of affordable housing through the maintenance of the existing inclusionary zoning on the Plantation Bay site as part of the Settlement Agreement previously approved by the Court, at least through July 1, 2025. as more specifically set forth in the Plantation Bay Settlement Agreement and Crders entered by the New Jersey Superior Court approving the Plantation Bay Settlement Agreement in Docket No. ATL-L-007302-06 P.W. The Plantation Bay Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The City will also maintain the zoning on the sites encompassed by the Bay Avenue Redevelopers settlement as more specifically set forth in the Bay Avenue Redevelopers Settlement Agreement and Orders entered by the New Jersey Superior Court approving the Bay Avenue Redevelopers Settlement Agreement in Docket No. ATL-L-003204-05 P.W. The Bay Avenue Redevelopers Settlement Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit C. The parties recognize that the current AH-1, AH-2, and AH-3 zoning, previously approved as fair as a result of a Mount Laurel settlement by the court, is predicated upon the sequential development of multiple parcels in different ownership. The City will maintain this zoning as part of this Settlement Agreement at least through July 1, 2025 and this Settlement Agreement incorporates the terms of the Bay Avenue Redevelopers Settlement Agreement including, but not limited to, all obligations to make payment to the Municipality to assist in satisfying the municipality's affordable housing obligation, which shall remain in effect at least through July 1, 2025. The City also agrees that if, during that period, any owner of the individual parcels approaches the City seeking to develop just its parcel, the City will work with the property owner and other impacted property owners to allow a stand-alone inclusionary development on the individual parcel, which will include a proportionate share of the 26 family rental units required by the settlement, subject to the review and approval of FSHC and the Court. The City also agrees at the time of the midpoint review referenced in paragraph 18 to provide an update on the status of this zoning and whether any modifications are necessary at that time to continue to present a realistic opportunity. In addition, the parties recognize that for both Plantation Bay and Bay Avenue Redevelopers, the construction of either or both developments including such modifications as may occur pursuant to this paragraph as to Bay Avenue Redevelopers and subject to potential modification of the City's Third Round obligation pursuant to paragraph 14 of this Agreement, may entitle the City to a higher RDP and/or additional rental bonus credits, which the City reserves the right to seek consistent with the terms of this Agreement.

The City reserves the right to create additional affordable housing beyond that required by this agreement using any of the methodologies available at law, accepted under COAH rules and regulations (including but not limited to extension of expired or expiring controls and additional market to affordable units), or through mechanisms allowed under the terms of any prior court approved settlement (e.g. use of payments into the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund in lieu of development which can then be used to generate additional units). The City reserves the right to seek to use such additional credits to reduce the City's final unmet need number, or to apply against any future Round obligation which may arise, and FSHC reserves the right to take any position it wishes in response to such application. The City also reserves the right to seek to change the mechanisms used to address the affordable housing obligations in the Bay Area Redevelopers and/or Plantation Bay Settlement Agreements with the consent of the impacted property owners and FSHC, and approval of the Court. This paragraph does not create an obligation on behalf of the City to undertake any additional efforts to create affordable housing beyond those set forth in this agreement.

8. The City agrees to require 13% of all units referenced in this Agreement, excepting those units that were constructed or granted preliminary or final site plan approval prior to July 17, 2008, to be very low income units, with half of the very low income units being available to families. The municipality will comply with those requirements as follows:

• 13% of any affordable units developed at Plantation Bay will be very low income

• The parties recognize that the Bay Avenue Redevelopers Settlement Agreement was executed prior to July 17, 2008 and thus if the affordable units are developed pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement there will be no requirement for very-low-income units as defined in P.L. 2008, c. 46. If pursuant to section 7, the City and a property owner modify the settlement, 13% of any affordable units developed through the modified settlement will be very low income

• one of the abandoned/foreclosed homes to be converted will be targeted to a very low income household

- 9. The City shall meet its Third Round Prospective Need in accordance with the following standards as agreed to by the Parties and reflected in the table in paragraph 6 above:
  - a. Third Round bonuses will be applied in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.15(d),
  - b. At least 50 percent of the units addressing the Third Round Prospective Need shall be affordable to very-low-income and low-income households with the remainder affordable to moderate-income households.
  - c. At least twenty-five percent of the Third Round Prospective Need shall be met through rental units, including at least half in rental units available to families.

- d. At least half of the units addressing the Third Round Prospective Need in total must be available to families.
- e. The City agrees to comply with an age-restricted cap of 25% and to not request a waiver of that requirement. This shall be understood to mean that in no circumstance may the municipality claim credit toward its fair share obligation for age-restricted units that exceed 25% of all units developed or planned to meet its cumulative prior round and third round fair share obligation.
- 10. The City shall add to the list of community and regional organizations in its affirmative marketing plan, pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:80-26.15(f)(5), Fair Share Housing Center, the New Jersey State Conference of the NAACP, the Latino Action Network, and the Cape May County, Mainland/Pleasantville, and Atlantic City Branches of the NAACP, and shall, as part of its regional affirmative marketing strategies during its implementation of the affirmative marketing plan, provide notice to those organizations of all available affordable housing units. The City also agrees to require any other entities, including developers or persons or companies retained to do affirmative marketing, to comply with this paragraph.
- 11. All units shall include the required bedroom distribution, be governed by controls on affordability and affirmatively marketed in conformance with the Uniform Housing Affordability Controls, <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:80-26.1 et. seq. or any successor regulation, with the exception that in lieu of 10 percent of affordable units in rental projects being required to be at 35 percent of median income, 13 percent of affordable units in such projects shall be required to be at 30 percent of median income (subject to the provisions of paragraph 8), and all other applicable law. The City as part of its HEFSP shall adopt and/or update appropriate implementing ordinances in conformance with standard ordinances and guidelines developed by COAH to ensure that this provision is satisfied. Income limits for all units that are part of the Plan required by this Agreement and for which income limits are not already established through a federal program exempted from the Uniform Housing Affordability Controls pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:80-26.1 shall be updated by the City annually within 30 days of the publication of determinations of median income by HUD as follows:
  - a. Regional income limits shall be established for the region that the City is located within (i.e. Region 6) based on the median income by household size, which shall be established by a regional weighted average of the uncapped Section 8 income limits published by HUD. To compute this regional income limit, the HUD determination of median county income for a family of four is multiplied by the estimated households within the county according to the most recent decennial Census. The resulting product for each county within the housing region is summed. The sum is divided by the estimated total households from the most recent decennial Census in the City's housing region. This quotient represents the regional weighted average of median income for a household of four. The income limit for a moderate-income unit for a household of four shall be 80 percent of the regional weighted average median income for a family of four. The income limit for a low-income unit for a household of four shall be 50 percent of the HUD determination of the regional weighted average median income for a family of four. The income limit for a very low income unit for a household of four shall be 30 percent of the regional weighted average median income for a family of four. These income limits shall be adjusted by household size based on

multipliers used by HUD to adjust median income by household size. In no event shall the income limits be less than those for the previous year.

- b. The income limits attached hereto as Exhibit D are the result of applying the percentages set forth in paragraph (a) above to HUD's determination of median income for FY 2017, and shall be utilized until the City updates the income limits
   after HUD has published revised determinations of median income for the next fiscal year.
- c. The Regional Asset Limit used in determining an applicant's eligibility for affordable housing pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:80-26.16(b)3 shall be calculated by the City annually by taking the percentage increase of the income limits calculated pursuant to paragraph (a) above over the previous year's income limits, and applying the same percentage increase to the Regional Asset Limit from the prior year. In no event shall the Regional Asset Limit be less than that for the previous year.
- d. The parties agree to request the Court prior to or at the fairness hearing in this matter to enter an order implementing this paragraph of this Agreement.
- 12. All new construction units shall be adaptable in conformance with P.L.2005, c.350/N.J.S.A. 52:27D-311a and -311b and all other applicable law.
- 13. As an essential term of this Agreement, within one hundred and twenty (120) days of Court's approval of this Agreement, the City shall introduce and adopt an ordinance or ordinances providing for the amendment of the City's Affordable Housing Ordinance and Zoning Ordinance to implement the terms of this Agreement and the zoning contemplated herein and adopt a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and Spending Plan in conformance with the terms of this Agreement.
- 14. The parties agree that if a final unappealable decision of a court of competent jurisdiction over this matter, including the Appellate Division and New Jersey Supreme Court, or a determination by an administrative agency responsible for implementing the Fair Housing Act, or an action by the New Jersey Legislature, would result in a calculation of an obligation for the City for the period 1999-2025 that would be lower by more than twenty (20%) percent than the total prospective Third Round need obligation established in this Agreement, and if that calculation is memorialized in an unappealable final judgment, the City may seek to amend the judgment in this matter to reduce its fair share obligation accordingly. FSHC agrees to support such an application to amend if filed by the City unless FSHC has a factual or legal basis to believe that the criteria set forth above have not been met. The Parties further agree that in the event such final decision, administrative determination, or legislation shall not include a specific obligation number for the City of Somers Point, and in the further event the City of Somers Point shall request FSHC to make an adjustment to the City's Third Round Obligation set forth in this Agreement, the Parties shall make a good faith effort to agree upon the Third Round Obligation number for the City using the state-wide need number and / or Region 6 number, and / or formula(s) / methodology(ies) set forth within such final decision. If the Parties are unable to agree within forty (45) days following receipt of the request, both parties agree to participate in Court-supervised mediation with a retired Mount Laurel judge or other mediator acceptable to the parties in an attempt to resolve this matter prior to adversarial motion practice on this issue.

Notwithstanding any such reduction, the City shall be obligated to adopt a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan that conforms to the terms of this Agreement and to

implement all compliance mechanisms included in this Agreement, including by adopting or leaving in place any site specific zoning adopted or relied upon in connection with the Plan adopted pursuant to this Agreement; taking all steps necessary to support the development of any 100% affordable developments referenced herein; maintaining all mechanisms to address unmet need; and otherwise fulfilling fully the fair share obligations as established herein. The reduction of the City's obligation below that established in this Agreement does not provide a basis for seeking leave to amend this Agreement or seeking leave to amend an order or judgment pursuant to  $\underline{R}$ . 4:50-1. If the City prevails in reducing its prospective need for the Third Round, the City may carry over any resulting extra credits to future rounds in conformance with the then-applicable law.

- 15. The City shall prepare a Spending Plan within the period referenced above, subject to the review of FSHC and approval of the Court, and reserves the right to seek approval from the Court that the expenditures of funds contemplated under the Spending Plan constitute "commitment" for expenditure pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-329.2 and -329.3, with the four-year time period for expenditure designated pursuant to those provisions beginning to run with the entry of a final judgment approving this settlement in accordance with the provisions of In re Tp. Of Monroe, 442 N.J. Super. 565 (Law Div. 2015) (aff'd 442 N.J. Super. 563). On July 1, 2019, and every July 1 thereafter through the end of the period of protection from litigation referenced in this Agreement, the City agrees to provide annual reporting of trust fund activity to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Council on Affordable Housing, or Local Government Services, or other entity designated by the State of New Jersey, with a copy provided to Fair Share Housing Center and posted on the municipal website, using forms developed for this purpose by the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Council on Affordable Housing, or Local Government Services. The reporting shall include an accounting of all housing trust fund activity, including the source and amount of funds collected and the amount and purpose for which any funds have been expended.
- 16. On July 1, 2019, and every July 1 thereafter through the end of this Agreement, the City agrees to provide annual reporting of the status of all affordable housing activity within the municipality through posting on the municipal website with a copy of such posting provided to Fair Share Housing Center, using forms previously developed for this purpose by the Council on Affordable Housing or any other forms endorsed by the Special Master and FSHC.
- 17. The Fair Housing Act includes two provisions regarding action to be taken by the City during the ten-year period of protection provided in this Agreement. The City agrees to comply with those provisions as follows:
  - a. For the midpoint realistic opportunity review due on July 1, 2020, as required pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:27D-313, the City will post on its municipal website, with a copy provided to Fair Share Housing Center, a status report as to its implementation of the Plan and an analysis of whether any unbuilt sites or unfulfilled mechanisms continue to present a realistic opportunity and whether any mechanisms to meet unmet need should be revised or supplemented. Such posting shall invite any interested party to submit comments to the municipality, with a copy to Fair Share Housing Center, regarding whether any sites no longer present a realistic opportunity and should be revised and whether any mechanisms to meet unmet need should be replaced and whether any mechanisms to meet unmet need should be revised or supplemented.

- b. For the review of very low income housing requirements required by <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:27D-329.1, on July 1, 2021 and July 1, 2024, the City will post on its municipal website, with a copy provided to Fair Share Housing Center, a status report as to its satisfaction of its very low income requirements, including the family very low income requirements referenced herein.
- 18. FSHC is hereby deemed to have party status in this matter and to have intervened in this matter as a defendant without the need to file a motion to intervene or an answer or other pleading. The parties to this Agreement agree to request the Court to enter an order declaring FSHC is an intervenor, but the absence of such an order shall not impact FSHC's rights.
- 19. This Agreement must be approved by the Court following a fairness hearing as required by <u>Morris Cty. Fair Hous. Council v. Boonton Twp.</u>, 197 <u>N.J. Super.</u> 359, 367-69 (Law Div. 1984), <u>aff'd o.b.</u>, 209 <u>N.J. Super.</u> 108 (App. Div. 1986); <u>East/West Venture v. Borough of Fort Lee</u>, 286 <u>N.J. Super.</u> 311, 328-29 (App. Div. 1996). The City shall present its planner as a witness at this hearing. FSHC agrees to support this Agreement at the fairness hearing. In the event the Court approves this proposed settlement, the parties contemplate the municipality will receive "the judicial equivalent of substantive certification and accompanying protection as provided under the FHA," as addressed in the Supreme Court's decision in <u>In re N.J.A.C. 5:96 & 5:97</u>, 221 <u>N.J.</u> 1, 36 (2015). The "accompanying protection" shall remain in effect through July 1, 2025. If this Agreement is rejected by the Court at a fairness hearing it shall be null and void.
- 20. If an appeal is filed of the Court's approval or rejection of this Agreement, the Parties agree to defend the Agreement on appeal, including in proceedings before the Superior Court, Appellate Division and New Jersey Supreme Court, and to continue to implement the terms of this Agreement if the Agreement is approved before the trial court unless and until an appeal of the trial court's approval is successful, at which point the Parties reserve their right to rescind any action taken in anticipation of the trial court's approval. All Parties shall have an obligation to fulfill the intent and purpose of this Agreement.
- 21. This Agreement may be enforced through a motion to enforce litigant's rights or a separate action filed in Superior Court, Atlantic County.
- 22. Unless otherwise specified, it is intended that the provisions of this Agreement are to be severable. The validity of any article, section, clause or provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity of the remaining articles, sections, clauses or provisions hereof. If any section of this Agreement shall be adjudged by a court to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such determination shall not affect the remaining sections.
- 23. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed by the laws of the State of New Jersey.
- 24. This Agreement may not be modified, amended or altered in any way except by a writing signed by each of the Parties.
- 25. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute but one and the same Agreement.

- 26. The Parties acknowledge that each has entered into this Agreement on its own volition without coercion or duress after consulting with its counsel, that each party is the proper person and possess the authority to sign the Agreement, that this Agreement contains the entire understanding of the Parties and that there are no representations, warranties, covenants or undertakings other than those expressly set forth herein.
- 27. Each of the Parties hereto acknowledges that this Agreement was not drafted by any one of the Parties, but was drafted, negotiated and reviewed by all Parties and, therefore, the presumption of resolving ambiguities against the drafter shall not apply. Each of the Parties expressly represents to the other Parties that: (i) it has been represented by counsel in connection with negotiating the terms of this Agreement; and (ii) it has conferred due authority for execution of this Agreement upon the persons executing it.
- 28. Any and all Exhibits and Schedules annexed to this Agreement are hereby made a part of this Agreement by this reference thereto. Any and all Exhibits and Schedules now and/or in the future are hereby made or will be made a part of this Agreement with prior written approval of both Parties.
- 29. This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the Parties hereto and supersedes all prior oral and written agreements between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof except as otherwise provided herein.
- 30. No member, official or employee of the City shall have any direct or indirect interest in this Agreement, nor participate in any decision relating to the Agreement which is prohibited by law, absent the need to invoke the rule of necessity.
- 31. Anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding, the effective date of this Agreement shall be the date upon which all of the Parties hereto have executed and delivered this Agreement.
- 32. All notices required under this Agreement ("Notice[s]") shall be written and shall be served upon the respective Parties by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by a recognized overnight or by a personal carrier. In addition, where feasible (for example, transmittals of less than fifty pages) shall be served by facsimile or e-mail. All Notices shall be deemed received upon the date of delivery. Delivery shall be affected as follows, subject to change as to the person(s) to be notified and/or their respective addresses upon ten (10) days notice as provided herein:

TO FSHC:	Adam M. Gordon, Esq. Fair Share Housing Center 510 Park Boulevard Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 Phone: (856) 665-5444 Telecopier: (856) 663-8182 E-mail: adamgordon@fairsharehousing.org
TO THE CITY:	William "Wes" Swain Somers Point City Hall 1 West New Jersey Avenue Somers Point, NJ 08244

Telephone: 609 - 927- 9088 Ext 128 Telecopier: 609.927.4014 Email: wswain@spgov.org

WITH A COPY TO:

James E. Franklin II, Esq. Youngblood, Franklin, Sampoli & Coombs, P.A. Cornerstone Commerce Center <u>1201 New Road, Suite 230</u> <u>Linwood, NJ 08221</u>-1159

Telephone: 609.601.6600 Telecopier: 609.601.6601 E-Mail: jfranklin@youngbloodlegal.com

Please sign below if these terms are acceptable.

Sincerely,

Adam M. Gordon, Esq. Counsel for Intervenor/Interested Party Fair Share Housing Center

On behalf of the City of Somers Point, with the authorization of the governing body:

John L. Glasser, Jr., Mayor

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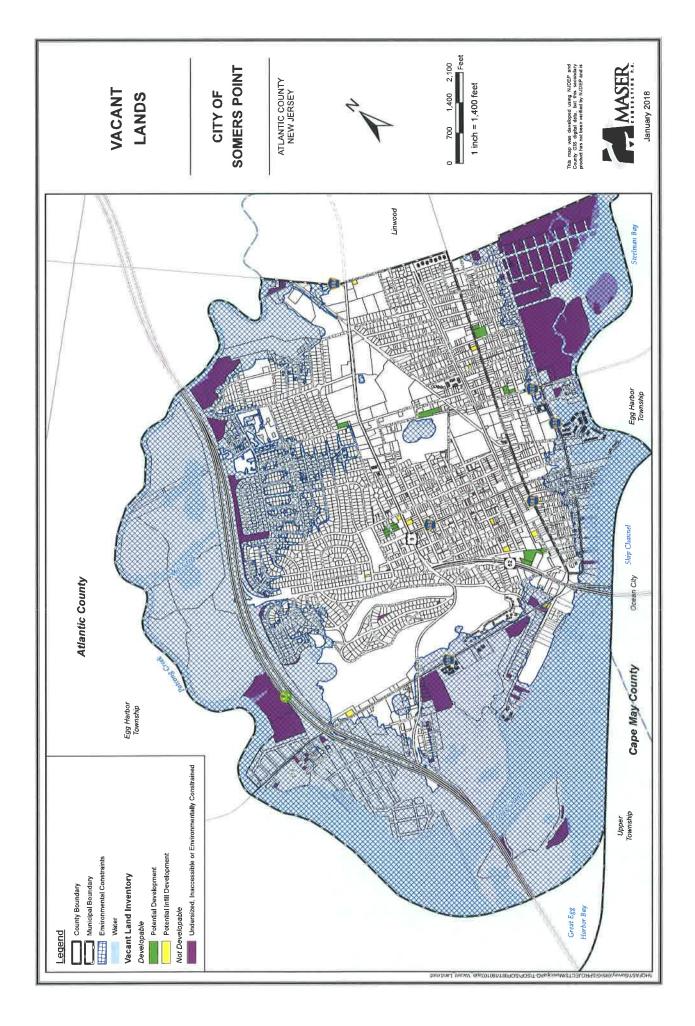
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# EXHIBIT A: VACANT LAND ADJUSTMENT



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# EXHIBIT B: PLANTATION BAY SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

# SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT OF LITIGATION

## PLANTATION BAY, LLC v. CITY OF SOMERS POINT

Docket No. ATL- L-7302-06 P.W. (Mount Laurel)

This Settlement Agreement of Litigation ("Agreement") is entered into this <u>29</u><sup>th</sup> day of <u>JJJ</u>, 2008 by and between (i) Plantation Bay, LLC, having an address at 901 Mays Landing Road, Somers Point, New Jersey 08224 ("Plaintiff"); and (ii) the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey ("Somers Point" and/or the "City") situated for the conduct of official business at City Hall, 1 West New Jersey Avenue, Somers Point, New Jersey 08224 (Plaintiff and the City are sometimes hereinafter individually referred to as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties.")

### BACKGROUND

1. Plaintiff owns approximately 150 acres in Somers Point's Recreational Golf Course ("RGC") District identified on the City's tax maps as Lots 1921 and 1944 in Block 3; Lots 1943 and 1946 in Block 1; Lot 1941 in Block 2; and Lot 1941.01 in Block 5.01 ("Plaintiff's Property"). Plaintiff's Property is known as the Greate Bay Country Club and is improved with an 18-hole regulation golf course, golf practice facility, clubhouse with banquet facilities and parking area.

2. The Parties believe that the process outlined in this Agreement for the approval and construction of the Project and the adoption of the Zoning Amendment (as hereinafter defined) are in accord with the State of New Jersey's Smart Growth principles.

3. Plaintiff desires to construct an inclusionary residential development on Plaintiff's Property so as to create additional affordable housing opportunities in accordance with <u>Southern</u> <u>Burl. Co. NAACP v. City of Mount Laurel</u>, 92 <u>N.J.</u> 158 (1983) ("Mount Laurel II") and the New Jersey Fair Housing Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 52:27D-301, et seq. (the "FHA"), and Plaintiff has filed exclusionary zoning litigation in the Superior Court of New Jersey for Atlantic County (the "Superior Court") against the City and the Planning Board in the matter captioned <u>Plantation</u> <u>Bay, LLC v. City of Somers Point, and the City of Somers Point Planning Board</u>, Docket No. ATL-L-7302-06 P.W. (the "Litigation"). The City of Somers Point Planning Board is not a party to this Settlement as Plaintiff subsequently dismissed its action against to the City of Somers Point Planning Board.

4. The City has a constitutional and statutory obligation to adopt land use regulations that provide a realistic opportunity for the City's fair share of the regional need for housing affordable to those of low and moderate income consistent with the <u>Mount Laurel</u> doctrine and the FHA.

5. Third parties, including owners of property located adjacent to Plaintiff's Property, have contended that none of Plaintiff's Property may be developed for housing because a restriction in the Plaintiff's chain of title restricts the use of the property to a golf course (the "deed restriction" issue).

6. Plaintiff disputes that the foregoing is the case and is prepared to (a) construct an inclusionary residential development on approximately 24.58 acres of Plaintiff's Property located in proximity to Mays Landing-Somers Point Road, (b) use an additional 5.55 acres for amenities such as parking and a clubhouse/banquet facility, (c) permanently preserve approximately 120 acres of Plaintiff's Property as an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility, and (d) defend all claims that may be asserted with respect to the alleged deed restriction.

7. The City and the Planning Board have determined that it is in the best interests of the City and its residents to maintain an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility

on Plaintiff's Property and to assure the permanent preservation of approximately 120 acres of Plaintiff's Property for outdoor recreation use.

 The Parties have engaged in extensive planning discussions and have executed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with respect to a mutually agreeable inclusionary development concept for the Plaintiff's Property.

9. The Parties have reached an understanding with respect to the agreed-upon development of the Plaintiff's Property as documented and memorialized herein, which the Parties intend to jointly submit to the Superior Court for review and approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises and agreements contained herein, to which the Parties agree to be legally bound, the Parties agree to settle the Litigation as follows:

## SECTION I

### **INCORPORATION OF BACKGROUND**

1.1 Incorporation. The "Background" set forth hereinabove is incorporated by reference herein as if set forth at length.

### SECTION II

## THE LAND USE CONCEPT FOR THE INCLUSIONARY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF PLAINTIFF'S PROPERTY AND THE PROVISION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES

2.1 The Parties' Intent. The purpose and intent of this Agreement is to (a) enhance the realistic opportunity for the provision of low and moderate income housing units through Plaintiff's construction of affordable rental housing units for families on Plaintiff's Property; (b) develop the Plaintiff's Property in accordance with the proposed Zoning Amendment, the proposed GDP Ordinance, and the proposed Municipal Development Agreement (each of which is further described herein) in a manner that will satisfy a substantial portion of the City's Third

Round Mount Laurel Obligation; (c) promote sound local, regional and State land use and utility planning objectives; (d) secure for the benefit of the City a conservation restriction, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 13:8B-1 et seq., on approximately 120 acres of Plaintiff's Property; (e) provide a mechanism for the long term financial viability of the golf course operation on Plaintiff's Property which is an important, valued and long-standing employer and corporate citizen within Somers Point; and (f) provide the City with a tax ratable structure that will assist in the stabilization of local taxes.

2.2 The Land Use Plan. The intentions of the Parties as expressed above are intended to be implemented by (a) the City's consideration of the proposed Zoning Amendment (the "Zoning Amendment"), which shall be applicable to the City's Recreational Golf Course ("RGC") District including Plaintiff's Property, and the proposed General Development Plan Ordinance (the "GDP Ordinance"), which are attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as **Exhibit "A"** and **"Exhibit B"**, respectively; (b) execution of a Municipal Development Agreement as contemplated by the GDP ordinance; and (c) the City and the Planning Board otherwise extending full cooperation to secure all required outside agency governmental permits, licenses, authorizations and approvals. The terms and conditions of the Municipal Development Agreement shall not be inconsistent with this Settlement Agreement.

2.3 Implementation of the Land Use Plan. In order to achieve the foregoing objectives, within forty-five (45) days of the Superior Court's entry of an Order approving this Agreement, the City agrees to introduce and consider adoption of the proposed Zoning Amendment and GDP Ordinance (Exhibits "A" and "B"). If adopted, the proposed Zoning Amendment and proposed GDP Ordinance, shall be incorporated into the City's Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (collectively, the "Compliance Plan"). Regardless of the timing for

completion and/or approval of the Compliance Plan, following execution of the Municipal Development Agreement contemplated by the GDP ordinance, Plaintiff shall be permitted to pursue development approvals for the Project with the Planning Board, which the Planning Board shall expeditiously process in accordance with Section 4.2 hereof, so long as the proposed Zoning Amendment and GDP Ordinance (Exhibits "A" and "B") are adopted, the Municipal Development Agreement is executed, and, in accordance with Section 5.1 of this Agreement, the Superior Court has entered an Order approving this Agreement.

If the proposed Zoning Amendment and GDP Ordinance are not timely adopted in accordance with this Section 2.3, Plaintiff and the City each shall have the unilateral option of terminating this Agreement and continuing with the Litigation.

### SECTION III

## INTENDED SCOPE OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE PLAINTIFF'S PROPERTY AND PLAINTIFF'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS

3.1 The Project. The "Project" shall include the construction of an inclusionary residential development, the conveyance to the City of a conservation restriction for approximately 120 acres of Plaintiff's Property consisting of an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility, and the continued operation, maintenance, improvement and/or redevelopment of a golf course service area including but not limited to a clubhouse with banquet facilities and parking area. The proposed Zoning Amendment (Exhibit "A") shall provide for uses and standards that shall allow for the construction of the inclusionary residential development, continued operation, maintenance, modification and improvement of an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility, continued operation, maintenance, modification and improvement of an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility, continued operation, maintenance, modification and improvement of an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility, continued operation, maintenance, modification and improvement of an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility, continued operation, maintenance, modification and improvement of an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility, continued operation, maintenance, modification and improvement of the clubhouse with banquet facilities, parking area and other golf course support services in accordance with this Agreement. Plaintiff shall file development applications

that are substantially consistent with the Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit "A"), with the Concept Plan attached hereto as Exhibit "C" (the "Concept Plan"), and the Municipal Development Agreement. Construction of the Project may be phased in any manner to be determined by Plaintiff and developed over such period of time as may be determined by Plaintiff, subject only to the limitations set forth at Section 3.4 of this Agreement relative to the phasing of the Affordable Units, and at Section 3.2 of this Agreement relative to the duration of zoning.

3.1.1 Inclusionary Residential Development. The Project shall contain an inclusionary residential development with a maximum of (a) three hundred (300) market rate residential units, and (b) seventy-five (75) residential rental units for families made available to those of low income and moderate income (the "Affordable Units")(a 20% set-aside) as hereinafter provided in Section 3.3. The market rate units will be divided between the area designated as "Housing West" on Exhibit "C" (approximately 16.52 acres located west of US 9), and the area designated as "Housing East" on Exhibit "C" (approximately 8.06 acres located east of US 9). All of the Affordable Units shall be located in the area designated as "Housing West" on Exhibit "C". Plaintiff agrees to diligently pursue, at its sole cost and expense, all necessary permits and approvals for the inclusionary residential development.

3.1.2 Golf Course Support and Service Area. The Project will include an approximately 5.5 acre "Golf Course Support Service Area" as depicted on Exhibit "C", which may be used for the clubhouse, banquet facility, restaurant, parking area, and other facilities ancillary to a golf course-based country club.

3.1.3 Deed Restricted Golf Course. The Project shall contain an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility in the area depicted on Exhibit "C" as

the "Deed Restricted Golf Course and Practice Facility". Plaintiff has agreed to provide a conservation restriction, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:8B-1 et seq. for the approximately 120 acres of Plaintiff's Property comprising the 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility. Plaintiff warrants that all mortgage lenders and secured creditors have consented to this Settlement Agreement and to the conservation restriction. The conservation restriction shall be limited to the Deed Restricted Golf Course and Practice Facility as designated on Exhibit "C" and shall not include the areas designated as "Housing East" (approximately 8.06 acres), "Housing West" (approximately 16.52 acres) or "Golf Course Support Service Area" (approximately 5.55 acres) as depicted on Exhibit "C". Plaintiff shall be permitted to use the Deed Restricted Golf Course and Practice Facility area for management of stormwater from the other areas of the Project. In the event that Plaintiff fails to adequately maintain stormwater management basins and utility pipes then the Homeowners Association to be created for the market-rate housing units shall be permitted access over the golf course to service same. The City has the right (but not the obligation) to maintain the site improvements for the benefit of the residential units in the event that they are not properly maintained by Plaintiff or the Homeowners Association. The City shall have the right to file a lien against the property for all costs that it incurs in performing these maintenance obligations.

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The conservation restriction shall be in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "D". If the "deed restriction" issue has been resolved in Plaintiff's favor by a Court of competent jurisdiction, Plaintiff shall convey the conservation restriction to the City and record the conservation restriction with Atlantic County within 45 days after the Planning Board grants final, non-appealable General Development Plan approval. If the "deed

restriction" issue has not been so resolved, Plaintiff shall convey the conservation restriction prior to construction of the first housing unit in the inclusionary development.

Upon conveyance of the conservation restriction, the Plaintiff shall fully cooperate with the City to compel the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH") to remove the 120-acre conservation-restricted golf course parcel from the City's Vacant Land Inventory when computing municipal affordable housing adjustments pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-310.1(b).

In addition to conveying a conservation restriction to the City, at the City's request Plaintiff shall offer to convey without charge a conservation restriction to all owners of residential property within 200 feet of the golf course, provided that the prospective grantees agree to waive any claim that the existing deed restriction prevents the construction of the inclusionary development contemplated by this Settlement Agreement. The form and content of such conservation restriction shall be determined in connection with the Municipal Development Agreement.

3.1.4 Subdivision. Plaintiff shall be entitled, at its option, to subdivide the Housing East, Housing West, Golf Course Support Service Area, and Deed Restricted Golf Course and Practice Facility areas into separate lots. Plaintiff shall also be entitled to subdivide the lands upon which the Affordable Units are to be situated (approximately 2.72 acres in the Housing West area) from the remainder of the Housing West area.

