



Township Of Mahwah

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
And VIA REGULAR MAIL

July 21, 2017

South Monsey Eruv Fund
31 Morris Road
Spring Valley, NY 10977

Re: Installation of Signs on Utility Poles
Zoning Violations
East Mahwah Road, Airmont Avenue,
Masonicus Road and Sparrowbush Road
Township of Mahwah
Our File No. MA-75-28

To Whom It May Concern:

It has come to my attention that the South Monsey Eruv Fund has installed an eruv along utility poles in the Township of Mahwah. In reviewing the Zoning Ordinance of the Township of Mahwah, same is impermissible as the installation of an eruv would constitute a sign on a utility pole.

I direct your attention to the following section of the Township of Mahwah Zoning Ordinance, which defines a sign as follows: "Sign shall mean any device for visual communication that is used for the purpose of bringing the subject thereof to the attention of the public". (Section 24-2.2). Further, the Township Zoning Ordinance specifically prohibits the following signs within all zones in the Township: "Signs placed on trees, rocks or utility poles". (Section 24-6.8F(3)(c)).

In reviewing the ordinance, the installation of an eruv constitutes a prohibited activity and is therefore in violation of the ordinance sections mentioned herein. You must take the appropriate steps to remove the eruv that has been presently installed and cease further installation of same.

You must commence the removal of the eruv no later than July 28, 2017 and must complete the removal of all eruv no later than August 4, 2017. Should these deadlines not be met, we will recommend that summonses be issued for the violations that have occurred. In addition, you must provide me with notification of the commencement of removal.

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If you have any questions concerning the applicability of the ordinance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

BOSWELL McCLAVE ENGINEERING

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Administrative Officer
Department of Land Use and
Property Maintenance

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cc: The Honorable Mayor and Council
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