ORDINANCE NO. 2022-21

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 249 ENTITLED UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODES

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Wood-Ridge, County of Bergen, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. All references to "Building Department" found in the chapters and subchapters of the Borough Code, the purpose and context of which is to refer to the Borough's Construction Code Office, shall be changed to "Construction Code Office".

SECTION 2. All references to "Building Inspector", "Building Official", "Construction Official" or "Construction Code Officer" found in the chapters and subchapters of the Borough Code, the purpose and context of which is to refer to the Borough's Construction Code Official, shall be changed to "Construction Code Official".

SECTION 3. Section 249-1 is replaced in its entirety as follows:

§ 249-1 **Enforcing agency established.**

A. There is hereby established in the Borough of Wood-Ridge, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-119 et seq., a Uniform Construction Code enforcing agency to be known as the "Construction Code Office," consisting of a Construction Code Official, Building Subcode Official, Plumbing Subcode Official, Electrical Subcode Official, Fire Protection Subcode Official and such other subcode officials for such additional subcodes as the New Jersey Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs shall hereafter adopt as part of the State Uniform Construction Code. If so determined by the Mayor and Borough Council, the office may also consist of a Deputy Construction Code Official, a Deputy Subcode Official for each subcode discipline herein named, and any number of Assistant Subcode Officials and/or Inspectors.

B. The Construction Code Official shall be the Director of the Office and shall report for administrative purposes to the Borough Administrator and for operational purposes to the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Division of Codes and Standards. The Construction Code Official shall provide regular reports of the activity of the Office to the Borough Administrator. If so determined by the Mayor and Borough Council, another official or employee of the Borough may be designated as the Administrative Director of the Office in order to provide managerial oversite of the personnel and administrative functions of the Office. Said Administrative Director shall report to the Borough Administrator.

C. Each official position created in Subsection **A** hereof shall be filled by a person qualified for such position pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-119 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:23, provided that, in lieu of any particular subcode official, an on-site inspection agency may be retained by contract pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:23. More than one such official position may be held by

the same person, provided that such person is qualified pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:27D-119 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 5:23 to hold each such position.

D. The Construction Code Office may also be staffed by any number of clerk-typists and/or certified technical assistants as may be determined by the Mayor and Borough Council.

E. All personnel of the Construction Code Office shall be appointed by the Mayor, with the advice and consent of the Borough Council, and shall receive a salary as determined by the annual salary ordinance and resolution. The working hours of all personnel and their status as full-time or part-time employees shall be determined by the Mayor and Borough Council as recommended by the Borough Administrator. The Construction Code Office shall be open and staffed during the regular business hours that Borough Hall is open to the public except for circumstances that are unforeseen, emergent, due to temporary scheduling conflict, and/or due to temporary staff unavailability.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. If any part, sections, provisions, or the total of any of the abovementioned publications are held to be invalid or unenforceable by any court, the findings or judgments of which court are applicable in the State of New Jersey, that the balance and remainder of such publication shall remain in full force and effect as an Ordinance of the Borough of Wood-Ridge.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption and publication according to law.

APPROVED:

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PAUL A. SARLO
Mayor

ATTEST:

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GINA AFFUSO
Borough Clerk

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