3.1.5 Incorporation and/or Vacation of Oak Lane. The Parties agree that the realization of the Project shall require the improvement and use of a paper public street known as Oak Lane or, alternatively, the relocation, improvement and use of Oak Lane, or, alternatively, the City's vacation of Oak Lane (or a portion thereof). The City has

agreed to permit such a use, relocation, and/or vacation of Oak Lane to allow development of the Project in the manner depicted on Exhibit "C".

3.1.6 Vacation of Loveland Avenue. The Parties agree that the realization of the Project shall require the City's vacation of a paper public street known as Loveland Avenue. The City has agreed to permit such vacation of Loveland Avenue to allow development of the Project in the manner depicted on Exhibit "C".

3.1.7 Financial Plan for Golf Course. In order to provide long-term fiscal stability for the golf course operation, Plaintiff shall include in the master deed for the inclusionary residential development a requirement that the owners of all market rate residential units shall be members of the golf course/country club.

3.2 Duration of Zoning Contemplated by the Proposed Zoning Amendment and Proposed GDP Ordinance In order to fully implement the purposes of this Agreement and in accordance with COAH rules and applicable New Jersey case law, absent the written consent of Plaintiff (which for purposes of this Agreement shall include any successor to any of Plaintiff's interests in the Project), the City shall not amend any provision of the proposed Zoning Amendment or proposed GDP Ordinance for a period of ten (10) years from the date of the Superior Court's approval of this Agreement.

3.3 Provision of Affordable Housing. Plaintiff has agreed to provide for the production of affordable housing through construction of affordable rental units for families within the Project. If the parties hereinafter determine and agree that it is in their mutual interest to instead provide for the production of affordable housing, in whole or in part, through (a) the provision of such housing elsewhere in the City as may be permitted by COAH rules and/or the Superior Court, and/or (b) by making a monetary payment to the City to fund an RCA to provide

affordable housing in the South-Southwest Housing Region or other housing activity that would assist in the City's satisfaction of its Mount Laurel Obligation, then the parties shall negotiate a mutually acceptable amendment to this Agreement, which shall be subject to review by the Superior Court.

3.3.1 Calculation of Number of Affordable Units to Be Provided by Plaintiff. In the event that less than three hundred (300) market rate residential units are approved and constructed on Plaintiff's Property, Plaintiff agrees that for every four market rate residential units approved and constructed on Plaintiff's Property, Plaintiff shall provide one Affordable Unit on Plaintiff's Property (a 20% set-aside). By way of example, if two hundred ninety-two (292) market rate residential units are approved and constructed on Plaintiff's Property, then Plaintiff shall provide seventy-three (73) on-site Affordable Units.

3.3.2 Financial Incentives - Construction of Affordable Units on Plaintiff's Property. Plaintiff shall be freely permitted to apply for and secure available State and federal subsidies and/or tax credits to defray the cost of construction of the Affordable Units, for which the City will extend its full and prompt endorsement and support. Additionally, the City shall extend a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (the "PILOT") for the Affordable Units. The term and duration of the PILOT shall be consistent with the term and duration of the New Jersey Housing Mortgage Finance Agency (the "HMFA") mortgage. This PILOT shall only apply to the Affordable Units, and the rest of the Project shall be subject to standard taxation. The form of PILOT Agreement to be executed with respect to the Affordable Units is attached hereto as **Exhibit** "E" and shall be executed by the Parties within the time period established in the Municipal

Developer's Agreement. The PILOT shall not take effect until construction of the units is completed and the units are ready for occupancy.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Plaintiff acknowledges that the entire Project is classified as "inclusionary" and, as such, may disqualify the Affordable Units from securing nine percent (9%) Low Income Housing Tax Credits ("LIHTCs") and Balanced Housing/Home Express funds under the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' and HMFA's regulations. Plaintiff agrees that it shall nonetheless construct the seventyfive (75) affordable rental units if the foregoing government funding sources are not forthcoming.

3.3.3 Change in Tax Assessment. There shall be no change in the basis for the assessment of Plaintiff's Property until such time as there is an actual change in use of the respective portion thereof. This shall not preclude reassessment based on the current golf course, clubhouse, banquet facility and associated uses.

3.4 Compliance with COAH's Rules. Plaintiff agrees that all Affordable Units shall comply with COAH's and HMFA's rules including, but not limited to those concerning (a) income qualification, (b) controls on affordability, (c) deed restrictions, (d) bedroom distribution, (e) low/moderate income split and range of affordability requirements, (f) phasing, (g) affirmative marketing and (h) handicap accessibility. However, COAH's preference for integration shall not be applicable and, as shown on the Concept Plan, Plaintiff may concentrate all Affordable Units in one component of the Project. Plaintiff will provide and/or pay for income qualification and affirmative marketing-services with a COAH approved administrative agent and shall likewise file all required monitoring forms with COAH and the Court.

#### SECTION IV

### DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING APPROVALS

4.1 Site Specific Zoning Measures. The Parties acknowledge the unique and beneficial development opportunity that is presented with respect to the Plaintiff's Property and agree that certain variances and waivers from the Zoning Amendment, as well as relaxation from other local and regional land use legislation or regulations may ultimately prove to be required to allow for the intended, site specific development of the Plaintiff's Property as set forth in this Agreement. In order to permit the intended, agreed upon development of the Plaintiff's Property, and in accordance with COAH's cost-generation regulations and the Municipal Land Use Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40:55D-1 *et seq.* (the "MLUL"), the City and the Planning Board shall cooperate with the Plaintiff in granting reasonable variances and such other relief as may be necessary to construct the Project.

4.2 Subsequent Development Approvals. The Planning Board shall conduct all reviews of Plaintiff's applications for general development plan, preliminary and final subdivision, site plan and/or variance approvals strictly in accordance with the MLUL, COAH's rules, the Residential Site Improvement Standards (the "RSIS"), and this Agreement, and Plaintiff shall be afforded all expedition and cost-reduction rights, entitlements and benefits accorded to inclusionary developers in COAH's rules and applicable case law. In this regard, the Parties specifically agree that the Planning Board will schedule such special meetings as may be necessary to accommodate the "action time periods" set forth in the MLUL and shall provide Plaintiff with preferential treatment on regular agenda reviews.

4.3 Role of the Court's Special Master in the Development Approval Process for the Project. The Parties may request the Master to assist the Parties during the application process for any approvals and permits relating to development of the Project. The Master's involvement may be requested by any of the Parties without the consent of the other. Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties through their respective attorneys, the cost of the Master shall be paid by the Party seeking the Master's assistance to resolve a problem real or perceived.

4.4 Marc Shuster, P.P., to Serve As Reviewing Planner in the Development Approval Process for the Project The Parties acknowledge that Marc Shuster, P.P. has served an integral role in the development of the Zoning Amendment, the proposed Master Plan Amendment and this Agreement. As such, at the discretion of the City, Marc Shuster shall be retained as the exclusive reviewing planner for all development applications submitted for the Project for as long as he chooses to serve in that capacity.

4.5 Mount Laurel Cost Reduction Entitlements. As is customary with respect to Mount Laurel projects, COAH's cost reduction regulations apply to the inclusionary residential development, including but not limited to:

a. No Planning Board application fees and escrow fees shall be attributable to the Affordable Units.

b. No fees shall be charged for engineering inspections for the Affordable Units.

c. As it is an inclusionary development, the Project shall not be subject to any development fee ordinance.

4.6 Recreation Facilities and Fees. The Parties acknowledge that on October 26, 2006, the City adopted a recreation ordinance that requires developers of 21 or more new dwelling units to pay a fee of \$1,800.00 per dwelling unit to offset the cost incurred by the City to provide adequate recreational facilities to existing and new residents. The Parties further

acknowledge that on June 23, 2008, in the case of the New Jersey Shore Builder's Association v. Township of Jackson, the Appellate Division of the Superior Court ruled that municipalities lack authority to assess such contribution for off-site recreational facilities. The Parties further acknowledge that the demand generated by the residents of the development for City-supported recreational facilities may be reduced because purchasers of market-rate housing will have access to the golf course and associated facilities, and that Plaintiff will expend substantial sums of money for the redesign and improvement of the golf course. The Parties further acknowledge that the residents of the affordable units are less likely to have access to the golf course, and thus it is appropriate to provide on-site recreational facilities for the residents of the affordable units. Plaintiff will install reasonable recreational facilities on the site of the affordable units, the amount and type of which shall be set forth in the Municipal Development Agreement. In the event that by July 1, 2010 (a) the Municipal Land Use Law has been amended to authorize municipalities to assess fees for off-site recreational facilities or (b) the recent decision of the Appellate Division is reversed by the Supreme Court of New Jersey, the Parties agree that in addition to installing on-site recreational facilities for the Affordable Units, Plaintiff shall pay a recreation fee of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00), payable as a per unit contribution at the time a building permit is issued for each market rate unit.

#### SECTION V

# SUPERIOR COURT APPROVAL OF THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

5.1 Court Approval Of Agreement Required. The Parties acknowledge that pursuant to applicable *Mount Laurel* decisional law this Agreement requires Superior Court approval subsequent to the Superior Court conducting a Fairness Hearing upon adequate notice to the protected class and the general public. The Parties further acknowledge that those terms of

the Agreement that provide for affordable housing have been drafted in accordance with the regulations adopted by COAH on May 6, 2008, published in the New Jersey Register on June 2, 2008, as modified by new and amended regulations proposed by COAH on May 6, 2008, published in the New Jersey Register on June 16, 2008. Additionally, the City reserves the right to maintain that under the Mount Laurel doctrine and the FHA no growth share obligation should be attributable to the market-rate units in this inclusionary development. Within ten (10) days of execution of this Agreement by all Parties, the Plaintiff, with the City's support, shall pursue the scheduling of a Fairness Hearing with the Superior Court, at which time the Agreement shall be submitted to the Superior Court for its review and approval. Upon the scheduling of a Hearing date, Plaintiff shall comply with all notice requirements imposed or directed by the Superior Court and the cost of providing notice shall be borne by Plaintiff. Plaintiff shall assume primary responsibility for pursuing the approval of the Superior Court at the Hearing and defending any Superior Court Order approving this Agreement. The City shall fully support and endorse approval of this Agreement at the Hearing. If the Superior Court approves or conditionally approves this Settlement Agreement, then upon the City's adoption of the proposed Zoning Amendment and GDP Ordinance Plaintiff shall request the Court to dismiss the litigation against the City and Planning Board. If the Superior Court has not approved or conditionally approved this Settlement Agreement within one hundred twenty (120) days of the date on which all Parties have been supplied with a complete copy of this Agreement (including all Exhibits), the Parties each shall have the unilateral option of terminating this Agreement and continuing with the Litigation.

5.2 Defense of Agreement. The Parties shall fully cooperate with each other to secure Superior Court approval of this Agreement and to defend said approval against all

challenges and/or appeals pursued by third parties. The City shall promptly notify Plaintiff of all challenges and appeals.

Payment of Costs. Plaintiff will be responsible for defending any claims that 5.3 Plaintiff's Property is deed restricted so as to preclude residential development, including the expense of filing a declaratory judgment action, if necessary. Plaintiff will be responsible for the expenses of the Court's Master attributable to her review of the so-called "deed restriction" issue. Plaintiff will defend and indemnify the City with regard to any third party litigation attributable to the "deed restriction" issue provided that (a) the City does not take a position in such litigation inconsistent with Plaintiff's position on the "deed restriction" issue and (2) the City directs its legal counsel to cooperate with Plaintiff in defending any such litigation in order to avoid unnecessary duplication of efforts and associated costs. The City shall have the sole discretion to select its legal counsel which will be paid for by Plaintiff at the prevailing rates paid by the City to its legal counsel within 30 days upon presentation of detailed legal invoices. In the event that for any reason Plaintiff does not convey to the City a conservation restriction for the area depicted on Exhibit "D" as the "Deed Restricted Golf Course and Practice Facility" as provided in Section 3.1.3, above, the City maintains the right to assert, at its sole cost and expense, that the existing deed restriction is enforceable. In addition, pursuant to the MOU dated December 28, 2007, Plaintiff agrees that the professional fees incurred by the City in revising the zoning amendment (Exhibit "A") and the GDP Ordinance ("B"), and in drafting or revising this Settlement Agreement, shall be deemed expenses incurred pursuant to a request for rezoning and thus subject to and governed by Ordinance No. 21 of 2007, which imposes application fees and escrow fees on such requests for rezoning. Plaintiff shall reimburse the City for these expenses, as well as the cost of providing notice set forth in Section 5.1. To secure payment of these

expenses, Plaintiff agrees to an initial escrow fund of \$15,000.00 and to bring the balance back up to \$15,000.00 within seven (7) days after receiving notice that the fund has been reduced to \$5,000.00. Except as provided above, each Party shall be responsible for its own costs and expenses in securing Superior Court approval and defending any Superior Court Order approving this Agreement, provided, however, that Plaintiff shall assume primary responsibility for pursuing approval of the Superior Court at the Hearing and defending any Superior Court Order approving this Agreement as set forth in Section 5.1.

5.4 Compliance Plan. Plaintiff shall interact and cooperate with the City and the Superior Court subsequent to the Superior Court's approval of this Agreement with respect to the City's efforts to prepare and secure Superior Court approval of its Compliance Plan in a continuing effort to vindicate the rights of the protected class. However, Plaintiff's foregoing cooperation shall not require Plaintiff to delay pursuing the receipt of development approvals and/or construction of any portion of the Project in accordance with this Agreement.

#### SECTION VI

#### DEFAULT

6.1 Violation and Default. In the event that any Party shall fail to perform any undertaking required to be performed by it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, unless the Party (or Parties) for whose benefit such obligation was intended waive such obligation in writing, such failure to perform shall constitute an event of default under this Agreement. Upon any such event of default, the non-defaulting Party shall have available any and all rights and remedies that may be provided in law or in equity including, but not limited to, the right of specific performance and/or the right to prosecute a motion in aid of litigant's rights.

## SECTION VII

## NOTICES

7.1 Third-Party Actions. The Parties and their respective counsel agree to immediately provide each other with notice of any lawsuits, actions, governmental proceedings or administrative proceedings, threatened or pending, which could have a material adverse impact on the Project.

7.2 Notice by and Among the Parties. All notices required under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be given by facsimile or by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by FedEx, UPS or a similarly recognized receipted overnight delivery service. All notices shall be deemed received upon the date of delivery which is set forth in the mailing certifications or receipts used, and all times for performance based upon such notices shall be from the date set forth in such proof of delivery. The persons and entities to receive notice shall be as follows or to any successor designated by the respective recipient:

To Plaintiff:

Mark Benevento Plantation Bay, LLC c/o Greate Bay Country Club 901 Mays Landing Road Somers Point, NJ 08224 Fax: 609-927-9766

Paul H. Schneider, Esq.
Craig M. Gianetti, Esq.
Giordano, Halleran & Ciesla, P.C.
125 Half Mile Road
Red Bank, NJ 07701
Fax: 732-224-6599

To the City:

Clerk, the City of Somers Point 1 West New Jersey Avenue Somers Point, NJ 08244

Damon Tyner, Esquire Parker McCay, P.A. Bayport One 8025 Black Horse Pike Suite 325 West Atlantic City, NJ 08232-2965 Telecopier: (609) 347-8050

Ronald C. Morgan, Esquire Douglas McCollister, Esquire Parker McCay, P.A. Three Greentree Centre 7001 Lincoln Drive West P.O. Box 974 Marlton, NJ 08053-0974 Telecopier: (856) 552-1427

To the Court's Master:

Mary Beth Lonergan, P.P. Clarke, Caton & Hintz 400 Sullivan Way Trenton, NJ 08628 Telecopier: (609) 883-4044

#### SECTION VIII

#### MISCELLANEOUS

8.1 Captions. Captions and titles to this Agreement are inserted for the purposes of convenience and reference only, and are in no way to be construed as limiting or modifying the scope and intent of the various purposes and substantive provisions of this Agreement.

8.2 Cooperation. The Parties expressly agree to cooperate with each other in order to effectuate and carry out the purposes of this Agreement as well as the Mount Laurel Doctrine, the FHA, and COAH's rules that are in effect as of the date of this Agreement.

8.3 Waiver. Each of the Parties waives all rights to challenge the validity and enforceability of this Agreement. Failure to enforce provisions or obligations in this Agreement by any Party shall not be construed as a waiver of these provisions and obligations.

8.4 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, including its prefatory statements, background recitals and exhibits, constitutes the entire Agreement between the Parties with respect to the resolution of the Litigation and the related subject matters hereof. No representative, agent or employee of any Party has been authorized to make any representations and/or promises that are not contained herein or to otherwise modify, amend, vary or alter the terms hereof except as stated herein. No modifications, amendments, variations or alternations shall be binding unless reduced to writing and signed by the Parties.

8.5 Validity. In the event that any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, unenforceable or void, the Parties shall, within thirty (30) days of such determination, attempt to restructure this Agreement consistent with its underlying intent. If the Parties fail to agree to such a restructuring, any Party may seek Superior Court review and a ruling to restructure the Agreement in a legally acceptable manner reflecting the underlying intent of the Parties as expressed herein.

8.6 Preparation. The Parties acknowledge that the Parties' attorneys have jointly prepared this Agreement as a means of settling the Litigation. Therefore, this Agreement shall be construed on a parity among the Parties and any presumption for resolving ambiguities against the drafter shall not apply.

8.7 Construction. This Agreement shall be construed, governed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey and the rules and regulations of COAH. Jurisdiction with respect to any litigation related to this Agreement by way of enforcement or post judgment relief shall exclusively be in the Superior Court of New Jersey for Atlantic County. Service of any complaint, motion or judgment enforcement proceedings may be affected consistent with the terms hereof for the delivery of notices. The Parties hereby consent to service of process in such manner and waive any other service of process. Process may be

affected by written notice pursuant to the terms hereof for notices. The Parties expressly waive a trial by jury in any such litigation or proceedings.

8.8 Parties Bound and Assignment. The Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. Plaintiff shall expressly be permitted to sell, convey and/or assign its rights to develop one or more phases or sections of the Project to other developers and/or users who shall be entitled to rely upon and enforce this Agreement as to the remaining Parties. Advanced written permission to sell and assign is not intended and shall not be required.

8.9 Holiday and Weekends — Time for Performance. Should any date on or before which the performance of any act is required under the terms of the Agreement fall on a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday and/or generally recognized religious holiday in the State of New Jersey (such as Christmas, Good Friday, etc.), the date for performance shall be extended to and shall occur on the next succeeding business day. All references to "days" shall be deemed to refer to calendar days unless the context clearly and unequivocally requires otherwise. Except as otherwise set forth herein, any act to be performed on or before a certain day shall be deemed to be required to be performed on or before 5:00 p.m. on the day set forth and, if performed after 5:00 p.m., shall be deemed not to have been performed on said date.

8.10 Counterpart Signature. This Agreement may be executed simultaneously or in one or more counterparts, each of which, when so executed and delivered, shall constitute an original, fully enforceable counterpart for all purposes. Facsimile counterparts shall be accepted and enforceable. Immediately following the delivery of a facsimile counterpart, the sending Party shall deliver a counterpart with the original execution page.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals the

day and year appearing below their names.

Attest:

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Print Name: Renee Buck

Plantation Bay, LLC By Managing Member Print Name: MARK BENEVENTO

Date: <u>7-29</u>, 2008

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ISSI Print Name:

CITY OF SOMERS POINT, A Municipal Corporation of the State of New Jersey

Cogroup rances By: Print Name: Francis \_\_\_\_\_, 2008 111 Date:

# ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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COUNTY OF ATLANTIC

I certify that on <u>7/29</u>, 2008, <u>MARK BENEVENTO</u> personally came

before me and stated to my satisfaction that he:

(a) Signed, sealed and delivered the attached document as the Managing Member of

Plantation Bay, LLC, that are collectively designated as Plaintiff in this document;

(b) was authorized to and did execute this instrument as the Managing Member of the

Plaintiff named in this document; and

(c) executed this instrument as the act of the Plaintiff named in this document.

RENEE A. BUCK NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY MY COMMISSION EXPIRES OCT. 8, 2008

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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COUNTY OF AHantic

I certify that on Sept. 11, 2008, Francis X Cosgrove personally came

before me and stated to my satisfaction that he:

(a) This person signed, sealed and delivered the attached documents as <u>Council President</u> of the City of Somers Point, a body corporate and politic of the State of

New Jersey, named in this document;

(b) was authorized to and did execute this document as the <u>Council President</u>, the entity named in this document; and

(c) executed this instrument as the act of the entity named in this document.

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## EXHIBITS

A - Proposed Zoning Amendment

B - Proposed GDP Ordinance

C - Concept Plan

D - Proposed Conservation Easement and Restrictive Covenants

E - PILOT Agreement for Affordable Units

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# City of Somers Point Resolution

## No. 142 of 2008

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF MOUNT LAUREL LITIGATION

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point (City) and the Somers Point Planning Board (Board) were defendants in pending Mount Laurel proceedings in the Superior Court encaptioned Plantation Bay, LLC, v. City of Somers Point, and the City of Somers Point Planning Board,

Docket No. ATL-L-7302-06 P.W.; and WHEREAS, on December 28, 2007, plaintiff and the City executed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that committed both parties to attempt to settle the pending litigation; and WHEREAS, the negotiations between the City and plaintiff have resulted in a draft

Settlement Agreement, as authorized by Resolution No. 77 of 2008; and WHEREAS, the Somers Point Planning Board was subsequently released from the

litigation

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Somers

arol L. Degrassi, RMC/CMC, City Clerk

Point that the City approves the form and content of the Settlement Agreement that is attached hereto which has been revised to reflect the release of the Somers Point Planning Board from the litigation and authorizes its execution by the Council President and City Clerk for submission to the Superior Court for review and approval upon execution by the remaining parties to this

I Carol L. Degrassi, City Clerk of the City of Somers Point, New Jersey, hereby certify that the Agreement, foregoing Resolution is a true copy, duly adopted by the City Council of said City at a Regular meeting In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of my Office this 28th day of August, 2008.

held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2008.

#### EXHIBIT A

#### City of Somers Point County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_-07

### AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, COUNTY OF ATLANTIC, SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER 114 OF THE DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, TO ADD A NEW ARTILCE ENTITLED "RECREATIONAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT OPTION (RPUD)"

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, as follows:

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council of the City of Somers Point having reviewed and considered this amendment to Chapter 114 of the Development Regulations of the City of Somers Point and having found that it is in the best interests of the residents and future residents of the City of Somers Point that said amendment be adopted.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Somers Point that Chapter 114 of the Development Regulations of the City of Somers Point, entitled "Development Regulations," is the same and is hereby amended, as follows:

## Section 1: Add Article XIIIA: Recreational Planned Unit Development Option (RPUD)

§ \_\_\_\_\_ Development in the Recreational Planned Unit Development ("RPUD") shall be permitted consistent with the regulations and guidelines that follow and consistent with all other applicable rules, regulations and laws.

A. <u>Purpose.</u> The purpose of the RPUD Recreational Planned Unit Development Option is to provide the opportunity for planned residential neighborhoods that include a variety of housing types as set forth below. The objectives of the RPUD regulations and standards are to encourage innovative development to achieve a variety of building types, layout and siting under a comprehensive plan of development. The RPUD encourages comprehensive planned residential community to be uniquely integrated with recreational opportunities, but provides standards to ensure integrated building design, quality architecture, efficient circulation, protection of natural resources and an attractive pedestrian environment. Such design standards will have a beneficial effect upon the health, safety, general welfare and morals of the City and neighboring communities consistent with smart growth and sustainable development concepts and principles.

B. Conditions for application of Recreational Planned Unit Development Option.

 The RPUD standards may be applied to contiguous tracts of land, contiguous parcels shall include those land areas which directly abut or are separated by a general access roadway or other right-of-way, one hundred forty acres or more, or any number of assembled contiguous parcels totaling one hundred forty acres or more, under common ownership or under contract by a single developer within the City of Somers Point Recreational Golf Course District (RGC).

- 2. The parcel or parcels proposed for development under the RPUD standards must have a minimum of 100 feet of frontage on a municipal, state or county roadway.
- 3. Any parcel proposed for development under the RPUD standards, which also falls wholly or partially within the Historic District or which includes a Historic Landmark within its boundaries, must submit the proposal to the Historic District Commission for review and recommendation.
- 4. A general development plan including a phasing plan and proposed schedule shall be submitted in accordance with the requirements of NJSA 40:55D-45.1et seq. and \_and \_\_\_\_\_ of the Land Development Ordinances of the City of and Sections Somers Point.
- 5. Of the entire tract a minimum of 120 acres must be dedicated and deed restricted as an eighteen hole golf course.
- Permitted Uses Ç.
  - 1. Golf Course and associated support uses
  - 2. Banquet Facilities including restaurants
  - 3. Permitted Residential Uses.
  - Single-family and duplex attached dwelling units (townhouses and flats)
    - a. Multi-family dwelling units b.
- Accessory Uses. D.

Only those accessory uses and structures customarily incidental to the principal uses are permitted subject to the standards set forth in this section.

- Off-street parking 1.
- Trash and recyclables enclosures
- Stormwater management facilities, basins and ponds 2.
- 3. Public utilities infrastructure
- 4. Signs 5.
- Loading areas 6.
- Garages 7.
- Porches and decks 8.
- On-site recreational facilities for residents in residential areas
- Recreational facilities and clubhouses associated with a golf course residential 9. development including restaurant uses and pro- shop, banquet hall and other 10. such associated uses, to be located on the non-residential portion of the property.
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  - Gross Density: Maximum 2.5 units per acre (equivalent to the total number of dwelling units divided by the gross tract area) 1.

Net Density: Maximum 16 units per acre-on the non-golf course designated property (equivalent to the total number of dwelling units divided by the non-golf course designated property), for a maximum of 360 market rate and affordable housing units.

#### Bulk, Area and Parking Regulations F.

Recreational Planned Unit Development Option (RPUD)		
Recreational F	Standards	
	Residential Use	Golf Course Use
Minimum Front Yard Setback (feet) Side Yard Setback	20 feet to public R/W Min. 12 feet to porch	50'
	10 feet	25'
(feet) Rear Yard Setback (feet)	20 feet 10 feet to deck or patio	25'
Maximum Tract	75%	80%
coverage Maximum Building Height (feet)*	35 feet - golf course perimeter** 45 feet - other	45 feet
Maximum Building	200 feet	200 feet
Length	n/a	15
Parking set back Parking Requirements	In accordance with N.J. Residential Site Improvement Standards	
Building set back To interior road	12 min. from non garage face to edge of paving 25 min. from garage face to edge o paving	N/A e f
Between buildings	35 ft. rear to rear 25 ft. side to side 30 ft. side to rear	N/A

\* Height to top of flat roof or mid-point of slope of pitched roof. \*\* Any building located closest to the line separating a residential tract from golf course uses.

General Requirements. G.

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:55D-45, the planning board must find the following facts 1. and conclusions:

- a. Departures by the proposed development from zoning regulations otherwise applicable to the subject property conform to the standards set forth for the RPUD. b. That proposals for maintenance and conservation of the common open space are
- reliable, and the amount, location and purpose of the common open space are adequate c. That provision through the physical design of the proposed development for public
- services, control over vehicular and pedestrian traffic, and the amenities of light and air, d. That the proposed planned development will not have an unreasonably adverse impact
- e. In the case of a proposed development which contemplates construction over a period of upon the area in which it is proposed to be established.
- years, that the terms and conditions intended to protect the interests of the public and of the residents, occupants and owners of the proposed development in the total completion of the development are adequate.
- 2. Where a planned development consistent with the requirements of this section is proposed on multiple contiguous tax lots; the bulk standards, setback requirements and design standards set forth in this section may be applied to a tract as delineated in the development plan provided that all lots will be either consolidated or subdivided as part of the proposal, that all lots are part of a comprehensive development plan, and provided that a use and phasing plan is submitted that delineates the project area boundaries. If lots within the planned development are separated by a public street, they must share a minimum of 100 feet of parallel street frontage.

The submission requirements and design standards set forth in this subsection shall be in addition to the prevailing H. Design Standards and Submission Requirements. requirements set forth within the City's Zoning Ordinance and shall apply to all development and redevelopment projects in the Recreational Golf Course District (RGC).

Site Orientation and Design. 1.

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a. Spatial relationships between buildings, public and semi-public spaces, and other structures should be designed to relate to one another, both functionally and visually. Features such as courtyards, greens, pedestrian and bicycle pathways which encourage pedestrian activity and incidental social interaction among users shall be incorporated into The site should be designed to reinforce street frontages, and main entryways should be emphasized to create a sense of identity with special landscape features, and appropriately scaled signage and architectural accents.

b. Buildings shall define the streetscape through the use of detail, building articulation and massing. The streetscape shall be generally continued across side yard setback areas between buildings by using landscaping. The streetscape shall also be reinforced by shade trees and may be further reinforced by walls, street lamps and other street

c. To the extent possible, new streets shall connect with existing streets and with each other. Pedestrian connections should be established,

Common Open Space: For each residential tract, a minimum of 25% of the gross area shall be pervious. The open areas shall be accessible to the residents of the respective 2. residential tract.

- A comprehensive storm water management plan shall be developed in accordance with prevailing State, County and Local requirements. Storm water quality basins should be designed as integrated landscape features whenever possible. Stormwater management basins and other stormwater management facilities serving the residential development may be located on the deed restricted golf course area.
- 4. Landscaping: A comprehensive landscape plan shall be prepared by a licensed professional landscape architect that provides for shade, buffering to adjacent uses, planting beds within parking areas, foundation plantings adjacent to buildings, preservation of existing healthy vegetation where possible, and other landscaping elements designed to compliment and enhance the overall site and building design.
  - a. At main entryways massed landscaping, architectural features and appropriate signage shall be utilized to create visual focal points and to add to the creation of a sense of place.
  - b. Shade trees shall be installed along road frontages and internal access drives at intervals satisfactory to the Board
  - c. There shall be a landscape island at least 9 feet in width at the terminus of each parking row, and landscaped islands shall be placed at intervals throughout the parking area for every 20 linear spaces.
  - d. Each parking lot island must contain at least one shade tree along with shrubs and ground cover. Where trees are not possible due to the presence of a light post or underground utilities, shrubs shall be installed.
  - e. Planted berms or solid fencing shall be utilized to enhance buffers between incompatible uses and to shield loading and service activities in the non-residential portions of any development. If needed a wall designed to match the architecture may be erected to screen loading areas.

#### 5. Lighting.

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- a. Streetlights and lighting along pedestrian pathways shall be pedestrian scaled, contextually appropriate fixtures.
- b. Streets and open space shall be provided with adequate lighting, while minimizing adverse impacts, such as glare and overhead sky glow, on adjacent properties. House side shields shall be provided where abutting a residential use.
- c. Along all pedestrian paths, along drive aisles and within courtyards, decorative lampposts shall be provided at regular intervals but not greater than 100 feet on center.
- d. Lighting on residential streets should be located at the street intersections. Lighting standards shall be consistent throughout the development. If individual lampposts equipped with photo sensors are provided at each driveway, the need for street lights between intersections may be eliminated.
- e. Residential porch patio, or balcony lighting and yard post lighting is encouraged to augment street lighting design and to create a sense of safety and community.

- f. Light fixtures attached to the exterior of a building shall be architecturally compatible with the style, materials, colors, and details of the building and shall comply with the local building codes. The type of light source used on the exterior of buildings, signs, parking areas, pedestrian walkways, and other areas of a site, and the light quality produced, shall we the same or compatible to adjacent site lighting fixtures. If facades are lit from the exterior, lights should be concealed through shielding or recessed behind architectural features. Lighting of roof forms such as copulas or other special roof forms is permitted. The use of low-pressure sodium, fluorescent, or mercury vapor lighting, either attached to buildings or to light the exterior of buildings, shall be prohibited. Mounting brackets and associated hardware should be inconspicuous.
- 6. Architectural plans consisting of floor plans and elevations of areas visible to the general public and site design plans including all public and semi-public space should be submitted. The features, scale and details of the buildings and streetscape shall demonstrate a comprehensive design approach.
  - a. Architectural standards for residential development. All development shall have a coherent architectural style, vocabulary and color scheme.
  - i. The following materials shall be permitted for facades:
    - Wood natural and synthetic, cement board or vinyl siding and shingles
    - Simulated clapboard.
    - Brick.
    - Indigenous stone and Cultured Stone.
    - Cast Stone.
    - Architectural CMU.
    - Synthetic Stucco (EIFS).
    - Stucco.

Front facades of fifty percent of the townhouses shall be partially faced masonry material, i.e. brick, stone or stucco on primary elevations, a minimum of 4 feet above grade which face front and side streets and pedestrian mews. Architectural variation must be provided as to distinguish the units from one another. Elevations out of primary public view can be made of other materials. Projecting windows may also be made of materials other than masonry. Portions of side elevations away from the public view need not include masonry material. Where the end of a building faces the street, the side elevation shall receive a treatment similar to the front elevation and shall respond to the street.

iii. No more than three (3) consecutive townhouses attached to one another may have the same building setback. Off-sets must be at least three (3) feet.

7. Design standards for signs.

a. Each use shall be permitted one façade/wall sign not to exceed 10% of the principal front wall area and not to exceed 30 square feet. In the case of a freestanding building two façade/wall signs will be permitted on different facades.

- b. Signs affixed to the exterior of a building shall be architecturally compatible with the style, composition, materials, colors, and details of the building, as well as with other signs used on the building or its vicinity. The use of coordinated awnings and decorative light fixtures are encouraged.
- c. Signs shall fit within the existing facade features, shall be confined to signable areas, and shall not interfere with door and window openings, conceal architectural details or obscure the composition of the facade where they are located.
- d. Sign colors should be compatible with the colors of the building facade. A dull or matte finish is recommended for reduction of glare and enhancement of legibility.
- e. Signs shall be either spotlight or backlit with a diffused light source. Light shall not significantly spill over to other portions of the building or site. Backlighting shall illuminate the letters, characters, or graphics on the sign, but not its background. Warm fluorescent bulbs may be used to illuminate the interior of display windows. Neon signs or flashing lights are not permitted.
- f. Signs shall be mounted so that the method of installation is concealed. Signs applied to masonry surfaces should be mechanically fastened to mortar joints only and not directly into brick or stone. Drilling to provide electrical service should also follow the same rule.
- g. Each residential development may have a monument identification sign located at the entryways, a maximum of 20 square feet and set back a minimum of 10 feet from the right-of-way line.
- h. One directional sign not to exceed 20 square feet to direct visitors to the various commercial and community destinations is permitted. Such sign may not interfere with traffic circulation and shall not be designed to advertise.

#### 8 Streets, alleys and sidewalks

- a. Cross sections of proposed streets shall be submitted depicting the range of street widths, patterns and styles that will make up the framework of streets. Streets, alleys and sidewalks are important public spaces and should be complimented with pedestrian plazas and other elements to enhance the pedestrian experience.
- b. Sidewalks a minimum of four (4) feet wide must be installed along all public streets and in accordance with RSIS Standards within residential development. Sidewalks in front of commercial uses shall be a minimum of ten (10) feet wide and twelve (12) feet if outdoor cafes are contemplated.
- c. Sidewalks and pedestrian access ways shall be designed to protect the pedestrian from vehicular traffic and to facilitate and encourage movement among the various uses

Affordable Housing: Affordable housing credits under NJAC 5:94-1et seq. to be negotiated for all housing units and to be provided through onsite construction or other means acceptable to the City of Somers Point.

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#### EXHIBIT B

#### ORDINANCE NO. 23 OF 2007

Chapter 114 Article III DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, section 114-9 shall be amended to add the definition that follows:

GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - A plan showing general land use, circulation, open space, utilities, storm water management, environmental factors, community facilities, type and density of housing, floor area for nonresidential development, and phasing for parcels in excess of 100 acres, which is proposed to be constructed as a planned development. The term of the effect of a General Development Plan approval shall be determined by the Planning Board, and shall not exceed 20 years.

Chapter 114 Article XXIII SUBDIVISION OF LAND shall be amended to add Section 114-171.1 General Development Plan as follows:

#### ARTICLE XXIII, Section 114-171.1 General Development Plan Submission Procedures

A. Purpose and Applicability

- 1. The purpose of this section is to permit and encourage the submission of conceptual general development plans that present a comprehensive plan for a proposed Recreational Planned Unit Developments (RPUD) in the Recreational Golf Course (RGC) District. The general development plan is intended to prompt an integrated approach to site planning that relates to the existing development patterns in the City within the RGC District.
- 2. A developer of a parcel or parcels of land totaling more than 100 acres in size in the RGC District for which the developer is seeking approval of a RPUD must submit a general development plan to the planning board prior to the submission of preliminary subdivision or site plans to the planning board.
- 3. The general development plan shall set forth the proposed and permitted number of dwelling units and the residential density, and the amount of nonresidential floor space for the proposed development in its entirety according to a schedule which sets forth the timing of the various sections of the development, and the area to be permanently deed-restricted for golf course and recreational use.

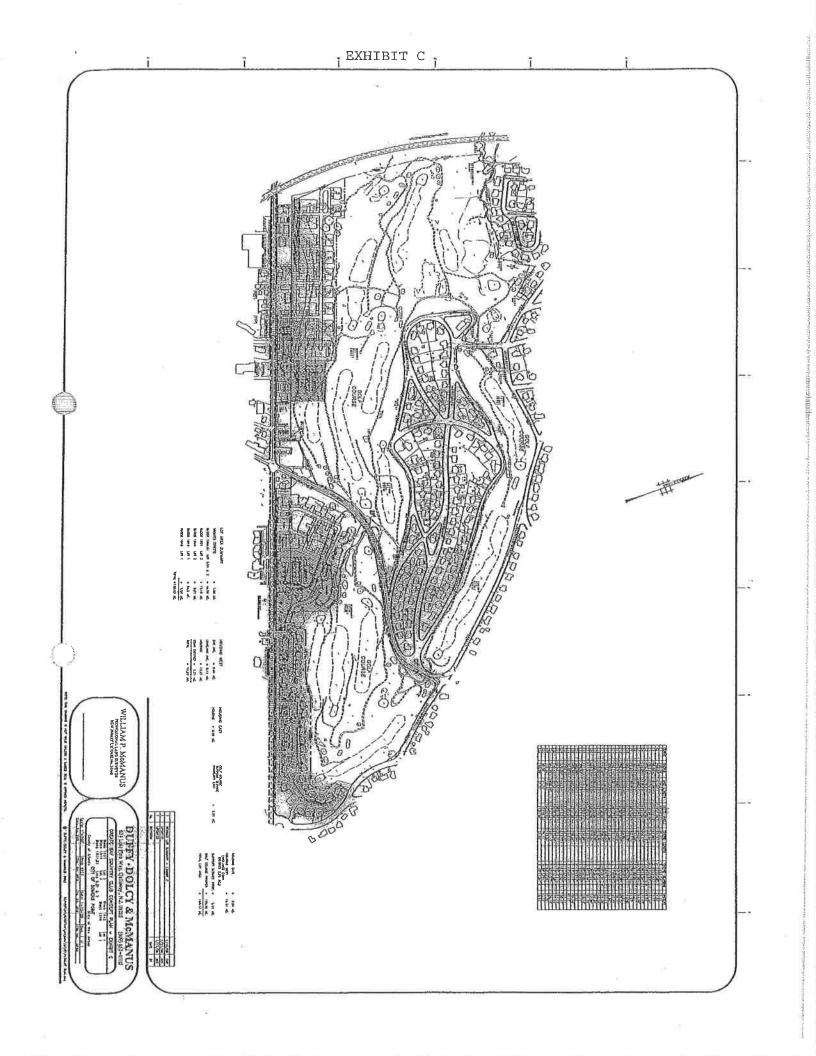
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- 1. That departures by the proposed development from zoning regulations otherwise applicable to the subject property conform to the zoning ordinance standards that may be specific to a planned development.
- 2. That proposals for maintenance and conservation of the common open space are reliable, and that the amount, location and purpose of the common open space are adequate.
- 3. That provisions through the physical design of the proposed development for public services, control over vehicular and pedestrian traffic, and the amenities of light and air, recreation and visual enjoyment are adequate.
- 4. That the proposed planned development will not have an unreasonably adverse impact upon the area in which it is proposed to be established.
- 5. In the case of a proposed development which contemplates construction over a period of years, the terms and conditions intended to protect the interests of the public and of the residents, occupants and owners of the proposed development in the total completion of the development are adequate.
- 6. That the proposal is responsive to the natural features of the site and is designed in a manner that preserves valuable site characteristics identified in the environmental inventory.
- 7. That the proposal advances the principles of smart growth by providing opportunities for vehicular and pedestrian interconnectivity where feasible, by encouraging the efficient use of land, and by safeguarding the character of existing stable neighborhoods.

#### **D.** Approval Process and Duration

- 1. The planning board shall grant or deny general development plan approval within 95 days after submission of a complete application to the administrative officer.
- 2. The term of the effect of the general development plan approval shall be determined by the planning board using the guidelines set forth below, except that the term of the approval shall not exceed twenty (20) years from the day upon which the developer receives final approval of the first section of the planned development. In making its determination regarding the duration of the approval of the development plan, the planning board shall consider the following:

a. the number of dwelling units or amount of nonresidential floor area to be constructed



Prepared by:

#### EXHIBIT D

Paul H. Schneider, Esq. Giordano, Halleran & Ciesla, P.C.

#### GRANT OF CONSERVATION RESTRICTION/EASEMENT

This Grant of Conservation Restriction/Easement is made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2008, by PLANTATION BAY, LLC, a New Jersey limited liability company, having an address of 901 Mays Landing Road, Somers Point, New Jersey 08224 (hereinafter referred to as the "Grantor") in favor of the CITY OF SOMERS POINT, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, having an address of City Hall, 1 West New Jersey Avenue, Somers Point, New Jersey 08224 its successors, or assigns (hereinafter referred to as "Grantee")

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the Grantor is the owner of certain property located along Mays Landing Road in the City of Somers Point, Atlantic County, New Jersey, designated as Lots 1921 and 1944 in Block 3; Lots 1943 and 1946 in Block 1; Lot 1941 in Block 2; and Lot 1941.01 in Block 5.01 on the official Tax Map of the City of Somers Point (hereinafter "the Property"); and

WHEREAS, approximately 120 acres of the Property have long been used for outdoor recreation purposes, specifically an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility; and

WHEREAS, Grantor has obtained development approvals to construct an inclusionary residential development on approximately 24.58 acres of the Property, and plans to continue using approximately 5.55 acres of the Property for golf course support services including but not necessarily limited to a clubhouse/banquet facility and parking area; and

WHEREAS, preserving land for outdoor recreation use plays a significant role in the maintenance of the quality of life for the citizens of Somers Point; and

WHEREAS, Grantor desires to permanently preserve approximately 120 acres of the Property for outdoor recreation use, specifically an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility, and to prohibit any other use as further specified herein ("Restricted Property"). The Restricted Property is depicted on the concept plan attached hereto as **Schedule A** as "Deed Restricted Golf Course and Practice Facility", and a legal description of the Restricted Property is attached as **Schedule B**; and

WHEREAS, Grantor is not restricting the use of the remaining approximately 30 acres of the Property ("Unrestricted Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Grantee is authorized by the New Jersey Conservation Restriction and Historic Preservation Restriction Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 13:8B-1 et seq., to acquire and enforce conservation restrictions; and

WHEREAS, Grantor desires to grant to Grantee the right to enforce the terms of this Conservation Restriction/Easement; and

WHEREAS, Grantor desires to reserve access through the Restricted Property for construction, reconstruction, repair and maintenance of the inclusionary residential development and the golf course support and service facilities including but not limited to the clubhouse/banquet facility and golf course parking area on the Unrestricted Property; and

WHEREAS, Grantor desires and intends that the Restricted Property shall be maintained and preserved in perpetuity as an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility or other outdoor recreation use, and that the Restricted Property shall be used, occupied, conveyed and transferred subject to, and benefited by, the covenants hereinafter set forth; and

WHEREAS, the Grantor, having the authority to do so, intends to enter into this Conservation Restriction/Easement in order to grant to the Grantee a conservation restriction/easement on the Property as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the facts recited above and mutual covenants, terms, conditions and restrictions contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Grantor, for itself, its agents, representatives, assigns, and successors, hereby voluntarily covenants and agrees with the City of Somers Point, that the Restricted Property is hereby made and declared to be subject, in perpetuity, to the following conveyances, easements, covenants and restrictions in favor of the Grantee:

1. Grantor hereby conveys, transfers, assigns and grants to the Grantee a conservation restriction/easement with respect to that portion of the Property designated as the "Deed Restricted Golf Course and Practice Facility" as shown on Schedule A and as described in Schedule B.

2. The Restricted Property shall be used, preserved, developed and maintained in perpetuity for outdoor recreation use, specifically an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility or other outdoor recreation purposes.

3. The Restricted Property is hereby restricted in perpetuity against any development or use whatsoever, other than development and use as an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility or other outdoor recreation purposes.

4. This Conservation Restriction/Easement is intended to create a "conservation restriction" as that term is defined in the New Jersey Conservation Restriction and Historic Preservation Restriction Act, <u>N.J.S.</u>A 13:8B-1 et seq. and to satisfy the requirements of City Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_. Pursuant to the terms of said Ordinance, the Grantor has agreed to

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provide a conservation restriction in conjunction with construction of an inclusionary residential development on the Unrestricted Property for the purpose of protecting, preserving, using and maintaining in perpetuity the Restricted Property for outdoor recreation purposes.

5. The easements, covenants and restrictions set forth herein shall run with the land and be binding upon the Grantor, its agents, representatives, successors, assigns and all parties having or acquiring any right, title or interest in the Restricted Property, or any part thereof. Notice shall be given to any persons holding any easement on the Restricted Property as well as to any potential purchaser of the Restricted Property through the recordation of this Conservation Restriction/Easement for each lot of the Restricted Property with the Atlantic County Clerk's Office.

6. To monitor and enforce this Conservation Restriction/Easement the City of Somers Point shall have the right to enter upon the Restricted Property in a reasonable manner and at reasonable times to assure compliance with the provisions of this Conservation Restriction/Easement.

7. In addition to the exercise of any other statutory or common law right, after receipt by Grantor of a written notice to cease from the City sent in accordance with the within notice requirements, and the lapsing of a five (5) day period to cure or cease the prohibited activity, the City shall have the right to enjoin any activity on, or use of, the Restricted Property that is inconsistent with the purpose of this Conservation Restriction/Easement and to enforce the preservation or restoration of such areas or features of the Restricted Property that may be damaged by inconsistent activity or use. The Grantor intends that enforcement of the terms and provisions of this Conservation Restriction/Easement shall be at the discretion of the City and that any forbearance on behalf of the City to exercise its rights hereunder in the event of any

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breach hereof by the Grantor, its successors or assigns, shall not be deemed or construed to be a waiver of the City's rights granted hereunder in the event of any subsequent breach. This shall be true regardless of the number of breaches of this Conservation Restriction/Easement, or its restrictions, conditions, or covenants which occur, or the length of time it remains unenforced.

8. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Conservation Restriction/Easement, the Grantor reserves to itself, its successors and assigns, all rights as owner of the Restricted Property, including but not limited to the rights to:

(a) Operate, use and maintain the Restricted Property as a commercial, forprofit golf course and golf practice facility or other commercial, for-profit outdoor recreation uses, consistent with this Conservation Restriction/Easement

(b) Develop, redevelop, maintain, modify and repair an 18-hole regulation golf course and golf practice facility on the Restricted Property, including but not limited to all structures and facilities that Grantor determines will further or benefit the operation of the golf course and/or golf practice facility;

(c) Install, replace and maintain any utility lines on the Restricted Property as have been or may be approved or are required pursuant to the terms of any permits issued by any federal, state, or local governmental agencies;

(d) Install, replace, maintain, modify and repair stormwater management facilities on the Restricted Property for management of stormwater from the Unrestricted Property in such manner as may be approved or required pursuant to the terms of any permits issued by any federal, state or local.

(e) Temporary access on and across the Restricted Property as reasonably convenient or necessary for construction, reconstruction, repair or maintenance of the

inclusionary residential development and associated site improvements on the Unrestricted Property; and

(f) Temporary access on and across the Restricted Property as reasonably convenient or necessary for the construction, reconstruction, repair and maintenance of the clubhouse/banquet facility, parking lot and other golf course support amenities and associated sited improvements on the Unrestricted Property.

9. In the event that the Grantor fails to adequately maintain stormwater management basins and utility pipes then the Homeowners Association to be created for the market-rate housing units shall be permitted access over, under and across the golf course to service and maintain same. The Grantee has the right (but not the obligation) to maintain the site improvements for the benefit of the residential units in the event that they are not properly maintained by the Grantor or the Homeowners Association at the Grantor's cost and expense. The Grantee shall have the right to file a lien against the property for all costs that it incurs in performing these maintenance obligations in the event of the Grantor's nonpayment.

10. No right of access by the general public to any portion of the Property, including the Restricted Property, is conveyed by this Conservation Restriction/Easement.

11. All notices, consents, approvals or other communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed properly given if sent by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the appropriate party or its assigns or successors in interest.

12. The Grantor agrees that the terms, conditions, restrictions and purposes of this grant will be inserted by it in any subsequent deed, lease, sub-lease or other legal instrument by which the Grantor transfers, encumbers, shares, or divests itself of any interest in the Restricted Property. Grantor is permitted to convey the lots comprising the Restricted Property,

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individually or collectively to a third party or subject to the restrictions in this Conservation Restriction/Easement, which conveyance and any grantee thereof shall be subject to all terms and restrictions contained in this Conservation Restriction/Easement.

13. The City agrees that it will assign its rights under this Conservation Restriction/Easement only to another governmental body. Notwithstanding this assignment, City will not delegate to any other governmental entity or any other entity control over or the ability to enforce the matters described in this Conservation Restriction/Easement.

14. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, any modification or termination of this Conservation Restriction/Easement shall require the prior written approval of City, its successors or assigns.

15. If any provision of this Conservation Restriction/Easement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is found to be invalid, the remainder of the provisions of this Conservation Restriction/Easement, and the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is found to be invalid, shall not be affected thereby.

16. The Grantor reserves unto itself the right to undertake de minimis modifications of the borders of the Restricted Property that are approved by the Grantee. The Grantee may approve the modification under the following conditions and with the following documentation:

(a) The modification does not diminish the area of the Restricted Property;

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(b) The modification does not compromise the continued viability and use of the Restricted Property as required by this Conservation Restriction/Easement.

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17. If the Grantee approves the Grantor's proposed modification, the Grantor shall amend this Conservation Restriction/Easement by preparing and submitting to the Grantee for review and approval:

(a) A revised Plan and Metes and Bounds description for the area to be
 preserved under the modified Conservation Restriction/Easement (hereinafter the "Modification Documents"; and

(b) An Amended Conservation Restriction/Easement that reflects the modifications to this original Conservation Restriction/Easement, the justification for the modification and that also includes the deed book and page of the title deed for the property or properties subject to the modified Conservation Restriction/Easement set forth in the Modification Documents.

 This Conservation Restriction/Easement may only be removed pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 13:8B-1 et. seq.

19. The said Grantor does covenant with the said Grantee as follows:

(a) That the said Grantor is seized of the property and said Conservation
 Restriction/Easement and has the right and title to convey the same and to restrict the same.

(b) That the Grantee shall quietly enjoy the said Conservation Easement.

(c) That the said Grantor, its successors and assigns, shall be bound by the terms of this Conservation Restriction/Easement, which shall run with the land.

(d) That all mortgage lenders and other creditors with a security interest in the land to be conveyed by said Conservation/Easement Restriction have consented to this document. Any mortgages, encumbrances and similar secured credit accommodations shall be subordinate and subject to this Easement.

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20. Grantor agrees that Grantee shall be permitted to include the 120-acre Restricted Property in its Open Space/Green Acres Plan.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the City of Somers Point, its successors and assigns forever. The covenants, terms, conditions, restrictions, and purposes imposed with this Conservation/Restriction Easement shall not only be binding upon the Grantor but also its agents, representatives, assigns and all successors to it in interest, and shall continue as a servitude running in perpetuity with the land referred to herein as the Restricted Property.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has set its hand and seal on the day and year first above written, and directs that this Conservation Restriction/Easement be recorded in the office of the Atlantic County Clerk.

WITNESS:

PLANTATION BAY, LLC

By:

Managing Member

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I CERTIFY that on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 200\_; \_\_\_\_\_ personally came before me, a notary public of New Jersey, and this person acknowledged under oath, to my satisfaction, that:

(a) this person is the Managing Member of PLANTATION BAY, LLC, the limited liability company named in the attached document;

(b) this person signed and delivered this document as his act and deed in his capacity as Managing Member of PLANTATION BAY, LLC; and

(c) this document was signed and delivered by the limited liability company as its voluntary act duly authorized by its members.

Sworn to and subscribe before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008.

NOTARY PUBLIC OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

My Commission Expires

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#### EXHIBIT "E"

#### AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES

THIS AGREEMENT, made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ between Plantation Bay, LLC, a New Jersey limited liability company, having its principal office c/o Greate Bay Country Club, 901 Mays Landing Road, Somers Point, New Jersey 08224 (hereinafter the "Sponsor"), and the City of Somers Point, a municipal corporation of Atlantic County and State of New Jersey (hereinafter the "Municipality").

#### WITNESSETH

In consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained and for other good and valuable consideration, it is mutually covenanted and agreed as follows:

- This Agreement is made pursuant to the authority contained in Section 37 of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency Law of 1983 (N.J.S.A. 55:14K-1 et seq.) (hereinafter "HMFA Law") and a Resolution of the Committee of the Municipality dated \_\_\_\_\_\_ 200\_ (the "Resolution") and with the approval of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (hereinafter the "Agency"), as required by N.J.S.A. 55:14K-37.
- 2. The Affordable Housing Project is or will be situated on a \_\_\_\_\_\_ acre parcel of land designated as a portion of Block \_\_\_\_\_\_, Lot \_\_\_\_\_, as shown on the Official Assessment Map of the City of Somers Point and more commonly referred to as Somers Point, New Jersey.
- 3. As of the date the Sponsor executes a first mortgage upon the Project in favor of the Agency (hereinafter referred to as the "Agency Mortgage"), the land and improvements comprising the Affordable Housing Project shall be exempt from real property taxes, provided that the Sponsor shall make payments in lieu of

taxes to the municipality as provided hereinafter. The exemption of the Affordable Housing Project from real property taxation and the Sponsor's obligation to make payments in lieu of taxes shall not extend beyond the date on which the Agency Mortgage is paid in full, which according to the HMFA Law, may not exceed fifty (50) years.

4. (a) If the Affordable Housing Project receives construction and permanent financing from the Agency the Sponsor shall make payment to the Municipality of an annual service charge in lieu of taxes in such amount as follows:

(1) From the date of the execution of the Agency Mortgage until the date of substantial completion of the Affordable Housing Project, the Sponsor shall make payment to the Municipality in an amount equal to \$\_\_\_\_\_ (pursuant to the HMFA Law, the amount of taxes due on the property for the year preceding the recording of the Agency Mortgage). As used herein, "Substantial Completion" means the date upon which the Municipality issues the Certificate of Occupancy for all units in the Affordable Housing Project.

(2) From the date of Substantial Completion of the Affordable Housing Project and for the remaining term of the NJHMFA Mortgage, the Sponsor shall make payment to the Municipality in an amount equal to 6.28 percent of Project Revenues.

(b) If the Affordable Housing Project receives permanent financing only from the Agency, the Sponsor shall make payment to the Municipality in an amount

equal to 6.28 percent of Project Revenues, from the date of the Agency Mortgage and for the remaining term of the Agency Mortgage.

(c) As used herein, "Project Revenues" means the total annual gross rental or carrying charge or other income of the Sponsor from the Affordable Housing Project less the costs of utilities furnished by the Affordable Housing Project, which shall include the costs of gas, electric, heating fuel, water supplied, and sewerage charges, if any.

(d) The amount of payment in lieu of taxes to be [paid pursuant to paragraphs
(a) or (b) and (c) above is calculated in Exhibit "A" attached hereto. It is expressly understood and agreed that the revenue projections provided to the Municipality as set forth in Exhibit "A" and as a part of the Sponsor's application for an agreement for payments in lieu of taxes are estimates only. The actual payments in lieu of taxes to be paid by the Sponsor shall be determined pursuant to Section 5 below.

(a) Payments by the Sponsor shall be made on a quarterly basis in accordance with bills issued by the Tax Collector of the Municipality in the same manner and on the same dates as real estate taxes are paid to the Municipality and shall be based upon Project Revenues of the previous quarter. The Municipality may elect, by notice to the Sponsor delivered in writing no later than the date of Substantial Completion, to require the Sponsor to use for purposes of calculating rents and the corresponding annual service charge in lieu of taxes a fiscal year other than the accounting fiscal year of the Sponsor. If the Municipality makes such an election, the use of the phrase "fiscal year" in this Agreement shall refer

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to such annual accounting period specified by the Municipality. No later than three (3) months following the end of the first fiscal year of operation after (i) the date of Substantial Completion (if the Affordable Housing Project is receiving construction and permanent financing) or (ii) the date of the Agency Mortgage (if the Affordable Housing Project is receiving permanent financing only) and each year thereafter that this Agreement remains in effect, the Sponsor shall submit to the Municipality a certified, audited financial statement of the operation of the Project (the "Audit"), setting forth the Project Revenues and the total payments in lieu of taxes due to the Municipality calculated at 6.28 percent of Project Revenues as set forth in the Audit (the "Audit Amount"). The Sponsor simultaneously shall pay the difference, if any, between (i) the Audit Amount and (i) payments made by the Sponsor to the Municipality for the preceding fiscal year. The Municipality may accept any such payment without prejudice to its right to challenge the amount due. In the event that the payments made by the Sponsor for any fiscal year shall exceed the Audit Amount for such fiscal year, the Municipality shall credit the amount of such excess to the account of the Sponsor.

(b) All payments pursuant to this Agreement shall be in lieu of taxes and the municipality shall have all the rights and remedies of tax enforcement granted to the Municipalities by law just as if said payments constituted regular tax obligations on real property within the Municipality. If, however, the Municipality disputes the total amount of the annual payment in lieu of taxes due it, based upon the Audit, it may apply to the Superior Court, Chancery Division

for an accounting of the service charge due the Municipality, in accordance with this Agreement and HMFA Law. Any such action must be commenced within one year of the receipt of the Audit by the Municipality.

(c) In the event of any delinquency in the aforesaid payments, theMunicipality shall give notice to the Sponsor and NJHMFA in the manner setforth in 9(a) below, prior to any legal action being taken.

- 6. The tax exemption provided herein shall apply only so long as the Sponsor or its successors and assigns and the Affordable Housing Project remain subject to the provisions of the HMFA Law and Regulations made thereunder and the supervision of the Agency, but in no event longer than the term of the Agency Mortgage. In the event of (a) a sale, transfer or conveyance of the Affordable Housing Project by the Sponsor or (b) a change in the organizational structure of the Sponsor, this Agreement shall be assigned to the Sponsor's successor and shall continue in full force and effect so long as the successor entity qualifies under the HMFA Law or any other state law applicable at the time of the assignment of this Agreement and assumes the Agency Mortgage.
- 7. Upon any termination of such tax exemption, whether by affirmative action of the Sponsor, its successors and assigns, or by virtue of the provisions of the HMFA Law, or any other applicable state law, the Affordable Housing Project shall be taxed as omitted property in accordance with the law.
- 8. The Sponsor, its successors and assigns shall, upon request, permit inspection of property, equipment, buildings and other facilities of the Affordable Housing Project and also documents and papers by representatives duly authorized by the

Municipality. Any such inspection, examination or audit shall be made during reasonable hours of the business day in the presence of an officer or agent of the Sponsor or its successors and assigns.

Any notice or communication sent by either part to the other hereunder shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

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(a) When sent by the Municipality to the Sponsor, it shall be addressed to Plantation Bay, LLC, 901 Mays Landing Road, Somers Point, New Jersey 08224 or to such other address as the Sponsor may hereafter designate in writing; and a copy of said notice or communication by the Municipality to the Sponsor shall be sent by the Municipality to the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, 637 South Clinton Avenue, PO Box 18550, Trenton, New Jersey 08650-2085.

(b) When sent by the Sponsor to the Municipality, it shall be addressed to the City of Somers Point, City Hall, 1 West New Jersey Avenue, Somers Point, NJ 08244 or to such other address as the Municipality may designate in writing; and a copy of said notice or communication by the Sponsor to the Municipality shall be sent by the Sponsor to the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, 637 South Clinton Avenue, PO Box 18550, Trenton, New Jersey 08650-2085.

10. In the event of a breach of this Agreement by either of the parties hereto or a dispute arising between the parties in reference to the terms and provisions as set forth herein, either party may apply to the Superior Court, Chancery Division, to settle and resolve said dispute in such fashion as will tend to accomplish the purposes of the HMFA Law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year set forth below.

ATTEST:

#### SPONSOR:

Plantation Bay, LLC

ATTEST:

#### MUNICIPALITY:

City of Somers Point

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#### EXHIBIT C: BAY AVENUE REDEVELOPERS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

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#### SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT OF LITIGATION

#### BAY AVENUE REDEVELOPERS, L.L.C., BASS HARBOR, L.L.C., HARBOUR COVE MARINA, L.L.C., and S.P. #2 v. CITY OF SOMERS POINT, and the CITY OF SOMERS POINT PLANNING BOARD,

Docket No. ATL- L-3204-05 P.W. (Mount Laurel)

This Settlement Agreement of Litigation (this "Agreement") is entered into this [\_\_\_\_\_] day of April, 2007 by and between (i) Bay Avenue Redevelopers, L.L.C., Bass Harbor, L.L.C., Harbour Cove Marina, L.L.C., and S.P. #2, each with a business address at 2 Eastwick Drive, Gibbsboro, New Jersey, 08026 (collectively, "Plaintiff") and (ii) the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey ("Somers Point" and/or the "City") situated for the conduct of official business at City Hall, 1 West New Jersey Avenue, Somers Point, New Jersey 08244 (Plaintiff and the City are sometimes hereinafter individually referred to as a "Party" and collectively as the "Parties.")

#### BACKGROUND

1. Plaintiff is the fee owner, contract purchaser and/or owner of an equitable interest in approximately 21 acres more or less in Somers Point, which lands are identified on the City's tax maps as Block 1213, Lot 5 and Block 1212, Lots 2.01 and 2.02 (the "Bay Avenue Property"). Block 1007, Lots 1, 2 and 3 (the "Bass Harbor Property"), Block 1211, Lot 2 (the "Harbour Cove Property") and Block 719, Lot 18 (the "S.P. Property"). Unless otherwise indicated, the Bay Avenue Property, the Bass Harbor Property and the Harbour Cove Property shall be collectively referred to as "Plaintiff's Properties."

2. The Parties agree that in order to both accomplish the goals and objectives of this Agreement and promote sound local, regional and state land use and utility planning objectives, the rezoning and rehabilitation efforts contemplated by this Agreement (hereinafter defined) require the rezoning of properties owned by Shore Memorial Hospital and/or affiliated<sup>1</sup>entities ("Shore Memorial") and identified on the tax maps of the City as Block 1410, Lots 1, 4, 5 and 7. 10, Block 1411, Lot 1, Block 1412, Lot 4, Block 1413, Lots 1 and 2 and Block 1512. Lots 21 and 21.01 (collectively the "Hospital Property").

3. The Parties further believe that the process outlined in this Agreement for the approval and construction of the Project, hereinafter defined, the adoption of the Zoning Amendment and the adoption of the Master Plan Amendment are in accord with the State of New Jersey's Smart Growth principles.

4. Shore Memorial, while not a Party to either this Agreement or the Litigation (hereinafter defined), is the owner of the Bay Avenue Property and the Hospital Property, both of which are anticipated to be re-zoned in connection with implementation of this Agreement. Shore Memorial, after having had the opportunity to review this Agreement and accompanying exhibits, has consented to the anticipated re-zoning of the Hospital Property as set forth in the Proposed Ordinance and has confirmed its commitment to assist the City in the City's efforts to address its affordable housing obligations, subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, as evidenced by the Statement of Consent to Settlement Agreement executed by Shore Memorial and attached to this Agreement as <u>Exhibit "H.</u>" Based on the foregoing, Shore Memorial shall be deemed to be a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement with the right to rely on and enforce those provisions pertaining to the Hospital Property and the Non-Residential Component of the Project.

5. Unless otherwise indicated, Plaintiff's Properties and the Hospital Property shall be collectively referred to as the "Properties."

6. Plaintiff desires to produce affordable housing on Plaintiff's Properties so as to create additional affordable housing opportunities in accordance with Southern Burl. Co. NAACP v. City of Mount Laurel, 92 N.J. 158 (1983) ("Mount Laurel IF"), the New Jersey Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301, et seq. (the "FHA") and applicable regulations of the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH"), N.J.A.C. 5:91-1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:93-1 et seq. and has filed exclusionary zoning litigation in the Superior Court of New Jersey for Atlantic County (the "Superior Court") against the City and the Planning Board of the City of Somers Point (the "Planning Board") in the matter captioned Bay Avenue Redevelopers, L.L.C., Bass Harbor, L.L.C., Harbor Cove Marina, L.L.C., And S.P. #2 v. City Of Somers Point, and The City Of Somers Point Planning Board, Docket No. ATL- L-3204-05 P.W. (Mount Laurel) (the "Litigation").

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7. The Litigation resulted in an August 23, 2006 Judgment Declaring and Finding Defendant, The City Of Somers Point, Not In Compliance with the *Mount Laurel* Docuine ("Judgment of Non-Compliance") that declared, in part, that: (a) the City has not satisfied its twelve (12) year cumulative second cycle affordable housing obligation from 1987 to 1999 (the "*Mount Laurel* Obligation"), as that *Mount Laurel* Obligation was assigned by COAH under *Mount Laurel* II and the FHA; (b) for failing to satisfy the *Mount Laurel* Obligation, the City is in violation of its constitutional and statutory mandates; and (c) a decision is reserved with respect to Plaintiff's entitlement to a builder's remedy.

 Following the Judgment of Non-Compliance, the Parties and the Court's Special Master engaged in extensive planning discussions with respect to a mutually agreeable inclusionary development concept for the Properties.

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9. The Parties have reached an understanding with respect to Plaintiff's builder's remedy entitlements and obligations and the agreed-upon development of the Properties as documented and memorialized herein, which the Parties intend to jointly submit to the Superior Court for review and approval.

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 Upon agreeing to the terms of this Agreement, the Parties presented this Agreement to the Planning Board for approval, but the Planning Board declined to execute this Agreement.

11. Notwithstanding the Planning Board's decision not to endorse this Agreement, the Parties remain committed to the terms of this Agreement and shall: (a) pursue approval of this Agreement from the Superior Court; and (b) seek all necessary judicial assistance so as to implement the terms of this Agreement and facilitäte the prompt production of the affordable housing anticipated by this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises and agreements contained herein, to which the Parties agree to be legally bound, the Parties agree to settle Plaintiff's builder's remedy litigation as follows:

#### SECTION I

#### INCORPORATION OF BACKGROUND

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**1.1 Incorporation.** The "Background" set forth hereinabove is incorporated by reference herein as if set forth at length.

#### SECTION II

#### THE LAND USE CONCEPT FOR THE INCLUSIONARY DEVELOPMENT OF PLAINTIFF'S PROPERTIES AND THE PROVISION OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES

2.1 The Parties' Intent. The purpose and intent of this Agreement is to (a) enhance the realistic opportunity for the provision of low and moderate income housing units through

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Plaintiff's: (i) construction of twenty-six (26) affordable family rental housing units; and (ii) significant monetary contributions to the City's affordable housing trust fund for the purpose of subsidizing the production of thirty (30) additional units of affordable housing in the South-Southwest Housing Region through the execution of a Regional Contribution Agreement (an "RCA") between the City and a qualifying receiving municipality or other housing activity that would assist in the City's satisfaction of its Mount Laurel Obligation; (b) provide an opportunity for the rehabilitation of the Properties consistent with the provisions of the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14 (the "Rehabilitation Law"), and (c) develop the Properties in accordance with the proposed zoning amendment and the proposed Master Plan amendment (each of which is further described herein) in a manner that will adequately address the City's rehabilitation needs for the Properties as well as satisfy a substantial portion of the City's Mount Laurel Obligation; (d) promote sound local, regional and state land use and utility planning objectives; (e) allow for the expansion and upgrading of existing buildings and facilities and development of additional facilities on lands currently under the ownership and control of Shore Memorial, which is an important, vital, valued and long-standing employer and corporate citizen within Somers Point; (f) set forth the terms and conditions of Shore Memorial's commitment to provide \$490,000 to be used for up to fourteen (14) units of affordable housing in the South-Southwest Housing Region through the execution of an RCA between the City and a gualifying receiving municipality and/or for other housing activity that will facilitate the City's ability to satisfy the entirety of its assigned 105 unit Second Round Mount Laurel Obligation; and (g) provide the City with a tax ratable structure that will assist in the stabilization of local taxes.

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2.2 The Land Use Plan. The intentions of the Parties as expressed above are intended to be implemented by (a) the City's consideration of the Proposed Zoning Ordinance (the "Proposed Ordinance"), which shall be applicable to the Properties and which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as <u>Exhibit "A"</u>: (b) the Planning Board's consideration of a Proposed Master Plan Amendment (the "Proposed Master Plan Amendment"), which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as <u>Exhibit "B"</u>; (c) placement of the Properties in an area in need of rehabilitation pursuant to the Rehabilitation Law, for the purpose of facilitating: (i) a five-year tax exemption and abatement program to foster economic development within the City and (ii) an upgrade to existing water and sewer infrastructure currently serving the Properties in the manner further described at Section 5.4 of this Agreement. (d) the City and the Planning Board otherwise extending full cooperation to secure all required outside agency governmental permits, licenses, authorizations and approvals.

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Within ten (10) days of the execution of this Agreement, the City shall refer the Proposed Master Plan Amendment <u>(Exhibit "B")</u> to the Planning Board for consideration and request that the Planning Board conduct a public hearing and take action on the Proposed Master Plan Amendment.

Within forty-five (45) days of the Superior Court's entry of a Judgment approving this Agreement and in accordance with Section 5.2 of this Agreement, the City, irrespective of the Planning Board's actions and/or recommendations with regard to the Proposed Master Plan Amendment, agrees to introduce and consider adoption of the Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit "A"). If adopted, the City shall incorporate the Proposed Master Plan Amendment and/or Proposed Ordinance, and the affordable housing that is to be produced and/or funded pursuant to this Agreement, into the City's Fair Share Compliance Plan (the "Compliance Plan") and shall

request that the Planning Board incorporate the same into the Planning Board's Housing Element.

Regardless of the timing for completion and/or approval of the Proposed Ordinance and/or Compliance Plan, Plaintiff shall, at any point following Superior Court approval of this Agreement pursuant to Section 6.1 of this Agreement, be permitted to pursue development approvals for the Project with the Planning Board, which the City shall request that the Planning Board expeditiously process in accordance with Section 4.2.

If the Proposed Ordinance is not timely adopted in accordance with this Section 2.2, Plaintiff and the City shall have the unilateral option of terminating this Agreement and continuing with the Litigation.

## SECTION III

# INTENDED SCOPE OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE PROPERTIES AND PLAINTIFF'S AFFORDABLE HOUSING OBLIGATIONS

3.1 The Total Project. The Total Project (the "Project") shall include the construction of both residential and non-residential uses, as well as the reservation of a designated area for open space, which open space area shall allow for public access. The Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit "A") shall provide for uses and standards that shall allow for the construction of the Residential and Non-Residential Components (hereinafter defined) in accordance with this Agreement. Plaintiff shall file development applications that are substantially consistent with the Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit "A"), and substantially consistent with the Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit "A"), and substantially consistent with the Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit "A"), and substantially consistent with the Proposed Ordinance with construction of the parking garage referenced in Section 3.1.2 of this Agreement, followed by the development of the Bay Avenue Property and the development of the on-site affordable housing units proposed for the Bass

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located on the Hospital Properties and owned by Shore Memorial, which expansion shall include a parking garage that will address parking needs of the Non-Residential Component and other non-residential construction of not more than 350,000 square feet in total floor area, as generally shown on <u>Exhibits "C-1" and "C-2"</u>.

3.1.3 Vacation of Sunny Avenue The Parties agree that the realization of the Non-Residential Component of the Project shall require the City's vacation of a portion of a public street known as Sunny Avenue. The City has agreed to permit such vacation of Sunny Avenue to allow development of the Non-Residential Component in the manner depicted at Exhibit "C-3."

3.1.4 Areas of Open Space Within the Project Plaintiff has agreed to provide an open space area in an area commonly known as the North Basin of Harbour Cove Marina. It is estimated that the area for both the North and South (currently existing) basin open space areas will be approximately 10,000 square feet in total size. The open space area to be provided will be available for public use, but will be owned, managed maintained and insured by Plaintiff and/or its successor and assigns, with the City being an additional insured on such insurance policies. The open space area shall be in a location and at a scope generally depicted in the "Cook-Out Area Plan," a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "C-10."</u>.

3.2 Duration of Zoning Contemplated by the Proposed Ordinance In order to fully implement the purposes of this Agreement and in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.13(c) and applicable New Jersey case law, absent the written consent of Plaintiff (which for purposes of this Agreement shall include any successor to any of Plaintiff's interests in any component of

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the Project), the City shall not amend any provision of the Proposed Ordinance for a period of ten (10) years from the date of the Superior Court's approval of this Agreement.

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3.3 S.P. Property The Parties recognize that the S.P. Property, although a subject of the Lingation, shall not be developed in accordance with terms of this Agreement. The Parties further agree that the current zoning designation and bulk/area standards for the S.P. Property allow for the development, by-right, of a medical/commercial facility of approximately 20,000 square feet. The City agrees that the current zoning designations and bulk/area standards for the S.P. Property shall not be amended or altered for a period of ten (10) years. The affordable housing obligations of the S.P. Property shall be limited to the payment of a development fee in an amount equal to two percent (2%) of the equalized assessed value for the non-residential development on the S.P. Property.

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The S.P. Property shall also be entitled to the rights and entitlements set forth at Section 4.2 of this Agreement.

3.4 Affordable Housing Within the Residential Component Plaintiff has agreed to provide for the production of affordable housing through construction of such housing within the Project and to make monetary payments to the City to fund an RCA to provide affordable housing in the South-Southwest Housing Region or other housing activity that would assist in the City's satisfaction of its *Mount Laurel* Obligation.

3.4.1 Affordable Units to Be Constructed Within the Residential T Component Irrespective of the number of market rate units approved and constructed within the Residential Component, if Plaintiff proceeds with construction of the Residential Component, Plaintiff agrees that the total number of Affordable Units to be constructed within the Project shall be twenty-six (26) family rental units to enable the

City to fully satisfy its twenty-five percent (25%) second round rental obligation and allow the City to capture and secure 2 for 1 family rental bonus credits pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.15(d) such that the on-site construction of twenty-six (26) units equates to the production of fifty-two (52) credits. The affordable family rental units shall be located on a subdivided lot on the Bass Harbor Property and Plaintiff shall be freely permitted to apply for and secure available state and federal subsidies and/or tax credits to defray the cost of construction of the affordable units, for which the City will extend its full and prompt endorsement and support. In this regard, the City shall extend a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (the "PILOT") for the Affordable Units. The term and duration of the PILOT shall be consistent with the term and duration of the New Jersey Housing Mortgage Finance Agency (the "HMFA") mortgage. This PILOT shall only apply to the Affordable Units of the Project, and the rest of the Project shall be subject to standard taxation, except as provided in Section 5.3 hereof. The form of PILOT Agreement to be executed with respect to the Affordable Units is attached hereio as Exhibit "D" and shall be executed by the Parties within thirty (30) days of the date of the Superior Court's approval of this Agreement. However, the PILOT shall not take effect until construction of the units are completed and ready for occupancy.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Plaintiff acknowledges that the entire Residential Component is classified as "inclusionary" and, as such, may disqualify the Affordable Units from securing nine percent (9%) Low Income Housing Tax Credits ("LIHTCs") and Balanced Housing/Home Express funds under the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs' and HMFA's regulations. Plaintiff agrees that it shall nonetheless

construct the twenty-six affordable rental units if the foregoing government funding sources are not forthcoming.

3.4.2 Plaintiff's RCA Funding Obligations. In addition to the on-site construction of twenty-six (26) affordable rental units (equating to fifty-two (52) credits pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-5,15(d)), Plaintiff agrees to fully fund the transfer of thirty (30) units to another community in the South-Southwest Housing Region pursuant to an RCA to be executed by the City and a qualified "receiving" municipality of the City's choosing or other qualified housing activity. The amount of money for each unit that is being transferred shall be equal to either: (a) the amount of money that the City is responsible for tendering to the "receiving" municipality; or (b) or thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) per unit, whichever amount is less. A payment schedule shall be set forth in the RCA in accordance with COAH's rules and the Plaintiff shall be responsible for abiding by said schedule to fully fund the first thirty (30) units being transferred in the event that the total RCA exceeds thirty (30) units. Payments shall be made by the Plaintiff to the City at least sixty (60) days prior to the time that the City shall tender payment to the receiving municipality such that the City has sufficient time to deposit the money in its dedicated RCA Funding Account and the City is in a position to send certified funds to the "receiving" municipality in accordance with the payments schedule. However, Plaintiff's first payment shall be required no sooner than May 1, 2008. In making such payment on or after May 1, 2008, Plaintiff shall tender a performance guarantee or letter of credit to the City in the full amount of the RCA funding obligation upon execution of the RCA and its approval by COAH and the Court to ensure that sufficient funds are available to pay for the Plaintiff's funding obligations in the event of

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Plaintiff's default. The form of the guarantee or credit accommodation shall be subject to the review and approval of the City's solicitor and insurance agent.

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Plaintiff's above-described obligations to fully fund the anticipated RCA of 30 units and guarantee the entirety of Plaintiff's RCA payment obligation is conditioned upon Plaintiff being (a) entitled to construct the three hundred (300) market rate housing units anticipated to be approved for the Residential Component. If, as a result of municipal or outside agency review. Plaintiff is prevented or prohibited from constructing the three hundred (300) market rate units anticipated for the Residential Component of the Project. Plaintiff's RCA funding obligations, outlined above, shall be reduced at a rate of one RCA unit (at a cost of \$35,000 per unit) for every ten (10) market rate units not approved within the Residential Component.

In the event that the City cannot reach an agreement with a receiving municipality, or the Superior Court or COAH disapproves the anticipated RCA, Plaintiff nonetheless agrees to make the payment described in the preceding sentence to the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund, for the purpose of enabling the City to satisfy its *Mount Laurel* Obligation.

3.5 Shore Memorial's Contribution Toward the Production of Affordable

Housing In conjunction with construction of the Non-Residential Component of the Project as generally shown on Exhibit "C-I", Shore Memorial, as the owner of the Hospital Property. has agreed to contribute four hundred and ninety thousand dollars (\$490,000.00) to the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund, which funds shall be used by the City to fund an RCA to provide affordable housing in the South-Southwest Housing Region and/or other housing activity that would assist in the City's satisfaction of its *Mount Laurel* Obligation (the "Hospital

Contribution"). In consideration of the Hospital Contribution, the City has agreed that: (i) the portions of the Non-Residential Component consisting of the parking garage and hospital expansion (lobby and medical facilities addition containing a total floor area of approximately 250,000 square feet) shall be exempt from any future development fee, growth share or other affordable housing ordinance that may be adopted by the City; and (ii) the portions of the Non-Residential Component consisting of medical office buildings (containing a total floor area of approximately 90,000 square feet) may be subject to a development fee in an amount equal to 2% of equalized assessed value, but shall be exempt from any growth share or other affordable housing ordinance that may be adopted by the City. The Hospital Contribution shall be payable in accordance with a payment schedule to be set forth in the RCA in accordance with COAH's rules, with each payment be made to the City at least sixty (60) days prior to the time that the City is required to tender payment to the receiving municipality such that the City has sufficient time to deposit the money in its dedicated RCA Funding Account and the City is in a position to send certified funds to the "receiving" municipality in accordance with the payments schedule; provided, however, that no portion of the Hospital Contribution shall be required to be paid prior to January 2, 2008. Within forty-five (45) days of approval of the RCA by COAH and the Court. a performance guarantee or letter of credit shall be tendered to the City in the full amount of this RCA funding obligation, the form of which shall be subject to the review and approvalof the City's solicitor and insurance agent. Shore Memorial's commitment to provide a guarantee and make the Hospital Contribution is conditioned upon and shall not arise prior to approval of this Agreement by the Superior Court and adoption of the Proposed Ordinance to allow development of the non-Residential Component.

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In the event that the City cannot reach an agreement with a receiving municipality, or the Superior Court or COAH disapproves the anticipated RCA, the Hospital Contribution shall nonetheless be paid into the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the purpose of enabling the City to address its *Mount Laurel* Obligation through other means consistent with the COAH regulations. Payment shall be made following notification by City of the alternative affordable housing purpose(s); provided, however, that no payment shall be required sooner than the later of January 2, 2008 or sixty (60) days prior to the date upon which the City requires such funds for the alternative affordable housing purpose.

3.6 Compliance with COAH's Rules. Plaintiff agrees that all affordable units shull comply with COAH's Rules including, but not limited to those concerning (a) income qualification, (b) controls on affordability, (c) deed restrictions, (d) bedroom distribution. (e) low/moderate income split, (f) phasing, as it relates to the Residential Component of the Project: (g) affirmative marketing and (h) handicap accessibility. However, COAH's preference for integration shall not be applicable should Plaintiff elect to concentrate all affordable units as rental units in one component of the Project, which is Plaintiff's intention. Plaintiff will provide and/or pay for income qualification services with a COAH approved agency and shall likewise file all required monitoring forms with COAH and the Court. For purposes of COAH's phasing requirements pursuant to *N.J.A.C.* 5:93-5.6(d), Plaintiff shall be entitled to credit for completion of one (1) affordable unit for every payment of thirty five thousand dollars (S35,000.00) made or guaranteed by Plaintiff in conjunction with Plaintiff's RCA obligations set forth at 3.4.2 of this . Agreement.

# SECTION IV

# DEVELOPMENT AND BUILDING APPROVALS

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4.1 Site Specific Zoning Measures. The Parties acknowledge the unique and beneficial development opportunity that is presented with respect to the Properties and agree that certain variances and waivers from the Proposed Ordinance, as well as relaxation from other local and regional land use legislation or regulations may ultimately prove to be required to allow for the intended, site specific development of the Properties as set forth in this Agreement. In order to permit the intended, agreed upon development of the Properties, and in accordance with *N.J.A.C.* 5:93-10.1(b) and the Municipal Land Use Law, *N.J.S.A.* 40:55D-1 *et seq.* (the "MLUL"), the City shall request that the Planning Board cooperate with the Plaintiff by granting reasonable variances and such other relief as may be necessary to construct the Project. The City further agrees to consider further amendments to the Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit "A"), which reasonable variances are necessary to construct the Project in accord with the intention of the Parties and the terms of this Agreement.

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4.2 Subsequent Development Approvals and Plaintiff's Subchapter 10 Entitlements. The City shall request that the Planning Board conduct all reviews of Plaintiff's applications for preliminary and final subdivision, site plan and/or variance approvals strictly in accordance with the MLUL, COAH's Rules, the Residential Site Improvement Standards (the "RSIS") with respect to the Residential Component and this Agreement, and that the Plaintiff be afforded all expedition and cost-reduction rights, entitlements and benefits accorded to inclusionary developers in COAH's second cycle Subchapter 10 Rules [*N.J.A.C.* 5:93-10.1, *et seq.*]. In this regard, the Parties specifically agree that the City shall request that the Planning Board schedule such special meetings as may be necessary to accommodate the "action time periods" set forth in the MLUL and to provide Plaintiff with preferential treatment on regular agenda reviews.

In the event that the Planning Board refuses the City's requests with respect to the terms as set forth above, the Plaintiff shall be entitled to petition the Superior Court for such necessary relief as the Plaintiff determines to be appropriate to accomplish the terms and objectives of this Agreement and the prompt production of affordable housing.

4.3 Role of the Court's Special Master in the Development Approval Process for the Project The Parties may request the Master to assist the Parties during the application process for any approvals and permits relating to development of the Project. The Master's involvement may be requested by any of the Parties without the consent of the other.

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Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties through their respective attorneys, the cost of the Master shall be paid by the Party seeking the Master's assistance to resolve a problem real or perceived.

4.4 Marc Shuster, P.P., to Serve As Reviewing Planner in the Development Approval Process for the Project The Parties acknowledge that Marc Shuster, P.P., and his associates, have served an integral role in the development of the Proposed Ordinance, the Proposed Master Plan Amendment and this Agreement. As such, the City shall request that the Planning Board retain Marc Shuster, P.P., and, in Mr. Shuster's absence, one of his planning associates, to serve as the exclusive reviewing planner for all development applications submitted for the Project provided that Marc Shuster, P.P. and his planning associates are employed by the City or Planning Board.

In the event that the Planning Board refuses the City's request with respect to the terms as set forth above, the Plaintiff shall be entitled to petition the Superior Court for such necessary

relief as the Plaintiff determine to be appropriate to accomplish the terms and objectives of this Agreement and the prompt production of affordable housing.

4.5 Mount Laurel Cost Reduction Entitlements. As is customary with respect to Mount Laurel projects, the following specific cost reduction entitlements apply to the Residential Component:

a. No Planning Board application fees and escrow fees shall be attributable to the Affordable Units.

b. No fees shall be charged for building permits, certificates of occupancy, or engineering inspections for the Affordable Units.

c. The Residential Component, as it is an inclusionary development, shall not be subject to any development fee ordinance.

# SECTION V

# AREA IN NEED OF REHABILITATION AND TAX EXEMPTION/ABATEMENT RELIEF

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5.1 Current Tax Structure and Condition of Existing Water and Sewer Infrastructure a Deterrent to Development. Both the City and Plaintiff recognize and acknowledge that the escalating local, school, and county real estate taxes in the City are creating a financial burden for the City's residents. The Parties further acknowledge that the sewer infrastructure that currently serves some of the Properties is of such an age and deteriorated condition that the subject sewer system cannot sustain the scope of development currently proposed for the Properties.

5.2 Area in Need of Rehabilitation. In order to address the tax and infrastructure constraints described in Section 5.1 (above), the Parties agree that, based upon the investigation and findings set forth in the Certification of Edmond C. Speitel Regarding Determination of Area

As in Need of Rehabilitation (the "Speitel Report"), which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein as Exhibit "E." the Properties can be declared to be an "area in need of rehabilitation" pursuant to the Rehabilitation Law, such that the City can offer and extend a five (5) year tax exemption and abatement to Plaintiff and to buyers within the Residential Component of the Project pursuant to the Five-Year Exemption and Abatement Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1, et seq. (the "Abatement Law") to serve as an inducement and economic stimulus to allow the Project to move forward and thus enable the City to eventually correct its taxing imbalance. In that regard, Plaintiff acknowledges and confirms that Shore Memorial concurs with such a rehabilitation designation for the Hospital Property, subject to the terms and conditions of this Section 5.2,

To achieve the foregoing, the governing body of the City shall draft a proposed resolution (the "Rehabilitation Resolution") declaring the Properties in need of rehabilitation andy in conjunction with that Rehabilitation Resolution, direct the Planning Board to promptly conduct any preliminary investigation required pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14 to determine, following public notice and public hearing, whether the Properties are in an area in need of rehabilitation such that five (5) year tax exemption and abatement relief is available under N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1. et seq. In conducting such an investigation, the City shall direct the Planning Board to specifically consider the Speitel Report. Consistent with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14. the City shall request that the Planning Board within forty-five (45) days of receipt of the Rehabilitation Resolution from the City, submit its recommendations regarding the Rehabilitation Resolution to the City. Within twenty (20) days of receipt of the recommendations, if any, from the Planning Board on the Rehabilitation Resolution, the City shall act on the Rehabilitation Resolution. For purposes herein, if the Rehabilitation Resolution

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is adopted by the City, the Proposed Ordinance (Exhibit "A") shall be construed as the City's Rehabilitation Ordinance under N.J.S.A. 40:12A-7.

Under no circumstances shall: (a) the Properties be declared as an area in need of redevelopment; (b) the Plaintiff or Shore Memorial be required to execute any redevelopment agreement in order to proceed with development approvals and development of the Project: or (c) any additional substantive or procedural requirements be imposed on development of the Project that are not set forth in the MLUL, Proposed Ordinance or this Agreement. The intention of the Parties and Shore Memorial's consent to the re-zoning of the Hospital Property and the rehabilitation area designation are based upon the understanding that the City shall proceed solely in accord with the proscriptions of the rehabilitation process and not the redevelopment process, as there are distinct and substantial differences between those two (2) regulatory processes that are appreciated and acknowledged by the Parties and Shore Memorial.

5.3 Tax Exemption and Abatement. Upon receipt of the Planning Board's preliminary investigation determination, if any, that the Properties, and the Properties only, are an area in need of rehabilitation, the City shall adopt an Ordinance to authorize five (5) year tax exemptions and abatements pursuant to *N.J.S.A.* 40A:21-1 *et seq.* for the developer of the Project, Plaintiff, and to residential owners within the designated rehabilitation area. The foregoing shall be accomplished within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Planning Board's preliminary investigation determination, if any. Immediately upon adoption, the City and Plaintiff shall execute the Tax Agreement attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "F"</u> which Plaintiff may assign to developers of the Project who may, in turn, reassign same to the individual residential property owners of improved and/or unimproved lots in the Residential Component, once construction commences. Provided that Plaintiff constructs all market rate units currently

anticipated for the Residential Component, it is estimated, as more fully set forth at <u>Exhibit "F."</u> that the City shall receive PIL®T proceeds in the amount of eight million and four hundred thousand dollars (\$8,400,000,00). The contents of <u>Exhibit "F"</u> are incorporated by reference herein as if set forth at length.

5.4 Sewer Improvements Within the Area in Need of Rehabilitation

As set forth at Section 2.1, the Parties acknowledge that the development of the Properties in accordance with this Agreement requires that certain sewer infrastructure improvements be constructed in and around the Properties (the "Sewer Improvements") after the completion of a sewer study in and around the Properties (the "Sewer Study"). The scope and phasing of the currently anticipated Sewer Improvements and the Sewer Study are set forth at Exhibits "G-1 and G-2," respectively. Plaintiff has agreed, subject to Plaintiff's ability to construct the Bay Avenue Property and the Non Residential Component of the Project, to conduct the Sewer Study, as detailed at Exhibit "G-2." at Plaintiff's sole cost and expense.

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Plaintiff has further agreed that if after completion of the Sewer Study, it is determined that the City's sewer infrastructures cannot accommodate the sewer demands resulting from the Project, Plaintiff shall, at its sole cost and expense, upgrade any and all components of the City's sewer infrastructures so as to accommodate the sewer demands of the Project. While it is currently anticipated that the scope of such necessary improvements are defined within the Sewer Improvements set forth at <u>Exhibit "G-L,"</u> it is understood and agreed by the Parties that the completion of the Sewer Study may yield alternative means to address and accommodate the sewer demands of the Project. Accordingly, following the completion of the Sewer Study the Parties shall cooperate in determining the appropriate scope of improvements to the City's sewer infrastructure so as to accommodate the sewer demands of the Project, which may require

modifying the Sewer Improvements outlined in <u>Exhibit "G-1."</u> However, regardless of whatever improvements are deemed necessary to accommodate the sewer demands of the Project, the cost and expense associated with such improvements shall be the sele responsibility of the Plaintiff.

In consideration of Plaintiff's agreement to perform the foregoing Sewer Study and construct improvements deemed necessary as a result of that Sewer Study, Plaintiff shull have the right to *pro rata* reimbursement from such users within the proposed area in need of the rehabilitation. The City and the Plaintiff shall enter into a developer's agreement outlining the scope of Plaintiff's reimbursement entitlements. In further consideration of Plaintiff's agreement to conduct the Sewer Study and construct improvements deemed necessary following that Sewer Study, the City has agreed to grant Plaintiff, without costs, all necessary easements and permits necessary to effectuate all utilities and infrastructure for the Project.

# SECTION VI

# SUPERIOR COURT APPROVAL OF THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

6.1 Court Approval Of Agreement Required. The Parties acknowledge that pursuant to applicable *Mount Laurel* decisional law this Agreement requires Superior Court approval subsequent to the Superior Court conducting a Fairness Hearing upon adequale notice to the protected class and the general public. Within ten (10) days of execution of this Agreement by all Parties, the Parties shall jointly pursue the scheduling of a Fairness Hearing with the Superior Court, at which time the Agreement shall be submitted to the Superior Court for its review and approval. Upon the scheduling of a Hearing date, the City shall comply with all Notice requirements imposed or directed by the Superior Court and shall fully support and endorse approval of this Agreement at the Hearing. If the Superior Court has not approved this Settlement Agreement within ninety (90) days of the date on which all Parties have been supplied with a complete nopy of this Agreement (including all Exhibits). Plaintiff and the City shall have the unilateral option of terminating this Agreement and continuing with the Litigation.

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6.2 Defense of Agreement and Payment of Costs. The Parties shall fully cooperate with each other to secure Superior Court approval of this Agreement and to defend said approval against all challenges and/or appeals pursued by third parties. The City shall promptly notify Plaintiff and the Superior Court's Special Master of all challenges and appeals. Each Party shall be responsible for their own costs and expenses in securing Superior Court approval and defending any Superior Court Judgment approving this Agreement.

6.3 Compliance Plan. Plaintiff shall interact and cooperate with the City and the Superior Court subsequent to the Superior Court's approval of this Agreement with respect to the City's efforts to prepare and secure Superior Court approval of its Compliance Plan in a continuing effort to vindicate the rights of the protected class. However, Plaintiff's foregoing cooperation shall not require Plaintiff to delay pursuing the receipt of development approvals and/or construction of any portion of the Project in accordance with this Agreement.

### SECTION VII

# DEFAULT

7.1 Violation and Default. In the event that any Party shall fail to perform any undertaking required to be performed by it pursuant to the terms of this Settlement Agreement, unless the Party (or Parties) for whose benefit such obligation was intended waive such obligation in writing, such failure to perform shall constitute an event of default under this Agreement. Upon any such event of default, the non-defaulting Party shall have available any and all rights and remedies that may be provided in taw or in equity including, but nor limited to, the right of specific performance and/or the right to prosecute a motion in aid of litigant's rights.

### SECTION VIII

### NOTICES

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8.1 Third-Party Actions. The Parties and their respective counsel agree to immediately provide each other with notice of any lawsuits, actions, governmental proceedings or administrative proceedings, threatened or pending, which could have a material adverse impact on the Project.

8.2 Notice by and Among the Parties. All notices required under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be given by facsimile or by certified mail, return receipt requested. or by Fedex, UPS or a similarly recognized receipted overnight delivery service. All notices shall be deemed received upon the date of delivery which is set forth in the mailing certifications or receipts used, and all times for performance based upon such notices shall be from the date set forth in such proof of delivery. The persons and entities to receive notice shall be as follows or to any successor designated by the respective recipient:

To Plaintiff:

Scarborough Properties 2 Eastwick Drive, Gibbsboro, New Jersey, 08026 Attn: M. Sean Scarborough Telecopier: (856) 435-4554

Kenneth S. Goodkind, Esquire Richard J. Hoff, Jr., Esquire Flaster/Greenberg P.C. 1810 Chapel Avenue West Cherry Hill, NJ 08002

To the City:

Clerk, the City of Somers Point 1 West New Jersey Avenue Somers Point, NJ 08244

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Bayport One 8025 Black Horse Pike Suite 325 West Atlantic City, NJ 08232-2965 Telecopier: (609) 347-8050 ...

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Ronald C. Morgan, Esquire Douglas McCollister, Esquire Parker McCay, P.A. Three Greentree Centre 7001 Lincoln Drive West P.O. Box 974 Marlton, NJ 08053-0974 Telecopier: (856) 552-1427

To Shore Memorial as an Interested non-Party:

Albert L. Gutierrez President and CEO Shore Memorial Hospital Shore Road & New York Avenue Somers Point, NJ 08244

Gary T. Hall, Esquire McCarter & English, LLP Four Gateway Center 100 Mulberry Street Newark, NJ 07102 Telecopier: (973) 624-7070

### SECTION IX

# MISCELLANEOUS

9.1 Captions. Captions and titles to this Agreement are inserted for the purposes of convenience and reference only, and are in no way to be construed as limiting or modifying the scope and intent of the various purposes and substantive provisions of this Agreement.

9.2 Cooperation. The Parties expressly agree to cooperate with each other in order to effectuate and carry out the purposes of this Agreement as well as the *Mount Laurel Discrime*, the FHA, and COAH's Rules that are in effect as of the date of this Agreement.

9.3 Waiver. Each of the Parties waives all rights to challenge the validity and enforceability of this Agreement. Failure to enforce provisions or obligations in this Agreement by any Party shall not be construed as a waiver of these provisions and obligations.

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9.4 Entire Agreement. This Agreement, including its prefatory statements, background recitals and exhibits, constitutes the entire Agreement between the Parries with respect to the resolution of the Litigation and the related subject matters hereof. No representative, agent or employee of any Party has been authorized to make any representations and/or promises that are not contained herein or to otherwise modify, amend, vary or after the terms hereof except as stated herein. No modifications, amendments, variations or alternations shall be binding unless reduced to writing and signed by the Parties.

9.5 Validity. In the event that any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, unenforceable or void, the Parties shall, within thirty (30) days of such determination. attempt to restructure this Agreement consistent with its underlying intent. If the Parties fail to agree to such a restructuring, any Party may seek Superior Court review and a ruling to restructure the Agreement in a legally acceptable manner reflecting the underlying intent of the Parties as expressed herein.

9.6 Preparation. The Parties acknowledge that the Parties' attorneys have jointly prepared this Agreement as a means of settling the Litigation. Therefore, this Agreement shall be construed on a parity among the Parties and any presumption for resolving ambiguilies against the drafter shall not apply.

9.7 Construction. This Agreement shall be construed, governed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey and the rules and regulations of COAH. Jurisdiction with respect to any litigation related to this Agreement by way of enforcement or

post-judgment relief shall exclusively be in the Superior Court of New Jersey for Atlantic County. Service of any complaint, motion or judgment enforcement proceedings may be affected consistent with the terms hereof for the delivery of notices. The Parties hereby consent to service of process in such manner and waive any other service of process. Process may be affected by written notice pursuant to the terms hereof for notices. The Parties expressly waive a trial by jury in any such litigation or proceedings.

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9.8 Parties Bound and Assignment. The Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. Plaintiff shall expressly be permitted to sell, convey and/or assign its rights to develop one or more phases or sections of the Project to other developers and/or users who shall be emitted to rely upon and enforce this Agreement as to the remaining Parties. Advanced written permission to sell and assign is not intended and shall not be required.

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9.9 Holiday and Weekends – Time for Performance. Should any juste on or before which the performance of any act is required under the terms of the Agreement fall on a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday and/or generally recognized religious holiday in the State of New Jersey (such as Christmas, Good Friday, etc.), the date for performance shall be extended to and shall occur on the next succeeding business day. All references to "days" shall be deemed to refer to calendar days unless the context clearly and unequivocally requires otherwise. Except as otherwise set forth herein, any act to be performed on or before a certain day shall be deemed to be required to be performed on or before 5:00 p.m. on the day set forth and, if performed after 5:00 p.m., shall be deemed not to have been performed on said date.

9.14 Counterpart Signature. This Agreement may be executed simultaneously or in one or more counterparts, each of which, when so executed and delivered, shall conditute an original, fully enforceable counterpart for all purposes. Facsimile counterparts shall be accepted and enforceable. Immediately following the delivery of a facsimile counterpart, the sending Party shall deliver a counterpart with the original execution page.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year appearing below their names.

Attest:	Bay Avenue Redevelopers, L.L.C., Bass Harbor, L.L.C., Harbour Cove Marina, L.L.C., and S.P. #2
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	By: Managing Member
Print Name:	Print Name: M. Sean Scarborough
	Date: April, 2007
Attest:	CITY OF SOMERS POINT, A Municipal Corporation of the State of New Jersey
	Ву:
Ргілt Name:	Print Name:
	Date: Apríl, 2007

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW JERSEY	)
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I certify that on April \_\_\_\_\_, 2007, M. Sean Scarborough personally came before me and stated to my satisfaction that he:

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(a) Signed, sealed and delivered the attached document as the Managing Member of
 Bay Avenue Redevelopers, L.L.C., Bass Harbor, L.L.C., Harbor Cove Marina, L.L.C., and S.P.
 #2, that are collectively designated as Plaintiff in this document;

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(c) executed this instrument as the act of the Plaintiff entities named in this document.

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EXHIBIT A

## City of Somers Point County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_-07

# AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER 114 ENTITLED DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT AS HERETOFORE SUPPLEMENTED AND AMENDED, TO ADD NEW ARTICLES ENTITLED "AFFORDABLE HOUSING (AH) ZONING", AND AMEND ARTICLE XIX "SPECIAL HOSPITAL CLASSIFICATION"

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic and State of New Jersey, as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Somers Point is required to provide affordable housing opportunities in accordance with So. Burl. Co. NAACP v. City of Mount Laurel, 92 N.J. 158(1983 "Mount Laurel II"), the New Jersey Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301, et seq. (the "FHA") and applicable regulations of the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing ("COAH") N.J.A.C. 5:91-1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:93-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, after extensive deliberation and discussion the Mayor and Council of the City of Somers Point have entered into a Settlement Agreement of Litigation with Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC., Bass Harbour, LLC., Harbour Cove Marina, LLC., and S.P. #2 ("Developer") as the result of a builders remedy lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, the Developer has agreed to develop affordable housing opportunities within an inclusionary development project which includes residential and non-residential components identified on the City of Somers Point City's tax maps as Block 1411, Lot 1, Block 1412, Lot 4, Block 1413, Lots 1 and 2 (\* Non-Residential, Hospital Expansion\*), Block 1410 Lots 1, 4, 5, 7-10 and Block 1512 Lot 21 and 21.01 (\* Non-Residential, Three Story Medical, Two Story Medical & Parking Garage\*) Block 1007, Lots 1, 2 and 3 (\*Residential, Bass Harbour\*), Block 1211, Lot 2 (\* Residential, Harbour Cove\*) and Block 1212, Lots 2.01, 2.02, Block 1213 Lot 5 (\*Residential, Bay Avenue\*)

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Somers Point, Atlantic County, New Jersey, that the Development Regulations Ordinance of the City of Somers Point is heretofore supplemented and amended as follows:

Section 1 Add Article XIA: Affordable Housing (AH) Zones (AH1, AH2 and AH3)

Intent: For the purposes of fulfilling the City of Somers Point affordable housing obligation as prescribed by the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing *N.J.A.C.* 5:91-1 *et seq.* and *N.J.A.C.* 5:93-1 *et seq.*; and, the New Jersey Fair Housing Act, *N.J.S.A.* 52:27D-301, *et seq.* the City sets forth the following standards for the purpose of developing an inclusionary affordable housing development project as follows:

#### 1. Permitted Uses:

A, Permitted uses. Multi-family residential and townhomes shall be permitted principal uses in accordance with the design and area standards outlined below.

B. Accessory uses. Any accessory use and building reasonably and customarily incidental to any of the principal uses permitted, provided that they do not create conditions detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of the community.

1. Parking lots and parking structures shall be permitted as an accessory use.

II. Design and Area Requirements:

#### A. General Design Requirements

All residential buildings shall be designed with a minimum of three (3) separate façade materials and various projections such as porches, decks, dormers, porticos and the like. There shall also be breaks along the facades to add visual interest. The overall architectural concept shall be generally consistent with the predominant vernacular in the community.

B, AH1

1. Maximum Units:

s: 120 units (94 market rate + 26 low/mod. income): Twenty-six (26) low and moderate income rentals shall be provided in accordance with the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing's rules and regulations and consistent with Section 3.4.1 of the Settlement Agreement of Litigation in the matter of Bay Avenue Redevelopers, L.L.C., Bass Harbor, L.L.C., Harbour Cove Marina, L.L.C., and S.P. #2v, City of Somers Point, Docket No. ATL-L-3204-05 P.W. (Mount Laurel) (the "Settlement Agreement"), shall be located on a subdivided lot that shall contain no market rate housing units.

2. Minimum Tract

Acreage: 3.20 (±) acres

3. Minimum Lot Size: 1 acre, except for buildings of 100% affordable units

4. Maximum Density: 37 D.U. per acre-

5. Maximum Height: 48 feet

6. Minimum Setbacks;

a, Front;

1. Bay Avenue: 10 feet

2. East Maryland Avenue: 10 feet

b. Side: 10 feet

c. Rear: 10 feet

d. The front yard setback adjacent to the Bay Avenue and East Maryland Ave intersection (curved) may be reduced by 20% as measured from the Right-of-Way for a distance no greater than 50% of the building length.

6. Off-street parking shall be provided in accordance with Residential Site Improvement Standards (RSIS)

7. All off street parking shall be setback a minimum of (10) feet from Right-of-Ways, except along the Pleasant Avenue right-of-way, where (0) feet shall be permitted.

8. Minimum distance between structures shall be in accordance with Building and Code Officials Association (BOCA) standards.

C. AH2

1, Maximum Units: 16 units

2. Minimum Lot Acre: 0.75 (±) acres

3, Maximum Density: 21 D.U. per acre

4. Maximum Helght: 48 feet

5. Minimum Setbacks:

a, Front;

1. Bay Avenue: 10 feet

2. Pleasant Avenue: 10 feet

b. Side: 20 feet

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- c, Rear: 10 feet
- d. Bulk Head: 10 feet

6. Off-street parking shall be provided in accordance with Residential Site Improvement Standards (RSIS)

7. All off street parking shall be setback a minimum of (10) feet from rightof-ways except along the Pleasant Avenue right-of-way, where (0) feet shall be permitted.

8. Minimum distance between structures shall be in accordance with Building and Code Officials Association (BOCA) standards.

#### D. AH3

1. Maximum Units: 190 units

2. Minimum Acreage: 8.60 (±) acres

3. Maximum Density: 22 D.U. per acre

4. Maximum Height: 48 feet

5. Minimum Setbacks:

a. Front:

1. Bay Avenue: 10 feet

2. Harbor Lane: 10 feet

3. Sunny Avenue: 10 feet

- b. Side: 20 feet
- c. Rear: 20 feet

6. Off-street parking shall be provided in accordance with Residential Site Improvement Standards (RSIS)

7. All off-street parking shall be setback a minimum of (10) feet from Right-of-Ways.

8. Minimum distance between structures shall be in accordance with Building and Code Officials Association (BOCA) standards.

#### Section 2 Amend Article XIX as follows:

#### Add to 114-116:

C. Permitted uses. All types of health care related and medical uses shall be permitted such as hospitals, clinics, practitioner's offices and the like including support facilities, in accordance with the design and area standards included in this article.

D. Accessory uses. Any accessory use and building reasonably and customarily incidental to any of the principal uses permitted, provided that they do not create conditions detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of the community.

1. Parking lots and/or parking structures shall be permitted as an accessory use.

2. Loading docks/areas shall be permitted as an accessory use.

Revise 114-117 C by replacing (1) - (4) with the following:

- (1) Two (2) on-site parking spaces for every bed in the hospital facilities.
- (2) Five (5) spaces for every 1,000 square feet of building area for medical office space.

Add after 114-117:

### 117A. Design and Area Requirements

#### A. General Requirements

All buildings shall be designed with a minimum of three (3) separate façade materials and various projections such as porches, decks, dormers, porticos and the like. There shall also be breaks along the facades to add visual interest. The overall architectural concept shall be generally consistent with the predominant vernacular in the community.

B. Hospital and Hospital Facilities:

1. Maximum Height: 60 feet

2. Minimum Setback:

a.	Front:	5 feet	
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- b. Side: 5 feet
- c. Rear: 5 feet

3. Setbacks shall not apply to projections, roof overhangs and dormers measuring 5 feet or less.

4. Setbacks shall not apply to pre-existing structures.

C. Medical Offices:

**Building** A 1. Height:

60 feet

2. Setback:

a. Front on Brighton Avenue: 5 feet

b. Side:	5 feet
c. Rear:	5 feet

3. Minimum distance between structures shall be in accordance with Building and Code Officials Association (BOCA) standards.

### Building B

1. Height: 60 feet

2. Setback:

a. Front:

1. Brighton Avenue: 5 feet

20 feet

2. Bay Avenue b. Side: 5 feet

c. Rear: 5 feet

3. Minimum distance between structures shall be in accordance with Building and Code Officials Association (BOCA) standards.

# Building C

1. Height: 60 feet

2, Setback:

a. Front:

1. Harbor Lane:	5 feet
2. Bay Avenue	20 feet
b. Side: 🤍	5 feet
c Rear	5 feet

3. Minimum distance between structures shall be in accordance with Building and Code Officials Association (BOCA) standards.

### Building D - Two Story Medical

35 feet 1. Height

2. Setback

a. Front	5 feet
b. Side	5 feet
c, rear	20 feet

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3. Minimum distance between structures shall be in accordance with Building and Code Officials Association (BOCA) standards

## D. Parking Structures:

1. Minimum Floor area:	325,000 sq. feet (970 spaces)
2. Maximum Height:	60 feet
3. Minimum Setback:	
a. Front:	5 feet
b, Side:	
1. Bay Avenue	125 feet
c. Rear.	10 feet
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4. A system of pedestrian links and skyways which interconnect principal use structures with the parking garage shall be permitted as an accessory use. Skyways may traverse Right-of-Ways

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provided that said skyway does not impede the flow of traffic and create conditions detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of the community and are in accordance with BOCA. 5. Minimum distance between structures shall be in accordance with Building and Code Officials Association (BOCA) standards.

#### E. Impervious Coverage:

A. CAFRA standards shall apply, i.e., 80% or the legal pre-existing impervious coverage on site at time of application, which ever is greater.
 F. Circulation Improvements:

1. A circulation improvement plan shall be submitted with any site plan which shall include the following:

a. Traffic calming techniques

b. On-street parking

c. The installation of a cul-de-sac and parking area at the southwest end of the Sunny Avenue right-of-way (Identified on the City tax map as Block 1412, Lot 4 & Block 1410, Lot 1) which shall prevent thru-traffic to the Brighton Avenue Right-of-Way and mitigate on-street parking demands along the Sunny Avenue Right-of-Way.

d. Temporary parking plan

1. Development of the non-residential component of the project will require a temporary parking plan utilizing a portion of the Bay Avenue site during the construction of the parking garage (as described [IV, D])

### Section 3 Revise 114-8 by adding the definition of building height below:

BUILDING HEIGHT for the purpose of AH1, AH2, AH3, and SHOS zones only. The vertical dimension measured from the average elevation of the finished lot grade at the front of the building to the highest point of ceiling of the top story in the case of a flat roof, to the deck line of the mansard roof and to the average height between the plate and ridge of a gable, hip or gambrel roof. Exempt from this definition shall be chimneys, steeples, elevator sheds and mechanical equipment, except that additional height for such facilities shall not exceed 10 feet from the ridge line, except decorative steeples which shall not exceed twice the ridge height to the highest measured point of the steeple.

The Zoning Map of the City of Somers Point shall be revised as follows:

A. The legend shall have added the following zones:

AH1 – Affordable Housing 1 Zone AH2 – Affordable Housing 2 Zone AH3 – Affordable Housing 3 Zone SHOS – Special Hospital Zone

B. The Map shall have added the following zoned areas:

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Amendment to:

# COMPLIANCE PLAN October 2006 City of Somers Point Atlantic County, New Jersey (Prepared by Heyer, Gruel & Associates) Adopted by the Somers Point Planning Board October 18, 2006

The original of this document was signed and Sealed in accordance with NJAC 45:14A-12.

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### Introduction

1.

This document sets forth and amends the City of Somers Point Compliance Plan, October 2006. Two recent events have necessitated this amendment, the Appellate Court's decision regarding the New Jersey Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) third round methodology (growth share) and a builder's remedy settlement agreement between the City and Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC.

On January 25, 2007, the Superior Court of New Jersey, Appeliate Division issued an opinion, which for the most part challenges the validity of the third round "growth share" rules that were adopted by COAH on December 20, 2004. The Appellate Division invalidated the central components of growth share rules and remanded the matter to COAH for new rule-making which must be completed within the next 6 months.

The forgoing necessitates that the City of Somers Point adopt a new Compliance Plan after the new rules take effect some months from now. The current third round Compliance Plan which calculates the City's third round housing obligation from 2000 to 2014 based upon the invalidated rules is therefore of no force and effect. Therefore, all instances in which growth share is referenced within the current Compliance Plan shall be considered null and void.

On January 25, 2007, Somers Point City Council preliminarily endorsed the Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC, settlement agreement. As a result of this agreement, Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC has agreed to construct 26 affordable rental units and fund 30 Regional Contribution Agreements (RCA) to address the City of Somers Point prior round affordable housing obligation. Therefore, the pages referenced hereafter of the current Compliance Plan shall be retracted and amended as follows: The final settlement agreement is attached herelo.

# II. Prior Round Obligation

Somers Point has a 12-year (1987-1999) cumulative prior round obligation of 105 new construction units. The City plans to meet this obligation through the following:

Regional Contribution Agreement

Inclusionary Sites (Bay Avenue Redeveloper, LLC)

Allernative Living Arrangements

# III. Credits, Reductions and Municipal Adjustments

Currently, there are three (3) rental group homes in operation within the City that were established post 1980. Each of the three (3) group homes has three (3) bedrooms, which in turn, provide affordable rental housing for nine (9) low-

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income disabled individuals. This has been detailed in its October 2006 document and is not a change.

#### IV. Inclusionary Sites

Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC shall develop a multi-site project consisting of three residential project sites (Bay Avenue, Harbour Cove & Bass Harbour) and two non-residential project sites (Hospital Expansion & Route 9 Parcel). The overall project will yield 300 market rate residential units with an additional 26 rental units set aside for low and moderate income families. The affordable units will be constructed on the Bass Harbour site in accordance with all COAH rules, regulations and phasing provisions. None of the residential buildings within the overall project will be greater than 48' in height as defined in accordance with the terms of the Bay Avenue Redevelopers settlement agreement. All material in its original document relating to these sites in terms of maps, descriptions, suitability is hereby included by reference. Any lands of its Greate Bay Golf Course site (Greate Bay, LLC), previously included are no longer part of the Compliance Plan.

#### V. Rental Bonus Credits

According to N.J.S.A 5:93-5:15, every municipality shall create a realistic opportunity to construct rental housing in addressing its 1987 to 1999 housing need. The rental obligation shall be a minimum of 25% of the adjusted precredited need and the municipality shall receive 2 units of credit for rental units available to the general public (up to the municipality's rental obligation). The City of Somers Point has a prior round minimum rental obligation of 26 units (25% of 105 units). The City is entitled to a two for one rental bonus credit of 26 units.

## VI. Regional Contribution Agreements

The City shall meet the remaining prior round housing obligation through 44 RCA's. Bay Avenue Redevelopers LLC, has agreed to fund 30 units at a cost of \$35,000 per unit and will post the necessary funding guarantee. The timing for the posting of that guarantee has not yet been determined, but the timing for the guarantee will be such that the City will not be required to bond for the 30 Bay Avenue Redeveloper, LLC funded RCA units. The remaining 14 RCA units will funded and guaranteed by the Shore Memorial Hospital through its agreement to contribute the \$490,000 necessary and they will post a bond to that effect. An RCA agreement with the City of Bridgeton is in discussion.

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#### VII. Summary

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### Affordable Housing Obligation

Prior Round Obligation - 105 units

Prior Round

- Credits Group Home 9 units(rentai)
- Inclusionary Site 26 units (rental)

	Bass Harbor	-3 acres @ 40 DU/acre = 120 units
		22% set aside = 26 units (rental)
	•	Maximum Height 4 stories/48'Feet
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- Rental Bonus 26 units
- Regional Contribution Agreements 44 units

44 RCA @ \$35,000 each	\$1,540,000
14 Municipal sponsored	\$490,000
30 Developer sponsored	\$1,050,000

Summary

Prior Round Obligation	105
Group Homes	9
Inclusionary Site	26 rental units
RCA	44
Rental Bonus	26
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Total Credits	105

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#### EXHIBIT "D"

# AGREEMENT FOR PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES

THIS AGREEMENT, made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_ between Bass Harbor, L.L.C, a New Jersey limited liability company, having its principal office at 2 Eastwick Drive, Gibbsboro, New Jersey, 08026 (hereinafter the "Sponsor"), and the City of Somers Point, a municipal corporation of Atlantic County and State of New Jersey (hereinafter the "Municipality").

#### WITNESSETH

In consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained and for other good and valuable consideration, it is mutually covenanted and agreed as follows:

- This Agreement is made pursuant to the authority contained in Section 37 of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency Law of 1983 (N.J.S.A. 55:14K-1 et seq.) (hereinafter "HMFA Law") and a Resolution of the Committee of the Municipality dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, 200\_\_\_ (the "Resolution") and with the approval of the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (hereinafter the "Agency"), as required by N.J.S.A. 55:14K-37.
- 2. The Affordable Housing Project is or will be situated on a \_\_\_\_\_\_ acre parcel of land designated as a portion of Block \_\_\_\_\_\_, Lot \_\_\_\_, as shown on the Official Assessment Map of the City of Somers Point and more commonly referred to as Somers Point, New Jersey.
- As of the date the Sponsor executes a first mortgage upon the Project in favor of the Agency (hereinafter referred to as the "Agency Mortgage"), the land and

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improvements comprising the Affordable Housing Project shall be exempt from real property taxes, provided that the Sponsor shall make payments in lieu of taxes to the Municipality as provided hereinafter. The exemption of the Affordable Housing Project from real property taxation and the Sponsor's obligation to make payments in lieu of taxes shall not extend beyond the date on which the Agency Mortgage is paid in full, which according to the HMFA Law, may not exceed fifty (50) years.

(a) If the Affordable Housing Project receives construction and permanent financing from the Agency, the Sponsor shall make payment to the Municipality of an annual service charge in lieu of taxes in such amount as follows:

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- (1) From the date of the execution of the Agency Mortgage until the date of substantial completion of the Affordable Housing Project, the Sponsor shall make payment to the Municipality in an amount equal to \$\_\_\_\_\_ (pursuant to the HMFA Law, the amount of taxes due on the property for the year preceding the recording of the Agency Mortgage). As used herein, "Substantial Completion" means the date upon which the Municipality issues the Certificate of Occupancy for all units in the Affordable Housing Project.
- (2) From the date of Substantial Completion of the Affordable Housing Project and for the remaining term of the NJHMFA Mortgage, the Sponsor shall make payment to the Municipality in an amount equal to 6.28 percent of Project Revenues.

(b) If the Affordable Housing Project receives permanent financing only from the Agency, the Sponsor shall make payment to the Municipality in an amount equal to 6.28 percent of Project Revenues, from the date of the Agency Mortgage and for the remaining term of the Agency Mortgage.

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(c) As used herein, "Project Revenues" means the total annual gross rental or carrying charge or other income of the Sponsor from the Affordable Housing Project less the costs of utilities furnished by the Affordable Housing Project, which shall include the costs of gas, electric, heating fuel, water supplied, and sewerage charges, if any.

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(d) The amount of payment in lieu of taxes to be paid pursuant to paragraphs
(a) or (b) and (c) above is calculated in Exhibit "A" attached hereto. It is expressly understood and agreed that the revenue projections provided to the Municipality as set forth in Exhibit "A" and as part of the Sponsor's application for an agreement for payments in lieu of taxes are estimates only. The actual payments in lieu of taxes to be paid by the Sponsor shall be determined pursuant to Section 5 below.

5. (a) Payments by the Sponsor shall be made on a quarterly basis in accordance with bills issued by the Tax Collector of the Municipality in the same manner and on the same dates as real estate taxes are paid to the Municipality and shall be based upon Project Revenues of the previous quarter. The Municipality may elect, by notice to the Sponsor delivered in writing no later than the date of Substantial Completion, to require the Sponsor to use for purposes of calculating rents and the corresponding annual service charge in lieu of taxes a fiscal year other than the accounting fiscal year of the Sponsor. If the Municipality makes such an election, the use of the phrase "fiscal year" in this Agreement shall refer to such annual accounting period specified by the Municipality. No later than three (3) months following the end of the first fiscal year of operation after (i) the date of

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Substantial Completion (if the Affordable Housing Project is receiving construction and permanent financing) or (ii) the date of the Agency Mortgage (if the Affordable Housing Project is receiving permanent financing only) and each year thereafter that this Agreement remains in effect, the Sponsor shall submit to the Municipality a certified, audited financial statement of the operation of the Project (the "Audit"), setting forth the Project Revenues and the total payments in lieu of taxes due to the Municipality calculated at 6.28 percent of Project Revenues as set forth in the Audit (the "Audit Amount"). The Sponsor simultaneously shall pay the difference, if any, between (i) the Audit Amount and (ii) payments made by the Sponsor to the Municipality for the preceding fiscal year. The Municipality may accept any such payment without prejudice to its right to challenge the amount due. In the event that the payments made by the Sponsor for any fiscal year shall exceed the Audit Amount for such fiscal year, the Municipality shall credit the amount of such excess to the account of the Sponsor.

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(b) All payments pursuant to this Agreement shall be in lieu of taxes and the municipality shall have all the rights and remedies of tax enforcement granted to the Municipalities by law just as if said payments constituted regular tax obligations on real property within the Municipality. If, however, the Municipality disputes the total amount of the annual payment in lieu of taxes due it, based upon the Audit, it may apply to the Superior Court, Chancery Division for an accounting of the service charge due the Municipality, in accordance with

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11. purposes of the HMFA Law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year set forth below.

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# EXHIBIT "A"

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# REAL ESTATE TAX CALCULATIONS FOR TAX ABATEMENT

Gross Rents	\$	\$156,888.00
Less Vacancy	(-)	15,688.00
Less Utilities (if applicable)	(-)	8,400.00
Gross Sheltered Rents	\$	132,799.20
x Rate	Х	6.28%
Real Estate Taxes	S	8,339.79

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FLASTER/GREENBERG P.C. 1810 Chapel Avenue West, Third Floor Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002 (856) 661-1900 Kenneth Goodkind, Esquire Carl S. Bisgaler, Esquire Richard J. Hoff, Jr., Esquire Altorneys for Plaintiffs	Extribit
BAY AVENUE REDEVELOPERS, L.L.C., A Subsidiary of SCARBOROUGH PROPERTIES, INC., and R. RANDLE SCARBOROUGH,	SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION - ATLANTIC COUNTY
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CITY OF SOMERS POINT and CITY OF SOMERS POINT PLANNING BOARD,	CERTIFICATION OF EDMOND C. SPEITEL REGARDING DETERMINATION OF AREA
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- This Certification presents my expert opinion that the area of the City of Somers Point occupied by the properties which are the subject of the proposed settlement of this litigation (the "Area") satisfy the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14.a.(2) for determining such area to be in need of rehabilitation. Specifically, it is my opinion that a majority of the water and sewer infrastructure (the "Infrastructure") in the Area highlighted on the attached 1951 aerial photograph is at least 50 years old and is in need of repair or substantial maintenance.
- I am a licensed professional engineer and a licensed professional planner in the State of New Jersey. I am a principal of Speitel & Speitel, Inc., a corporation authorized to provide professional Engineering services in the State of New Jersey.
- .3.\_.I.am personally familiar with the City of Somers Point, and the Area in perticular, having been involved in engineering work in Somers Point for various Scarborough entities and other clients over the last 25 years.
- 4. I am familiar with the Local Housing and Redevelopment Law, including Section 14 concerning rehabilitation, and have been involved in several redevelopment projects on

behalf of the Scarborough's and other Clients. A copy of my C.V. is annexed hareto.

- 5. I have concluded based on the 1951 aerial photograph and site visits that all of the residential units in the study area are greater than 50 years of age.
- 6. I have reached my conclusion and opinion based on my personal knowledge of the area over past 25 years including inspections of the Area and its infrastructure on numerous occasions in early July 2006 and most recently on July 11, 2006. I walked and/or drove along Shore Road, New York Avenue, Brighton Avenue, Sunny Avenue, Connecticut Avenue, Harbor Lane, Pleasant Avenue, Maryland Avenue, Bay Avenue, Kapella Avenue and Launch Avenue in the study area and at least one block beyond the study area. Visual evident of underground infrastructure was limited to painted markings in the street, pavement trench patches, fire hydrant color coding for capacity, as well as the castings, valve boxes, and fire hydrants. The oldest fire hydrant found was on Shore Road just south of New York Avenue, This was a "Corey" hydrant. The date of the hydrant was not legible however this type of hydrant was commonly used before the 1950's.
- 7. I have also reviewed the following documents and records relating to the infrastructure, a 1957 survey prepared by James M Monaghan, Jr. and the "Regional Sewerage Feasibility Study Atlantic County, New Jersey" April 1958 and have consulted with persons knowledgeable about the infrastructure and its' history.
- 8. My inspection and investigation of the water Infrastructure indicates that portions of the infrastructure along Shore Road, Brighton Avenue, and Harbor Avenue are in excess of 50 years old. This is evidenced by the size and type of cast iron pipe and fire hydrants used, as well as the 1957 survey prepared by James M Monaghan, Jr. Attached is a copy of the Monaghan plan as well as a color exhibit showing the water and sewer lines older than and newer than 50 years in the study area.

9. It is my professional opinion that maintenance, repairs, and upgrades are required of the water system to provide redundant interconnections of sufficient size and capacity to provide

Speitel July 20 2005 Page 2 of 3 essential water service to the Hospital and fire service to the surrounding community. At least one 12 Inch diameter looped water main should be available from the elevated water storage tank to the Hospital. Presently, the water system relies primarily on an old, mostly pre World War II system of 4, 6 and 8 inch cast iron water mains for both fire and domestic use.

- 10. My inspection and investigation reveals that the sewer infrastructure on Brighton Avenue is more than 50 years old. The 1957 survey of the Hospital shows that the sewer system existed in the street. It is unclear if the sewerage treatment plant shown on the 1957 survey on Brighton Avenue serviced the surrounding community or only the hospital. The survey does validate the information provided verbally by Joseph Di Orlo about the existence of a sewer plant for the hospital.
- 11. A program of rehabilitation which increases the capacity of the water system through the replacement of old under sized mains is necessary to promote the overall development of this area of the City.

#### Conclusion

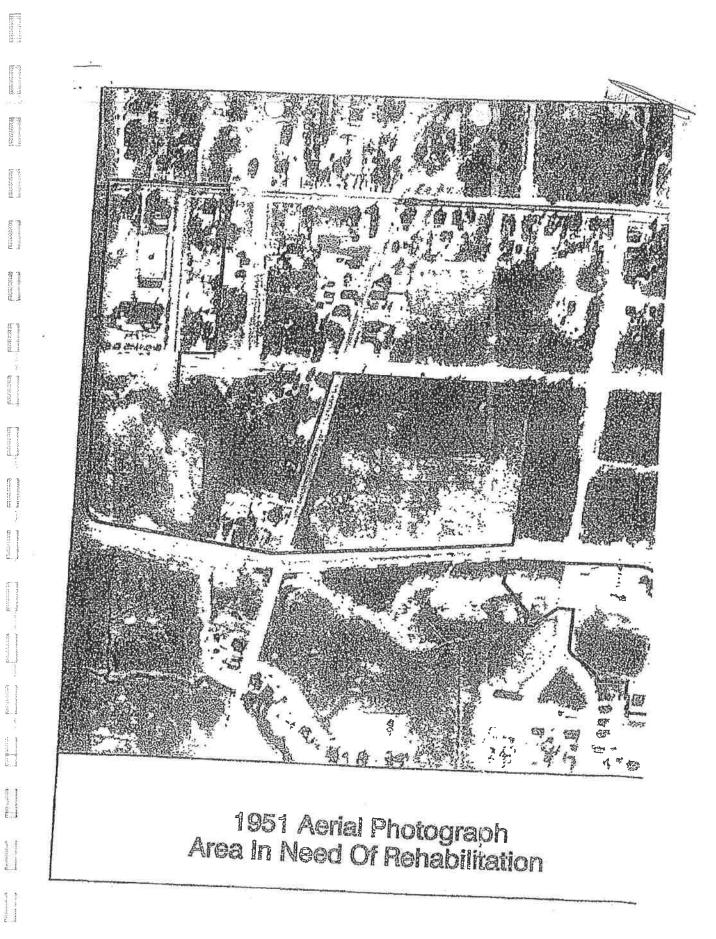
It is my opinion that the majority of the infrastructure in the area shown on the attached plan is at least 50 years old and is in need of repair or substantial maintenance.

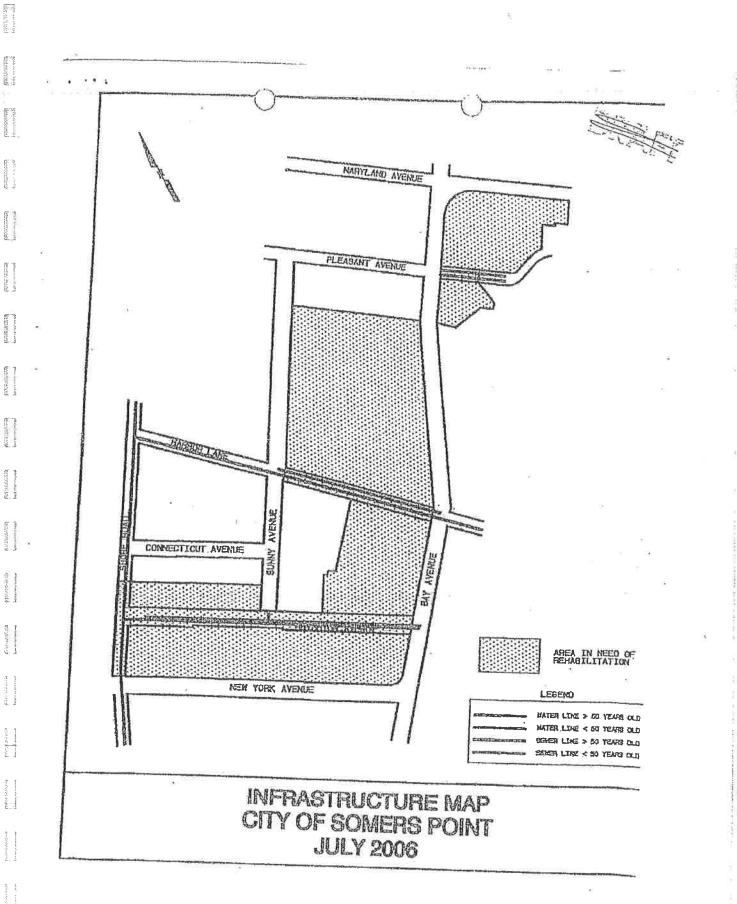
I hereby certify that the foregoing statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and beltef. I am aware that if any of the foregoing statements by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

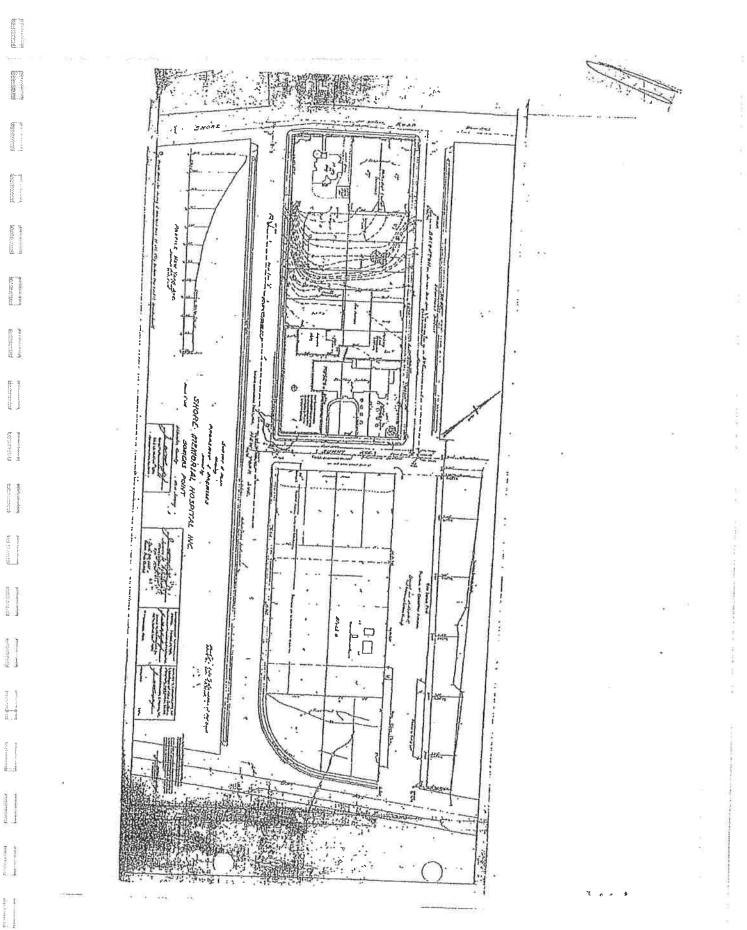
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#### EXHIBIT "F"

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#### MARKET RATE RESIDENTIAL UNIT TAX AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF SOMERS POINT AND BAY AVENUE REDEVELOPERS, LLC

#### THIS MARKET RATE RESIDENTIAL UNIT TAX AGREEMENT (the "Agreement")

dated as of the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2007, between Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC, a New Jersey limited liability company, having its place of business at 2 Eastwick Drive, Gibbsboro, New Jersey (the "Entity"), and the CITY OF SOMERS POINT, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, having offices at 1 West New Jersey Avenue, Somers Point, New Jersey 08244 (the "City"), under the provisions of the Five-Year Exemption and Abatement Law, as amended and supplemented, N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1 et seq. (the "Exemption Law").

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Entity is the owner of Block 1213, Lot 5 and Block 1212, Lots 2.01 and 2.02, Block 1007, Lots 1, 2 and 3, and Block 1211, Lot 2 (the "Property"), a portion of which is subject to an Affordable Residential Unit Tax Agreement but not subject to this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq. (the "Local Redevelopment and Housing Law"), and N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-14 in particular, and in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:21-3.b of the Exemption Law, the City adopted Resolution \_\_\_\_\_-07, which is attached as Exhibit "A" to this Agreement, determining the Property to be an area in need of rehabilitation; and

WHEREAS, the Exemption Law permits a municipality to exempt from the payment of real estate taxes, for a limited period of time, any rehabilitation or improvements made in the redevelopment of a rehabilitation area, subject to the terms and conditions of a tax agreement complying with the requirements of the Exemption Law; and

WHEREAS, the City has enacted Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_, which is attached as Exhibit "B" to this Agreement and is Exhibit "F" to the Settlement Agreement of Litigation, dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2007, among certain entities, including the Parties, providing among other things, for the exemption and abatement from taxation for construction of new multiple dwellings (as defined in N.J.S.A. 40A:21-3(o)) in accordance with the Exemption Law; and

WHEREAS, the Entity has submitted to the City Council pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:21-9 an application for a tax exemption (the "Application"), a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "C" pursuant to the Exemption Law with respect to portions of the Property; and

WHEREAS, the Entity intends to develop three hundred (300) market rate residential townhouse units (the "Units"), as well as twenty-six (26) affordable rental apartment Units, on the Property (the "Project"). This Agreement applies only to the three hundred (300) Market Rate Units at the Property; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has approved the tax exemption requested by the Entity in the Application subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and the parties desire to set forth in detail their mutual rights and obligations with respect to the tax exemption applicable to the Units.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein, and for other good and valuable consideration, the parties to this Agreement mutually covenant and agree as follows:

1. <u>Citv's Findings</u>. The City makes the following findings with respect to the tax exemption granted in this Agreement:

a. The exemption for the Units is anticipated to benefit the City and its inhabitants by furthering the development and rehabilitation of the subject Property and the neighborhood surrounding the subject Property (the "Neighborhood"). Rehabilitation of the Property

and revitalization of the Neighborhood will prevent further decline in the condition and value of the Property and the Neighborhood, permitting the City to rely more on the Property as a source of payments in lieu of taxes and future tax revenue, thereby enhancing the long-term value to the City of the Property and the Neighborhood. These benefits are expected to outweigh substantially any costs to the City associated with the tax exemption for the Units.

b. The tax exemption to be granted under this Agreement is important to the City. Because of the cost of rehabilitation, it is likely that the work would not be undertaken without the incentive of the tax exemption granted under this Agreement.

2. <u>Tax Exemption</u>.

a. Each Unit constructed by the Entity (or its assigns) shall be exempt from taxation in accordance with the provisions of the Exemption Law in the manner provided by this Agreement, for a period of five (5) years from the first day of the month following the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for such Unit, and this Agreement shall be in effect as to a Unit for no more than five (5) full years next following the date of completion of the Unit, pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:21-11.

b. Regarding sales of individual Units in fee simple, where it is determined that the Unit will be used as a residential dwelling, the tax exemption of the Unit shall continue and inure to the fee simple Unit purchaser, and any respective successors or assigns, in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:21-1, <u>et seq</u>.

3. Annual Service Charge.

a. In consideration of the aforesaid exemption from taxation on improvements, the Entity shall make payment to the City of an Annual Service Charge ("ASC") in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:21-10a. ("Cost Basis") for municipal services supplied to the subject Property, as set forth in Paragraphs 3.d(1) through (3) below. As contemplated by Section 5.3 of the Settlement Agreement of Litigation, if the Entity constructs the 300 market rate units currently anticipated for the Project, the aggregate ASC over the life of this Agreement shall be at least eight million four hundred thousand dollars (\$8,400,000.00).

b. The ASC shall be paid timely, in quarterly installments on those dates when real estate tax payments are due, subject to any necessary adjustment within thirty (30) days after the close of each calendar year.

c. The ASC shall accrue from the first day of the month following the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy on each Unit as set forth in Paragraph 2 above.

d. The Entity shall pay to the City, or cause to be paid to the City, in lieu of full property tax payments, the following amounts:

- For each of the one hundred ninety (190) Units anticipated to be constructed on the Bay Area Property (as such is defined in the Settlement Agreement of Litigation), annually for five (5) years, an amount each year equal to two (2%) percent of the cost of such Unit, but not less than Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Three (\$5,463.00) Dollars;
- (2) For each of the ninety-four (94) Units, anticipated to be constructed on the Bass Harbor Property, (as such is defined in the Settlement Agreement of Litigation), annually for five (5) years, an amount each year equal to two (2%) percent of the cost of such Unit, but not less than Five Thousand Seven Hundred (\$5,700.00) Dollars;
- (3) For each of the sixteen (16) Units, anticipated to be constructed on the Harbour Cove Property (as such is defined in the Settlement Agreement of Litigation), annually for five (5) years, an amount each year equal to two (2%) percent of the cost of such unit, but not less than Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifty (\$6,650.00) Dollars;

(4) For purposes of this Agreement, "the cost of the Unit" means the cost or fair market value of direct labor and all materials used in the construction, expansion, or rehabilitation of all buildings, structures, and facilities at the project site, including the costs, if any, of land acquisition and land preparation, provision of access roads, utilities, drainage facilities, and parking facilities, together with architectural, engineering, legal, surveying, testing, and contractors' fees associated with the project, allocated among the various Units in the Project by the Entity on any reasonable basis. The Entity shall cause such costs and allocations to be certified and verified to the governing body of the City by an independent and qualified architect, following the completion of the Units.

e. The annual payments in lieu of taxes shall be paid to the City on a quarterly basis, in a manner consistent with the City's tax collection schedule, in accordance with Paragraph 3.b. above. In the event the City does not timely receive any installment, the amount past due shall bear a rate of interest permitted under the State law for unpaid taxes, and, the ASC shall be a continuous municipal lien on the Property.

4. Termination of Agreement.

a. If during any tax year prior to the termination of the tax agreement, the Entity ceases to operate or disposes of Units or fails to meet the conditions for qualification, then the tax which would have otherwise been payable for each tax year for each such Unit shall become due and payable from the Entity as if no exemption or abatement had been granted. The governing body of the City shall notify the Entity, the Tax Collector and Tax Assessor forthwith and the Tax Collector shall within fifteen (15) days thereof notify the owner of the Unit of the amount of taxes due, in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:21-12. With respect to the disposal of Units, where it is determined

that the new owner of a Unit will continue to use the Unit pursuant to all of the conditions which qualified the Unit, the exemption and the abatement shall continue, and the Agreement shall remain in effect.

b. At the termination of the applicable exemption period for a Unit under this Agreement, that Unit shall be subject to all applicable real property taxes as provided by State law and regulation and City ordinance.

c. This Agreement shall be in effect for no more than five (5) full tax years next following completion of the Project.

5. <u>Remedies</u>. In the event of a breach of this Agreement, either Party may file an action with the Superior Court of New Jersey and may seek any available remedies.

6. <u>Governing Law and Conflicts</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by the provisions of the Exemption Law and the laws of the State of New Jersey. The parties agree that in the event of a conflict between this Agreement and the Application, the language contained in this Agreement shall govern and prevail.

7. Oral Representations. Neither party hereto has made any oral representation that is not contained in this Agreement. This Agreement, the City's Ordinance authorizing the Agreement, and the Application constitute the entire agreement between the parties.

 Modification. There shall be no modification of this Agreement except by written instrument executed by both parties.

9. <u>Notices</u>. Unless prior to giving any notice required under this Agreement, either party shall have notified the other to the contrary, all notices shall be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed as follows:

As to the City:

City Clerk City of Somers Point 1 West New Jersey Avenue Somers Point, New Jersey 08224 With a copy to:

Damon Tyner, Esquire Ronald Morgan, Esquire Parker McCay 3 Greentree Center 7001 Lincoln Drive West P.O. Box 974 Marlton, New Jersey 08053-0974

Mr. M. Sean Scarborough 2 Eastwick Drive Gibbsboro, New Jersey 08026

With a copy to:

As to Entity:

Kenneth Goodkind, Esquire Richard Hoff, Esquire Flaster/Greenberg P.C. 1810 Chapel Avenue West Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08002

10. <u>Certificates of Occupancy</u>. It is understood and agreed that the Entity or its designee shall remain obligated to apply for Certificates of Occupancy in a timely manner and to effectuate all required filings concerning such Certificates.

11. <u>Severability</u>. If any term, covenant or condition of this Agreement shall be judicially declared to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such term, covenant or condition to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable shall not be affected thereby.

 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts. All such counterparts shall be deemed to be originals and together shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

 <u>Exhibits</u>. Any and all Exhibits annexed to this Agreement are hereby made a part of this Agreement by this reference thereto.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this Agreement to be executed the day and year

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#### BAY AVENUE REDEVELOPERS, LLC

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M. SEAN SCARBOROUGH, Member

ATTEST:

THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT

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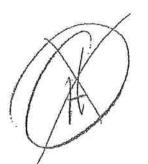
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November 21, 2005

Wes Swain, City Administrator City of Somers Point City Hall 1 West New Jersey Avenue Somers Point, NJ 08244

RE: Sever System Upgrade Bay Avanus, Somers Point Doran #30624

Dear Mr. Swain:

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As per your request, we are performing a Preliminary Estimate for Sewer Upgrades on Bay Ave, which will include the anticipated flow generated by future development.

In this area of the City, the severage flows by gravity down the slde streets to Hay Avenne, then along Bay Ave to an existing pump station located between Higher and Gibbs Avenues. The Pump Station in turn pumps to an existing larger gravity system at the intersection of Bay and Pleasant Avenues.

Based on discussion with the Server Department regarding the age and condition of the existing server system and both the existing and anticipited server flows to be generated by future development, we believe the City will be required to upgrade the pump station, the S" CIP force main and a section of the 10" VCP gravity server main. The following are the approximate costs to upgrade each section of the system.

 Gravity System - Based on information taken from the "As Built" Plan, there exists a high point and a reverse gade for the section of pipe at Decenu and Bay Avenues. This area of the system continues to be an area of back up on the upstream side, which would seem to verify the reverse grades in the system.

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In order to properly evaluate the force main, it should be cleaned and televised. The following is the anticipated costs to televise the existing force main.

TEM	DECRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
1	Clean & TV 8" CIP	2300/1.6	3.SUALF	8,050
1	By Pass Pumping	L.S.	L.6.	10.000
				\$1,8050.00
	Con		\$ 1,805.00	
	Se		\$19,855.60	
	Ada	Importion	\$ 9,800.00	
	Tol			\$23,655.00

If the above measioned television inspection of the 8" CIP force main roveals that the line should be replaced, then the following is the anticipated cost for this replacement. It is suggested that if the force main be increased from 8" to 10" to accommodate future anticipated flow. From Flump Star. A  $q \rightarrow b$  MH a Bary f (Poncont

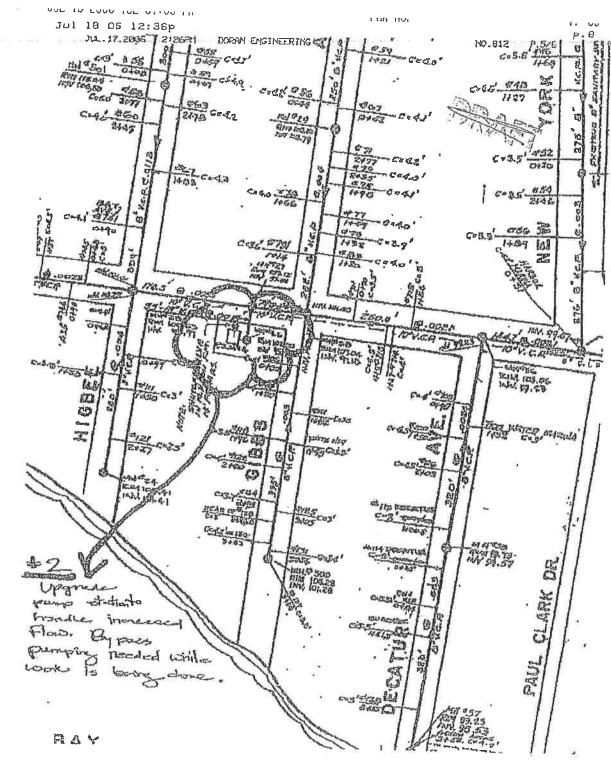
TTEM	DECRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
			OTTAL PROCES	1 AUTED
7	Line and Increase S" to 10" Force Main	2300/LF	130.00/LF	299,000
2.	By Pass Pumping	L.S,	25,000	25,000
				\$334,000,00
	Cont	3 32,490,00		
	Sab Total			\$356,606.00
	Administration, Derign Inspection			\$64,152.00
1	Tota	\$420,352.00		

It should be noted that the above conclusions are based on general information and practical knowledge of the existing sanitary sewerage system. It is our recommendation that full lingingering Austyzis, halleding physical testing or televising of the various components be done prior to any major expenditure of funds.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not besimie to contact this office.

Very truly yours,

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July 11, 2005

Edmond C. Speitel, PE Speitel and Speitel, Inc. 2 Eastwick Drive, Suite 101 Gibbsboro, New Jersey 08026

RE: Bay Avenue Redevelopers Sewer Availability Study Shore Memorial and Bay Avenue Somers Point, New Jersey Doran #30022

Dear Mr. Speitel:

The following is a scope of services for the above referenced project.

The Sewer Availability Study will include verification of capacity within existing sanitary sewer system:

 10" VCP gravity main located in Bay Avenue from Harbor Lane to Pump Station No.4 located on the easterly side of Bay Avenue between Gibbs and Higbee Avenues.

- 2. Pump Station No. 4.
- 8" CIP force main from Pump Station No.4 to receiving manhole at intersection of Bay and Pleasant Avenues.
- 15" VCP gravity main in Bay Avenue from Pleasant Avenue to Pump Station No.5 located on the easterly side of Bay Avenue just south of Cedar Avenue.

5. Pump Station No.5.

 12" CIP force main from in Bay Avenue to receiving manhole located in Pierson Avenue approximately 280 feet east of Bethel Road. The proposed study will continue downstream of the proposed project until it is determined that all existing sewers have capacity to handle the additional 65,700 gpd generated by the proposed project.

Report will include the required repairs and or replacements required to provide capacity for proposed project.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact this office at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

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Deborah Wahl, P.E., P.P.

/Cc: Wes Swain, Administrator City of Somers Point

#### EXHIBIT H

# STATEMENT OF CONSENT TO SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Albert L. Gutierrez, being of full age, hereby certifies as follows:

I. I am the President and Chief Executive Officer of Shore Memorial Hospital, and I have been authorized to execute this Certification on behalf of Shore Memorial Hospital and its affiliated and/or controlling entities (collectively "Shore Memorial").

2. Shore Memorial has been provided with a copy of a proposed Settlement Agreement of Litigation to be entered into by the parties in the matter of *Bay Avenue Redevelopers, L.L.C., Bass Harbor, L.L.C., Harbour Cove Marina, L.L.C., and S.P. #2 v City of Somers Point, and The City Of Somers Point Planning Board*, Docket No. ATL-L-3204-05 P.W. (Mount Laurel) (the "Agreement").

3. The Agreement proposes to resolve the Litigation, in part, through the proposed adoption of an Ordinance (the "Proposed Ordinance") that anticipates, in part, the rezoning of properties owned and controlled by Shore Memorial and identified on the tax maps of the City as Block 1410, Lots 1, 4, 5 and 7-10, Block 1411, Lot 1, Block 1412, Lot 4, Block 1413, Lots 1 and 2 and Block 1512, Lots 21 and 21.01 (the "Hospital Property"). Shore Memorial has been afforded the opportunity to review and comment on both the Agreement and the Proposed Ordinance, and Shore Memorial consents to adoption of the Proposed Ordinance.

4. Section 3.5 of the Agreement states that in contemplation of the development of the rezoned Hospital Property Shore Memorial will provide to the City of Somers Point funds to be used for a regional contribution agreement and/or other affordable housing purposes pursuant to the terms and conditions specified therein. Shore Memorial hereby confirms the affordable housing commitment as set forth in the Agreement.

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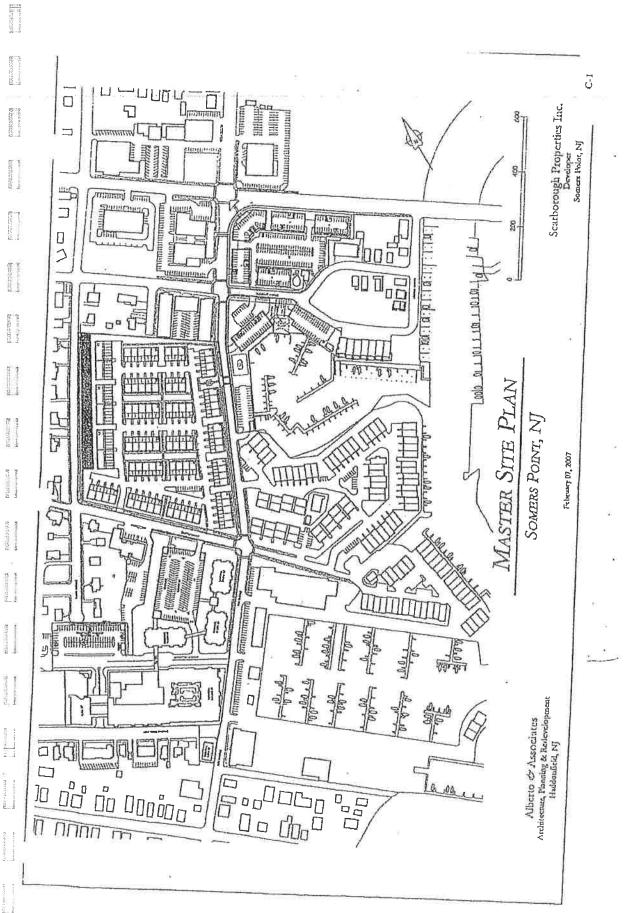
5. It is the present expectation of Shore Memorial that following construction of the Non-Residential Component of the Project (as defined in the Agreement), the medical office buildings will be subject to real property taxation and the parking garage and hospital expansion will be exempt from real property taxation, subject to then-applicable statutory provisions governing exemptions from real property taxation.

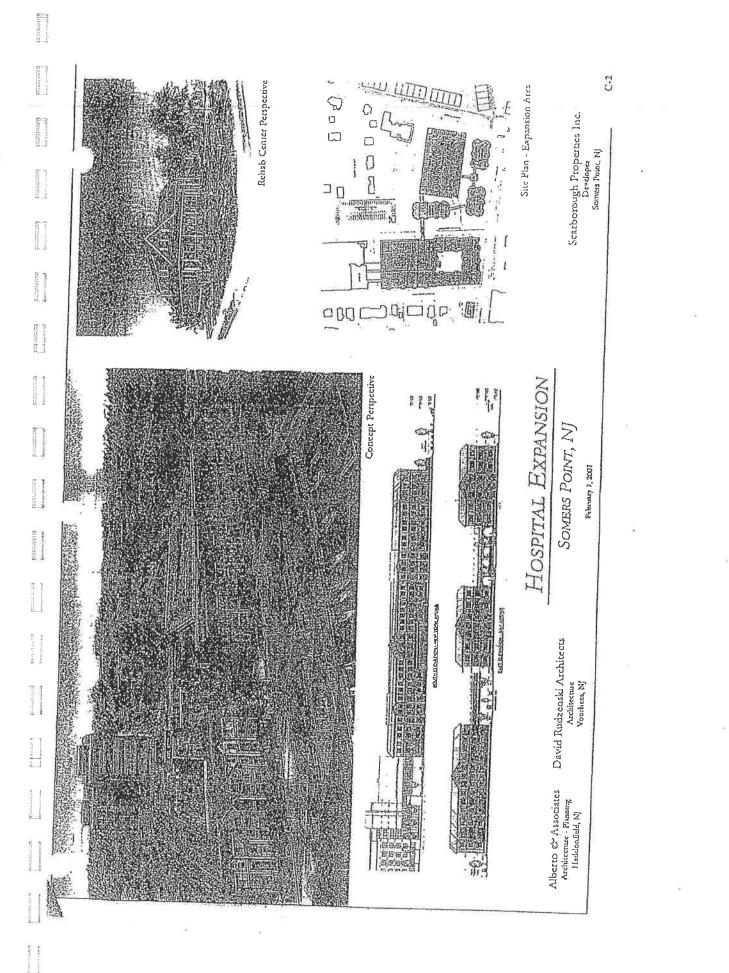
6. I certify that the statements contained herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that if any statements contained herein are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

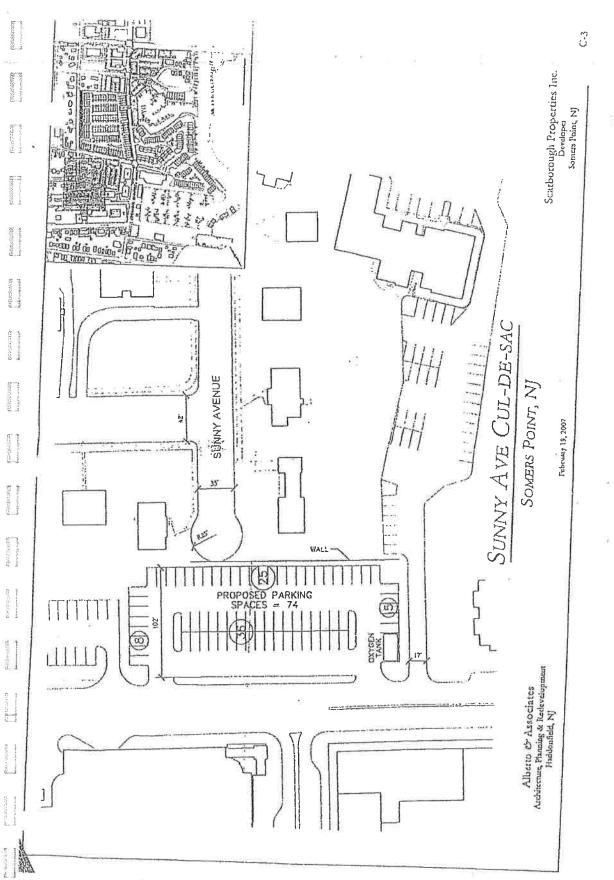
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### ALBERT L. GUTIERREZ

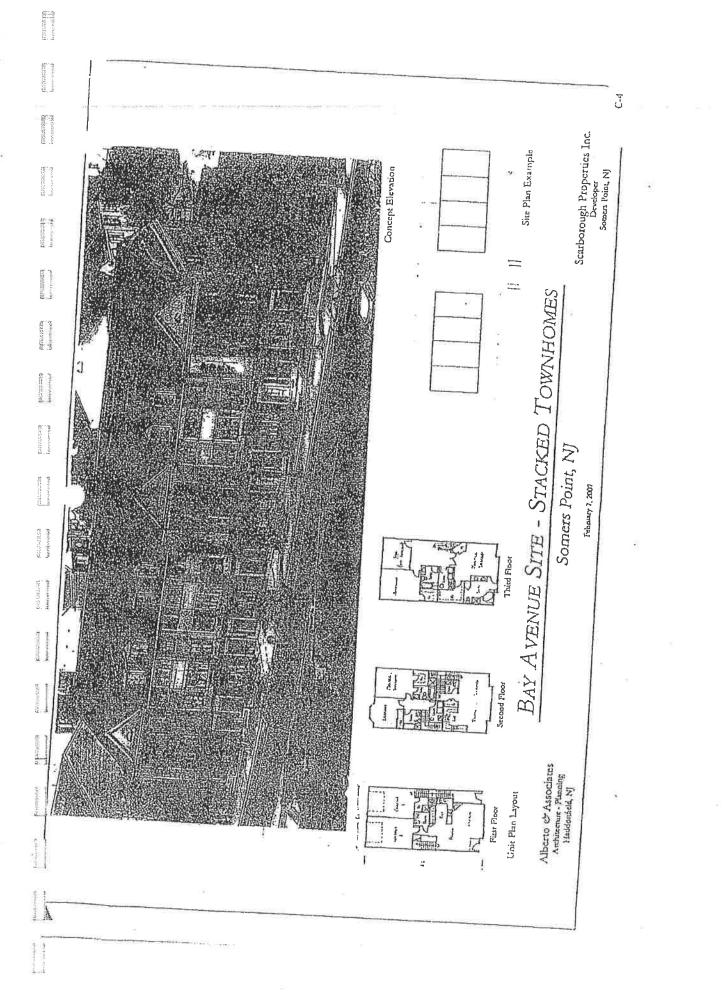
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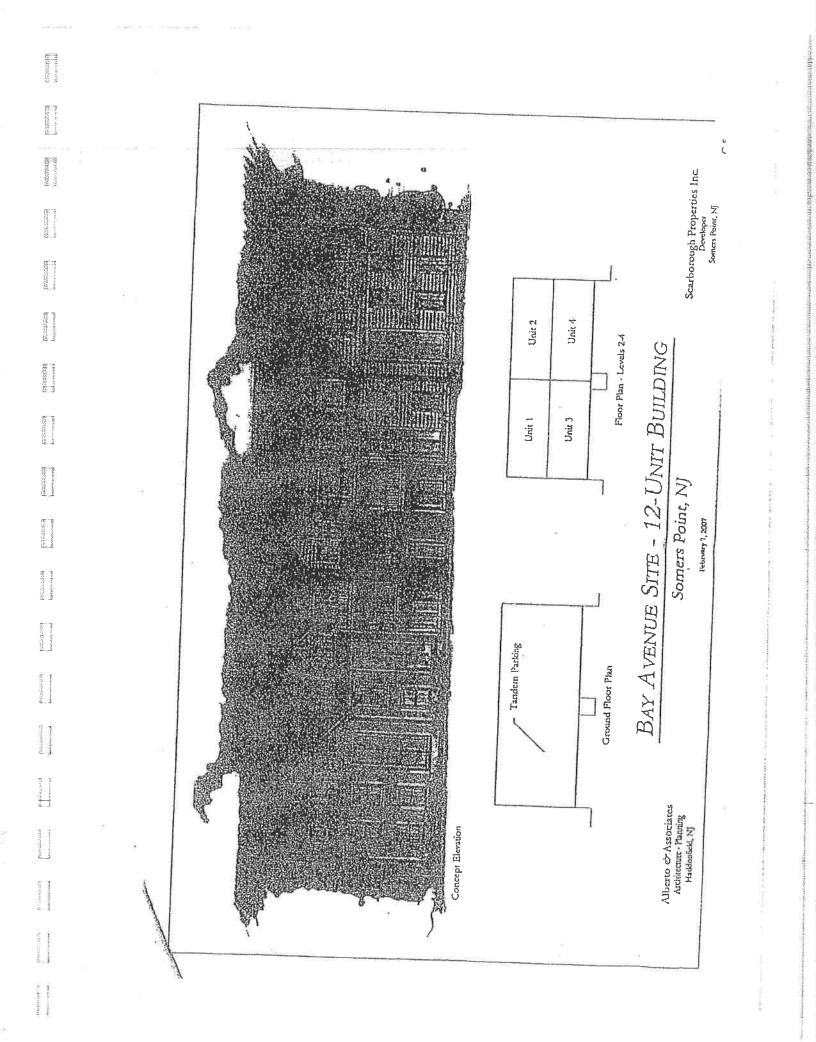


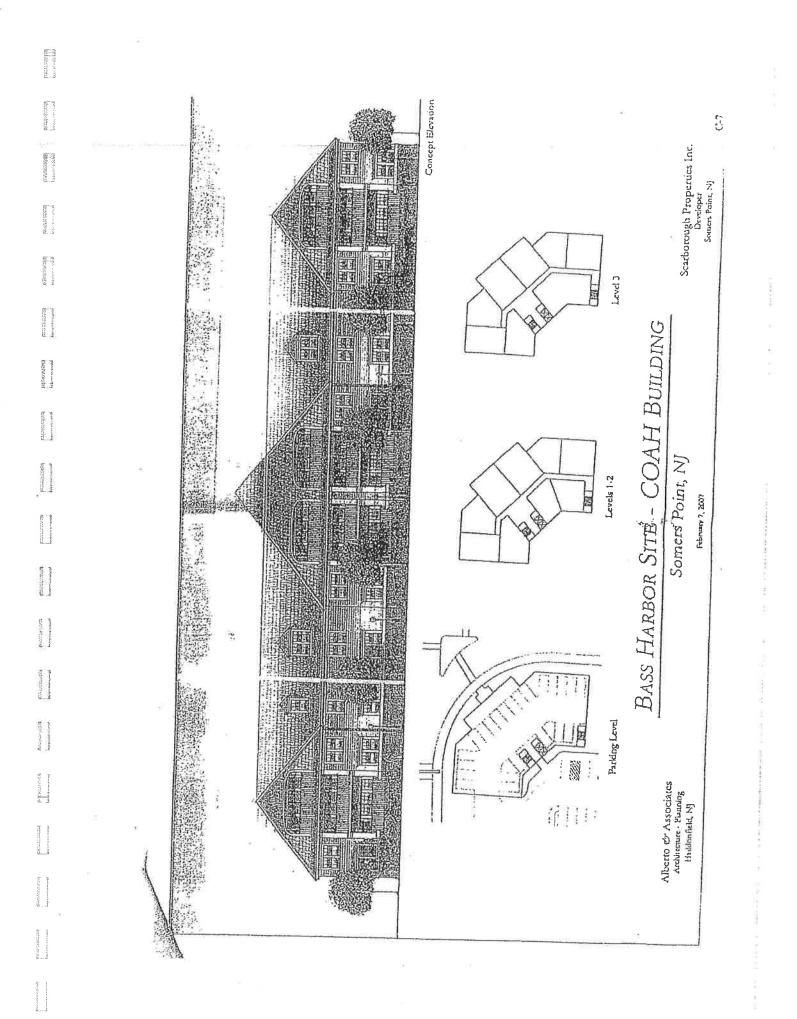


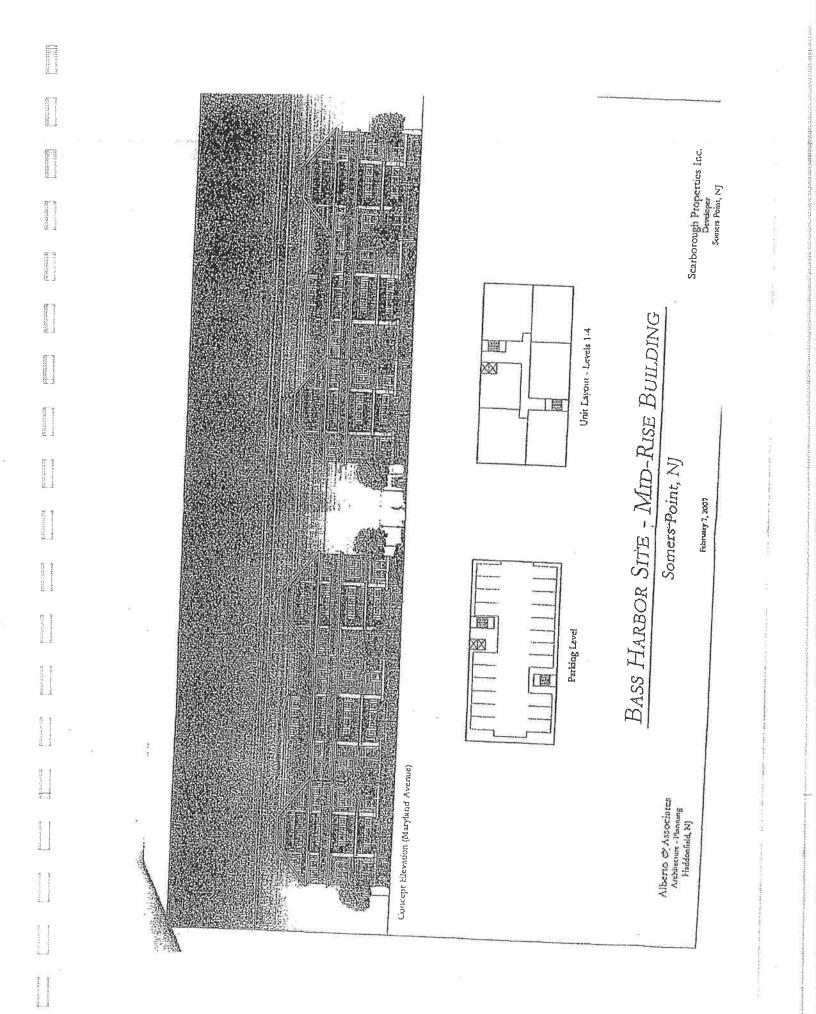
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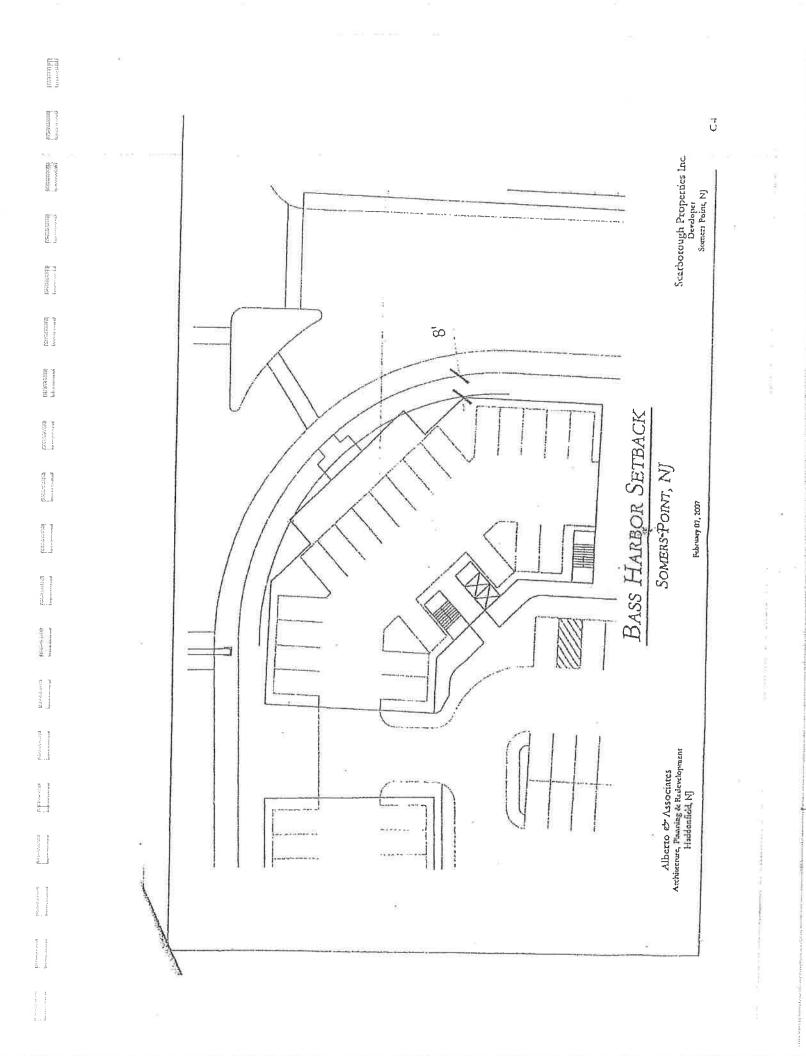


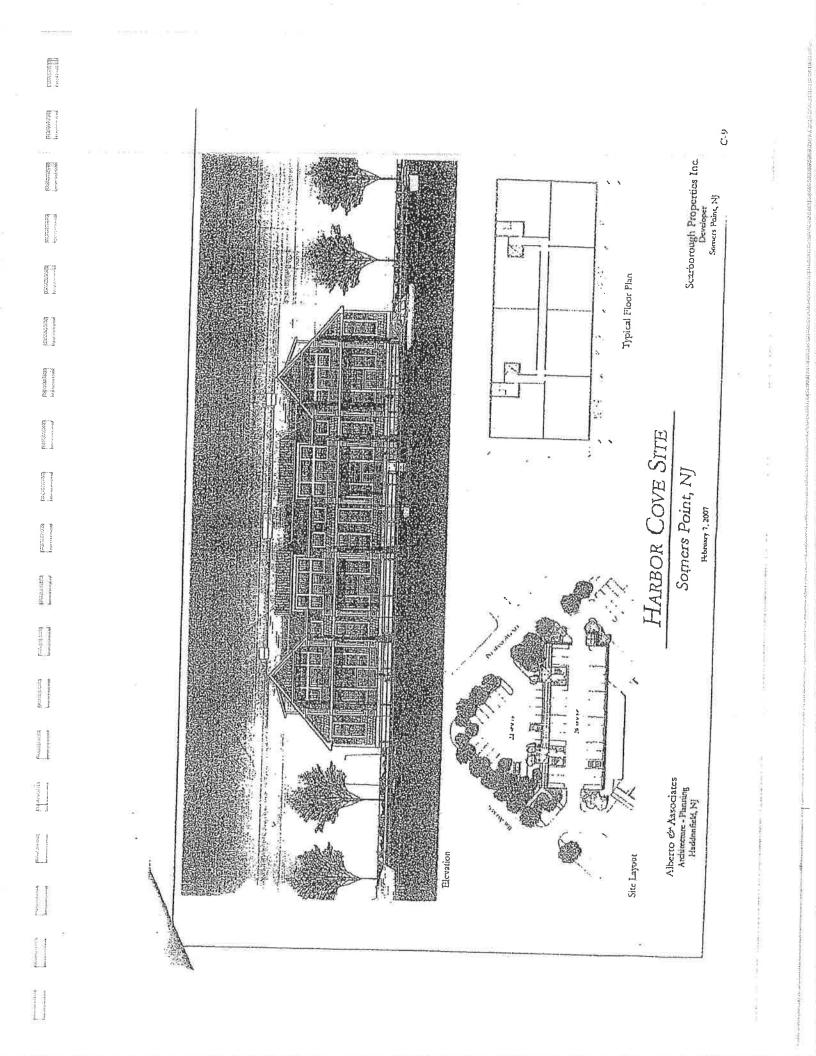
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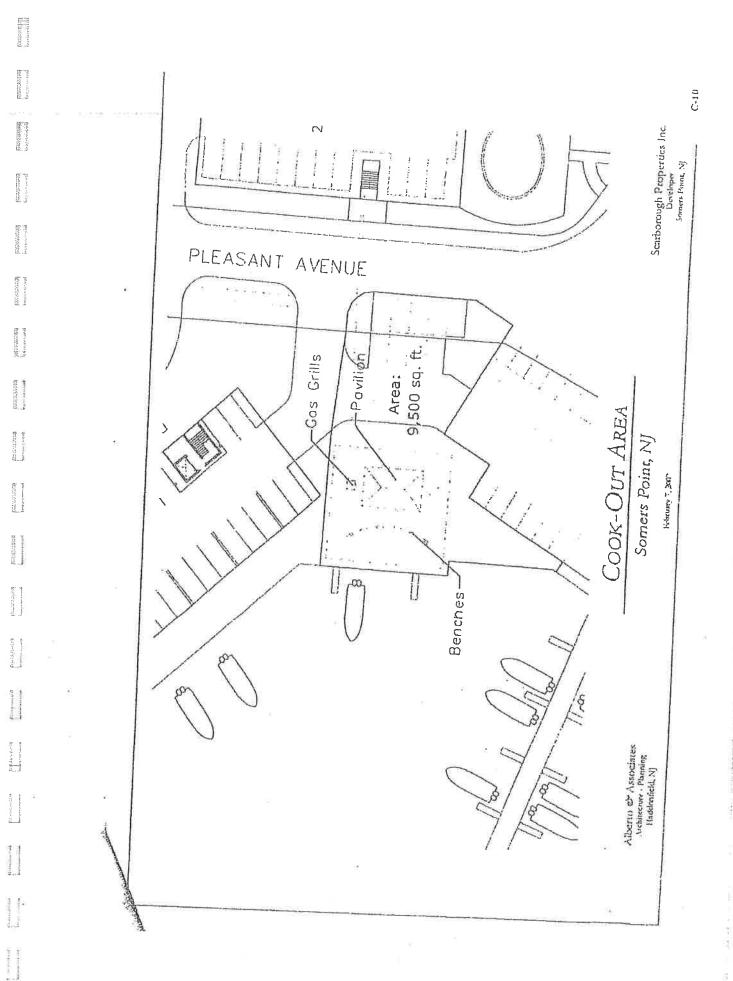


EXHIBIT D: 2017 INCOME LIMITS

Prepared by Affordable Housing Professionals of New Jersey (AHPNJ) - August 2017

# 2017 AFFORDABLE HOUSING REGIONAL INCOME LIMITS BY HOUSEHOLD SIZE

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												Max Increase	rease	Regional Asset
		1 Person	*1.5 Person	2 Person	*3 Person	4 Person	*4.5 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8+ Person	Rents** S	Sales***	Limit***
Region 1	Median	\$60,271	\$64,576	\$68,882	\$77,492	\$86,102	\$89,546	\$92,990	\$99,878	\$106,766	\$113,655			
-	Moderate	\$48,217	\$51,661	\$55,105	\$61,993	\$68,882	\$71,637	\$74,392	\$79,903	\$85,413	\$90,924	1.7%	1.99%	\$166.493
Bergen, Huason, Dessio and Curson, Low	Low	\$30,136	\$32,288	\$34,441	\$38,746	\$43,051	\$44,773	\$46,495	\$49,939	\$53,383	\$56,827			
Lassenc ulle piecer	Very Low	\$18,081	\$19,373	\$20,664	\$23,248	\$25,831	\$26,864	\$27,897	\$29,963	\$32,030	\$34,096			
Region 2	Median	\$65,953	\$70,663	\$75,374	\$84,796	\$94,218	\$97,987	\$101,755	\$109,293	\$116,830	\$124,368			
	Moderate	\$52,762	\$56,531	\$60,299	\$67,837	\$75,374	\$78,389	\$81,404	\$87,434	\$93,464	\$99,494	1 7%	3.25%	\$180.756
	Low	\$32,976	\$35,332	\$37,687	\$42,398	\$47,109	\$48,993	\$50,878	\$54,646	\$58,415	\$62,184			
	Very Low	\$19,786	\$21,199	\$22,612	\$25,439	\$28,265	\$29,396	\$30,527	\$32,788	\$35,049	\$37,310			
Region 3	Median	\$73,780		\$84,320	\$94,860	\$105,400	\$109,616	\$113,832	\$122,264	\$130,696	\$139,128			
Hunterdon,	Moderate	\$59,024	\$63,240	\$67,456	\$75,888	\$84,320	\$87,693	\$91,066	\$97,811	\$104,557	\$111,302	1 7%	%86.0	\$200.698
Middlesex and	Low	\$36,890	\$39,525	\$42,160	\$47,430	\$52,700	\$54,808	\$56,916	\$61,132	\$65,348	\$69,564			
Somerset	Very Low	\$22,134	\$23,715	\$25,296	\$28,458	\$31,620	\$32,885	\$34,150	\$36,679	\$39,209	\$41,738			
Region 4	Median	\$66,022	\$70,738	\$75,454	\$84,885	\$94,317	\$98,090	\$101,862	\$109,408	\$116,953	\$124,498			
Mercer,	Moderate	\$52,817	\$56,590	\$60,363	\$67,908	\$75,454	\$78,472	\$81,490	\$87,526	\$93,562	\$99,599	1.7%	1.53%	\$177.413
Monmouth and	Low	\$33,011	\$35,369	\$37,727	\$42,443	\$47,158	\$49,045	\$50,931	\$54,704	\$58,476	\$62,249			
Ocean	Very Low	\$19,807	\$21,221	\$22,636	\$25,466	\$28,295	\$29,427	\$30,559	\$32,822	\$35,086	\$37,349			
Region 5	Median	\$58,240	\$62,400	\$66,560	\$74,880	\$83,200	\$86,528	\$89,856	\$96,512	\$103,168	\$109,824			
Burlington,	Moderate	\$46,592	\$49,920	\$53,248	\$59,904	\$66,560	\$69,222	\$71,885	\$77,210	\$82,534	\$87,859	1.7%	2.09%	\$154.194
Camden and	Low	\$29,120	\$31,200	\$33,280	\$37,440	\$41,600	\$43,264	\$44,928	\$48,256	\$51,584	\$54,912			
Gloucester	Very Low	\$17,472	\$18,720	\$19,968	\$22,464	\$24,960	\$25,958	\$26,957	\$28,954	\$30,950	\$32,947			
Region 6	Median	\$51,085	\$54,734	\$58,383	\$65,681	\$72,979	\$75,898	\$78,817	\$84,655	\$90,494	\$96,332			
Atlantic, Cape	Moderate	\$40,868	\$43,787	\$46,706	\$52,545	\$58,383	\$60,718	\$63,054	\$67,724	\$72,395	\$77,066	1.7%	0.00%	\$136,680
May, Cumberland,	Low	\$25,543	\$27,367	\$29,192	\$32,840	\$36,489	\$37,949	\$39,409	\$42,328	\$45,247	\$48,166			
and Salem	Very Low	\$15,326	\$16,420	\$17,515	\$19,704	\$21,894	\$22,769	\$23,645	\$25,397	\$27,148	\$28,900			
Moderate	Moderate income is between 80 and 50	ween 80 and		the median i	ncome. Low	income is 5(	percent of the median income. Low income is 50 percent or less of median income. Very low income is 30 percent or less of median income.	ess of media	n income. Ver	y low incorr	e is 30 perce	ent or less o	f median	income.
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increase annually based on the percentage increase in the regional median income limit for each housing region. In no event shall the maximum resale price established by the administive agent \*\*\* This column is used for calculating the pricing for resale increases for units as per N.J.A.C. 5:97-9.3. As per 5:97-9.3.(b), The price of owner-occupied low and moderate income units may be lower than the last recorded purchase price.

Low income tax credit developments may increase based on the low income tax credit regulations.

\*\*\*\* The Regional Asset Limit is used in determining an applicant's eligibility for affordable housing pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:80-26.16(b)3.

Note: Since the Regional Income Limits for Region 6 in 2016 were higher than the 2017 calculations, the 2016 income limits will remain in force for 2017. See N.J.A.C. 5:97-9.2(c).

C. COURT APPROVED SPENDING PLAN WITH COURT ORDER ATTACHED

### Somers Point City, Atlantic County Affordable Housing Trust Fund Spending Plan June 2012

### INTRODUCTION

on June 21, 2007. The affordable housing trust fund ordinance establishes the Somers Point affordable housing trust fund. (Ordinance #16-2005) and was amended by Ordinance #19-2007 on September 27, 2007. The ordinance was approved by the Court development fee ordinance creating a dedicated revenue source for affordable housing was adopted by the City on October 27, 2005 New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (the Department) (N.J.A.C. 5:97-1 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:96-1 et seq.). A Land Use Law (N.J.S.A. 40:55D-1 et seq.), the Fair Housing Act (N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301) and the affordable housing regulations of the The City of Somers Point, Atlantic County has prepared a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan in accordance with the Municipal

currently in the fund (\$221,969.12) and a guide for the expenditure of monies that may be deposited in the fund through 2018. The balance will be spent in accordance with this Spending Plan. Memorial Hospital in 2008, which has now been refunded in accordance with a Court Order dated April 20, 2012. The resulting affordable housing trust fund balance on December 31, 2011 was \$385,302.43. This total includes a payment that was made by Shore date of collection as required by P.L. 2008 c.46, to ensure that the City will retain the funds and have the authority to utilize the funds in support of affordable housing within the City. This Spending Plan provides a specific plan for the expenditure of the monies This Spending Plan is intended to demonstrate commitment of the funds in the affordable housing trust fund within four years of the

<sup>1</sup> Non-residential development has not been considered in the projection since a moratorium on the collection of non-residential development fees remains in effect for all projects that receive land development approvals before July 2013 and receive building permits prior to January 2015.	The Settlement Agreement of Litigation dated April 11, 2007 provides that the payments from Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC and Shore Memorial Hospital were initially intended to fund 44 RCAs (with the City of Bridgeton) at a cost of	<ul> <li>\$490,000 from Shore Medical Center (formerly Shore Memorial Hospital)</li> <li>\$1,050,000 from Bay Avenue Redevelopers, LLC</li> </ul>	(b) Payment in lieu (PIL): Actual and committed payments in lieu (PIL) of construction from developers associated with the Bay Avenue Settlement Agreement as follows:	building permits and certificates of occupancy; and 3. Future development that is likely to occur based on available land.	2. All residential projects currently before the planning and zoning boards for development approvals that may apply for	1. Residential projects which have had development fees imposed upon them at the time of preliminary or final development approvals: <sup>1</sup>	(a) Development fees:	To calculate a projection of revenue anticipated over the next seven years (through 2018), Somers Point considered the following:	Since the inception of the affordable housing trust fund the City has collected \$411,852.45, has expended \$26,550 for housing activity related to an RCA, and has refunded \$163,333.33 to Shore Memorial Hospital in accordance with a Court Order dated April 20, 2012. As of May 2012, there is a balance of \$221,969.12 in the affordable housing trust fund. The City must plan for the expenditure of the remaining \$221,969.12. All development fees, payments in lieu of constructing affordable units on site, funds from the sale of units with extinguished controls, and interest generated by the fees are deposited in a separate interest-bearing affordable housing trust fund in Cape Bank for the purposes of affordable housing. A three party escrow agreement between Somers Point, the Department of Community Affairs, and Cape Bank has been executed. These funds have been and shall be spent in accordance with <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 5:97-8.7.8.9, as described in the sections that follow.	1. REVENUES FOR CERTIFICATION PERIOD
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address its Mount Laurel obligation through other means consistent with the COAH regulations and consistent with the Spending Plan and Fair Share Plan. The timing of the payments is uncertain, but will be made at such time as required by obligations. A timing schedule for the payments is not included in the Settlement Agreement, but in accordance with the payment to the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund for the purpose of enabling the City to satisfy its affordable housing the City to implement the proposals in the Spending Plan or as may be ordered by the Superior Court. Agreement the payments shall be made to the City's Affordable Housing Trust fund for the purpose of enabling the City to \$35,000 each. The Agreement provided that if the RCAs are not possible then the plaintiffs will still make the agreed upon

(c) Other funding sources:

affordable housing program loans, rental income, and proceeds from the sale of affordable units. Funds from other sources, including, but not limited to, the sale of units with extinguished controls, repayment of

- Funds from these sources are not anticipated at this time.
- (d) Projected interest:

Interest on the projected revenue in the municipal affordable housing trust fund at the current average interest rate.

SOURCE OF FUNDS	PRO	JECTED	PROJECTED REVENUES – AFFORDABLE HO 2012 THROUGH 2018	1ES - AF 2012 TH	ES – AFFORDABLE H 2012 THROUGH 2018	LE HOU	JSING T	USING TRUST FUND
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
(a) Development fees:								
Amound Development <sup>2</sup>			000 663	000 723	000 75% 000 75%	\$17 200	000 223	\$37 2000 \$186 000
Development Pending Approval	•		•		*		•	0
Projected Development	•		1	•	•	•		0
(b) Payments in Lieu of								
Construction	1			163,333	513,333	513,333	350,000	350,000 \$1,540,000
(c) Other Funds (Specify source(s))	8	8	•	•	1		.1	0
(d) Interest	\$1,059	\$299	\$89	\$473	\$1,649	\$2,591	\$1,802	\$7,962
Total								\$1,733,962

amount, when added to Somers Point's trust fund balance as of May 2012, results in anticipated total revenue of \$1,955,931 available Somers Point projects a total of \$1,733,962 in revenue to be collected between June 1, 2012 and December 31, 2018. This projected to fund and administer its affordable housing plan. All interest earned on the account shall be used only for the purposes of affordable housing.

condominium project. <sup>2</sup> The approved developments include the 24 unit age-restricted Glynn Neath project, the 18 unit Asbury Group condominium project, and the 24 unit Kasmarck

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The projected timing is provided for the purpose of including the potential future revenues in the Spending Plan as required. However, the timing of future deposits to the affordable housing trust fund is unknown and is dependent upon a number of factors outside the City's control.

# 2. ADMINISTRATIVE MECHANISM TO COLLECT AND DISTRIBUTE FUNDS

City: The following procedural sequence for the collection and distribution of development fee revenues shall be followed by Somers Point

### (a) Collection of development fee revenues

collected as required. 8 (C. 52:27D-329.2) and 32-38 (C. 40:55D-8.1 through 8.7). Non-residential developments are not currently subject to the mandatory development fee. If and when the moratorium imposed by S-2974/A-4221 is lifted, non-residential fees will be I) for both residential and non-residential developments in accordance with the Department's rules and P.L.2008, c.46, sections Collection of development fee revenues shall be consistent with Somers Point's development fee ordinance (Chapter 69 Article

### 9 Distribution of development fee revenues:

administer the programs outlined below. The City expects that those funds will be transferred to the ACIA and then collected in the future will be distributed in accordance with the following procedure: distributed by the County in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. Funds that remain in the account or that are It is anticipated that the City will enter a Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority to

- . The Municipal Housing Liaison forwards a recommendation for expenditure of funds to the City Administrator
- 2 be consistent with the Spending Plan. expenditure will advance implementation of the City's affordable housing objectives and whether the expenditure will The City Administrator forwards the recommendation to the Mayor and City Council with an explanation of how the
- City Council reviews the request and authorizes the expenditure by resolution.
- $\omega_{4}$ The Municipal Housing Liaison (City Administrator) and the CFO maintain accounting of expenditures

# 3. DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED USE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUNDS

**e** Rehabilitation, new construction, extension of controls, and conversion programs and projects (N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.7)

\$1,420,000 from projected revenues as follows: Somers Point will dedicate \$100,000 from the current balance to rehabilitation, conversion, or new construction programs and

Rehabilitation program: \$220,000: \$100,000 from current balance as of 12/31/2011 and \$120,000 from future revenues

The City has entered into a shared services agreement with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority (ACIA) for an additional \$120,000 will be dedicated to housing rehabilitation for approximately ten (10) additional rehabilitations. and Procedures Manual. As additional funds are deposited into the affordable housing trust fund, it is anticipated that Somers Point will be rehabilitated in 2012 and 2013. The program will be administered in accordance with the Policies experience with income qualification and project delivery. It is anticipated that eight (8) eligible housing units in ACIA to administer the rehabilitation program. The ACIA already operates a rehabilitation program, and has

New construction project(s): \$0

Market to Affordable: \$1,000,000

As additional funds are deposited into the trust fund from development fees and payments-in-lieu in the future, the City proposes to utilize the funds for a market to affordable program and for supportive and special needs housing Settlement anticipated that \$1,540,000 from Bay Avenue Redevelopers and Shore Memorial Hospital would be used accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.9. The City's 2006 Fair Share Plan and 2007 Agreement of cost of market rate units (rental or for-sale) to make them affordable to low and moderate income households in will implement a Market to Affordable program, whereby monies from the trust fund would be used to "buy down" the for 44 Regional Contribution Agreements (RCAs). Since RCAs are no longer a permissible use of funds, the City

apartments in Somers Point, many of which have market rents that could conceivably be reduced to an affordable rate would be the present day value of the discounted rents, and for for-sale units the payment would reduce the sale price to \$200,000. These units could conceivably be made affordable with a subsidy from the affordable housing trust fund with a subsidy in the range of \$40,000. Further there are currently approximately 40 homes on the market for under make the unit affordable in accordance with COAH's regional income limits. There are more than 1,500 rental The City will offer an up front payment to make housing units affordable for 30 years. For rental units the payment

the Fair Share Plan is amended in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.11). Additional details as required by N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.9(d) will be provided prior to implementation of the program (when

approximately 25 units affordable to low and moderate income households. administrative agent will be engaged by the City to administer the program. existing housing stock to ensure the availability of housing opportunities for low and moderate income households. An The City would like to work with the owners of apartments or for-sale properties to "buy down" the price to make This program would make use of the

agreement with a property owner and will be sold or rented to low and moderate income households. The program will comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.9 as follows: The market to Affordable program will provide funds to purchase or subsidize housing units through a written

- The units will be certified to be in sound condition as a result of an inspection performed by a licensed building inspector.
- 2 subsidize low income units. The subsidy may be greater depending on the market prices and rents at the time The City will provide a minimum of \$25,000 to subsidize moderate income units and a minimum of \$30,000 to the program is implemented. It is anticipated that the subsidy will be in the \$35,000 to \$45,000 range.
- ω existing housing within Somers Point. anticipated payments-in-lieu were originally intended for RCAs which would have likely have provided funding The COAH rules provide that no more than 10 for sale and 10 rental units, or an amount equal to a combined for existing units in another municipality. This proposal will allow the affordable units to be created using viable means to create affordable housing opportunities using the existing housing stock. Further, the developable land in Somers Point available for new construction. The market to Affordable program provides a Fair Share obligation is unknown so it is not possible to calculate the 10% maximum. There is very little vacant units (more or less depending on the required subsidy). As of the date of this Spending Plan, the City's ultimate municipality and demonstrated a successful history of a market to affordable program. The City is proposing 25 total of 10 percent of the fair share obligation may be used to address the fair share obligation, unless the
- 4 The City will endeavor to comply with a 50/50 low and moderate income split within the Market to Affordable equivalent number of housing units for low income households will be addressed through other mechanisms in program. If more moderate income units are created (as permitted by N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.9(c)(2)) then an the Fair Share Plan.
- S and UHAC. The program will comply with the affordability requirements set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.9(c), N.J.A.C. 5:97-9

A 30 year deed restriction will be placed on the units

# Supportive and Special Needs Housing: \$300,000

for a market to affordable program and for supportive and special needs housing. anticipated that \$1,540,000 from Bay Avenue Redevelopers and Shore Memorial Hospital would be used for 44 Regional opportunities and to implement affordability controls. The City's 2006 Fair Share Plan and 2007 Agreement of Settlement Needs housing provider to purchase two existing market rate units in order to create new supportive and special needs housing As additional monies are deposited into the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, the City will work with a Supportive and Special Contribution Agreements (RCAs). Since RCAs are no longer a permissible use of funds, the City proposes to utilize the funds

special needs housing units will comply with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.10 as follows: monies from the affordable housing trust fund to pay half of the purchase price of two 4 bedroom units. The supportive and special needs and to actively participate in identifying the most ideal locations. It is anticipated that the City will utilize Human Services. This program will enable the City to support the provision of housing opportunities for individuals with provider will be licensed and/or regulated by the DCA, NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, or the NJ Department of The City will choose and work with a qualified supportive and special needs housing provider to implement this program. The

- . and the unit of credit for permanent supportive housing shall be the unit. The unit of credit for group homes, residential health care facilities and supportive shared living shall be the bedroom,
- $\mathbf{\tilde{p}}$ N.J.A.C. 5:97-3.8. Housing that is age restricted will be included in the maximum number of units that may be age restricted pursuant to
- $\omega$ Occupancy shall not be restricted to youth under 18 years of age
- The sites will meet site suitability criteria at NJAC 5:97-3.13
- 4.2 Once the program is initiated (when funds are deposited in municipality/sponsor will acquire site control. 5 the affordable housing trust fund), the
- 7.6 The units will be affirmatively marketed to individuals with special needs.
- Affordability controls will be implemented in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.10(d)(3) and N.J.A.C. 5:97-9
- œ Fund. Share Plan. Implementation is dependent upon availability of revenues to be deposited in the Affordable Housing Trust in accordance with NJAC 5:97-8.11) or the implementation schedule that will be submitted with the amended Fair The information required by N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.10(e) will be provided with the amended Fair Share Plan (to be prepared

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\$124,779	II	PROJECTED MINIMUM Affordability Assistance Requirement 1/1/2012 through 12/31/2018
0		Less affordability assistance expenditures through 12/31/2011
x.30 = \$124,779	x .30 =	Calculate 30 percent requirement
\$415,931.10	Total	
\$26,550	•	Less Housing Activity through 6/2/2008
\$442,481.10		subtotal
\$7,962		Projected Trust Fund Interest through 2018
\$186,000		Projected Development Fees 2012 through 2018
\$2,962.65		Actual Interest through 12/31/2011
\$245,556.45	1	Actual Development Fees through 12/31/2011

## (b) Affordability Assistance (N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.8)

below. The total projected expenditure on affordability assistance programs is \$133,376. The City will follow the procedure affordable to households earning 30 percent or less of median income by region, and \$55,800 from future revenues as set forth more affordable, including \$25,858 (one third of the amount dedicated to affordability assistance) to render units more Somers Point City will dedicate \$77,576 from the current affordable housing trust fund balance of \$221,969.12 to render units set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.11 for consideration of mechanisms that are not in the City's adopted Fair Share Plan:

Assistance Requirement 1/1/2012 through 12/31/2018

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- program and the program will be operated in accordance with the policies and procedures manual Community Development through a shared services agreement. The ACIA will affirmatively market the The program will be administered by the Atlantic County Improvement Authority's Department of households for emergency repairs in accordance with COAH's rules and the rehabilitation program manual. Emergency Repairs Assistance. This program will provide assistance to qualified low and moderate income
- 2 in combination with a "market to affordable" unit, in order to create an affordable unit from a unit that was not previously restricted. The program will provide up to \$15,000 for qualifying low or moderate income to qualifying households. The assistance could be provided for the purchase of an existing affordable unit or Down Payment Assistance Program. This program will provide down payment and closing cost assistance

will enter a Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority (ACIA) to operate and administer the program. households. Very low income households may qualify for additional funds based on actual need. The City

ω Subsidy to Make Affordable Units More Affordable. They City will work with the developer of the households (those earning less than 30% of median income). enable the City to exceed the requirement that 13% of new affordable units be affordable to very low income low income units to make them affordable to very low income households. This affordability assistance will Plantation Bay affordable housing units to provide an up front payment to buy down the cost of one or two

required by N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.8. Additional deposits to the account will allow for the continuation of the down payment assistance may be considered in the future if an opportunity arises, at which time the Spending Plan may be amended. assistance program, emergency repairs program, and/or the subsidy program. Alternative opportunities for affordability Thirty percent of future deposits to the affordable housing trust fund will be dedicated to provide affordability assistance as

# (c) Administrative Expenses (N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.9)

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Actual dev fees and interest thru 12/31/2011	TOTAL	TOTAL \$248,519.10
Projected Development Fees and interest 2012-2018		\$193,962
Payments in lieu and other deposits through 7//17/2008		\$163,333.33
Less refund of payment in lieu in accordance with Court		\$163,333.33
Order		
Less RCA expenditures		\$26,550
Total for calculation of Administrative costs	Ш	= \$415,931
Calculate 20 percent	x .20 =	x.20 = \$83,186.22
Less Administrative expenses through 12/31/2011	1	\$0
PROJECTED MAXIMUM available for administrative	П	\$83,186
expenses through 12/31/2018		

revenues): This second table provides the permitted administrative expenses from the current balance (not including the projected

June 2012

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-		expenses from current balance
= \$44.393	=	PROJECTED MAXIMUM available for administrative
- \$0		Less admin expenditures prior to 12/31/2011
x .20 = \$44,393	x .20 =	Calculate 20 percent
- \$26,550		Less RCA Expenditures
		(the refund to Shore Memorial Hospital ahs been subtracted)

projected revenues will be available to be used for administrative purposes. Projected administrative expenditures, subject to Somers Point projects that \$44,393 from the current balance in the affordable housing trust fund and \$38,792 from the the 20 percent cap, are as follows:

- Establishment of a Shared Services Agreement with Atlantic County Improvement Authority for Rehabilitation, Emergency repairs, and Down Payment Assistance Programs
- 2 Preparation of an amended Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, if necessitated by change in COAH rules
- ယ္ Monitoring and income qualification for renters in rehabilitated units (a fee to ACIA is anticipated)
- 4. Establishment and implementation of Market to Affordable program
- Ś Implementation of Supportive and Special Needs Housing program in coordination with housing services provider.
- ġ Reimbursement to the City for expenses incurred since 2007 related to the preparation of the Fair Share Plan, the Spending Plan, and the preparation and implementation of ordinances to facilitate the production of affordable housing.

to the preparation, administration, and implementation of the City's affordable housing program. development fees and payments-in-lieu); a maximum of 20% of the total will be available for administrative expenses related As additional monies are deposited into the affordable housing trust fund from anticipated residential development (mandatory

### 4. EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE

Somers Point intends to use affordable housing trust fund revenues for the creation and/or rehabilitation of housing units, for affordability assistance, and administration as follows in the table below.

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	Number		PROJE	CTTED E	PROJECTED EXPENDITU		HEDUL	RE SCHEDULE 2012 -2018	)18
PROJECTS/PROGRAMS	of Units Projected	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	Total
Rehabilitation	00	\$75,000	\$25,000		36,000	84,000			\$220,000
New Construction									
1.Market to Affordable	25					120,000	20,000 240,000 640,000	640,000	\$1,000,000
2.Supportive and Special Needs	8 beds						300,000		\$300,000
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Total									
Affordability Assistance (Down Payment Program, emergency repairs, and/or Subsidy Program)	ა 		\$77,576				27,900	27,900	\$133,376
Administration		15,000	\$29,393	0	0	12,931	12,931	12,931	\$83,186
Total		90,000	131,969	0	36,000	216,931 580,831 680,831	580,831	680,831	\$1,736,562

## 5. EXCESS OR SHORTFALL OF FUNDS

Somers Point will alter the plan to ensure that the funds that are collected are spent consistent with the applicable rules and regulations (specifically N.J.A.C. 5:97-6) and in a manner that advances the City's affordable housing goals and that is consistent with the City's Fair Share Plan. Since the City's Third Round Fair Share obligation remains unknown (as municipalities await the outcome of In the event of any expected or unexpected shortfall if the anticipated revenues are not sufficient to implement the spending plan,

June 2012

than reaching a particular target number of units. litigation surrounding COAH's rules), the Spending Plan is aimed at supporting viable affordable opportunities within the City rather

or Somers Point is reserving funds for affordable housing projects to meet a future affordable housing obligation, these excess funds will be used to expand or supplement the programs described above.. In the event more funds than anticipated are collected, projected funds exceed the amount necessary to implement the Fair Share Plan,

### SUMMARY

Plan Element. comply with new substantive rules, then the Spending Plan will also be consistent with the housing programs outlined in the Housing will follow the procedures set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.11. At such time as the City is required to prepare a new Fair Share Plan to proposed programs within this Spending Plan are not included in the City's adopted Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, the City Somers Point City intends to spend affordable housing trust fund revenues pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.7 through 8.9. In accordance housing mechanisms not included in the municipal Fair Share Plan in the form of an amendment to the Spending Plan. Insofar as the with N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.11 a municipality may request authorization for expenditure of affordable housing trust funds on emergent

program, as well as to expand the rehabilitation and affordability assistance programs. and \$44,393 for administrative costs. The municipality will dedicate any excess funds or remaining balance toward expanding the programs described or toward the implementation of a Market to Affordable program, and/or a supportive/special needs housing will be amended if revenues exceed the projections or if additional affordable housing programs are proposed. Of the existing trust 221,969.10. The City anticipates an additional \$1,733,962 in revenues through 2018 (or possibly beyond) for a total of \$1,955,931. Memorial Hospital (Shore Medical Center) in accordance with a Court Order dated April 20, 2012. The remaining balance is Somers Point had a balance of 385,302.43 in the account as of December 31, 2011, of which \$163,333.33 have been returned to Shore The City has provided a plan to spend projected revenues although the timing of projected revenues is uncertain. The Spending Plan fund balance, Somers Point will dedicate \$100,000 towards the housing rehabilitation program, \$77,576 for affordability assistance.

REMAINING BALANCE	TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENDITURES	ising Ac	Excess Funds or Remaining Balance Reserved for Additional	Administration	Affordability Assistance	10.	9.	8.	7.	6.	Ŷ	4.	3	2.Supportive and Special Needs	1. Market to Affordable	Funds used for New Construction	Funds used for Rehabilitation	PROJECTED EXPENDITURES 2012-2018	TOTAL REVENUE	Interest	Other funds	Payments in lieu of construction	Development fees	PROJECTED REVENUE 2012-2018	Current Balance	Refund to Shore Medical Center	Balance as of December 31, 2011	SPENDING PLAN SUMMARY
= \$219,309	\$1,736,562		= \$219,369	- \$83,186	6		- 50							300,000	00		- \$220,000		= \$1,955,931	+ \$7,962		540,000			\$221,969.10		\$385,302.43	

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, A Municipal Corporation of the State of New Jersey, SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY ATLANTIC COUNTY LAW DIVISION

Docket No.: ATL-L-002835-07

### **CIVIL ACTION**

Petitioner

### ORDER APPROVING SOMERS POINT AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND SPENDING PLAN

THIS MATTER having been brought before the Court for hearing on June 29, 2012 upon Notice of Motion filed by Randolph C. Lafferty, Esquire, and James E. Franklin II, Esquire of the Law Firm of Youngblood, Lafferty, Sampoli, P.A., attorneys for Petitioner, City of Somers Point, in the above entitled action, seeking entry of an Order approving the Affordable Housing Trust Fund Spending Plan adopted by the governing body of the City of Somers Point, and approving certain actions taken and to be taken by the governing body of the City of Somers Point including the execution and delivery of a Shared Services Agreement between the City of Somers Point and the Atlantic County Improvement Authority for the implementation of the Somers Point Affordable Housing Spending Plan; and The Court having considered the Affidavit of Randolph C. Lafferty, Esquire, the Exhibits submitted in support of the Motion including Resolutions adopted by the governing body of the City of Somers Point approving and adopting the Affordable Housing Spending Plan and the execution and delivery of a Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority, a Resolution adopted by the Atlantic County Improvement Authority authorizing the execution and delivery of a Shared Services Agreement with the City of Somers Point, a written report received from the Court – appointed Special Master Mary Beth Lonergan as supplemented by the testimony of Ms. Lonergan on the return date of the Motion recommending that the Court grant the relief as requested; and

The Court having given due and careful consideration to the moving papers, the supporting documents, the report of Special Master Mary Beth Lonergan as supplemented by her testimony, and having otherwise reviewed the totality of the circumstances presented, for good cause shown having determined that the requested relief should be granted,

**IT IS** on this 2012. day of **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** as follows:

- (1) The Affordable Housing Trust Fund Spending Plan adopted by the City of Somers Point on June 14, 2012 attached hereto as Exhibit A is consistent with the Council on Affordable Housing's ("COAH's") spending plan requirements at N.J.A.C. 5:97-8 'Affordable Housing Trust Funds' and specifically N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.10 'Spending Plans' and is hereby approved;.
- (2) The Shared Services Agreement between the City of Somers Point and The Atlantic County Improvement Authority attached hereto as Exhibit B is hereby approved as a proper action in the implementation of the

"Affordable Housing Trust Fund Spending Plan" with the further obligation that i) the Shared Services Agreement between the City of Somers Point and the Atlantic County Improvement Authority including the Specifications shall, in due course, be revised to include rehabilitation of renter occupied units consistent with COAH's rules at N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.2 and ii) the Atlantic County Improvement Authority shall include provisions for the rehabilitation of renter occupied units within its Affordable Housing Manual consistent with COAH's rules at N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.2;

- (3) The Affordable Housing Trust Fund Spending Plan adopted by the City of Somers Point is hereby determined to include the spending plan elements required by N.J.A.C. 5:97-8.10;
- (4) The City of Somers Point has submitted documentation required by COAH for a rehabilitation program (per N.J.A.C. 5:97-6.2) and has also incorporated within its Affordable Housing Spending Plan provisions for Market to Affordable and Supportive and Special Needs Housing programs which are not included within its adopted Housing Element and Fair Share Plan;
- (5) The City of Somers Point has the authority under N.J.A.C 5:97 8.11 to adopt a Spending Plan which is at variance with its adopted Housing Element and Fair Share Plan;
- (6) The City of Somers Point shall submit an amendment to its Fair Share
  Plan to include the additional spending mechanisms pursuant to N.J.A.C.
  5:97- 6.9 "Market to Affordable Program" and N.J.A.C. 5:96-10

"Supportive and Special Needs Housing" at the earlier of two years after COAH's approval of the Spending Plan or the next planned amendment to the Fair Share Plan resulting from any Third Round submission or plan evaluation which the City may be required to submit to COAH;

- (7) The City of Somers Point shall transfer to the Atlantic County Improvement Authority from the Somers Point Affordable Housing Trust Fund the sum of ONE HUNDRED NINETY EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTEEN Dollars (\$198,816.00) of which amount \$100,000 shall be dedicated towards the housing rehabilitation program and \$98,816 shall be dedicated for affordability assistance; and the current remaining Affordable Housing Trust Fund balance of \$23,153 shall be applied to administrative costs;
- (8) Until such time as the City's future fair share obligation is known, the City shall limit approval to not more than a total of twenty (20) market to affordable units which shall be further limited to ten (10) for –sale units and ten (10) rental units;
- (9) Through the adoption of its Affordable Housing Trust Fund Spending Plan and the Shared Services Agreement with the Atlantic County Improvement Authority, as hereinabove approved, the City of Somers Point has satisfied its statutory obligation to "commit for expenditure" its Affordable Housing Trust Fund in accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 52:27D-329.2, 52:27D-329.3 and all applicable COAH rules and regulations; and

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein to the contrary, nothing in (10)this Order affects the continuing validity or force of the Judgment of Compliance and Repose, entered by this Court on July 7, 2007 in Docket NO. ATL-L-007302-06, and the Order of Continued Immunity which references the City's continued progress to address its rehabilitation obligation as well as providing reasonable attempts to address future affordable housing obligations entered on June 30, 2011 in Docket No. ATL-L-002835-07.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Counsel for the City shall forward a copy of this Order to the Court's Mount Laurel Master and the Council on Affordable Housing within five (5) days of receipt. Counsel for the City shall also direct the City Clerk to post a copy of this Order on the City's official bulletin board.

HONORABLE JAMES E. ISMAN, J.T.C. t/a

**PAPERS CONSIDERED:** 

- Notice of Motion
- **Movant's Affidavits**
- **Movant's Brief**
- **Answering Affidavit**
- **Answering Brief**
- **Cross-Motion**
- **Movant's Reply**
- **Exhibits**
- **Report of Court Appointed Special Master**
- Other

D. FINAL ORDER OF FAIRNESS COMPLIANCE AND REPOSE

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF SOMERS POINT, a municipal corporation of the State of New Jersey, SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY LAW DIVISION ATLANTIC COUNTY

Docket No. L-1538-15

(Mount Laurel)

Plaintiff/Petitioner,

### FINAL ORDER OF FAIRNESS COMPLIANCE AND REPOSE

THIS MATTER having been opened to the Court in the form of a Consent Order submitted to the Court by James E. Franklin II, Esq. of Youngblood Franklin Sampoli & Coombs, P.A., on behalf of the declaratory plaintiff, City of Somers Point ('City"), and Adam Gordon, Esq. of Fair Share Housing Center (hereinafter "FSHC");and the Court being in receipt of the findings and recommendations of the Honorable Steven P. Perskie, J.S.C. (ret'd.), the Court-appointed Special Master ("Master") in this litigation;

AND, an Order of Fairness and Compliance having been entered by the Court on June 5. 2018 which set forth conditions in Paragraph 4 thereof to be satisfied by the City, the finding is of which Order remain in full force and effect except to the extend modified herein;

AND the Court is in receipt of:

i) A true and complete copy of the draft Housing Element and Fair Share Plan prepared by Maser Consulting, P.A. attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit SP 1;

ii) A true and complete copy of the draft amendments to Somers Point City Code Chapter 69 "Affordable Housing" attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit SP 2;

iii) Certification and Proof of Publication of the Notice of Supplemental Fairness Hearing by The Press of Atlantic City on July 30, 2018 (Exhibit SP 3);

iv) Proof of Mailing of Notice of Supplemental Fairness Hearing on July 30, 2018 to those persons in the revised Service List and Certification of James E. Franklin II that no response to the Supplemental Notice of Fairness hearing was received from any person on or before the August 19, 2015 response date set forth in the Notice filing any comment or expressing an intent to appear at the August 30, 2018 Hearing (Exhibit SP 4).

FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN;

IT IS on this <u>291</u> day of August, 2018, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows: 1. The Court finds that the City provided adequate notice to the public and all interested parties prior to the supplemental Fairness Hearing date of August 30, 2018, and no person responded to the notice expressing a

desire or intent to appear at such hearing. Thus the Court finds it is appropriate to proceed by form of this Consent Order without the necessity of appearance by counsel in Court.

2. The Court finds that the City has substantially fulfilled its responsibilities which had been set forth in Paragraph 4 of the Order of Fairness and Compliance entered by this Court on June 5, 2018 including:

i) the preparation of a Draft Housing Element and Fair Share Plan attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit SP-1 which is subject to final adoption by the City Planning Board and endorsement by the City Council; and

ii) draft amendments to Somers Point City Code Chapter 69 "Affordable Housing" attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit SP-2 which are subject to final enactment by the City Council .

The above referenced draft Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and the draft amendments to Somers Point City Code Chapter 69 "Affordable Housing" are hereby approved by the Court subject to final adoption by the City as specified further herein.

3. The City, the City Council, and the City Planning Board are granted a Declaratory Judgment of Compliance and Repose pursuant to <u>East/West Venture v. Borough of Fort Lee</u> 286 NJ Super. 311 (App. Div. 1996)\_ and the <u>Mount Laurel</u> line of cases including <u>"Mount Laurel IV"</u>; and the Court declares the City of Somers Point to be in compliance with its obligation to have provided and to provide a realistic opportunity for the development of housing affordable to low and moderate income households as defined in what are commonly known as the <u>Mount Laurel</u> cases, and in the New Jersey Fair Housing Act, N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301, et seq., as amended. Entry of this Judgment of Compliance and Repose will bar through July 1, 2025 any claim that the City of Somers Point is failing to provide a sufficient realistic opportunity for the development of housing for low and moderate income households other than enforcement of the terms of the April 26, 2018Settlement Agreement between the City and FSHC (the "Agreement") and this Order.

4. The City shall continue to move forward in implementing the Agreement specifically by completing the remaining obligations under the Order of Fairness and Compliance dated June 5, 2018 as specified herein no later than December 31, 2018:

i) Adoption of a final Housing Element and Fair Share Plan;

ii) Enactment of an Ordinance revising Chapter 69 of the Somers Point City Code;

iii) Revised Spending Plan to provide for the compliance mechanisms set forth within the

Agreement which shall be approved through a subsequent Consent Order to be submitted by the City and FSHC.

5. In the event the actions required by paragraph 4 are not completed in a timely fashion, this Court retains jurisdiction to hear any challenge(s) by the FSHC, or any interested party, to the City's entitlement to the immunity granted herein. The Court otherwise retains jurisdiction over this matter solely for purposes of enforcement of this Judgment of Compliance and Repose and the Settlement Agreement entered by the City and Fair Share Housing Center.

6. Counsel for the City shall separately file the Exhibits referenced in this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order shall be served upon all parties within seven (7) days of its receipt.

NELSON C. JOHNSON, J.S.C

C. JOHNSON

We hereby consent to the form and entry of this Order:

FAIR SHARE HOUSING CENTER

BY: ADAM GORDON, ESO,

YOUNGBLOOD FRANKLIN SAMPOLI & COOMBS, P.A

BY:

JAMÉS E. FRANKIN II, ESQ. CITY OF SOMERS POINT SPECIAL COUNSEL E. PLANNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2-2018

### CITY OF SOMERS POINT PLANNING BOARD

### **RESOLUTION NO 2 - 2018**

### RESOLUTIONS APPROVING AN AMENDMENT OF MASTER PLAN TO INCORPORATE AMENDED HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN AND FINDING THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CITY CODE CHAPTER 69 CONSISTENT WITH THE INTENT OF THE MASTER PLAN

**WHEREAS,** the Planning Board of the City of Somers Point (the "**Planning Board**") has the statutory power, after public hearing, to amend the Master Plan, and any of the component parts thereof, to guide the use of the lands within the City of Somers Point (the "**City**") in a manner that protects public health and safety and promotes the general welfare pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:55D-28; and

WHEREAS, by a resolution of the Planning Board adopted on May 20, 2015, the Planning Board adopted the Somers Point Master Plan Reexamination, which served as the required 10-year reexamination of the Master Plan of the City (collectively, the "Master Plan"), which included the following statement regarding the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan:

### "5.2.3 Housing Element

The Housing Element that was adopted in 2005 remains in effect. Earlier this year the New Jersey Supreme Court ordered the State to adopt new regulations comparable to the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) rules that expired more than 15 years ago. COAH has failed to act affirmatively. The City should monitor the status of the proposed rule changes."; and

**WHEREAS**, at the time the Master Plan was reexamined, litigation was ongoing before the New Jersey Supreme Court regarding COAH rules and as a result, no more specific statement could be included within the Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, subsequently, on March 10, 2015, the New Jersey Supreme Court issued its decision <u>In the Matter of the Adoption of N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97 by the New Jersey Council</u> <u>on Affordable Housing</u>, 221 N.J. (2015) (referred to as "**Mount Laurel IV**"). The Supreme Court found that the COAH administrative process had become non-functioning and, as a result, returned primary jurisdiction over affordable housing matters to the trial courts; and

**WHEREAS,** in compliance with the Decision and Order entered by the New Jersey Supreme Court in *Mount Laurel IV*, on July 7, 2015 a Declaratory Judgment action ("*In the* 

*Matter of the Application of the City of Somers Point*" bearing Docket Number ATL-L 1530-15) was filed in the Superior Court of New Jersey in which the City sought a judicial determination of the City's Third Round Affordable Housing Obligation in compliance with the *Mount Laurel IV* Decision and Order of the New Jersey Supreme Court; and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of a Settlement Agreement entered into between the City and Fair Share Housing Center (the "**Agreement**"), which Agreement was approved by the City Council of the City of Somers Point (the "**City Council**") on April 12, 2018, by Resolution 84 of 2018, and which has been approved by Orders entered by the New Jersey Superior Court on June 5, 2018 and August 29, 2018, respectively (collectively the "**Orders**") following Fairness Hearings required by state statute, which grant to the City compliance and immunity from any *Mount Laurel* based lawsuit through July, 2025, and which establish the City's Third Round Affordable Housing Obligation; and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the Settlement Agreement and the Orders affirming the Settlement Agreement require the adoption of an amended and supplemented Housing Plan and Fair Share Plan to be adopted and included within the Master Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, Maser Consulting, P.A., the Affordable Housing Planner retained by the City, has prepared the necessary Housing Element and Fair Share Plan dated August 2018, as an amendment to the Master Plan in compliance with the Settlement Agreement and Orders, a copy of which is attached to this resolution as **Exhibit "A"** and by this reference made a part hereof (the "**2018 HEFSP**"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board has reviewed the 2018 HEFSP and has determined to amend the Master Plan to incorporate the 2018 HEFSP; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:55D-26, the Planning Board has reviewed the proposed amendments to Chapter 69 of the City Code, entitled "Affordable Housing," as set forth in **Exhibit "B"** annexed hereto and by this reference made a part hereof ("**Amended Chapter 69**"); and

**WHEREAS**, upon notice duly provided pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40:55D-13, the Planning Board held a public hearing on the 2018 HEFSP and Amended Chapter 69 on October 17, 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board has considered the testimony of the planning consultant, Pamela Pellegrini, P.E., P.P., C.M.E., and the comments and evidence offered by participants at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board accepts the findings as set forth in the 2018 HEFSP,

has determined that the amendment to the Master Plan to incorporate the 2018 HEFSP is consistent with the goals and objectives of the City's Master Plan and that adoption and implementation of the 2018 HEFSP as an amendment to the City's Master Plan are in the public interest and protect public health and safety and promote the general welfare, and finds that proposed Amended Chapter 69 of the City Code, entitled "Affordable Housing," is consistent with the Master Plan and should be adopted by City Council.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, a Motion having been made and seconded, be it resolved by the Planning Board of the City of Somers Point, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- that the Planning Board hereby accepts the findings as set forth in the 2018 HEFSP and finds that the 2018 HEFSP is consistent with the goals of the Master Plan;
- (ii) that the Planning Board hereby adopts the 2018 HEFSP attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and hereby incorporates the 2018 HEFSP into the City's Master Plan as new Section 5.2.3 of the Master Plan, thereby deleting existing Section 5.2.3 from the Master Plan; and
- (iii) that the Planning Board finds that Amended Chapter 69 attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and entitled "Affordable Housing" is consistent with the Master Plan and recommends that said Amended Chapter 69 be adopted by City Council.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution and Exhibits be sent by personal service or certified mail to the Office of Planning Advocacy and the Atlantic County Planning Board, and be provided to the Clerk of the City of Somers Point, within thirty (30) days of the date of adoption of this Resolution.

CITY OF SOMERS FOINT PLANNING BOARD By: Sykora, Vice Chairman Jayne Meischker, Secretary

Dated: October 17, 2018

F. COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 186 OF 2018

### City of Somers Point Resolution No. 186 of 2018

A Resolution Approving and Endorsing the 2018 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan as an Amendment to the Master Plan of the City

Whereas, the New Jersey Supreme Court (the "Court"), in the case captioned In re N.J.A.C. 5:96 and 5:97, 221 N.J. 1 (2015) commonly referred to as Mount Laurel IV, reaffirmed that as a matter of constitutional law each municipality within the State has an obligation provide a realistic opportunity for an appropriate variety and choice of housing, including such opportunity for the construction of its fair share of present and prospective regional need for low and moderate income housing, persons of low and moderate income housing; and

Whereas, the Court further determined that after many opportunities, the Council of Affordable Housing ("COAH"), the State Agency established to promulgate rules, obligations, and the compliance mechanisms necessary for each municipality to meet its fair share obligation, had failed to meet that obligation; and

Whereas, the Court transferred those obligations from COAH to the Superior Court of New Jersey through the filing of declaratory judgment lawsuits; and

Whereas, on July 7, 2015 the City of Somers Point (the "City") filed a declaratory judgment action on the New Jersey Superior Court ("In the Matter of the City of Somers Point" Docket Number ATL-L\_1538-15) as authorized by City Council by Resolution Number 123 of 2015 adopted on June 25, 2015; and

Whereas, the declaratory judgment action was resolved through a settlement agreement between the City and Fair Share Housing Center (the "Agreement") which was approved by the Somers Point City Council on April 12, 2018 by Resolution Number 84 of 2018; and

Whereas, upon proper statutory notice a Fairness Hearing was held on June 1, 2018, which was open to the public and a preliminary Order of Fairness and Compliance was entered by the Court on June 5, 2018 (the "Preliminary Order") and following the required statutory notice, a Final Order of Fairness, Compliance and Repose (the "Final Order") was entered by the Court on August 29, 2018; and

Whereas, pursuant to the Terms of the Settlement Agreement and the Final Order, the City is

obligated to prepare and adopt a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan as an amendment to the City's Master Plan; and

Whereas, the required Housing Element and Fair Share Plan (the "2018 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan") was prepared by Maser Consulting, P.A., the Affordable Housing Planner retained by the City; and

Whereas, in accordance with the terms of the Settlement Agreement and Final Order, the Housing Plan Element and Fair Share Plan was duly entered into evidence before the Somers Point Planning Board at a public meeting held on October 17, 2018, in accordance with all statutory notice requirements, during which the Planning Board reviewed and considered the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan; and

Whereas, on October 17, 2018, following a public hearing, the Somers Point Planning Board adopted Resolution No. 2 - 2018 approving an amendment to the Master Plan of the City of Somers Point to incorporate the 2018 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, determining that the 2018 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan is in conformity with the City's affordable housing obligations as approved by the Superior Court in the Preliminary and Final Court Orders, and is consistent with the goals and objectives of the City's Master Plan.

Now, therefore, it is hereby Resolved that the City Council of the City of Somers Point approves and endorses the 2018 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan as an amendment to the Master Plan of the City to address and provide for the City's Mount Laurel affordable housing obligations; and

It is further Resolved that a copy of the 2018 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan shall, within thirty (30) days following the adoption of this Resolution, be posted on the official web site of the City of Somers Point as an addition to the "Somers Point Master Plan Re-examination" link to be captioned "Somers Point Master Plan Re-examination and 2018 Housing Element and Fair Share Plan".

I, Lucy R. Samuelsen, City Clerk of the City of Somers Point, New Jersey, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy, duly adopted by the City Council of said City at a Regular meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.

Buy R. Som ul kon Lucy R. Samuelsen, RMC, Somers Point City Clerk